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NAACP CHIEF SAYS BLACKS FACE "CRITICAL" SITUATION

MINNEAPOLIS, MN—Citing recent Supreme Court rulings and the Republican takeover of the U.S. Congress, the chairwoman of the NAACP Myrtle Evers-Williams last week labeled the situation faced by American blacks "critical." She added that "never has there been a more critical need for the NAACP, a strong organization with teeth and muscle and intestinal fortitude." Evers-Williams was alarmed at the court rulings which weakened affirmative action programs and threatened the continued existence of several predominantly black congressional voting districts. She was also critical of Republican Party plans to "reform" welfare. But the nation's oldest civil rights organization faces the new challenges at a time when it is nearly \$4 million in debt and has been plagued by a series of internal disputes. There are also those who question the continued viability of the organization. Indeed, Evers-Williams offered little that was new in her speech and placed greatest emphasis on encouraging blacks to vote. Her remarks came at the group's annual convention—still one of the largest annual gatherings of blacks in the nation.

ARTHUR FLETCHER ENTERS REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL RACE

WASHINGTON, D.C.—U.S. Civil Rights Commission member Arthur Fletcher last week announced his candidacy for the Republican presidential nomination. The decision left many asking why. Although a long-time Republican, Fletcher's views on such matters as civil rights and affirmative action are not widely accepted in the Republican Party and severely limit his chances of winning the nomination. Nevertheless, Fletcher vowed to "fight those in my party who are trying to destroy our gains in civil rights." Fletcher said he would turn his Washington, D.C. home into his campaign headquarters and would soon open campaign offices in Kansas City and California. Fletcher is the second black to enter the race for the Republican presidential nomination.

DIVA PHYLLIS HYMAN DEAD AT 45, APPARENT SUICIDE

NEW YORK, NY—Jazz and R&B singer Phyllis Hyman was found dead recently in her New York City apartment. The 6-foot-tall, 45-year-old diva apparently committed suicide. Exactly what had been troubling her was not clear but one associate simply said, "She's always been troubled." In recent years Hyman had lost several recording contracts in part because some music industry officials felt she was too outspoken and difficult to work with. Pills and a note were found in her apartment.

BLACK WEALTH CONFERENCE SET FOR FT. LAUDERDALE

FT. LAUDERDALE, FL.—The next in a series of seminars and workshops designed to show African Americans how to build personal and family wealth will take place in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. on Saturday, July 29.

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The Genocidal of Legal Services in the 13th and 19th Congressional District

by Parson D. A. Smith, Project Director of Lubbock NAACP-Justice Project
President of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance

Harry Hershfield say of politics: "Where they put you on the back so they'll know where to stick the knife." This statement is definitely applicable to poor people who have put their trust in their Congressional Representatives for federal financial support to Legal Services Corporation so that they may be able to access the system for free legal aid in civil matters.

Representative Larry Combest posture toward Legal Services Corporation and how it uses it funds to help poor people and Representative William Mac Thornberry attitude toward lawyers who are funded through LSC grants are among the chief political advocates to do away with Legal Services Corporation under the disguise of balancing the Federal Budget.

Combest stated in a letter dated July 18, 1995 to Mrs. Rose Wilson, President of the Lubbock Chapter of the NAACP and Board Member of the West Texas Legal Services and Texas Legal Services Center, in reference to the NAACP's opposition to the House Budget Committee and his position: "As you know, Congress recently passed the budget resolution for Fiscal Year 1996 (FY 96) which will include establishing spending priorities through Fiscal Year 2002 in order to balance the budget. Actual cuts in discretionary spending have not yet been established, however, the budget resolution recommended the elimination of the LSC. It is now up to the committees of jurisdiction to determine its fate."

Thornberry gave his conviction in a letter to Mrs. Wilson in a letter dated July 5, 1995: "LSC is one of several organizations intended to provide the poor with access to free legal aid in civil matters. Unfortunately, many of LSC's lawyers go far beyond the original purposes of the corporation. Too often, lawyers funded through federal LSC grants have used taxpayers' dollars to pursue political causes and class action lawsuits, rather than helping poor American solve reform. Lawyers have even used LSC grants to file lawsuits against welfare reform... state and local governments, bar associations, and other organizations already provide substantial legal aid services to the poor. These avenues will continue to be available for those who need legal aid but who cannot afford it, and I believe they can serve more effectively than the LSC."

This "chaps my hide." Federal funded West Texas Legal Services (Amarillo, Plainview, and Lubbock) helped 2,300 clients in 13 area counties last year. Most of these clients were low-income white people who had no other means of obtaining legal representation. However, Combest allegedly sees and politically portrays the LSC as only helping African Americans and Hispanics and a very few whites while using LSC as a "sore spot" to promote supporting the balancing of the budget in seven years.

A group of legal service representatives and providers (including this writer) met in front of the Mahon Federal Building Wednesday, July 19, 1995 to express opposition to the proposed funding cuts for Legal Services Corporation that will reduce LSC current \$400 million budget to 287 million (This includes all of the United States) and Larry Combest's position of shutting down LSC completely.

What the 19th Congressional District needs to know is that at

the heart of Combest's threat and Thornberry's misinformed notion are those who can least afford legal representation. According to a recent State Bar of Texas study, almost 70% of the legal needs of the poor go unmet in Texas each year, despite the concerted efforts of LSC programs, other Legal Service Providers and pro bono attorneys. The proposed 35% reduction in LSC funding by the Senate Budget Committee and the zeroed-out funding by Larry Combest on the backs of poor whites, blacks, Mexican Americans and Native Americans of Texas is a social and moral wrong. The racist reason that was reported by Larry's press secretary, Keith Williams: "Combest is disturbed by instances in West Texas where Legal Services has been involved in issues such as lawsuits over the make up of school board," will not act as a political laxative to intelligent and informed white people in the upcoming congressional elections. It appears that Congressman Combest is out of touch with reality. He does not realize (or he is playing a political game [like Hitler did with the German people] with white folk to stay on the good side of Bubba (or whoever) how many poor whites and senior citizens that he will hurt if he manages to shutdown LSC.

This writer does want to create a dilemma and not provide a solution to the problem. How does the 19th Congressional District deal with this communitarian. Since I was raised on the farm, I have a simple farm answer: "Take him off of his \$150,000 year oats and put him out to pasture!"

Allegedly, Combest is a practitioner of cultural genocide. Let me be candid. What the 19th Congressional District need is new blood. My personal opinion and those of many of my friends across ethnic lines is that we need a young aggressive "white male" attorney, who believes in family values, and bears experience in local and state government. This person needs to have a hand-on knowledge of the region and its many educational facilities, businesses, farmland and farmers and other entities. The 19th Congressional District needs a representative who represents all the people (I can't remember anytime in my 10 years in the region, when the 19th District included the Eastside of Lubbock that Combest was present at any functions where African Americans were concerned).

Allow me to be candid again. I challenged the white citizens of this area to wake up to Combest's political phalocentrism and inability to function and interact with other members on the other side of the political spectrum in Congress. Just maybe if the representative of District 19 would have been a bit more cooperative, we would have obtained the DOD, retained Reese Air Force base and the SBA officials would not be downsizing Lubbock's office at this present moment, sending files to the SBA office in Little Rock, Arkansas, and preparing to say good bye to Lubbock and good bye to future small businesses in the area. A representative that cared for his district would have used his political muscle to help keep jet service in his district. Oh yes! Senior Citizens need to question Combest's stance on the memo distributed by House Republicans that calls older Americans "pack-oriented" and "susceptible to following one very dominant person's lead."

