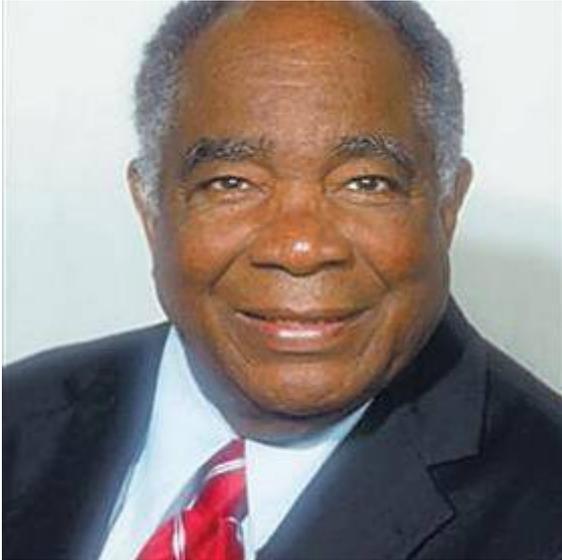


About Your Neighbors: March 2021

Description



February 15th was **Bernadette Watson Day in Hamilton County**. Bernadette (**Mitchell Ave.**) was the first African American woman Chief of Staff for a Mayor in Cincinnati.



I want to honor my father, **Dr. Herbert Smitherman Sr.**, for his work as the first African American PhD hire at Procter & Gamble. My father's PhD was in Organic Chemistry. His degrees are from Tuskegee University & Howard University. My father pledged Alpha Phi Alpha as an undergraduate student at Tuskegee University.

My father was born to a Baptist Minister in Birmingham, AL. He was an only child. He made many sacrifices in order to be an excellent husband & father. 🙏 • #BlackHistoryMonth

Learn more about his legacy here: <https://www.amplifyafrica.org/post/dr-herbert-charles-smitherman-sr-the-jackie-robinson-of-procter-gamble>

Chris Smitherman (Lenox Place)

Editors Note: Dr. Smitherman developed a number of incredibly popular patents, including Crest toothpaste, Safeguard soap, Bounce fabric softeners, Biz, Folgers Coffee and Crush soda, to name a few. His home was on Redway where his wife still resides.

Sydney Herr (Betula) & Phoebe Wright (Lenox PI)

Two local swimmers competed at State of Ohio High School swimming this past weekend in Canton. **Only the top 24 swimmers in each event qualify** and due to COVID this is an amazing accomplishment due to limited swim meets. We are so proud of our NA state swimmers.

Sydney Herr, freshman Saint Ursula Academy

20th 100 back

14th in the 200 free relay

12th in the 400 free relay



Phoebe Wright, Junior at Walnut Hills HS

- 4th 100 free
- 3rd 200 free
- 19th 200 medley relay
- 23rd 400 free relay

Phoebe Wright
Walnut Hills High School
Girls Division I 200 Freestyle District
Champion
2021 Southwest Ohio Swimming & Diving
Championships



Heather Herr (Betula)

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