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Editor's Note

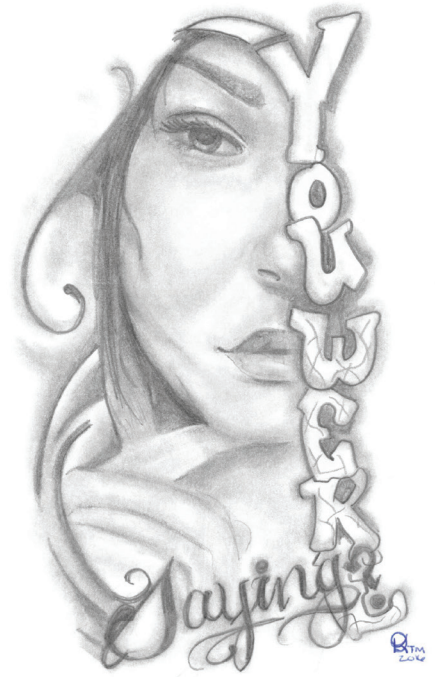
As another year melts into the stickiness of history our communities are still plagued with the question "when will things get better?" We see social media posts of kids holding signs that read "Am I next?" Next as in "Am I next to be killed by the same people who are meant to protect me?" Surely not all police are bad, but this fear is! No child should be afraid of both sides, both the negativity in the community as well as the alleged defenders of that community. Even in 2016, decades after desegregation, racial conflict still exists. Discrimination is so prevalent. Even so, we should not allow these things to discourage us. Look at what the children in Flint Michigan taught us, what the folks in Orlando taught us, and what the Dakota pipeline protesters are teaching us still.... Love conquers all! Acts of hatred can only be reconciled with love, forgiveness and acceptance. Love to overpower the hatred, forgiveness to move on, and accepting the fact that we are all different. But guess what? That's just fine, it's okay to be different; that doesn't make you weird, it makes you human! 2017 should be about better things for you, which means better things for those around you. A drop of water can make waves.... so tell us, are you next?.....Peace. ◊

Dakota, Inside PFC Member

AM I NEXT?

Do I believe that I live in a world where my complexion defines who and what I am or am I trapped in the stigma of a neighborhood that for decades has been cultured to destroy the moral fiber that is me? my family? my heritage? our legacy? Or do I believe that I am next to be victimized by those who feel they are our betters? Am I next to die because of your prejudices? Land of the free, home of the brave, be all that you can be. These are the messages that try to make me believe that we are all equal. Yet we have a president who embodies the true message which reads; money IS power !! and unrestrained power IS what our forefathers had in mind with the U.S Constitution, back when I was considered just 3/5's of a person. Am I next to have the greatest discovery in the world only to be told that it already exists, or that I couldn't have created something so beautiful, so intellectually staggering that they would rather believe aliens could be the only logical answer as they did with the pyramids? Or am I next to be the hero of my people? Next to break us out of bonds, chains and prisons, in which decades of psychological abuse and attacks have snared us? Next to be slain by my own, who have been brain washed into believing that I am the true problem of my people? Am I next to continue on to break, destroy, and maim the minds of our mothers, sisters, daughters and wives? Ignorant to the fact that it is those who I have just named that keep us strong, focused, driven and prayerful? Or am I next to be the father of the greatest accomplishment I can ever know? A happy and successful child is what I speak of...to answer these questions swiftly.....Who knows?

Toby, Inside Contributor



Broken Hearted

By choice I am defiant/ reliant on the fight of my fathers, immortals and giants/ dreaming of tomorrows toast of our triumphs/ here's my 3-day notice of my refusal to be victimized or ostracized by the Donald/ I am not accepting bullets with my hand up/ while running away or facedown in handcuffs/ hell yeah, I still remember Oscar Grant. He got a daughter just like me/ as I heard the shot that killed him I felt it go through me!/ tears in my eyes because that could have been me/ my brother drinks iced tea wears hoodies and he loves Skittles/ how long until he's bullet riddled?/ sadly the focus is not on that but rather whatever the president tweets about/ or whatever it is his actions speaks about/ did we pass the test, is America great again?/ Great like back before there was ever a Black president? / Great like when foreigners massacred native people for settlement/ I refuse to be on that side of history/ love is the answer to this age old mystery/ I live to be the change that I wish to see/ I am next to be the faded glory of my country 'tis of thee.

