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NATIONAL NEWS

Civil Rights luminaries gather to honor Kwame Ture

The Who's Who of the Civil Rights movement gathered in Washington, D.C. on April 8 for a testimonial dinner honoring Kwame Ture (Stokely Carmichael). A large contingent of former and current activists in SNCC, SCLC, the Black Panther Party, NAACP, Urban League, CORE, and the Pan-Africanist movement paid tribute to the past chairman of SNCC and current chairman of the All-African People's Revolutionary Party (AAPRP) who is now battling prostate cancer. The occasion was used to celebrate Ture's life, political activism and his fight for his medical expenses. In attendance were Min. Louis Farrakhan, Amiri Baraka, Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC), Congressman Bobby Rush (D-IL), Joseph Lowery, chairman of the Black Leadership Forum; Mayor Marion Barry, Washington, D.C. Contributions can still be sent to "Friends of Kwame Ture Testimonial Dinner" at 1234 Monroe Street NE, Washington, D.C. 20017. Call (202) 546-2345. Former Chairs of SNCC: Phil Hutchings, Jamil El Amin, Mayor Marion Barry, Kwame Ture, Charles McDew and Congressman John Lewis.

Blacks Made Up Nearly Half of New AIDS Cases in 1996

Each year, three African Americans contract HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. African Americans represent 12 percent of the total US population, yet they accounted for 43 percent of new AIDS cases in 1996, according to a recent survey conducted by the Kaiser Family Foundation. AIDS is the leading killer of African Americans between the ages of 25 and 44. More Blacks die from AIDS than from homicide, drugs and alcohol, cancer and heart disease combined. Of the nearly 380,000 people who have died from AIDS since the beginning of the epidemic in 1981, as of December 1996, 120,000 were African Americans. "We must not be coddled by the media into believing that AIDS is over," said one trustee of the International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care. "Despite the drop in the number of deaths from AIDS, the number of African Americans who become infected with HIV continues to climb, especially among our youth." Two-thirds of the new cases of pediatric AIDS striking children under 13 are Black, while Black men account for 13 percent of new AIDS cases among American men. Black women make up 60 percent of all new AIDS cases reported among American women, and have an overall AIDS case rate 16 times that of White females, the Kaiser survey noted. — Herb Boyd

Slavery Reparations Revival Meeting Held

Congressman John Conyers, Jr. was joined by 150 supporters at a day-long conference on Reparations for Black Americans held at the historic Metropolitan A.M.E. Church in Washington, D.C. on April 2. Rep. Conyers had just returned from President Clinton's African tour with the images of the President and Mrs. Clinton standing in the infamous "door of no return" emblazoned in the minds of millions around the world. Many in the Black community believe that now is the time to push this issue through because of President Clinton's Race Initiative and the African tour, where the president all but apologized for slavery. The meeting was convened by legal scholar Dr. Robert Brock, a leading expert on reparations, and focused on Rep. Conyers' Reparations Study Bill H.R. 40 first introduced in 1989. The purpose of the conference was to develop concrete strategies for the passage of H.R. 40 and plans for mobilizing the public. Several national organizations participated in the conference including, the NAACP; the National Black Farmers Association; the National Coalition of Blacks for Reparations in America (N'COBRA); the Nation of Islam; the National Association of Black Lawyers (NABL); and the USDA Minority Employee Coalition. Congressman Conyers told the group he would endorse lawsuits for damages stemming from slavery and said he would consider taking the case for reparations to the United Nations. The 9th Annual N'COBRA Reparations Conference will be held June 26-28 at Hampton University. For more information call Khalifah at (757) 723-2696 or E-mail: ubus@pinn.net.

Africans, Other Non-Whites Get Raw Employment Deal in Britain

LONDON, England (PANA) - Africans in Britain are getting a raw deal on the employment front although, on average, they are better educated than White workers. The London Chamber of Commerce said in its report published earlier this month. The report, the result of research by the chamber and The University of Westminster, found that non-Whites were better qualified than White workers but were more likely to be unemployed or paid less than their White counterparts. The researchers said that White workers were more likely to be represented among senior management than Black workers. It was discovered that nationally, employment rates among White men were high and unemployment rates low. In London, Africans and Bangladeshis suffer high unemployment rates. Non-White workers make up about 20 percent of the city's population. The average weekly wage in the U.K. is 141 pounds (about \$235) for White workers and 135 pounds (about \$225) for Blacks. In Greater London, the figures are 161 pounds (\$268) and 143 pounds (\$236), respectively. Commenting on the findings, the chief executive of the London City Council, Simon Sperry, said: "Many ethnic minority workers seem to be over-qualified for the jobs they are doing. It is also (of concern) that they also seem to be losing out to White workers in London and other parts of the country when it comes to pay." — Desmond Davies

CUOMO AND CLEAVER FORM PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN HUD AND NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF BLACK MAYORS

NEW ORLEANS - Housing and Urban Development Secretary Andrew Cuomo and National Conference of Black Mayors President Emanuel Cleaver today signed a partnership agreement pledging HUD and NCBM to work together on a broad range of economic development and housing initiatives to benefit America's cities.

