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NATIONAL NEWS

PBS Premieres Documentary On The Black Press Feb. 8

"The Black Press: Soldiers Without Swords," and historical account of the pioneering men and women of the Black press, will premiere Feb. 8 on PBS in honor of Black History Month.

This 90 minute documentary of African American newspaper, which have been given a voice to their communities since the 1800's.

"I was looking through Black newspapers while researching two other historical documentaries," said Stanley Nelson, producer/director. "I was both excited and overwhelmed by the volume of research materials that laid before me. I realize then that Black newspapers were fascinating in themselves and told their own story."

In addition to its television broadcast, "Soldiers Without Swords" has been accepted into the prestigious 1999 Sundance Film Festival in the documentary category.

UNCF Tops \$13 Million in Donations

Armed with a brand new format and a plethora of African American legends from the entertainment industry, the recent United Negro College Fund (UNCF) telethon raised a record \$13.1 million in cash and pledges. The total amount represents a four percent increase over last year's effort.

Dubbed as the "Evening of Stars" the four-hour special brought out some of the biggest names in music and films to drum up support for the nation's oldest and most successful African American higher education assistance organization. This year's hosts Tom Joyner, Debbie Allen, Jasmine Guy, and longtime supporter, Le'Roy Rawls.

Founded in 1944, UNCF has raised more than \$1 billion to help support over 300,000 needy students.

Hewlett Packard To Pay Former Employee For Stealing His Idea

Roi Jones, an African American business owner in Folsom, Calif., won a \$6.4 million lawsuit against Hewlett Packard (HP) for stealing one of his ideas.

After three weeks of testimony, a jury of six Whites, four Hispanics and two Filipinos in the Santa Clara Superior Court agreed that Jones deserved compensation for inventing a process that extends the life of ink cartridges up to 10 times that company currently uses.

Jones worked as an associate engineer for HP from 1979 to 1982 before opening his own firm, Colossal Graphics, Inc. Instead of paying him for his idea, HP decided to incorporate the invention into its HP 2000 that came of the drawing board in March 1997 and started arriving in stores in December of that year.

"HP committed fraud when they urged me to sign a contract, and they concealed from me the fact that they would use my idea with their new product. They have already made \$3 billion on HP 2000," he said.

Only in America could one man fight a \$43 billion corporation and win," said Jones Attorney E. Donald S. Katz Co. dert Brothers law firm.

Number of Engineering Graduates Posts First Decline In A Decade

The National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering, Inc. (NACME) has released data that indicates an overall decline in engineering graduates from 1997 to 1998. And, the number of African American graduates, which had traditionally "nicked the trend, fell for the first time in a decade.

Fewer African American graduates, coupled with a decline among American Indians, contributed to the .04 percent increase in the number of underrepresented minorities graduating with degrees in engineering this past year. Minorities constituted 10.3 percent of all the 62,373 graduates in 1997-98.

"Given the continuing decline in minority enrollments, this is probably the last year for increased graduation numbers," said Dr. George Campbell, Jr., NACME president and CEO. "To say that we are concerned is an understatement. It is essential that we, as a nation, create better ways to attract students to engineering and develop the underutilized talent pool in our high schools.

Students need to know that engineering provides a gateway to enormous job opportunities in the 21st century workplace, and that advanced math and science courses lead the way to engineering."

Volunteer Center Sponsors 5th Annual Conference

The Volunteer Center of Lubbock will sponsor its fifth annual Leadership Connection program starting on Feb. 16. The program is designed to provide people from minority populations with training for work on nonprofit boards and connect them with organizations seeking more diverse boards.

During the free course, which will take place on Tuesday and Thursday evenings for three weeks, participants will study all aspects of board membership, from policy-making and conflict management and raising money and promoting an agency Nonprofit agencies will present information about

themselves and their missions and conduct interviews with participants in the program.

The Leadership Connection was developed in response to a local United Way study that identified a need for more diversity among people serving on boards. The Volunteer Center took on the project because it

fits with their mission to train and to help develop nonprofit boards.

The Leadership Connection's goal is to increase the pool of people available for community boards to more reasonably reflect the make-up of the community. Sixty-five people have graduated from the program, with backgrounds in faith-based organizations, businesses, government, and education.

"We think it's been very successful," Louise Cummins, executive director of the Volunteer Center, said. "The

people who have completed the program have gone on to serve on a variety of boards, including social service agencies and the arts."

The Center estimate that 90 percent of the program's graduates are serving on community boards. One graduate recently completed a term as chair of a local board.

But, as Cummins points out, more are needed. "There continues to be a need for well-trained, well-qualified board members," she said.

To receive an application, please call the Volunteer Center of Lubbock at 747-0551.

Cathedral of Praise Welcomes New Youth Minister to Their Staff

"I want to instill the word of God into the young people of East Lubbock, and let them know what He has in store for them," says Timothy Williams, a native of Jacksonville, Florida who is serving as an assistant to Youth Pastor Todd Henderson at New Covenant Ministries, a congregation of 1,500 members.

"It is a challenge for me to be able to let young people know they can make it and they don't have to depend upon the athletic thing," smiles Williams. "Hopefully, in the very near future, we will be able to establish a Fellowship of Christian Athletes on the campus of Alder on Junior School," he continues.

"Also, I would like to see young brothers and sisters improve on their character. Your character means a lot! It must speak for you, and your outward appearance should not be the only means in weighing your character," said

Williams. Being on staff since the later part of October, 1998, Tim's heart is apparently willing and his willingness to work with young people from all walks of life. He has functioned as a youth sports coordinator for ages 13-18 as well as having taught classes for junior high school students.

Williams' goal for youth ministry is to reach young people from all cultural, socio-economic, and denominational backgrounds. His main focus will be reaching young people who are searching for meaning in life and give them a ministry purpose to fulfill their lives.

Senior Pastor Gary Scoggins is anticipating a great ministry from Tim, because of his desire to build lasting relationships with teenagers.

He is also developing a youth drama team with the assistant of Harlan Reddell, a former theater



teacher at Monterey High School.

If you would like to get acquainted with Tim, call us at (806) 763-6900, or come by the church at 2011 East 13th Street. Our weekly youth service time is Sunday nights at 6:00 p. m.

Moses Turner Named Peace Corps Country Director in South Africa



Washington, D.C. — Peace Corps Director Mark Gearan announced today the appointment of Dr. Moses Turner, vice president for student affairs and services and professor of higher education administration at Michigan State University, to be the agency's new country director in South Africa.

"Moses' commitment to education makes him an ideal choice for this vital position," said Gearan. "His background as an educator, administrator, and leader in academia at Michigan State, as well as his extensive international experience, particularly in South Africa, will be invaluable as he leads the Peace Corps in its efforts to continue to help South Africa make its historic transition to democracy."

Turner, 60, of Athens, Ga., served for 15 years as vice president for student affairs and services and professor of higher education administration at Michigan State University, in East Lansing, Mich. He also held administrative posts at Washington State University in Pullman, Wash., and Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Tex.

In addition, he has worked in South Africa with educational leaders and students on both the national and regional levels. He has

also worked with the National Taiwan University, Bonn University, the University of Zimbabwe, the University of Nairobi and the University of Egerton in Kenya. He has also been involved in efforts to enhance administrative practices with other higher educational institutions in Israel and Egypt.

Turner, who will begin his duties on February 1, will oversee about 100 Peace Corps volunteers who are helping schools in rural areas with training and income-generating efforts. The first group of Peace Corps volunteers to serve in South Africa began working there two years ago. The newest group of Peace Corps volunteers to serve in South Africa will arrive in February.

