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Black Girl Needs African Americans to Donate Bone Marrow

Artese Phoenix, eight years old, of Ft. Wayne, Ind., is in need of a bone marrow transplant. Because of a lack of African-American participation, there is only a 20 percent chance of a blood match for Artese. Artese's life span without this important transplant is about another year, says her mother Valerie Phoenix. "We're just praying every day that God gives us a match," she says. Donors are being sought from across the U.S. They must be between 18 and 55 years of age, with no personal history of cancer, AIDS or back problems. People who want to help Artese can also give blood at their local American Red Cross office. Financial donations can be sent to: The True Love Baptist Church Artese Phoenix Bone Marrow Fund, NBD Bank, One Summit Square, P.O. Box 2345, Ft. Wayne, Ind. 46801. The Phoenix family can be reached at (219) 447-5926.

Art Fletcher Joins GOP Presidential Field

Arthur A. Fletcher, 70, the self-described "father of affirmative action," has entered the Republican Presidential race, vowing to "fight those in my party who are trying to destroy" the past generation's civil rights gains. Fletcher drafted an experimental order breaking the color line in Philadelphia's skilled construction trades that was extended to become a federal order for set-asides and affirmative action plans. He is an appointee to the U.S. Civil Rights Commission and joins Alan Keyes of Maryland as the only two blacks among 10 announced Republicans seeking that party's nomination for president.

Reclaiming Our Communities? The Black Press Has A Role

Dorothy Leavell, president of the National Newspaper Publishers Association (Black Press of America), told a forum of notable black women in a leadership summit sponsored by the National Political Congress of Black Women, Inc. that the Black Press was a natural for the projection of positive images of African Americans. The focus of the summit was "Reclaiming Our Community, Spiritually, Politically, Economically, Educationally, Culturally and Holistically." Leavell, who as NNPA president heads an organization comprised of 205 black-oriented newspapers, said that "The Black Press like the black church and the NAACP, are institutions and African American support of our institutions is essential to solving the problems of today." She challenged the audience of prominent African-American women, and the overall black community, to utilize the Black Press and hold it accountable for accurate reporting and effectively transmitting relevant information and positive images of African-American people.

Justice Department Sues Detroit Apartment Complex For Refusing to Rent to Blacks

The U.S. Justice Department has sued the owners and managers of a suburban Detroit apartment complex for allegedly refusing to rent units to African Americans. The case stems from a nationwide testing program that has produced 27 suits, including seven in the Detroit area. Under the program, trained pairs of black and white testers with similar credentials, posing as prospective tenants, inquire

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Another Giant Has Fallen

by Eddie P. Richardson

Dr. George T.C. Peng, a man we met 10-12 years ago and became immediate friends and immediately he became concerned with our quest for development in East Lubbock.

He immediately started working with us, he and his students, which were all graduate students, researching, analyzing, doing historical studies, publications, models of what could be in East Lubbock. We had showings of the models, made presentations. His main words were, East Lubbock is the most beautiful part of Lubbock, with the least population and the most undeveloped and underdeveloped land.

I will stop here. I could go on and on. He was my friend, and continually reminded me of it. Just one other thing I will say to show the kind of person—he helped organize through the Chamber, East Lubbock Development Association, Lubbock Black Heritage and Cultural Center, and we attended many meetings together. He always took pictures, we have a few here.

Here below is Dr. George T.C. Peng as seen by one of his former students and now son-in-law.



Photo at the "Forgotten West" Reception on Sunday, February 13, 1994



Forgotten West Reception - Sunday, February 13, 1994



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Forgotten West Reception - Presentation/Performance Sunday, February 13, 1994



The Forgotten West Center Project - Model by Texas Tech students in the Spring Semester, 1993. Forgotten West Exhibition Reception at Lubbock Garden and Arts Center on Sunday, February 13, 1994.

Eulogy for Dr. George Peng February 25, 1928-January 1, 1996

by Bing Chen

Greetings and thanks to all, family and friends for coming from near and far. George T.C. Peng is survived by his wife, Marianne, and three daughters, Georgianna Simone, Sonia Huiying, and Claudia Maria; also an elder brother Fine T.L. Peng and his family. My name is Bing Chen.

I am privileged to have known George Peng as a teacher, philosopher, friend, and now father. Each of you know him in a special way but I would like to share my insights into his character so that you may better appreciate his character.

Dr. Peng was born in Yushien in Hunan China in 1928. Hunan is a woody and somewhat mountainous region. The Hunanese are known for their willpower and determination. By Chinese standards Hunan is a small province in south China; but from this land has sprung forth a disproportionate number of China's military and political leaders. It is reported that when confronted with an impossible position to defend, Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek would ask for the home province of the commanding general. If the answer was Hunan, Chiang would nod, knowing that this indefensible position would be defended to the last man. It is from this crucible that George Peng's character was forged. During this period George Peng resolved to complete his education in civil engineering and architectural engineering in Kunming, Yunnan, China's wartime capitol having to endure privation and almost daily bombings. Following the war, George Peng would begin the first of his many journeys, first to Taiwan to escape the Communist invasion. He then journeyed strange and foreign lands, first to America to complete his master's degree at the University of Illinois at Urbana and later to Aachen, Germany to complete his Ph.D. each time having to learn another language in the process. Now he has begun his last and greatest journey.

Father, devoted husband, beloved teacher, George Peng was all these and more. Philosopher and visionary, George Peng was perhaps one of the most influential urban planners of the 20th century. His activities were far ranging from planning the renewal of decaying small towns in Nebraska, to the long-term planning of border cities between Texas and Mexico and being the guiding force in China's plan to supplant silicon valley with a mega complex spanning eastward from Shanghai to the ocean. He was tireless in his efforts to spur growth in his home city, Lubbock with planning for the International Cultural Center and east Lubbock redevelopment and countless earlier civic projects.

George Peng's visionary zeal has infected a whole generation of urban planners, many of whom were his students. Now his seeds of wisdom will spread and take root throughout the world, giving us hope for an orderly future as the world's pace of urbanization increases. Creator of the philo-

sophy of organic-dualism which patterns the cycles of a city's growth, this natural philosophy is based on Taoist teachings from China and is an enduring legacy. Although we mourn his death, let what he has given to the world.

As a student in Lincoln, Nebraska, I would eagerly wait for a call from Dr. Peng for a lunch invitation. Invariably he would begin to share some spellbinding vision of the future or delve into some fine point on philosophy. To this day I treasure these memories of a truly dynamic and brilliant thinker who would never permit a poor student to pay for his meal. Such a generosity was a hallmark of George Peng's character—to give of himself totally to a cause or project and doggedly forcing it to a conclusion, he was a man with a lion's heart. His daughters and wife were frequently drafted to aid him in his many quests and in all my years I have never seen a family as devoted to their father and husband as this one.