The agreement, signed at NCBM's 24th annual convention in New Orleans, includes provisions saying HUD will provide up to \$200,000 in technical assistance services to help NCBM and member mayors benefit from participation in the Department's programs.

"Members of the National Conference of Black Mayors are playing an important role in revitalizing America's communities," Cuomo said. "I came to New Orleans because I wanted to tell NCBM members personally that your hard work and your dedication are making life better for millions of Americans. I came because I wanted to tell you that the Clinton Administration recognizes your

important contributions to our nation. And I came because I wanted to sign this agreement to strengthen our partnership."

"HUD and the National Conference of Black Mayors will work together as partners to reverse decades of decline in our cities," said Cleaver, who is Mayor of Kansas City, MO. "Working together, we can help create more affordable housing and homeownership, we can attract more new businesses and jobs to our cities, we can reduce housing discrimination, and we can bring economic prosperity to all parts of America."

NCBM is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization of more than 400 mayors from cities throughout the U.S. While many members represent large cities, the largest percentage represent small communities in the South and Southeast.

The HUD-NCBM agreement will enable mayors to learn more about the ways HUD can help their communities and will help

them in planning, creating and implementing HUD-funded programs in their cities.

Through the agreement, NCBM members will be encouraged to form close working relationships with HUD field offices and receive on-site assistance from expert consultants hired by HUD.

Specific initiatives to be covered by the agreement include: small business development, welfare-to-work programs, housing counseling, affordable housing initiatives, fighting housing discrimination, community reinvestment strategies, senior citizen housing, and improvements in public and assisted housing.

Cuomo also encouraged the mayors to apply for additional funding through HUD's SuperNOFA (notice of funding availability) - a funding vehicle for organizations and agencies to apply for more than \$3 billion in HUD grants for a variety of programs.



At the conference, Cuomo was honored for his leadership in the field of urban affairs. He was presented the NCBM President's Award by Mayor Cleaver for "leading the way in cracking down on hate crimes in housing and for dramatically increasing enforcement actions under the Fair Housing Act."



EHS STUDENT WRITES REMARKABLE PLAY DURING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Even though Estacado High School senior Damion Davis is editor of the school newspaper, that is not where his real talent lies. He will be attending Texas Tech University next fall on a Theatre Arts scholarship.

It all started when he volunteered to write a play for Black History Month at Estacado in February. Once he announced his intentions, students from a variety of interest groups wanted to help to put on the play. Sophomore English teacher Ethel Allsbrooks agreed to sponsor the production. Davis cast white and Hispanic students in some of the

parts. "I wasn't surprised when they wanted to be in it. The whole student body is very close here," Davis said.

The play is a series of scenes featuring the contributions of Harriet Tubman, Rosa Parks, and the Rev. Martin Luther King to black history in America. "A Walk Through History" was first performed at Estacado where the Texas Tech theatre director got a look at what Davis had created. He was impressed enough to arrange for Davis and crew to perform the play on the Tech campus for university students.

Since then, Davis has accepted a Texas Tech scholarship as a Theatre Major. He plans to begin classes this next fall.



Pictured above are some of the young people who starred in the play, "A Walk Through History," which was written by Damion Davis.

RE-ELECT MAYOR WINDY SITTON!

After observing the efforts of this year's mayoral election, which will take place, Saturday, May 2, 1998, we have come to a decision in who should be elected Mayor of Lubbock, Texas. Now, to us, the decision was not a difficult one. It was not hard to determine, since we have worked closely and communicated with our choice since her election January, 1997! Without any hesitation, our choice for Mayor is Windy Sitton! Appearing at more than 400 functions in Lubbock at various efforts for all citizens, regardless of where the function was held, Mayor Windy Sitton was present! Even when there were functions held at the same time, she sure every section of the city was represented. It didn't matter to the size of the function, Mayor Windy Sitton was present!

Not only at the local level in attendance, but several hundred functions at the National, State and Regional levels, Mayor Windy Sitton was present. She never thought the second time when it came to representing Lubbock, Texas.

A very serious lady when it comes to our children, she is committed to bringing a Youth Commission to our city as our young people will have a positive vehicle to give input to their city. This commission is needed as we enter into the next century. This, to us, is a very positive initiative.

No doubt about it, you've probably heard Mayor Sitton speak about the need for "every citizen to live in a safe neighborhood." This is another initiative she will work hard to make a reality. She wants to bring our Lubbock Police Force up to strength. She talks about hiring at least 25 new police officers and pay them a comparable salary compared to other Texas cities. When asked how she will find necessary funds to do so, she will tell you she will find a way by cutting in areas we can afford to be out and not hamper our quality of life in Lubbock, Texas. She also wants to see that there are detectives in their neighborhoods. Sure, this can become a reality! It will with your help.