He earned his bachelor's degree from Albany State College in 1962.

NCAAP Chair Ridicules Public Silence Regarding Congressional Members Involvement in Hate Group

Baltimore, MD - NAACP Chairman Julian Bond issued the following statement:

"For the first time — to my knowledge — prominent white Americans have spoken out against the racist Council of Conservative Citizens (CCC) and the involvement in it of representative Bob Barr (R - Ga.) and Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott (R - Ms.)

The Chairs of the Republican and Democratic Parties — to their credit — issued separate statements condemning the CCC and membership in it.

Tragically, they stand alone. Instead, speaking out against bigotry has been left exclusively to African Americans — the NAACP, the Rev. Jesse Jackson, Jr. and a

few columnists. Why the silence? Where is the outrage? Where are all the calls of condemnation? Routinely, whenever some black figure, however obscure, utters a bigoted statement, black leaders are deluged with demands that they speak out, a payment required for their continued admission to civil society.

They always do so, upholding centuries-old tradition of allegiance to the virtues of tolerance we hope all Americans embrace. Reciprocity and fairness demand an equally vigorous response our fellow citizens to this latest grotesque affront.

To date, the silence is deafening — and frightening.



Meet The Barbers at F's Barber Shop

Here they are, the barbers at F's Barber Shop, 508 East 23rd Street.

They are, from left to right: Penny Hastings, Doug Wellington, and TaWalla Belden. Sitting, center, is Edward Anzley.

Go by and let them know you saw them in the Southwest Digest. As they say, they can make you look. Check them out!

Audrey Peterson Named Editor of American Legacy Magazine

Audrey Peterson is the new editor of American Legacy, the quarterly magazine celebrating African-American history and culture.

"Audrey Peterson is a seasoned professional who has much to bring to American Legacy. We look forward to benefiting from her talents," said Rodney J. Reynolds, Founder and Publisher of American Legacy.

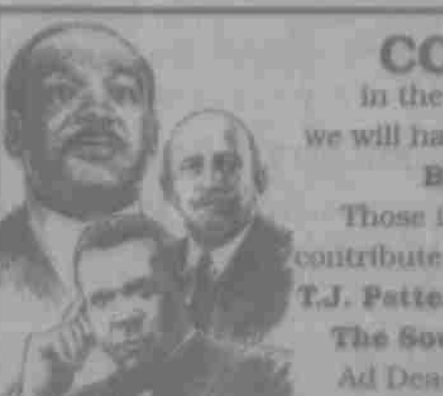
Peterson, 36, was previously an editor at Reader's Digest General Books, where she worked on such historical titles as the Atlas of America and Our Glorious Century, in addition to other books. She has a BA degree in Fine Arts from Rutgers University and resides in Manhattan.

American Legacy's Winter, 1999 cover story, "The Work of the Preachers," chronicles the role of African-American ministers in black America's fight for freedom. The issue also features Jack Kelly's profile of Major Taylor, the world-champion bicycle racer of the early 1900s, and "To His Excellency the President," a sampling of letters



written to President Lincoln by African-Americans during the Civil War.

Distributed free to African-American readers nationwide through black churches, educational and cultural institutions, American Legacy is also available on the newsstand and through paid subscriptions. The magazine has a circulation of 502,190, according to a recent BPA International audit. It is a joint venture between RJR Communications Inc. and the American Heritage division of Forbes Inc.



COMING SOON

in the February 26, 1999 issue we will have a special section honoring **Black History Month**. Those interested in advertising or contribute to this section please contact **T.J. Patterson or Eddie Richardson at The Southwest Digest, 762-3612**. Ad Deadline is February 15, 1999

Ruby Jay's Corner



The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. Billy R. Moton is the proud pastor. If you are looking for a church home, then come and visit with the members of New Hope. Our doors are always open. Please come!

Services began last Sunday morning at 9:30 a. m. with Sunday School. All officers were at their post of duty. After 30 minutes of instructions, all students marched back to the main auditorium singing "Blessed Assurance."

High points of the morning lesson were given by members of the Adult Classes.

Secretary's Report: Youth Department — Junior Class won the Offering Banner. Adult Class: the Offering Banner was won by Adult Class No. 4. The Attendance Banner went to Adult Class No. 4.

The Preparation Choir was responsible for the morning devotional period last Sunday morning.

The processional was led by the Male Choir. The spirit was in New Hope last Sunday morning. Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "Getting Rid Of Things You Don't Need By Burning Up Things." His scripture text was Acts 19:13-20. Think about this sermon. If you missed, you missed a wonderful message. You just should have been there.

It was good to see Brother Harlan Barrow present at church services last Sunday morning. Also Sister Ester Josie and her son and family who came to church with her.

Our prayers and sympathy go out to the sick and those who are bereaved.

Sister James Emma Jackson lost a daughter in Virginia. At this report, services are pending.

Sister Clara Colquitt and son, Jerry, attended her brother-in law's funeral services in Overton, Texas last Saturday.

Special services were held last Sunday afternoon at New Hope Baptist Church. Special guest speaker was Rev. Larry Brooks, pastor of Community Baptist Church.

Mary Roberts, Louise West and R. Coleman attended their funeral services last Friday in Houston, Texas. Our prayers goes out to this family.

Funeral services were held for Sister Rosie Jones at New Hope last Friday. She is an Old Warrior gone home.

Brother and Sister Beaty have a sick relative in Arlington, Texas. Let's pray for them.

A member of Greater St. Luke Baptist Church, Brother Clarence Lee, is very ill at this report.

A longtime resident and good citizen of Lubbock, Sister Norma "Baby" Austin's house caught on fire last Saturday night and much of her property was destroyed. Thank God for a next door neighbor, Duke Holmes, who smelled smoke. He kicked in the front door of Sister Austin. He brought Sister Austin outside as well as her renter. At this report, both are in the hospital.

TCU Forms Council On To Study And Promote Diversity

TCU Chancellor Michael R. Ferrari has named Cornell Thomas Special Assistant to the Chancellor for Diversity and Community and chair of the newly formed Chancellor's Council on Diversity. Thomas is currently an associate professor of education at TCU.

The council will spearhead the university's commitment to and evaluate its progress in building diversity in the student body, faculty and staff, according to Chancellor Ferrari.

As chair of the council, Thomas will work with Ferrari to identify new ways for the university to affirm its commitment to diversity in all its dimensions.

"Professor Thomas has long provided leadership for strengthening the sense of community at TCU among faculty, staff and students," said Ferrari. "He has been active in

linking the university with public schools and other groups in the community."

In the near future, the council plans to assess current campus attitudes about diversity that will eventually lead to the formation of an action plan.

"I hope that we can begin to more clearly see how our wants and needs as human beings are very similar," said Thomas. "We will then have the kind of solid foundations needed to embrace the talents each of us brings to TCU, thus helping us to achieve desired goals as a community of learners."

Currently 12% of TCU students and 11% of faculty and staff are from minority populations. For several years, TCU has sought to increase minority enrollment and employment of minority faculty and staff numbers. The council's forma-

tion signals a renewed commitment to achieving this longstanding goal.

Members of the Diversity Council are: Ida Hernandez (AddRac), John Butler (University Ministries), Darron Turner (minority affairs, commuter students), Barbara Herman (student development), Horatio Porter (TCU MBA '92), Carlos Ayala (FWISD), Cornell Thomas (diversity and community), Linda Moore (social work), German Gutierrez (music), and Faculty Senate Chair Sherrie Reynolds (education). Also on the Council are students Linda Nguyen, Kirsten Bell, Student Government Association President Ben Alexander, Jaime Walker and Joel Penrod.

