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NATIONAL NEWS

Alexis Herman Confirmation Postponed

Alexis Herman's confirmation by the full U.S. Senate as Secretary of Labor has been postponed. The U.S. Senate was scheduled to vote on her nomination on April 16, 1997. Senate Republican Leader Trent Lott informed reporters that the Senate did not consider the nomination of Alexis Herman because President Clinton still needs to clarify policy on requiring that federal construction contracts be performed by union labor. Lott said that while his intent was to bring up the nomination on April 16, he had to get clearance from 99 senators to make it happen and he didn't. The senator also pointed out that there had been a number of objections from some senators about going ahead with the confirmation.

World's Largest Museum of African American History Opens in Detroit

On April 12, 1997, the public got their first glimpse inside the newest structure on the Detroit skyline. Hundreds poured through the bold brass doors of the \$38.4 million Museum of African American History, reports the Michigan Citizen. At 120,000 square feet, the Detroit museum is the largest of its kind in the world. It is the outgrowth of many efforts -- the Detroit city government, local citizens, and generous corporate support. But all this stems from the vision of Detroit physician, Dr. Charles Wright, who started the museum 32 years ago in his home. His mission was simply to provide a vehicle for instilling pride and self-esteem in Black youth. "I'd bring healthy babies into the world and I'd see them later and they'd be psychologically scarred," the 78-year-old obstetrician said in a recent interview. "I saw we had to do something about society -- and the museum was an effort to do that." Wright attended the museum's public dedication and open house, held Saturday, April 12. Half million visitors are expected to visit the museum each year.

Virginia Farmer Wins Settlement From USDA

Willie L. Crute, Jr., an African-American farmer in southern Virginia has won a "substantial" settlement from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). Crute filed a complaint with the department in 1996 charging it with racial discrimination after his application for a \$119,000 loan was repeatedly delayed by the state's USDA office. Crute needed the financing for a poultry house so he could contract with a major poultry processor. The constant delays by USDA forced him to lose the opportunity. Crute claimed that he was discriminated against because he was Black, and that allegation is being echoed by hundreds of other farmers. Crute's compensation raises the hopes of these other Black farmers who have been voicing their complaints through public demonstrations, discussions and lawsuits. Black farmers have alleged that even when USDA investigators have confirmed their allegations of discrimination it has been ignored and it remains business as usual in the agency's local offices. They say their biggest fear is that this continued practice will cause even greater numbers of farms to close down operation. Black farms are being lost at three times the rate of all farms nationwide.

Library of Congress Receives Clarence Mitchell, Jr. Papers

The Library of Congress has formally received the donation of the personal papers of Clarence Mitchell, Jr., the key force in the struggle for passage of the civil rights laws in the 1960s. The papers were turned over by Michael B. Mitchell, a son of the late civil rights lobbyist. Added to the very extensive collection of NAACP Washington Bureau Papers at the Manuscript Division of the Library of Congress, which are already open to scholars for research, the Clarence Mitchell Jr. papers represent the most detailed collection of resource materials that document how the struggle for the 1957, 1960 and 1964 Civil Rights Acts, the 1965 Voting Rights Act, the 1968 Fair Housing Act, and all strengthening amendments to those laws was waged. They also expose how Mitchell, popularly known as the "101st senator," struggled to get seven presidents, from Harry Truman to Jimmy Carter, to provide the leadership in the struggle for the NAACP to get the nation to uphold the Constitution for the protection of the rights of African Americans.



T.J. (Tahj Mowry) finds himself overbooked for the prom when his family thinks his lack of interest in the dance is really a "cry to be included" in the "Baby It's You, And You, And You" episode of "Smart Guy" airing Wednesday, May 7 at 8:30pm (ET/PT) on the WB.

Dunbar Alumni International Set "All-Class Reunion IV"

Dunbar Alumni International, Inc. has set the July 4th weekend of 1998 for its "ALL-CLASS REUNION IV" festivities. It is busy planning and securing names and addresses of Dunbar exes and supporters, both in and out of the city. If there is someone that you want to make sure receives information regarding the reunion, simply write to the association at P.O. Box 3362, Lubbock, Texas 79452.

The Digest inquired as to why so early were they announcing their reunion date, and we were told, "We have always begun plans for our all-class reunions more than a year in advance in order to allow for ample input and to plan for a first-class event. It's especially important to start early for this all-class reunion; we have every intention to be in our own building by April of 1998! We also hope that by announcing early, other Dunbar classes will not schedule a reunion or activities conflicting with "ALL-CLASS REUNION IV", neither just before or

during. Hopefully, these individuals will be a part and support our efforts to preserve the ideals, memorabilia, and history of Dunbar High School through their participation. We're hoping to have between five and eight hundred participants, and we want ALL Dunbar exes and supporters WITH us!"

Dunbar Alumni International, Inc. will meet at 4:00 pm Saturday, May 3rd, at Mae Simmons Community Center. ALL Dunbar exes and supporters are asked and invited to attend. Yearly dues are \$12.00 and will be accepted. Life-time membership in the association is \$185.00 for an individual and \$300.00 for a couple.

Rowanda Adams Toler, President L. V. Andrews, Vice President Juanita Patton Johnson, Treasurer Virgil Johnson, Marketing & Reunions Gwen Rhone Hunt, Secretary Ida Johnson, Assistant Secretary Bennie Johnson Sims, Gift Solicitation

Tiger Woods: Sign of Hope

by Bernice Powell Jackson

As we celebrate Jackie Robinson's entry into the big leagues 50 years ago, we find ourselves celebrating another first -- Tiger Woods becoming the first person of color to win the Masters golf tournament. Some might argue that firsts in the world of sports are not really meaningful, but history shows that Jackie Robinson's breaking of the color barrier was the dawning of a new day.

Clearly Tiger Woods has not suffered the abuse, indignities and threats that Robinson did half a century ago. But the reality is that were he not the famed Tiger Woods, there would be golf courses and clubs where he, as a person of color, would not be welcome even today. At the Augusta National, home of the Masters, no

black had played in this famed tournament before 1975 and the club had no African American members until seven years ago.

Growing up in the segregated Nation's Capital, I remember trailing my uncle around the city's African American public golf course, Langston Golf Course. Hundreds of unnamed amateur and professional golfers laid the groundwork for Tiger Woods. showed that he has matured in his thinking around race.

Some have said that they find it difficult to understand why Tiger Woods' win is a race issue. Unfortunately, as long as there are still racial firsts in this nation and as long as discrimination keeps young people from reaching their potential, race will be a factor in all that we do.