George Peng would imbue part of his spirit into each of his daughters; insight, imagination and a great analytical ability went to the youngest, Claudia whose Chinese name "Shao Win" means "Little Cloud", artistic sensitivity, an appreciation for that which is beautiful and a strong sense of right and wrong went to Sonia ("Dong Er" means "Eastern Sun"), and to the eldest daughter Georgianna ("She Reh" or "Western Moon") whom he admired for her inherent goodness was imbued with diligence, devotion and sheer determination. He had a Lion King's love for all his daughters as their suitors and eventual sons-in-law, Greg Gorman, Peter Wierzb and I would discover, "Love my daughters with a complete and total commitment or do not court them at all." This demand was merely a mirror of his long and tender courtship to win the hand of Marianne and the life long bond that would ensue. Risking all that was dear and close to her, Marianne would leave Charlemagne's capitol, Aachen, to follow her heart.

I began this eulogy by asking, "What is the measure of a man's life?" I believe my uncle, Chen-Hwa Yen, a long time dear friend to George Peng had a good response, "There are two kinds of people in this world, those who take, take and take some more, and those very few who give of themselves and thus by their giving make the world a little richer for having lived." The answer is clear, George Peng, visionary and philosopher, ever humble in spite of his brilliance, ever the optimist in a dangerous world, was the ultimate selfless giver whose legacy will enrich us all with his message of hope for humankind's future.

Bing Chen is married to Georgianna Peng-Chen and is an educator from Omaha, Nebraska.

Importance of African-American Rituals Stressed in Art Exhibition



Discovering in traditional African American rituals a source of strength to confront disintegration of America's social fabric was the theme of an exhibition, Reaffirming Rites: Artwork by Phoebe Beasley, held recently at the M. Hank Gallery in Santa Monica, California.

World renowned collagist Phoebe Beasley illustrates subtle and obvious African American rituals of the past because she believes that they have provided a secure and nurturing environment within which people could develop and grow. Furthermore, she thinks they are relevant to many of today's most vexing problems. Sadly, those positive rituals have been replaced by negative and destructive ones, Beasley believes, which are at least partially responsible for the growing crime rate among our youth, teen pregnancy, and soaring school dropout rates. Reaffirming and adopting what has worked in the past, Beasley maintains, can help improve the current situation and make America stronger and better.

One work from the exhibition, a collage entitled Holding Court, shows an elderly woman seated in her living room. This piece embodies an overarching principle which is an element of many of the traditional African American rituals, respect for our elders.

"Nowadays, we've become so 'me' oriented that we're too dismissive of things from the past," Beasley says. "But we ought to respect members of the older generation because they have a lot to offer, and we should listen to and learn from them."

Beasley is the only artist to have received the Presidential Seal twice when she was commissioned to do the artwork for the Inaugurations of both George Bush and Bill Clinton. Her work is also featured in many prestigious private and corporate collections.

The M. Hanks Gallery is one of the country's leading specialists in African American art. For information about publications and reproductions, write to M. Hanks Gallery, 3008 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90405, or phone (310) 392-8820.

Mrs. Linda Adams Wallace Named "Employee of the Year"



A May 24, 1974 Paul Lawrence Dunbar High School student, Mrs. Linda Adams-Wallace, was recently honored by her co-workers and supervisor, Mrs. Karen Pena, manager of La Quinta Inn Hotel, Inc., located on Brownfield Highway, here in Lubbock, Texas.

Mrs. Wallace attended American Commercial Business College for six months and also she studied computer courses at night at Lubbock ISD's Adult Education Center.

She began at La Quinta, which was formerly named Paragon Hotel, as a housekeeper for three years. She was promoted to an assistant supervisor because of her hard work. And during these two years, she also served as a relief housekeeper.

After working her way up to an assistant or relief supervisor position, Mrs. Wallace earned her co-workers and supervisor's respect, because she treats everyone as she would want to be treated. She is a very humble and compassionate person who leads by example. She is not afraid of hard work and never asks her co-workers to do any task that she isn't willing to do herself. This kind of an attitude, along with hard work and dedication to her job, led to her being selected the "Employee of the Year."

This honor was bestowed upon her at the annual Christmas party on December 17, 1995 at the Old Town Cafe. Mrs. Wallace, by winning this honor and award, earned a round trip airline ticket for two anywhere in the Continental United States or foreign country, where Southwest Airlines travels, for three days plus free hotel accommodations.

Mrs. Wallace and her husband, John Wallace, plans to use this trip to travel to Las Vegas, Nevada on June 15, 1996 to be present at her brother's wedding.

"I love my job and enjoy working with my co-workers and would like to thank all of them for selecting me as "La Quinta's 1995 Employee of the Year," she said.



Ruby Jay's Corner

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

Last Sunday was Youth Day and services began with Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. with the singing of "Oh How I Love Jesus." Brother Skief presided over the opening. Prayer was given by Almo Colquitt. Another song, "Yes, Jesus Loves Me," and the class marched to their various places for instruction for thirty minutes. They reassembled singing "When I'm On My Mission, Lord." High points of the lesson were given by Deacon E. Swain. It was very well done.

The Secretary's Report—Youth—Juniors retained the offering and attendance banners. Adults—Class No. 4 won both banners, and Sister Joan Y. Ervin is their teacher as the Men's Class lost both banners.

The Youth were in charge of the devotional period, and did a wonderful job.

The Choir marched in the processional. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Brown. A song, "He'll Make Away," was sung. Scripture and prayer were given, and another song, "Thank You, Jesus," was sung. The responsive reading was done with the congregation standing and read in unison.

The morning hymn was "We Shall Overcome." Pastoral observations were given by Pastor Moton, and the hymn of

preparation was "I Need Thee Every Hour." Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "God's Instruction for Successful Leadership." His scripture text was Joshua 1:8-9. It was another wonderful sermon.

The Youth Choir sang from their hearts. Pastor Moton asked for the prayers of the church as he traveled to Abilene, Texas to preach the installation services. Two persons came forward as the invitation to discipleship was extended during the morning services.

Clara Lee Blakemore enjoyed a wonderful trip to Fort Huachuca, Arizona visiting her granddaughter, Sharanda Hines, and family.

Sister Bernice Kelly received news last Friday her brother, Mack McKinney, was real sick and was in the hospital in Sweetwater, Texas.

Sister Pearlina McDaniel and Sister Annie M. McBride are home from the hospital and are doing much better.

Rosie Skief is a patient at Methodist Hospital. Our prayers go out to all of them who are ill this week. Also our bereaved families as well.

There were a large number of members present at Prayer Meeting last Wednesday evening. Those who were absent, let us double the number next time. The Bible study is wonderful, and is being taught by Pastor Moton.

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about available units. Comparisons between the testers investigators determine whether minorities are treated less favorably than whites. The complaint accuses the 252-unit Allen Park complex of engaging in a pattern of discrimination against African Americans and families with children in violation of the Federal Fair Housing Act. A court may require each defendant to pay a civil penalty up to \$50,000 for the first violation and \$100,000 for each subsequent violation.

