

New Vice President



Albert (Al) Smith, Jr. has been named group vice president, Social Innovation for Toyota Motor North America (TMNA). He is responsible for Toyota's diversity and inclusion, shared impact, and environmental sustainability functions across North America.

"I'm thrilled Al has joined Toyota's Social Innovation team, bringing with

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New Vice Chancellor

Clarice Ford has been named the vice chancellor for student affairs at the University of Illinois Springfield, pending formal University of Illinois Board of Trustees approval. Ford has been serving as interim vice chancellor for student affairs since 2014.



Clarice Ford

Since joining UIS in 2008, she has Diversity Center, associate dean of stu-

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Helping Jobseekers



Chicago/IL...State Rep. Sonya Harper is helping connect local jobseekers with resources that help them train for careers that do not require a four-year college degree at a free alternative pathways college and career fair on Monday,

May 8 from 9 a.m. to noon at Vandercook College of Music, located at 3125 S. Federal Street in

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"We're Here To Help!"



New Police Officers (L-R) Dale Davis; Lamar Moore; Alessia Marocco; Demarre Johnson; Derek Wilkerson; Drew Szabados; and Lawrence Williams

'In Honor Of Rosser'



James Rosser

Los Angeles/CA...California State University, Los Angeles dedicated James M. Rosser Hall at a moving ceremony where hundreds of people paid tribute to the university's legendary former

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Nomination Of DeVard



Baltimore/MD... Under Armour, Inc. has announced that Jerri L. DeVard has been nominated for election to the company's Board of Directors. DeVard's election will be considered as part of the company's slate of director nominees

at the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders on May 31, 2017. DeVard has more than 30 years of extensive marketing and leadership

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Spfld/IL...Police Chief Kenny Winslow swore in seven new officers last month during a 10:00 a.m. ceremony in the City Council Chambers.

"It is always great to see young, energetic people entering into our profession with a strong desire to serve our community," stated Chief Kenny Winslow.

"It reminds me of why we do this and that is to make our community a better and safer place for all."

And new officer Lawrence Williams gave an appealing message to the public by saying, "If I can change one or two people's perception of what law enforcement is, that's good," said Williams, who is also a veteran of the

U.S. Army. "I'm a new officer, I'm going to try to do what's right. You've got to remember that we're here to help."

Each new officer will participate in an intensive twenty-week field training program with veteran officers. The additional training is required by the department and is proven

effective when they are carrying out their duties as a Springfield Police Officer.

The seven new officers graduated on March 30 from the Illinois State Police Academy. All of the new officers will be assigned to the Field Operations Division, headed by Deputy Chief Dyle Stokes.

1 In 6 Black Men Will Develop Prostate Cancer