WASHINGTON -- KEYNOTER! Retired General Colin Powell, third from left, joins Eddie N. Williams, second from right, in welcoming guests to the 25th Annual Dinner of the Joint Center for Political & Economic Studies at the Washington Hilton Hotel where Powell was the keynote speaker. Mr. Williams was saluted for his quarter century of service as President of the Center. With them are, from left, Thomas Collamore, Vice

President, Public Affairs Philip Morris Companies Inc., Virgil Colbert, Senior Vice President, Miller Brewing Co., Milton Bins, Chairman, Council of 100 and Joseph A. Baptiste, of the National Association for the Advancement of Haitians. Founded in 1970, the Center is the nation's pre-eminent African American "think-tank," focusing on enhancing African American influence in the political, economic and policy arenas. Philip Morris was the Center's first corporate sponsor and the company's chairman, Geoffrey C. Bible was vice chairman for the dinner.

LUBBOCK CITIZENS MEET TO RESTRUCTURE CANYON LAKES CREDIT UNION

Refusing to give up over the present posture of the Canyon Lakes Credit Union, a group of Lubbock citizens met last week at the Small Business Development Center, 2579 South Loop 289, to be a part of the process in selecting persons to fill various committees created by the newly selected board of directors.

A brief history reveals that July 18, 1993, an application was submitted with the State of Texas Credit Union Department, and it was granted May 24, 1994 with the Charter Number 914. The founders of the Canyon Lakes Credit Union (CLCU) are: David H. Sowell, John P. Cervantez, Earnestine Pine, Arlee Jackson, A.D. Pine, Jamie Garcia, R.J. Givens, Jr., D.C. Kinner, and Doris Dickens. However, the history goes back more than fifteen years.

The purpose of the Canyon Lakes Credit Union is to provide quality financial services to the members, and to offer members an opportunity to improve their financial condition by becoming financially responsible and secure.

Since May 1994, there has been minimal success. It has approximately \$245,000 worth of assets with at least 250 members. In District 1 and 2, there are not the credit unions targeted for low-income citizens. Must residents of these areas have lower than average banking and saving activities.

"It is important for CLCU to improve on its strategic planning, and increase its volunteers, memberships and deposits," says Ella O'Neal who presided over the meeting last week. In citing what has to be done, the following weaknesses of CLCU were identified: improperly trained volunteers, inability to recruit committed professional/management volunteers, inexperienced management, inappropriate policies/procedures, and failure to enlist community sponsorships.

It was learned that there is an opportunity to restructure due to: banking and savings activities are less than average in target areas; market potential does exist, and CLCU is a practical and viable business.

In an effort to restructure CLCU, the following have been established: a board of

directors, automated records, acquiring an acceptable facility within the field of membership areas, free of charge for at least two years, establishment of committees and personnel/training.

The following persons have been chosen as members of the CLCU Board of Directors: George Scott, Chairman; Ella O'Neal, Vice Chairman; Efrén Villanueva, President; Eddie Dixon, Secretary; and Samuel A. Gonzales, Treasurer.

Board advisors are Dr. R. J. Wilcott and Homer Norville.

CLCU board training will be held in the Lubbock Independent School Board Room on Thursday, May 1, 1997, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Persons interested in serving on various committees are invited to attend this one to one and a half hour training session. "We'd like to encourage anyone interested in working with this program to attend this seminar and learn what is needed to make this credit union a viable program in the community," said George Scott.

The board of directors created three standing committees: Supervisory/Audit - will perform one internal and one external audit/year. Examine that membership role for accuracy. Credit/Loan - assure compliance with approved loan policies and procedures; Marketing - promote the CLCU services to businesses and potential members in District 1 and 2 through newsletter, print, and broadcast media, civic organizations, churches and other organizations or agencies.

Committees created by the CLCU Board of Directors are: Membership - adequate members needed to promote growth and development, and secure 80 new members per month to the credit union. Institute membership retention efforts. Investment - receive low risk long term and short term interest bearing accounts and instruments within established guidelines. Personnel - assure compliance with state and federal hiring and employment policies. Education/Training - develop a curriculum for the training of directors and committee chairmen in procedures, operations, and interpersonal skills. Promote fiscal responsibility and provide savings and budgeting techniques to the CLCU field

of membership. Compliance/Regulatory - schedule and maintain timely submission of all required documents to the Credit Union Commission, state and federal agencies. Fund Raising - schedule and program activities to obtain funds for grants, donations, and sponsorships of CLCU maintenance, services and operations.

Lubbock citizens who have agreed to service on the various committees are as follows:

Supervisory/Audit - Homer Norville, Jaime Garcia, Gwendolyn Titus, Rodney Moore, Billie L. Ray, and Paul Fraizer; Credit/Loan - Robert Dominguez, Stephanie Hill, Dwight Pierce, D.C. Fair, Jr., and Fernando Reyna; Marketing - Olga Riojas Aguerro, T.J. Patterson, Leticia Martinez, Pete Garcia, Fannie Rodriguez, Greg Phea, and Larry Rogers.

Membership - Endi Barbosa, Joan Y. Ervin, Tonya Jackson, Dianna Toliver, Christine Gonzalez, Margie Cimental and Eddie Guel. Investment - Ruben Bela, Wil Carter, Johnnie Adkins, Donnie Wright, and Robert Lugo. Personnel - Efrén Villanueva, Desi Pesina and Patricia Phea; Education/Training - Sarah Jones, Ernestine Cantu, Quincy White, Ana Dominguez, Dr. Charles Henry, and William O'Neal, Jr. Also, Compliance/Regulatory - Chevo Moralez, Ron Givens and Delwin Jones; and Fund Raising - Oscar Jones, Alfred Caviel and Dorothy Phea-Norvell.

Others have agreed to serve in various committees, but names were not available at this time.

The new temporary location of the Canyon Lakes Credit Union will be 1361 Broadway Avenue, in the annex of the Lubbock Housing Authority. Office hours are as follows: Mondays thru Wednesdays, 10:00am until 4:00pm; Fridays, 10:00am until 6:00pm and Saturdays, 9:00am until 12 noon.

The telephone number is (806) 762-1111.

"We will be open on these days, and we are in the business of attaining more memberships. So if you are interested in becoming a member, come by or call 762-1111," says Efrén Villanueva, President.

Mayor Forms Task Force on Civic Entertainment, and Sports Facilities

Lubbock Mayor Windy Sitton announced that she has formed a citizen advisory board that will make recommendations to the Council regarding the future of the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

The Mayor's Task Force on Civic, Entertainment, and Sports Facilities conducted its first meeting on Friday morning, April 25, at 7:00 a.m. at the Knipping Center.

