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## NATIONAL NEWS

**Bill Reintroduced to Establish African-American Museum in Washington, D.C.**  
U.S. Congressman John Lewis (D-5th-GA) reintroduced a bill on Feb. 13, 1997 to establish an African-American museum on the Mall in Washington, D.C. as part of the Smithsonian Institution. Congressman Lewis said he introduced the bill during Black History Month to highlight the significance, urgency and importance of such a museum. He said, "The story of Black people in America has yet to be told in its entirety. African-American history is an integral part of our country, yet the richness and variety of that history is little known and little understood. As tourists from all over the world come to visit our nation's capital, they will now be able to learn the full history of Black people in America." He further emphasized the importance of such a museum saying, "The establishment of this Museum would be one important step towards achieving greater understanding as a nation and as a people." Congressman Lewis was joined by more than 60 cosponsors of the African-American Museum Bill.

### Proposition 209 Chairman Honored

Ward Connerly, the former chairman of the California Civil Rights Initiative (Proposition 209), was honored with the Lincoln Leadership Award for Civic Virtue at an event sponsored by the Independent Women's Forum and several Republican-based and/or conservative organizations on Feb. 12, 1997. Mr. Connerly, an African-American businessman and now Chairman of the American Civil Rights Initiative, is notorious for his ultra-conservative views and his successful campaign in support of Proposition 209. In his acceptance speech he paid glowing tributes to allies like California Governor Pete Wilson, Oliver North and Newt Gingrich. He further offered a critique of Rev. Jesse Jackson, founder and president of PUSH/Rainbow Coalition. However, much of his speech focused on the "demonstrable examples of fairness [and] America's passion for fairness" as he had experienced in his interaction with whites. Mr. Connerly's comments absolved the government and whites from any responsibility in perpetuating systemic racism and sexism and firmly placed responsibility on the individual. He said, "We believe that hard working, high achieving women and minorities should not have to live under the cloud of affirmative action and it's an insulting premise that we are incapable of winning in an open competition. We want a better America and we're convinced that affirmative action, as we know it, is now standing in the way of that objective."

### African Diplomats Highlight CFA Town Meeting

South African Ambassador Franklin Sonn, the Ambassador of Eritrea, H.E. Amdemichael Kasal, and the Namibian Ambassador, H.E. Veicoh K. Ngiwete, were recent participants in "Town Meetings on Africa" in Jackson, MS and Memphis, TN. This was the first in a series of "Town Meetings" around the U.S. organized by the Constituency For Africa (CFA), a Washington, D.C.-based non-profit organization. In addition to the African diplomats, a number of senior-level officials of organizations and institutions which focus on African issues were in attendance. Organizations represented included: The Africa Bureau of the United Nations Development Program, U.S. Peace Corps, The Africa Fund, Air Afrique and 21st Century Africa. Melvin P. Foote, the executive director for CFA says, "There is a great need to share information about business and trade opportunities, human rights and democracy, development and other issues affecting Africa, with people outside of Washington. Much of the information concerning Africa, is largely retained inside the Washington, D.C. beltway, and this lack of information dissemination is clearly a barrier towards more public and private involvement in Africa." Other CFA "Town Meetings" are scheduled for Little Rock, AR in March; Milwaukee, WI in April and Detroit, MI in May. For more information call (202) 371-0588

## IN MEMORY OF MARQUERITE DAPHNE NEWTON-TENNISON



FEBRUARY 24, 1997 Little Artemus W. Tennison, IV; his MeMe (Mary Newton); his aunt & uncle (John and Karen McAfee); his uncle (James Newton, Jr.) and many other relatives, Christians and friends met at Freedom Station (Post Office) on Sunday Feb. 23rd 1:00p.m. for a ceremony to dedicate a plaque in memory of his mother, Marguerite Daphne Newton-Tennison.

Ms. Tennison was well liked and appreciated for her winsome personality and energetic attitude toward her work. We will all miss her. Her mother was a frequent traveling companion and will miss that telephone call any time day or night saying "Hey girl, get packed I'm on the way to pick you up." Her son was awoken every morning with a love greeting-he will miss that morning "wake up call". We believe and trust in God. So we know that God does all thing well. Rom.8:28 "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose." We don't understand the WHY?? Now, however God knows!

## UNDERWOOD FAMILY MAKES CONTRIBUTION TO PATTERSON LIBRARY



The Harris Underwood family wanted to show their appreciation for twelve citizens of Lubbock who showed concern for their family over the years. Spearheaded by Mrs. Laura Underwood, this affair took place last Sunday afternoon at the T.J. Patterson Branch Library & Learning Center. More than 200 person attended this affair.

