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NATIONAL NEWS WIRE
(Compiled by NNPA Dept. of Communications) National

NAACP Voter Registration At 7-Eleven Stores

The NAACP has launched a national "Voter Empowerment Program" which is being supported by 7-Eleven Stores across the country. Increasing voter registration among African Americans for the coming 1996 elections is a primary goal for the NAACP and 7-Eleven executives have made space available at their stores for NAACP branches to register voters across the country. This voter registration program is an expansion of a NAACP/7-Eleven partnership in Dallas where more than 1,000 people registered to vote in the mayoral and state elections held in May.

Barrow to Retire As PUSH Chair

Chicago-based Operation PUSH chair Rev. Willie T. Barrow has announced she is retiring effective the first of the year after 33 years in the civil rights movement. Barrow, who will be 71 on Dec. 7 and was the first female to serve as president of a national civil rights organization, said she'll still be available to train young people seeking to be future leaders in the struggle. "I've served the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), PUSH and Operation Breadbasket for 33 years," Barrow said at PUSH's 24th Annual Convention. She is recommending that a "big portion" of the board be comprised of young people.

Black Caucus Annual Legislative Conference

"For 25 years the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation (CBCF), has brought together some of America's most influential leaders during its Annual Legislative Conference. The legacy of this important gathering continues on Sept. 20-24, 1995 at the Washington Convention Center," reports Quention Lawson, CBCF executive director. The Annual Legislative Conference (ALC) is a five-day event, held on Capitol Hill, which includes Congressional braintrusts, issue forums and workshops. "In light of our troubled economy and social problems, the challenge of this year's ALC is to develop strategies and viable solutions to the myriad of obstacles facing the African American community," Lawson says. The CBCF is located in Washington, DC at (202) 675 6730.

Sharpton To Picket Thomas' Home

Rev. Al Sharpton says that he and hundreds of black clergy will march on Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas' home outside Washington, DC on Sept. 12th. "We must go back into direct action tactics to raise the level of tension against those who seek to rob us of our human and civil rights," declared Sharpton, who will lead a prayer vigil and picket of Thomas' suburban Virginia home. Sharpton, who refers to Thomas as "the Supreme Tom," also said, "Justice Thomas could not live in a white suburb married to a white woman had not the civil rights legislation and decisions that he is dismantling been in place. We intend to take this message to his doorstep."

Media Uses Loaded Language on Affirmative Action

The National Association of Black Journalists (NABJ) has documented a trend in the white-owned news media in which the

Combating The Continuing Media Assault on Black Males

A News Analysis:

By Vanessa Snyder
Special to the NNPA

Commerce Secretary Ron Brown, LAPD chief Willie Williams, California Assembly speaker Willie Brown, and Dr. Henry Foster are the latest additions to America's black male rogue gallery. Dr. Earl Ofari Hutchinson, author of *The Assassination of the Black Male Image* contends that this is no accident.

"When you look at the mainstream media, and some of the cultural mediums—films, books, records, rap, sitcoms—what we have seen is a continuing pattern of relentless one-dimensional negative typecasting. The African-American male is depicted as a 'gangsta,' 'carjacker,' 'dope dealer,' 'drive-by-shooter,' 'derelict' and 'buffoon' and now a corrupt manipulator. The media presumption of guilt of prominent black political officials and Clinton administration appointees fit neatly into the pattern of black male bashing."

Hutchinson adds that there has been a new, even more dangerous element added to the negative image of black males in the past two years. Black men are now considered to be what Hutchinson calls the "poster boys" for male sexual deviancy.

"First, there was Clarence Thomas, next it was Michael Jackson. Then Magic Johnson and Mike Tyson. Now it's O.J. Simpson. They have become America's symbols of sexual harassment, child sexual abuse, AIDS affliction, date rape, domestic violence and perhaps even spousal murder."

Hutchinson is careful to add that the issue of alleged black male sexual deviancy or corruption is separate and apart from the innocence or guilt of these men. "I don't say that Simpson, Foster and Ron Brown are victimized simply

because they are black. Nor do I subscribe to any wild conspiracy theories. That is paranoid and simplistic. I merely say that it would be extremely naive not to think that racist stereotyping aren't powerful motives behind many of the attacks on prominent black men and that this is easy to sell to a public historically conditioned to think the worst of black men."

Hutchinson cites as a recent example the Senate confirmation defeat of Dr. Henry Foster for Surgeon General. "He had impeccable credentials. If he had been white he would have been swept in by acclamation. But the conservative right was able to use the issue of abortion as a moral issue effectively against Foster because the public has been historically conditioned to think that black men are corrupt and deviant."

Hutchinson offers the following strategies to combat the continuing media assault.

- Form media watchdog groups to write, fax, telephone newspaper editors, reporters and advertisers demanding positive regular features and stories on black achievements
 - Patronize independent filmmakers, writers, artists, rappers and black publishers that are producing wholesome works.
 - Set up businesses to market, promote and distribute records, tapes, videos, books, magazines and newspapers that project positive images of black life.
 - Be a positive role model within and without the black community.
- Hutchinson is right. Blacks must be responsible for their own salvation. Nobody else will be.

**ANHEUSER-BUSCH WELCOMES
NANCY WILSON TO URBAN
LEAGUE PRE-CONCERT BENEFIT**



International recording artist Nancy Wilson (center), and Anheuser-Busch representatives greet Houston Urban League supporters to a pre-concert reception at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. The reception, sponsored by Anheuser-Busch Companies, kicked off the festivities for the Urban League's Equal Opportunity Dinner held recently at the Shamrock Center. Wilson's performance was a highlight of the gala fund-raiser. Proceeds from the event benefit the local Urban League and help the organization provide valuable community and youth services. Joining Wilson are Anheuser-Busch representatives (from left): Isaac Larkin, regional team leader; Mike Chambers, community affairs manager; Nick Evans, presell district manager; and Mick Lewis, corporate affairs southwest region manager, Anheuser-Busch Companies.

**NAACP
PROMOTES
EDUCATION**



Earl T. Shinhoster, Acting Executive Director, NAACP, second from left, joins Kimberly Weaver, NAACP National Youth Work Committee, second from right, in welcoming honored guests to the recent ROY Wilkins Scholarship Luncheon during the Association's 86th Annual Convention in Minneapolis, Minn. With them are Dr. Roger Wilkins, Professor of History and American Culture, George Mason University, Fairfax, Va., keynote speaker, and Ms. Kim Reed, Territory Development Manager, Pepsi-Cola Company.

Gangsta Rap and the Public Interest

By Faye Anderson Special to the NNPA.

As an aficionado of the blues, a musical genre that was once denounced as immoral, I've had to overcome my reluctance to enter the debate about gangsta rap, particularly since my exposure to the music had been limited. My initial reaction to critics such as C. Delores Tucker, who chairs the National Political Congress of Black Women, and the Reverend Calvin Butts of the Abyssinian Baptist Church in New York, was that their priorities were misdirected. I thought that rather than attacking the messengers, they should attack the underlying message of family dissolution, despair, hopelessness and dependency.