Sanders Receives Pageant Crown



Ashley Sanders was crowned Little & Teen Miss Black Lubbock Metroplex during a pageant held earlier this year. She is the daughter of James & Marie Sanders of Lubbock and granddaughter of Velma Perkins of Brownfield. She is a student at Hunt Elementary School.

Sanders is also very active in tap & ballet, Keds Club & Brownie Scouts at Parkway Neighborhood Center. She also models and does commercials.

Pictured above is Corcy Godfrey (right) who is serenading little Miss Sanders.

Lubbock Youth Participates in National Junior Olympics



Tsepo Williams, a senior at Estacado High School, placed second at the Houston Junior Olympic regional meet held July 15, 1995 which qualified him to compete in the National

Junior Olympic Games in San Jose, Ca. July 25-30.

Tsepo also placed first at the San Antonio regional July 9, 1995 where he qualified to compete in the AAU Junior Olympic Games in Des Moines, Iowa during the week of Aug. 2-6, 1995. Tsepo competes in the long jump event.

We would like to congratulate Tsepo for not only his sports ability but for his academic achievement this past school year, where he finished in the top five of his class with a 4.58 GPA. Tsepo is the son of Marnie and Gladys Williams

CHATMAN HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING

THURSDAY
AUGUST 10, 1995
2311 FIR AVE.
6:30 P.M.

Johnson Competes in National Event

Natalia Johnson will be competing in the National USATT Tumbling meet in Denver, Colorado. The 11-year-old 6th-grader at Iles Elementary enjoys modeling, singing & has appeared in several local, regional & national commercials. The meet is in July and will be televised on cable sports stations. Natalia is one of 32 athletes who qualified to compete from this area.



Information About Patterson Branch Library and Family Learning Center

ORIGIN: The planning for a branch library in east Lubbock reaches back into the library development plans of the Lubbock City-County Library for many years, but the reality became possible when the citizens passed the Capital Bond Improvements election in May, 1993. The bonds authorized TWO branch libraries, one for northeast Lubbock and one for northwest Lubbock.

NAME: The Library Board decided in 1992 that because of the needs for family and adult education in east Lubbock, that branch would have the name of "Branch Library and Family Learning Center" as its subtitle. On July 13, 1995, the Lubbock City Council made the name complete by pre-fixing the name of T.J. Patterson, to honor Lubbock's District 2 Councilman.

STATISTICS: The Patterson Branch Library and Family Learning Center under construction at 1836 E. Parkway Drive, will be a 10,426 sq. ft. facility, with an opening-day collection of approximately 20,000 books and other materials. Construction cost, including purchase of the land and the widening of Walnut Ave. to two-lane, two-way traffic is approximately \$830,000. The balance of the \$1.4 million dollar branch budget will provide for the equipment, furnishings, computerization, and library collections.

SPECIAL FEATURES: The library facility contains a "multi-purpose" meeting room which will seat 50 persons for programs, films and videos, etc. The "Family Learning Center" is being designed for multiple work-station computer use, individual tutoring spaces, and will house special software to operate on microcomputers with CD-ROM drives. Special funding for this area was provided thru a grant from the Junior League of Lubbock, Inc. and the Friends of the Lubbock City-County Library, Inc. For the adult learner, software will feature reading, math, GED preparation, as well as skill development in family finance and parenting, job and interview skills, basic adult literacy, etc. For the

young learner, the software will help the library function as a "homework center", and the library will develop special program relationships with the surrounding schools, day-care, and early learning sites.

The open-landscape library "collections area" will house the book collections to serve from pre-school thru senior citizen, on all subjects, including collections that focus on the history, culture, and awareness of the African-American and Hispanic populations. At the heart of this area will be the "computer center" which houses the terminals and microcomputers to access the Library's database, various CD-ROM databases, and connections to the "Information Superhighway" (Internet). The library will also provide a regular reference collection, paperback books, newspapers and periodicals, and areas for special display, as well as "quiet study."

LIBRARY HOURS: Subject to adjustments based on service area needs, the initial schedule for service by the staff of 6 full-time and 2 part-time employees will be: Mon, Tues 12 noon to 9 p.m.; Wed thru Sat 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (total weekly schedule of 54 hours per week)

OTHER PROGRAMS: Besides the learning center and homework center functions mentioned above, the branch program menu will also include story hours, toddler times, and "Share a book with a child" programs for the younger children, and innovative new programs like "reading together volunteers" for service to latch-key children, and a "teen advisory group" to help link the needs of young people to the efforts of the library staff. To provide for an ongoing program of relating the library to the community, steps were initiated in the summer, 1995 to begin formation of a "key communicators" group of adults who will serve as a focus group to provide valuable information to guide development of the library program.



Ruby Jay's Corner

The New Hope Baptist Church Sunday School was mighty good last Sunday morning with Supt. James Terling at his post of duty. There were thirty minutes for class period, and then all the classes reassembled. High points of the lesson were given by Class No. 3.

Secretary's report— Youth Department— Senior Class won attendance banner while the Kindergarten Class received the offering banner.

Adult Department— Class No. 1 & 2 received the attendance as theirs was tie. The offering banner went to Class No. 4.

There was one visitor in Sunday School.

The 10:45 a.m. devotional period was led by Deacon and Sister Earnest Swain.

The Senior Choir marched in the processional. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Jeff Brown. A song, "I'm So Glad He Prayed for Me." Scripture was James 1:19-27 and was read by Brother Harry Stokley. Prayer was given by Sister Floreza Stokley. Another song, "Let Jesus Fix It," was sung. Responsive reading was done with the congregation standing.

The morning hymn was "Blessed Assurance." Pastoral observation was given by Pastor Billy R. Moton. He always leaves you with something good to feast on. One thought: "We need to pray now more than

ever." This is so true!

Another song, "What Is This?" was sung. The hymn of preparation was "Amazing Grace." Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "Has Jesus Made It Different?" His scripture text was St. Mark 1:19-31.

Invitation to discipleship was extended, but no one came forward. The remainder of the services were as usual.

The New Hope Choir Department is extending an invitation to all to attend their Musical set for Saturday, August 5, 1995 at 7:00 p.m. The theme is "Oh Come, Let Us Sing Unto The Lord."

The Fifth Sunday, July 30, 1995, all women are to dress in white.

Sister G.H. Davis enjoyed the Chandler Reunion over the weekend in Fort Worth, Texas. She is the oldest living child. There are just niece, nephews and cousins remaining. There were those who came from Denver, Colorado, California, Lubbock, Texas, and, of course, Fort Worth.

Some friends of Sister S.P. Roberts surprised her with a cake and ice cream party on her birthday last Friday afternoon. What a blessing!

Remember the sick and shut-in citizens of the community with prayers and a visit. Deacon John Howard was absent from church last Sunday morning.

So many of our friends are bereaved because of lost ones in their families. We want them to know they have our prayers and sympathy. Remember God is one you can talk with and find peace and comfort.

Glenda Faye Shannon and Ronald Davis Kinner were united in Holy Matrimony Friday night, July 21st in Kress, Texas where they will reside. Ronald is the son of Bubba Kinner and the nephew of Ruby Jay. Wish them well!

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Services:
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Church of Christ
1409 23rd Street

Obituary



The companion-caretaker of the late (Sonny) Louis Charles Johnson would like to take this opportunity to say "Thanks" to all the friends, co-workers, family members, and a very special "Thank You" to the doctors, nurses & staff members of UMC Hospital, who until the very end did everything medicine had to offer to keep him pain-free and comfortable.