Jeff Ripple, director of Library Services for the City of Lubbock, served as master of ceremonies. He acknowledged the purpose of this program, and gave special thanks to the Underwood Family for the equipment and library materials displayed on

the tables, which were given to help young people.

The special gifts were given in honor of special people. They were: Cleeta Johnson, Clara Mayse, Dovie Ward, Charlie Ragsdale, "Yogie" Bura Russell and Wyatt Ward.

Gifts were also given in sacred memory of some special people who were held dear to the Underwood Family. Those persons were: Bobbie McKinney Brown, A.G. Graves, Earnest Hicks, Theodore Phea, Sr., Theodore Phea, Jr., and Joe Phea, Sr.

Gifts, which were valued at several thousand dollars, consisted of the following: fax machine, personal

computer for walk-in uses to do word processing, a printer, CD rom Software to run on the computer, and several hundred books and videos, primarily centered for young children.

Also, there were gifts of paintings and drawings by young people from the East Lubbock Community were purchased for the library.

"All of these gifts will be well utilized for the young people who come to the library," said Barbara Painter, Patterson Branch Manager.

Mayor Windy Sitton and City Councilman T.J. Patterson were among the many guest at the reception.

## SPC'S FIRST POLICE HONOR SCHOOL



**HONOR SCHOOL** -- South Plains College law enforcement students Reggie Jones from O'Donnell (far left) and Lance May (right) from Lubbock learned correct flag presentation during SPC's first Police Honor Guard School. Several SPC students and more than 30 peace officers from Levelland, Brownfield, Lubbock and as far away as San Antonio and attended the

school, receiving hands-on training in flag presentation, the 21-gun salute and other ceremonies fitting to honor fallen police officers. In the background are Joe Correa (middle left) and Patrick Murnin (middle right), both with the San Antonio Police Department, and Allan McClure (center back) with the Brownfield Police Department.

## NOTICE! WYLS BOARD MEETS

There will be a meeting of the West Texas Legal Services Board of Directors on Friday, March 7, 1997 at 6:00 p.m., at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, West Tower, DFW Airport. (DALLAS/FT. WORTH, TEXAS) The Public is invited to attend.

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

## ATLANTA LIFE INSURANCE CEO VISITS LUBBOCK

One of the African Americans top notch business CEOs visited Lubbock last Friday. He was Charles H. Cornelius, President and CEO of Atlanta Life Insurance Company, in Atlanta Georgia. "It took me twelve hours to get to Lubbock, Texas but I finally got here," smiled Cornelius as he addressed the agents of the Lubbock branch.

"I've only been president of Atlanta Life for eight months, but I want to make sure that I come out in the field and visit with all of you who make things happen at the homeoffice. Not only this, but you in Lubbock have showed an increase, and I wanted to come and thank you personally."

He also took time to show the importance of continuing what they have done in the past year, and what to expect in the future of this company. "Last year, we had a decrease. But we can overcome that problem once we understand what our roles are with the company. That is why I'm here. I want to let you know that I am very much concerned about what you are doing," he

continued.

A graduate of the University of Hartford, he has worked with Allstate Insurance Company. He served in various management positions before joining the Chubb Group Insurance Companies in 1984.

He began his twelve year career with Chubb as a personal lines manager in Chubb's Roseland, New Jersey's office. Since then, he has had various management assignments in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Long Island, New York, and Dallas, Texas. His most recent assignment was as vice president and branch manager of the Albany, New York Branch of Chubb. Mr. Cornelius has recently served on the boards of the Urban League of Upstate New York and the Albany Institute of History and Art.

Since joining Atlanta Life Insurance in June of 1996, Mr. Cornelius has been asked to serve on Atlanta's Action Forum, a group of local minority and majority business and community leaders who come together for the betterment and economic

development of the City of Atlanta.

Mr. Cornelius was the recent recipient of the YMCA's Harlem Branch Black Achievers in Industry Award and the National Insurance Industry Association's Honoree for 1996.

Mr. Cornelius spoke openly about the many opportunities for Atlanta Life Insurance Company. He was pleased about the 190,526 customers at this time. But spoke about the need to continue to grow this number. "Just think of the roots we have in America, and we can continue to grow. What has been a problem in the past won't continue, because people like you in the Lubbock office will continue to grow."

Rodney Moore is district manager, while Ann Loggiss serves as cashier. Agents are: Tommie Ervin, Dwight Pierce, Shawnequa Love and Robert Moore. Sr. Gregory Ricks is a recruit.

Traveling with Mr. Cornelius was Carlton A. Spaulding, vice president of Atlanta Life Insurance Company.