So join the Southwest Digest in voting for Mayor Windy Sitton for our Mayor. She's doing a great job for Lubbock, Texas. As the editorial board of the Southwest Digest has done, we've endorsed Mayor Windy Sitton for Mayor.

"In the Words of America's Noble Ancestors"



SLAVERY Part 1 of 4

By Donna Wyant Howell

In the 1930's, thousands of former American slaves dictated their full life stories. This biweekly column gives American history in their own words, and sometimes provides

little-known information about some of the underlying causes of situations which still affect the United States today. The quotes and photographs are taken from the book series entitled "I WAS A SLAVE." Please deal well with the usage of the word "nigger" and accept it in the context in which it is used.

Susan Forrest: "Dey [There] was de big house w'ere de marster live, den behin' was a row of 'bout fifteen or twenty cabin' on one side and another row of fifteen or twenty cabin' on de other side." Lewis Jones: "Dem am long cabins wid a dirt floah [dirt floor] an' a hole in de wall fo' a windah widout glass. Weuns sleep on bunks wid straw ticks [mattresses]." Louis Fowler: "Dey am built ob logs an' chinked wid a piece of wood an' daubed wid dirt to fill de cracks. Dat dirt am soaked wid wautah 'til it sticks togadder. Weuns also mix' hay or straw wid it." Richard Carnuthers: "The niggers had log cabins and they burned down often times. They chimney would catch fire 'cause it was made out of sticks and clay and moss. Many the time we have to git up at midnight and push the chimney 'way from the house to keep the house from burnin' up."

The food was rationed to individual families or was shared in the communal eating shed. Florence Napier: "Allus have plenty to eat. Marster use to says, 'De cullud fo'ks raised de food, an'

dey's 'titled to all dey wants.'" William Moore: "Marse Tom didn't feel called on to feed his hands any too much. I 'members I had a cravin' for victuals [food] all the time. I'd take lunches to the field hands and they'd say, 'Lawd, Gawd, it ain't 'nough to stop the grip in you belly.'" Lewis Jones: "Marster Tate don't give de rations to each fam'ly lak lots ob udder Marsters do. Him have de cookhouse an' de cooks ... an' allus sat down to de long tables fo' to eat de meals. Yes, sar, plenty good rations." Betty Powers: "Ever' fam'ly does its own cookin'. Mammy, pappy, an' their 12 chilluns lives-in our cabin, so mammy have to cook fo' 14 people, 'sides her field work. All de rations am measured out on Sunday mo'nin'... but 'twarn't 'nough fo' de heavy eaters. De short

[small quantities of] rations caused lots of trouble 'cause de niggers have to steal food. 'Twas a whuppin' [bullwhipping] if dey gits caughted. De cullud fo'ks am in a hell of a fix. If dey can't do de wo'k 'cause dey am weak, ... 'twas a whuppin' den fo' sho [for sure]. If dey steals de food so dey stays strong an' can do de task, 'twas a whuppin'. So thar 'twas. [So, there it was.] Mostest of dem steals an' tooks a whuppin' if dey am caughted, an' on a full stomach. My fo'ks don't have to steal food, but weuns am careful. You can jus' bet 'twarn't nothin' wasted."

Look in this publication for Part 2 in two weeks. For further information about the book series or to volunteer for the American Slaves National Monument project, call 202-737-7827.



Photograph courtesy of I WAS A SLAVE Books, Washington, DC



Ruby Jay's Corner

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. Billy R. Moton is the proud pastor. If you are looking for a church home, then come and visit New Hope.

Services began last Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday School and Superintendent Virgil Johnson at his post of duty. For 30 minutes, teachers gave instruction to their students. At 10:15 a.m., all classes reassembled to the main auditorium singing "I Shall Not Be Moved." Prayer was led by Sister Cleo Quigley. High points of the morning lesson were given by Class No. 4, Sister Lena Sheffield, Class No. 1, Brother Joe Donalds, Class No. 2, Sister Dorothy Kinner and Class No. 3, Sister Bernetta Cooper. All remarks were very well done.

Secretary's Report: Sister Lucille Jackson-- Youth Department--Primary Class won Offering Banner. Adult Department--Class No. 1 and No. 2 were tied for the Attendance Banner; Class No. 2 received the Offering Banner with an offering of \$448.00

Brother and Sister John Howard lead the devotional period at 10:45 a.m. It was very spirit filled. Praise God for the devotional period before the beginning of church services.

The Senior Choir marched in the processional singing "When I'm On My Mission Lord." Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Jeff Brown. A song, "I'll Be Signing Up", was sung. Scripture was read by Sister Alma Colquitt. Prayer was given by Sister Ruby Jay. Another song, "Jesus, Jesus, How I Love To Call Your Name," was sung.