Dr. Thomas was recently honored with a Deans' Teaching Award during winter commencement ceremonies on Dec. 19, 1998.

Three such awards are given annually, in recognition of significant and meritorious achievement in teaching.

Thomas, a native of St. Louis, Mo., was graduated from the University of Missouri in 1978. He received a masters degree in Music Education from Jackson State University in 1980 and his Ed. D. degree from East Texas State University in Commerce in 1990.

He was a teacher and principal in the Dallas Independent School District between 1978 and 1990 and joined TCU in 1990. In 1997, he was appointed for a three-year term as chair of the department of educational foundations and administration in the School of Education.

For more information or to schedule an interview with Dr. Thomas, contact TCU's Office of Communications at (817) 257-7810.

White Blindness

By Dr. Manning Marable
"Along the Color Line"
January 1999

America has never been an integrated society. Yet black people have generally maintained their belief, often despite overwhelming evidence to the contrary, that institutional racism could be dismantled. This was the meaning behind Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech delivered at the March on Washington, D.C., in 1963. Martin looked hopefully to the day when African Americans would be judged "not by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character."

By this statement, Martin was not claiming that black people should forget about their distinctive culture, heritage and traditions and start acting "white." Martin was not proposing an abandonment of the federal government from taking proactive measures to advance the material, political and legal conditions of black, brown and poor folks. Yet if you listen to the reactionary rhetoric of the opponents of affirmative action, such as Ward Connelly, Linda Chavez, Shelby Steele, Thomas Sowell and Dinesh D'Souza, you'd receive a totally different perspective. To the Far Right, being "color blind" has been distorted to mean opposition to race-based college scholarships that permit thousands of underrepresented minorities to attend school; rejection of minority economic set-aside programs, helping black and Hispanic small businesses to develop; and outlawing hiring policies that would give women, blacks and Latinos a more equitable share of the better-paying jobs.

Conservatives hypocritically claim that Dr. King would be "on their side" in the affirmative action debate. But their argument confuses the "ends" with "means." Martin truly desired a society where a social hierarchy coded by color or racial designation did not exist. But he never believed that the goal could be achieved, unless the government and the private sector were vigorously pressured to take concrete steps to uproot racism, sexism and class inequality. In short, you have to be "color-conscious" to achieve a society where one day in the future "color" may not matter.

If Martin was still with us today, I believe that he would want to revise his famous quotation. The issue that is central to U.S. racism is not color blindness, but what could be termed "white blindness" — the refusal of most white Americans to recognize and act on their common economic, social and political interests with people of color. Most whites don't want to acknowledge to others, and not even to themselves, the real costs for maintaining a racist society.

Racism, properly defined, is "prejudice," "power," and "privilege." Nearly all people are prejudiced against other people, and discrimination can be based on language, religion, nationality, physical appearance, gender as well as race. But African Americans as a whole lack the institutional "power" to translate any prejudices they may have to oppress other classes or groups of people, especially whites. We don't control the police, the courts or the prisons. We don't own the banks, real estate or most busi-

nesses even in our own neighborhoods.

There are many examples of how white Americans, simply by claiming the status of whiteness, acquire privileges and benefits within our society. We know, for example, that whites with the identical incomes and credit ratings of blacks and Latinos have much easier access to bank loans and home mortgages. White usually pay lower rates for home insurance even for houses of identical value to blacks' homes. Suburban middle class whites actually pay less for groceries and fresh produce than innercity Latinos and African Americans. Whites receive lower retail prices for purchasing new automobiles, superior service in many restaurants, and quicker taxi service.

Yet millions of whites are nevertheless disadvantaged by the racist system as it is. Racism is a traditional tool used by corporations to divide workers. White American workers have much lower rates of unionization, falling real wage, and substandard benefits, in part, because of the racial stratification

and divisions within the labor movement. Millions of the white people live in public housing and survive on Aid to Families with Dependent Children. The largest racial or ethnic group the U.S. which is poor is not black or Hispanic, but white. One in eight white families does not have any medical insurance. Many white working class families can't save enough to pay for their retirement.

Consider the contradictory political behavior of white women. In Washington state last year, voters had to make a decision on Initiative 200, a proposition that would kill state-sponsored affirmative action programs. Polls indicated that two-thirds of all white men favored Initiative 200, and that Washington's relatively small minority communities strongly opposed it. The balance of power in the election was held by white women.

White women have been the overwhelming beneficiaries of affirmative action and economic set-asides. But on election day, by a 51-49 margin, white women chose to endorse Initiative 200. The initiative

passed, and affirmative action in Washington state was outlawed. White women's racial identity as whites was stronger than their gender identity as women.

Instead of pursuing color blindness, we should instead dream of an American society where whites judge themselves not by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character. Today, most whites are blinded by whiteness. They are so dumbstruck with their relative privileges that they cannot see their own common material interests that coalesce with the black struggle for freedom. We will not dismantle racism unless most whites find a way to abolish the idea of "whiteness." Once whites as a group begin to challenge their identities as whites, they may begin to rediscover their humanity.

Dr. Manning Marable is Professor of History and Director of the Institute for Research in African-American Studies at Columbia University, New York City. "Along the Color Line" is distributed free of charge to over 325 publications throughout the U.S. and internationally.

Associate Degree Nursing Entrance Exam Scheduled

LEVELLAND — South Plains College has scheduled three testing dates in February for admission this fall into the college's two-year Associate Degree Nursing Program.

Test dates are 1-5 p.m. Feb. 12, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Feb. 20 and 1-5 p.m. Feb. 26 in the Student Assistance Center on the third floor of the Library building. Test fee is \$20.

Admission requirements for the Associate Degree Nursing Program include a satisfactory score on an aptitude examination, submission of three professional/education references and an interview with the director of the program, said Sue Ann Lopez, chairperson of the Allied Health Department and program director. She noted that students must also complete admission

requirements to the college, along with pre-requisites to the nursing program. However, admission to the college does not guarantee admission to the nursing program itself, she added.

Students successfully completing the nursing curriculum will receive an Associate of Applied Science Degree and be eligible to take the State Board Exam (NCLEX) for registered nurse licensure.

The program includes lecture and clinical experience and is designed to prepare graduates to give direct patient care in a variety of health care settings, noted Lopez.

For more information, contact the SPC Allied Health Department at 806-894-9611, ext. 2391.

Detroit's Finest Will Visit Here

Two of Detroit, Michigan's finest will be visiting their uncle and aunt in Lubbock, Texas during the month of February.

Their aunt and uncle are Abraham and Gwen Spires. They are Ms. Delores Perry and Mrs. Theresa White. They are to visit here for several days.

City Wide Ushers Will Meet Saturday Afternoon

The members of the City Wide Ushers will meet at the St. John Baptist Church, 1712 East 29th Street, where the pastor is Rev. Solomon Fields, on Saturday afternoon, February 13, 1999, beginning at 5:00 p. m.

We are hoping everyone would be present. Please try to come and bring another usher. Don't forget your canned goods.

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Sister M. J. Cage, president; and Sister Minnie Darthard, reports.



Rev. C.C. Peoples

Happy Birthday!

The members of the Mt. Olive First Missionary Baptist Church of Slaton, Texas would like to say "Happy Birthday" to their pastor, Rev. C. C. Peoples.

May God continue to bless you!

