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## The Frontline

Volume 6 (February - Black History Month)





A Long Talk About the Uncomfortable Truth presents... The Black History Month Blitz.

We are hosting 4 community conversations during the months of February and March. We just completed our first 3-day conversation from February 9th - 11th and we have 3 more to go.

- February 22 24 from 6:30pm 8:00pm EST
- March 01 03 from 6:30pm 8:00pm EST

To participate, sign-up on our website @ alongtalk.com.

## Upcoming Events:

Book Bounce Series

Friday, February 19 @ 7:00pm EST

Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents by Isabel Wilkerson

Zoom Link

Movie Mixer Series

Zoom Link





A Long Talk would like to give a shoutout to UPenn Volleyball and 3 Rivers Rowing for their participation in A Long Talk About the Uncomfortable Truth and their commitment to being active Anti-Racists.



We were often told by generations before us to "Go out and get a good government job." Because of the times in which we lived; this was safe. The most important thing was to make sure you had security, roof over head, clothes on backs and food on the table. Now, although those needs are still in the forefront, many millennials find it to be an opportune time to dedicate their life's work to something in which they love, not necessarily something in which they need. As a result, a flood of creativity and individuality has dominated our communities. America seems to be the place where anything is possible. That is true at times, but when one steps back and looks at the barriers that exist for black businesses, we see that systems of racism must still be dismantled. I am happy to say that as a small business owner, I continue to learn each day along with my peers who have also ventured into business ownership. Whether we are selling products or services, it is paramount to support one another to build up our community, create jobs and close the racial wealth gap. Support our village! -Tracee, A Long Talk



In 1921, Tulsa, Oklahoma's Greenwood District, known as Black Wall Street, was one of the most prosperous African-American communities in the United States. But on May 31 of that year, the <u>Tulsa Tribune</u> reported that a black man, Dick Rowland, attempted to rape a white woman, Sarah Page. Whites in the area refused to wait for the investigative

people died, and 800 were injured. Defense of white female virtue was the expressed motivation for the collective racial violence. (taken directly from website)

## **Culture Corner**



Learn more about Black-owned wine shops by clicking the image.



Click the image to learn more about Black-owned banks.



Learn how you can help WeCause support Blackowned businesses.



The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill changed music forever. Click the image to hear one of her classic hits, <u>Lost Ones</u>.



Social commentary is a staple of the Hip-Hop group De La Soul.



Click the image to learn about how the rapper and educator, Asheru, is changing the community.