Responsive reading was done with the congregation standing, and Sister Kenyatta Barnes leading the

reading. The morning hymn was "Blessed Be The Name". Pastoral observations were given by Pastor Moton. Another song, "Found Me A Solid Rock When I Found Christ," was sung. The sermonic hymn was "Amazing Grace."

Pastor Moton's scripture was Psalm 106:40-46. His sermon was entitled "Never The Less." It was another wonderful message.

An invitation to discipleship was extended, and one candidate came for baptism. Praise the Lord!

Announcements were read by Sister Elaine Lindsey, and all visitors were welcomed by Sister Doris Dailey. All offering and tithes were taken up by the Deacons and Ushers.

Let us keep those who are ill in our prayers. Our sick list just keeps climbing higher and higher. Our own Hardin Barrow is a patient in Methodist Hospital.

At this report, services are pending for Sister Pearlene Chase who passed away last Thursday. Let us keep the Chase family in our prayers.

A Tree Planting Ceremony was held in loving memory of Brother Ulysses Kelly at the Mae Simmons Park last Saturday evening at 6:30 p.m. A short program was conducted with Mrs. Dorothy Hood and Ms. Billie Russell presiding. Rev. Billy R. Moton brought a few words of comfort and dedication. His wife, Mrs. Bernice Kelly, helped plant the tree. Special tributes were given by Brother Alfred Caviel, Brother Jerry Stevens, and City Councilman T. J. Patterson.

Sister Bernice Kelly, Sister Mary McKinney and Sister Jewel McKinney traveled to Sweetwater, Texas last Sunday to visit their brother, Mack McKinney.

"Spirit of the Cowboy" Weekend Honors West Texas Ranching Heritage

LUBBOCK, TEXAS (April 15, 1998) - Two and a half days of events & tours will celebrate West Texas ranching and cowboy heritage. The "Spirit of the Cowboy" weekend will take place May 16-17, 1998. The schedule of events for the weekend is geared toward family and weekend travelers as well as West Texas residents. The weekend is a cooperative effort of the Lubbock Convention & Tourism Bureau, and Chambers of Commerce from Levelland, Post, and Plainview.

The "Spirit of the Cowboy" weekend begins Friday, May 15 at 6 p.m. in Post, Texas with a stew and cornbread supper at the historic Hotel Garza. Following dinner, the Tower Theatre will host a Cowboy Tribute show starting at 7:30 p.m. featuring Alvin Crow; western swing fiddler, and Rusty Huddleston and the Knights of the West.

Saturday morning participants will visit Plainview for antique shopping in the historic downtown district. Guests of the "Spirit of the Cowboy" weekend will enjoy a Tumbleweed brunch at the Upper Room Sandwich & Cappuccino shop.

Activities continue from 3-5 p.m. with a tour of the historic Spade Ranch, east of Levelland. In 1889, The Spade Ranch and estate was

financed by the returns of the development of barbed wire and is the homestead of the inventor. Historic structures on the ranch still stand in their original locations, which date back to 1906.

The evening concludes in the Levelland City Park with an evening of Texas tradition. A Chuckwagon dinner, starting at 5:30 and featuring the 2-B Ranch Chuckwagon, will include barbecue, Dutch-oven potatoes, pinto beans, and cobbler. Trick roper Brice Chapman and his horse "Cross-fire", and yodeler Dustin Garrett will entertain guests. A Campfire Concert will begin at 7 p.m. and feature music, poetry and storytelling, with the evening's music headlined by Sagebrush Sounds.

The weekend will conclude in Lubbock on Sunday, May 17 with Ranch Host tours of the Ranching Heritage Center and a "Happy Trails" send-off.

The weekend of events was created in a cooperative effort to respond to the many inquiries received regarding working ranch tours and authentic cowboy events. To make reservations for the "Spirit of the Cowboy Weekend," contact Excel Travel at 1-800-687-8111 and ask for Rod Paine.



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Eight student from Estacado School were among nearly 700 area high school students honored during District 15's Celebration of Educational Excellence, hosted by South Plains College. They were recognized for outstanding academic achievements as part of the fourth annual State Board of Education's Celebrations of Educational Excellence awards program. The festivities were sponsored by the Texas State Board of Education and the Texas Education Agency. From left on the front row are Gabriel Kelley and Fernando Hernandez and from left on the back row are Giselle Wallace, Donisha Patterson and Felicia Tillman. Not pictured are Gilbert Gutman, Alan Pollack, Jennifer Pruitt and Isabel Rodriguez.

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City Intern Receives GFOAT Fellowship

Mike Hall, an administrative intern with the City of Lubbock and Master's of Public Administration student at Texas Tech University, received the Lynn F. Anderson Fellowship this week from the Government Finance Officers Association of Texas.

The \$4,000 Anderson Fellowship is awarded annually to only one individual in the state. Criteria for the Fellowship include intent of study and future career choice.

Hall will complete his MPA in May of 1999. He returned to Lubbock from Dallas in January where he had been working for a law firm and attending The University of Texas Dallas. In addition to his duties as an administrative intern in the City Manager's Office, Hall also is a graduate assistant for the History Department at Tech.