I've been unable to get thank-you cards to a lot of you, who did

not leave phone numbers or addresses.

Since words can never express the true feelings in time like these, "Thank You."

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National Black News Survey

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The wealth-building conscience is being conducted by the Better Life Club of America—a Washington, D.C.-based financial self-help group which devises income enhancement programs and projects. Conference topics will range from starting home based businesses to investing and from repairing negative credit to making profits in the 900.

CONTROVERSY SURROUNDS ARTHUR ASHE MEMORIAL
RICHMOND, VA—A decision by the predominantly black Richmond, Va. city council to place a statue of the late tennis star Arthur Ashe on the city's Monument Avenue along side those of five civil war Confederates has ignited a major controversy. Virtually no one is happy. Old South whites object and many blacks are upset, feeling that the Ashe statue should not be placed with those of people that most blacks consider as racists who fought to maintain slavery. As a result of the controversy, the ground breaking for the new statue has been postponed and new public hearings are set to begin this week. Ashe was a native of Richmond. He died of AIDS in 1993.

DEMOCRACY MAY RETURN TO NIGERIA
ABUJA, NIGERIA—The military rulers in the West African nation of Nigeria last week lifted their ban on political parties and raised hopes that democracy may be restored to Africa's most populous nation. Under Gen. Sani Abacha, the military seized power in 1993 after refusing to recognize the outcome of a popular election. Abacha said he planned to return power to civilians, but refused to say when.

GROUP SEEKS TO BUILD BLACK OVERSEAS TRADE
NEW YORK, NY—Since 1991, the Leary Group

had made trade connections for more than 30 black-owned companies seeking to do business in Japan. Last week, Kathryn Leary announced that she is turning her attention to Africa. And later this summer she plans to teach a seminar on women doing business in global markets.

NEWARK MAYOR FACES FEDERAL PROBE
NEWARK, NJ—Black Newark, N.J. Mayor Sharpe James is facing a massive federal probe into his campaign fundraising tactics and his alleged lavish spending. U.S. Attorney Faith Hochberg has hit the mayor and other city officials with over 100 subpoenas. The investigation centers around the spending of nearly \$3 million in funds raised by James and his Sharpe James Civic Association. James has suggested that this investigation is racial in nature and is part of a campaign against prominent black politicians. Prior to the investigation James had generally been credited with doing a good job in reversing Newark's downward slide.

GROUPS SEEK TO PURCHASE BLACK NEWSPAPERS IN BID TO START NATIONAL CHAIN
WASHINGTON, DC—An upstart communications company has launched a bid to purchase several black-owned newspapers as a part of a bid to start a national black newspaper chain. The 900 Communications group was formed last month in Washington, D. C. Group President Robert Taylor said, "We aim to have in place a chain of at least 50 newspapers within the next two years." Taylor also heads the highly successful Better Life Club of America, Inc. Persons seeking more information about the effort can call the new group's flagship newspaper *Better Life News* at 202-531-8096 or write 900 Communications at 1919 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 346, Washington, D.C. 20006.

Parkway Manor Care Center News - Volunteer Registration

William Floyd visited George Skel and Ruth Robinson last Sunday afternoon, and reported a wonderful visit.

The St. Luke Baptist Church Missionary Society, with 12 members, came last Monday evening and had worship services for the residents. Rev. J.H. Ford is pastor.

Brother Birmingham, who is a member of the Holy Deliverance Temple Church, visited the residents last Wednesday afternoon.

Albert Lincoln visited his brother, William Lincoln, last Wednesday afternoon. They had a wonderful visit together.

Rev. W.H. Stephens' Bible lesson on Wednesday at 10:15 was as successful as a success, because the Lord was with the group. One visitor, Helen Hereford, was present. She is very dutiful and she is a part of the study group each week. Another faithful member is Annie Day.

The lesson was entitled "Stop Worrying," which was the basic theme. The scripture was found in St.

Matthew 6:27-28, and was taught by Rev. Stephens.

The Parkway Drive Baptist Church, with 9 members, came and held worship services for the residents last Wednesday evening.

Lethin Alexander and Sadie Todd, who are members of Alexander Chapel COGIC, visited the residents last Saturday afternoon. Elder Leavelle Thurston is pastor.

Life is true, like the sky is blue,
Life is nice, I would say twice,
Life is beautiful,
Life is a treat,
Why don't everyone try to be sweet,
Life is wonderful, Life is great!
Why don't everyone try to be straight,
As I conclude this life-filling story,
I hope I was not boring!

Mrs. Gloria Olquin, A.D. & R.; Rev. W.H. Stephens, Assistant A.D. & R.

Public Libraries and Education

The lower the education and income level of the public, the higher they rate the educational importance of their public library. This was just one of the results of an OERI-funded national survey conducted by the University of Minnesota and the Gallup Organization. Most of those surveyed—especially blacks and Hispanics—regard public libraries as a very important source of support for their community's educational aspirations. A national sample of the general public was asked to evaluate the importance to their communities of the major roles of the public library. Those roles rated "very important" by at least 50 per cent of the sample were (in order):

- An educational support center for students of all ages (88%)
 - A learning center for adult independent learners (85%)
 - A discovery and learning center for preschool children (83%)
 - A research center for scholars and researchers (68%)
 - A center for community information (66%)
 - An information center for community businesses (55%)
 - A comfortable place for people to read, think, or work (52%)
 - A recreational reading center (51%)
- Comparisons were also made among respondents

with different household incomes and among respondents based on highest grade level achieved. They revealed that those with household incomes below \$15,000 and those with an 8th grade education or less rated the educational roles of the library (the first three items in the above list) as "very important" more often than did those with incomes of \$60,000 or more or those who had completed college. Subsequent national surveys of blacks and Hispanics, when combined with the general public poll, enabled comparative analyses of opinions. The results of these comparisons indicated that:

- Among all racial/ethnic groups, the highest percentages of "very important" responses occurred for the three educational roles of the public library
 - Blacks and Hispanics systematically evaluated the importance of each of the roles of the public library to the community more highly than did whites (81, 78, and 64 percent respectively).
- This study was funded by a grant made under the Library Research, and Demonstration Program, Title II-B of the Higher Education Act. A brochure on the report "Public Libraries Serving Communities: Education is Job #1" is available free from OERI, #LP 94-4009. The complete final report is available from the ERIC Document Reproduction Service at 1-800-443-ERIC, order #IR-054814.

Rubin Cracks Top 20 Former U.S. National Team Member Moves to the Upper Echeleon of Women's Tennis

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y.—Chanda Rubin, who made tennis headlines in June with comebacks, career-best results and history-making long matches, achieved another milestone accomplishment Monday—cracking the Top 20 in the WTA Tour singles rankings. Rubin, a long-time participant in the United States Tennis Association's Player Development program, achieved a career best ranking of No. 19 in the rankings released Monday by the WTA Tour.

"I'm very happy to see this day come for Chanda," said Lynne Rolley, USTA Director of Coaching for Women. "Since Chanda began her involvement in the USTA Player Development program seven years ago, we knew she had the potential to one day be ranked in the top 20. With the talent and shot-making abilities she possesses, she could find herself in the top 10 very soon."

At the last two Grand Slam events, Rubin has gained the reputation as being one of the most determined competitors in tennis today. In a second round match at Wimbledon, she won the longest match by games (58 games) and time (three hours and forty-five minutes) in the history of tournament, outlasting Patricia Hy-Boulais 7-6 (4), 6-7 (5), 17-15. At the French Open, she saved nine match points and fought off a 0-5, 0-40 deficit to defeat Jana Novotna in a third round match. She went on to reach the quarterfinals in Paris—her

career best in a Grand Slam—and the third round at Wimbledon—her best showing in three previous appearances at the All England Club.