In honor of Black History month, the Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. sponsored the Alderson Jr. High "Artists of the Future" contest. Twelve students submitted examples of their 3 dimensional artwork to be judged in the competition. Students participating were: Ambia Byans, Kevin Parsons, Maurice Davis, Josephine Sanchez, Breda Herrera, Valerie Herrera, Phillip Hudson, Esmeralda Maldonado, Octavia Lewis, Ebony Toliver, Gloria Contee and Kendra Eddytton.

Maurice Davis, 2nd place Josephine Sanchez, 3rd place Brenda Herrera, and 4th place Phillip Hudson. All participants received prizes donated by Ralph's Records, Tapes and CD's, Hasting's Books, Music and Videos, McDonald's, and Laserport. The art work of all participants will be on display at Patterson Library until February 28th. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is a public service sorority dedicated to cultural enrichment and scholastic achievement.

The winners of the competition were 1st place

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## Ruby Jay's Corner

Services were well attended last Sunday morning at the New Hope Baptist Church. This is the "Church Where the People Care." Rev. Billy R. Moton is the proud pastor. If you are looking for a great church then come and visit New Hope!

Services began last Sunday morning with Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. All officers were at their post of duty. It was a wonderful lesson.

Following the devotional period, morning worship began at 11:00 a.m. with the processional led by the Male Chorus. Brother Samuel Curtis directed the Male Chorus as their director, Brother Garnett Lee was absent. The men really did sing from their hearts.

Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "Just A Closer Walk With Thee." His scripture text was found in Genesis 5:21-24. It was a wonderful message. The hymn of preparation was "Amazing Grace.."

There is so much happening at New Hope Baptist Church. We would advise to watch for some good announcements which are forthcoming.

Pastor Moton was guest speaker last Sunday afternoon in Plainview, Texas as members of New Hope were present.

This writer would like to thank God for looking after her family last week in all the bad weather. Sister Ruby Jay had to attend a funeral for her sister, Rurbie Louise Pollard Oliver, in Clifton, Texas. This is her last sister out of nine children in her family. She would like the say "thank you" to the members of the New Hope Baptist Church and Pastor Moton for sharing and caring. Most of all, the precious prayers will never be forgotten.

This writer is a little tired this week, and will work hard to get back the strength next week. Will you continue to pray for my family. May God continue to bless each of you is my prayer.

Let us continue to remember all of those in the community who are on the sick and shut-in list. We will never know when sickness will come around us or our family members.

Our prayers also get to our bereaved families. Remember, God knows best.

May God continue to bless each of you! Until next week, take care of yourselves!!!

## NEW AT&T LEARNING POINTS PROGRAM WILL HELP PUT AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENTS ON THE INFORMATION SUPERHIGHWAY

BASKING RIDGE, N.J. - According to the latest census, only 14 percent of African American households in the nation own personal computers. Data regarding access to the internet is even more dismaying as only 3 to 5 percent of online users are African American. Thanks to a new AT&T program, however, these statistics may soon improve.

Through AT&T's recently announced Learning Points Program, consumers in the U.S. can join with AT&T to help put African American and other students in 110,000 accredited schools on the Information Superhighway.

"The 85 million consumers who use AT&T's long-distance services can help schools obtain the latest technology simply by making AT&T telephone calls," said company chairman Robert E. Allen.

The Learning Points Program is the newest component of the AT&T Learning Network, the company's five-year, \$150 million commitment to improving education through use and support of technology.

Under the new program, AT&T consumer customers can earn five Learning Points for every dollar they spend on qualifying AT&T calls and designate the points to any accredited K-12 school of their choice in the U.S. Registered schools can redeem the points for free hardware, software and teacher support offered in a catalog AT&T developed with Scholastic Inc. -- the education materials publisher known for innovative approaches to teaching and learning.

The company also recently announced that it has enhanced the AT&T Learning Network by extending its free Internet offer from 100 hours to five months, launching its on-line teacher mentoring program, called AskLN, and adding navigational tools to its Internet services website.

The AT&T Learning Network is the most comprehensive effort ever by a single company to help schools, teachers, families and communities use technology to enhance lifelong learning.

"I am proud of what we're doing for America's future through the AT&T Learning Network," Allen said. "I person-

ally urge every AT&T customer to register for the Learning Points Program and every school to call and sign up for our free Internet access and teacher support tools.

"AT&T's Learning Network is an investment in this country's future, a commitment to lifelong learning and a community outreach," Allen said. "AT&T is bringing to bear its strengths in technology and communications for the improvement of teaching and learning and the betterment of education for students today and tomorrow."

