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## Local Briefs

### IP&L Urges Preparedness as Winter Storm Season Approaches

Winter storm season is upon us. These storms can produce freezing rain and snow which increase the likelihood of power outages. Customers should be prepared for power interruptions caused by vehicle accidents with electric poles and ice-laden tree limbs bringing down power lines. Power outages are a time to exercise extra caution for the safety of everyone involved. Being prepared by taking appropriate action before the storm arrives and knowing what to do in the event of a power outage will give the best chance of weathering the storm safely.

#### What To Do Before The Storm Arrives:

- Stock up on food supplies for family and pets.
- Refill any prescription medications that may be needed during the storm.
- Have on hand: Flashlights, a battery powered radio, fresh batteries, a manual can opener, a few gallons of bottled water, wood for a fireplace if applicable, and a first aid kit.
- If you have room, put a couple of plastic bottles of water in the freezer. The frozen bottles can then be placed in the refrigerator during a power outage to help preserve perishable foods.
- When possible, keep trees pruned of dead and oversized limbs that could fall on your overhead service line or other power lines. If you have an overhead service wire to your house, a falling tree limb can literally rip the meter from your house. This could make power restoration take longer because an electrician will be required to repair the meter. This type of electrical work is performed at the expense of the homeowner.
- What To Do When An Outage Occurs:
  - Call IP&L's 24 hour electric service number (775-2555) to report the outage. It is important that we know each address that is without power.
  - Use of candles is not recommended due to the risk of fire. If you must use candles, keep them away from flammable materials, drafts, & children. Do not leave them unattended.
  - Turn off all electric appliances. Leave one known working light on to let you know when power has been restored.
  - Use only firewood, pressed logs or logs made of newspaper in a fireplace. Do not burn charcoal in a fireplace as doing so allows for the release of carbon monoxide, an odorless gas that can prove fatal.
  - Stay home if possible. Power outages also affect streetlights and traffic lights and make travel around the city much more treacherous especially with the foul weather conditions.
  - If using a portable electric generator, please make sure it is installed safely. If it is not, there is great risk to your property and to the lives of our linemen who may be working in the area.
  - Open the doors to freezers and refrigerators only when necessary. Foods will stay fresh or frozen for about 24 hours. Ice and snow from outdoors can be added to help maintain food until power is restored.

## Environmental Racism Threatens Minority Communities

by Juleyka Lantigua



America needs to stop using ethnic minority communities as dumping grounds. But new guidelines released by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) may make it more difficult to address this problem.

This is a step backward for the Clinton administration. Back in 1993, it recognized the severity of environmental racism and made a commitment to attacking it.

"People of color and low income are disproportionately affected by some environmental risks — the risk of living near landfills, municipal waste combustors, or hazardous waste sites," EPA Administrator Carol Browner testified before Congress. "I have made environmental justice one of the key policy themes of my administration."

In 1997, the Clinton administration backed up that commitment when the Nuclear Regulatory Commission rejected a permit for Louisiana Energy to build a nuclear plant near two black neighborhoods in northern Louisiana.

But the EPA's guidelines

released in late June stipulate that "Both the demographic disparity and the disparity in rates of impact (must be) at least a factor of two times higher in the affected population" for the EPA's Office of Civil Rights to pursue civil-rights cases against companies.

Environmental racism is already hard to prove. Now it's going to be twice as hard.

Ethnic minorities are 50 percent more likely than whites to live in communities with hazardous waste facilities, according to the National Black Environmental and Economic Justice Coordinating Committee, a lobbying organization that represents more than 100 minority neighborhoods in 30 states.

This exposure increases the risks for ethnic minorities of getting asthma, prostate cancer and other deadly diseases.

For minority communities, this issue strikes all too close to home.

In New York City, Bronx residents are up in arms about American Marine Rail's proposed waste transfer plant. The state's Department of Environmental Conservation has granted a waste management company permission to build a barge-to-rail transfer station in the heart of their community.

Blacks in West Oakland, Calif., are concerned by the high levels of vinyl chloride, a gas that has been linked to a rare form of liver cancer. Since the

1950s, the federal land nearby has been used by the military as a dumping ground for biological materials. Some longtime residents and community organizers worry that the rates of asthma, breast cancer and prostate cancer have dramatically increased among black residents.

Nearby Richmond, a black residential area, has the dubious honor of being number one among Bay Area black communities in terms of its pollution level.

According to government records obtained by activists, more than 350 industrial facilities handle hazardous materials in the area, and some 210 hazardous chemicals are stored or released nearby. Companies emit 800,000 pounds of toxic air contaminants, almost 18,000 pounds of pollutants in wastewater and some 179,000 tons of hazardous waste every year, according to the Sun Reporter.

Communities affected by environmental racism ought to be able to depend on the EPA to take their side against polluters. But with the new guidelines, the EPA is reneging on its commitments. Ethnic communities may pay a high price for this.

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## Happy Holidays from Kandice Kelly

Many of you may remember a young lady who wrote some wonderful stories in the Southwest Digest in the early 1990's. She was Candice Johnson, but today she is known as Kandice Kelly.

She is an Anchor/Reporter in Sacramento, California, which is KMAX, Channel 34 which is a UPN. No doubt about it, she is moving up the ladder, and got her start in Lubbock, Texas.

Wouldn't it be nice if we had an Anchor/Reporter in the Lubbock market. What about that? Sure, there some other Kandice Kellys in this market area.



