12th Annual African American Youth Heritage Day
February 7, 2020

Shape Your Future
PROCLAMATION

CITY OF TUCSON • OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

WHEREAS, the Tucson Educational Empowerment for Minorities, a nonprofit organization, is dedicated to encouraging and motivating African-American youth to stay in school, acquire good grades and attain advanced degrees from historically Black colleges and universities or other post-secondary institutions; and

WHEREAS, one hundred and seventy years ago, poor, disadvantaged former slaves, along with Justin Smith Morrill, Quakers, abolitionists, Methodists, and Presbyterians, established collegiate sanctuaries with the sole purpose of empowering future generations of former slave descendants to seek education; and

WHEREAS, the Tucson Educational Empowerment for Minorities is committed to the vision of our forefathers to encourage education of those in the African-American community in Tucson, pledging never to let our young people forget the contributions and sacrifices made to establish these sanctuaries of higher learning; and

WHEREAS, the Tucson Educational Empowerment for Minorities celebrates historically Black colleges and universities that assist and support African-Americans;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Regina Romero, Mayor of the City of Tucson, Arizona, do hereby proclaim February 7, 2020 to be

AFRICAN-AMERICAN YOUTH HERITAGE DAY

in this community, and encourage all our citizens to recognize and appreciate the value of higher education and celebrate the empowerment opportunities available through historically Black colleges and universities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Tucson, Arizona to be affixed this 10th day of February, 2020.

Regina Romero, Mayor

ATTEST:

Roger W. Randolph, City Clerk
*** PROGRAM ***

8:30 – 9:00 .................................................................Student Arrivals

9:00 – 9:30 .................................................................Opening Ceremonies
   DJ ............ DJ Mista “T”
Welcome – MC .........................................................Trehon Coleman
Invocation ..............................................................Pastor Lewis
“Lift Every Voice”......................................................Soulfulness

Proclamation
Heritage Day Introductions.................................Trehon Coleman
   & Beah Williams
Pima College Welcome ...........................................Dr. Morgan Phillips
   Dr. Daisy Rodriguez-Pitel
Heritage Day Welcome ..........................................Jimmy Hart
   TUSD Director African American Student Services
Heritage Day Welcome – Recognition of Facilitators, Volunteers &
   TEEM Members ..................................................Marie Cephers
   President
Introduction of Keynote Speaker .........................Trehon Coleman

9:30 – 10:30 .......Calvin Terrell - Keynote Speaker

10:45 – 11:45
*** CAREER WORKSHOPS ***

11:45 – 12:15
*** LUNCH ***

12:15 – 1:15
*** COLLEGE BOOTHs ***

MC – Kevin Adger
1:15 – 2:30
*** ENTERTAINMENT ***
February 07, 2020

Dear African American Heritage Day Planning Committee and participants,

Pima Community College is delighted to partner with the Tucson Educational Empowerment for Minorities community organization and serve as the host for today’s event. The committee has worked diligently and tirelessly to plan a day filled with education, exploration, and inspiration for success.

African American Heritage Day is an exciting opportunity to learn about higher education and to firm up your individual commitment to moving forward with earning an academic degree beyond high school. PCC faculty, staff, and administrators are here to support you along your educational journey!

Sincerely,

Morgan A. Phillips, Ed.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Excellence
Pima Community College
February 2020

Greetings!

It is an honor and a pleasure to launch this 12th Annual African American Youth Heritage Day. It seems like yesterday, not 12 years ago, that we embarked on this idea to offer our African American students the opportunity to attend workshops that would enhance their career going forward.

We began at a location, Dunbar Auditorium, 12 years ago with less than 100 students. Today, we’re servicing over 800 students with a waiting list. These students represent all the local school districts, Sahaurita and Vail districts, as well as private and charter schools. Our desire is to serve all districts. We want our children to become life-long learners as they graduate from high school and pursue post-secondary education. Additionally, we want to empower generations to come.