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

As part of our yearlong Celebrate 2000 project, The Avalanche-Journal will publish a special section recognizing Lubbock's outstanding leaders — past, present and future. The section will be published on Thursday, March 25, and be included in that day's A-J.

To compile a comprehensive list of leaders representative of our diverse cultures, we need your help in identifying these important men and women and their contributions for possible inclusion in our section.

Please take a few minutes to fill out the write-in ballot below with the name of a person you believe has provided in the past, is providing now or will provide in the future key leadership to Lubbock, the South Plains and its citizens. And please give a brief summary of the contributions your nominee has made.

Return your completed ballot to:
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You also may forward a nomination via our Internet site at celebrate2000.lubbockonline.com

Thanks for your help!

Name Of Nominee: _____

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Obituary



Rosa Jones

Final rites were read for Mrs. Rosa Jones last Friday, February 5, 1999, at the New Hope Baptist Church with Rev. Billy R. Moton, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow Texas under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

Active pallbearers were Deacons of New Hope Baptist Church. Flower

bearers were ladies of New Hope Baptist Church.

She was born September 2, 1907 to Mr. James and Mrs. Nancy Moseley. She confessed Christ at a very early age.

She united in wedlock with Lewis Jones on November 17, 1926. There were two children born to this family.

In 1937, Mrs. Jones moved to Lubbock, Texas and united with New Hope Baptist Church. She was a faithful member until her illness.

She leaves to mourn her death: her daughter, Ruby Joyce Mitchell of Denver, Colorado; a special grandson, Michael Rodney Jones, who devoted his entire life to her; along with five other grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, a number of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



Showgirls, Elvis and Liberace will make an appearance this Mardi Gras as Galveston salutes the City of Las Vegas during Mardi Gras! Galveston 1999... Vegas on the Gulf. Mardi Gras! Galveston 1999 will be held February 5 through "Fat Tuesday," February 16, 1999. David Clayton-Thomas and Blood, Sweat & Tears and an Elvis Tribute Show will be featured during the first weekend and Las Vegas' Legends in Concert, 38 Special and Cheap Trick during the second weekend. Tickets are available at all Ticketmaster outlets. For more information contact The Galveston Island Convention & Visitors Bureau at 888-GAL-ISLE or visit the Web site at www.galvestontourism.com.

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SHIRLEY CANADY THE BARBER SAYS: "REAL JOY ... comes not from ... **EASE OR RICHES** ... or from the ... **PRAISE OF MEN** ... **BUT FROM DOING ... SOMETHING WORTHWHILE ..."**

A Symbol of Substance

By William Reed

For decades, Detroit's automotive industry has been the nation's most dominant and productive economic sector. Entering the industry in droves after World War II, the access African Americans had to jobs in automaking spanned middle-class lifestyles and greater educational and career options for millions of us. Ironically, the Black American role in an industry that has produced more American jobs, opportunities and innovations than any other, has never been documented or recognized.

Randi Payton, publisher of **African Americans On Wheels** (AAOW), thinks its about time blacks who played key trailblazing roles in this industry be recognized and honored. "Why isn't Ed Davis a nationally recognized figure, similar in stature to Ms. Rosa Parks?" Payton asks.

Both are renowned in Detroit. Rosa Parks is a famed civil rights figure who refused to bow to segregation in the 1950s. For that contribution to American history, Detroit named Rosa Parks Blvd. in her honor. On the other hand, Davis, who became a legend in 1940 when he made his debut as the first black franchised automotive dealer in American history, has no such symbol or landmark for his exemplary efforts. Sixteen years before Ms. Parks' encounter on a segregated bus occurred, Ed Davis was selling cars; employing people

from his community, and bolstering the black role in Motown's booming economy. An investor in the community and among his people, Davis was already president of Detroit's Victory Loan and Investment Company by the time Ms. Parks refused to yield her seat and ignited the Montgomery, Ala. Bus Boycott.

On Thursday, Jan. 7, 1999, in conjunction with the North American International Auto Show (NAIAS), a tribute luncheon was held to honor the car salesman who founded much of the city's Community Relations Commission and was head of the Detroit transit system. "Ed Davis has a lifetime of success in the face of adversity. He fought to realize his dream at a time when African Americans were shut out of any leading roles in the industry," says Payton. "In his first sales position, he wasn't even allowed on the showroom floor, but that didn't stop him from succeeding. He looked at what others thought impossible, and made it happen."

When Ed Davis began his automotive career as a salesman in 1939, he was given a secluded office and barred from the showroom floor. But, black buyers preferred doing business with him, and through this support Davis became a major player in Detroit's business community. When he got his franchise black-run businesses' operations were limited to black

districts. "I had the advantage of operating in a neighborhood that not only held opportunity, but was congenial to me," states the Davis autobiography, **One Man's Way**. "Those days, most blacks spent their money where they lived," Davis expounds.

The movement to honor Davis and increase adoration of blacks in business is bolstered by the National Association of Minority Automobile Dealers (NAMAD), an organization representing over 400 minority dealers. Joining AAOW in the tribute to Davis, the executive director of NAMAD says: "As minorities gain more representation in the industry it will benefit everyone." The event launches the Ed Davis Scholarship Fund, to benefit African-American students pursuing a technical or college degree in the automotive field.

As city officials work with the auto industry to rebuild the Motor City, isn't it time the public demanded they put Ed Davis' name up for all to see and realize that outstanding contributions were made by African Americans in the nation's principal industry, not only in Detroit's, but across the nation?

(William Reed is publisher of **Who's Who in Black Corporate America**, 2054 National Press Building, Washington, D.C. 20045 - Nominations being accepted)

"For Us To Be Successful, The Leadership And Initiative Must Come Within Our Own Communities"

By Eddie P. Richardson

For us to be competitive at the market place with our goods and services, we must learn the system and how to be competitive in a first class way. We must learn our market, our goods and or service. How to market them is very important in a competitive manner and remember the good, professional and courteous way of doing business.

We must create our own role models for our children, especially in our own households. A child's role model should come from the child's own home observing someone they see everyday setting good and positive examples day to day.

In order to become or stay successful, we have to realize that no one owes us anything. This is a competitive high tech world. Therefore, we have to first prepare ourselves to learn the system, and work the system to our advantage in a positive competitive manner, and not being worked in a negative manner. We must

learn the system before we can make it work for us.

The day of what are they going to do for me/us is over. We have to learn to do for ourselves. For it has been too long what we have looked to others to do for us. The day of the open welfare is long gone which this writer never believe in. This writer has always believed in preparation and education. It is the most rewarding way when one makes it on their own. But, on the other hand, this writer believes in helping those who cannot help themselves. We hear about a lot of politicians bragging about how many people have been removed from welfare, but they do not tell you where they are as they refer to them as those helpless people. They (politicians) do not tell you about the other form of welfare i. e. subsidies to major companies, large numbers of bureaucrats on the welfare administration who administer the welfare programs, and how they treat their victims.

It took time for us to get

where we are today. Therefore, it will take time for us to work our way out of this mess by planning, training people for existing jobs, teaching people to find jobs, and job keeping techniques and doing a positive job. We need to do a complete follow up on their well being and encouraging them along the way. Let them know they make it by coming off welfare and relief rolls. Most of all, let them know they will move onto the tax rolls. What a difference this will make and it will have a positive outcome and they will feel an accomplishment and self esteem. All of our creed should be: "If it is to be it is up to me. But I must believe it and live it!" We must also keep in mind: "Any one can be or do anything they want to whether they want to do it and must work at it, and pay the price! In other words, go for it and do it!"