Mayor Sitton introduced the task force chairpersons to the

media in a press conference, and will outline the goals she has given the advisory board.

Members of the Advisory Board:

- Mr. Barney G. Adams
- Mr. Wayne Bailey
- Mrs. Anita Burgess
- Mr. Jim Crowson
- Ms. Debra Forte
- Mr. J. J. Gomez
- Mr. Alan Henry
- Mrs. Gertie Jeter
- Mr. Burl Masters
- Mr. Kevin Pond

- Mrs. Kay Sanford
- Mr. Sam C. Arnett, III
- Mr. Jim Bertram
- Mr. Mike M. Calfin
- Mr. Steve Fannin
- Ms. Jacque Garcia
- Dr. Donald R. Haragan
- Ms. Pauline Jacobo
- Dr. Heena Johnson, III
- Mr. T.J. Patterson
- Mr. Dan Pope
- Mr. David C. Sharp

NOTICE! The Southwest Digest is now in its 20th year. Watch out for a major event coming in the future.



Ruby Jay's Corner

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. Billy Moton is the proud pastor.

Morning services began with Sunday School beginning at 9:30 a.m. with the Superintendent of the Youth Department presiding. There were 30 minutes of instruction, and all classes reassembled singing "I Surrender All." This fit well with last Sunday's lesson.

High points of the lesson were given by Class No. 4 with Sisters Flowers, Givens, Jay and Quigley making positive comments. Sister Joan Y. Ervin is the teacher and closed out the presentation.

Secretary's Report: Youth Department - The Junior received the Offering Banner while the Intermediate and Senior Classes tied for the Attendance Banner.

There were two visitors to Sunday School this week.

After the morning devotional period, the Senior Choir marched in the processional singing out their hearts and souls. The entire morning worship hour was wonderful. Praise God for a great day!

The devotional period was led by Brother and Sister Earnest Swain.

The Senior Choir marched in the processional singing "The Lord Is Blessing Me." Altar prayer was led by Brother R.J. Givens. A song, "When He Calls Me," was sung. The morning scripture was taken from the

Book of Acts and read by Brother Virgil Johnson. Prayer was given by Brother Harry Stokley. Another song, "Great Is The Lord," was sung.

The responsive reading was done with the congregation standing and led by Sister Julia Swain. The morning hymn was "Close To Thee." Pastoral observations were given by Pastor Moton. A letter was read to the church from him. Another song, "Victory," was sung and it was very inspiring. The hymn of preparation was "Have Thine Own Way."

In the absence of Pastor Moton, Rev. Jeff Brown brought a powerful message. His text was II Samuel 6:14-15. His subject was "If You Had To Be A Fool For The Lord." It was so well done and it was plain to understand. It was very beautiful. It was done in a way, we should search ourselves and think about what Rev. Brown Preached about last Sunday morning.

Sister Elnora Johnson, a former member of New Hope Baptist Church, visited services last Sunday. She was in the "Hub City" visiting her sister who is very ill. She is included in our prayer list.

Among our bereaved families include the family of Wilbert Ray Scales who was funeralized at New Hope Baptist Church last Saturday afternoon. His mother is a faithful member of New Hope and is a Christian woman. Keep her in your prayers.

Sister Dorothy Jean Young was funeralized last Saturday morning, April 26, 1997 at St. James Baptist Church with Rev. Kado Lang, pastor, officiating. Jamison Funeral Home was in charge of both services.

INTERMEDIATE CHILD ABUSE INVESTIGATION CLASS OFFERED

LEVELLAND -- The South Plains College law enforcement program will offer a class in Intermediate Child Abuse Investigation May 5-7.

Registration deadline is May 2.

The class will meet 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. daily in the SPC Petroleum Technology-Law Enforcement Building, room 115. Cost is \$24.

"This course, an intermediate core curriculum course #2105, is an overview of the nature, cause and effects of child abuse, authority and responsibility of the law enforcement office, categories of child abuse and neglect, components and characteristics of

child abuse, investigative strategies and special investigative issues," said George Lawless, professor of law enforcement technology and chairperson of the college's Professional Services and Energy Department.

Students will receive 24 hours of credit from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE).

A minimum of 10 persons is required to offer the course. Payment in full or a purchase order number is required on the first day of class.

For more information, contact the SPC Law Enforcement Office at 894-9611, ext. 2291.

MILITARY NEWS



Army Pvt. Elton S. Sanders has graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo.

During the training,

students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Sanders is the son of Jody and Elton Sanders of 3805 E. Fourth St., Lubbock.

Army Pvt. Randel W. Carew has graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo.

During the training, students received instruction drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, mili-

tary justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Carew is the son of Ronald W. Lemmond of 1119 E. Owens, Lubbock.

His wife, Johanna, resides in Lubbock.

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New Community Coordinator

December 17th 1996 Blanche Swisher was elected Community Coordinator, which meets the first Monday of every month. Blanche works as Community Coordinator for the AARP.

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"Ebonics: Bad English or Legitimate Language?"

(Washington, DC) - The controversy over Ebonics - or "Black English," as it has been called - is not new. Educators have been seeking ways to improve the literacy rates of American children for decades. But when Oakland County, California's school board decided to recognize Ebonics as a language late last year, the debate erupted with new force, dividing many in the African-American community.

Dr. Mary Hoover, a language consultant to the Oakland County school board, says she doesn't see

why the issue has caused such a big deal. "We're not teaching these students Ebonics. We're simply accepting the speech and moving on," she says. According to Hoover, 46 percent of African-American students cannot read, and Ebonics is a way to alleviate that problem.

But author and Newsweek contributing editor Ellis Cose contends that Ebonics is not the answer - or the point. "The cultural question we should be trying to deal with as a country is, 'How do we educate black children who are not being educated

very well?'"

This week on America's Black Forum, host Juan Williams leads Dr. Mary Hoover and Ellis Cose, along with commentators Deborah Mathis and Armstrong Williams, in a heated discussion over whether Ebonics will ultimately help or handicap African-American children.

America's Black Forum, a half-hour weekly television program airs on 70 television stations nationwide. Please check your local listings for airtime and station.

CULTURAL DIVERSITY CLASS BEGINS AT SPC

LEVELLAND--A cultural diversity class #3939 for law enforcement personnel is scheduled May 1 at South

Plains College. The class will meet 8 a.m.-4 p.m. in the SPC Petroleum Technology - Law

Enforcement Building, room 115. Cost is \$15 a person. Registration deadline is April 29.