We are mindful that all students may not attend college. Therefore, we’re providing workshops that explore other avenues, such as, military, JTED, and entrepreneurship, etc. Additionally, retired NASA engineers provide a very exciting workshop that may lead some students to pursue a career in engineering at NASA. Since finance is always an issue, we provide a workshop, College Knowledge, as well. This workshop will help students find the money they might need.

Thank you for allowing your child/children to attend this “Career Oriented Heritage Day.”

Very truly yours,

Marie Cephers
President

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On behalf of the Tucson Unified School District African American Student Services Department, we are honored to collaborate with Tucson Educational Empowerment for Minorities (TEEM) Organization. To date, over 3,900 TUSD students have benefited from the annual cultural event known as African American Youth Heritage Day. Furthermore, hundreds of our students have benefited from follow-up financial aid workshops, received college scholarships, attended historical black colleges and universities (HBCU), and are now serving as leaders in our local and national community.

Few events in our local community give African American high school students the opportunity to connect with like-minded individuals that look like them, talk like them, understand their life experiences, and dream like them. Few events bring together over 800 African American high school students to celebrate their heritage and connect with leaders in our community. From Olympians, business owners and medical doctors, to individuals serving under President Obama, TEEM has modeled “It takes a village” to support every child. Today is no different. To all the students in attendance, hold your heads high to the sky and know you are valued and accepted. In the words of Malcolm X, “We cannot think of being acceptable to others until we have first proven acceptable to ourselves.” Enjoy the day and treat each other with dignity and respect.

We salute the TEEM Organization for 11 years of celebrating African American students and encouraging every student in attendance to give their best every day.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Jimmy Hart, Director, EDS
Proud graduate of an HBCU and University of Arizona

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Calvin Terrell is founder and lead facilitator of Social Centric Institute; an organization he designed to provide education and training for all ages to enhance human interactions and global progress. He is a former Assistant Director of the National Conference for Community Justice/Anytown USA Arizona Region. He has taught for Upward Bound at Arizona State University and the Arizona National Guard’s Freedom Academy. For the past twenty-five years, Calvin has lectured, trained, and lead comprehensive workshops for valuing diversity, equity, and justice building in schools, corporations, and civic organizations for thousands of adults, children, and youth throughout the United States.

For his dedication to human rights, Calvin’s been awarded with honors from faith, educational, civic, and activist organizations, as well as government institutions, including the city of Phoenix year 2000 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. “Living the Dream” Award, Arizona Affirmative Action, Davis Monthan Air Force Base, and various religious institutions. A compelling story about Calvin’s work with youth is featured in the book “Chicken Soup for the African American Soul” of the Chicken Soup series. Calvin’s reputation for excellence and sustainable impact have afforded him collaborative venues with former Chief Justice Sandra Day O’Connor and former AZ Governor/US Secretary of Homeland Security, Janet Napolitano. The demand for his services prompted organizations such as Harpo Inc., Oprah Winfrey’s production company to contract Calvin to train executive producers, coach various members of the production team, and assist in their transition to the “O” network. Most recently, the Obama Foundation sought Calvin’s collaboration with regards to community empowerment. In 2019 Calvin also delivered his first TED talk called “Socio-spiritual Evolution” that can be accessed at his website calvinterrell.com, the TED website, and on YouTube.

To view a complete list of his current and former clients and collaborators, visit his web page @ www.calvinterrell.com or socialcentric.com
Trehon A. Cockrell-Coleman is a millennial on the move who has found the right balance between his professional life, his personal relationships, and his altruistic nature.

He is a successful engineer, a caring and loving husband and father, and a dedicated community volunteer.

Trehon has been an engineer for 10 years at Raytheon Missile Systems, Southern Arizona’s second largest employer. He has been married to the former Carmishun Shepherd of Houston, Texas, for four years, and they are the proud parents two – Karsly and Kree Coleman. For the past 12 years, he has volunteered his time to schools, churches and social service charities to help them meet their organizational missions.