Four Blacks Named MacArthur Fellows

Four African Americans are among 20 new MacArthur Fellows. They are Octavia Butler, a Pasadena, Calif. writer of science fiction; Virginia Hamilton, an author of children's stories from Yellow Springs, Ohio; Donald Hopkins, a doctor working in public health and Brian Stevenson, an attorney, human rights activist and executive director of the Alabama Capital Representation Resource Center. Their names were proposed to the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation by designated anonymous nominators from across the country. The new MacArthur Fellows will receive stipends from the Foundation ranging from \$150,000 to \$375,000 over the next five years.

Murder Capital of U.S.

New Orleans is now being labeled the murder capital of the U.S. According to FBI figures, New Orleans had 421 murders and four justifiable homicides last year. In second place was Richmond, Va., followed by Washington, D.C. and then St. Louis, MO.

Black Firm Hires Graduates of Historically Black Colleges and Universities

Saying he had noticed that college graduates from Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) were having a tough time in the job market, Joe Dudley, Sr., CEO of Dudley Products, Inc., decided he wanted to provide an opportunity for students who really wanted a chance. Effective this summer, Dudley hired students from Elizabeth City State University at his Kernersville, N. C. plant into manager trainee slots with starting salaries of \$25,000 annually, plus a 10 percent commission on sales.

HEALTH FOCUS: Exercise Key to Good Health in Later Years

By James L. Phillips, M.D.

There's no avoiding the facts. Exercise is good for you, especially as you get older.

Exercise can help you take charge of your health and maintain a level of fitness necessary for an active, independent lifestyle. Sadly, many people think just because they age, physical decline is inevitable. This is simply not true. The President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports reports that much of the physical frailty attributed to aging is actually the result of inactivity, disease, or poor nutrition.

One of the major benefits of regular physical activity is protection against heart disease. Indeed, researchers at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston have found that exercise can affect how calcium is "transported" within the heart—an important process that allows the heart to function better.

Physical activity can also provide some protection against other chronic diseases such as adult-onset diabetes, arthritis, hypertension, certain cancers, osteoporosis, and depression. A balanced, nutritious diet with no more than 30 percent of calories from fats, plenty of sleep, and regular exercise are the keys.

Choose an activity that you will enjoy and that you are capable of doing. Walk, swim, play tennis, lift weights, do simple calisthenics—whatever is fun for you and is approved by your doctor. Some steps to effective exercise should include:

- Always drink plenty of water before, during and after exercise.
- Make exercise a daily routine. Ask a friend to join you.
- Start gradually, five to 10 minutes a day, and slowly build up to about 30-minute workouts.
- Breathe deeply, and evenly during and between exercises.
- Rest when necessary.
- Exercise to lively music or television for added enjoyment.
- Always stretch before and after exercise.

Most people have heard the phrase, "You are what you eat." Perhaps there should be another phrase for seniors, "You are what you DO." Make exercise a fun and central part of your life. It may just make your golden years a little more golden. #####

Michelob Malt/King Cobra Tour Features The Whispers, After 7 and Regina Belle



Michelob Malt and King Cobra Premium Malt Liquor, two of Anheuser-Busch's finest malt liquors, will kick the new year off by sponsoring a national tour featuring three of R&B's most successful acts—The Whispers, After 7 and Regina Belle.

The soulful, bold and harmonic trio will include stops in Washington, D.C., Detroit, Merrillville (Ind.), Cleveland, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Norfolk, Atlanta, Oakland, Los Angeles and Las Vegas.

"These entertainers represent the best in today's contemporary music, and we believe this tour will be a huge success," said Prevoost Foushee, Brand Manager.

The Whispers have been delighting R&B fans around the world for more than three decades. Brothers Walter and Scotty Scott, along with Nicholas Caldwell and Leavelle Degree make up The Whispers. Their newest album, *Toast To The Ladies*, is filled with the kind of heartfelt, soulful ballads and upbeat grooves that have given the group over forty charted hits since 1970.

Brothers Kevon and Melvin Edmonds and longtime friend Keith Mitchell make up After 7, one of the premier vocal groups in pop and R&B music. After two very successful albums (one that's platinum, another gold), After 7's newest effort, *Reflections*, is a combination of rich balladry and sensual, funky uptempo grooves. Given After 7's reputation as outstanding live performers, their show is sure to entertain.

Regina Belle's last album, *Passion*, produced the phenomenal hit, "A Whole New World ('Aladdin's Theme)," a duet with Peabo Bryson that was awarded four Grammy Awards including Song of the Year, Record of the Year, Best Pop Performance by a Duo or Group and Best Song Written Specifically For a Motion Picture or For Television. Her new album, *Reachin' Back*, cuts to the heart of classic Philadelphia Soul and proves that great music, once created, can never die.

"The Michelob Malt/King Cobra Tour offers something for everyone," said Foushee. "They're all marquee acts, and will prove to be extremely popular with music lovers everywhere."

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Bethune-DuBois Fund Hosts a Fun-Filled Christmas Celebration for Youth

The Bethune DuBois Fund, Inc., a nationally recognized non-profit organization held a spectacular Christmas party for Washington, D.C. youth. The hundreds of children from Marshall Heights, Barry Farms and Hart Recreation Center had a hearty meal, sang Christmas songs and received loads of gifts, toys and school supplies.

Several participants from Streets to Skills, an organization focusing on homeless youth, attended and joined in the merry fun.

Dr. C. Delores Tucker, President and founder of the Fund, says "All of our efforts are geared towards preparing the youth to be responsible, future leaders of tomorrow. This annual Christmas party is one way we show the children how much we care about

them."

Local merchants and African American professionals donated money and toys for the party. Bethune Associates, who are committed African-American mentors, attended and had an opportunity to interact with the children. A good time was had by all.

The Bethune DuBois Fund was founded to expand the participation and facilitate the empowerment of African-Americans. The Fund sponsors bimonthly leadership forums featuring National African American speakers, host a Capitol Hill Intern Program and sponsors a Junior Associates Camp Program. In addition, the Fund publishes, "VITAL ISSUES," a compilation of African-American Speeches. For further info., call 625-2900.

Parkinson's Support Group to Focus on "Hospital Stays" Thursday, January 25, 1996

LUBBOCK, TEXAS—The Parkinson's Community Support Group of St. Mary of the Plains Hospital Neurology Research and Education Center (NREC) will meet Thursday, Jan. 25, 1996 at 1:30 p.m., in the NREC (4102 24th Street, Suite 601).

The meeting will feature a presentation about "Hospital Stays and What Doctors and Nurses Expect" by Physicians Assistant and Surgical Assistant Holly Tyson. She will discuss what is expected of both patient and family during a stay in the hospital.