We must also remember you can't beg and borrow and bargain at the same time!

Even Congress Gets Rodney Dangerfield Treatment From USPS

How big is the Postal Service monopoly on first class mail?

Consider that when the first class stamp increased a penny to 33-cents, that means another billion dollars in annual revenue to the Postal Service.

The captive customers have no place to go. It is illegal to mail a regular letter any other way than via first class mail.

You may not know that, but Postal Service executives sure do and they are milking it for all it's worth.

Worst of all, our current system of oversight of the country's largest monopoly allows the Postal Service to run roughshod and continue driving up first class revenue when there is absolutely no need.

You know something is wrong when Congress voted 393-12 to demand no increase in first class stamps but the Postal Service Board of Governors ignores them and approves the increase anyway.

Our representatives were reacting to a litany of events that cast a glaring spotlight on the Postal Service's gluttonous appetite for our money despite four years of record profits and an appalling lack of accountability on current spending.

Included in the infamous series were:

- Millions of dollars spent on advertising for the first class mail monopoly.
- More marketing dollars

spent sponsoring a bike team in the Tour de France with a mostly European audience.

• More than \$5 billion in profit over four years for the "break even" USPS.

• A cheating scandal that showed how easy it is for postal employees to distort the new delivery test that alleges delivery rates are improving.

• An elegant retirement party for Postmaster General Marvin Runyon at spectacular Union Station with a final tab of more than \$124,000, with the check picked up by postal customers.

And like an agency in search of a 12-step program, the Postal Service just can't seem to stop itself.

Since the Governors approved the hike, the General Accounting Office has reported the Postal Service lost almost \$85 million on new products that have nothing to do with delivering the mail and — despite this record — 900 postal executives received year-end bonuses that averaged \$10,400!

Congress needs to stop playing the fool and grab this out-of-control bull by the horns.

First, final authority on first class mail rates must be given to the independent Postal Rate Commission (PRC). The Postal Service acts with such impunity because it not only has a huge monopoly on first class mail, it also is the final authority on

what to charge!

Second, the PRC must be given subpoena power to get the information it needs out of an uncooperative Postal Service.

Given these big clubs to wield, the PRC could bring the now foreign concept of accountability down on the Postal Service and force the agency to make the on-time delivery of first class mail its top priority.

Last year, the Postal Service showed Congress the kind of respect most people reserve for Rodney Dangerfield. This year Congress can, and should, change the rules.

Then we would finally be on the way to a monopoly that is first class.

(Dick Dellinger is chairman of the board of the Association of Retired Americans which is a member of the Coalition to Make Our First Class Mail FIRST CLASS with more than 200 member organizations representing more than five million Americans.)

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Giant Chocolate Cookie Will Delight Your Sweetheart



Love is great. Love is sweet. Love is chocolate. This Valentine's Day, surprise your sweetheart with a giant triple-chocolate cookie. This indulgent, rich and chewy chocolate cookie is filled with large semisweet chocolate chips and decorated with white chocolate. What a romantic way to satisfy cravings of chocolate lovers—both young and old.

Pioneer Biscuit & Baking Mix comes to the rescue for all those "wannabe" gourmet bakers who have limited time to spend in the kitchen. With baking mix, the recipe ingredient list is shorter and the cookie dough is faster to mix together. According to Wendy Hagerman, research and development specialist for Pioneer Flour Mills, "Our baking mix is a real time-saver for people who simply don't have much time to spend in the kitchen."

This giant cookie can be baked in heart-shaped baking pans. Heart-shaped pans come in a variety of sizes, and most any size will work for this recipe. Simply line your heart-shaped pan(s) with aluminum foil, then press enough dough in the pan to make the cookie about 1/4 inch thick.

Large and Luscious Chocolate Valentine Cookies

- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1 cup packed dark brown sugar
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) butter, softened
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) margarine, softened
- 2 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips, melted and cooled to room temperature
- 3 1/3 cups Pioneer Buttermilk Biscuit & Baking Mix
- 2 cups large semisweet or milk chocolate chips or chunks (11.5 oz.)
- 1 cup white "chocolate" chips

In large mixer bowl, beat sugars, butter and margarine until creamy, about 3 minutes. Add eggs and vanilla; beat until light and fluffy. Mix in melted semi-sweet chocolate. Add biscuit and baking mix; beat on low speed until blended. Mix in large chocolate chips. Chill dough for at least 1 hour. Line 9-inch heart-shaped pan with aluminum foil; coat with cooking spray. Spread about 1 1/2 cups of dough in pan. Bake at 350° for 15 to 17 minutes or just until center is almost set. (Do not overbake.) Cool in pan for 10 minutes. Lift foil with cookie to wire rack and cool completely. Repeat with remaining cookie dough. Melt white chocolate and use to decorate as desired. Makes four 9-inch (or two 13-inch) heart cookies. Vary amount of dough used according to pan size. Do not fill pan more than one-third full.

Variation: For large round cookies, place 1/4 cupfuls of cookie dough on cookie sheet coated with cooking spray. Using the bottom of a glass, flatten slightly. Bake at 350° for 12 to 15 minutes or just until set.

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(Do not overbake.) Cool for 5 minutes, then remove from cookie sheet and cool completely. Dip edges of cookies in melted white chocolate or drizzle tops of cookies with melted white chocolate. Makes 3 dozen large cookies.

For exciting recipes, baking

What is a Bibliclist? In the on-going controversy of the Doctrines of Grace, we constantly come across the argument, "Well, I am neither a Calvinist nor an Arminian. I am a Bibliclist." The person making that statement is clearly attempting to separate himself from either of the first two positions named and is alleging that he is of the third position. We can only assume that he can see a difference between his position and the other two! But most I have talked to have had some real difficulty clarifying their position. In the hope of getting that clarification, I offer this worksheet. If you consider yourself a "Bibliclist," please fill out the middle column and show your "third" view on each point.

ARMINIAN

Man's depravity is only partial. Man is not left in totally helpless state. His will is not affected by sin. It is still free to choose good over evil, and could repent and believe. Faith is the sinner's contribution to his salvation. His eternal destiny depends on how he uses his free will.

Election is based upon God's foreknowledge, which means He looked down the corridors of time and saw who would believe the gospel, and so chose those who were willing to choose Him.

Christ's death was "sufficient" for all but "efficient" only for the ones who would believe. It had an unlimited purpose but a limited power (limited by man's free will). It did not in fact secure the salvation of anyone; it only made salvation possible.

God wants to save everybody, but inasmuch as man is free, he can resist God's will. The Holy Spirit can draw only those that allow Him to draw them. They first have to be willing to believe.

Believers who are truly saved can lose their salvation by failing to keep up their faith. As man's will is the instrument of his salvation, it can also be the instrument of his falling from grace. The Christian must persevere to the end or be lost. (Some hold that believers are eternally secure.)

BIBLICIST

CALVINIST

Man is a free moral agent, and his will is in bondage to his nature. He cannot change his nature. He cannot make choices contrary to his nature. He is dead in his trespasses and sins and is drawn to the god of the dead.

God saw that no one would believe on his own, so He chose some before the foundation of the world, according to His own pleasure and purpose, and gives to them faith and repentance.

The intention of Christ's redeeming work was to save the elect and in fact secured salvation for them. God has a limited purpose (save the elect) and an unlimited power. Christ secured the salvation of those for whom He died.

The external call given to all who hear the gospel can be and often is rejected. The internal call made by the Spirit to the elect cannot be ultimately resisted. The Spirit graciously causes the elect sinner to believe, repent, and come willingly to Christ.