In 2006, while a sophomore at Tennessee State University, Trehon founded the Beginner’s Leadership Achievement Awards™ (“BLAA”), after observing an array of public-school students who either lacked motivation or had little awareness of how to make it in a difficult and sometimes hostile world. BLAA, a culturally relevant initiative, recognizes and awards youth who exhibit leadership in service, integrity, collaboration, and self-perseverance.

Despite living in Tucson, the Nashville native continues to lead BLAA and participate in the organization’s annual awards banquet. His commitment to the leadership program is strong because he says, as a child, he was a high achiever, yet academically disengaged.

A resident of Tucson since 2010, he is known as one of the city’s enthusiastic advocates for youth, particularly African American youth. He serves as the Young Adults minister at Rising Star Baptist Church where Rev. Amos L. Lewis serves as Senior Pastor. He has been the keynote speaker for the Tucson Unified School District’s A Legacy of Excellence College Scholarship Banquet and currently serves as a Board Member for the Community Foundation of Southern Arizona’s African American Legacy Fund.

Trehon recently completed his master’s degree in Nonprofit Leadership and Management from Arizona State University’s Watts College of Public Service and Community Solutions. He graduated in December 2019.

Trehon says he and his wife are “newlyweds at heart” who enjoy raising their children and going to the movies for date night when the babysitter is available.
Kevin Adger joined KOLD News 13 in April 2010.

Before coming to the Old Pueblo, Kevin worked at KTVK just up Interstate 10 in Phoenix. He started as a writer for Good Morning Arizona in November 2006. In February 2008, he worked his way up to associate producer of GMAZ. In August 2009, Kevin helped with the launch of 3TV's high school sports show, the Varsity Zone. He reported live from football and basketball games and did various stories on high school athletes in the Valley of the Sun.

Kevin received his degree in television broadcasting from Barton College in Wilson, N.C. During his last year of school, he co-anchored and reported for a community show for the school's station WEDT. When his days of playing basketball for the Bulldogs were over, Kevin was the color analyst for the games that were broadcast locally.

Some of his internships include working for Top 40 radio station KISS 95.7 in Connecticut and Fox Sports Net Pittsburgh, where he helped with the coverage of the Pittsburgh Steelers and The University of Pittsburgh football and basketball teams.

Kevin is an East Coast guy that loves the desert weather, including the 100-degree days of the summer. He was born in Bloomfield, CT, which is a suburb of the capitol, Hartford.

In his spare time, Kevin loves playing basketball, watching or attending sporting events, riding his motorcycle and playing with his children and pets.
Aka DJ Mista “T”

Terry Tyree Thomas aka DJ Mista "T" was born and raised in Tucson, Arizona. He got his DJ name (Mista “T”) from the Marvin Gaye soundtrack from the motion picture “Trouble Man”. One track on the album was titled “Don’t Mess With Mr. T”, and it was perfect for him!

DJ Mista “T” is a veteran to the game. He began his career in the 70’s playing what we now call "Old School". Soon Mista "T" was one of the top DJ’s hitting hard in the Tucson area. After many successful private events he graduated to the clubs. His first club gig was at a tri-level spot called the “Fineline”. It soon became the hottest club in town with lines wrapped around the building. "T" was hitting the crowd hard with funk cuts from Parliament, Cameo, Bar-Kays and many more!

Following success in many clubs in the Tucson area, it was time for Mista "T" to change the game. He formed his new business "3T Productions" after his name, Terry Tyree Thomas, and began freelance DJing. This change led to packed-house hotel parties, club promotions and private events including weddings, fashion shows & birthday/company parties.

Always looking for new ventures in music, Mista "T" got into many different genres including Hip Hop, R&B, Dance, House, Techno, Country, Neo Soul, Reggae (Dancehall) and several types of Latin music and Line Dance. This made him a well-rounded, high-caliber and highly sought after DJ.