Sadly this lyric has a sad note to it. But this is a reality for a lot of folks. The moral of this poem is to let it be known that you can refuse to be a part of this cultural norm we have become accustomed to without being passive. You must actively become the change you wish to see in the world. True there will still be naysayers who will wish to stop the transition, but you STILL have the power to be the next voice to promote love..... even to those who hate you.. To the person who throws insults, a God bless you will affect them, but if you mean it, it will affect you even more so. Peace and love to you all in this New year.

Dakota, Inside PFC Member

I believe that the Black Lives Matter movement matters because if you look back in the past, white people been killing black folks and everybody seems to turn their eyes. But when a black man kills a white, they hit them with the book. It should be both ways. But most of all, people need to just stop killing one another. All lives matter!

Gotti, Inside Contributor

Black Lives Matter is probably the perfect movement to show that all lives matter, no matter the person's color, nationality or even preference.

Monclo, Inside Contributor

A felons history...

Hey we need more men and woman to take a dominating stand/ let your voice be heard/ so we can organize the masses/ as I said, i had to organize myself/ as incarcerated men, we are like pigeons in a cage/ we are men out of time maybe even forgotten/ high school friends/ ex lovers and partners and employers moved on/ we can still be leaders, bearers of something precious/ is there anyone here outside the realms of history?/ if everyone is shy and tongue tied/ one voice could up end history/ that one voice will end up hushed up and that person will become a mystery/ in order to reach anyone at all / some had to strive even through resistance/ don't take my words as frivolous or literally as blowing smoke/ Ali said ' it manifested it , he taught what he spoke/ like our forefathers of rap "I ain't no joke!"/ do you want your yesterday to remain a mystery?/ like they couldn't say much about you in your obituary/ he was loving, he was

happy, he was my baby, That CAN'T be your legacy!/ let's ride this train of universal history/ our names, our words, our quotes and speeches/ our poems, our sonnets, our haiku's speaking victory/yes when they think of the words persevere, strength , accomplished, succeed/ they'll think of us, our input, our marks on history/ government nor text books define the legacies we will leave!/ its on our peers to carry on our verbal seeds/ there's food for thought/ as they move towards action for reaction from the masses/ with their eyes wide open like when they use to listen to Cassius/his legacy is Ali khum baa-yeh/ see I'm no pigeon that'll keep coming back to this coop/ Maya Angelou passed away, yet her words are still present like when a caged birds sings/ see I'm not a man lost in time because I'm doing it and not letting the time do me/ I'm not gonna be forgotten/ 'cause they'll always be looking for me/

Steve, *Inside PFC Member*

DREAMING REALITY

feverishly chasing a forever where u and I are included
standing hand in hand in a place of love where pain isn't intrusive
truly I dream of this as I face my realities
causing insanity
feeling if pain was all that god had for me
like is this what I'm destined for?
because that's exactly what it would be if I settled for less than more...
more of your laughter
more of your touch
more of your smile
or more of your love

she is in the distance I can see you from here
as the rain falls plentiful I still see your sunrays out there
the clouds are like my dreams, broken and dispirited
while you are the song in the breeze and the lost are thankful to be sharing it
sunshine my sunshine who takes my pain away
how many thank yous will suffice for all the rain you chase away?
with an 'I love you' in my eyes that I'm not suppose to speak
I give you my heart because it is all I have of me.
all is fair in love and war that's so true
so I break the rule and end with I wholeheartedly love you

Dakota, *Inside PFC Member*

The Ridge Project at the Allen-Oakwood Correctional Institution, Lima

The Ridge Project's first annual petting zoo was a great event. I'm making this statement because for one it was historic, the first one ever in a prison environment.

The event was special because of all the other Tyros – individuals who go through all three phases of the program.