Prior to Wimbledon, Rubin reached her fourth career singles final at the grass court event at Eastbourne, where she defeated Gigi Fernandez and Kimiko Date before falling to Nathalie Tauziat. In March, she skipped the Lipton Championships to represent the United States at the Pan Am Games in Mar del Plata, Argentina, where she won a bronze medal in singles and a silver medal in doubles with Ann Grossman. She was a member of the USTA's U.S. National Team in 1990 and 1991 and was part of the USTA's Touring Program in 1992 and 1993. Rubin was also recognized as the U.S. Olympic Committee's June Athlete of the Month—the first tennis player to ever win the honor.

Founded in 1881, the United States Tennis Association is a not-for-profit volunteer organization with over a half-million individual members and over 6,000 organizational members. As the official governing body for tennis in America, the USTA uses its \$94 million annual budget to train and encourage tennis players of all ages and skill levels. The USTA presents the U.S. Open and sponsors teams for Davis Cup, Fed Cup and the Olympics.

Obituary



Arthur Curry, Sr.
Final rites were read for Mr. Arthur Curry, Sr. on Saturday, July 22, 1995, at the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church with Rev. J.H. Ford, pastor, officiating. Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Ronald Sanders, Anthony Sanders, James Arthur Curry, Kenneth Wayne Curry, Stephen Curry, Jerome Curry, Shelby Curry and Demarcus Curry.

Honorary pallbearers were deacons of Greater St. Luke Baptist Church.

Mr. Curry was born April 29, 1917 in Lott, Falls County, Texas to the parentage of Savannah and Austin Curry. Both parents preceded him in death.

During his early stages of life, he and his brothers—Virgel and Austin, Jr.—and a sister, V.A., were adopted and reared by an uncle, Ben Curry, all of whom have preceded him in death.

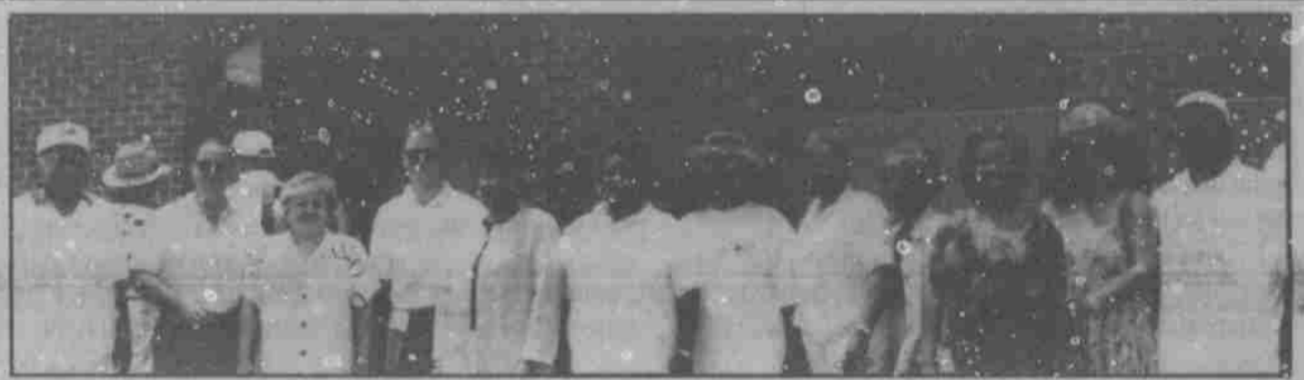
He married in Holy Matrimony to Miss Lurean Stokes in 1936. Mrs. Curry preceded him in death in 1969. During their 33 years of marriage, fourteen children were born to this union. Mr. Curry

united with the church at a very early age and served his Lord until his death.

He moved his family to Lubbock, Texas in the early 1950s where he worked as a machinist at Taylor Machines for several years. He united with the St. Luke Baptist Church and worked as the sexton for many years. Mr. Curry was an active member of St. Luke and especially attentive to the Wednesday Night Prayer Services. He also served in the following capacities: Assistant Superintendent, President of the Usher Board Number Two, Sunday School teacher, a member of the Male Chorus, and his most prized position as a Deacon of the Church.

Mr. Curry was also a member of the Pride of Lubbock Lodge Number 328, and retired from Lubbock Manufacturing after many years.

He is survived by six sons: Arthur, Jr., of Dallas, Texas; Algie, Grand Prairie, Texas; John L., Fort Worth, Texas; Leon, Ossie and Charles, all of Lubbock, Texas; six daughters: Emma Hall, Dorothy Buie, Kathleen Curry, all of Dallas, Texas; Jo Ann Sanders and Patricia Curry, all of Lubbock; and Vera Curry of DeSoto, Texas; thirty-six grandchildren and thirty-two great-grandchildren. A loving and devoted friend, Mrs. Clara Lenord of Lubbock, Texas. A host of other relatives and many friends.



HAVING A GOOD TIME—Members of the Congressional Black Caucus joined their spouses recently for the Third Annual CBC Spouses Golf and Tennis tournament which was held at the Belle Haven Country Club in Alexandria, VA. The event, which attracted many of the country's most notable civic and business leaders, raised more than \$100,000.00 for the organizations college scholarship fund. Each year the Congressional Black Caucus Spouses provide dozens of scholarships for aspiring African-American students nationwide. The tournament, which was chaired by Ms. Gwen Towns of New York and Ms. Mary Hilliard of Alabama, was sponsored by Johnnie Walker Black Label Scotch. (Photogenic Studios)

Music Scholarships Available at Langston University

There are still available choir and bank music scholarships for the 1995-96 academic year at Langston University. Outstanding instrumentalists, singers, and pianists are urged to apply for one of these awards. Langston University is the only African-American institution in the state of Oklahoma. For more information, please contact: Chairman, Department of Music, Langston University, Langston, OK 73050, (405) 466-3418, FAX (405) 466-3381.

REUNION UPDATE

DUNBAR ALUMNI INTERNATIONAL, INC would like to extend a big "THANK YOU" to all alumni and supporters who participated in "All-Class Reunion III" during the weekend of July 7-9. A great experience was enjoyed by all who attended, and a lot of pride and appreciation was expressed to the association for planning such a smooth transition of events. Families enjoyed events that were geared especially for them, and all are looking forward to returning for "All-Class Reunion IV" in July, 1998!

We thank all the media, but a special thanks should go to Southwest Digest for its weekly coverage of the event, especially for its full-front-page ad the week preceding the reunion. Many, many positive comments and events were a direct result of such a publication. Hats off to the Southwest Digest and all of its staff members!

DUNBAR ALUMNI INTERNATIONAL, INC is

the ONLY organization chartered by the state of Texas that's dedicated to preserving the history, accomplishments, pride, and cultural contributions of Dunbar High School, while providing an opportunity for its graduates and supporters to come together collectively. We do this through "all-class" reunions. We hope and welcome each class and Dunbar ex to help and participate in our efforts.

Congratulations to those Dunbar exes and supporters who became "LIFETIME" members of DUNBAR ALUMNI INTERNATIONAL, INC during the past year. Such a gesture shows loyalty and support for your association and its efforts. We feel that our actions within the next few weeks will make you even prouder of your association and increase your desire to become an active, contributing member.

Our next meeting is Sunday, August 13th at 5:00 pm in the Dunbar library.