The course is designed to increase understanding of the relationship between cultural awareness and police professionalism, said George Lawless, professor of law enforcement technology and chairperson of SPC's Professional Services and Energy Department.

The course partially meets the requirements for compliance with section 415.034 of the Texas Government Code.

A minimum of 10 persons is needed. Payment in full or a purchase order number is required on the first day of class.

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NAACP STATEMENT ON FUZZY ZOELLER

NAACP President & CEO Kwesi Mfume released the following statement regarding Tiger Woods' remarks on Tiger Woods:

"The remarks by golfer Fuzzy Zoeller about Tiger Woods were vicious and demeaning. They demonstrate a lack of respect not only for Mr. Woods but for people of color everywhere.

It is unfortunate and discouraging that in 1997 we have to deal with this level of unbridled stupidity. While most Americans have been inspired and proud by the achievements of Mr. Woods, Zoeller's remarks remind us of the spoiled sport of golf that too many of us grew up with...elitist and exclusionary.

AARP News

The AARP COMMUNITY COUNCIL are working toward having an information center, also a project for senior care Rose Evans chairperson. MYRTLE DURAN chairperson Triad this consist to help alert community residents about scams and fraud. ANNE RICHARDS is the secretary of the COMMUNITY COUNCIL. COMMUNITY WATCH project BLANCHIE SWISHER. The COMMUNITY COUNCIL will work with the HABITAT, assist with the local Food Bank, also I have recruited 35 new members to our AARP CHAPTER 3591 and

this makes a total of 54 members. We the Community Council will under take a community beautification project, Rose Evans will look in on the shut-in, Irene Buckner is chair person for the UNITED SUPERMARKET SHOPPERS BUS, it will run every Wednesday of the week.

Blanchie Swisher Community Coordinator
P.S. our goal is to meet the need of the community. Donnie Graves is the chairperson for the hospital project it consists of visiting the sick.

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All those many years ago,
When people came across the seas,
Chained to the hulls below...

It is painful to remember
All the burdens they have born,
And the foul discrimination,
And the cruelty and scorn...

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That they suffer still today;
Please forgive us, gentle Master,
And release them all the way!

It is painful to remember
All the anguish and the hurt,
That they have had to suffer
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All the sorrow they have felt,
And the fears and tribulations,
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THIS N THAT

CLCU BEING RESTRUCTURED! THIS N THAT ... attended a meeting at the ... Small Business Development Center ... last Thursday evening ... where Lubbock citizens met to ... **DISCUSS AND NAME CITIZENS** ... to serve on committees to ... **RESTRUCTURE** ... the Canyon Lakes Credit Union ... A very informative meeting ... and all in attendance ... **WERE EXCITED** ... about the new charge to see that citizens who reside in ... **DISTRICT ONE** and ... **TWO** ... will have an opportunity to secure the financial opportunity to participate in their community ... **THIS N THAT** ... says **CONGRATS** ... to the new board of directors of CLU ... They are... **GEORGE SCOTT** ... chairman ... **ELLA O' NEAL** ... vice chairman ... **SAMUEL A. GONZALEZ** ... treasurer ... **EDDIE DIXON** ... secretary ... and ... **EFREN VILLANUEVA** ... president ... Board advisors are ... **DR. R.J. WOLCOTT** ... and ... **HOMER NORVILLE** ... **THIS N THAT** ... would like to say ... **CONGRATS** ... to those who are ... **FOUNDERS** ... of the Canyon Lake Credit Union ... They did well ... and ... all appreciate what they have done ... **THOSE PERSONS ARE** ... **DAVID H. SOWELL** ... **JOHN P. CERVANTES** ... **EARNESTINE PINE** ... **ARLEE JACKSON** ... **A.D. PINE** ... **JAMIE GARCIA** ... **R.J. GIVENS, JR.** ... **D.C. KINNER** ... and ... **DORIS DICKENS**...

TEMPORARY LOCATION OF CLCU!! THIS N THAT ... has learned of the ... **TEMPORARY LOCATION** ... of the **CANYON LAKES CREDIT UNION (CLCU)**... is ... **1301 BROADWAY AVENUE** ... Suite 6 ... Office hours are ... **MONDAY THRU WEDNESDAY** ... 10:00am to 4:00pm ... **FRIDAYS** ... 10:00am to 6:00pm ... and ... **SATURDAYS** ... 9:00am to 12 noon ... The telephone number is ... (806) 762-1111 ... Go by ... or ... at least call ... and let those ... **WCRKING ON A VOLUNTEER BASIS** ... that you appreciate what they are doing ... and ... if you can do so ... **VOLUN-**

TEER ... some of your precious time ... Or better still ... **BECOME A MEMBER** ... of the Canyon Lakes Credit Union...

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Why Is It When It Is To Our Advantage?

by Eddie P. Richardson



We went along with separate but equal for years, but there was no such animal, I personally were hollering foul. "Let's have a color-blind society and not reverse discrimination." How the heck can you be equal when you are four hundred years behind? Let's get a life. When you control everything forever you would not want an intrusion either. You cannot have a color-blind society, because race got us into this racist mess in the first place. Therefore you cannot eliminate race when race is the cause of the problem in the first place. If there never was a set aside or affirmative action, the other side never would be hollering because we never would have gotten our foot in the door in the first place.

As stated earlier, Phil Gramm, Pete Wilson, affirmative action, set aside, never should have had to be if all people had an equitable chance in the first place and been treated fairly instead of mistreated and left out, but all of these things had to be not as the norm but as a necessary evil because Blacks and other affected had been screened out of the American dream with no chance or hope of ever being accepted. If there never would have been affirmative action, set aside, or so-called quotas, Phil Gramm or Pete Wilson, we would still be back in the heart of Jim Crowism and you and your racist group would still be happy. The new buzz-word is give the money to the states. That's a trip back to states' rights—guess who suffered. When you give people large-sums of money without any controls you are a fool. The reason the Federal Government got involved in the first place was the states, especially the southern states, were playing the game separate but equal, which is really separate and unequal.