First, there was Couples I. That program was one that your wife or baby mother could attend with the inmate. It lasted six weeks. It was a program that helped deal with all levels of a relationship. Second was Couples II. Just like the first one, your lady could come to class with you. It helped communication become a prime focus. Both were the first of their kind. Me and my wife completed them in Toledo. Third was Tyro Dads, which focuses on men being better fathers. Once you completed the 12-week program, you became part of a group of men whose motto is, "A man worth following." As long as you stay out of trouble, you can attend Family Day, which is held once a year.

I must say, the Ridge Program is one of the best programs in a prison environment because it helps families stay together and also has programs for inmates once they're released like CDL, food service and a job placement center.

Now, as for the petting zoo, it felt good to feel like you were at the zoo, especially with your wife and kid for eight hours. I was very excited to spend that time with my youngest son, Zahir, now 12. We played basketball together for the first time ever. I was able to teach my son some fundamentals of basketball that have helped him become a better player.

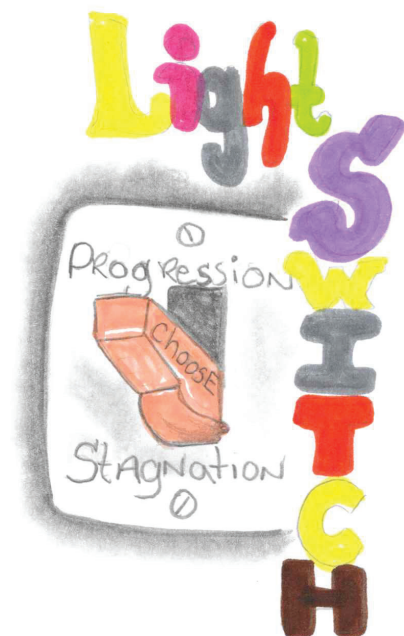
Most of all, the Ridge staff are so kind and considerate that it makes any event they do a wonderful, happy event.

I deeply appreciate the Ridge Project director, Ron, and his wife, developing this program, giving back. Because he was once an inmate, he never forgot how families sticking together can benefit inmates.

I must say, being a part of the first ever petting zoo in prison was special, and seeing other families and inmates interacting and having fun was a great joy.

I guess since I'm in prison, these events the Ridge Project continues to provide give us Tyros hope that we, too, can be men worth following once we are released.

Jamil, Inside PFC Member (now at Lima)



WHAT IS INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Interpersonal Communication is a class held here at ToCI by inside members of People for Change. This program, with the outline laid down by the book called Building Bridges, Not Walls, shows the students the steps it takes to be an active listener as well as a competent communicator. It uses not only textbook references but real life scenarios and conversations to open up the boundaries of learning.

If you want to build better relationships based off communication – with family, friends or co-workers – this is a workshop for you.

Dakota, Inside PFC Member and IPC co-facilitator

Interpersonal Communication

Workshop: “IPC”

Reflections: I really appreciated this group. It was a very open atmosphere, and I have been able to utilize some of the tools that I've learned in this course to help me throughout my daily life within the penal system.

Being a barker, I'm always willing to sharpen my communication skills. There are so many different phases of people and personalities to deal with, and I find enjoyment out

of it. I'm naturally extroverted with a magnetic personality and very people-oriented.

So Building Bridges, Not Walls was a very informative book, and I highly recommend everyone in this institution to take this class. It was very conducive to my growth as a person and man! I am sincerely grateful!

Mark, *Inside PFC Member*

QUOTES

Never take someone for granted.. Hold every person close to your heart ... Because you might wake up one day and realize that you lost a diamond while you were collecting stones.... ◊

Jeff, *Inside Contributor*

I never found a companion that was as companionable as solitude.

– Henry David Thoreau 1854

All that we see or have seen is but a dream within a dream!

– Edgar Allen Poe

To be yourself in a world that is constantly trying to make you something else is the greatest accomplishment .