For the past few months, I've made a concerted effort to listen to the lyrics and to watch the music videos before weighing in on the debate. The lyrics do indeed speak to the pain and isolation of those for whom the American dream is little more than a pipe dream. Art imitates life and, for some, life tragically imitates art. Tupac Shakur, whose "Dear Mama" moves me to tears, is currently incarcerated for sexual assault. Nevertheless, I am outraged by the unrelenting misogyny, violence and explicit sex to which children are exposed. Gangsta rappers routinely refer to African-American women as "bitches" and "hos" in their videos, young black women are depicted as faceless grinding derrières. It is absolutely intolerable that this cultural pollution is being broadcast over the public airwaves whose license holders must be public interest.

Tucker, Butts and the Senate Majority Leader Bob

Dole (R-Ks.) are to be commended for their leadership in standing up to the entertainment colossus Time Warner Inc. and asking, "Have you no shame?" It's ironic that for months liberal detractors of Republican budget proposals have used children as fodder for their specious allegations that Republicans were cutting the school lunch program. Yet they are now silent about the harmful effect of impressionable young minds being fed a daily diet of sex and violence.

The African proverb that it takes a whole village to raise a child is applicable here. The village—parents, teachers, ministers, concerned adults—need not stand on the sidelines and helplessly wait for our so-called leaders to take action. We must exercise our rights as citizens of the communities being "served" by the radio and television stations that broadcast debasing and degrading programming and mount challenges to the renewal of their licenses by the Federal Communications Commission. A few high-profile challenges will get the attention of the broadcast industry and instill in them a sense of corporate responsibility to the communities they are only temporarily licensed to serve.

Faye Anderson, a member of the national Advisory Council of the black American leadership group, Project 21, is the Executive Director of the Council of 100, a national organization of African-American Republicans. For more contact, 300 Eye Street N.E., Suite 3 Washington, D.C. 20002 • (202) 543-1286 • Fax (202) 543-4779.

NEWS TIP SHEET

- Chief film critic for the New York Post
- Co-host of "Sneak Previews" on PBS-TV
- Author of seven non-fiction bestsellers, including "Hollywood vs. America"
- You've seen him on Oprah, Larry King, David Letterman and Nightline
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- Hear him speak in Lubbock, September 21 at the Civic Center.

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MR. MEDVED WILL HOLD A
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WHEN HE ARRIVES IN
LUBBOCK
THURSDAY AFTERNOON
SEPTEMBER 21**

More Details Later

Out on the Town in Austin

Mr. and Mrs. W.H. (Ann) Britt are shown enjoying themselves after a delicious meal at Pappadeux in Austin, Texas last week. They were in the Capitol city celebration their forty-fifth wedding anniversary as special guests of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Brit. They are still talking about the Cajun meal they had, and enjoyed their first-time visit to the Capitol building and other sites in Austin.



741-1000

**SPAG Minority
Reps to be Elected
September 12**

A meeting to select four minority representatives to the Board of Directors of South Plains Association of Governments from Lubbock County has been set for Tuesday, September 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the South Plains Association of Governments' offices located at 1323 58th Street (corner of 58th and Avenue P). Interested minority residents from Lubbock County are encouraged to participate in the selection process.



Ruby Jay's Corner

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, had great services last Sunday morning. Rev. Billy R. Moton is the proud pastor as well as a loving pastor. He believes what prayer can do, if it's done.

Sunday School began at 9:30 a.m. with Sister Florence Stokley, one of the secretaries in the Youth Department, presiding. Opening song was "Pass Me Not" and followed by the Lord's Prayer in unison. The various classes marched to their classes while there was music. The students were present in class from instruction for thirty minutes. They returned singing a song, "Standing On The Promises." High points of the morning lesson were given by Class No. 3. Sister Cooper is teacher.

The Secretary's report was as follows: Youth Department—Primary Department retained both banners—Attendance and Offering. Adult Department: Class No. 1, Men's Class retained both banners—Attendance and Offering.

During the devotional period at 10:45 a.m., Deacon Cork and Sister Chase led the services. During the processional, the Male Chorus marched in singing "God Is Already Here." The altar prayer was led by Rev. Jeff Brown. A song, "God Specializes," was sung. Scripture was read and prayer was given by Sister Doris Dailey, and it was very touch-

ing. Another song, "H. That Dwelleth in Secret Places," was sung. Responsive reading was led by Sister Dorothy Kimer with the congregation standing. The morning hymn was sung. Pastoral observations were given by Pastor Moton. He says: "He's standing on the promises of God. We're still extending the invitation, so don't forget prayer meeting on Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m."

A song, "I'm Satisfied," was sung. The sermon of the morning was preached by Pastor Moton. His subject was "God Has It All in Concrete." His scripture text was 1 Corinthians 22:17-19. The hymn of preparation was "Trust in the Lord." Pastor Moton told the congregation how to trust in the Lord if we didn't know how it is done.

Two young children came forward for baptism. Mary Mitchell's sister was present for services. They all traveled to Floydada to attend their mother's reunion. She is deceased.

Pray for the members of the church and community. Deacon Guysses Kelly was rushed to Methodist Hospital last Sunday morning.

Sister Gladys Tharrington and Sister Maggie Shed are patients in the hospital.

Brother and Sister Clarence Ervin—her cousin—had a stroke in Waxahachie, Texas. His brother had a stroke in McKinney, Texas.

Mr. Alfred Cavell's brother was laid to rest last Saturday in Houston. Let us whisper a prayer for all whose hearts are heavy at this time. Remember God is able.

During the month of September, the Brotherhood of New Hope conducts devotional service and prayer meeting.

Don't forget the Men's Annual Day. They have something good. We stood for you. Motto: "Let's all pull together."

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the language of anti-affirmative action forces is used in news stories and in polls reporting on affirmative action. Specifically many have been using the terms "affirmative action" and "racial preferences" interchangeably. Sometimes "racial preferences" is accompanied by the term "preferential treatment." These terms are not synonymous with "affirmative action." Polls have shown that the public supports affirmative action, but opposes "preferential treatment." Therefore, using the terms interchangeably, under the guise of objective reporting, unfairly characterizes affirmative action, the organization said. "The language is being used at a time when racial divisiveness is very intense in this country," said Dorothy Gilliam, a Washington Post columnist and president of NABJ, "and so when very, very powerful media—radio and TV—add distorted language to the debate, it potentially worsens American race relations."

Black Car and Travel

Owners of Mitsubishi Montero 4-wheel-drive sport-utility vehicles watch out! That's the vehicle for thieves to most likely steal. Also, people with Toyota Land Cruisers, Mercedes SL convertibles, Mercedes S Class LBWs, GMC Jimmys, Nissan 300ZXs and Pathfinders, had better beware, these vehicles are also favorite choices of urban and rural thieves.