In 2011 DJ Mista “T” started his Line Dance exercise class “Tucson Slide Society”. The name came from his hometown city of Tucson and from the Slide in the Line Dance the Electric Slide. At his first class he had 43 members to sign up. Now in 2017, he has over 700 registered members! We use Line Dances for exercise and we’re all about having fun. You will laugh throughout the whole class while you exercise!

Today, Mista "T" is more popular in his hometown than ever before. He is well-known for verbally hyping the party and laugh-out-loud humor! He loves to see people laugh, sing, and party hard on the dance floor. Quote: "Seeing people have fun is my passion". DJ Mista "T" has come a long way from cassette tapes & vinyl to CD’s and Serato Scratch Live/DJ. He contributes his success to a loving and supportive family and the Party People of Tucson.

DJ Mista "T" has a Bachelor of Science in Business Management (University of Phoenix) and was selected as one of 25 Most Influential African Americans in Southern Arizona (2011)

If you’re in the Tucson Arizona area join the Tucson Slide Society every Thursday evening (6pm-7pm) at the Dunbar Pavilion (Lander Auditorium), 325 W. 2nd Street, Tucson, AZ (520) 791-7795

Current Businesses: 3T Productions Mobile DJ, Lighting, Sound & Video, 4T Sounds Unlimited and the Tucson Slide Society.

CONTACT INFO:
Terry Thomas aka DJ Mista “T” (520) 282-3566, Email: tthomas314@cox.net
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Belinda Stevens is a native Tucsonan that graduated from Tucson High Magnet School, the University of AZ and later completed her Master’s in Education at the University of Phoenix. She has been a school counselor since 2003 and is currently a counselor at Sunnyside High School, an adjunct professor for Pima Community College and a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. Belinda has been married for 21 years and has 2 beautiful girls ages 20 and 17. Her passion lies in making sure that students truly reach their full potential by first believing in themselves and their abilities.

James Palacios is the Director of the Dual Enrollment & High School Program at Pima Community College. Prior to being the Director at Pima he was the Principal of Santa Rita High School from 2013 to 2019. In the Sunnyside School District Mr. Palacios was an Assistant Principal, a high school science teacher and assistant football coach. In New Mexico, James was an Athletic Director/Head Football Coach for West Mesa High School in Albuquerque, serving over 3000 students. James is currently leading Pima College initiatives to enhance the learning environment and experience for students in dual enrollment high school programs. Changing times affirm that educational institutions need to be open minded and creative with learning and career strategies. His goal as an educator is to collaborate and share ideas to continue pathways to college and industry by providing the best learning experience programs for dual enrollment students.
Tyrone attended high school in the Amphi School District. He has served as an educator for 15 years in the capacity of teacher, counselor, athletic director and assistant principal. He earned his BA in Broadcast Journalism from Southern University, Baton Rouge, LA, in May 1995 and his MA in Educational Counseling from the University of Phoenix.

Herman House is a 25-year athletic administrator in Arizona, dedicated to young people and their pursuit of quality education and opportunities through interscholastics programs. Herman participated as a three-sport athlete in high school and a 4-year letterman and 2-year basketball team captain at Aurora University. He received his master’s degree at Northern Arizona University in Education Administration. Herman enjoyed many successes as a scout and a championship coach in California. Herman continued in Tucson as Athletic Director and Assistant Principal at Tucson High Magnet School for four years. In 2004 he started the Martin Luther King Basketball Classic at McKale Center. In 2009 he was named the TUSD Interscholastics Director and received the State of Arizona Distinguished Service Award in 2014. In 2018 Herman was named to the Arizona Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (AIAAA) Hall of Fame. He is the current president of the Arizona Interscholastic Association (AIA) Executive Board and serves on the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA) athletic fields and facilities committee.
Tonya Strozier is a certified elementary principal and reading specialist. She received her master’s degree in Educational Leadership from Northern Arizona University and earned a bachelor’s degree in Family Studies from the University of Arizona. Transforming low-performing schools is one of her passions as an educator. Her educational leadership career includes being a former charter school founder and operator (Arizona) and leading a virtual elementary school in Nevada. She is also a very proud mother of six unique children (3 boys and 3 girls; ages 27 to 4).