– Ralph Waldo Emerson 1860

Notes on Criminal Justice Reforms

In 2015 the Ohio legislature made a positive move with respect to criminal justice reforms. It created a “Blue Ribbon Commission” called the Criminal Justice Recodification Committee. 24 members were appointed from non-profit agencies, the Ohio bar, the judiciary, the legislature, and the business sector.

On June 15, 2017, the CJRC issued a report with recommendations for the Ohio state legislature to implement to modernize the Ohio Revised Criminal Code. This 500-page document mostly attempts to simplify and clarify while offering some substantive changes to the code. It is very hard to say, since we have not had time to study the proposed changes in comparison to what exists and the changes are very detailed, how much of a difference this significant effort on the part of the committee will make to our overburdened criminal justice system and to relieving the problem of prison overcrowding in Ohio. It is unlikely the legislature will take up the proposals in this session and, given what I report below it is hard to feel optimistic.

During the same 2015–2016 session that the CJRC was meeting, politicians were busy making the job of the Commission more difficult by introducing hundreds of pieces of legislation that continue to enhance criminal sentences and/or criminalize activities ranging from advice commercial nurseries give customers about plant care to making or modifying imitation firearms.

There is no particularly ill intent behind these many hundreds of bills that include criminalization of behavior or enhanced sentencing. But the failure to see the bigger picture, as each politician eagerly introduces his or her little bit to the criminal code, is cumulatively devastating. The unmitigated crisis of mass incarceration in Ohio continues and worsens. Prisons are at 137% capacity while jails and courts are severely overburdened. This has been the status quo for a decade and Ohioans are now spending over \$1.8 billion per year to manage the results of this over-criminalization.

The legislature is undermining its own Commission because it is failing to see the bigger picture. What can be done? Communicating with legislators about the bigger picture is important. Educating family and friends about calling and writing letters to their representatives will help. Treating drug use for what it is, a public health and welfare crisis, rather than a criminal activity, and expanding treatment for mental health while reducing the consequences of poverty by funding education and community programs will also change the status quo.

Politicians introduce and vote for crime legislation because it is low-hanging fruit on their path to remaining in office. They are showing poor leadership as they expand the criminal code rather than focusing on policy that enhances education and jobs, policies that do not offer whatever immediate satisfaction that criminalizing behaviors offers but are better for our state in the long run. Good leadership would mean introducing legislation that reduces the likelihood of individuals getting trapped in the criminal justice system while enhancing opportunities for those individuals to lead fulfilling and productive lives.

Dr. Renee, Outside PFC Member

Callie's Response to "Am I Next?" and other questions by Dakota, inside member of PFC

My name is Callie; I have been fortunate to be a part of PFC for about a year now, and I am honored to have been asked to partake in this interview about coping with a painful chronic illness while keeping up with all of things I am passionate about accomplishing in life.

I was a part of the Inside/Out class of fall 2015, which I took with Dr. Renee as a Law and Social Thought major at the University of Toledo. I am also pursuing minors in Spanish and Communications. I currently hold two internship positions, one campus-based, the other community-based. My purpose in these positions is to initiate programs in the downtown Toledo area that will cultivate creativity and unity within communities impacted by poverty. Our goal is to create constructive outlets for youths to turn to instead of getting caught up in violence, drugs, and gang-related activity in the streets. This upcoming school year will be my last here at UT. After graduation, I have plans to pursue a career in the legal field, and attend law school in some other big city (fingers crossed).

I have been so very fortunate on my academic journey; UT has always felt much like home to me. I, like so many others, come from a broken home, and I never felt much like I had any one particular place to call and to make entirely my own, nowhere to keep all my stuff in one place, and nowhere to be my 100% unadulterated self. The University of Toledo has become just that for me, and for that I am grateful. Taking the Inside/Out class last fall is one such fortunate happenstance. My innate desire to do good in the world and to touch lives, in addition to being very interested in the topic of mass incarceration and its many effects, drew me to the class. And because

I plan to work in the legal field, having a better understanding of this topic would be beneficial.