Black and other affected class minorities never had government contracts and knew they never would. Then came along Congressman Paven Mitchell from Baltimore, Maryland, Chairman of the Small Business Subcommittee, and got the set aside and got our feet in the door. Some goes on with education, etc. When the Blacks and other affected class minorities got a foot in the door, then the lead side, which has had and controlled everything for years, started

African Americans Can Retire On Their Own Terms

By Charles Ross
Special to the NNPA

Many people are now choosing to continue to work well past the traditional retirement age of 65. In fact, it's a good way to have control over your financial situation. The first step in creating the retirement lifestyle you want is to look at what will change in your later years. Your income will most likely be lower, but your expenses probably will be too, since large debts like mortgages and college tuition will probably be paid off. Even if you carry financial obligations into retirement, you can and should build toward the life you want. The possibilities are endless. You can work full or part-time, study, travel, do volunteer work, start your own business, or restructure or modify your present career.

Early Retirement

With the average retirement age at 62 and dropping, more and more people may be considering early retirement. If you think it might be for you, first try on the lifestyle you're envisioning. Make sure it doesn't end up boring you, or costing too much to maintain. Another important fact is the increased time you will be spending with your mate, and the potential for fiction until you both adjust. Honestly evaluate your day-to-day compatibility. Be sure that you are financially prepared for retirement, including money for long or short term

emergencies. Practice living frugally. Decide which sacrifices you're willing to make. And if you plan to work, find work that you like -- you'll live longer.

Working Beyond Retirement Age

Contrary to some employers' prejudices, older workers are continually proving that they are as effective as younger workers. They have no more difficulty learning than their young colleagues and are no more prone to poor health. In fact, in jobs requiring patience, judgment or consistency, older workers often out-perform younger workers. It does take individuals age 40 or more longer to find jobs, but many take positions in smaller firms where they have greater roles in decision-making. Self-employed professionals such as physicians, shop-owners, writers or artisans have the option of never retiring, or reducing their workload. Sometimes, a talent or interest that has been put aside can blossom into a new career.

Personalizing Your Retirement Plan

Later life can and should have as much focus and fulfillment as earlier life. As you explore your options and settle on a course of action, it may help you to take advantage of a retirement-planning program offered by employers, community agencies or unions. To help in planning, consider your desired lifestyle, skills you have or would like to learn, special

interests you want to pursue, and the kinds of tasks or duties you would like to be included in your work. Read about the areas you're interested in, and talk to people in similar occupations and lifestyles. Assess your financial situation and potential needs and make a contingency plan to protect yourself against surprises. Think positively and don't be afraid to change your life!

Be Flexible

There is one way in which life does not change as you age: It remains unpredictable. So, as you plan to for your retirement, it is critical that you be flexible. Your goals and interests may change as you approach retirement age. Be prepared to change direction. If you find yourself retiring early, consider starting your own business. After a few years, you may want to look for a job that will provide a pension. Go for it! If a new interest presents itself in your life, go back to school or get the training you need to pursue it. Just remember not to act on impulse. Your financial security depends upon smart decision-making. But be flexible. You never know when a great opportunity will come your way.

(Charles Ross is host of the nationally-syndicated radio program, Your Personal Finance, and author of "Your CommonSense Guide to Personal Financial Planning.")

Your Liver Lets You Live

by Larry Lucas



Did you know that your liver is the largest organ in your body? Located behind the lower ribs on the right side of the abdomen, the liver weighs about 3 pounds and is about the size of a football.

Without a liver, you couldn't live. It performs several vital functions, including:

- converting food into chemicals needed for life and growth;
- producing substances used by the rest of the body;
- processing drugs into forms usable by the body;
- detoxifying substances that would otherwise be poisonous;
- storing important vitamins and minerals, including iron.

Since you can't do without your liver, you'll want to take good care of it. One way to do this is to protect your liver against hepatitis.

The word "hepatitis" means inflammation of the liver, usually causing swelling and tenderness and, sometimes, permanent damage to the liver. Hepatitis is a virus, which is spread from one affected person to another. In the U.S. alone, there are more than four million "carriers" of hepatitis—people who are not ill themselves but who may pass hepatitis on to others, according to the American Liver Foundation.

There are several kinds of hepatitis. The most common is hepatitis "B." About 200,000 Americans are infected with this disease each year. While most people fight off the infection themselves, 5 to 10 percent become carriers and 5 to 10 percent develop serious liver disease. About 5,000 Americans per year die of causes related to Hepatitis B. The disease is more infectious than AIDS and is transmitted

through infected blood and other body fluids.

A simple blood test can diagnose Hepatitis B. Many infected people don't know they have hepatitis, although some people have symptoms that mimic the flu, including:

- Loss of appetite, nausea or vomiting;
- fever;
- weakness or fatigue lasting weeks or months;
- abdominal pain;
- dark urine;
- yellowing skin and eyes.

Currently, there is only one approved medicine to treat Hepatitis B. It's an "interferon," a medicine that interferes with the ability of a virus to reproduce. Several other promising medicines are in development. But the best course of action is to avoid contracting this disease. Fortunately, there's a safe and effective vaccine that protects against this virus. Three injections are required—the second one a month after the first and the third six months later. Hepatitis B vaccination is recommended for all newborns, infants and teenagers. The vaccine provides immunity for most people for at least five years.

Hepatitis can be avoided. You should always practice safe sex and never share objects such as needles, razors, toothbrushes, nail files and clippers. When you get a manicure, tattoo, or body piercing, make sure sterile instruments are used. And people who are exposed to blood in their work should be vaccinated.

For more information about hepatitis and other diseases that affect the liver, contact the American Liver Foundation at 1-800-223-0179.

Larry Lucas is Associate Vice President of the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of American (PhRMA) and a member of the Board of Directors of the American Liver Foundation.

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Pyramid schemes concentrate mainly on the quick profits to be earned by selling the right to recruit others. To be prudent, participants are advised to be wary if the start-up cost for the investment is substantial and no products are involved. The Texas Penal Code states that "endless chain" means any scheme for the disposal or distribution of property whereby a participant pays a valuable consideration for the chance to receive compensation for introducing one or more additional persons into participation in the scheme or for the chance to receive compensation when a person introduced by the participant introduces a new participant. "Compensation" does

not mean or include payment based on sales made to persons who are not participants in the scheme and who are not purchasing in order to participate in the scheme. The Code further states that a person commits an offense if he contrives, prepares, sets up, proposes, operates, promotes or participates in an endless chain. Does this sound like familiar?

Spring is the time of year when your Better Business Bureau always warns of the home improvement itinerents and others that 'blow' into our area with the west winds. With the recent early hail storms, consumers should be on the lookout for roofers and dent removal companies that have set up shop in the

South Plains to do business. Some may appear to be perfectly legitimate - they have a local phone and a local place of business, but how long have they been here and what is their track record? There are many legitimate companies that offer roofing repairs and auto dent removal that have been located in the South Plains for quite some time. How do you find out who they are? Call the Better Business Bureau at 763-0459 or (800)687-7890. If someone comes to you soliciting your business - watch out! Get at least three estimates; get all agreements in writing and DO NOT pay the entire amount up front.