Joi Stirrup grew up in Denver, Co. She attended the University of Colorado at Boulder and the University of Hawaii at Manoa for her undergraduate studies in Political Science and Sociology. After graduation, she began her career in NCAA compliance with the University of Hawaii and later began working in Student Services. Joi enjoyed helping others achieve their academic goals, and decided to achieve one of hers by completing a Master's degree program in Management at Argosy University. This degree transitioned her career to Tucson, Arizona as the Registrar for the Art Institute of Tucson.

Today, Joi works with Pima Community College as the Advanced Program Manager for Admissions and Recruitment. She leads the college-wide recruitment team in meeting the mission and goals of the External Relations unit and College.
Quintina has been with Raytheon Missile Systems for almost 11 years. She currently works as a principal engineer performing CONOPS analysis for alternate missions and working to become a Raytheon Machine Learning expert. Previously, she worked as a Technical Lead for a Hardware-In-The-Loop (HWIL) development program and the Project Lead for an Affordability Initiative for Improving Production Yields using model-based engineering for AMRAAM®, where her team was awarded an innovation award. Her technical specialties include software development, algorithm development and data analysis. During her years at Raytheon Missile Systems, she has also worked on the Computer-in-the-Loop (CIL) software team for Standard Missile 3 Block IB and IIA as a software developer and lead integrator, and in Operations Research integrating software models and performing analysis and simulation verification.

Quintina earned her Ph.D. in Systems & Industrial Engineering and M.S. in Applied Mathematics from The University of Arizona. She also holds a M.S. in Industrial Engineering from North Carolina State University, and B.S. in Mathematics from Southern University and A&M College (an HBCU). She is also a Certified Systems Engineering Professional (CSEP) and working to obtain her Professional Engineering (PE) license.

Quintina is the mother of two boys, Carloas, II (age 11) and Dominic (age 5). As an avid Crossfitter and Olympic Weightlifter, she stays active training for competitions. She is also a member of many organizations including the Tucson Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., a community-service organization, where she serves as the treasurer and chair of Delta G.E.M.S., a mentoring program for high school girls; and the Arizona Chapter of Women in Defense, where she serves as the secretary.
Dr. Jeff G. Josiah is a Sr. Principal Systems Engineer in the Electrical Subsystems Directorate (ESD) at Raytheon Missile Systems (RMS) in Tucson Arizona. He currently leads electrical architecture work in one of the nation’s most strategic areas: hypersonic weapons. Furthermore, he is a subject matter expert on embedded systems protection, cybersecurity and securing Field Programmable Gate Arrays (FPGA) from physical exploitations. As a technical expert, he has authored / co-authored many courses, presentations, and research papers.

Dr. Josiah worked his way through college as a computer programmer for IBM, Verizon Wireless, and local New Orleans businesses. He graduated summa cum laude (3.94 GPA) from Dillard University (an HBCU) New Orleans, LA with a B.S. in applied physics. He also graduated from the University of New Orleans with a B.S. in electrical engineering (3.84). He earned advanced degrees at the University of Arizona including an M.Eng degree in embedded systems engineering (4.00), an M.S. in engineering management (4.00), and a Ph.D. (3.94) in Electrical and Computer Engineering with a focus on hardware security and cyber.

Dr. Josiah was born and raised on the island of St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands and is married to his college sweetheart, Dr. Angela Josiah. They have two beautiful daughters. He has participated in several Raytheon leadership enrichment ac
Linda Harrison, graduated from the University of Arizona with an undergraduate degree in Psychology. She has been a member of the admissions team for the majority of her career and is passionate about educating students and families on college preparedness and how it elevates the community overall. She is proactive in the African American community at college fairs and events.