I now advocate for the Inside/Out program and PFC whenever and wherever I can, telling people that it's been so important to me, because I know that whenever I walk through the door for class or for a meeting, I know I am going to learn something, whether it be about another's experience, or something more academic. This is one of the many purposes of life; to learn, and to then take what you have learned and allow it to transform you, to shape your growth as an individual. I strongly feel that taking this class has allowed me to better appreciate every human being from every walk of life, and I am grateful for all those, both inside and out, who have allowed me to learn with them and from them. At the end of last fall semester, I left my class feeling very educated about a topic I had truthfully not given much thought to, very humbled, and very touched.

Had it not been for the continuous stream of prayers and support from all of you, plus my wonderful mother, stepfather, and friends, I think my own personal journey would have, and still would, have been much more difficult. In the summer of 2015, after struggling for years with severe pain, I was diagnosed with several severe chronic illnesses that have no fundamental, proven cure, and will affect me for the rest of my life.

It has been almost two years now since my diagnosis. Since then, I have undergone three surgeries and two rounds of painful therapies, which have had serious lasting effects on my health. Perhaps even more difficult is that I have lost loved ones, family members who struggle with these diseases as well. I have lost relationships and

friendships because others have found it difficult to be with or around a “sick” person; someone who has to plan their daily activities around a medication schedule, someone who regularly has to spend time in the hospital, someone who seems to be faking their levels of pain because it seems unfathomable that someone could survive such a miserable and unpredictable lifestyle.

For the longest time, this is what “Am I Next?” meant to me: accepting my “miserable” and unpredictable lifestyle, confronting my own mortality while still barely being an adult. I felt like a burden to my friends and family. I also accepted the fact that most options concerning my health were being taken away from me. Could I be next in line to die of cancer? Would I be next to be labeled as a mental case, as nothing more than an unfortunate byproduct of disease? Would I be the next truly miserable human being you crossed paths with, so immersed in the circumstances of my own personal reality that I couldn’t see past the hour I was living in?

With this mindset, I dug myself into a hole. And for a while, I remained there. The really cool thing, though, about being in the pits of life, is that the only place to go from rock bottom is up. Some days, looking up, though I have had two years to accept myself with my disease, is still a tiresome and difficult task. I’m not sure this sort of thing is something anyone can ever just ‘get used to’.

So, how do I cope, you may ask.

Easy. I don’t give myself another option.

This all may not kill me now, but if I rest, it will rob me of truly living my life to its maximum potential; and I have learned in getting sick, that I was not put on this earth to merely survive, to put one foot in front of the other and stumble through my days. I was meant to live.

I have learned true optimism and true strength amidst my struggles. I have learned firsthand the importance of understanding and taking seriously people’s physical and mental limitations, because I struggle with both. I have learned that lying around in your bed, wishing for life to slow down, does not make it slow down. I have learned that feeling sorry for yourself will absolutely, always, 100% get you nowhere, as will wishing for your circumstances to be different or easier. I have learned to appreciate what’s in front of me, when it’s in front of me, and I have learned to see all things and people for who and what they truly are. I have learned that the most important thing you can give another is your love and your time, two things that have no price.

My wishful thinking, and “Am I Next?” mindset has changed a great deal. I have found a way, in spite of all my struggles, to transform my many negatives into positives: Am I next to be the most fiercely positive, optimistic person ever? You bet. Am I next to change the ways in which we as a society view physical and mental disabilities, by proving that you can be “sick”, positive, humane, driven, and successful all at the same time? You can bet on that one too.

Most importantly, I think my journey has taught me that life isn’t always about viewing your circumstances with the “glass half empty” or “glass half full” mindset. I personally am grateful I have a glass at all, and that I can fill it with whatever joys I like, and that I can allow experience to teach me in whatever ways that are necessary for me to leave a lasting print on this world.

Regardless of whatever may come next for me, I know I’ll always be okay.