COPING

by Dr. Charles Faulkner
For Women Only

Recently, a reader asked if methods existed that could be used to make her boyfriend become more attracted to her. The answer is "yes." Here are some principles of behavior control:

- 1) A person is very suggestible when deeply relaxed or very upset. Anything that happens during this period will affect the individual's thinking and behavior.
- 2) Everything in an individual's environment influences his or her behavior to some extent (such as colors, sounds, pictures, scenery, ideas that are discussed).
- 3) The least obvious factors stimulate and influence behavior more than those of which the individual is aware. (Soft music and soft colors are more influential gestures than loud music, bright colors or the spoken word.)
- 4) Appeals to the subconscious have more impact on behavior than conscious appeals. (A gentle touch is more effective than praise.)
- 5) When a person enters your home, you have the opportunity to completely control and manipulate the environment and thereby profoundly affect the behavior of that individual. Now, let's put these prin-

ciples into operation:

- 1) Produce a relaxing environment - Rock or soul music is nice but does not bring about relaxed suggestibility. Soft, unobtrusive so-called "elevator music," that is barely perceptible, will soothe and relax the most difficult individual.
- 2) Entertain your guest in your behavior control room. This is the room that you have painted a soft color for example. In the background is the low, gentle sound of orchestrated Broadway show tunes, played so softly as to hardly be noticed; pictures that convey love, happiness, and indirectly, romance and, conversation that is non-threatening, challenging but fails to give away your desires, initially. That is to come later.
- 3) Keep the individual off guard. Do not do the obvious - do the unexpected. If a specific topic of contention is anticipated, discuss a pleasant topic. If your guest expects you to "make a play," discuss your set of crystal. Then when the expectation has subsided, bring up the originally intended issue in a smooth, tactful transition. If it motivates argumentation and stress, smoothly handle the topic. Refuse to argue.
- 4) Look the individual in the eye, praise something the individual is wearing or doing (never praise the person)! Gently touch the individual (remove your hand immediately); gently criticize something about the individual, then change the topic. Go slowly, take your time, wait for things to develop. Now you have set the stage to "make your move." After having spent sufficient time setting the mood you will detect a change in the behavior of your guest. He or she will either become extremely relaxed or somewhat agitated. Do not be disturbed by the agitation, it simply represents the uneasiness that is caused by his loss of control of the situation and the fact that predictability has been extracted. Now, he is vulnerable. He is receptive to suggestion.

FAIR ELECTIONS ARE A PART OF THE BLACK AGENDA

This Way for Black Empowerment
By Dr. Lenora Fulani

As regular readers of this column know, I ran for President of the United States twice as an independent, becoming (in 1988) the first woman and the first African American to appear on the ballot in all 50 states. One of the things that I demonstrated in that campaign (and the many other independent campaigns I have run or supported) is that the cards are stacked against independent candidates and independent parties. The American electoral system has a structural bias in favor of the two major parties. And as third party options become more important to the evolution of Black politics, eliminating these biases becomes an important part of the Black Agenda.

State legislatures, controlled by Democrats and Republicans, have passed laws that erect incredible barriers to independents. Take ballot access, for example. Independents have to collect many more signatures, in a shorter period of time and face many more hyper-technical requirements than do major party candidates running for the same office. When Black and Latino insurgent candidates for public office are thrown off the ballot by the party machine, they often turn to independent candidacies. This often means having to negotiate prohibitive ballot access require-

ments.

The Fair Elections Bill was originally written by Ballot Access News publisher Richard Winner and Gary Sinawski, my national elections attorney and one of the foremost ballot access lawyers in the country. Congressional Black Caucus member John Conyers (D-Michigan) was the first to introduce the bill in 1985. Former Congressman Tim Peffly (DFL-Minnesota), a good friend of the independent political movement, sponsored and championed the bill in the 101st and 102nd Congress (1989-93). I applaud Ron Paul for carrying the banner this year.

The political balance of power is beginning to shift in American politics, as new independent parties come onto the scene and begin to impact. The Reform Party, for example, which ran Ross Perot for President last year garnered enough votes to win ballot lines in over 30 states. I am active in the Reform Party, along with an expanding network of Black activists around the country who are finding that the independent option adds a new dimension to Black empowerment dynamics at the local level. Here are some recent examples. When three African Americans in Union County, Arkansas wanted to serve on the County Board of Directors, they ran on the Reform Party line and won. And in 1994 in Alabama,

Nate Roberson became the nation's first elected official of the Patriot Party, the independent party that is now a part of the Reform Party coalition, with his successful run for County Commissioner in Green County.

The Fair Elections Bill, like many other structural democratic reforms such as term limits, equal access to delegates and campaign finance reform, are very important for the Black community. At a time when the Democratic Party is increasingly unresponsive to our agenda, the independent route opens up new political avenues for us. And at a time when independent political parties are growing throughout the country, non-major party candidates can impact on, and even win, elections.

We need a level playing field in the electoral arena to allow independents to impact. Write your Congressman. Tell her or him to cosponsor and work for the passage of the Fair Elections Bill.

Lenora B. Fulani twice ran for President of the U.S. as an independent, making history in 1988 when she became the first woman and African American to get on the ballot in all fifty states. Dr. Fulani is currently a leading activist in the Reform Party and chairs the Committee for a Unified Independent Party. She can be reached at 800-288-3201 or at www.Fulani.org.



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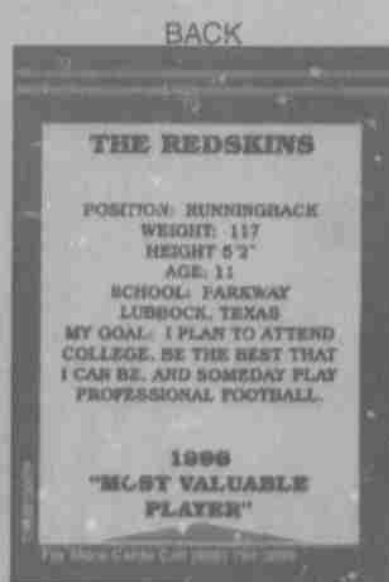
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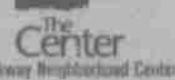


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Teen suicide is a statewide tragedy

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SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Texas Parkway Hotline, Texas Department of Health and Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

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YOU ARE TRAVELLING IS
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WHO ARE FREE HAVE
TRAVELLED IN THE PAST."