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Affirmative Action

By Eddie P. Richardson

Let's start this article as we did last week. Before you tear a fence down, find out why it was put there in the first place. First check, analyze, look for the problem and correct it, not tear the whole fence down.

Let's get real, tell the truth, and quit lying to ourselves and others. First of all, Affirmative Action is not a poverty program and never was. And as far as our government is concerned, city, county, state and national, before Affirmative Action our governments discriminated bigtime. Only the major companies, relatives, business associates, good-ole-boy network, and others that delivered the kick-backs and not necessarily the goods. Affirmative Action helped to a certain degree level the playing field for blacks, minorities, women, other affected classes, and yes, small white-male-owned businesses that in the past were not in the circle.

The ones who benefited most from Affirmative Action were... white women... Affirmative Action helped make it possible for discriminated minorities and women to vote, be educated, and obtain decent housing and employment.

White males did not complain when they ran everything completely and controlled jobs, business, industry, government and everything else. When a white man had a good job in the factory, plant, etc., it was passed down for generations, and that was that. But when others started to get a very minor piece of the action, downsizing, recessions, plants and industry leaving the country for slave labor in the third-world countries.

Now we have Avery, Gramm of Texas, Gingrich of Georgia, Lott of Mississippi and others wanting to tear down the fence rather than mend it, while on the other hand you have a coalition of Blacks, Hispanics, women, religious, social etc. fighting to keep it, while on the other hand you have a band full of racist white angry and afraid white males wanting to whip out Affirmative Action. Even some of them profited from Affirmative Action. Phil Gramm of all people... who has been on welfare all of his life—think about it: government military housing, educational assistance, educator, and politician, which all came out of the taxpayer's bill.

Affirmative Action was formed in the first place because some citizens were being left out of the American dream, to some part legislatively. Richard Nixon, George Schultz, Arthur (Art) Fletcher, Rev. Leon Sullivan, later two Black and even Robert (Bob) Dole and passed legislatively with the leadership of ex-U.S. Congressman Parn Mitchell of Maryland, set-asides, 8A and other programs made it possible for minority, disadvantaged, and women businesses to get a foot in the door contract-wise for the first time. Now they want to take that away. These programs were set up with goals and timetables because of past records.

The concentration of affected class minorities now must be not trying to get more but keeping what we have. The cry now by the controlling white males is Affirmative Action hurts free marketing. Hell, who set up and controlled and still control free markets from slavery to Affirmative Action?

[Next week: Contract With America—On America]

THIS N THAT

UPCOMING RALLY FOR CREDIT UNION!! THIS N THAT... is very happy to see... SOMETHING POSITIVE... being set for the... CANYON LAKE'S CREDIT UNION... as they continue to make preparation for their new home to be announced in the very near future... As part of this effort... a... CREDIT UNION RALLY... will take place... SUNDAY AFTERNOON... August 6, 1995... beginning at 2:30 p.m. at the St. James Baptist Church... there is expected to be singing... and praising... and... hopefully... there will be those who will... BECOME A MEMBER... of the credit union... This is... REALLY GREAT... and... THIS N THAT... hopes this will continue... for... our community needs this kind of an effort... For more information... contact its president... DAVID SOWELL...

TOWN HALL MEETING SET FOR COMMUNITY!! THIS N THAT... has learned that an organization called... POWER... is sponsoring a program called... TOWN HALL MEETING... to be held... tonight... THURSDAY EVENING... JULY 27, 1995... at the... MAE SIMMONS COMMUNITY CENTER... The question to be asked on that evening... is... "IS THERE A NEED FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION?" With a sub topic of... "Does Racism and Sexism Continue to Plague Our Society?" If you are... interested then... THIS N THAT... encourages that you attend... as we are all affected by this matter... Especially since the... U.S. SUPREME COURT... voted 5-4 in June to dismantle this posture... As... BLACK PEOPLE... we had better take note to what is going on... and begin to find some means to overcome these ills which are confronting our community... So be there... and... GET INVOLVED... in such matters... Among the panel speakers will be... EMILIO ABEYTA... PATRICK DAY... T.J. PATTERSON... FLOYD PRICE... representatives from the Black Panther Party... and local Republican Party members... Sounds like it will be an interesting evening of knowledge... at least we hope so...

CONGRATS, CANDIDA JOHNSON!! THIS N THAT... would like to say a belated... CONGRATS... to one of our former writers... CANDIDA JOHNSON... who vied in the... MISS TEXAS PAGEANT... several weeks ago... She represented the... CITY OF BROWNFIELD, TEXAS... well... Keep up this kind of work... young lady... as one day... YOUR CHANCE WILL COME!!

MORE PRESSURE PLACED ON THOSE WHO SELL DRUGS! THIS N THAT... would like to salute those of the law enforcement agencies in Lubbock County... who are doing their part to... ARREST THOSE PERSONS... who are... ALLEGEDLY SELLING DRUGS... in our community... THIS N THAT... stands with you in your effort... to rid the... COMMUNITY... of those persons who want to call themselves... DRUG DEALERS... and are hurting our young people... Keep arresting them... and... hopefully... one day... this will not be a problem...

NEW PREXY! THIS N THAT... has learned that there is a new president of the... CHATMAN HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION... She is... BENNIE SIMS... THIS N THAT... wishes her well... and hopes her association will continue to work for the betterment of this area... CHATMAN HILL NEIGHBORHOOD...

D.C. KINNER THE BARBER SAYS... "YOUNG PEOPLE... with a lot of... DETERMINATION... and a little... PATIENCE... GOOD THINGS... will come your way..."

UPCOMING LIBRARY CARD REALLY COMING!! THIS N THAT... would like to make you aware of an... UPCOMING... LIBRARY CARD DRIVE RALLY... to be held in the very near future... THIS N THAT... hopes our young people and parents... will get involved in this matter... With this kind of an effort... there will be many other opportunities for them... Stay tuned... and get involved with this matter... THIS N THAT... advises that this is for our... YOUNG PEOPLE... More in the near future...

IN CINQUE

by Renetta W. Howard



Summertime is vacation time. For too many people, it is the constant daily grind from sunrise to sunset. These are the unfortunate people who could use a smile on a daily basis from family and friends. Of course the best thing that family and friends could do is to take the unfortunate ones on a vacation.

A vacation does not have to be a long drawn out get-away to some exotic place in the south seas or northern exposure. Sometimes there are get-aways right in your hometown; in your own backyard or the town close to where you live.

Believe it or not, there are more tourists who have seen your hometown attractions than you have. The tourists visit to see the new and unusual. Those of us

who live in various locales take the sites for granite and for whatever the media can tell us about it and that is that. Seldom do we decide that we will find out what everyone else is looking at and excited about.

Instead of dreaming about a vacation miles away, plan your vacation in your home town, especially if your funds are low. Your hotel bill is paid for because you are staying at your own home. That cuts the bill in half. Rental car expenses are not necessary because you can use your own car. Your family's admit fares to various attractions coupled with eating away from home during the daytime hours and a bit of extra gasoline is the total expenses necessary for a vacation at home. If you choose to purchase souvenirs, that will be extra. Let us get 'in cinque' and take that oh so necessary VACATION!

Rose Lincoln elected secretary of Texas State Legislative committee, AARP.

Rose Lincoln, member of our Texas State AARP Legislative Committee was recently elected Secretary for the 74th.

With 74th Session of the State Legislature completed, the committees' first meeting of 1995-96 focused on prioritized agenda items and suggested meeting pre-enters for September State Legislative Committee Meeting in Austin.