While the saint is preserved by God, true faith will persevere, even though it may stumble and fall. They will arise and go on in the faith. They are eternally saved.

I trust that you are going to be as precise as possible. Don't just say you believe such and such a verse. Explain what you believe that verse is saying. What is your interpretation of the verse?

For example, it is not enough to say, "I believe John 3:16!" What do you believe about John 3:16? What do you believe that verse is actually saying?

Please be as clear as possible in explaining your position on these very important matters. It is vital for us to communicate accurately and not hide behind confusion.

Finally, be as honest as you can be. Make sure your position is clear and concise. After all, if we do not have these matters clear in our own thinking, how can we hope to tell others what we believe?

Surely, the doctrine of salvation is at least as important as the doctrines of ecclesiology or even eschatology.

What do we believe?

Can we articulate it?

~ A PARABLE ~

A feathered creature was walking along, trying to mind his own business, when he happened upon a group of birds having a discussion. Some of them claimed to be ducks. Others claimed to be swans.

They looked at him and asked him,

"What are you?"

He looked at the ducks and knew the ducks had a bad reputation. He really did not want to be called a duck!

Then he looked at the swans, and he had been told that they were too cold and snooty. He really did not want to be called a swan!

So he drew himself up to his full height, stuck his beak in the air, and said

"I am a Bird!"

And with a self-satisfied air about him, he waddled on down the road, quacking his pleasure at having escaped being classified as anything other than a bird!

(Those desiring an explanation of the parable please write to the address below)

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 MATTHEW 11:28, JESUS SAID, COME UNTO ME, ALL YE THAT LABOUR AND ARE HEAVY LADEN AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST. THERE ARE MANY CHURCHES, THAT HAVE A SO CALLED DRESS CODE; BUT THE CHURCH IS NOT A FASHION SHOP; ITS A HOSPITAL; FOR LOST SOULS!!!

MARK 2:17, JESUS SAID, THEY THAT ARE WHOLE HAVE NO NEED OF THE PHYSICIAN, BUT THEY THAT ARE SICK; I CAME NOT TO CALLED THE RIGHTEOUS, BUT SINNERS TO REPENTANCE.

SOME CHURCHES ARE HUNG-UP ON LIPSTICK, LIPSTICK THIS AND THAT; BUT HAVING LIPSTICK ON ONES MOUTH; IS NOT WHERE THE PROFANITY IS AT!!!

MARK 7:15,16, JESUS SAID, THERE IS NOTHING FROM WITHOUT A MAN, THAT ENTERING INTO HIM CAN DEFILE HIM; BUT THE THINGS WHICH COME OUT OF HIM, THOSE ARE THEY THAT DEFILE THE MAN. IF ANY MAN(OR WOMAN) HAVE EARS TO HEAR, LET HIM HEAR.

(I BILLY B.J. WAS ONCE A DEFILE MAN; I USE TO INVENT CURSE WORDS; THE DEVIL USED ME BIG TIME, BUT MY HEART GOES OUT FOR THE LOST MAN, I KNOW HE'S TIRED. BUT LOOK AROUND THE CHURCH; HAVE YOU SEEN HIM? HE IS LOOKING FOR REST, AND MANY TIMES THEY SAY THEY DON'T HAVE ANY THING TO WARE TO CHURCH. BECAUSE ON SUNDAY THEY HAVE SEEN THE PEOPLE ALL DRESSED UP. THEY HAVE NO LOVE; BUT ALL DRESSED UP!!!)

*****WILL THE CHURCH ROB GOD???*****

JOHN 4:24, JESUS SAID, GOD IS A SPIRIT; AND THEY THAT WORSHIP HIM MUST WORSHIP HIM IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH.

MANY CHURCHES PREACH:MAN'S HAIR TOO LONG; NEED TO GET IT CUT; BUT IF YOU DON'T KNOW THE WORD OF GOD; THEN YOU NEED TO SHUT UP!!!

1 CORINTHIANS 11:14,16, DOTH NOT EVEN NATURE ITSELF TEACH YOU, THAT, IF A MAN HAVE LONG HAIR, IT IS A SHAME UNTO HIM? BUT IF ANY MAN SEEM TO BE CONTENTIOUS (QUESTIONABLE), WE (THE SAINTS) HAVE NO SUCH CUSTOM, NEITHER THE CHURCHES OF GOD (ONLY THE DEVIL'S CHURCH).

MANY CHURCHES PREACH:SHORT DRESSED, SPLITS AND BLUE JEANS; BUT THEY NEED TO PREACH JESUS; AND HOW TO GET MANKIND CLEAN!!!

JOHN 3:16, JESUS SAID, FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD, THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON, THAT WHOSEVER BELIEVETH IN HIM SHOULD NOT PERISH, BUT HAVE EVERLASTING LIFE. CHURCH; THEY'VE SEEN YOUR STYLES; AND KNOW ABOUT THE LATEST ON CLOTHES; SO THEY WANT TO KNOW WHERE IS YOUR HEART; AND WELCOME THEM TO THE FOLD!!!

JOHN 10:16, JESUS SAID, OTHER SHEEP I HAVE, WHICH ARE NOT OF THIS FOLD; THEM ALSO I MUST BRING, AND THEY SHALL HEAR MY VOICE; AND THERE SHALL BE ONE FOLD, AND ONE SHEPHERD.

CHURCH: WHY DON'T YOU DRESS AS SUNDAY. ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS? IS NOT THE GOD THE SAME? ON EACH NIGHT; I ASK IS THAT RIGHT???

MARK 7:6-8a, JESUS SAID, WELL HATH E-SAY' AS PROPHESED OF YOU HYPOCRITES, AS IT IS WRITTEN, THIS PEOPLE HONOURETH ME WITH THEIR LIPS, BUT THEIR HEART IS FAR FROM ME. HOWBET IN VAIN DO THEY WORSHIP ME, TEACHING FOR DOCTRINES THE COMMANDMENTS OF MEN. FOR LAYING ASIDE THE COMMANDMENT OF GOD, YE HOLD THE TRADITION OF MEN. 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

"Night The Saviour"

"And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory."—Mark 13:26

Contrary to what many some think, Jesus did not give us a blueprint by which we can figure out when He will return. However, we who have seen saved know that He is coming again.

If Mark 13:24-25 is correct, how are we going to see Jesus if there is no light from the sun, moon, or stars? We will see Him, for He is the light of the world. On the road to Damascus when He appeared to Saul His presence caused a light that was brighter than the sun at midday. We are told further that there will be no need of the sun in Heaven because the glory of the Lord shall illumine it and the Lord's lamp is the Lamb, Jesus.

Jesus' light will be so bright when He returns that He will expose every sin with every excuse of the unsaved. Those who are lost will run for the rocks and hills; the most powerful among men, the rich and the poor alike will try to hide. The big and brave will become cowards.

Jesus is coming back in the way He left-in the clouds. His return will be sudden, but every eye will see Him. On that day the blind will have 20/20 vision. For once, every person on earth will see the same thing at the same time. There will be no rose-colored glasses on that day, and there will be no debate about what is happening. No one will be puzzled; all will know; and we will either love or hate it. We will either run from Him or to Him.

He is coming with great power and glory. His glory is His character; evil will not be able to stand the presence of His character. He will come with the power to cast the devil, his angels, and his fol-

The Real Crime

By Bernice Powell Jackson

I've been quiet up to now about what is going on in my hometown, Washington, D.C. But I just can't take it any more. It seems that Congress won't accept lying about sex, but lying about racism is allowed. That's the message Congress is sending out when it impeaches Bill Clinton for perjury about having a sexual affair and then lying about it, but it turns the other way and winks when the Senate Majority Leader panders to a white supremacist group and then lies about it. That's the message the main-line media sent as well when they ignored this story for weeks and only just have begun to cover it. Racism is all right, sex is not.