Participants in the Parkinson's Support Group, which includes individuals suffering from the disease as well as family members and caregivers, help each other cope with the various challenges of Parkinson's—educating each other about the disease and giving one another devotional support.

Support Group meetings are open to the public at no charge. For more information, call Judy Ribble in the Parkinson Disease Information & Referral Center at (806) 796-2647.

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LUBBOCK—The New Year often means resolutions and new beginnings. However, for many, it means facing unwanted debt as a result of overspending during the holidays.

Consumer Credit Counseling Service suggests consumers have a repayment plan to handle current debt as well as a savings plan for upcoming expenses in 1996 such as taxes, vacations, back-to-school clothes and next year's holiday season. It is also important to build an emergency fund as a savings cushion to avoid future debt and financial problems.

"Saving money is the key to being prepared for future financial obligations," said Marianne Gray, executive director, CCCS. "By developing a budget and establishing comprehensive spending and savings plans, consumers can avoid future debt problems and regain control of their financial future."

- CCCS suggests the following tips for repaying holiday debt:
- Handle your personal finances with a serious effort. Set goals and dedicate time each week to develop and improve your financial situation.
 - Carefully track your current expenses and trim where possible. Look for no or low-cost entertainment and cut back on non-essential spending.
 - Monitor your debt load continually. Keep strict records on your debt

repayment system and pay more than the minimum amount due on credit card accounts to liquidate debt.

- Evaluate your holiday gift list after the fact. Make a list for next year and shop throughout the year. Take advantage of "after Christmas sales" to save on cards, gift wrap and small gifts for next year.
- When making new purchases, use cash as much as possible.
- If you are having difficulty with your current debt situation and can't afford to make regular payments or would like help preparing a budget for 1996, contact CCCS.

Consumer Credit Counseling Service is a nonprofit organization that provides professional counseling and guidance to financially troubled consumers.

Headquartered in Fort Worth, CCCS also has branch offices in Abilene, Grapevine, Killeen, Lubbock, Midland, Odessa, San Angelo, Temple, Waco and throughout the greater Fort Worth area. CCCS also has satellite offices in Azle, Big Spring, Brady, Cleburne, Lampasas, Mansfield, Mineral Wells, Stephenville, Weatherford, Fort Stockton, Plainview, Granbury, Brownwood, Hillsboro, Mexia, Sweetwater, Sonora, Burleson, Gatesville, Lamesa, Levelland and in Hobbs, New Mexico.

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Obituary



In Loving Memory of Ronald Ray Walker. Final rites were read for Ronald Ray Walker on Saturday afternoon, January 6, 1996, at the First Progressive Baptist Church with Rev. Homer Avery, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Cedric Girdy, Carlos Cristan, Jim Reeves, David Trevino, Gary Johnson and Rodolfo Ybarra. Honorary pallbearers were Miree Walker, Jr., Darrell Saunders, Gordon Robinson, Gregory Saunders, Byron J. Walker and John Girdy.

He was born January 22, 1955 in Lubbock, Texas to Miree and Dimple Walker. He attended Dunbar-Struggs High School and graduated in 1973. He pursued his education at West Texas State University in Canyon Texas, and graduated with a B. A. degree in

Sociology in 1978. He was baptized in the Church of Christ and later attended First Progressive Baptist church. He was employed at the Behrens drug Wholesale for five years. He is survived by his parents: Miree Walker, Sr. and mother, Dimple Saunders, both of Lubbock, Texas; his brothers: Miree Walker, Jr., Byron J. Walker, Gregory Saunders and Darrell Saunders, and Gordon Robinson all of Lubbock, Texas. Another brother, Dennis Saunders preceded him in death; his step-brothers Arnold and Donald Joiner also of Lubbock, Texas; his sisters: Karen Wight and Bridgett Walker, both of Lubbock, Texas, Janice McCall of Houston, Texas and a half sister Tonya Bennet of Madisonville, Texas; his grandparents: Milton and Ella Turner of Bryan, Texas and Emma Jenkins of Slaton, Texas; an uncle, James White; an aunt, Johnnie Mae Garners; step-parents, Dennis Saunders and Ernestine Walker; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

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East Lubbock, Let's Move

by Eddie P. Richardson

Wednesday, 2 p.m., a major decision was made for Lubbock: the decision to keep the present mill and add a new \$30 million cotton seed processing plant that will employ 50 people. Chairman Keith Streety made the announcement and said the selection over Little, the only other finalist, was strictly business with the decision coming from the entire board and plant management.

President and CEO Wayne Martin said he was glad to see the community, city government willing to solve and work out its recent problems and open communications.

Martin said a 200-acre tract of land east of Loop 289 off 50th Street, one of the reasons Lubbock was chosen and the only site in Lubbock the mill would even consider.

This is a tremendous plus for Lubbock, especially with Reese AFB, and downsizing of other large firms and being in the East Lubbock area. This is a good start for East Lubbock to start drawing on.

I have had complaints—why only 50 jobs with \$20 million? Da—better sight to gain 50 than lose the whole ball of wax. At least 50 is a start, the sky's the limit.

Anyone who has been around Lubbock anytime, Blacks included, can remember the legacy of Roy B. Davis. Mr. Davis built houses for Blacks, sent Blacks to school, gave many, many Blacks their first job in Lubbock other than picking cotton, shining shoes, house buying, washing dishes and cars. South Plains Cooperative Oil Mill has a tremendous mark on the world as the largest oil mill of its kind in the world and East Lubbock and Blacks were not left out of the picture even at a time when they were.

Roy B. Davis, with his buddy Congressman George Mahon, both were well respected, honorable gentlemen, high moral and religious character respected all over the world and Lubbock came within a thread of losing all of this history and economic base.

This writer worked like hell over 20 years trying to give the Blacks of Lubbock an economic voice and which had never been in Lubbock. Lubbock Blacks had never had an economic voice. Plenty of voices in religion, social actions, partying, etc. Now that it's time to go to the playing field and be a real player with the actions community development and redevelopment.

Because of people with egos, pettiness, want-to-be, think-I-ams, not knowing anything about economic development, or what a chamber is or supposed to be, it's too late for games, crying and complaining, blaming someone else, especially white folks for what we have not done for self. We also need to stop complaining about no one told me or invited me, no or poor excuses. No one invited me to start the Chamber or any of the other things I did. We also need to stop claiming things we did not do and start doing.

We set around and worry about who gets the credit. Dam—the credit—let's tie our ropes together and pull in the same direction for the good of all of us. Nuff said. Why not?

IN CINQUE

by Renetta W. Howard



HAPPY NEW YEAR, 1996! It may seem strange to many of us, but the quality of our Christmas holiday has a great bearing on our outlook for the new year. When our families celebrate a Christmas of togetherness, camaraderie, love and in some cases sacrifice, especially when some family members make long dangerous trips to be with their family, the new year outlook has to be great!