Black Basketball Star Gives Back To Community

Orlando Magic star Arfernee "Penny" Hardaway held Penny's Charity Classic and raised \$100,000 that he gave to local organizations to support his hometown of Memphis, reports the Memphis Silver Star News. Hardaway brought scores of NBA players into Memphis for a basketball game that yielded over \$100,000 that went to The National Civil Rights Museum and various drug free programs.

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Parkway Manor Care Center News - Volunteer Registration

Willie Jean Floyd and a family of three visited George Slief and Ruth Robinson last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. A.P. Pine and daughter visited Scottie Moore last Sunday afternoon, and reported a most enjoyable time.

Manhattan Heights Church of Christ had four members to come last Sunday afternoon to walk door to door singing to the residents. All the residents were glad to see them come and visit with them.

The First Progressive Baptist Church had fourteen members and the Community Baptist Church had eleven members to visit and hold church services for the residents last Monday evening. The basic theme was "Make Joyful Noise Unto the Lord." The scripture was Psalm 100:1. Rev. Homer Avery is pastor of First Progressive Baptist Church and Rev. Larry Brooks is pastor of Community Baptist Church.

The Greater St. Luke Baptist Church had six members to come out last Tuesday evening, and held worship services for the residents. Rev. Johnny Barnes brought the message. His subject was, "The Lord is My Shepherd." Psalm 23:1.

Ann Day, who works with SPWV, came to Wednesday morning for her visitation to help, and Helen Hareford joined in with Rev. W.H. Stephens in his weekly 10:15 a.m. Bible study lesson. An hour's practice. What are we doing for the future? Try this, will you? The basic theme was "Quitting Time." The scripture was Romans 13:13.

Isaac Lockhart's family, who reside in Harlingen, Texas, visited last Monday afternoon.

Frankie Dixon visited his brother, John Brown, last Thursday afternoon.

Brother Birmingham, a member of Hope Delaurence Temple Church where Eldon Charles Tammert is pastor, visited the residents last Friday afternoon.

Lethin Alexander and Susie Ladd, members of Alexander Chapel GIC where Elder Lemuel Thurston is pastor, visited the residents last Saturday afternoon.

If I could hear Christ praying for me in the next room, I would not fear a million enemies. Yet the distance makes no difference. He is praying for me. AMEN.

Gloria Ogden, A.S. & R., and Rev. W.H. Stephens, Assistant A.D. & R.

Statewide Campaign to Avert Tobacco Use Among Youngsters

The Texas Department of Health's (TDH) Office of Smoking and Health (OSH) is sponsoring a statewide advertising campaign to combat smoking among young people.

Meant to counteract tobacco industry advertising which presents tobacco use as glamorous, the OSH campaign's billboards and posters combine three pictures of the backsides of animals, with a fourth picture of a snuffed-out cigarette, all above the caption "Butts Are Gross."

According to Dr. David R. Smith, Texas Commissioner of Health, although it is illegal in Texas to sell tobacco products to minors, research has shown that children have easy access to cigarettes. "Besides the legal deterrent against the onset of smoking and chewing tobacco among kids, we also need to break the social climate which makes smoking look 'cool' to youngsters," he said.

"This imagery makes the point to the most elementary reader that smoking is far from glamorous," Dr. Smith said.

The "Butts Are Gross" campaign in Texas is funded by a grant from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. It originally was developed by the State of Minnesota Health Department, using suggestions from youngsters on how best to prevent their friends from smoking. The State of Pennsylvania also has used the concept in a multi-media campaign to prevent smoking among minors.

Sharon Kohout, OSH director at TDH, said that Dallas-based publicists, KWGC, Inc. Advertising & Design, are offering the Texas campaign to a variety of media. Statewide, the campaign includes more than 90 billboards, as well as announcements on 86 radio stations and 53 television stations, plus newspaper features. In addition, posters have been distributed to 45,000 worksites, schools, health care providers and community organizations.

Kohout said, "We hope this campaign will help to counteract some of the misleadingly attractive images used to induce people to try tobacco products. Despite all of our previous efforts, the number of young people who begin smoking continues to increase. To date, public response to these ads—especially from people who appreciate the uphill battle we are fighting to prevent youngsters' tobacco use—has been very encouraging."

Kohout said that community coalitions of organizations concerned about youth tobacco addiction are joining to support the TDH campaign. Among their contributions are planned distribution of bumper stickers and T-shirts carrying the "Butts Are Gross" caption and images.

For information about participating in the "Butts Are Gross" campaign, callers may dial the TDH Office of Smoking and Health at 1-800-345-8647.

Ten Free Trees

Ten free trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during September 1995.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

The ten trees are the American Redbud, White Pine, Sugar Maple, White Flowering Dogwood, Pin Oak, Red Maple, Birch, Silver Maple, Red Oak, and Colorado Blue Spruce.

"These trees were selected to provide benefits every season of the year: lovely spring flowers, cool summer shade, spectacular autumn colors, and winter berries and nesting sites for songbirds," John Rosenow, the Foundation's president, said.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between October 15 and December 10 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's colorful bi-monthly publication, Arbor Day, an Arbor Day Foundation wall calendar, and The Tree Book with information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the Foundation and to receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to TEN TREES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by September 30, 1995.

St. Mary Hospital Foundation To Hold Ninth Annual Gala Saturday, September 9, 1995

LUBBOCK, TEXAS—St. Mary of the Plains Hospital Foundation will hold its ninth annual Gala Brunch at Versailles, Saturday, Sept. 9, 1995, in The Grove adjacent to Lubbock's County Line Restaurant (FM 2641, 1/2 mile west of I-27).

The Gala is a mid-day event which begins with a social/cocktail hour at 11 a.m., followed by a five-course gourmet meal at noon.

"Our committee has been working since June to make this a most successful event for St. Mary Hospital," said Gala Co-chairman Margaret Talkington.

"Every year, our Gala takes on a very interesting theme complete with as much attention to detail as we can achieve," added Co-chairman Idris R. Traylor, Jr.

This year's entertainment will feature selections from the Versailles court, performed by the Ellsworth String Quartet with Roy Wilson, harpsichord. The Gala's meal will include iced tomato soup with lobster, followed by Huguette Salade and a course of champagne sorbet. The main course will feature shrimp-stuffed coast of chicken enroute "in pastry" with baby carrots and asparagus, rosemary and raisin muffins with a dessert of Bavarian tart with fruit.

The Gala Grand Prize is a trip for two to any Southwest Airlines destination with deluxe accommodations provided by Premier Travel.

Ticket prices for the event are \$125 per person. Tables of eight can be purchased for \$1,000; \$1,500; \$2,500; and \$5,000. Each table includes various benefits.