Hall serves as a Graduate Senator for the Tech Student Government Association and as Alumni Representative to the Tech Chapter for Kappa Upsilon Chi.

The Government Finance Officers Association of Texas (GFOAT) is a professional association whose objectives are the promotion of the professional practice of municipal financial management through sponsorship of education opportunities for its members.

Obituary

ELSIE BOYD

Final rites were read for Mrs. Elsie Boyd on Saturday morning, April 18, 1998 at the Church of The Living God with Rev. P.B. Phenix and Willie Bartlett officiating. Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow, Texas under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

Mrs. Boyd died Monday, April 13, 1998 in Methodist Hospital. She was born November 3, 1925 in Sherman, Texas. She married Ivory Robert Boyd, Sr. in January, 1941. He died May, 1993.

She leaves to mourn her loss: ten sons: Rudy, Clyde, Marvin, Robert, Ronald, Wilber, Ronnie and Mitchell, all of Lubbock, Texas, Jerry of Amarillo, Texas and Arthur of Oklahoma; eight daughters: Fayrene Craven, Sherry Dedrick and Betty Boyd, all of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Gaynell Lemons and Mary and Johnetta, all of Lubbock, Texas, Alice Kenebrew of Chicago, Illinois and Ann Stine-Taylor of California; 54 grandchildren, 62 great grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.



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GOODIE MOB



Cee-Lo T-Mo Big Gipp Khujo

Yes the good are still dying mostly over bullshit! But after a critically acclaimed debut Gold album, Goodie Mob emerges back into the hip hop scene in 1998 *Still Standing*.

As concerned as they were when they slayed us to a new world order on their first #1 release (Billboard Rap Chart) "Cell Therapy" (Who's that pecking in my window? Pow! Nobody now!), *Still Standing*, the follow up to the Atlanta based rap act's 1995 debut *Soul Food*, arrives with an ever keener awareness of its surroundings.

In 1988 the prophetic rap act Public Enemy told the world it would take a nation of millions to hold us back. A decade later the heir apparents to P.E.'s conscious crown, Khujo, T-Mo, Cee-lo, and Big Gipp have come down from the mountains of Helen, GA, where they crafted *Still Standing* to find that the millions holding black people back are too often themselves.

The powerful lyrics Goodie Mob is hailed for are certain to stimulate thoughts, as they are meant to educate as well as entertain. "I want anyone who picks up *Still Standing* to learn from our wins and our losses," says Big Gipp. "We started out to be purposeful, but I'm glad this music is entertaining folk too."

It is safe to say Goodie Mob has achieved both of their goals. In a time with much need for a fresh direction in rap music, *Still Standing* hits the shelves April 7th to provide a welcome change filled with positivity and laced with phat beats.

Still Standing, Executive produced by LaFace Records Co-presidents Antonio "LA" Reid, Kenneth "Babyface" Edmonds- and Organized Noise (OutKast, TLC, En Vogue), provides skilled production on a variety of different types of tracks which are sure to cross boundaries and reach music lovers of all kinds. Additional producers include Mr. DJ, DJ Muggs (of Cypress Hill), and Craig Love. Both Cee-lo and T-Mo have stepped into the production arena this time as well by contributing a track a piece ("Ghettoology" and "Greeny Green", respectively).

"They Don't Dance No Mo" is the first release off *Still Standing*. "The title has a dual meaning," explains Cee-lo, one of raps most respected voices. XXL Magazine claims that Cee-lo is the E.F. Hutton of hip-hop: When he speaks, everyone shuts the fuck up.

"Part of it is us saying people don't have a release anymore. They don't let go. They don't dance no more. They can't get lost in the music. Instead, they bring what's stressing them to the clubs; the fighting and the brawling. It don't make no damn sense. The other side of that is we don't need to be dancing no more. Shuckin' and jivin' and jumping around in flashy suits." Cee-lo continues. "Looking like Bojangles. Hip hop ain't got time for that in 1998. And it's not just about a new world order. We need to get ourselves in order with ourselves and our God."

Goodie Mob continues in the precedent they set on the first project with "Guess Who", a touching tribute to their mothers, in praising black women on "Beautiful Skin". The mid-tempo track only enhances the meaningful hook. "You're my beginning, my end/ You're my sister, lover, and friend/ God is your light from within/ And it shines through your beautiful skin."

The title track "Still Standing" leaves you inspired while "Black Ice" (featuring platinum label mates OutKast), "The Experience", "Ghettoology", and "Just About Over" (an alternative track laced with guitars and thumping beats), shows the growth and different dimensions the Mob Car reach.

Of course they've included a southern jam which re-affirms their contribution of placing the south on the map as they did on *SoulFood* with "The Dirty South". This time the track is called "Fly Away" and is sure to be a favorite nation wide. "When we on your side of town we don't ask why/ We abide by the rules that ya'll live by/ And see your welcome to come, your welcome to stay/ But any disrespect and we will make your ass fly away."