Large families who live close to each other are perhaps the most fortunate because it does not take as much effort to get together at Christmas time as it does for small families which are scattered into various parts of the country. A Christmas family reunion is usually nostalgic. Siblings often recall and talk about the Christmases of days gone by,

remembering all of the heartwarming events that took place. Family children play together and hear their parents talk about their childhood Christmases and gather knowledge of their family heritage and traditions.

Elderly parents and grandparents have the opportunity to be with and enjoy the company of several generations at one time while celebrating the birth of Christ and the renewal of our faith. Our renewed faith helps us to begin a new year with the strength and determination to live and love each other in a more significant manner than ever before.

If we did not find any spirituality during the Christmas time which did not carry a big price tag, it is time for us to get 'in cinque' and re-evaluate the direction in which our lives are taking and make a positive change.

Letter to the Editor

Every day blood must be available to the community. More than 390,000 people depend on the products provided by United Blood Services through the generous donations of people in our community. Nearly 150 blood products are used each day for the care of newborns, trauma victims, surgical patients, transplant recipients and other hospital and clinic patients. Since it takes 24 hours to prepare some blood components, volunteer donors are needed on a continual basis in order to maintain an adequate blood supply at all times.

United Blood Services would like to honor all donors for their generosity. We hope donors have a deep sense of satisfaction and joy in knowing it is their gift that makes fulfilling our mission possible. We are inspired by the spirit of community shown by their efforts.

During 1995, we have witnessed an enormous amount of time, talent and products donated by area merchants and individuals to help keep the cost of blood products affordable for everyone.

For the fifteenth year, the week before Christmas, KLLL sponsored their Country Christmas blood drive. 602 units of blood were donated in Lubbock, Brownfield, Slaton, Littlefield, Plainview and Levelland. KLLL helps ensure an adequate blood supply every year during the Christmas season. Our hats go off to this fine radio station and the people who work so diligently to provide this service to the community during a most critical time of the year.

It gives us great pleasure to send our greetings and support to KLLL, to all donors and to all who have sponsored blood drives during 1995. May we always keep this sense of community going in the Lubbock area.

Todd Plath, Executive Director
United Blood Services of Lubbock

Jacque Owen-Stanton, Community Relations Director
United Blood Services of Lubbock

THIS N THAT

THANKS ARE IN ORDER FOR ALL WHO PARTICIPATED!! THIS N THAT... would like to say... THANKS... to all of you who participated in the annual... DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CITY WIDE CELEBRATION... at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center... when... HUNDREDS OF LUBBOCKITES... were present... WHAT A WONDERFUL PROGRAM... and the message by... REV. J.W. HANSON... pastor of the Rose of Sharon Baptist Church of Odessa, Texas... WAS ON TARGET... It was a wonderful message... as fire... REV. HANSON... told the august body of citizens... of how... THE SHACKLES CAN BE LIFTED FROM OUR MINDS... He also reminded our... PARENTS... of our responsibility as parents... and what we should be doing to see that our kids stay away from... DRUGS AND CRIME... in our community... He reminded... BLACK PEOPLE... in particular... of what our... TRUE RESPONSIBILITY... is this day and time... All in all... the entire celebration has been a great success... as the right medicine has been presented and now we must... PUT INTO ACTION... what we have heard... EACH AND EVERY DAY... THANKS... to each of you for what you have done to make this a... SPECIAL CELEBRATION... in our city... Hopefully... as a people... WE WILL GET BUSY... doing what we should be doing...

D.C. KINNER THE BARBER SAYS: "IF SOMETHING... is... WRONG... fix it if you can... But train yourself... NOT TO WORRY... WORRY... never fixes... ANYTHING..."

TIME TO JOIN HANDS TOGETHER! THIS N THAT... hopes the citizens of... CHATHAM HILL ADDITION... will join hands with the... people of... PLAINS COOPERATIVE CIL MILL... and start working together... for betterment of... CHATHAM HILL... It can be done... if we would just put some plans together... for future of this area of the city... No doubt about it... EAST LUBBOCK... is coming back as it once was... and if we really want to see something happen it can happen... DO YOU AGREE?

BLACK HISTORY MONTH AROUND THE CORNER! THIS N THAT... would like to remind... EACH OF US... that in a few weeks... ELACK HISTORY MONTH... month of February... will be upon us... and hopefully... there will be some programs... in the community... we all can be proud to have... If you have an organization or a church... and you are... SPONSORING SOMETHING... during Black History Month... why not advise the... SOUTHWEST DIGEST... so we can tell the community of what you are doing... As... BLACK PEOPLE... we need to let people know what we are about...

KIDS LOOKING GOOD! THIS N THAT... observed all those... YOUNG BLACK KIDS... in this year's celebration of the... DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING CELEBRATION... and began to wonder what could be done all year with these young people... Surely... there are some opportunities we could come up with and utilize all of this talent... All... YOUNG PEOPLE... are not into... GANGS AND DRUGS... So what a better time... than now... to find something all year for these young people to do... that is supervised... If you have an idea... drop us a line at the... SOUTHWEST DIGEST... There is so much talent in the... BLACK COMMUNITY... Do you agree?

HAVE YOU JOINED THE NAACP YET? THIS N THAT... is still encouraging all of you... who are not... MEMBERS OF THE LUBBOCK BRANCH... of the... NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE... to join today... The NAACP... can use your effort... as it is in the process of making a lot of things happen in the country... All these years... the... NAACP... has stood out... and we as... BLACK PEOPLE... should be in there and doing our part...

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Your Personal Finance Who Owns Your Life Insurance Policy?

By Charles Ross

Covering life insurance needs is a key part of financial planning. Without life insurance, your family may not be protected in the event of your premature death. But, if you're like most people, the owner of your policy is you, and that could be an expensive mistake.

Such a simple choice can make the difference between paying thousands of dollars in estate taxes and paying none. The reason? If you own the policy, when you die, the proceeds could be subject to federal estate taxes of thirty-seven to fifty-five percent. The IRS counts insurance proceeds as part of your estate, so if the death benefit pushes the value above \$600,000, the excess is subject to estate taxes.

Your Spouse as Owner
One alternative to your owning your insurance policy is to transfer ownership to your spouse, then the proceeds won't be taxed if you die prematurely. However, if your spouse names someone else as the beneficiary, such as a child, another relative, or a friend, the Internal Revenue Service considers the death benefit to be a gift. Anything above ten thousand dollars can be subject to gift taxes of anywhere from thirty-seven to fifty-five percent, costing your beneficiary thousands of dollars, and reducing the benefits of your policy substantially.

It is wise not to have more than two people

involved in a life insurance agreement. Consider a non-spousal beneficiary as owner, or have a trust own the policy.

Non-spousal Beneficiary as Owner

You can transfer ownership of your policy to a beneficiary other than your spouse, to your child, for example. But, be aware that if you give the policy to a beneficiary, the IRS regards the transfer as a gift. As long as your policy has no cash value or is valued below ten thousand dollars, the transfer won't be taxed.