Each year, the St. Mary Gala raises money for a specific project. 1995 proceeds will provide Out-patient Services for the medically underserved in our community. Since its inception, St. Mary Hospital has given a minimum of 5% of net operating revenue back to the community to provide a variety of health care services.

It is hoped that this year's Gala will net proceeds of \$50,000. "This year, we set a goal of getting 1,000 people to our event, with at least 100 people there who had never previously attended," said Gala Ticket Sales Co-chairman Ann Drake. (Ticket Sales Co-chairmen included Ethel McLeod and Harold Murdock.)

For more information, or to purchase tickets, call the St. Mary Hospital Foundation at (806) 795-6089.

Obituary



Reverend Eddie Don Toines

Funeral services were held for Reverend Eddie Don Toines on Saturday morning, August 26, 1995 at the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church with Rev. J.H. Ford, pastor officiating. He was assisted by Rev. John

Hamilton.

Interment was held in Resthaven under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home.

Active pallbearers were the Reverends Edward Canady, Homer Reddie, Raymond Duncan, C.C. Peoples, Earl Shelton, Roy T. Jones, George Garnett, and Joseph T. Garnett.

Honorary pallbearers were Deacons of Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Snyder, Texas; St. John Baptist Church, Lubbock, Texas and Community Baptist Church, Lubbock, Texas. Flower bearers were Ministers' and Deacons' wives.

Rev. Toines was born May 27, 1919 to the parentage of Reverend Eddie Don Toines, Sr. and Mrs. Emma Carothers Toines in Ft. Worth, Texas. His early life was spent in Ft. Worth, Texas where he attained his education. He confessed his faith in Christ at an early age, and began his Christian journey.

He moved to Wichita Falls, Texas and there he accepted his call to "Preach the Word." August 19, 1949, he was licensed to preach and was ordained

July 5, 1950.

Rev. Toines was called to the pastorage of the St. John Baptist Church, Lubbock, Texas in 1951. He worked untiringly with this charge for twenty years. In his enthusiasm for religion, his willingness to pay the price, and do his best for his Lord, he organized the Community Baptist Church in Lubbock, Texas in 1971 and sojourned for six years. He journeyed on and was called to the pastorage of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Snyder, Texas in 1977 and remained pastor until his death Sunday, August 20, 1995.

In his leadership ability and his zeal for the ongoing of Christ in Kingdom building, he served as treasurer of the lovely Sunset Association. For eight years as Moderator, he carried it with dignity and in a forward pace. He reared his children in the fear of the Lord and added many others to come to know Jesus as personal Saviour and Lord.

He leaves to cherish his memory: a devoted and loving wife, Gloria; eight sons: Charles and Delbert of Amarillo, Texas; Eddie, Jr. of Augusta, Georgia; Maurice of Houston, Texas; Edwin of Ogden, Utah; Victor of Duncanville, Texas; Gerald of Austin, Texas; and Anthony of Las Cruces, New Mexico; three daughters: Mildred Cruise of San Francisco, California; Marie Perryman of Lubbock, Texas; and Gail Jones of Plano, Texas; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Williams and Mrs. Marie Powell of Ft. Worth, Texas; twenty-nine grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren; Mt. Olive Church Family, The lovely Sunset Association Family, a host of other relatives and many friends.



Curtis Bell

Funeral services were held for Curtis Bell on Saturday morning, September 2, 1995, at the Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church with Rev. Todd Rasberry, pastor, officiating. Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Ossie

Curry Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Alvin Chatman, T.J. Patterson, Roger Priestly, Michael Chatman, Clarence Priestly, and Harry Stockley.

Mr. Bell was born April 29, 1908 in Summerfield, Louisiana. He married Ethier Jones Bell on June 20, 1952 in Amarillo, Texas. She died in 1979 in Lubbock, Texas. He was christened into the CME Church in Homer, Louisiana.

He is survived by a son, Albert Bell of Toledo, Ohio; two brothers: Robert Bell of Homer, Louisiana and Snady Bell of Chicago, Illinois; two sisters: Geneva Bell Rivers of Chicago, Illinois and Trudie Bell Smith of Lillie, Louisiana; many nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death was a son, two daughters, two brothers and two sisters. He also leaves to mourn his passing a host of relatives and friends, which include Mr. and Mrs. Harold M. Chatman, Mr. Willie Howard and Mr. and Mrs. Carey Childers.



Christine Simmons

Final rites were read for Christine Reedy-Simmons Friday, August 25, 1995, at the First Progressive Baptist Church with Rev. Homer L. Avery, Sr., pastor, officiating. Interment was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial

Park under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Earnest Simmons, Darien Collins, Dexter Johnson, Kenneth Evans, Matthew Williams and Steve Johnson.

Honorary pallbearers were Benjamin Morrison, Bryan Rector, Billy Willis, Julius Powell, Charles McCray, Milton Robinson and Clearest Lewis.

Mrs. Simmons was born to the parentage of the late

Jimmy Reedy and Bertha Hicks Reedy in Henderson, Texas on July 4, 1928. She attended the Henderson Public Schools.

In 1952, she moved to Lubbock, Texas, and in 1968, she united in holy matrimony with Arthur Lee Simmons.

She was retired from Mental Health and Mental Retardation (MHMR), and was a member of First Progressive Baptist Church.

She leaves to mourn her death: a devoted husband, Arthur Lee Simmons of Lubbock, Texas; one daughter, Ruby Johnson McCray of Bivins, Texas; one son, Bryan Rector of Lubbock, Texas; three sisters: Ardela Blount, Allie V. Reedy, and Mary Ellen Neal, all of Caddo Mills, Texas; one brother, Jimmy "Toy" Reedy of Dallas, Texas; five sisters-in-law, two brothers-in-law, one granddaughter, A.J. Rianna Rector of Lubbock, Texas; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

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Time Out for Games, Go Back to Basics to Move Forward part 2

by Eddie P. Richardson

Last week we closed on Lisa Toombs, the youth coordinator who is supposed to work with wayward youth. She started with a road map which was coordinated by Quince White, a published agent for gangs and dopers in book form, but yet still no one in the community knows who or what she is. Once again this is a waste of taxpayers' money, jointly the county, school board and the city hiring a white female master's degree candidate for this type job. There are a lot of other jobs she would or could be where she could be more effective. Like last week we mentioned there are many more people in Lubbock that have been there and turned around that can relate to the problem, and the young people from their standpoint, where they are, like they are, for example Elean Contreras, who has walked the walk and talked the talk with gangs etc. 2-3 o'clock in the morning she has been in the middle of Bloods on one side and Crips on the other side and formed a truce.