## Charles Gambles Honored Recently

Charles Gambles, who is a 52-year old man, was honored recently for his 27 years of being on Hemodialysis. Hemodialysis is a procedure used in treating renal failure. It removes impurities or waste from the blood through the use of an artificial kidney (Dialyzer).

Mr. Gambles dialyses three times a week at the South Plains Kidney Disease Center to sustain life under the care of Doctors Glen Stanbaugh, Gary Newson and W.D. Myers.

He contributes his successful years on Dialysis to staying busy, staying positive about his illness, and making his treatments a partnership between himself and the staff.

He is married to Linda Gambles, and they are parents of a son, J.R.



Charles Gambles, center, is shown with staff members of the South Plains Kidney Disease Center. From left to right are: Glen Stanbaugh, MD, Jerry Carmelito, R.N., Margaret Sanchez, R.N., and Janice Austin, R.N.

They are saying: "Congratulations, Charles, on your Quarter of Century of good health!"

## City Thanks Community for Support

When the cat room in the adoption area of the Animal Shelter flooded Tuesday morning during heavy rains, the citizens of Lubbock were quick to respond.

Media reports on the conditions at the Shelter prompted animal advocates and pet owners all across Lubbock to offer support and assistance

to the Animal Services staff. Many people brought in food, pet toys and blankets that will be used throughout the Shelter, and the number of adoptions increased.

Cameron Ashley Inc. donated the materials to repair the roof, and Hartman Roofing volunteered the labor to complete the repair. Work

will begin Friday morning weather permitting.

"We appreciate the outpouring of support from everyone," said Health Department Director Tommy Camden. "And we thank the generous construction professional who are going to take care of the repair."

## Texas Tech Student Helps Local SWAT Team with Fitness Test

LUBBOCK- Kendra Albus, second-year exercise physiology graduate student from Midland, is helping the Lubbock County Sheriff's Office SWAT team to enhance its job performance through a fitness program. Albus is working on a project with Texas Tech University's Department of Health, Exercise, and Sport Sciences to provide fitness testing and an exercise program for members of the Sheriff's Office SWAT team. She is the daughter of Ken and Jan Albus.

"This project will be a good experience for me because I will get hands-on experience, and I will have the opportunity to apply what I have learned in the classroom to this project," Albus said. "The experience that I will gain by working on this project

can be applied to a future occupation."

As a part of the project, Albus and the Department of Health, Exercise, and Sport Sciences are conducting maximal aerobic capacity tests. The department also is administering biomechanical testing for the physical fitness project.

The maximal aerobic capacity testing is conducted with the use of a cycle and metabolic cart. During the project, Albus said she will assist with the maximal tests and perform body compositions for

each SWAT team member. While SWAT team members ride the cycles, Albus said she and other examiners for the project will record each member's heart rate, blood pressure and maximal oxygen consumption.

Currently, more than 20 team members are involved with the project. Team members will meet on Thursdays and Fridays this month to go through the test cycles.

Testing will continue through the end of the fall semester.



Kendra Albus (left), a graduate with the Department of Health, Exercise, and Sport Sciences, is shown with members of the SWAT team. From left to right are: Ken Albus, father of Kendra Albus, and other SWAT team members.

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If you find mistakes in this publication, please consider that they are there for a reason. We publish something for everyone, and some people are always looking for mistakes.



Group photo of people at an event. From left to right: [Names of people in photo]



## Fashion Fun

by Shirley Roberson

### Plus Fashions

Grading on the curve, designer Jan Caplan brings out clothes for plus size women that are flirty, flattering and feminine.

Fashions that are curvy, in fact, that's the name of her company, (Curvy Clothes). Ladies you will absolutely love this line... ruffles abound on wrap dresses, off the shoulder dresses, dresses made in floral, animal prints and pewter silks.

Filly tops, which wraps at the waist, creating a flattering silhouette, on any one who wear them.

She also design casual separates in velvet, stretch cotton. She knows what the beautiful plus size woman want. She knows how things should fit, how they should

feel and of course how they should flatter, with out showing off everything.

Curvy clothes empower curvy women everywhere to look good, just the way they are, not 50 pounds from now. One thing is for certain, God blessed sisters with a tremendous amount of curves. REMEMBER LADIES, TRUE BEAUTY COMES FROM WITHIN!

NEXT ISSUE... FASHION-ISTAS  
Tip... ALWAYS WEAR A SMILE

FASHION... JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT

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## Lubbock Area Foundation Uses Grants to Promote Teaching Innovations

From soaring rockets to crawling tarantulas. From ancient Vikings in Scandinavia to German-speaking students here in West Texas. From writing your own book to having Bach for breakfast.

These are some of the diverse topics addressed by the "Mini-Grants for Teachers" program of the Lubbock Area Foundation. Since its beginning in 1997, the program has funded 89 classroom projects for the benefit of thousands of students throughout the South Plains. It allows teachers to try out creative instruction and to buy needed materials beyond the scope of limited school budgets. It recognizes and rewards teachers willing to go the extra mile in providing quality educational experiences.

Current grants total nearly \$16,000. Here are some examples of teachers and their innovations:

Enola Boyd of Stewart Elementary School in Lubbock: "Through My Eyes"—scientific observation of plants, animals, and habitats surrounding the school.

Karen Courtney of Bozeman Primary Academy in Lubbock: "American Heroes"—a study of literature designed to introduce key figures in U.S. history—studying classical music as the day begins.

Regina Penny of Stewart Elementary in Lubbock: "Teacher, I'm Done; What Can I Do Now?"—kits of educational and entertaining activities for students who finish independent work.

John Peters of Seranole Junior High: "Spanish/German Awareness"—cultural literature and ethnic history for a school in which 300 of the 450 students are of Hispanic or German-Mexican background.