PASSAGE OF HOPE

How can a rose grow
at the bottom of a well?
who knew these seeds would blossom
within darkness when they fell?
they were dropped in this pit
because nobody saw their worth
but when they reached the bottom
their foundation was planted in the earth
they cracked out from their seeds
and then developed roots
they headed towards the light at the top
to find the truth
some made it, others didn't
some got tangled with the weeds
thinking they'd never grow
from being poor discarded seeds!
but others met the bees...
the bees were inspiration
and helped the roses to believe
the more they worked with one another,
the more they could achieve!
To never give up hope was the message from the bees!
confined within a darkened place
the roses still were free.....
A rose is still a rose
even at the bottom of a well....
Although we face adversity
our spirits will prevail ♦

Tony, Robert, and Darrell, Inside PFC Members



The creation of this mural was a collaborative effort by community artists and members of People for Change. It took 18 months of committed labor to conceptualize and create this work of art. It was on display at Government Center and the Common Pleas Courthouse in Toledo for two months and is currently hanging at the Rhodes Tower in Columbus.

CREATING THE “PASSAGE OF HOPE,” A COLLABORATIVE PUBLIC ART PROJECT

Coming in to this project I had a lot of doubt about this being something great, because out of all the guys involved, only two of us had any kind of artistic training. But coming to the workshop got us away from the craziness these blocks hold, so why not? I secretly went in to this project wanting to be assigned a specific duty so I could say, regardless of what the rest looks like I did that area there! Don't give me the side eye! Art is my fortress, my sanity within chaos, and I take pride in it... However as the weeks went by I was surprised to see the hunger and drive in these men I've come to call brothers. At times I could not help but wonder where Emily's madness was going but she had a plan and she walked it down... and to be a part of her brilliance was such a gift. Although there were creative differences at times I am glad I stayed to finish. Because, well, the art speaks for itself! I've graced prison walls, even the sacredness of people's skin and all sorts of other surfaces, but none of

that compares to this. Coming from a person doing a life sentence I can say I'm free. The expression an artist uses as he or she creates is a release of their soul. Our souls are in every brick, every rose and every bee... Every last canvas is the essence of us, and it lives in the free world. Therefore these walls can never subjugate this free man! When I speak of my brothers, I also mean Yusuf, Matt and our sister Rachel! They were major game changers!

Blood makes you related, love makes you family. I sincerely thank you all for being a part of this life-altering project. Words alone could never suffice...you all will go down as immortal in the story of my life.... peace and blessings!!!

Dakota, *Inside PFC Member*

My personal meaning found in Passage of Hope:

it took awhile to find beauty in this darkness

truthfully it was you who brought this

you saw this rose encased in this concrete

slowly dying until you picked up the chisel and unbound me

the joy you provide is the water around me

that nourishes my soul and grounds me

the tint of my petals were that of decay

now as I sprout thru this passage of hope I see beauty in the day

look me in my eyes and tell me I don't have my glowing color back

as i smile at the thought of hope I give you my heart as I thank you for just that!

Dakota, *Inside PFC Member*

If a picture is worth a thousand words, then what more can we say.

The Art Workshop was an amazing experience! Special thanks to Ms. Ceglio, Emily, Rachel, Yusuf, and Matt. Thank you for all the time and positive energy you thrust into this project. More than anything, thank you for your belief. You guys believed in us when we didn't believe in ourselves.

Words alone could never suffice to express the joy I felt week after week attending the Art Workshop. As a writer it's even hard for me to capture that experience with words because it was a feeling that I was

overwhelmed with. That feeling was pure joy!

Art allowed me to escape prison mentally, opening up within me a new-found curiosity to explore more and learn about its history. We were able to study murals painted by artists such as Hale Aspacio Woodruff. Woodruff was an African-American artist who had a profound influence on twentieth century American art. He was responsible for the Amistad murals in 1938. We also learned the history behind the fall of the Berlin Wall on November 9, 1989, which was celebrated around the world. The Art Workshop showcased murals of local artists as well as artists from around the globe. Each piece of art told a unique story, and during the workshop we were able to delve into the different interpretations each of us had.