Some will take me to task, saying that is a simplistic explanation of it. And perhaps it is, but white sex and lying about sex got Bill Clinton impeached and got rid of Bob Livingston even before he could become Speaker of the House, Trent Lott; not only still serves, but still is very much in power while lying about his ties to a racist group. And no one on Capitol Hill seems to care.

It seems that Trent Lott long has had connections with the modern-day version of the White Citizens Council, now called the Council of Conservative Citizens. The White Citizen's Councils were the more "acceptable" version of the KKK in the 1950's and 60's, often being composed of local bankers, politicians and educators.

Theirs may not have been the policy of violence of the Klan, but their actions provided the underpinnings of segregation and racism across the South.

According to the Southern Poverty Law Center, which has monitored hate groups for three

decades or so, the Council's newsletter is replete with "a steady stream of anti-black and anti-homosexual columns." The newsletter's readers are encouraged to study biological determinism, eugenics and other so-called "scientific" views long ago shown to be the racist nonsense they really are. They often also read Trent Lott's syndicated newspaper columns which are frequently carried in it as well.

Indeed, Mr. Lott seems to have a long history of connections with the Council of Conservative Citizens, often speaking to their group and being photographed with its leaders. Some wonder whether he has not, in fact, been a member himself. When, finally, the mainstream media began to question Mr. Lott about his ties to this racist organization, he began to try to distance himself from it, claiming that he was unaware of the organization's racist views. But Lott's own uncle said otherwise.

The evidence is pretty clear. Trent Lott, the Majority Leader of the Senate, has close ties with a known white supremacist group. If the Republican party really wants to prove that it understands the vision of the 21st century, then they will have to do more than put J. C. Watts up front. It will have to tell Trent Lott that he, too, like the dinosaur, must go. If the Republican party really wants to prove that it is doing more than just trying to get rid of Bill Clinton for his lying about sex, then it will have to get rid of Trent Lott for lying about racism. And if the almost all white male U.S. Senate wants us to believe that it can truly represent all the people of this great country, then it, too, must show that racism will not be tolerated in its own leadership. It can't just turn its back on this one.

lowers into Hell. He will have the power to save the saints. He will come with the power to unite all His people, regardless of their separation in time and space. He will come with the power to begin a new Heaven and a new earth.

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met last Saturday morning in the lovely home of their vice president, Rev. Sister Christine Burleson at 9:00 a. m. We're moving on up in Christ Jesus. A song of praise went forth with power. Scripture was read by Sister Burleson, and she read Psalms 34:1-16. Prayer was given by Sister Irma Crawford. There was a testimony by Sister Lois Jean Rowe.

The morning scripture lesson was taught by Sister Elnora Jones. Her subject was "Instruments of Peace. Peace Is God's Will For His World."

The foundation of peace is justice. If justice is the framework which embodies peace, then peace is present in its most penetrating light. This light shines brightly in our world, not an ordinary light. Nor a human made light, but a light that comes from heaven. This is a light that reveals the essence of godness, kindness, caring and sharing indeed. This a brilliant demonstration of what God could do and will do if justice is the foundation of peace. The God that listens and inclines an ear toward us now speaks so that mercy and truth may come together. The world is waiting for peace. The church must lead the way to provide the world with the knowledge of God, and the witness of what God can do to bring a new call in life to live justly, love mercy and walk humbly with our God.

Many will be attracted to God's house. He will require nations, and people everywhere to abstain from war. Universal peace with no military conflict or training will prevail, because the implements of warfare, that is swords and spears will turn into implements of agriculture, plow shares and pruning hooks. This means the manufactures of weapons of war will cease and agriculture will flourish. No longer will they hear war. The only way to peace is to return to God and walk in the light of the Lord which is the only way of peace. World peace will come, not by human achievement, but because of God's presence. This wonderful counselor, the mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace will come again. He will judge among the nations. Get ready and REPENT, REPENT, REPENT.

Thanks Sister Teacher for a blessed message. We love you. Keep teaching the word with power.

Are you hurting??? Read II Chronicles 7:14 and Mark 11:22-26.

Thought of the week: "People are fighting in the name of Jesus."

Breakfast was served, and it was prepared by one of the best cooks in the West, Sister Burleson. Come and you will be blessed.

Write to us at: Outreach Prayer Breakfast, P. O. Box 1223, Lubbock, Texas 79408.

Keep loving all men. It doesn't matter what kind, just love them, and do it today! Saints!

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Martin Luther King, Jr.; or What Makes Anger Beautiful?

by Donna Lamb,
Aesthetic Realism Consultant

Part 2 Last week I began telling of the courageous, moving life of Dr. Martin Luther King and what I believe we can learn from him on a subject of tremendous importance for us all: anger. And I told what I am grateful to have learned from Eli Siegel, who founded the philosophy Aesthetic Realism in 1941 that there are two kinds of anger:

"A good anger has like of the world in it, has respect for the world in it; and a bad or hurtful anger has dislike of the world in it; or contempt for the world in it...What differentiates a handsome anger from an ugly anger is whether the anger is narrowly person-oriented or is for something beautiful and just, sustained by space, time, and history."

Martin Luther King struggled between these two angers in his youth as he experienced the day-to-day brutalization of racism. In high school, when traveling on a segregated bus in Georgia, he and his teacher were cursed by the driver and forced to give up their seats to whites. About it Dr. King said: "It was the angriest I have ever felt in my life." I respect him so much that instead of feeling he was right to have a bitter, hateful anger, he worked to have an anger at racism that was wide, kind, in behalf of justice. How he used his anger for greater respect for the world is one of the great, thrilling stories of our time, and I tell now of the first major civil rights action he led the Montgomery bus boycott.

A Beautiful Anger Puts Opposites Together

In 1955 Dr. King was 26 years old and the new pastor of Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery, Alabama known as the "Cradle of the Confederacy" because it was the first capital of old slave-based Dixie. He and his wife Coretta Scott King had moved from Boston back to the South to practice the Social Gospel, where he felt he was needed most.

In his search for a method to eliminate racism and poverty, Dr. King had given much thought to the best way to oppose injustice, and came to the conclusion that anger was an indispensable tool. As his friend Harry Belafonte said, "Martin always felt that anger was a very important commodity, a necessary part of the black movement in this country." He also felt strongly that it had to be the right kind of anger. Writes Stephen B. Oates in his fine biography of Dr. King, *Let the Trumpet Sound*:

"He never told Negroes not to be angry...But it must not be a hateful anger, for that was debilitating and ruinous; it must be a disciplined, nonviolent anger...a 'creative dissatisfaction.'"

I think Dr. King would have loved and been greatly assisted by Eli Siegel's explanation of two kinds of anger. And I believe he would have been grateful to know of this principle of Aesthetic Realism stated by Mr. Siegel: "All

beauty is a making one of opposites, and the making one of opposites is what we are going after in ourselves." In it is the basis for "creative dissatisfaction" the seeing that a beautiful anger puts opposites together.