U.S. Secretary of Education Richard Riley said, "New technologies, such as on-line services, can provide new opportunities for learning and can link communities, schools and families in ways that help parents, students and teachers. I am pleased that AT&T is using technology to support teachers in preparing today's students for the challenges of the 21st century."

The AT&T Learning Network also includes enhanced AT&T WorldNet services for internet access; wireless communications; \$50 million in AT&T Learning Network grants; extensive community outreach efforts; and state-of-the-art voice-messaging services.

"AT&T is offering technology that is easy for teachers to use and effective in helping students learn, and we're backing it up with solid technical and financial support," Allen said. "I hope every school every community in the U.S. takes us up on our offer."

Schools interested in receiving free Internet service, on-line teacher mentoring and other gateways to new technology through the AT&T Learning Network should call 1-800-809-1097. Or visit the site on the Web at [http://www.att.com/learning\\_network](http://www.att.com/learning_network).

Schools and consumers interested in registering for the AT&T Learning Points Program should call 1-800-354-8800.



## CITIBUS' NEW FLEET MEETS ALL ADA REQUIREMENTS

Purchased in October, Citibus' new fleet of 36 buses meet all current Americans with Disabilities Act Requirements. Passengers will notice many additional features when riding on the new buses.

The new features include lifts into the bus, two wheel-chair tie-downs and lighted stop request sign. Kneel-down capabilities will allow the front of the buses to lower closer to the ground for easier entrance.

The new buses also have digital destination signs and speakers on the inside and outside of the buses to announce stops.

Total cost for the new buses was \$8.3 million. However, after state and federal grants, the city's share of the cost was \$94,000. Along with the low cost, the buses will save \$55,000 per year on fuel expenses. It is expected that the buses will also save an estimated \$300,000 per year in maintenance and labor.

"These buses are state of the art in the transit industry and are even complete with Texas Tech double T cloth seat backs," said John Wilson, Citibus general Manger.

For more information on these new buses or on route schedules, call Citibus at 762-0111.

## MILITARY NEWS



Air Force Airman Michael L. Anderson has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Anderson is the son of Gail Anderson of 720 N. County Road, and nephew of Paula J. Billi of 4213 45th, both of Lubbock.

The airman is a 1996 graduate of Monterey High School, Lubbock.

### THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT / HOUSING DEPARTMENT

of the  
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#### Request for Applications (RFA)

from all non-profit agencies (within the city limits of the city of Lubbock), and City Departments who are interested in applying for

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All applicants are required to attend one of the following Technical Assistance Workshops where applicants will be distributed:

**Monday, March 3, 1997 from 10:00-11:00 a.m.  
Monday, March 13, 1997 at 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
Monday, March 17, 1997 at 10:00-11:00 a.m.  
Monday, March 24, 1997 at 6:00-7:00 p.m.**

All workshops will be held at City Hall, 1625 13th Street, Room 103.

If these dates are not convenient, appointments can be arranged by calling 767-2301.

All applicants are due by **March 31, 1997 at 5:00p.m.** to  
The Community Development/Housing Department  
1625 13th Street, Room 107  
PO Box 2000  
Lubbock, Texas 79457



Washington, DC -- Students from Eastern High School get a briefing on computer and Internet technology from Ms. Joy Hamilton (right), an instructor at the AT&T Learning Technology Center in Washington, DC. Eastern is one of the high schools in the metropolitan Washington area participating in the AT&T Learning Points Program. Pictured (from left to right) are Carlotta Harper, William Kelly, Iris Barrios-Vasquez and Ms. Hamilton. (Photo by Harlee Little)

THE NAACP WILL HOLD ITS  
MONTHLY MEETING  
SAT. MARCH 8th, 1997  
AT THE SMITH TEMPLE  
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THERE WILL BE AN ELECTION  
FOR TREASURE AND  
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NAACP MEMBERS  
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PLEASE ATTEND.

ALL COMMITTEES ARE  
ASKED TO ATTEND  
MEETING TIME IS 7:00 P.M.

### POEMS WANTED FOR NEW CONTEST AND ANTHOLOGY

\$20,000 in Cash & Prizes Awarded Annually  
Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum is offering a grand prize of \$500 in its new Award of Poetic Excellence poetry contest. Thirty-four other cash awards are also being offered. The contest is free to enter and open to everyone. Anthology purchase may be required to ensure publication, but is not required to enter or win the contest. Poets may enter one poem only - 20 lines or less, on any subject, in any poetic style. The contest closes March 31, 1997, but poets are encouraged to submit their work as soon as possible. Poems entered in the contest also will be considered for publication in the Fall 1997 edition of Poetic Voices of America, a hardcover anthology to be published in October 1997. Prize winners will be announced May 31, 1997, and all prizes are awarded promptly. "Our contest is especially for new and unpublished poets seeking a forum that enabled them to share their work," says Jerome P. Welch, Publisher. "We are looking for sincerity and originality in a wide variety of styles and themes. Many of our contest winners are new poets with new ideas." Poems should be sent to Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum, Dept. C, 909 Main St., PO Box 193, Sistersville, WV 26175-0193.

## CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY: REFLECTIONS ON THE MOTHERLAND

by Bernice Powell Jackson



Black History Month, begun as Negro History Week by the African American historian and scholar Carter G. Woodson, is a time for all Americans to recall the contributions of black inventors, philosophers, entrepreneurs, educators and activists. It is a time to name for our children the

names of those who helped to build this nation.

But this year I am celebrating Black History Month by remembering those whose names we don't know -- those who died on the trek to the coastline while being marched to the slave ships those who died in the dungeons awaiting the boats, those who died on the waters of the Middle Passage, those who died once they reached the shores of the Americas. And this year I am remembering those who lived through the unspeakable horrors of enslavement, but whose names we will never know.

Ghana lies on the coast of West Africa and a pleasant two-hour drive up the Atlantic coastline brought me to the towns of Elmina and Cape Coast. Perched on their shores are two large fortresses; one built by the English, the other by the Portuguese. These fortresses were originally built for their trade of gold and ivory and other natural resources, but these nations soon found a much more profitable trading commodity -- human beings being sold as slaves. These buildings are ironically and euphemistically called slave castles.

The fortresses were turned into dungeons where women and men were held separately in dark, crowded, dank conditions for up to twelve weeks until the next ship arrived. Some had already perished on the long, tortuous march to the coast and those who

remained alive were weakened and exhausted. They were herded into large rooms with little ventilation or light, with few or no provisions for sanitation. Those who rebelled were put into rooms with no light and no air and given no food or water until they died a slow, painful death. Women were often brought out into the courtyard and chained to cannonballs for the commanders and soldiers to choose sexual partners from.

At the Cape Coast slave castle there is a narrow door marked the Door of No Return. Through that door those surviving the forced march and the imprisonment were taken, single-file and still in chains, into the waiting ships for the long trip over the Atlantic. Once through that door, those men and women would never again see their families, their friends, their native land. It was a doorway into hell for them and they would never again return or be free.

More and more African Americans are visiting Ghana and visiting the slave castles in order to understand our history. Very few of us are blessed as was Alex Haley to have the stories of our ancestors passed down from generation to generation so that we can actually identify where our ancestors came from. But we can see for ourselves the places in Ghana and Senegal which our unnamed and unknown ancestors endured so that we might live.

As you walk over the bridge which spans the moat around the Elmina slave castle, the guide asks all to stop for a moment of silence and to let visitors know that you are stepping onto sacred ground. And the sign inside calls upon the world to never again allow such genocide, such atrocities to occur.

As we celebrate Black History Month, let us recall with a new sense of awe those whose names we don't know. And let us understand that we who are African American, may truly be the Eighth Wonder of the World simply because our ancestors did survive those unspeakable horrors so that we might exist.

## Obituary



### Ruthie Louise Pollard Oliver



Clifton, Texas --Final rites were read for Mrs. Ruthie Louise Pollard Oliver last Wednesday, February 26, 1997 at Lawson Funeral Home in Meridian, Texas with Rev. Roosevelt Thomas and Rev. Leon Huitt officiating.

Interment was held in the Morgan Cemetery in Morgan, Texas under the direction of Lawson Funeral Home.

Active pallbearers were Russell Hall, Gariel Hall, Joe Louis Allen, E. B. Sedberry, Bobby Pollard, Charles Oliver and Wallace Sedberry.

Honorary pallbearers were Ministers of the Willow Grove Baptist District Association.

Mrs. Oliver was born August 22, 1913 in Morgan, Texas to Jobb Thomas and Nannie Louise Pollard.

She united in holy matrimony to Henry Oliver on May 8, 1932 in Clifton, Texas, and to this union eight children were born. Her husband, one son and one

daughter preceded her death as well as her parents, three brothers and four sisters who preceded her in death.

Mrs. Oliver departed this life on Sunday, February 23, 1997 at Clifton Lutheran Sunset Home in Clifton, Texas.

At an early age, she united with Steel Creek Baptist Church, Morgan, Texas, and devoted her life to serving God. In 1967, she became a member of Shiloh Baptist Church, Clifton, Texas and served until her health failed. She worked many years in the Willow Grove Baptist District Association.

