

New Historic Tour in Savannah and the Lowcountry



A. Jamal Touré

It's a "New Day" for tours in Savannah, Hilton Head, Riceboro, and the Lowcountry of Georgia and South Carolina - "Day Clean Journeys". Day Clean Journeys takes you on a trip through time. You will get a fresh view of the history on both sides of the Savannah River (Georgia and South Carolina). Day Clean Journeys was created by a Historian and Researcher, Savannah and Hilton Head Island's own, A. Jamal Touré. Shauna Rice is the General Manager for the company. Touré said they (Day Clean Journeys) pride themselves on providing "Tours for Everyone"! "Anyone can and will enjoy our tours" said Touré. It is important to know that Day Clean Journeys is not solely doing African American or Black History Tours but they can do General History Tours, as well, providing a fuller view of history in this area that is enjoyable and informative.

Day Clean Journeys has driving tours, walking tours, and step on tours. It doesn't matter where you are from in this country or the world they can show some connection between this area and the place you are from. For them history is not limited to Savannah but they open up a larger window for you to view history. Feel free to ask questions and laugh on their journeys.

Why Day Clean

Day Clean is a Gullah phrase that means "new day", "beginning of the day", or "dawn". Day Clean Journeys brings a new outlook to historical tours, cultural tours, ghost tours, and more.

Across the country Touré is known for exhilarating living history performances. Day Clean Journeys tours bring history to life. "We like for folks to have that "aha or hmm" moment when they take a journey (tour) with us" he remarked. He, also, indicated that on their tours they

provide the sights, sounds, and taste of Savannah and the Lowcountry. Touré said "hunnah fa nyam a lee bit on 'e journey. You will eat a sample of the local southern cuisine on their standard daily tours. History, and food sounds good to me

The Standard Daily Tours

Touré emphasized "we provide tours for everyone regardless of ethnicity or race and that is the unique feature of our I Love Savannah History Tour. We share the history of everyone on that tour. You will get a fuller view of Savannah's History because you will hear about Native Americans, Europeans, Africans, Hispanics, and Asians on that tour. We show Savannah as a cosmopolitan city in the 1700's, 1800's, and 1900's with some of the sounds." "Everyone's history is treated with respect" said Touré.

As you would guest Day Clean Journeys includes the Gullah Geechee culture in all of it's tours to varying degrees. The rich culture of the people of coastal North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida is showcased on Day Clean Journeys tours. They have a specific Gullah Geechee Tour that shares Savannah's little known but significant contribution to the Gullah Geechee culture. Historic Gullah Geechee communities are shown (though many of them have been replaced by urban renewal) and the Savannah Gullah Geechee culture is recognized (which many are unaware). Gullah Geechee Tours are also conducted outside of Savannah into Chatham County, coastal South Carolina, and Georgia

by Day Clean Journeys for groups. Touré is one of the respected experts on Gullah Geechee culture.

The tours offered by them are stimulating, informative, and enlightening journeys. You may even become a little inspired after a journey. Day Clean Journeys' African American History Tour is called by them "the most inspiring history tour in Savannah and the lowcountry of Georgia and South Carolina; and one of the most inspiring tours in the U.S." They share the history not covered by American History and even Black History classes on their journeys. Ask them about the holy land of African America you will probably be surprised and inspired.

Teachers, students, families, family reunion groups, religious groups, youth organizations, conference attendees, senior citizens, class reunion groups, and individuals have been enthralled by Day Clean Journeys. They will enthrall you, your family, or your group, also.

Ready to schedule a journey? Call (912) 220-5966, or email daycleanhhi@yahoo.com, or visit their website www.dayclean-journeys.com to schedule your journey.

Local Trivia: Two monuments in Savannah are connected to Day Clean Journeys. Day Clean Journeys is the only tour company that can boast of that in Savannah. Can you guess which two? The Haitian Memorial Monument on Franklin Square and the African American Family Monument on River Street.

Builder Barton Malow Company donates equipment to DreamMakers Contractors & Consultants




Employees of DreamMakers Contractors & Consultants firm accept award.

The recently held Showcase of Champions, supporting and recognizing local Savannah area businesses and business people in conjunction with the Entrepreneurial Center proved inspirational to Barton Malow's Vice President Phil Roy.

Barton Malow was a key sponsor of the event where local firm DreamMakers Contractors & Consultants was recently honored as one of the area's award winning firms. In the spirit of the event of bringing large and small firms together to form partnerships and mentoring relationships, Mr. Roy met with Richard and Carla Dunbar of DreamMakers to discuss their firm's initiatives with the upcoming training curriculum. The most immediate need identified was additional equipment to support the students for the current semester. To that end,

Barton Malow representatives met with the Dunbars on Thursday, August 14 to donate three new computer systems complete with software and peripherals. Carla Dunbar stated, "The computers are so welcome and will afford our students the necessary technology to meet today's industry require-

ments." DreamMakers is a 3-year old firm headquartered in East Savannah and born of the experience of Carla and Richard Dunbar, veterans of the local construction industry. In addition to providing consulting services to other industry firms, See DreamMakers, page 15




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**Barrow Blasted for Vote
Giving PeachCare to
Illegal Immigrants**



Georgia's financially-strapped PeachCare health coverage for low-income children could suffer a financial body blow from waves of illegal immigrants if a new rule supported by Congressman John Barrow (D-GA) becomes law.

Barrow voted* to overturn the current Medicaid proof-of-citizenship requirement in place since 2006 that mandates all 50 states require proof of citizenship before enrolling new patients.

While all persons in the United States are guaranteed access to emergency care under federal law regardless of citizenship status, illegal immigrants have never been eligible to receive comprehensive non-emergency Medicaid benefits. However, prior to the 2006 rule change authored by the late U.S. Rep. Charlie Norwood (R-GA), 46 of 50 states did not require applicants to prove their citizenship, effectively granting free comprehensive Medicaid benefits to illegal immigrants.

"John Barrow has voted to take health care benefits away from Georgia children, and give them to illegal immigrants," says Republican challenger John Stone. "Mr. Barrow has spent too much time listening to La Raza, and not enough to Georgia families. And the truly sad thing is that this is just the latest episode of John Barrow's sellout to Washington special interests."

Stone supports an immediate deployment of troops to secure the border, along with consistent and vigorous enforcement of existing immigration law inside the U.S., including proof-of-citizenship requirements for public benefit programs.

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