Donna Pugh of Levelland High School: "Project Portfolio"—students

compiling personal, professional information about their career development, work experience, certificates and honors.

Kristine Record of Christ the King Cathedral School in Lubbock: "Teaching Tolerance and Respect for Differences Through Novels"—a sort of "Book of the Month Club" dealing with such issues as racism, stereotypes, relationships, and choices.

Vicki Sellers of Crosbyton Middle School: "Middle School Learners in the News"—reporting, writing, editing and then publishing a school newsletter.

Lynn Sims of Hale Center High School: "CPR/AED Certification and First Aid"—secondary students learning, then demonstrating basic safety measures to elementary classes.

Amy Stephens of Murfee Elementary School in Lubbock: "Vikings and Early Scandinavian Cultures"—introduction to a part of the ancient world, applications to the world of today.

Stacy Tate of New Deal Elementary School: "Giving Science a history."

Chris Deason of Matthews Alternative High School in Lubbock: "Operation Conservation in Latin America"—raising a breeding pair of Mexican Red Knap tarantulas and then releasing the spiders into the wilds of Mexico.

Jean Durrett of Maedgen Elementary School in Lubbock: "Soaring with Mystical Wings"—building and flying planes and rockets, studying duck migrations, getting involved with a flight physics program with Southwest Airlines.

Beverly Finch of Estacado High School in Lubbock: "Master Mentoring"—finding older students to provide younger students with needed extra attention in social and

academic development.

Cynthia Furlow of Burleson Elementary School in Meadow: "Mobile Science Lab"—giving younger students the full experience of laboratory situations.

Danny Kitten of Roosevelt school district: "I Think I Can, I Can"—flexible activities and enhanced equipment for special students.

Nancy Krebs of Stewart Elementary in Lubbock: "Read Across America"—learning through the books of author and illustrator Kevin Henkes and meeting local "celebrities" in a day-long readathon.

Teresa Morris of Ralls Middle School: "Writing Your Life"—becoming authors of books about people, their hardships, their successes, and their visions for the future.

Deborah Payne of South Elementary School in Levelland: "Bach for Hand"—active work on general science themes from plants and animals to weather and space.

Diann Thomas of Dunbar Junior High in Lubbock: "Living the Language: PSAT Vocabulary Enrichments"—making the test vocabulary a part of students' lives through recordings, computers, writing.

Dawn Truesdell of Bowie Elementary School in Lubbock: "Enrichment Rotations"—applying classroom information to real-life scenarios.

Susan Wiley of Cooper High School: "Resume-Portfolio Technology"—giving theater students a chance to create the professional materials they will need for job and college interviews.

Applications for the awards are accepted in June of each year. For more information, contact Kathy Stocco at the Lubbock Area Foundation, 762-8061.

## West Texas Legal Services Will Meet

There will be a meeting of the West Texas Legal Services Board of Directors on Saturday, December 14, 2002, at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting will be held jointly with Legal Services of North Texas at the La Firm of Jones, Day, Revis & Polk, 2727 North Harwood Street, Dallas, Texas, 75201, (214)220-3939.

The public is invited to attend.



## Flu Shots

Due to a surplus of influenza vaccine the City of Lubbock Health Department will offer flu shots to all persons ages 6 months and older for \$5/each during normal clinic hours at the City of Lubbock Health Department located at 1902 Texas Avenue.

If you are ill with a fever, have an allergy to eggs, or have ever had a reaction to a flu shot in the past you cannot take the shot.

For questions and/or a listing of clinic hours please call 806-775-2933.

## Do You Know A Child Who Deserves To Be Recognized?

In 2002, The Avalanche-Journal And Its Make Kids Count Sponsors Will Keep The SPOTLIGHT ON KIDS

Each Day The A-J Will Introduce You To A Local Child Who Is Going Above And Beyond To Do Good Things, The Right Things!

If You Know Of Such A Child, We Want To Know, Too. Be It Neighbor, Pupil, Friend Or Relative. Help Us Tell The World About These Special Kids!

### NOMINEE INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents name: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENTS SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone (parent): \_\_\_\_\_

On a separate sheet of paper  
1) briefly tell us about your nominee and  
2) list the accomplishments of your nominee.

### NOMINATOR INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want your nomination to be anonymous? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you include a good quality photo of the child? \_\_\_\_\_

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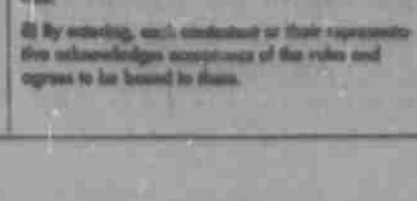
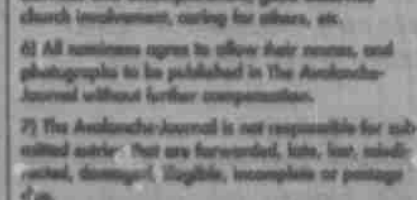
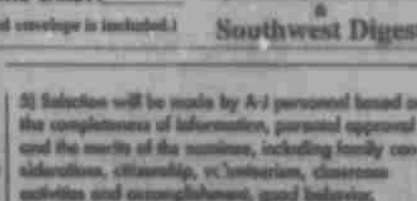
### SPOTLIGHT ON KIDS RULES

1) No purchase necessary. Nominations forms will appear bi-weekly throughout the year in the Avalanche-Journal and at Make Kids Count sponsor business around town. Forms also are available at the A-J Information Center, 710 Avenue J.