She leaves to cherish her loving memory, five daughters; Nora Burton and Marcella McDowell of Cleburne, Texas, Henrietta Newman of McGregor, Texas, James Ann Booker of Crawford, Texas and Evelyn Wright of Clifton, Texas; one son, Thomas Oliver, Sr. of Clifton, Texas; one sister, her twin, Ruby Jay of Lubbock, Texas; sixteen grandchildren, nineteen great grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

### Viola Washington



Funeral services were held Friday, February 28, 1997 for Mrs. Viola Washington at the Alexander Chapel Church of God in Christ with Elder Samuel Brown officiating.

Burial was held in the city of Lubbock under the direction of

Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

Mrs. Washington died Monday, February 24, 1997 in St. Mary Hospital.

She was born June 15, 1907 in Washington, Arkansas. She moved to Lubbock in 1957.

She is survived by a daughter, Pauline Clay of Lubbock, Texas; nine grandchildren, sixteen great grandchildren, and ten great-great grandchildren.

## NAACP STATEMENT ON POLICE BRUTALITY

WASHINGTON-NAACP President Kweisi Mfume released the following statement today after a major demonstration and a meeting in Washington, D.C. with Richard Roberts (Assistance Chief, Crime Section, Civil Rights Division of the Justice Department), NAACP Pittsburgh Branch President Tim Stevens, the parents of murder victim Jonny Gammage and activists from around the country:

"The NAACP is calling on the President and the Attorney General to suspend any and

all federal funding for local police departments across the country where there are significant and unresolved cases of alleged police brutality or where there is a current federal investigation of such a matter.

Police brutality must be addressed by the highest powers in our government if everyday citizens are to believe that their civil rights have value. We will petition the leadership of Congress as well, to convene appropriate public hearings on this matter as soon as possible."



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Actually not every member of the Lane family said "Yahoo" when they won LOTTO Texas. One or two of them may have said "Yippees."

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Winning Number: 1 3 10 18 19 46

Their System: Number of grandchildren, 1. Her age, 3. Her birthday, 10/18/91 (91 became 19) and Lou and Butch's age when she was born, 46.

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Poets may enter one poem only, 20 lines or less, on any subject, any style. Contest closes May 31, 1997, but poets are encouraged to send their work as soon as possible. Poems entered in the contest also will be considered for publication in the Winter 1998 edition of Treasured Poems of America, a hardcover anthology to be published in December 1997. Anthology purchase may be required to ensure

publication, but is not required to enter or win the contest. Prize winners will be notified by July 31, 1997. A winner's list is provided with a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

"Poetry is more popular than ever," says Jerome P. Welch, Publisher. "Our contest offers a public forum for new poets that allows them to share their work. We welcome poetry of all styles and themes. Many of our contest winners are new poets with new ideas." Poems should be sent to Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum, Dept. E, 609 Main Street, P. O. Box 193, Sistersville, WV 26175.

**GIANT SUPERMARKET CHAIN LOSES LAWSUIT TO "THE GIANT KILLER" WILLIE GARY AND PARTNER LINNES FINNEY**



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**CORE OF CALIFORNIA INITIATES TEXACO'S MEETING WITH BLACK COMMUNITY LEADERS**



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They come up with THEIR OWN IDEALS, and they have PLENTY, LIKE MARCHING, SHOOTING UP, BOMBING; THEY ATTACK THE ABORTION CLINICS.

MATTHEW 28:19, Jesus said, Go ye therefore, and TEACH ALL NATIONS, baptizing them in the NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST.

### WILL THE CHURCH ROB GOD????

(Reverend HERO; IF THE LORD SAID GO PREACH; THEN GO DO THAT!!! THE LORD don't need YOU TO THINK FOR HIM; read Matthew 2:16, When King Herod sent his men out TO KILL ALL THE CHILDREN IN BETHLEHEM; GOD DIDN'T SEND ANGLES TO STOP IT! GOD KNEW IT WAS GOING TO HAPPEN, YOU TROUBLE MAKERS; GOD SAID BLESSED ARE THE PEACE MAKERS; THEN CURSE ARE THE TROUBLE MAKERS. With all the trouble in the LAND; WHY SHOULD CHRISTIANS BECOME A PROBLEM? Why say thou shalt not KILL; and then go and KILL THE ABORTION DOCTORS? Study your BIBLE! The word THOU; IN THOU SHALT NOT KILL MEANS; YOU; THAT IS WHAT THOU MEANS; YOU SHALL NOT KILL. THE GOVERNMENT SAY ABORTION IS LEGAL; BUT TO THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY ITS NOT THE WAY. THE GOVERNMENT SAYS; ALCOHOL IS LEGAL; BUT YOU'LL DON'T MARCH ON YOUR; LIQUOR STORE! AND YOU KNOW IT KILLS. MARCH ON THE DOPE DEALERS HOUSE; NOT HIS NEIGHBORHOOD; BUT ON HIS HOUSE!!! COCAINE KILLS!!!)