As I begin to write of the Montgomery bus boycott beautiful in its justice I am impelled to speak of the ugliest, most cruel boycott in history: the over 50 year boycott of the Aesthetic Realism of Eli Siegel by the mainstream press and media. Out of conceit and anger that they have something large and important to learn, they have kept urgent knowledge from the American people, which could have strengthened and encouraged

Dr. King. As a college student, the philosopher he was most affected by was Hegel, who saw reality as a synthesis of opposites. Yet, Hegel dealt with abstractions, and Dr. King was looking for a way to bring

together opposing drives in people such as fierceness and gentleness, severity and kindness in the most down-to-earth, practical situations of life, which only Aesthetic Realism provides.

With Anger and Joy a Boycott Begins!

Dr. King saw that black persons in Montgomery were fed up with segregated buses. The 40,000 African-Americans who made up 75% of the riders were treated with utter contempt by a company which refused to hire black drivers. But a boycott never got off the ground, for black persons knew they risked harassment, losing their jobs, and those who did business with the white community would be boycotted by white Citizens Councils.

But one evening in 1955, Rosa Parks, a dignified, hardworking tailor's assistant refused to give up her seat to a white man because, she said simply, she was tired. She was arrested for violating Montgomery's segregation law. Dr. King and other leaders, notably E.D. Nixon of the NAACP, had long wanted a test case to challenge the bus ordinance in court. Mrs. Parks' conviction opened the door to a federal test of this Jim Crow law and the structure of segregation it was based on.

Within hours of Rosa Parks' arrest, 35,000 handbills were circulated telling people not to ride the buses. The Montgomery Improvement Association (MIA) was formed, Martin Luther King elected its leader, and, though they thought only a handful of people would come, the turnout for the first meeting was so large that not only was the 4,000 seat church filled, but loudspeakers were needed outside for thousands more.

The Opposites of "the Militant and Moderate"

In *Stride Toward Freedom*, Dr. King told of wanting to encourage the right kind of anger at this meeting:

"How could I make a speech

that would be militant enough to keep my people aroused to positive action and yet moderate enough to keep their fervor within controllable bounds... devoid of hate and resentment?"

His speech, a rousing call to action and warning against violence, ended.

"If you will protest courageously, and yet with dignity and Christian love, when the history books in future generations will have to pause and record a great people a black people who injected new meaning and dignity into the veins of civilization. This is our challenge and our overwhelming responsibility."

Led by Dr. King, the Montgomery bus boycott gave beautiful form to anger in people as it united and excited the entire black community. Persons who had been spat on, trampled on, and exploited, most of whom worked long, hard hours, showed they were eager to do whatever it took, including walk for miles, to fight for justice. Undeterred by freezing cold, intense heat, or drenching rain, and attempts by city officials to stop them, they voted to continue for as long as necessary and a boycott planned for one day lasted 13 months! It rocked not only Montgomery, but the South and the entire nation as African-Americans opposed the institutionalized contempt of Jim Crow laws and won!

Beautiful Anger Has Terrific Organization

A good anger, I learned from Aesthetic Realism, has passion and exactitude strict organization and cleverness to overcome obstacles. Dr. King and other leaders knew that for the boycott to succeed, they needed a well organized plan for transporting people who lived too far from their jobs to walk. At the start, black-owned taxi companies transported people for the price of a bus ride but the city soon put an end to this by enforcing a law stipulating a higher fee for all taxis. Then Dr. King organized 48 dispatch and pick-up stations. This worked so well that the city had the police harass the car pool, threaten to arrest drivers and revoke their licenses; and pressure insurance companies to cancel policies on cars used in the boycott. But then the organizers found an insurance agent who got Lloyds of London to underwrite the cars so the protest could continue!

In February 1956, when white lawyers dug up an obscure law prohibiting boycotts, an all white grand jury indicted 89 leaders, including Dr. King and all the drivers of the car pool. Dr. King was worried: would these mass arrests break their spirit and end the boycott? But in a brilliant move, many organizers went to the jail and turned themselves in. It was, writes Oates: "a spectacle that set black Montgomery ablaze with excitement."

Never had the leaders made such a show of defiance and solidarity...At the jail, "an almost holiday atmosphere prevailed." King said, as other Negro leaders stood happily in line to get booked...At a mass meeting that night, standing

before 5,000 clapping, stamping people, King cried that their movement could never be broken now."

Everything the city did to crush the boycott only fueled people's anger, making them more determined to defeat such evil, and strengthened the community. Writes Dr. King:

"Physicians, teachers and lawyers sat or stood beside domestic workers and unskilled laborers...[Those] who owned cars and had never ridden the buses came to know the joys and the labors who rode the buses every day [and] were now singing and praying together in a common struggle for freedom and human dignity."

The boycott was covered internationally and global support grew for the beautiful anger, the courage and perseverance of people. Donations poured in from as far away as Tokyo, Singapore, and Sweden augmenting the generous, hard-earned dollars from the African-American community. A former federal judge wrote in a letter of support: "The entire nation salutes you and prays for your early relief and victory."

Crucial in a Beautiful Anger: the Desire to See Justly One of the things that affects the most is seeing how much Martin Luther King wanted to be an integrity, to embody what he prescribed to others as to anger including in the privacy of his own mind. I can hardly say how much I respect him that even under some of the toughest circumstances anyone could face hate mail,

death threats, and the bombing of his home his desire to see deeply and justly continued, which I

learned from Aesthetic Realism is crucial in combating ugly anger in oneself.

After the bombing, as Dr. King stopped the crowd from attacking police at the scene, a policeman told a reporter: "I was terrified. I owe my life to [him], and so do all the other white people who were here."

And I was tremendously affected and learned from him as I read of how, later driven to think with bitter hatred of the bomber, Dr. King worked to change the direction of his thought, and saw their cruelty in a wider context: that from infancy, whites were taught by their parents, schools, churches, that black persons were inferior. The real enemy, he said, was a culture "blighted with more than 250 years of slavery and more than 90 years of segregation."

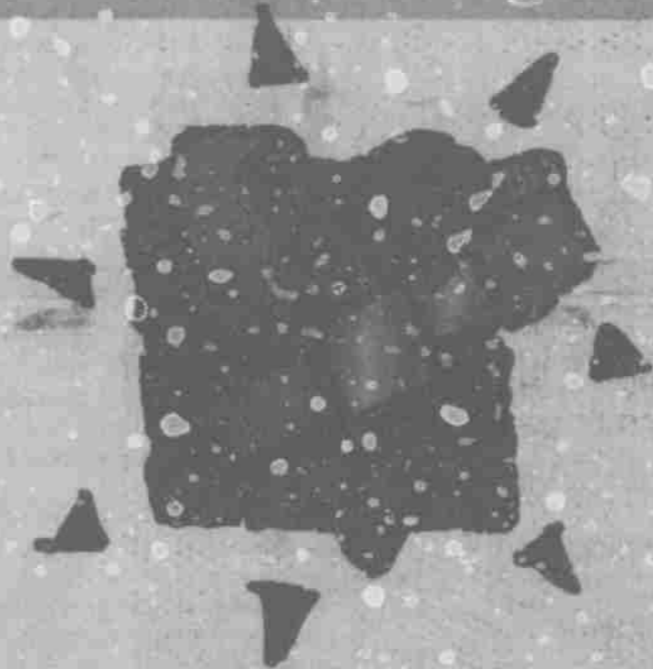
To think this way at such a time took courage, strength, and showed the true greatness of the man!

A Victory for Justice

November 13, 1956, saw a victory for justice as the U.S. Supreme Court declared Alabama's state and local laws requiring segregation on buses unconstitutional.

In time, Martin Luther King's beautiful anger came to take in more and more, including the Vietnam War and poverty which I look forward to writing about during Black History Month!

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