-MARCUS GARVEY



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Ezekiel 18:4a, THE LORD SAID, BEHOLD, all souls are MINE; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son IS MINE.

I'm reminded of many YOUNG PEOPLE, who's LIFE IS A GREAT STORY. But, they praise themselves, and ROB GOD; BECAUSE HE DON'T GET THE GLORY. GIVE GOD THE GLORY! HE IS THE CREATOR OF ALL MANKIND, GOD IS THE ONE WHO HAS BLESSED US; WITH WHAT WE DO WITH OUR MIND.

Ecclesiastes 12:1, REMEMBER now the CREATOR IN THE DAYS OF THY YOUTH, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I HAVE NO PLEASURE IN THEM.

Now is a mighty find TIME: TO GIVE YOUR YOUNG LIFE TO GOD, YOU KNOW THE DAYS ARE EVIL; AND THE TIMES ARE HARD;

Isaiah 55:6, 7, SEEK YE LORD WHILE HE MAY BE FOUND, CALL YE UPON HIM WHILE HE IS NEAR: Let the wicked forsake HIS WAY, and the unrighteous man his THOUGHTS; and let him RETURN UNTO THE LORD, and he will have MERCY UPON HIM; AND TO OUR GOD, HE WILL ABUNDANTLY PARDON.

As you get OLD; the legs TREMBLE, THEY BOW OUT, AND THE TEETH BECOME FEW, THE EYES GROW DIM AND DARK; AND YOUR FOOD IS HARD TO CHEW.

Ecc. V 3, In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong man shall BOW THEMSELVES, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out the windows be DARKENED.

You shut yourself IN YOUR HOUSE; the outside NOISE: WON'T BE HEARD, EVEN THE LITTLE CHILDREN PLAYING IS DISTURBING; SO IS A CHIRPING BIRD.

Ecc. 4, And the door shall be shut in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and he shall rise up at THE VOICE OF THE BIRD, and all the daughters of music shall be brought LOW.

When you become afraid of HEIGHT; AND A GRASSHOPPER IS A HEAVY LOAD, WHEN SEX DESIRE FAILS; AND YOUR HAIR TURNS WHITE AS A ALMOND, IT'S ALMOST TIME TO GO.

Ecc. V 5, Also when they shall be AFRAID OF THAT WHICH IS HIGH, AND FEARS SHALL BE IN THE WAY, and the almond tree shall flourish, and the GRASSHOPPER shall be a burden, and DESIRE shall fail: because man goeth to his LONG HOME, AND THE MOURNERS GO ABOUT THE STREETS.

THE BODY IS LIKE THAT SPRING, THAT WORKS A GOOD WATCH, WHEN IT IS BROKEN, IT IS LIKE THE MOVING OF THE HEART; IT WILL STOP.

Ecc. V 6, Or even the silver cord is loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, OR THE WHEEL BROKEN AT THE CISTERN.

REMEMBER YOUR CREATOR; IN THE DAYS OF YOUR YOUTH; GET TO KNOW GOD, THIS WILL MAKE DEATH EASY; KNOWING WE'RE GOING HOME TO BE WITH THE LORD.

Ecc. V 7, Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was; AND THE SPIRIT SHALL RETURN UNTO GOD WHO GAVE IT.

*****TO SUM IT ALL UP; LIFE WITHOUT GOD; IS VANITY, VANITY, VANITY*****

Ecc V 13, 14, Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: FEAR GOD AND KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS: FOR THIS IS THE WHOLE DUTY OF MAN. For GOD SHALL BRING EVERY WORK INTO JUDGEMENT, WITH EVERY SECRET THING, WHETHER IT BE GOOD, OR WHETHER IT BE EVIL.

GOD IS NOT THROUGH WITH US YET. SO LETS PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER ALWAYS.

Written by Evangelist Billy B.J. Morrison, III YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST JESUS!!!



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

Life In Christ

"Jesus said into her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live." —John 11:25

Every normal human being loves life and desires to live a long time. Life is a very precious gift from God. But life at its best is a short one in the light of eternity; and a life lived for only self and for material possessions is empty. When death finally comes the souls slip out in to eternity stripped of everything. Jesus asked, "what shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?"

The story is told of a young boy who was dying of leukemia who one day became very quiet and thoughtful. Finally he asked his mother, "what is it like to die, mother?"

For a moment the mother was speechless for her heart was breaking. How could she answer him? She prayed for wisdom. Quietly she said, "my dear son, do you remember when you were very small, how you would play outside so hard that by evening you would be so tired, and you would climb on the sofa and fall asleep?" The boy nodded his head.

Mother went on, "but when you woke up in the morning you found yourself in your own bed where you belonged.

While you were asleep your daddy picked you up in his strong arms and carried you into your own bed."

The mother paused for a moment, "that's the way it is to go to heaven. You fall asleep and your heavenly father picks you up in his loving arms and carries you to your heavenly home." A smile came over the dying boy's face. He understood and was satisfied. A few weeks later the boy slept peacefully away and entered his home in heaven.

Jesus Christ our savior opened up a whole new dimension to life. Before he came to earth, death was referred to as the "sleep of death", "the shadow of death." Jesus brought hope to mankind and the realization that he is the resurrection and the life—for he conquered death. And more than this, he promised that those who believed in

Him as the risen Christ would not "taste death", "would never die" and would have "everlasting life."

Yes, Jesus came to conquer sin and death. He is the resurrection and the life. He understands our sorrows; he wants to lift us up and help us to look beyond into that eternal life with Christ.

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Many are the challenges we face today. Poor health, poverty, addiction, fear, loneliness, and other temptations are devices used by the enemy to kill, steal and destroy, but God promises that there is no temptation which befalls us for which he has not prepared a way to escape. For every problem or situation that could arise, there is a solution in the word of God.

Let's be honest with ourselves. How much quality time do we devote to the study of his word? I mean time that is planned and set aside when we close ourselves off from cares of life and sit down with the Bible, pen and paper, time spent in prayer, listening for his voice.

It is only through hearing his word that the faith for survival will be developed in us. When the word becomes alive in us, we can defeat the enemy in any area of our lives. Yes, it will mean sacrificing and redefining our time and activities. It will mean exercising temperance and self denial, battling the flesh as we daily seek the face of God, his will and his way.

"Just wait until you see the awesome results, we shall overcome."