For example, on the other hand, there is Vonzie Hooper, who is very familiar with the streets and that side of life but turned around and obtained a college degree, which can relate on both sides, new turn-arounders, Clarence T. Willard, and newcomer reformed Reginald Andrews. When we use taxpayers' money let's get the best results for it. Let's not just give a white because someone knows someone who knows someone, when dealing with our wayward youth, their lives and future. This job is not about office, memos, etc. It's about being in the neighborhoods one on one, block by block, and the communities as a whole. Dealing with and solving real problems dealing with young people in trouble and with problems. But the neighborhoods must be reclaimed; after all, is said by the inhabitants, letting the punk know enough is enough, we are sick and tired and won't stand any more.

There are many factors that cause the problems in the neighborhoods. Lack of family control, violence, uncontrolled gang activities, and most important of all, breakdown of the family structure. When you have broken families you have broken children. One out of four young Black males is in the criminal justice system, paroled from prisons and jails not graduates from schools, youngsters looked down on, not lifted

up, these are some of the reasons why the youth director has to be a person that can be with these young people where they are like they are. Actions do not lie, people do. Young people need to be congratulated when they do good, and are not in trouble. Prayer must be a part of the agenda. If God is the answer, what is the problem? Think about it.

We have lost strong Black man power in the home. They are dead or in prison. Metal detectors in the school, also armed guards and patrols, this is preparing our young men for the pen, not college, psychological damage. This is our fault because we as Black people are tribal people, and an old African proverb is, "It takes the total village to raise a child."

Our neighborhood leaders, the grassroots people, must be kind and nice to each other. Leaders do not fight each other. To turn our neighborhoods around we must start with self and be true and for real and not be on ego trip. From little acorns big oaks grow, we must start at home and reach out and grow, person to person, block to block.

We must face the cold hard facts that the no. 1 urban industry is jails, the no. 2 housing project is jails, the no. 3 housing project is athletic fields.

Gang problem: we own no gun factories, where do all the semiautomatic rapid fire weapons come from and get in our young peoples hands, that sell retail for \$500.00 to \$2,300.00 get in our neighborhoods to our youngsters for \$50.00. Think about it part of the overall plan to make the Black male become an endangered species.

Strong black men must stand up, after 200 years of slavery and the KKK young Black males are doing in 2 years wiping out the population of Black youth, especially males.

With prisons being the no. 1 urban industry, that's big business with us being the residents. Smith Barney, American Express, Prudential are making profitable investments, along with food companies. Prisons are big business.

Our politicians, especially the Young Republicans, are following opinion polls, not molding opinions. The Polls do what's right. The opinion polls and big business say: jail, not prevent or reform.

We have to tell these young people, mostly males, let them know in no uncertain terms we love but we will not let you disrespect the community, and keep up the destructive manner in which you are going.



IN CINQUE

by Renetta W. Howard

The last person to knock learning more about various subjects to broaden ones horizon in the educational arena is me. However, when it comes to bringing about a change in a person's way of thinking and doing things in a few hours, one wonders if there is a saturation point, especially when one has been around the block enough times to know that there is more than one way to 'skin a cat,' but ultimately, you still have a dead cat.

One wonders why the teaching profession is losing teachers in record numbers and having a difficult time finding replacements. Many people speculate that the school population, the students of the day are the reason why the teaching profession is being shunned. Others feel that discriminatory entrance and exit tests are responsible for a low number of prospective students entering the field of

education. It is a fact that many individuals with degrees in some teaching area are not employed in the area because of their failure to pass the exit test. Then there are those who do not want to subject themselves to the scrutiny of one individual's opinion about their performance in the field, after years of study and preparation with masters.

On the other hand, there are those leaving the profession because of some of the same reasons that others do not enter the profession. Some teachers have decided that they did not want to watch another child make a mockery of education. Others long to put that last 'in-service' behind them and still others want to kiss that annual, usual less than an hour, crucial performance evaluation good-bye. We need to get 'in cinque' and decide as communities and representative members of groups with a stake in education, exactly what is needed to provide our youth, the adults of tomorrow, with quality education and stop 'skinning that same dead cat!'

Legal Matters

by Attorney General Dan Morales

Child Support Awareness Means Parental Responsibility

As attorney general, I have the opportunity—and the obligation—to seek solutions to a number of complex issues affecting the lives of many Texans. Child support is one such issue. Because August is National Child Support Awareness Month, this is a fitting time to talk about the critical issue of parental responsibility.

Parental Responsibility

The decisions parents make when raising their children make all the difference to the world. Children need, above all, love and emotional support from their parents. But financial support is important, too. Child support plays a major role in the development of the next generation and in the future of our state.

Our goal at the Office of the Attorney General is to assist parents and children as early as possible when our intervention is needed. For years, we have worked to move child support from the margin of public interest to center stage. But as vital as our efforts are, they are not

the remedy to the problem of the disintegrating family.

What is needed are caring and responsible parents. But government and laws cannot mandate caring parents. As a governmental entity, we can only try to locate parents, establish paternity and support obligations, and enforce those obligations. The rest is up to you, the parents of Texas.

Child support plays an important part in ensuring a child's well-being, but it is no substitute for the loving, emotional support of two parents who are actively involved in their children's lives. Nothing is more important than starting a family and providing for that family. And nothing is more shameful than having children and walking away.

What's at Stake

When an irresponsible parent fails to pay child support, real children suffer real hardship. When child support goes unpaid, the health and well-being of children are jeopardized. Without adequate child support payments, educational excel-

lence and individual self-esteem are threatened. A child's hopes and dreams may never be realized when parents shirk their responsibility.

It's Not Too Late

More than money is at stake. The love, affection, and respect of your child will become more important to you as he or she grows up. All too often, we hear bitter young adults complaining about how little their non-custodial parents cared. Show you care—and earn your child's respect—by meeting your responsibilities as a parent.

It's not too late to become an active and positive role model in your children's lives. Take the time to establish paternity if you haven't done so. If you have fallen behind in your child support payments and would like to work out a repayment plan, please call the child support office listed in your local telephone directory or call 1-800-257-8014. Your children are worth it.

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Simpson Trial Shows Reform Needed in Jury System
By Eric H. Kearney, Special to the NNPA

As another juror in the O.J. Simpson trial bites the dust, one wonders how fair is the jury system in the United States.

There are amazing swings in the system. In criminal trials, for a defendant to go free, requires only one juror to disagree with the majority. In civil cases, the jury is oftentimes given wide latitude in the amount of monetary damages it can award.

The Bill of Rights in the United States Constitution guarantees the right to a trial by a jury of one's peers. It seems that those who have money or fame are rarely found guilty. Perhaps it is because their peers do not serve on juries or peers for these individuals cannot be found.

Further, many of the results that juries reach seem implausible. Take for instance the Rodney King beating trial. The videotape seemed to indisputably convince most of the country that the police officers used inappropriate and excessive force. But the jury saw things differently, finding the club-swinging police officers, who could only summon respect for authority through a gang beating, innocent.