AFRICAN REFLECTIONS

by Dr. T. Maynard Mays

The caravan snaked its way across areas of vast thirsty desert and dry savannah grass. Those in the caravan felt proud as they looked around them at the many thousands of attendants who accompanied their leader on the journey. A chronicler would later write that 60,000 individuals were in the caravan. The leader was so wealthy that the caravan originally departed two years earlier with 100 camels loaded with gold. The caravan leader provided so many gifts of gold on the journey that the value of the precious metal declined in Cairo, Egypt, for many years after the long trip. The individuals traveling with the caravan knew that their very long journey would soon end when they began to recognize semi-permanent villages along the path which had sworn allegiance to the caravan's leader—Mansa Musa. They were finally home in the Kingdom of Mali. Mansa Musa, the ruler of the Kingdom of Mali, was returning from making his Islamic pilgrimage, known as the Hadj, to Mecca in modern Saudi Arabia and the world would not soon forget this remarkable journey of Mali's most famous ruler.

Mansa Musa ruled the Kingdom of Mali from 1312 to 1337. The Kingdom of Mali, which was located in West Africa, achieved its greatest success during the 25 year reign of Mansa Musa. This great leader strengthened the empire which was based on the mining and trade of gold in the south and salt in the north as well as controlling the trade routes between the two areas.

Mansa Musa extended the boundaries of Mali and reclaimed areas which had broken away from the empire during the reigns of his weaker predecessors. He brought the salt mines of Taghaza and Wangara as well as the gold fields of Walata, Timbuktu, and Gao back into the Kingdom of Mali. The strength of his empire allowed trade to flourish and the region prospered economically. Traders from the north carried salt, glass ornaments, spices, and Egyptian cotton to be exchanged for the southern gold. Timbuktu, a name familiar to us today, became the most important city for trade in West Africa during the reign of Mansa Musa.

The military conquests of Mansa Musa were made possible through the skillful use of a well-disciplined army. Mansa Musa decorated his soldiers with golden bracelets, collars, and anklets for heroism. He also developed the National Honor of the Trousers for his army. Those soldiers who distinguished themselves on the battlefield were awarded a set of trousers by the King. These trousers were narrow at the leg and large in the seat and were considered a great badge of courage and honor.

Mansa Musa also displayed a great sense of administration. Realizing that the growing empire made government by one man difficult, he divided the Kingdom of Mali into fourteen provinces which were administered by former army generals. However, despite Mansa Musa's many economic, military, and administrative achievements, he is probably best known for his 1324-1326 journey to Mecca. Few African rulers achieved the international notoriety and prestige of this great leader from the Kingdom of Mali.

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BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU® REPORT

for Week of July 16, 1995 by Nan Campbell, President
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Owning and operating a car brings certain risks which increase with the number of drivers and vehicles on the road. Losses from property damage, medical and legal costs, and lost income add up to billions of dollars annually for automobile mishaps. As a result, automobile insurance plays an important role in protecting consumers from serious financial loss arising out of such accidents. With this in mind, the BBB has published a new booklet in its consumer information series, "TIPS ON... AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE". This 12-page booklet offers advice on things to know about auto insurance in your state; steps to choosing your coverage and insurer; questions to ask your agent; ways to save money; and terminology you should know. This booklet even offers do's and don'ts after an accident to protect yourself from future problems. For your free copy of TIPS ON AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE, call your BBB at 763-0459 or (806) 687-7890.

If you are traveling overseas during your vacation this year, keep in mind that in most foreign countries, consumer protection laws are very different from those here in the U.S. The laws of the country in which you make the purchase prevail, so be sure that you understand all the terms of the sale, including shipping arrangements, before you sign the sales slip. Ask about refund and exchange policies—most merchants have no return or all sales final policies. If no policy is posted, you should assume no refunds or exchanges are allowed, unless the merchant promises them in advance. Keep your receipts and any documentation of purchases in a safe place. Ask for an itemized list of your purchases. Familiarize yourself with U.S. customs policies regarding prohibited and restricted items such as fur, leather, fruits and vegetables or computer software. Beware of prices that are "too good to be true" and merchandise that may be counterfeit.

COPING: THE GUN

By Dr. Charles W. Faulkner

The gun in unfriendly hands, pointed at your nose. If you are robbed, after having looked down the barrel of a gun, and you live to tell about it, you probably in a while every time that you think about that experience.

I have looked down the barrel of a gun before and I often wonder why I am still here. I also wish that I had a gun with me at the time that one was pointed at me. As ugly as the gun can be, it can also serve a valuable purpose. Just ask any police officer. The gun gives him control over his enemies. The knowledge that he has a gun is the sole reason that others won't attack him.

In the ghetto, the peaceful, poor black citizen is not able to afford a gun, so he is abused, victimized by the thugs who hang out on the corner. This is one of the major reasons that black people are shot or killed at a far greater rate than whites. They are basically helpless.

During the recent major outcry about guns, peaceful blacks were turning in the few guns that they could have used to protect themselves. On the other hand, whites were buying as many of the most advanced weapons as they could afford. The Tec-9 was their weapon of choice.

This monstrous machine gun is intended for military use, but your white neighbor probably has one. And I don't blame him.

I do blame blacks for having the naive notion that they would be safer without guns than they would with them. There are not

enough police officers to protect you. And the other citizens who live in the suburbs are purchasing guns as quickly as they can. Thugs are never going to voluntarily give up their guns. So, if law-abiding blacks who live in the city give up their guns, they will be the only citizens to be without guns—and they will have no way of protecting themselves. And, remember, Republicans are advocating overturning The Brady Bill (a gun control law) and allowing people to own as many guns as they desire. One of these days, everyone may have a baseball bat, except you. Then, how are you going to defend yourself? One of our largest states will soon pass a law that will allow every citizen to carry a concealed weapon on the streets. What will you do, if someone simply wants to shoot you because they don't like the way you look? If you are black, the police will likely rule it "probable cause."

Personally and seriously, I think that all guns should be removed from our society. This would be a safer society. However, this society is made more terrifying and dangerous if only certain citizens have guns. The average law-abiding citizen has no weapon with which to protect and defend himself. The mood in this country, supported by the powers that be House Speaker, Newt Gingrich (R-Ga.) and company is to arm certain citizens. The political effort in the major cities is to remove the guns from the hands of essentially law-abiding citizens.

In this atmosphere, I do not support this limited disarming of citizens. I do support licensing and training of the responsible citizens of this society. What's your opinion?

If you would like to contact Dr. Charles W. Faulkner, you may write or call him at: P.O. Box 955, Washington, D.C. 20014-0955.

Networking Opportunity for Small Business Owners

LUBBOCK, TX—Tuesday, August 8, 1995, is the next regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Lubbock's Minority and Small Business Breakfast for all Small, Minority, and Women Business Owners sponsored by the Minority Small Business Breakfast Committee.

Business owners, this is your opportunity to network. Visit with other small business owners, as well as representatives of City, State, and Federal Government. Learn more about what resources are available to you, meet other small business owners who may be able to provide a product or service you need or you may be able to provide a product or service they need.

The breakfast will be held at JIMENEZ BAKERY AND RESTAURANT, 1217 AVENUE G (across the street from the new bus terminal) Lubbock, Texas, on Tuesday, August 8, 1995. Registration begins promptly at 7:00 a.m., with a buffet breakfast (\$5 per person) and a guest speaker at 7:15 a.m. The program will conclude no later than 7:45 a.m. and all attendees are encouraged to stay to visit with each other.

RSVP is required. Call 806-762-5059 or fax 806-763-2124 for reservations and additional information. All small business owners are invited and encouraged to attend.