Note that most states don't allow minors to own insurance policies. You may need to put the policy in a custodial account with someone other than yourself as the custodian.

Trust as Owner

A trust ownership of your life insurance policy is a way to protect your beneficiaries from estate taxes, and it can be set up by a lawyer for as little as five hundred dollars. With a trust as owner, the IRS does not consider the death benefit as part of your taxable estate, making the proceeds tax-free. As long as the policy has cash value below ten thousand dollars, gift taxes do not apply either.

A trust can be set up to provide steady income to a beneficiary, and it can ensure that your beneficiaries cannot tap the proceeds without the trustee's permission. However, for the trust's

assets to be non-taxable, it must be irrevocable, meaning you can't change your mind once the policy is in trust.

Tax laws vary from state to state, so consult a lawyer before making any changes in your policy ownership.

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Dead Presidents Soundtrack Tops R&B Albums Chart

Record Buyers Make Old School R&B Classics Collection A Holiday Hit

The unprecedented revival of consumer interest in the R&B classics of the '70s has reached new heights evidenced by the chart-topping success of the Underworld/Capitol Records soundtrack for the hit movie *Dead Presidents*. Filled with soul-filled old school music by legendary hitmakers like Isaac Hayes, Curtis Mayfield, James Brown, Aretha Franklin, Barry White, and Al Green, the album recently topped Billboard's Top R&B Albums chart just four weeks after its release in early October.

Buoyed by the response to the Caravan/Hollywood Pictures movie, which was produced and directed by Albert and Allen Hughes, the *Dead Presidents* soundtrack has been receiving rave reviews from critics and record buyers alike at a time when '70s soul music is enjoying renewed response at urban radio stations throughout the country.

In the past year, a number of key radio outlets in major cities have switched to an all-soul oldies format including WKRS and WBLS in New York and KACE in Los Angeles. According to record retailers who have found interest in old school R&B at an all-time high,

interest is strong among older consumers who grew up with music by artists such as The Spinners, The Dramatics, and The O'Jays (all featured on the *Dead Presidents* soundtrack) as well as younger record buyers who are discovering the '70s music for the first time.

A number of 'greatest hits' albums by such artists as Barry White and Al Green (who also both have classic hits on the soundtrack) have made *Billboard's* Top R&B Albums chart within the last six months, another indicator of the timeless quality of '70s R&B and the response it is evoking among today's consumers.

The use of sampling in rap and hip-hop has introduced old school soul classics to a whole new generation now eager to hear '70s R&B in its original form and the *Dead Presidents* soundtrack has provided listeners with some of the finest music from that time period.

The Hughes Brothers were responsible for selecting tunes to use as a backdrop for *Dead Presidents*, which chronicles a young man's struggle to define his place in society following his return from Vietnam during the

turbulent times of the late '60s and early '70s. Notes Allen Hughes, "There are 36 oldies used in the movie. We picked '70s soul classics for the soundtrack because they have more of an edgy, multi-dimensional feel and mood than the music of the '60s. Most of the tunes we picked for the soundtrack were songs my brother and I heard growing up in Detroit."

Key cuts from the album include Isaac Hayes' distinctive versions of two Burt Bacharach/Hai David standards, "Walk On By" (originally a hit for Dionne Warwick, and revived by Hayes on his groundbreaking *Hot Buttered Soul* album in 1969) and "The Look Of Love" (the theme for the James Bond movie, *Casino Royale* and a hit for British singer Dusty Springfield in 1967).

James Brown's "The Payback" was originally recorded in the 1974 movie of the same name and became "The Godfather Of Soul's" 15th No. 1 R&B hit that year. Former member of the Impressions, Curtis Mayfield—known for his socially-conscious lyrical commentaries and observations—enjoyed his first chart success as a solo artist four years earlier with "If There's Hell

Below," while Philly favorite The O'Jays struck a theme of universal love and brotherhood with their 1972 smash, "Love Train."

Dead Presidents also features old school gems like "If You Want Me To Stay" by rock and soul funksters Sly & The Family Stone; the sweet soul of "I'll Be Around" by The Spinners; "Never, Never Gonna Give You Up" from the "Mastro Of Love," Barry White; the emotive ballad, "I Miss You" from Harold Melvin & The Blue Notes featuring lead vocals from Teddy Pendergrass; "Get Up And Get Down" by The Dramatics; the '60s classic "Do Right Woman-Do Right Man" by "Queen Of Soul," Aretha Franklin; and "Tired Of Being Alone" by Memphis soul man Al Green.

In addition, the soundtrack contains the "Dead Presidents Theme" by Grammy Award-winning composer Danny Elfman, and a super soulful workout on "Where Is The Love," originally a hit for Roberta Flack and Donny Hathaway, and revived by Underworld/Capitol recording artists Jesse & Trina.



CURTIS MAYFIELD
"If There's Hell Below"



BARRY WHITE
"Never Gonna Give You Up"



ISAAC HAYES
"Walk On By"
"The Look Of Love"



THE SPINNERS
"I'll Be Around"



THE O'JAYS
"Love Train"



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"The Payback"



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"Tired of Being Alone"



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The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

I. Just out there trying to do the best thing, in reality, is, be the worst. The celebration was great, what do you think? Were you there? Speaking on the power of praise, Acts 16: 24-30—And at midnight, Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God; and the prisoners heard them.

25 And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bonds were loosed.

30 And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? 31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

How do you handle problems? When you have been falsely accused, called everything but a Christian, how do you handle it? Paul and Silas sang and prayed, and made contact with God. Use the power you have in Jesus Christ and His Word to solve your problems. Praise him in every situation, and don't get bogged down. There is a way out, and it's through Jesus Christ.

Thought: We are believers and these signs do follow believers. In the name of Jesus, cast out demons, speak with new tongues, lay hands on the sick and they shall recover, Mark 16:17-19.

II. To all sick and bereaved

God specializes in our sorrow, and he can do what no other power can do. Jesus gave you and I and all his children that believe the authority to use his name, and what we bind in this sinful generation, he will bind in heaven. What we loose he will loose. Therefore in the name of Jesus we bind the principalities, the powers of the rulers of Darkness of this world, spirits of sickness and disease, depression, poverty, cast down spiritual wickedness in high places, and render them harmless and ineffective against all your peoples, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May God bless each of you out there. Read & believe. Love your people. Even if they give you a real reason not to, just grin your teeth or demure and do it, just do it.

See you next week. Thank you for reading.

D. Hood, President, Christine Burleson, Vice President, Ernestine Frazier, Secretary.



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith The Reaction of Love

And unto him (that smiteth thee on the one cheek offer also the other" (Luke 6:29).