With the release of *Still Standing* brings another vital piece of Goodie Mob; their live show. VIBE Magazine gave Goodie Mob "Hypest Live Show" in their Best of the Best 1997 round up, declaring "Nobody's fucking with this!" after seeing them on tour with the Fugees and the Roots.

Ghetto children, alternative heads, college students and the 9 to 5 employees all found something in common when Goodie Mob was on the bill. Always backed by a live band, T-Mo explains "There ain't nothin' manufactured about what we do." Goodie Mob uses the concert platform as a pulpit, speaking eloquently and rhythmically about love, life and issues that affect all of us.

As a four man group, each member adds an individual element to the spiritual makeup of the Goodie Mob. Each component is as diverse and important as the life elements of Wind, Water, Fire, and Earth.

Khujo, who prefers to be called a messenger rather than a rapper, represents the wind, as his rhyme style and lyrical content blows direct and hard, yet symbolizes change. His name refers to the leader of the Tribal Maroons who lead escaped slaves to freedom. Khujo also means change. If you count the letters K-H-U-J-O on the alphabet, add the numbers up and divide by 5, you get the number 13 which symbolizes change: $K(11) + H(8) + U(21) + J(10) + O(15) = 65 = 65/5 = 13$.

Cee-lo, the youngest member of the group, represents the water providing words and a lyrical style that gives both depth and clarity to all listeners. "I provide depth in my rhymes, but not too much depth to where you can't swim."

T-Mo's wild and explosive style represents fire as the raw emotion and energy in his voice makes you visualize and linger on every word. "The reason I am fire is because I represent reaction. When somebody sees or feels fire they react."

Big Gipp, the self proclaimed mutant rapper of the group, represents earth. "I represent everything that's natural, all the natural resources. I surround myself with natural things that are positive and good. I am also a very stationary person, but I like to grow." Also a family man, (Gipp has a 2 year old daughter Kestria with recording artist Jo) he is conscious of the lyrics that reach the young ears of tomorrow. "While we have this opportunity to share our experience on the mike, we need to be honest with ours."

The success of *SoulFood* earned Goodie Mob the respect and praises of many. The Source's four-page review of "Soul Food" began: "A lesson to all upcoming MC's who believe emulating every other artist represents the path to originality: be yourself." And Rap Pages felt its "Southern soul" merited cover attention nationwide.

It also left everyone in high anticipation of the follow up to their successful debut. XXL Magazine felt it urgent to place them on the cover, while the Source, Rappages, Rapsheet, VIBE, and Spin all secured major features before having an entire album.

In a time where hip hop and society seem to still be struggling, the Goodie Mob and their powerful messages are *Still Standing* unscathed, certain of themselves, who they are and where they want to be.

Khujo states it perfectly, and hopefully the world is listening. "If you stand for nothing, you'll fall for anything. Life is not a game, so why you want to be a player?"

DUNBAR ALL-CLASS REUNION UPDATE!!

We're simply amazed at all that will be happening in Lubbock and the East Lubbock community July 2-5!!! DUNBAR ALUMNI INTERNATIONAL INC seems to be going all-out to make its "All-Class Reunion IV" indeed a success.

Their first day, Thursday-July 2nd, will include registration, games, hors d'oeuvres, tears of joy, and bowling, which has been divided into three categories: those that can bowl, those that can't bowl, and those that ARE awful!!

DUNBAR ALUMNI INTERNATIONAL INC was formed in 1989 for the purposes of stayin in touch with its alumni, supporting Dunbar High School, serving the community, and preserving the history, principles, ideals, and the memorabilia of Dunbar High School. The association is non-profit, chartered by the state of Texas, and has adopted its own by-laws.

A spokesman for the group emphasizes that the group votes on action to be taken by the group and is not decided by any one individual. "We don't always agree, but we don't become disagreeable. We always go to our reasons for existing: Serving the community, supporting Dunbar High School, and preserving the history, principles, ideals, and the memorabilia of Dunbar High School."

The spokesman went further to say, "Everybody is welcome to become a part of DUNBAR ALUMNI INTERNATIONAL INC., whether he or she attended Dunbar or not! In fact, you would be surprised at some of those who are lifetime members of our association! We welcome those who share and believe in our goals. But we have also found that there are far too many of our alumni who choose not to participate because they will not be allowed to dictate, have things their way, boss, or backstab! Nor will they be allowed to display their petty jealousies when business of the association is at hand!"

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"We're very excited for EVEREST to arrive. This is the first film of its kind to convey such compelling story elements in a non-fictional setting, while bringing with it breathtaking IMAX photography from the top of the world," said Sandy Henry, president of the OMNIMAX at the Science Spectrum.