Shell Oil Co. Foundation Gives Additional Grant to the United Negro College Fund's CAMPAIGN 2000: An Investment in America's Future.

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 (13) If I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or if I command the locust worms to eat up all of your crops, or if I send an epidemic among you,
 (14) then if my people will humble themselves and pray, and search for me, and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear them from heaven and forgive their sins and heal their land.

In Chapter 6 Solomon asked God to make provisions for the people when they sinned. God answered with four conditions for forgiveness:

- I. Humble yourself by admitting your sins.
- II. Pray to God, asking for forgiveness.
- III. Search for God continually.
- IV. Turn from sinful habits.

True repentance is more than talk, it is changed behavior. Whether we sin individually, as a group, or as a nation, following these steps will lead to forgiveness.

God listens to every prayer offered in the right attitude. If your prayers are not answered, check out your attitude. Your attitude, not your brother's or sister's, is yours.

(Read Mark 11:22-25, Important—and think about it.)

Thought: "You don't have to rob my house, kill my cat, lie on your neighbor, or pastor, to go to hell. You can just do nothing, and knock down the doors of Hell."

Love you and God bless you in all your efforts in life. Keep smiling and loving people. Black-Blue-Green and Yellow—if there's a better color, love them too.

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from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith Keep the Light Burning

The story is told of a terrible accident in a small lazy town one summer evening. Several youth were on their way home from a party when they were struck by a train. All the teenagers were killed. The impact of the tragedy left the town stunned.

A trial was held to find out the reason of this unlikely event that caused such grief in so many homes. The watchman was naturally questioned since he was the man who warned of coming trains.

The judge began the hearing with the question, "Were you working at the crossing the night of the accident?"

"Yes, I was, your Honor," replied the watchman.

"Were you waving your lantern to warn of the coming train," con-

tinued the judge.

"Yes, I was, your Honor," came the reply of the watchman.

After more questioning the judge ruled that the watchman was free to go for he had been doing his job.

As the watchman left the courtroom he stumbled to himself, "I'm sure glad they didn't ask me about the light in the lantern. Sure, I was waving the lantern, but the light had gone out."

My friends, how is the watchman of your soul? Is his lantern shining bright to warn you when you are nearing danger in this man and cruel world? Or has his light gone out because you have become careless with your spiritual life? You may be able to fool the people of this world but you cannot fool an all-knowing God.

As saints of God, we are called to live apart from the world. The watchman of our soul needs to be alert at all times. There is no room for apathy and negligence.

Mt. Gilead Mission Sponsors Fifth Sunday Program

The Missionary Society of the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church will sponsor its Fifth Sunday program on Sunday, July 30, 1995, at 4:00 p.m. Sister Louise Paely, a member of Carter Chapel C.M.E. Church, will be the guest speaker. With the theme, "Anchored in the Lord," Hebrews 6:19, Sister Paely will speak on the subject "My Soul is Anchored In The Lord."

Sister Rita Page will bring the devotional message. Her subject will be "A Constant Supply," with Psalm: 1:3.

Rev. J.J. Johnson, pastor, will sing a solo on the theme.

Sister Frances Bell is president; Sister Vinia Thompson, program chairman; and Rev. Johnson, pastor.

Sister Paely's pastor is Rev. Overstreet.



We Thank God for Jesus Ain't That a Shame! part 3

Revelation 2:2, 4, JESUS SAID, I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles and are not, and hast found them liars:

Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left THY FIRST LOVE.

LORD, the world is dying around; in these LAST AND EVIL DAYS, MANY CHURCHES ARE CONCERNED, ABOUT FISH FRY, SALES, ANNIVERSARY; MONEY TO RAISE.

Matthew 15:7-9, JESUS SAID, YE HYPOCRITES, well did E-sai-as prophesy of you, saying, This people draweth nigh unto me with their MOUTH, and honoureth me with their LIPS; but their HEART is far from me. But in VAIN they do WORSHIP me, TEACHING for doctrines THE COMMANDMENTS OF MEN.

Many CHURCHES march on ABORTION CLINICS; BREAKING THE LAWS AND SAY ITS OK, THEY'RE THE CHURCH OF THE DEVIL; JESUS SAID; FOLLOW ME; I'M THE WAY.

Matthew 5:9, JESUS SAID, Blessed are the PEACEMAKERS; for they shall be CALLED THE CHILDREN OF GOD.

(There is a difference between: THE CHILDREN OF GOD; AND THE CHILDREN OF THE DEVIL. The abortion TROUBLEMAKERS; ARE OF THE DEVIL. They say: THOU SHALT NOT KILL; THEN KILL THE DOCTOR, WHOSE WORK ARE YOU DOING? THIS IS NOT THE WORK OF GOD. Where do babies go when they DIE? THEY GO TO BE WITH GOD. Then why try and SAVE that which is NOT LOST? THY HYPOCRITES, you say you're stopping KILLINGS; then GO MARCH ON THE LIQUOR STORES, ALCOHOL KILLS; GO MARCH ON THE DOPE DEALERS HOUSE, DRUGS KILLS; And when you do these things MATCH YOUR ACTION WITH THE WORD OF GOD. JESUS SAID, GO AND PREACH THE GOSPEL, to SOULS that need SAVING, 15, 20, 30, 60, 100-YEAR-OLD PEOPLE ARE DYING AND GOING TO HELL; SHAME, SHAME, SHAME!)

LORD, this U.S.A. IS SO CORRUPTED; SIN IS EVERYWHERE, AS A WHOLE, THE NATIONS gods ARE THE ONES ON TV, AND THEIR HEARTS ARE VERY COLD.

Deuteronomy 4:23, 24, Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget THE COVENANT OF THE LORD YOUR GOD, which he made with you, and make a graven image, or likeness of any things, which THE LORD THY GOD HATH FORBIDDEN THEE. FOR THE LORD THY GOD IS A CONSUMING FIRE, EVEN A JEALOUS GOD.

LORD, FROM THE WE SHALL OVERCOME MARCH, AND GIVING PEOPLE THEIR RIGHTS, NOW THE CHILDREN ARE SUFFERING; FROM THIS NIGHTMARE, DAY AND NIGHT.

(10-year-old DOPE DEALERS, 11-year-old GANG MEMBERS, 12-year-olds HAVING BABIES, 17-year-old WITH DIPLOMA, AND CAN'T READ, 18-year-old DYING OF AIDS. There is a RAPE EVERY 5 MINUTES, A MURDER EVERY 26 MINUTES, AND A Burglary 20 SECONDS; AND SOME FOOLS SAY: AMERICA IS A CHRISTIAN COUNTRY. ANT THAT A SHAME?)

Mark 10:14, JESUS SAID, Suffer (TO SEND) the little children to come unto ME, and forbid them not: for of such IS THE KINGDOM OF GOD. (NOT THE DEVIL!)

EVEN THE HYPOCRITES RAISED HELL; TO GET A STREET NAMED MARTIN LUTHER KING, BUT DIDN'T RAISE HELL TO GET DRUGS OFF THE STREETS, ESPECIALLY COCAINE.

Romans 1:25, Who changed THE TRUTH OF GOD INTO A LIE, and WORSHIPED AND SERVED THE CREATURE MORE THAN THE CREATOR (GOD), WHO IS BLESSED FOR EVER. AMEN

THE CHRISTIANS ALLOW A GRANDFATHER, TO RAPE 4 OF HIS GRANDCHILDREN; HARD TO BELIEVE, INSTEAD OF THE DEATH PENALTY, A MOVIE IS MADE TO SHOW OK, FOR TV.