Isaiah 55:8,9, THE LORD SAID, For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways. For as the HEAVENS are higher than the EARTH, so are my ways HIGHER than your ways, and my THOUGHTS THAN YOUR THOUGHTS.

Reverend Politician; GO PREACH THE GOSPEL; TO MEN, WOMAN, BOYS AND GIRLS, GOD DIDN'T SAY; RUN FOR THE DEVIL'S SEAT; THE RULER OF THIS WORLD.

Psalms 1:1,2, BLESSED is the man that walketh not in the COUNSEL OF THE UN-godly, nor standeth in the way of SINNERS, nor sitteth in the SEAT OF THE SCORNFUL. But his delight(MIND) is in the law of THE LORD; and in his law doth he meditate (SPEAK) DAY AND NIGHT.

(You PREACHED until your name became REVEREND; THEN YOU WENT INTO TRYING TO RUN THE GOVERNMENT. YOU'VE BACKSLIDING FROM BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD; TO TRYING TO RUN ALONG WITH THE DEVIL. WEATHER IT BE THE PRESIDENT'S SEAT, OR THE VICE, THE GOVERNORS, THE SENATORS, THE MAYORS, THE JUDGES SEAT ETC; THESE ARE THE ONES WHO LEGALIZED LIQUOR; AMERICA'S NUMBER ONE KILLER; AND THEY LEGALIZED ABORTIONS; AND THE PREACHERS WANT TO SET IN THEIR SEAT!!!)

Revelation 2:29, Jesus said, He that hath and EAR, let him HEAR WHAT THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.

Mark 8:33a, Jesus said, Get thee behind ME, SATAN; for thou SAVOUREST NOT THE THINGS THAT BE OF GOD, BUT THE THINGS THAT BE OF MEN.

1Corinthians 10:21, Ye cannot drink the cup of THE LORD, AND THE CUP OF THE DEVILS; YE CANNOT BE PARTAKERS OF THE LORD'S TABLE, AND THE TABLE OF THE DEVILS.

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 PURITY IN THOUGHT

"Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things" (Philippians 4:8, NIV)

Anthony Collins said "Free Thinking" is the use of the understanding in endeavoring to find out the meaning of any proposition whatsoever, in considering the nature of the evidence for or against, and in judging of it according to the seeming force or weakness of the evidence."

This principle of application and purity in thought seems to surface once again from a member of the township of Littlefield, Texas. Janey Webb's "Letter to the Editor" Monday, March 3, 1997 in the Avalanche-Journal speaks to the Ebonics controversy of a headline "Ebonic will squander student's learning time" (A-J, 1-26).

Ms. Webb wrote: "Students can raise self-esteem and assure job promotion by learning and practicing good English, which includes speaking clearly without mumbling and running words together."

The classroom teacher must teach the best English possible. When I was teaching, blacks would often come up with at

clever saying that we would take up. At the time, Nixon was president and the blacks had a saying: Nixon say it all right. Of course, in good English, we would say: Nixon says it's all right. Nevertheless, all of us, when we concluded a discussion would say 'Nixon say it all right'.

Granted English is difficult to teach and learn. For instance, we teach to make a word plural, we add an 's'. Then we teach words like feet or people that are already plural. So who are we to criticize when we hear a black say 'feets' or 'peoples'.

At that time, I remember a singing group that came from England and took our country over by singing 'I jus wanna hof your han.' Try reading it and put in the consonants that are left out. It's difficult, isn't it?

So you see, we all know ebonics and speak that way at times. However, good English always helps us to communicate better, and that's what it's all about nowadays, isn't it? I imagine Clinton would say 'It all right.'"

When people of all races, ethnic groups, classes, ect. begin to think for themselves and with a pure heart, instead of listening to the negative thoughts of others without seeing the good, our world will become a better place in which to live.

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#### How do we know Jesus was God??

Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit and was born of a virgin; he healed the sick and he raised the dead; he cast out devils and brought joy and good news to the poor; he set captives free; he arose from the grave and appeared to many in Galilee; he walked the water and ascended upon a cloud to his Father in Heaven. Most importantly, Jesus lives now and shall forever live. He also forgives sin. All of this and much more point to the fact of Jesus' divinity. What Jesus taught and what he did are tied inseparably to who he is, John shows Jesus as fully human and fully God.