The Pima JTED Career and Technical Education District offers premier, tuition-free CTE programs to sophomores, juniors and seniors. We serve students from public, private, and charter schools, and students who are home-schooled. Pima JTED also serves students who have not earned a diploma or GED and are under the age of 22. Students may attend Pima JTED classes at one of our Central Campuses, located throughout Pima County, or at one of our satellite locations which are located at all public high schools in Pima County, Santa Cruz Valley, Nogales, and in Mammoth San Manuel. [https://pimajted.org/](https://pimajted.org/)
Margo is the Founder and Creator of The Bra Spa, a boutique specializing in bra fittings. Prior to launching The Bra Spa, Margo was a successful attorney and legal administrator. She left the legal profession to pursue her passion for helping women find the perfect fitting bra. Margo has a B.S. and a J.D. from Arizona State University and has worked in middle management for large corporations such as Delta Air Lines, The Wonderful Company, Robert Half, and Gibson Dunn & Crutcher. She is a single mother of two elementary-aged daughters. Margo embarked on this business venture to create a legacy for her daughters. She also enjoys mentoring young women and sharing her knowledge, struggles and wisdom with them.

My name is Tracy Conklin and I am the resident Savonnier for Artemesia • Soaps, Salts & Scrubs. We take great care and pride in the making of our soap and body products. Our products are made in small earth-friendly batches, using plant base oils, butters, botanicals, essential oils and fragrances for their restorative and nourishing benefits to the skin. Every bar, every loaf is an original formulation and a labor of love.

In addition to soap, we also craft nourishing body oils, salt scrubs, salt soaks and our signature Botanical Body Buff—a unique aromatic blend of loose botanicals, handmade soap and an exfoliating organza bag. This unique body wash really is a must try, to die for spa experience in the shower!

Our bath and body products are made in Tucson, Arizona and inspired by the beautiful Sonoran Desert.

Like a lot of people, I started making soap because the commercial soaps were wreaking havoc on my family's skin. So born from necessity came my passion for soap making. I love, love to create soap! I feel like one of the luckiest people in the world to be doing what I love! I have been making soap for over 10 years. I still continue to refine and hone my craft via research and classes.
Ken Jones is a seasoned nonprofit fundraising and campaign strategy consultant. He was raised on the west side of Detroit by his grandmother and graduated valedictorian from his neighborhood high school. He matriculated to the University of Chicago and completed his undergraduate studies in Economics in 2006. While at Chicago, Ken was heavily involved with campus politics and served as the president of the Organization of Black Students in 2005.

In his short career, Ken has raised over $20 million dollars for education, foster youth, the Catholic church, hunger, and wishes for kids with critical illnesses. Ken is the co-founder of the

Anthony Johnson

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Mr, Anthony Johnson
Birthplace: Hampton, Virginia
Elementary School: Zaragoza Air Base Department of Defense Dependent Schools
Middle School: Greenwood Elementary School
High School: Ramstein American High School
Work Experience: 1985 landscaping and light home repair
1988 Army Mess Hall cook
1995 Metro Fitness personal trainer
2018 Licensed Insurance Agent
2020 Real Estate education
Attorney, Mentor, Poet, Business Owner
I work for TUSD to ensure student equity, reduce disproportional suspensions, and close the achievement gap. I mentor young people through several different avenues, and I host a spoken word open mic at Hush called SPOKE.

