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## T. Thomas Fortune Project

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SHINING A LIGHT ON TODAY: THE LEGACY OF T. THOMAS FORTUNE "A Window into the World of Post-Reconstruction" A Symposium at Brookdale Community College

Lincroft, NJ - The T. Thomas Fortune Project announces its upcoming symposium to be presented on Saturday, June 14th from 9am - 1pm in the Twin Lights Room of the Warner Student Center at Brookdale Community College, located at 765 Newman Springs Road, Lincroft.

T. Thomas Fortune lived in Red Bank over 100 years ago. Yet much of what he fought for has not been fully realized. Fortune, a 19th and 20th Century editor, publisher and author was a staunch defender of human and civil rights for both African Americans and other marginalized people Fortune was the publisher and founder of three New York newspapers, including the New York Age, the foremost African-American publication of its time. Fortune strongly criticized the demise of Reconstruction, lynching and other atrocities that befell "Afro-Americans".

Prior to his death in Philadelphia, June 2, 1928, the National Negro Press Association bestowed upon him the honorary title of "Dean of Negro Journalism."

The day will begin with a continental breakfast. Immediately following will be a panel discussion. Afterwards, the keynote address will be delivered by, Walter Greason, History Professor at Monmouth University.

The symposium is free of charge but registration is required. Please Register by Saturday, June 7th To register please log onto: <u>www.eventbrite.com/e/shining-a-light-on-today-registration-11301770901</u>

About T. Thomas Fortune Project The T. Thomas Fortune Project is an organization created to save, preserve and restore the former Red Bank home of T. Thomas Fortune located at 94 Drs. Parker Blvd to a cultural research center.

To learn more about this symposium and the TTF Project, please visit, http://thomasfortunehouse.weebly.com

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