The words of Luke 6:29 are the toughest commands of love ever written or spoken. Jesus was speaking directly about our reactions to another's actions. We can plan our actions, but our reactions are impulsive and spontaneous. When we allow the actions of others to determine our reactions, we have lost self-control. If we get angry just because another person is angry, then that person is controlling us. And our reaction will hurt us more than his action. If we find a person's action is divisive and exerting a destructive influence our reaction in love should be in the language of Paul's thoughts to Timothy, "Warn troublemakers once or twice. Then don't have anything else to do with them. You know that their minds are twisted, and their own sins show how guilty they are" (Titus 3:10-11, CEV).

"Turning the other cheek" has been a misapplied principle for far too

long. Jesus was not telling us never to protect ourselves from physical harm. Even Jesus knew when to get out of danger. Where life is imperiled, the disciples are warned to flee to safety (Matthew 10:23). Paul left many places in order to save his life, and he finally appealed to Caesar to prolong his chances for life. He did not just stand there and say, "Hit me again. Throw me in prison and throw away the key."

In Palestine at this time in history, slapping another person on the cheek was not a violent act but an insulting one. It was one of the most effective ways of offending someone. It would be the same as calling someone dirty names today. Jesus was saying, "Don't pay back insult with insult." Just leave them alone.

Jesus illustrated this principle in His life. He was insulted by His enemies, but he did not insult in return (1 Peter 2:23). He remained silent when He was belittled.

African Children's Choir To Appear in Lubbock January 21

The brutal fighting and disease that claimed the lives of hundreds of thousands of Rwandans also created victims who will suffer for years to come. Those victims are the children, many of whom are now orphans. Another group of East African children, who have endured tragedies of their own, is now helping those children in Rwanda. The 26 young members of the African Children's Choir, who travel the United States and Canada by motorcoach, will soon be offering a concert of uplifting, joy-filled music in your area. The children, aged 5 to 13, will be staying with local families and learning about American culture as they share insights about their own.

The twenty-year-old organization that sponsors the African Children's Choir, Friends in The West, is now helping orphans in Rwanda. Those attending concerts of the Grammy-nominated Choir have an opportunity to select a needy African child through photographs and sponsor that child on a month-to-month basis. A large portion of the contributions collected at the Choir's free concerts will be used to provide food, medicine, clothing and shelter for Rwandan children.

At a time when North Americans are exposed only to the suffering of Africa's children, you have a significant opportunity to present a picture of hope to your audience/readers in sharing with them news of the African Children's Choir as it makes a difference in the world.



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Revelation 2:7a, JESUS SAID, He that hath an EAR, let him hear what THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.

Jeremiah 7:8-11, Behold, ye trust in LYING WORDS, that cannot profit. Will ye STEAL, MURDER, AND COMMIT ADULTERY, AND SWEAR FALSELY, and burn incense unto BA'AL, and WALK AFTER OTHER gods WHOM YE KNOW NOT; And come and STAND BEFORE ME IN THIS HOUSE, WHICH IS CALLED BY MY NAME, and say, We are DELIVERED to do all these ABOMINATIONS? Is this HOUSE, which is CALLED BY MY NAME, BECOME A DEN OF ROBBERS IN YOUR EYES? BEHOLD, EVEN I HAVE SEEN IT, SAITH THE LORD.

REVEREND GREENBACK, he wants all members: WITH BIG MONEY & FINE CLOTHES, SO THEY CAN PAY BIG TITHES TO HIM; HE DON'T CARE ABOUT THE LOST SOULS.

Revelation 2:11a, JESUS SAID, He that hath an EAR, let him hear what THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.

Matthew 23:23a,24, JESUS SAID, Woe unto you scribes and Pharisees, HYPOCRITES for ye PAY TITHE of mint and anise and cummin, and HAVE OMITTED the weightier matters of THE LAW, JUDGMENT, MERCY, AND FAITH: YE BLIND GUIDES, WHICH STRAIN AN A GNAT (MOSQUITO), AND SWALLOW A CAMEL.

REVEREND GREENBACK, he LOVES MONEY; and in CHURCH HE HAS MANY GAMES, HE'LL SAY: IF YOU'RE A MAN GIVE \$20, AND IF YOU'RE A WOMAN \$10, TRYING TO SHAME

Revelation 2:17a, JESUS SAID, He that hath an EAR, let him hear what THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.

Matthew 23:17, JESUS SAID, YE FOOLS AND BLIND: for whether is GREATER, THE GOLD OR THE TEMPLE THAT SANCTIFIETH THE GOLD?

AND REVEREND WONDERFUL, He let the UN-godly, HOLD OFFICES & IS NOT ASHAMED, BUT HE WANTS EVERYONE TO LIKE HIM; BUT ITS A DISGRACE UNTO GOD'S NAME.

Revelation 2:29, JESUS SAID, He that hath an EAR, let him hear what THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.

Mark 1:23-25, And there was in their synagogue a man with an UNCLEAN SPIRIT; and he cried out, Saying, let us along; what have we to do with THEE, THOU JESUS OF NAZARETH? art thou come to destroy us? I know who thou art, THE HOLY ONE OF GOD. And JESUS REBUKED HIM, SAYING, HOLD THY PEACE, AND COME OUT OF HIM.

(When there is some one in THE CHURCH; with an UNCLEAN SPIRIT, THEY NEED TO BE BORN AGAIN. The DEVIL in that man asked: WHAT HAVE I TO DO WITH JESUS? EVERYTHING THAT GOES ON IN THE CHURCH, SHOULD HAVE EVERYTHING TO DO WITH JESUS. AND I MEAN EVERYTHING! THE UN-godly SHOULD BE SETTING OUT IN THE AUDIENCE.)

REVEREND WONDERFUL, EVEN LETS HOMOSEXUALS & LESBIANISM, DO THEIR THING, SINGING IN THE CHOIR, AND PLAYING THE INSTRUMENTS; SHAME, SHAME, SHAME.

Revelation 3:6, JESUS SAID, He that hath an EAR, let him hear what THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.

Malachi 1:6, A son HONOURETH HIS FATHER, AND A SERVANT HIS MASTER: IF THEN I BE A FATHER WHERE IS MINE HONOUR? AND IF I BE A MASTER, WHERE IS MY FEAR? SAITH THE LORD OF HOSTS UNTO YOU, O' PRIESTS, THAT DESPISE MY NAME, AND YE SAY, WHEREIN HAVE WE DESPISED THY NAME?

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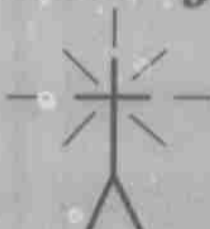
Revelation 2:5, JESUS SAID, REMEMBER therefore from whence thou art fallen, and REPENT, AND DO THY FIRST WORKS; OR ELSE I WILL COME UNTO THEE QUICKLY, AND WILL REMOVE THY CANDLESTICK OUT OF HIS (EARTHLY MESSENGERS) PLACE, EXCEPT THOU REPENT (CHANGE OF MIND).