Black Law Students Association
James E. Rogers College of Law

Lauren Easter – B.A. in Law Student
Sunny Sims – Assistant Director of Diversity Initiatives
Dr. Linus Kafka – Assistant Director – Careers and Outreach

The mission of the Black Law Students Association (BLSA) at the University of Arizona, James E. Rogers School of Law is to recruit, retain, and support all law students, with an emphasis on students of Black or African descent. UA BLSA serves as a resource for our members, focusing on their leadership, academic, and professional development. Additionally, UA BLSA works to serve the greater Tucson community, and build lasting connections between the law school, its students, and the community we serve.
Sharon Browning has worked in Public Health for more than twenty years. She is a Program Manager with the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) program at the Pima County Public Health Department. When she is not conducting drills to prepare for natural or manmade disasters, she writes poetry and fiction.

Sharon graduated from the University of Arizona with a BS in Biochemistry. Currently, she is working towards a Master of Fine Arts degree. She is a member of the Phi Theta Kappa and Alpha Chi honor societies.

Gayle A. Dean M.D. is currently the Chief of Staff-Elect of the Tucson Medical Center Board of Trustees. She is a practicing member of Genesis OB/Gyn. She formerly served as Department Chair of Ob/Gyn at TMC for six years. She has received awards in the Tucson community such as Woman of Influence – Healthcare by Tucson Business 2015, and Woman of Spirit – Medicine by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.
Dr. Price-Johnson serves as the Executive Director of Admissions at the University of Arizona’s College of Medicine. She is also the Director of the Pre-Medical Admissions Pathway (PMAP) and a faculty member of the Department of Family and Community Medicine. She has over 27 years of experience at the UA. Her expertise includes a broad experience with admissions, predominantly in recruitment and outreach with experience in medical, business, and undergraduate education. She has spent the last 13 years with the University of Arizona College of Medicine. Dr. Price-Johnson is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated and the UA Black Alumni.

Yolanda McCoy-Stokes

RN, MSN

CEP Nursing Department Head, Pima Community College-West Campus

I have been a Registered Nurse for over 18 years and a Nursing Instructor for more than 14 years. I am excited to say that I cannot think of anything else I would rather do! I received my Nursing degree from Pima Community College and my bachelor’s & master’s degrees from Grand Canyon University. I am a certified CPR Instructor. I began my nursing career working in the Emergency Department & eventually moved on to work in the Cardiac Cath Lab, Infusion Services and Adult Critical Care as a Resource Nurse. I also served on the Code Blue Team at St Joseph Hospital, where I worked for 26 years.
Larry D. Phillips Jr, SFC (Ret), USA
Angela Phillips, SMSgt (Ret), USAF

The Phillips’ having served over 40 years combined military service, enjoy sharing their life story with hopes of encouraging young people to make the best decisions possible. Parents to (4) Mighty Men, they continue to serve in their church, help veterans, and continue to provide assistance in the greater Tucson Community.

SFC (ret) Larry D. Phillips, Jr. enlisted in the US Army in 1992 as an Administrative Specialist where he worked in the Protocol Office in Germany, Ft. Richardson Alaska, and later at the Defense Intelligence Agency in Washington, D.C. Mr. Phillips continued his tenure in the army as a Field Artillery Specialist, working with Striker Element at Ft. Lewis, WA, Equal Opportunity Advocate, and retired as a recruiter in 2016. Mr. Phillips attended college during his active duty enlistment at Post University, earning his Bachelor’s of Science degree in Business Administration before retiring.

SMSgt (ret) Angela Phillips enlisted in the US Navy in 1987, working as a Hospital Corpsman Surgical Technician. She later transitioned into the ranks or the US Air Force in 1998 as a Medical Administrator. Mrs. Phillips served as a Medical Technician in Alaska and Washington, D.C. and later worked up the ranks to Medical Group Superintendent in Nevada and Aeromedical Operations in North Carolina. Mrs. Phillips served the Medical Corps community as a Development Enlisted Advisor and retired as a Clinic Superintendent in 2017. She also pursued higher education, earning her Bachelor’s of Science, Human Resources in 2012.
CAREER BOOTHs

Each student must visit three (3) booths. Get one stamp from each booth in the circles below.

All circles must have a stamp to attend the entertainment at 1:30 p.m.