With the O.J. Simpson case, we have seen a jury argue amongst themselves and even protest about the length of the trial and the condi-

tions by wearing black. Some jurors, it is reported, are passing notes and preparing to write books. This behavior certainly jeopardizes the likelihood that Simpson will receive a fair trial.

It seems that the Simpson jurors are as much in prison as Simpson. They are sequestered; they have scheduled meetings with their loved ones; they cannot carry on normal conversations with friends, and they can only read edited materials or watch edited television. It's a rough life.

They have broken no law, but the way in which they are treated, it certainly seems that way. This is no incentive for people to participate in this form of public service; it should be noted that 55% of those asked to serve on a jury don't bother to show up. In fact, what type of person would want to serve under such conditions and for such a long time?

The jury system must be reformed. Most people cannot afford to leave their jobs for such a long period of time. Thus, juries are composed of retirees and the unemployed. As well, jurors can be excluded for any reason through an attorney's use of peremptory challenges. This method is used oftentimes to remove blacks from juries.

While serving on juries, jurors cannot ask questions which could help to clarify issues. Then after the trial is over, the jury must deliberate using complicated and confusing jury instructions.

From this backdrop, it is not difficult to see why people are calling for the reform of the jury system. It must be modified so that it conforms to modern times. Trials should be limited to reduce the wear and tear on jurors. Imagine how much more efficient and fair things would be in the Simpson trial, if each side were given two months to present its case. The trial would be over now, Simpson could get on with his life. The State of California would not spend as much money.

The conflict amongst the jurors would have been avoided. Reform of the civil jury system has already gone through Congress—awards are limited to three times actual damages or \$250,000 for punitive damages. Some reforms are needed for criminal trials as well.

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JobSource+ Becomes Charter Member of *The Enterprise*

JobSource+ (Lubbock/Garza Co. Private Industry Council) has been accepted as a Charter Member in *The Enterprise*, a national network of certified employment and training organizations. The announcement was made during a two-day program launch in Washington, D.C. JobSource+ was one of the five from 35 organizations in Texas and one of 103 from across the nation to achieve charter membership. Since there are more than 600 service delivery areas competing, this is a very significant achievement. JobSource+ was cited by *The Enterprise* for its superior performance, high level of customer satisfaction, and capacity to continuously improve, placing it among the best organizations in the nation serving dislocated workers. As a condition of certification, JobSource+ successfully met three qualifying criteria:

- Achieved a rating of more than 75 percent positive in an independent customer satisfaction survey;
 - successfully placed 93.2 percent of workers; and
 - achieved a superior rating in a Baldrige-based continuous improvement evaluation of management practices.
- As an *Enterprise* Charter Member, JobSource+ will have priority access to a national network that enhances communication among dislocated worker service organizations across the nation to better equip workers with the skills needed to manage their careers.
- JobSource+ currently provides job training programs for Lubbock and Garza County residents who are either economically disadvantaged or dislocated workers. It accomplishes this through an array of programs funded by the Job Training Partnership Act

(JTPA), which is a federally-administered, state-managed program.

As an *Enterprise* Charter Member, JobSource+ is accepting the challenge to help develop new inter-governmental partnerships in a nationwide quality network of publicly-funded dislocated worker programs. JobSource+ will be focusing on key elements to the next generation of job training programs and new strategies for service.

The *Enterprise* network is comprised of independent organizations which, in order to become members, had to meet the same standard as found in the highest-performing private sector businesses. *Enterprise* members recognize that customer satisfaction is the true measure of success. By sharing best practices and technical assistance, the new network hopes to infuse the whole reemployment system with an appreciation for quality performance and continuous improvement.

The *Enterprise* grew out of a need expressed by local, state, and federal officials for a systemwide approach to dislocated worker services to meet the demands of the changing economic environment. Support of the *Enterprise* and its governing coordinating council is provided by the U.S. Department of Labor and state and local employment and training organizations.

In recognition of its efforts to put customers first, to eliminate red tape, and empower employees and to get back to basics, the *Enterprise* Council was recently awarded the Hammer Award. The award was presented by Vice President Al Gore in special recognition for excellence in reinventing government.

Myra Walker



Born and raised in Chicago, Myra Walker discovered music through the influence of her mother, an accomplished singer in her own right. Myra notes the fact that Aretha Franklin's feel had the greatest impression on her as a child, and it was Myra's mother who taught her a better understanding of what musical feel is all about. Remarkably, it is the feel of the music heard on *I Feel Good* from The Myra Walker

Singers that earmarks the recording as one of the best new Gospel albums to explore.

Somewhat of a child prodigy, Myra began singing with the Mt. Pisgah church choir as early as four years of age and just a few years later, by the tender age of twelve, Myra became the musician and choir director for the St. John Choir. Myra continued to actively pursue music throughout her high school years, learning to play more than eight wind and string instruments in addition to her singing and choir direction. Her love and dedication to musical excellence enabled her to win a scholarship to the University of Illinois, where she remained until her talents took her elsewhere.

Myra found work as a freelance musician around Illinois and other nearby states until the day when she was hired by Isaac Hayes for a recording session. Mr. Hayes was more than impressed with the talent and personality of Myra Walker, so Hayes hired Myra to work extensively with him while he also spread the word around about her. A short time later, Myra found herself traveling the world as a keyboardist, backup singer and vocal director for such amazing artists as Aretha Franklin, Tremaine Hawkins, Peabo Bryson and Vanessa Bell Armstrong.

Now living in Atlanta, Myra continues to work with church choirs and vocal groups, giving them pointers on etiquette and performance enhancement. She formed The Myra Walker Singers by bringing together many of the talented musicians she has developed relationships with throughout her career. Myra not only put the group together, arranged the songs, directed the musicians, sang and played keyboards on *I Feel Good*, she produced the album as well. As far as the future goes, this incredibly multi-faceted woman looks forward to exploring more creative ways of telling the story of Jesus through music.

Black Empowerment—Where? Guest Editorial by Abraham Spires

One of the primary causes of voter apathy and lack of citizen involvement in community affairs is loss of faith in the system and the leadership which directs it.

In the Black community it certainly does not take a genius to comprehend and analyze the political situation in that regard. There are no democratic intentions. Leadership in the Black community does not come from the will of the black masses. Black leadership in Lubbock/Lubbock County is shaped and established by the white power structure, with every such "Black Leader" having his white vassalage-lordship connection.

Leadership in the Black community of Lubbock is, notably ranked by the strength of sponsoring white counterpart.

Few "Black Leaders" stand outside of the circle of white sponsorship, and that's not all negative, except when such becomes a panacea, then it becomes a slave mentality and robs that individual of growth and develop-

ment. Thus, the average "Black Leader" does not really respect the Black institutions because they seek to be empowered by the power structure which ultimately prevails.

Actually, this is the problem which is reflected in the fact that the black masses do not listen to black leadership any more. Things have gotten so bad that it is even difficult to assemble a respectable number of blacks together for a political demonstration.