2) Nominations forms can be mailed to Spotlight On Kids, P.O. Box 491, Lubbock, TX 79408, or can be dropped off at the A-J Information Center, 710 Avenue J.

3) All information, including a reproducible photograph of the child, must be included. INFORMATION AND PICTURE WILL NOT APPEAR IN THE A-J WITHOUT VERIFICATION AND SIGNATURE FROM A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN. Photos will be returned ONLY if a self-addressed stamped envelope is included.

4) Only one Spotlight On Kids nominee will appear in the A-J each day.



## JAY'S CORNER

### 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 pastor. The doors of New Hope Baptist Church are always open for those who are looking for a church home. So come and be with us on any given Sunday morning. God is able!

Services were held on Sunday morning with Sunday School, beginning at 9:30 a.m. with all officers and teachers at their post of duty. For thirty minutes, students received thirty minutes of instruction. At 10:15 a.m., all teachers and students marched to the main auditorium where highlights of the morning lesson were given.

Sunday morning was Youth Sunday, and the young people of New Hope Baptist Church were in charge of the morning devotion period. What a time all had. They were assisted by the Praise Team.

The Youth Choir marched in the processional singing out of their hearts. The altar prayer was offered by Rev. Aubrey Brickey. After a selection by the Youth Choir, the morning scripture was read by Brother Brandon Crockett. Sister Keeruna Mitchell gave the morning prayer. The Youth Choir sang another selection. The responsive reading was done with the congregation standing and led by Brother Leonard Wilson. The morning hymn was "Lift The Savior Up," and was sung by the congregation.

Pastor Moton preached on the subject "Call On The Lord And You'll Get An Answer." His scripture text was Judges 6:1-21. It was another great sermon. We thank God for Rev. Moton.

After an invitation to discipleship was extended, Sister Lisa Skarf lead the morning announcements. Sister Britany Wilson welcomed all visitors.

The Annual Church Family Christmas will be held Sunday, December 15, 2002. The theme is "Christmas Around The World." Each auxiliary is asked to participate by signing up for a country you wish to represent. Your organization will be asked to prepare treats which are popular in the country you submit. For more information, you may contact either Sister Margaret Moton or Sister Florina Stokley.

The Fifth Sunday Mission program will be held Sunday, December 29, 2002. Let us all be mindful of this special effort.

The New Year's Eve Services will be held at the St. John Baptist Church, 1712-East 29th Street, beginning at 10:00 o.m. Rev. Solomon Fields is pastor.

The monthly meeting of the Federation of Choirs will be held at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 2002 Southeast Drive, on Sunday afternoon, December 15, 2002, beginning at 2:30 p.m. Bethel is the host church for December. Why not go by on Sunday afternoon.

This week's special prayer requests come from Sister Rosie Reddie, Shasid Harris, who is a niece of Minister McCutcheon. Also Raymond Stovall who is a patient in the North Little Rock Hospital. He is the father of Sister Dorothy Stovall.

Let us visit those who are shut-in in their residence. There are many among us who are ill. A visit or telephone call will really help them. Let us not forget what prayer can do.

Among families who have lost loved ones include Goldie McCollough, aunt in Tennessee. Also Dorothy Diamond and Roberta Alien, daughter and niece of Bobbie Diamond. God is able!





# CHURCH DIRECTORY



## WE THANK GOD FOR JESUS "NO PEACE ON EARTH"

LUKE 12:49-51 JESUS SAID I AM COME TO SEND FIRE ON THE EARTH, AND WHAT I WANT IS TO BE ALREADY KINDLED? SUPPOSE YE THAT I AM COME TO GIVE PEACE ON EARTH? I TELL YOU, NAY, BUT RATHER DIVISION.

AMERICA IS ENTERING THE SO CALLED LOVING AND GIVING XMAS SEASON, WHERE THEY WILL BE TRYING TO SHOW PEACE AND JOY, SAYING, IT IS THE REASON.

JOHN 15:11-13, JESUS SAID, THESE THINGS HAVE I SPOKEN UNTO YOU, THAT MY JOY MIGHT REMAIN IN YOU, AND THAT YOUR JOY MIGHT BE FULL. THIS IS MY COMMANDMENT, THAT YE LOVE ONE ANOTHER, AS I HAVE LOVED YOU. GREATER LOVE HATH NO MAN THAN THIS, THAT A MAN LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIENDS.

AMERICA LOOK AROUND; THERE IS NO PEACE, AND THE DEVIL IS THE REASON. HE HAS TURNED THE HEARTS OF THE PEOPLE FROM THE LORD JESUS.

JOHN 10:10, JESUS SAID, THE THIEF (THE DEVIL) COMETH NOT, BUT FOR TO STEAL, AND TO KILL, AND TO DESTROY. I AM COME THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE LIFE, AND THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE IT MORE ABUNDANTLY.

\*\*\*\*\*PEACE AND JOY IS IN JESUS!\*\*\*\*\*

MANY BIG MONEY COMPANIES HAVE CLOSED, AND THE PEOPLE'S MONEY IS GONE, WHERE IS THE PEACE? A 39 YEAR WORKER AND OTHER HAVE BEEN DONE WRONG.

1 TIMOTHY 6:10, FOR THE LOVE OF MONEY IS THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL, WHICH WHILE SOME coveted AFTER, THEY HAVE ERICED FROM THE FAITH, AND PIERCED THEMSELVES THROUGH WITH MANY SORROWS.