If we cannot or do not believe this basic truth, we will not have enough faith to trust our Eternal destiny to him. That is why John wrote this Gospel to build faith and confidence in Jesus, Christ so that we may believe he truly was and is God in the flesh. He did not come into being when he was born, because he is "Eternal. Eternal-Eternal." (Nuf said)

#### Thought:

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Acting in Acts 1:8. (Read) IIChro 7:14; Mark 11:22-24  
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## I KNOW I'M SOMEBODY

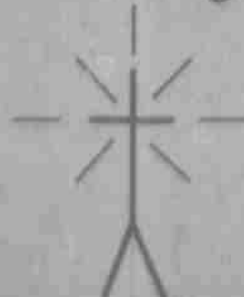


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The three fled with an undetermined amount of money after an alarm sounded. All of the robbers were described as black men between 18 and 20 years old and standing about 5 feet 7 inches tall. All three were wearing dark pants. Two were wearing dark jackets, and the third was in an Oakland Raiders jacket.  
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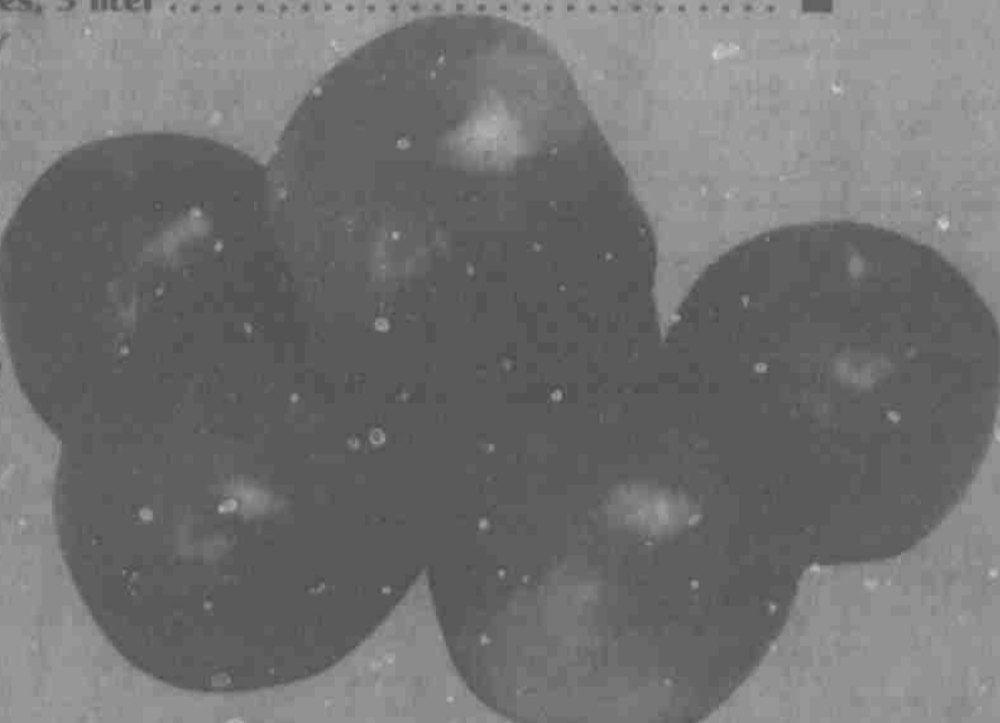
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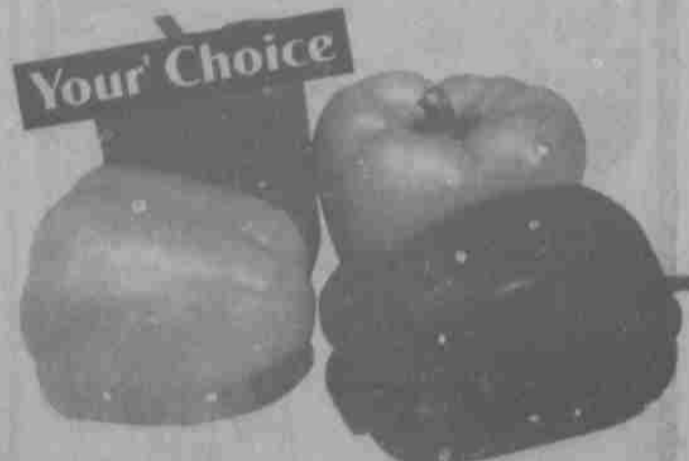


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