Such is what happens when the black masses are isolated from the empowerment process.

Seemingly, the recipients of the 15th and 19th amendments, as well as Affirmative Action should combine their efforts and form a viable coalition. Where are you N.O.W.?

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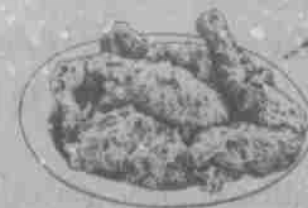


Gala performances by a roster of internationally acclaimed artists—including musical great Isaac Hayes and opera diva Julia Migenes—have marked the star-studded 26th anniversary celebration of the Church of Scientology, Celebrity Centre International, founded by famed author-humanitarian L. Ron Hubbard as an "oasis of creative freedom."

"I have found that as an artist, Mr. Hubbard's works have enhanced my communications and makes my creative juices flow like milk and honey," said Mr. Hayes. "My spirituality has expanded, thanks to Scientology."

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The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

We meet in the home of Vice President, Burlington, Song, for praise and prayer by Sis. Purleson, scripture by Nis. Ernestine Frazer, P. Am. 34:1-32.

Remarks by Sis. Irma Crawley.
 Opening Scripture: Mark 11:23-25. Please read the scripture.
 The type of prayer about which Jesus spoke is the prayer for the fulfillment of God's Kingdom. To pray a mountain of earth into the sea has nothing to do with God's Will, but Jesus used this picture to say that it is possible for God to do the impossible. God answers prayer, but not as a result of a positive mental attitude. Other conditions must be met:

- I. You must be a believer.
 - II. You must not hold a grudge against another person.
 - III. You must not pray with selfish motives. To pray effectively, you need faith in God, not faith in the object of your request. If you put faith in your request, you will have nothing when your request is refused.
- Jesus, our example for prayer, once prayed, "Everything is possible...ye, I want you will, not mine." Often when we pray we are motivated by our own interest and desires. We like to hear that we can have anything, but Jesus prayed with God's interests in mind. When we pray, we are to express our desires, but want his will above ours. Check yourself to see if your prayers are focusing on your interests or on God's. (Read and believe.)

Thought:
 Who do you think wants to save us as a race? One has to be blind to not see our deity. It sends a message loud and clear to the world. Even the Devil knows when we're not together. He knows just when to make his move—while we're pretending all is well. The Devil is a smart dude, we can be one, too. (Think about it.)

The Breakfast was prepared by one of the best cooks in these parts, Sis. Christine Burleson. You come by and share this early meal with us. This is all the invitation you need. We love you, and you can make it, keep smiling and loving people, doesn't matter what color.

To all those who are hurting, he sent his word and healed them. If Christ 7:14, Read it, and believe it.

Write Outreach Prayer Breakfast, P.O. Box 1223, Lubbock, TX 79408.

Saturday we will be out there trying to make our community a better place to live, also this world.

D. Hord, President; Ernestine Frazer, Secretary.



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

"There is no fear in love, but perfect love casteth out fear: ... He that feareth is no made perfect in love" (1 John 4:18).

"Fear" has many eyes. It is also said that "fear" has punishment and it is true in two ways: It involves the idea of punishment and a foretaste of punishment.

It is said that love is like honey, but perfect love is like the honey with all the comb and wax removed. Love is like fire, but pure love is like the same fire clean burning and free from harmful chemicals. Love is like water, but unmixed love is like the same water freed from all earthly matter. Love is like light, but simple and perfect love is like the same light freed from all cloud, fog, and smoke.

John has been speaking of boldness, and that naturally suggest its opposite—fear. He has been saying that perfect love produces courage in the day of judgment, because it produces likeness to Christ who is the judge. He explains and enlarges that statement in 1 John 4:18. There is another way in which love produces boldness, and that is by casting out all fear.

Fear and love both are powerful motivators; but they are incompatible.

able. Fear does not exist when love is accepted and understood, and love is not apparent where fear is.

Ralph Woodworth says of fear that "it is essentially a negative emotion. Fear may cause a person to want to flee or fight or to be paralyzed so that he cannot react at all."

Saul feared David. His fear of David talking his harone caused him more than once to threaten David even though he was a very loyal supporter. Elijah, after his great victory over the priests of Baal on Mt. Carmel, fled in fear from the threats of Queen Jezebel. And it is a great possibility that we are losing some of our middle age leaders in our city of Lubbock (both lay and clergy, secular and religious) because of the fear of some young inexperience, yet "know-it-alls" Sauls that have come to the throne.

Love is essentially a positive emotion. Because of love, a person may want to draw close, to serve, or to sacrifice himself or herself. Jacob served Laban for seven years for the love he had for Rachel. Joseph, with a love for God and family that had matured while he was imprisoned in Egypt, forgave his brothers for selling him into cruel slavery.

How can one deal with fear? When the depth of God's love is realized and believed, fear is removed.

Love is vitally important. God is characterized by love, and His love should find full expression in the believer's life.

I Just Want to Praise The Lord

"I shall praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify him with thanksgiving."
 Psalm 69:30

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1 John 2:15, LOVE NOT THE WORLD, neither the things that are in the world. IF ANY MAN LOVE THE WORLD, THE LOVE OF THE FATHER (GOD) IS NOT IN HIM.

PREACHER, IF YOU CAN'T RUN YOUR OWN HOUSE, AND ITS GOING TO HELL, YOU'RE NOT QUALIFIED; TO RUN THE HOUSE OF GOD; AND THIS I MUST TELL.

1 Timothy 3:4,5, One that ruleth well HIS OWN HOUSE, having HIS CHILDREN IN SUBJECTION (TO OBEY) WITH ALL (HONESTY); For if a man know not how TO RULE (MAINTAIN) HIS OWN HOUSE, HOW SHALL HE TAKE CARE OF THE CHURCH OF GOD.

♦♦♦♦♦ JESUS IS WAITING!!! ♦♦♦♦♦

The mother tells her daughter: WHEN YOU GROW UP, DON'T WANT YOU WHORING AROUND, BUT THIS MOTHER HAS TWO AND THREE MEN; RIGHT HERE IN THIS VERY TOWN.

Proverbs 23:27,28, For a WHORE IS a deep ditch; and a strange woman is a narrow pit. She also lieth in wait as for a PREY, AND INCREASETH THE TRANSGRESSORS AMONG MEN.

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THE FATHER tells his CHILDREN, GO TO BED EARLY; TO GET PLENTY OF SLEEP, BUT THE FATHER IS NEVER HOME AT 10.0 CLOCK; HE'S ALWAYS OUT IN THE STREET.

Matthew 15:14, JESUS SAID, Let them along: they be BLIND LEADERS OF THE BLIND. And if the blind lead blind, BOTH SHALL FALL INTO THE DITCH.