AMERICA IS READY TO START A WAR, AND THAT IS THE SIGN OF TIME, AMERICA NEED TO LET JESUS COME BACK IN, TO HAVE THAT PEACE OF MIND.

MARK 13:7, 8, JESUS SAID, WHEN YE HEAR OF WARS AND RUMOURS OF WARS, BE YE NOT TROUBLED; FOR SUCH THINGS MUST NEED BE, BUT THE END SHALL NOT BE YET. FOR NATIONS SHALL RISE AGAINST NATIONS, AND KINGDOM AGAINST KINGDOM; AND THERE SHALL BE EARTHQUAKES IN DIVERS PLACES, AND THERE SHALL BE FAMINE, AND TROUBLES; THESE ARE THE BEGINNINGS OF SORROWS.

(THE INCREASE IN XMAS SORROWS, POSSESSION OF DRUGS, ROBBERY, AGGRAVATED ASSAULT, BURGLARIES, CREDIT CARD ABUSES, MURDERS, SPOUSE ABUSE, AND RAPE, AND SUICIDES, THIS IS THE DEVIL'S SEASON AND MONEY IS THE REASON.)

AND AMERICA SINGS: JOY TO THE WORLD; WITH HATE BEING THIS HIGH, I SAY: WAKE UP AMERICA, WHY ARE YOU SINGING THIS LIES???

1 JOHN 1:3-4, THAT WHICH WE HAVE SEEN AND HEARD, DECLARE WE UNTO YOU, THAT YOU ALSO MAY HAVE FELLOWSHIP WITH US; AND TRULY OUR FELLOWSHIP IS WITH THE FATHER, AND WITH HIS SON JESUS CHRIST, AND THESE THINGS WRITE WE UNTO YOU, THAT YOUR JOY MAY BE FULL.

AMERICA HAS INCREASED WITH KNOWLEDGE, AND CAN GO TO THE MOON, SHE NEED TO GET READY, SEE THE SIGNS OF JESUS CHRIST: HE IS COMING SOON.

LUKE 12:54-57, JESUS SAID, WHEN YE SEE A CLOUD RISE OUT OF THE WEST, STRAIGHTWAY YE SAY, THERE COMETH A SHOWER; AND SO IT IS. AND WHEN YE SEE THE SOUTH WIND BLOW, YE SAY, THERE WILL BE HEAT; AND IT COMETH TO PASS. YE HYPOCRITES, YE CAN DISCERN THE FACE OF THE SKY AND OF THE EARTH; BUT NOW IS IT THAT YE DO NOT DISCERN THIS TIME? YEA, AND WHY EVEN OF YOURSELVES JUDGE YE NOT WHAT IS RIGHT?

LIKE I SAID: AMERICA SEE THE SIGNS OF JESUS COMING SOON, LIKE THE THIEF IN YOUR HOUSES, MAY BE MORNING, MIDNIGHT OR HIGH NOON.

MATTHEW 24:42, JESUS SAID, WATCH THEREFORE, FOR YE KNOW NOT WHAT HOUR YOUR LORD COMETH.

WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY B.J. MORRISON, 111, YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST JESUS.

### Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church

2202 Southeast Drive  
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Pastor's study 806-741-0208  
dpoebethel@aol.com

Intercessory Prayer 8:30am  
Church School 9:30am  
Morning Worship 10:50am  
Evening Worship 6:00pm  
Wednesday Bible Study  
12:00 Noon and 6:00pm



"God Our Father, Christ Our Redeemer,  
Man Our Brother"  
Pastor: Danny R. Poe



## from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith "Discontent with the United States"

The Pew Research Center has released the data of a survey of "What the World Thinks" in 2002" of America. The research involved 38,000 people in 44 countries. The purpose of the research was to gather opinion of what other people thought about Americans.

Surprisingly or not surprising, the survey revealed that the favorable rating of the United States had fallen in 20 of 27 countries for which past as well as present data was available. The survey also reveals contradicting opinions as it related to American culture and its influence upon the rest of the world. The survey divulged that America did not enjoy support in its cultural influence on other societies of the world. Nor did the rest of the world's voice of the survey embrace American unilateralism in the war against Iraq. However America enjoyed wide support of the war on terrorism. The opposite was true in the Muslim world.

The survey also revealed that a large majority of people

in Germany, France, and Russia opposed the use of force to remove Saddam Hussein. However, the overwhelming majority of people of Turkey opposed allowing the United States and its allies to use bases in Turkey for military action against Iraq.

The global survey disclosed that the people of France, Germany and Russia believed that the United States wanted a war with Iraq so the United States could control Iraq's oil. They do not believe that Saddam is a threat and is the reason for military actions against Iraq.

While this writer believes in the right for one to have their own opinion, I do not have to agree with that opinion nor do I feel Americans have to "kiss up" to people of other countries, so that they may have a favorable opinion of us. The war on terrorism is expensive and we as American taxpayers are footing the bill. Certainly, the people of others countries who voice their discontent with us in many other ways, agree with us when they do not have to "foot the majority of the bills" on world

terrorism. The people of Germany raise an eyebrow of discord with their reasoning of why America wants to toddle Saddam.

Most Americans do not know or may be blind to the fact that Germany is an unpredictable giant and is uncertain about its place in today's world. It appears that Germany has come out of its postwar shell and is reclaiming its place at the head of Europe's top table of nations. It would do us well to remember that Germany chancellor Gerhard Schröder, recently won a close election which as some says "which he owes partly to his decision to thumb his nose at the government of the United States." It appears that the chancellor forgot that the United States has been a friend and the corner one of German foreign policy for over half a century.