EVEREST, narrated by Liam Neeson and including the music of George Harrison, is more than just a film about climbing. The film also includes information on how the mountain was formed and continues to evolve, how high-altitude changes affect a climber's physical and mental capabilities and how the native Sherpa culture is an integral part of the Mt. Everest experience.

EVEREST opens May 1. Stand on top of the world seven days a week under the giant dome screen of the OMNIMAX theater at the Science Spectrum.

Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4.75 for children and seniors. For more information, contact the OMNIMAX at the Science Spectrum, South Loop 289 between Indiana and University, 745-2525, ext. 234.

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REVELATION 2-7a, JESUS SAID, HE THAT HATH AN EAR, LET HIM HEAR WHAT THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.

1 PETER 4:17a, FOR THE TIME IS COME THAT JUDGMENT MUST BEGIN AT THE HOUSE OF GOD; AND IF IT FIRST BEGIN AT US, WHAT SHALL THE END BE OF THEM THAT OBEY NOT THE GOSPEL OF GOD.

THE LORD TOLD THE CHURCHES WHAT TO DO; BUT IT WASTING VALUABLE TIME; IT SHOULD BE ABOUT GOD'S BUSINESS, I KNOW THEY SEE THE SIGNS!!!

REVELATION 2:11a, JESUS SAID, HE THAT HATH AN EAR, LET HIM HEAR WHAT THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.

MATTHEW 24:7,8,12, JESUS SAID, FOR NATION SHALL RISE AGAINST NATION, AND KINGDOM AGAINST KINGDOM: AND THERE SHALL BE FAMINES, AND PESTILENCES, AND EARTHQUAKES, IN DIVERS PLACES. ALL THESE ARE THE BEGINNING OF SORROWS. AND BECAUSE INIQUITY(SIN) SHALL ABOUND, THE LOVE OF MANY SHALL WAX COLD.

AS THE CHURCHES HEAR OF ALL THE TROUBLES; ITS ALL OVER THE LAND; FAMILIES IN EVERY CITY IS CRYING OUT; BUT THE CHURCHES ARE PLAYING!!!

REVELATION 2-17a, JESUS SAID, HE THAT HATH AN EAR, LET HIM HEAR WHAT THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.

LUKE 12:54-56, JESUS SAID, WHEN YE SEE A CLOUD RISE OUT OF THE WEST, STRAIGHT WAY YE SAY, THERE COMETH A SHOWER; AND SO IT IS. AND WHEN YE SEE THE SOUTH WIND BLOW, YE SAY, THERE WILL BE HEAT; AND IT COMETH TO PASS. YE HYPOCRITES, YE CAN DISCERN THE FACE OF THE SKY AND OF THE EARTH; BUT HOW IS IT THAT YE DO NOT DISCERN(RECOGNIZE) THIS TIME???

THE 14YR OLD BOY: KILLED THE TEACHER; AT THE FRIDAY NIGHT DANCE; HIS LIFE IS RUINED!!! WHILE THE CHURCHES ARE WORK IN THE FOREIGN LAND!!!

REVELATION 2:29, JESUS SAID, HE THAT HATH AN EAR, LET HIM HEAR WHAT THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.

1 TIMOTHY 5:8, IF ANY PROVIDE NOT FOR HIS OWN, AND ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE OF HIS OWN HOUSE, HE HATH DENIED THE FAITH, AND IS WORSE THAN AN INFIDEL.

***** WHERE DO CHARITY BEGINS???

THE HARVEST IS TRULY READY; BUT THE SINCERE WORKERS ARE FEW; THE PREACHER NOW USE THE CHURCH; AS A SLICK WAY TO ROB ME AND YOU!!!

REVELATION 3:6, JESUS SAID, HE THAT HATH AN EAR, LET HIM HEAR WHAT THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.

ISAIAH 56:11, YEA, THEY ARE GREEDY DOGS WHICH CAN NEVER HAVE ENOUGH, AND THEY ARE SHEPHERDS THAT CANNOT UNDERSTAND: THEY ALL LOOK TO THEIR OWN WAY, EVERY ONE FOR HIS GAIN, FROM HIS QUARTER(FOUR PARTS EQUALS ANNIVERSARY)!!!

***** WILL A PREACHER ROB GOD???

THE CHURCH HAS A GAME, CALLED: HUG 5 PEOPLE, AND SAY I LOVE YOU SO; BUT A MEMBER WAS IN THE HOSPITAL 6 DAYS; AND HIS PASTOR DID NOT SHOW!!!

(HE SAID HE WAS BUSY WITH HIS 4TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY\$\$\$\$\$\$).

REVELATION 3:13, JESUS SAID, HE THAT HATH AN EAR, LET HIM HEAR WHAT THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.

MATTHEW 25 35a,36a,40b, JESUS SAID, I WAS AN HUNGERED, AND YE GAVE ME MEAT: NAKED, AND YE CLOTHED ME: I WAS SICK, AND YE VISITED ME. IN AS MUCH AS YE HAVE DONE IT UNTO ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE MY BRETHREN, YE HAVE DONE IT UNTO ME.