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THE MOTHER tells her DAUGHTER, WATCH YOUR DIET, YOU'RE GETTING TO BIG, BUT EVERY TIME SHE SEE HER MOTHER EAT, SHE TAKES IN FOOD LIKE A PIG.

Proverbs 23:20,21, Be not among winebibbers, among riotous EATERS OF FLESH: For the drunkard and THE GLUTTON SHALL COME TO POVERTY.

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Luke 6:42, JESUS SAID, How canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam (LOG) that is in THINE OWN EYE? THOU HYPOCRITE, cast out first the BEAM OUT OF THINE OWN EYE, and then shalt thou SEE CLEARLY to pull out the MOTE THAT IS IN THY BROTHER'S EYE.

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1 Timothy 6:10, For the LOVE OF MONEY IS THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL; which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with MANY SORROWS (AMERICA HAS).

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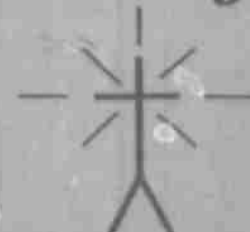
You say you love everybody, and that's the way YOU're suppose to, But when THE HANDICAPS COME AROUND: THAT LOVE DON'T SHINE TRUE.

Mark 12:30,31, JESUS SAID, Thou shalt LOVE THE LORD THY GOD WITH ALL THY HEART, AND ALL THY SOUL, AND WITH ALL THY MIND, AND WITH ALL THY STRENGTH: THIS IS THE FIRST COMMANDMENT. And the second is like, namely this, THOU SHALT LOVE THY NEIGHBOUR AS THYSELF. THERE IS NONE OTHER COMMANDMENT GREATER THAN

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The 25th annual Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International competition was held in New York City at the world famous Apollo Theatre. This annual event brought together young ladies between the ages of 13 and 17 from around the world to compete for the international crown. All of the contestants attended a black tie Dinner Dance at Tavern On The Green where Columbia Recording artist Regina Belle performed, took a grand tour of New York, boarded a yacht for a luncheon cruise around New York harbor, attended the Broadway show "Cats" and attended a Fashion Show produced by Jon Haggins. The top five winners receive cash scholarships totaling \$10,000 to further their education donated by McDonald's. The winners are: (left to right) 1st runner up, Natara Thomas-Carr Miss St. Kitts & Nevis is a 16-year-old steel pianist; 4th runner up, 14-year-old Andrea Moore is a Gospel Singer from Virginia; the 1995 HJTTI winner 13-year-old Ebony Mack is a Gospel Singer from New Jersey; Hal Jackson, Founder and President of contest as well as Group Chairman of Inner City Broadcasting; 3rd runner up, Jamie Smith is a 16-year-old Modern Dancer from Maryland; and 2nd runner up, Crystal Keemer is a 16-year-old Gospel Singer from New York. If you are interested in running a local competition or know of a young lady with a performing talent who would be interested in competing for the 1996 international crown write to: Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International, 1220 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10128.

Lubbockites Featured in Publication

OKLAHOMA CITY—Two Lubbock residents, Marjorie L. Gustafson and Eddie Dixon, are featured in an article in the Summer issue of *Persimmon Hill* magazine, the official publication of the National Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The article, written by Gustafson, is titled "The Buffalo Soldiers—Heroes That History Forgot" and focuses on Dixon's quest to create a sculpture that would honor the black fighting men of the late 1800s.

Gustafson is a graduate of the University of Alabama with a degree in Journalism. She is the author of the *Texas Technian* magazine in Lubbock, and has had freelance articles published in *Family Weekly*, *American Baby*, *Alabama News*, and by the Associated Press.

In the article, Gustafson writes, "The buffalo soldiers left a legacy of courage, one Dixon has been determined to see history acknowledge. Through his talent as a sculptor and his interest as a historian, Dixon is helping to tell the little-known story of the buffalo soldiers' mistreatment, persistence, and accomplishments, and in the end, providing some restless souls their due peace."

The highlight of Dixon's quest was the 1992 dedication of his sculpture, a national memorial to the buffalo soldiers at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., where the units had been established. Gen. Colin L. Powell, the nation's most prominent black soldier and the man who originated the idea of a national monument, dedicated the sculpture.

Persimmon Hill is an award-winning national quarterly magazine devoted to preserving the myths and legends of the West. It is available through a \$35 membership in the National Cowboy Hall of Fame, or a \$20 annual subscription.

Vice President Al Gore Fires Up SCLC Delegation



Clinton administration remains committed to the continuance of affirmative action. (photo by Tamiko Condoll)

Vice President Al Gore told the delegates to the 38th Annual SCLC Convention in New Orleans that the

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SCLC's Initiates Candlelight March To "Redeem The Soul of America"

GA state representative Nan Orrock, Mrs Evelyn Lowery SCLC/W.O.M.E.N.'s convener, SCLC President Joseph E Lowery, Cong. Donald Payne chair of the congressional Black Caucus, LA state representative Cythia Willard Lewis and Rev Thomas Brown, Sr pastor of Union Bethel AM E Church, pause at the end of march. The march took place on opening night of the SCLC's 38th Annual National Convention in New Orleans July 30th (photo by Larry Lewis)

Americans Need Safe Drugs Sooner

By Larry Lucas

"If the U.S. is the most advanced medical country in the world, how come I have to get the medicine I need from overseas?"

Several people have asked me that question, and it's a good one. The U.S. leads the world in discovering new drugs so you might think people here would get first crack at them. But it doesn't always happen that way. In fact, more than 60 percent of the drugs approved here in the past five years were already available overseas. Among them: the first drug to control nausea in chemotherapy patients; a breakthrough drug for migraine headaches; a drug to treat fungal infections in AIDS patients; the first drug for a fatal form of kidney cancer, and a medicine for partial epileptic seizures.

And this isn't just past history. A recent survey by the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America found 36 medicines that were already in use abroad but still waiting for the nod from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA):

- * a medicine for arthritis that's already approved in 6 European countries and in Canada;
- * two medicines for osteoporosis;
- * a treatment for a malignant form of skin cancer that's already approved in 72 countries;
- * a drug for depression that was approved in Switzerland in 1983 and has since been approved in 13 other countries.



Why do foreigners get drugs first?

A big part of the reason lies in the way the FDA regulates drug development. The drug development process here takes nearly 15 years—far longer than in other countries. Of course, we want the medicines we take to be safe and effective, but European countries have high standards of safety and efficacy, too.

Reform is needed, and it can be accomplished without lowering our standards. We can cut paperwork, let outside experts do some of the reviewing, and take other common-sense steps to speed up the availability of new medicines.

For a list of "Medicines Available Abroad Not Yet Approved in the U.S.," write to PhRMA, 1100 15th Street NW, Washington, DC 20005.

Larry Lucas is Associate Vice President of the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America.



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