At the present Germany's economy is the largest in Europe. It is a third larger than Britain's or France's. Germany has 82 million people, while France and Britain have 60 million. This makes it the undisputed "goliath" at the heart of one of the two richest continents in the world. Germans live very well and it is said to have a fantastic welfare system and is extremely kind to its old and sick.

American workers would love to have six to eight weeks of holidays a year liken to the Germans.

Americans perhaps would look at how Germans finance programs to help the old and indigent if they would get their hand out of our pocketbook and pay their lion's share of the cost of the war on terrorism instead of being critical.

## I KNOW I'M SOMEBODY



'cause God don't make no junk!!

## Attention City Ushers

It is time for members of the City Wide Ushers to celebrate their Annual Christmas Dinner. We are blessed to have it at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 2202 Southeast Drive, on Saturday afternoon, December 14, 2002, beginning at 5:00 p. m. Host pastor is Rev. Danny Poe.

We are looking forward to having a great time in the Lord. We are asking all ushers to bring their covered dish. Don't forget your canned

items.

At this meeting, we will have election of officers. So everyone need to attend so we can take care of this important business.

Remember one link has been broken in our chain. We will need someone to stand in this position. Come and let's keep up in our good works for Jesus.

Sister L. Harris, president; Sister Minnie Darthard, reporter.

The members and friends of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met in the home of Brother and Sister James Jones last

Saturday morning, December 7, 2002. What a meeting it was! The morning devotion was led by Sister C. Carroll, Sister Annie Lay, Sister J. Ross, Rev. Sister M. Chiles, Sister Christene Burleson, Sister I. Crawford and Sister L. McGee.

May God continue to bless these spirit-filled women of prayer. God is able!

The morning scripture lesson was taught by Rev. Sister Margaret Chiles. Her scripture text was 1 Corinthians 13. Her subject was "God is Love."

Chapter 3 explains what real love is. Love is more important than all the spiritual gifts exercised in ten church body. Great faith and miracle working power produces very little without love. Love makes our actions and gifts useful although people have different gifts. Love is available to everyone. Our society confuses love and lust. Unlike lust, God's kind of love is directed outward toward others. Not inward (H) toward ourselves. It is utterly unselfish.

This love is not natural. It is possible only if God supernaturally helps us set aside our own desires and instincts, so we can give love while expecting nothing in return. Thus the closer we come to Christ, the more love we will show to others.

God gives us spiritual gifts for life on earth in order to build up the body. In eternity, we will be made perfect and complete, and will be in the very presence of God. We will no longer need the spiritual gifts, so they will come to an end.

Paul offers a glimpse into the future to give us hope that one day we will be complete when we see God's face to face. This

truth should strengthen our faith. We don't have all the answers now, but then we will someday. We will see Christ in person and be able to see with God's perspective.

In the morally corrupt society of Corinth, love had become a mixed up term with little meaning. Today, people are still confused about love. Love is the greatest of all human qualities. It involves unselfish service to others. Therefore, it gives evidence that you care. Faith is the foundation and content of God's message. Hope is the attitude and focus. Love is the action when faith and hope are in line. You are free to truly love, because you understand how God loved. Love is an attitude of God himself. He is Love! YOU MIGHT can do all the great things here on this earthy but if you don't love others, it has no value at all.

Thanks, Sister Chiles! We love you in the word.

We were favored with a solo by Sister Annie Day. "There's going to be a fire that the fireman can't put out." She blessed our hearts. "She can sing!"

For all the people who are hurting in anyway, either bereaved and depressed. God is the answer.

"Hungry?" Come eat with us two ways — physically and spiritually. Breakfast for a king was prepared by Sister Elnora Jones. What a cook!

Thanks again to our guest. Come again!

Pray for our city and nation daily. Let's pray America!

We'd like to hear from you. Write us: Outreach Prayer Breakfast; 2132 East 30th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79404. Let us hear from you.

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president; and Sister Joyce Ross, secretary.

It is the greatest of all mistakes to do nothing because you can do only a little.

Do what you can.

--Sydney Smith



## In Remembrance...



**Bobbie Diamond**

Funeral services were held for Bobbie Diamond last Monday, December 9, 2002, at the New Hope Baptist Church with Rev. Billy R. Meton, pastor, officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of Brock's South Plains Funeral Directors.

Ms. Diamond passed away Wednesday, December 4, 2002. She was born January 10, 1948, in Lubbock, Texas.

She is survived by her mother, Dorothy E. Diamond of Lubbock, Texas, a sister, Doris Williams of Los Angeles, California, and a brother, Albert Preston of Lubbock, Texas.

## The "Other Side" of Western Art

Opening at the Texas Tech Museum

Define "Western Art". Is it the traditional paintings of Remington and Pussell? Is it anything created by artists living this side of the Mississippi? Is it anything with a cowboy or an Indian in it? Or a horse?

The Museum of Texas Tech University will demonstrate why the answer to all those questions is "no"—by presenting a new exhibition called "The Other Side of the West: Recreating New Icons of the American West". It opens at the Museum Sunday, December 8, and continues through February 2, 2003.

It's a collection of more than 30 works by 10 artists who say they are out to "massage, twist, tweak, and sometimes shatter" traditional concepts of Western Art. They do it not by parody or takeoff but with a "sincere embrace of Western and Southwestern iconography."

Maria Sharylen puts it this way: "I felt so tired of the old clichés attached to Western artists. I believed it was time to take Western art out of the corral and into the mainstream and show the contemporary lifestyles of those who live in the West."

