

# R.E.G. NEWS<sup>®</sup>

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## June 2020 Black Music Month R.E.G. Celebrates Radio Celebrity Dyana Williams

**Dyana Williams** hails from New York and is one of the most influential and active women in the entertainment industry. Williams is a radio personality currently hosting her show on Radio One 107.9 in Philadelphia. As a music industry professional, journalist, community activist, and documentarian Williams does know all too well how politics can be an intricate part in upgrading one's career as a female in the world of entertainment. Williams also realizes the importance of building strong relationships while on her journey.

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and Shelia launched the based non-aition of American -ation

(IAAAM Foundation). The mission of this non-profit was to promo the artist and preserve Black Music. Williams co-wrote the House Concurrent Bill-509, which recognizes the African American accomplishments in music and helped to establish the African American Music Appreciation Month originally started as **"Black Music Month"**. Williams started her career in 1973 when she was hired by radio boss Bob "Nighthawk" Terry at WHUR-FM 96.3 in Washington, D.C. Two years later Williams was hired by legendary radio icon "Frankie Crocker" at Inner City Broadcasting's 107.5 WBLS-FM in New York. In 1980 Dyana Williams moved to Philadelphia and established a show she called "Love on the Menu" for WDAS -FM 105.3.

## WDAS Celebrates its 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary...

**WDAS Radio Station** has an awesome history which includes actively supporting the Civil Rights and Peace Movements, the call of action for Voter's registration, initiating the focus on Community Affairs, and Events which not only entertain; but also affect Black People and their neighborhoods. **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.** stated in 1965, **"However difficult the moment, however frustrating the hour, it will not be long, because 'Truth crushed to the earth will rise again'"**. In 1969, **Rev. Andrew Young** stated- **"to our knowledge, there is no station in America that has worked harder, longer and with more dedication for Black People than WDAS in Philadelphia"**. **The House of Representatives proceedings of the Congressional Record dated November 1981, recognized the contributions of Robert Klein to Black Progress and Racial Harmony.** WDAS Radio Station was and still is the African American Voice in Philadelphia. For additional history on WDAS Radio Station visit [www.WDASHistory.org](http://www.WDASHistory.org)

## Patty Jackson On the Mic in Philly

The legendary radio Program Director Joseph "Butterball" Tamburro" formerly of WDAS-FM passed the torch and microphone to the soulful and warm voice of



Patty Jackson. Jackson serves up her conversational style of reporting and airing the right musical selections to her radio audience. Jackson is involved in community events, church activities, and civic endeavors. She is a native of South Philadelphia who believes that giving back is important for future generations. She created a platform from her weekly WDAS-FM podcast entitled **Patty and the Millennials**. Jackson is the mid-day host from 10 am to 3 pm, Monday thru Friday, on Sunday's - its "Rewind" magazine show from 8 am to 12 pm, local community events, celebrity interviews, life, politics, and entertainment are highlighted.



## A Little Piece of History... Remember When!

Philadelphia is the city of Brotherly Love and Sisterly Affection, this is where the legendary African American DJs were heard and where the city's two major black radio stations, WDAS and WHAT were located. WDAS was the powerhouse of the two, with legendary radio personalities Georgie Woods, "the Guy with the Goods" (1927-2005); Doug "Jocko" Henderson, the Ace from Outer Space" (1918-2000), and Jimmy Bishop.

Woods was a noted civil rights and community activist, while Henderson had his daily radio shows aired in two major music markets New York and Philadelphia. Jimmy Bishop owned a record label and served at times as Program Director at WDAS and VP for CBS Records. These three radio personalities also produced and hosted live music shows at local venues in Philadelphia, Atlantic City, and Chester. WHAT radio station did not receive the ratings like WDAS radio station did, but it did have a high-energy radio personality in Sonny "the Mighty Burner" Hopkins.

WDAS equally had popular white radio personalities who played black music, including Joseph "Butterball" Tamburro (1940-2012) and Harvey Holiday. Another radio personality Jerry Blavat, "the Geator with the Heater" had a unique place among the Philadelphia DJs, while he never worked at a major commercial station, he built a loyal fan base by hosting dances and live shows. He is still to this day hosting live shows.

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R.E.G. Celebrates & Salutes WDAS AM & WDAS FM on its 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

We respectfully recognize all the outstanding veteran and current radio personalities.

## June 2020 Black Music Month -Part II

Dyana Williams has been welcomed back to the Radio One Network now known as Urban One owned by Cathy Hughes who also through her company launched TV One in January 2004, a national cable and satellite television network. TV One bills itself as the “lifestyle and entertainment network for African American adults”. Hughes interviews prominent personalities from the entertainment industry for the network talk program, “TV One On One”.

Dyana a Philly legend co-host Sampson years on 107.9



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Philadelphia. The radio show was known as “Soulful Sundays” which aired soulful R&B music from the 70’s, interviewing some of the biggest stars in entertainment; from Aretha Franklin to Philly Mayor Jim Kenny, and highlighting music from Philadelphia International Records and Gamble-Huff Music company.

R.E.G. is celebrating and saluting Dyana Williams for her outstanding contributions within the entertainment industry and for being one of the leading Philly Broadcasting Legendary personalities of today.



## The Coronavirus Impact...What Do We Need To Do?

As of June 1,2020, reported by John Taggart for the New York Times-states that our leading infectious disease experts in the United States are warning that coronavirus will make life more difficult for the foreseeable future. This virus is something we will have to live with while scientist continue to work on a vaccine. Medical experts state that without a vaccine we can expect about 70% of the population being infected. However, medical experts expect a vaccine as early as January 2021.

Meanwhile, the concept of herd immunity is being developed to help stop the spread of the virus. The current numbers indicate that approximately 2 million cases have been confirmed in the United States. Many states are going through the process of re-opening but with many restrictions which include (1) the wearing of face masks, (2) social distancing, (3) fewer people being served in eating establishments, (4) crowd limits, (5) store hours are limited, (6) checking temperatures of dinners before entry and making advance reservations at most restaurants, and sanitizing after each service provided.

## R.E.G. Music Release Schedule for the Summer...

R.E.G. will be releasing the following artists’ new music for this summer globally, starting with **E.L Williams** new single “**I Magnify Thy Name**” written by **Mark Hawkins** - release date: 7/10/20, **Bobby Cutchins** remastered single “**That’s The Only Way**” featuring **Ali Trone** this tune was written by **Bobby Cutchins, John Edwards, and Ali Trone** - release date: 7/15/20, **Fresh Rap Series 2** compilation featuring **Ali Trone, Jack of Spades, Ghetto Society, and Ace C. Ducey** featuring the **Funky Brigade** - release date 7/29/20 and **Wisdom Stick’s** new music featuring **Tony TNT Jones** also on 7/29/20. Purchase any of these products @

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## R.E.G. New Publication

R.E.G. will be publishing a new quarterly magazine entitled “**The Alfa Report**” which will be forth coming this September 2020.

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