Galatians 6:7, Be not DECEIVED; GOD IS NOT MOCKED; for whatsoever a man SOWETH, THAT SHALL HE ALSO REAP.

2 Chronicles 7:14, THE LORD SAID, If my people, which are called BY MY NAME, (CHRISTIANS) shall HUMBLE themselves, and PRAY, AND SEEK MY FACE, AND TURN FROM THEIR WICKED WAYS; then will I HEAR from HEAVEN, and will FORGIVE THEIR SIN, AND WILL HEAL THEIR LAND.

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Lubbock Resident Participates in Boston University Summer Program for Pastors

BOSTON, MASS.—Reverend Emilio Garza Jr., a resident of Lubbock, Texas, is one of more than 40 church leaders participating in Boston University School of Theology's New Church Development and Congregational Transformation Program.

The program, which includes classroom instruction, field excursions and workshop activities, is designed to address topics facing modern American religious institutions. School of Theology faculty members and nationally recognized experts will teach seminars on the role of the pastor, building and structuring the faith community, stewardship, and other topics. This is the first program of its kind to be offered at any university in the country.

Garza, who is a resident of East 2nd Street, is a member of the United Methodist Church.

Boston University is the third largest independent university in the United States, with an enrollment of more than 29,000 students in its 15 schools and colleges. The School of Theology, established in 1839, is the founding school of Boston University. Located in the heart of a city rich in cultural, historical and intellectual attractions, the University is one of the nation's preeminent teaching and research institutions.

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"One More River to Cross"

New Release by Shelia Moses



Shelia Moses' newly released book, "One More River To Cross" is every woman's story, especially hers. Moses, a native of Rich Square, North Carolina, has crossed many rivers including writing, publishing, and distributing her first book.

Born the ninth of ten children, she grew up in Northampton County and attended W.S. Creecy High School, graduating from Northampton High after Creecy was converted into an elementary school.

Later graduating from Shaw University, Shelia had numerous jobs, including her own business at 23 years of age. Flowers by Patrice (her middle name) ended with her divorce and she went on to cut a new path.

Moses moved to Atlanta to attend law school and worked at Thomas, Kennedy, et al. as a paralegal, where she realized being a lawyer was not her calling. "Attending law school simply meant I wanted to be better."

After working at Coca-Cola Enterprises in Community Relations and years of service as a volunteer for UNCE, the Urban League, and other non-profit organizations, she thought she was finally home and happy.

When she learned her position as a temporary employee would remain, just that she pledged to become her own boss again. Thus, M-Promotions was born. M-Promotions is an agency that markets celebrities for endorsements, special appearances, lectures, and speaking engagements. Four years later her company represents Danny Glover, Bill Duke, Edwin Moses, Willie Stargell, and Ben Guillory, to name a few. Moses was featured in *Women*

Looking Ahead Magazine as one of Atlanta's women-owned marketing and public relations firms. She was also named the "1994 Woman to Watch" by *Dollars and Sense* magazine. To date, Moses remains President and CEO of M-Promotions and continues to tell her story through her writing.

Shelia, the author, was inspired to write again when she saw the book, "Skinny Legs and All" by Tom Robbins in the bookstore. She too had written a short story called, "Skinny Legs and All" in the third grade. "When I saw that book, I knew I had to write again." And write she did. "One More River To Cross" was released on December 1, 1994 and listed in the 1995 National Publication of Poetry.

People often ask Moses how a person at 33 years of age could have traveled so many miles. "I grew up on a farm, my grandpa was a farmer; it's in my blood to cultivate my life, as Grandpa cultivated the land."

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Oklahoma Governor Frank Keating, second from left, welcomes delegation from the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) national convention in Oklahoma City. From left are Cecilia D. Swain, Editor and Publisher of *Ebony* Tribune, a local weekly, Gina Gallovich, Manager, Communications, Kraft Foods and Wanda Hopkins, Public Programs Specialist, Philip Morris Companies Inc. Philip Morris Companies Inc. sponsored the opening convention reception in the capitol.

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Featured guest will be Mr. Michael Horton and the Spiritual Windsparks, Mrs. Betty Wilson, and others.

In addition to the spiritual uplifting, this assembling is for orientation purposes for the Canyon Lake Credit Union. We encourage the community to please support this effort.

Chairman of the Board, David Sewell

Back By Popular Demand: Jazzmatazz II

1995—*Jazzmatazz II: The New Reality*, the follow-up album from GURU's Gang Starr, gears up for a July 18th, worldwide release on EMI Records.

Now it's time to gear up for the first single—this time around GURU expands and adds to the Jazz-Rap hybrid by making the flavor inter-generational. R&B diva Chaka Khan performs on the first single "Watch What You Say" along with Branford Marsalis and producer extraordinaire, DJ Premier.

The first *Jazzmatazz* album set the tone for the fusion movement incorporating the groove of Jazz, Hip Hop & R&B. Recorded in NY, LA, & the UK, featuring the freshest in emerging talent. Patra, Ini Kamoze, Jamiroquai, Me'Shell N'Degeocello, Baybe, Bahamadia, the Solsonics, Kool Keith, Mica Paris and Sweet Sable. Also, lending their expertise: Ramsey Lewis, Donald Byrd, Bernard Purdie, Freddie Hubbard, Courtney Pine, Ronny Jordan and Chaka Khan.

Jazzmatazz II promises to be just as groundbreaking as the first. Get on it quick!



TOWN HALL MEETING

Is There a Need for Affirmative Action?

Does Racism and Sexism continue to plague our society? Come take part in the Round Table Discussion on Affirmative Action by Leaders of our Community. What is the future of the minority community?

When: July 27, 1995

Where: Mae Simmons Community Center

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Panel of Speakers:

• Emilio Abyeta

• Patrick Day

• T.J. Patterson

• Floyd Price

• Representatives from the Black Panther Party and the Republican Party

Shots Coalition Plans Summer Immunization Event

All Lubbock County children needing immunizations are invited to an immunization fair July 29 from noon to 6 p.m. at Joyland Amusement Park.

Immunizations at the event will cost \$5 per child regardless of the number of shots the child receives, and no child will be turned away because of inability to pay. Parents must take their child's immunization records to the event.

The local Shots Across Texas coalition, an organization dedicated to making immunizations affordable and accessible to Lubbock County children, is sponsoring the event. Although the focus of the coalition is to raise immunization rates of children younger than 2, the group welcomes children of all ages to the event. The coalition plans additional events Aug. 5, 12 and 19 at locations to be announced.

Texas Department of Health recommends that children be immunized at 2 months, 4 months, 6 months and 12-18 months. All children should finish their primary series of immunizations by age 2.

Vaccine-preventable diseases include diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio, haemophilus influenzae type B, hepatitis B, measles, mumps and rubella. Some of the vaccines are combined into single shots.

The local coalition is an offshoot of Shots Across Texas, a statewide initiative whose goal is that, by 1996, 90 percent of Texas children under 2 complete their primary series of immunizations. The current immunization rate for children under 2 in Lubbock County is 62 percent, up from 45 percent when the local coalition began its efforts in January 1994.

Coalition members are American Red Cross, Caviness Advertising and Public Relations, Community Health Center of Lubbock, Emergency Medical Services, Highland Medical Center, Junior League of Lubbock, Kiwanis, Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, Lubbock-Crosby-Garza Medical Association, Lubbock Health Department, Lubbock Independent School District, March of Dimes, Methodist Hospital, St. Mary Hospital, South Park Hospital, Southwest Lubbock Rotary Club, Texas Department of Health, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, and University Medical Center.

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