I think I speak for everyone who participated in the Art Workshop when I say that I was shocked when I saw how beautiful the mural turned out. Even after the mural was complete, I still couldn't believe that I, that my hands had anything to do with that beautiful piece. Along with my hands there were others involved, and we worked as one unit. We studied monumental pieces of art, exchanged ideas and philosophies, and recited poetry. At the end, Passage of Hope was born. The mural, Passage of Hope, is a direct testament to the unwavering power of unity.

As individuals, our thoughts have an origin, and what we think reflects our belief system. Art is no different! The Art Workshop challenged its participants to broaden his or her horizon and to view art through a new set of lenses. We learned about how art is used in activism and how a mural painted in a downtrodden community can be used to incite a people and resurrect change. It's been proven that when communities are directly involved in constructing the mural, it gives them a sense of accomplishment and breathes life back into them, especially those communities devoid of hope. As Yusuf stated early on in the Art Workshop, "art is more than just a painted picture." He was right: It's a time capsule and an expression of hope!

Robert, *Inside PFC Member*

PEOPLE FOR CHANGE HOSTS STATEWIDE MEETING OF INSIDE/OUT TEACHERS AND ALUMNI, APRIL 22, 2017 AT TOLEDO CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION

Every year People for Change hosts a regional meeting, this year it included Inside/Out faculty and students from across Ohio, to discuss progress and plans generated by the classes offered through the Inside/Out Prison Exchange Project.

This year we invited faculty and Inside/Out student alumni from across the state of Ohio to discuss their programs, initiatives, and prospects for statewide initiatives on criminal justice reform. Our theme was Restorative Justice, under which many kinds of actions may be included.

We learned about the HOPE Channel (Helping Ohio Prisoners Excel) sponsored by the Northeast Region of the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, about other Inside/Out class projects to reform the parole process in Ohio,

about a Columbus formerly incarcerated I/O alum's non-profit organization to help other returning citizens, and share our own projects initiated by PFC.

The annual effort PFC makes to reach out to other programs and initiatives bears fruit as we learn from others how to make a difference before, during, and after incarceration.

These meeting remind us that we are not alone or isolated in our efforts. Inside/Out at Toledo Correctional and People for Change are part of state and national efforts to change the way America polices, judges, and punishes. Part of PFC's educational mission is to keep ourselves informed about what efforts are already underway and how we can contribute or create new initiatives.

Dr. Renee, *Outside PFC Member*

Closing Thoughts

The question that is being raised is based on your perception and what's going on in the world today as we see it. Am I Next? You could be the next person that makes their life more than what it is now, or the next person that is affected by injustice. But, at the end of the day it is up to you to answer that question. According to Marcus Garvey the greatest person you could be is the person you make yourself into. Which means there is no limit to the possibilities you can create for yourself just by asking, Am I Next. What are you next for? Think about it.

Ruben, *Inside PFC Member, Co-Editor*

Valuable Resources

For information on starting a business write to:

1st Stop Business Connection
28th Fl. Po Box 1001
Columbus, Oh 43216-1001

Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce
300 Madison Ave. Enterprise suite 200
Toledo, Oh 43604-1575

SCORE
2200 Jefferson Avenue, 1st Floor
Toledo, OH 43604

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Ken Lamberton

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Bryan Stevenson

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Jean Hatzfeld

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Alice and Staughton Lynd

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TIME Magazine

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The Adult Student's Guide to Survival and Success (2008)

Poet's Guide: How to Publish and Perform Your Work (1995)

The Habeas Citebook: Ineffective Assistance of Counsel
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Published by Prison Legal News

African American Business Leaders: A Biographical Dictionary (1994)

Merriam-Webster's Rhyming Dictionary (2007)

The Scholastic Rhyming Dictionary (1994)

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Adam Bradley

A Taste of Power: A Black Woman's Story (1992)

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Richard Russo

Rose Gold (2014)

Walter Mosley

Ariel (1965)

Sylvia Plath

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The library is open on Mondays 9-10 am and Fridays 2:30-3:30 pm.

Note: Readers may notice how articles are signed using only first names. We in PFC wish for the public to read what individuals who are incarcerated have to say, so are committed to distributing the newsletter in the community. The trade off is to have all of us, inside and outside authors, identify only with first names.

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