Her colleagues are John Axton, Nelson Loren, JD Challenger, Anne Coe, David DeVary, J.E. Knauf, Bill Schenck, Miguel Martinez, and Ben Wright. Their images range from the swirling color of Cinco de Mayo dancers to a cowboy interlude beside a Rolls-Royce with a license plate that says "4-Flusher".

For more information or special assistance, call the Museum's education office, 742-2432, or email [museum.education@ttu.edu](mailto:museum.education@ttu.edu) or visit <http://www.ttu.edu/~museum>.

## Strength for Today hope for Tomorrow

by Gerald Jackson

**Question:** How can the church reach all people for Christ?

**Answer:** This question came to me after I had an opportunity to meet with a young man who was not a Christian. In fact, he was more at home in the streets than he would have been in anyone's church building, but he has a heart that is sensitive to God's calling. How the church can reach out such as this is a challenge for all of God's people to consider and respond.

*It is not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick; I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners.*

Scripture. Recall what took place in Mark 2:15-17. Jesus was eating with sinners and tax collectors. At this time these were the lowest of low-life in the Jewish culture. These were the prostitutes and con-

artists of that day. The scribes of the Pharisees were saying to Jesus, disciples, "Why is He eating and drinking with tax-gatherers and sinners?" hearing this Jesus said to them, "It is not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick; I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Consider this idea, the religious folk were complaining that Jesus was eating with sinners, as if Jesus had a choice. With anyone he ate with He would have been eating with sinners. The only time He did not eat with sinners is when he ate alone. No one is sinless. Paul said, "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God," (Romans 3:23).

It always amazes me to see so called Christians who reject people who are different than they are and feel justified in doing so, when the very Lord they claim to serve would welcome the same people they rejected. Do we not understand the teaching in James that favoritism is sin (James 2:1-13)? Maybe these Christians do not understand who their Lord is. The gospel is for all people. Our

churches are going to have to embrace this truth and start reaching out to everyone; rich and poor, all colors and cultures, educated and uneducated, married and divorced, young and old. Paul said, "And we proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, that we may present every man complete in Christ" (Colossians 2:28). If we are going to reach all people we are going to have to remember that at one time we were all lost. Jesus saved us where we were and made us who we are. There are others who still need the message of salvation. May this truth be our strength for today and hope for tomorrow.



**PARKWAY DRIVE CHURCH OF CHRIST**

## Local Man Serving in Korea

By John B. Dendy IV

KUNSAN, South Korea—At first glance, life in this sleepy fishing village tucked into a corner of southwestern Korea on the Yellow Sea seems tranquil and at peace with the world. Men and women scurry to haul their catches onto the docks, where vendors scramble to get the best of the catch straight to market.

But sandwiched between the rolling waves of the Yellow Sea and the ubiquitous rice paddies that dot the countryside, the son of a Lubbock couple finds himself in a world far from tranquil.

Air Force Staff Sgt. Steven C. Smith, son of Jeff Smith, 93rd St., Lubbock, is a member of the famed Wolf Pack unit with a reputation as one of the most combat-ready units in the world—and one of the most remote. A short 100 miles from a one-million strong North Korean army, Smith and the 2,700 airmen and soldiers assigned to this four-square mile base make up half of the U.S. air presence on the peninsula.

Smith plays an important part in the country's defense as the noncommissioned officer in charge of the commander's support staff at the 80th Fighter Squadron.

"My primary duties are to ensure that (work) performance reports for my squadron's

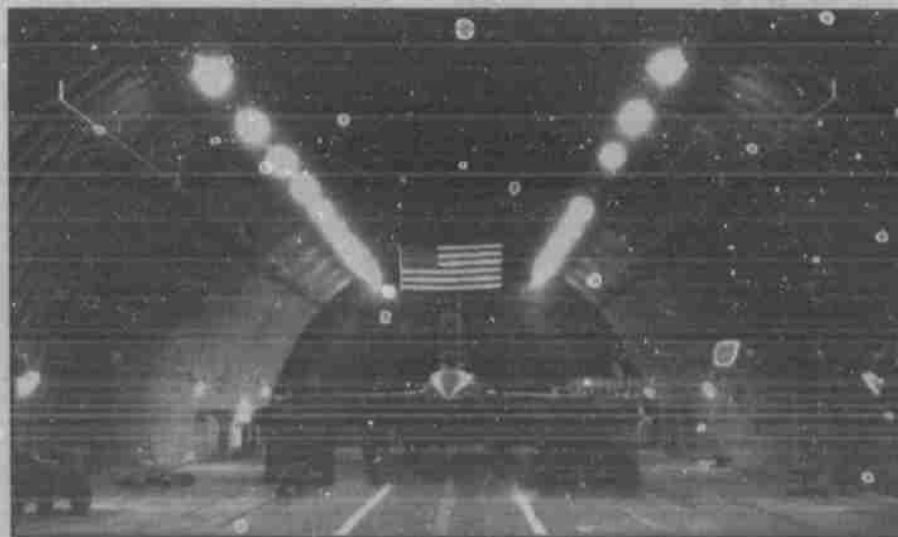
personnel are done properly and timely," said the 1992 graduate of Coronado High School. "I also provide administrative assistance to my squadron commander."



Fighter pilots here have a 108-mile flight at 506 mph to reach the 150-mile-long seam of land mines and enemy soldiers camped along the Demilitarized Zone where north meets south along the most heavily armed border in the world.

Newcomers are told upon arrival that they are targets because of what they do and what they know, making constant combat training a necessity here.