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The Numbers Keep Growing: African Americans Living With Kidney Disease

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Harriett Ellis leads an inspiring, fast-paced lifestyle—more so than most people that you might meet. Harriett is the former director of pharmacy at Harlem Hospital and currently serves as pharmacy director for a prestigious New York City health agency. Harriett also sits on the New York Board of Pharmacy, teaches continuing education courses in pharmacy and plays tennis several times a week.

But one aspect of her life is increasingly common among African Americans. Harriett begins and ends each productive day of her life hooked up to a home kidney dialysis unit.

Although whites still constitute the largest number of kidney patients in this country, the rate of kidney failure among African Americans today is nearly four times as great. The most disturbing part of this equation is that the number of cases of kidney failure in African-Americans continues to grow.

The New England Journal of Medicine estimates that in the 1960's, African Americans made up about 10 percent of the country's patients being treated for kidney failure. In 1978, this number jumped to about 26 percent, and today the number of African-Americans with kidney failure is topping 30 percent of all kidney patients.

The alarmingly high rate of kidney failure among African Americans is attributed primarily to hyper-

tension and diabetes. The exact reasons why African Americans have a higher incidence of these conditions is not known, but it is likely that genetic factors may play a part.

Fortunately, a diagnosis of kidney failure is no longer the "death sentence" of just 30 years ago—before the life-saving kidney dialysis machine was invented. Although the machine managed to sustain a patient's life by filtering and cleansing waste from the blood supply, it left many patients with crippling anemia, making them weak and incapable of leading a normal life. These symptoms were originally thought to be signs of renal disease itself. Then in 1989, a genetically engineered hormone called Epopo was introduced to treat this anemia. As a result, dialysis patients can lead productive and more satisfying lives—often working harder and exercising more frequently than most people without the disease.

Austin Bell, like Harriett, has been on dialysis for a short time. Unlike Harriett, Austin didn't know anything about modern dialysis when he learned that his kidneys were failing. "When I heard the news, the whole bottom of my life fell out from under me," admits Austin. He had everything to lose—a big family with three sons and two daughters, a World Champion Skeet Shooting title, a career as a chemist for DuPont Chemical Corp. and later as a representa-

tive for the Remington Arms Co.

Austin decided that he was going to learn everything that there was to know about kidney disease and help himself to live life to the fullest. Like Harriett, Austin dialyzes at home, utilizing a process known as peritoneal dialysis. Peritoneal dialysis leaves Austin's days free for a countless number of activities including working out with weights and walking six miles per day. His exercise regimen increases as he gets closer to skeet competition time because of the demands put on his physical strength.

Austin's secrets to success are three-fold—embrace a support team including family and friends—keep a good state of mind with a "combination of fear and strength"—and most importantly, listen to the experts and educate yourself about the disease.

Raymond Parks has a slightly different approach to dialysis treatment than Austin or Harriett. Raymond gets his treatment three times a week at a dialysis unit, using a process known as hemodialysis. But this does not stop him from making his life everything it can possibly be.

Raymond, a recipient of the National NAACP Leadership Award, continues to spend several days a week with children, as he has done for 17 years now.

"I work with kids in houses, schools, churches. We have no building of our own. I help them to work

within their community. I try and guide them—teach them about society, the government, getting a job, the importance of education—tools they need to survive," explains Raymond.

Raymond admits that he was frightened when he first learned that his kidneys were failing. But then he spoke with a friend of his from Colorado who had been on dialysis for 22 years. She told Raymond that it wasn't all that bad. Today, Raymond looks at dialysis like a job.

"You get up, go to the dialysis center, and get it over with," explains Raymond. "I guess that I look at it as a necessary part of my life—nothing more and nothing less."

There is no question that we are facing a growing population of African Americans living with kidney disease. However, due to a combination of advances in medical science and a modern understanding of the importance of rehabilitation (stressing diet, exercise and going back to work), African Americans should remain positive.

What was once a "death sentence" is now, as Harriett Ellis explains, "just another part of a very busy lifestyle."

J. NOZIPO MARAIRE

Ms. Maraire was born and raised in Zimbabwe but has also traveled and lived extensively abroad. She has been exposed to a wide range of cultures and become fluent in several languages, including French, English, Spanish, and Shona. She spent her early childhood in Manicaland in the Eastern Highlands of Zimbabwe, surrounded by an extensive and tightly knit extended family.

During the early years of Zimbabwe's war of independence her family left the country as political refugees. Maraire accompanied her father to Jamaica, Canada, the United States, and Europe, where she studied and worked. Her father was the central figure in her upbringing. "He was at once my family and my home. He had so many stories to tell; some were political, of the struggle for independence or our traditional customs, others were simply about life, sorrow, and love. In our culture and in my village, tales are like spiritual nourishment. We feed them to each other to grow in wisdom. In fact some of the stories in *Zenzele* are from the village and have been passed down for generations. They are the collective experiences of a culture of survival.

At eighteen, Maraire left Zimbabwe to earn her undergraduate degree at Harvard. She then went on to get her M.D. from Columbia University and is currently completing her residency in neurosurgery at Yale, while simultaneously working toward a Master's Degree in Public Health. Maraire opened and owns an art gallery in New Haven, Connecticut, which specializes in contemporary African art. She found solace from her grueling neurosurgical residency by writing *Zenzele*, often after her surgical shifts at 3:00 in the morning. Maraire goes on to explain another motivation for the novel. "I do not know many African books that describe the modern experience of post-independence Africans, particularly from a woman's perspective." She has filled the gap, bringing that experience, in all its richness and confusion, to vivid life in her stunning first novel.

Upon finishing her residency in 1998, Ms. Maraire plans to return to Zimbabwe to practice and teach neurosurgery. She hopes to act as a catalyst for the development of the neurosciences in southern Africa. "I feel very fortunate to have had so many opportunities, both in my education and in my work," says Maraire. "I would like to take the benefit of these experiences home. I really look forward to returning to Zimbabwe and sharing the knowledge I've gained while I've been away."

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- C. The most common form of baldness is hereditary.
- D. Few human maladies have given rise to so many hopeless "cures" down through the years.
- E. Nothing can be done.

Answers

- A. True. At any moment, 90 percent of the hairs on a normal human scalp are in a growing status. The remaining 10 percent of the hairs are dormant, and are doomed to fall out. The normal loss is from 50 to 100 hairs per day.
- B. True. Some women are cruelly afflicted, but most baldness affects men 30 million in America.
- C. True. A tendency toward baldness may be inherited from mother or father.
- D. True. But it is also true that money is well spent on modern shampoos, conditioners and dandruff medications that improve the health and appearance of hair.
- E. False. Modern drugs and procedures may work miraculous results. All techniques require patience, and some are quite expensive. In some cases hair is transplanted. For some individuals, new medications actually encourage hair growth.

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