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The Lubbock Council of Church Women United will observe its May Fellowship Day celebration on Friday, May 2d at First United Methodist Church Lubbock. The United Methodist Women of the church will host this service which will begin at 11:30am with registration and fellowship. Reservations for the catered lunch may be made by calling the church at 763-4607.

This year's ecumenical service, entitled "CWU-Sowing Seeds in Prepared Soil," revolves around the theme of seeds—both for food and the spirit—that God has provided for humankind in ancient times and for the past 2,000 years through Jesus Christ. Church Women United in its

56-year existence has worked to prepare good soil for this seed in the areas of peace and justice, especially for women, and have helped to bear good fruit in their communities, their country and throughout the world. We hope you will join in this year's May Fellowship Day celebration and support women's ecumenical ministries toward justice and peace through a generous offering. The offerings given on May Fellowship Day are used by the local unit to enable its work in the Lubbock community.

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Coors Names Celist An Area Vice President, Texas



GOLDEN, Colo. -- Coors Brewing Company has promoted Dwain Celistan to the newly created position of area vice president for Texas.

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"Dwain's extensive sales and marketing

experience will undoubtedly strengthen our efforts to build brand presence in Texas, a state of critical importance to Coors," said Scott Whitley, senior area vice president.

Celistan joined Coors in 1976 as a participant in the company's area vice president designate program.

Celistan has a bachelor's degree in public administration from Loyola University and a master's degree in business administration from Atlanta University. He, his wife, Liz, and their two daughters reside in Southlake, Texas.

Con Job Being Done On Conservative Columnist

Is Sexual Harassment Suit Against Armstrong Williams a Publicity Stunt?

"They must be preparing for a book deal," say the people who've heard about the controversial case filed by Attorney Mickey J. Wheatley against black conservative columnist and talk-show host Armstrong Williams. "It must be 'open season' on people who have broad name recognition. We see that it smacks of the same types of theatrics orchestrated to castrate and constrain Justice Clarence Thomas," said Rev. Image Stewart, one of the group who observed the press conference, called by Wheatley at the front door of the D.C. Superior Court. "It's sad, but tearing down celebrities has become an obsession in this city and we must stop it before it takes over our entire society," cautioned Rev. Stewart.

It comes as no surprise that Washington, D.C., with such a predominance of lawyers, has become the breeding ground for lawyer, client and bookseller "get rich" schemes. But, the relevant question facing all of us as a result of Mr. Wheatley filing a suit alleging Armstrong Williams sexually harassed a male employee is: "Has the filing of lawsuits and fleecing of people of fame, or stature, become the modern way of making a living?" How many high-profile people in entertainment, politics and the media are being measured and set-up to be fodder? The whole of American society should be alarmed at the havoc being wrought by an emerging industry that allows individuals who've associated with high-powered people, such as Dick Morris and Jennifer Flowers, to generate court cases and lucrative book deals? People who know the truth about Armstrong Williams, his public and private persona, and statements he has made for years condemning homosexuality, say it's time to investigate such sensational actions and charges and ask important questions about how and why they come about.

"For one African-American man to attempt to harm another that is legally and lawfully trying to make his way causes many black people in Washington concern about the caliber of our internal support systems and the external forces that continue to employ divide and conquer tactics on us," said Stewart, who has formed the "We Support Armstrong Williams Committee." Close examination of Rev. Stewart's comments should give people aware of the lawsuit reason to pause and ponder facts obscured by the hype. The dramatic courthouse press conference, with all the trappings of an ACT-SO demonstration for Gay-oriented issues, was coordinated and called by Attorney Wheatley. In a departure from the normal practices of Washington's high-priced lawyers, Mr. Wheatley, a white man, incurred the expense of circulating press releases to the media, prepared and filed the court suit, used office materi-

als and equipment and hosted the press conference, all "pro bono" for Steven Gregory, an African American who would have had to work almost a decade to gross the \$250,000 demanded of Armstrong. Does Wheatley, who has a long history of being an advocate of Gay rights and initiating cases on behalf of Gays, have his own interests in attempts to emasculate Mr. Williams? Wonder how much of the requested \$250,000 was to go to Wheatley, and how much was Gregory to receive? Williams says he did not respond to pre-lawsuit letters from Wheatley because they amounted to "extortion."

Records will reveal that hundreds of harassment suits are filed in courts and with federal and local equal employment opportunity agencies each day. Isn't it unusual to hold a press conference regarding such matters? Of the lawyers who file such suits, how many do it for no cost to the client? In this case, it's reasonable to ask, "Who is leading who?" And, who is destined to get what out of the publicity generated with such a case? All parties with informed opinions of Steven Gregory say that, in the past, he has exhibited more intelligence and pride in himself and his race to perpetuate such actions and allegations against his own kind. So, who is leading this media circus, is it Mr. Gregory or his lawyer?

"It's unbelievable," says Gleanice Matthews, a Maryland clerk typist who met Mr. Williams at an awards program in his honor and was selected to be a panelist for a subsequent television show featuring Mr. Williams. "I don't really know him that well, but the way those people did what they did makes me think something stinks here," Ms. Matthews a single mother of two states. "It should cause every American to shutter when they think that someone who holds a grudge against them can find a lawyer, who will file a suit against them and create this kind of havoc in their lives. We have become the most litigious society on the planet, and now no one is safe," says Attorney Mary Cox.

What happened between Armstrong and Steven Gregory? "Nothing," says Mr. Williams to the sensational charges. "He worked for me like over twelve other male employees in the past ten years," states Williams. "The allegations are false, baseless and completely without merit. Mr. Gregory was terminated in 1996 for cause. It is nothing, short of amazing that someone, knowing my background, knowing how I was and continue to be Justice Clarence Thomas' most vocal defender against the spurious sexual harassment charges of Anita Hill, could suggest that I would put my reputation in jeopardy in such a manner," said Mr. Williams in a statement made April 10, 1997. "I just want to get my good name back?" says Williams.

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WHAT IS 4TH CORPS?

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WHERE WILL 4TH CORPS BE LOCATED?

The 4th Corps Cadets will be housed in the Residence Halls of Texas Tech University. Adult supervisors will stay with each group of cadets throughout the program and offer them instruction in drill and ceremony, calisthenics, team building and leadership training. 4th Corps Cadets will also participate in community service projects and will have the opportunity to march in the 4th on Broadway Parade on July 4, 1997.

WHEN WILL 4TH CORPS TAKE PLACE?

The camp will open on June 20th and close with graduation ceremonies on July 6th, 1997.

HOW CAN A STUDENT APPLY TO 4TH CORPS?

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