MARK 12:17, JESUS SAID, RENDER (GIVE) TO CAESAR THE THINGS THAT ARE CAESAR'S, AND TO GOD THE THINGS THAT ARE GOD'S.

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!!!

SECOND ANNIVERSARY APPRECIATION SERVICE



The Pilgrim Baptist Church celebrated and culminated the 2nd Anniversary Appreciation Service of her pastor, Rev. Wilburn G. Tanner and his wife Gaye, on Sunday, April 19, 1998. The Anniversary Theme was "Striving in God's Power" (Col. 1:29).

The Rev. Donald Page of the Macedonia Baptist Church, San Antonio, Texas was the guest speaker for the 11:00 A.M.

Service. The Anniversary speaker was the Rev. Durward Minor, pastor of the Holiday Hills Baptist Church, Abilene, Texas. The Rev. J.J. Johnson, pastor of the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, Lubbock was the worship leader, while the Rev. Marshall Harris, pastor of the New Zion Baptist Church, Lubbock shared in the service program.

Special music was presented by Ms. Tiffany McGinnis; Mrs. Yolanda Ray; Mrs. Mary Fieves (St. Louis, Mo.); and Mrs. Rosalind Page (San Antonio, Tx.). The Rev. Homer Avery, pastor of First Progressive Baptist Church, Lubbock, was the guest speaker for Saturday Anniversary Banquet held at the Skyview's Restaurant.

Thank you Lubbock for making this a memorable occasion.

from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

From Fear To Joy



"Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord."—John 20:20

Fear is one of the most prevalent of human emotions, and world conditions are such as fear has become more widespread and intense. We fear crime and political violence. We fear shortages of food and fuel. We fear inflation in the midst of low inflation. We fear economic dislocation. We fear the wrath of El Nino. And perhaps, the worst of all, we fear the future and its uncertainty.

The most pervasive of all fears is that of death. Sooner or later all men and women must face the reality of death. Some may dread it because of the pain that may accompany it. Other may fear it because in death they must face judgment, a judgment that they may have evaded successfully in this life. Even Christians may fear death because it involves a plunge into a new and mysterious realm. Often I chide with my congregation about my preaching and singing about the "land that is fairer than day," however I'm not quite ready to join with the saints over there. Uncertainty always brings with it its quota of fear.

There is no instant cure for all our fears, yet the example of the disciples gives us some assurance that fears can be conquered. On the night of the resurrection they hovered together behind barred doors, fearing the vengeful reprisals of the religious leaders. Then Jesus came! How dramatically their emotional state changed! As their doubt changed to belief, their fears evaporated like the morning mist in the warmth of a newly risen sun.

We too can enjoy the antidote they found against the disabling ravages of fear. One who believes in Christ's resurrection has the assurance that death holds no threats, that now he or she can overcome through our Lord.. We do not have to be eyewitnesses to the resurrection to have this assurance. We have instead the greater assurance that comes from the word of witnesses who have sealed their testimony with their blood. In the light of the resurrection~ our fears will be changed to joy.

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The answer of Jesus Christ to all of us in this chaotic world of strife and suffering, fear and doubt, desperation, dissatisfaction and discontent, in simply and clearly this one thing: "Thou Shalt Love Thy Neighbor as Thyself!" When a person has Love, he has everything that is worthwhile. Without Love, he is nothing; he has nothing. Love must be put into practice. It must be a part of our lives. We must be concerned about others. If this is not the case, you're in deep trouble! Our Love should not be kept in reserve for few special people when we like. God's blessings falls upon everyone-the just and the unjust. So we must let our love flow freely to every member of the human race. We as children of God must follow His example. Without first waiting for any demonstration of Love to be shown to us and without exception of a measured return for our efforts. That's just reasonable service you're rendering. You don't have to ask God to give you more Love. You already have it! Use it!

If you have something against your sister or brother and want go to him or her and straighten it out, all the other stuff, you're doing want stand in the end. Mark 11:22-26. Don't hold grudges, and unforgiveness in your heart. It's very dangerous. Let's get out there, Christians, and save our children and our people. Don't forget to do drive bys and walk through prayers. Do this everyday and night. Grandparents, please be an example for your children's children. No matter the problem. Show love, and tell them so. Remember, our Lord said: "Father forgive them for they no not what they do."

Write to us: Outreach Prayer Breakfast, P.O. Box 1223, Lubbock, Texas 79408. Keep smiling, y'all. We Love all of you!

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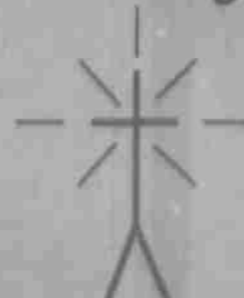
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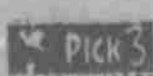
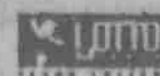
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