"Each month my office reviews our 'ability to survive and operate' guide. The guide helps us on how to operate in a nuclear biological chemical and conventional war environment," said Smith. "We also perform checks on our gear, such as the gas mask."



Even people who must live life this way have to relax. A highway system links Smith's seaside stronghold with chances to sample a country the size of Indiana. Everyone seems to have an opinion or story of life in the Land of the Morning Calm.

"While looking at flat land full of bright green rice fields, there are often rugged hills and mountains in the distance. Life is very different here than what I imagined," said Smith. "The food has also been interesting. I do enjoy it, however sometimes nothing beats a Big Mac at McDonalds in Kunsan City. In four months, I go to my next assignment in Florida. A part of me will be ready to get back to life in America, and part of me will miss the experiences that Korea has given me."

For Smith and others stationed at this southernmost air base in Korea, training for a constant state of readiness, facing the loneliness of a remote assignment and doing without many of the creature comforts they're used to in the U.S., make this assignment one of the most difficult in the Air Force.

### Christmas Project

Will you sponsor a baby shower for the Stork's Nest Christmas Project?

Stork's Nest is a program designed to increase the number of women who get early prenatal care, so that more babies are born healthy. Over 2,000 expectant mothers have registered with the incentive program located at 2602 Ave Q. Individuals can give items that are displayed at "The Nest".

For more info please call the Stork's Nest coordinators, Katie Parks and Jenee Jones 762-6730.

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## LOOKING For A place to call home?

### Boardwalk

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Boardwalk is a 20-unit, community located just off Texas Tech University on 19th Street, a major thoroughfare that runs through Lubbock, east and west. The community is directly west of Lubbock Christian University and just west of the medical district and Texas Tech University. It offers a quiet, full-service environment with large lots and two-bedroom units. The property is fully landscaped with a central courtyard and is beautifully landscaped with boardwalk and mature trees.

Bay Tree is southwest of Texas Tech University in west Lubbock specifically on Toledo Avenue and 34th Street—a major east-west thoroughfare. The community is located in proximity to elementary, junior and senior high schools and is within walking distance of a grocery store. These apartment homes are appointed in one, two, three and four bedrooms with nothing is easy to reach. Each of these units has private residents.

3333 Toledo

795-5605

**Bay Tree**

Gatwood is located south of Texas Tech University in south central Lubbock. The location of the community is within walking distance of community recreation services. Gatwood apartment homes are appointed in efficiency one, two and three bedrooms units meeting even the most demanding living requirements. The property includes green recreational areas for the enjoyment of children and adults.

### Gatwood

2701 44th Street

795-5514

5817 22nd Street

792-2738

**Twin Oaks**

Twin Oaks is west of Texas Tech University in west Lubbock—specifically on Franklin Avenue and 22nd Street. This property is located a block off of 19th Street, a major east-west thoroughfare. The community is located in proximity to elementary and junior high schools and within walking distance of community retail services. These apartment homes are appointed in one, two and three bedrooms units—meeting the requirements of even the most demanding residents.

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# COOKING CORNER

# Breakfast Burritos

(DM)-Thanks to easy-to-fix microwave recipes like Jalapeno Sausage and Egg Burritos, there is no need to skip breakfast due to lack of time. Because the microwave oven is a significant time saver during the morning rush, this recipe can be ready in less than 10 minutes. That is about as long as it takes to brew a pot of drip coffee. Whirlpool Corporation home economists recommend serving the burritos with salsa and sour cream for added pizzazz.

### JALAPENO SAUSAGE AND EGG BURRITOS

(4 servings)  
4 eggs

1/4 cup bottled salsa con queso  
(Jalapeno pepper flavored cheese  
sauce)  
2 tablespoons milk  
4 fully cooked sausage links thinly  
sliced

4 soft flour tortillas (7-inch)  
1 green onion, thinly sliced  
(about 2 tablespoons)  
1/4 cup grated Monterey jack  
cheese

1. In 1 1/2-quart microwave-safe bowl, beat eggs and milk slightly. Add sausage, onion and margarine.

2. Microwave at MEDIUM-HIGH (70%) for 5 minutes or until thickened and cooked, stirring twice.

3. Spread cheese sauce on each tortilla. Top with egg mixture. Sprinkle with Monterey jack cheese. Roll up and secure with wooden toothpick. Place on large microwave-safe plate.

4. Microwave at MEDIUM (50%) for 3 minutes or until heated through. Serve with salsa and sour cream.



## Discover the Good Taste of Kasha in a Classic Louisiana-Style Dish

(NAPS)—if you don't know kasha, you're not alone. Many people are simply unfamiliar with these roasted buckwheat groats. They're surprised to find that kasha has been in their supermarkets all along (usually alongside grains such as rice, or with kosher foods), and that it tastes great as a part of everyday dishes.

In *Kasha and Shrimp*, Jambalaya, for instance, nutty-tasting kasha mixes well with the rice that is typical of the dish, creating a heartier version of a well-loved classic. The lively ingredients associated with Louisiana-style cookery—including spicy sausage, celery, onions, peppers and tomatoes—add up to an appetizing one-pot meal that's sure to go in the "keeper" recipe file.

Kasha qualifies as a "super grain" that is not only rich in complex carbohydrates, but contains the highest-quality protein available from plant food. And exciting new research indicates that the protein in kasha is even more effective than soy in lowering blood cholesterol levels.

To request more information on Kasha's impressive nutritional benefits, send an e-mail to [info@lexis-neale.com](mailto:info@lexis-neale.com) or a stamped, self-addressed business size envelope to: Kasha Nutrition, 49 E. 21st St, New York, NY 10010.

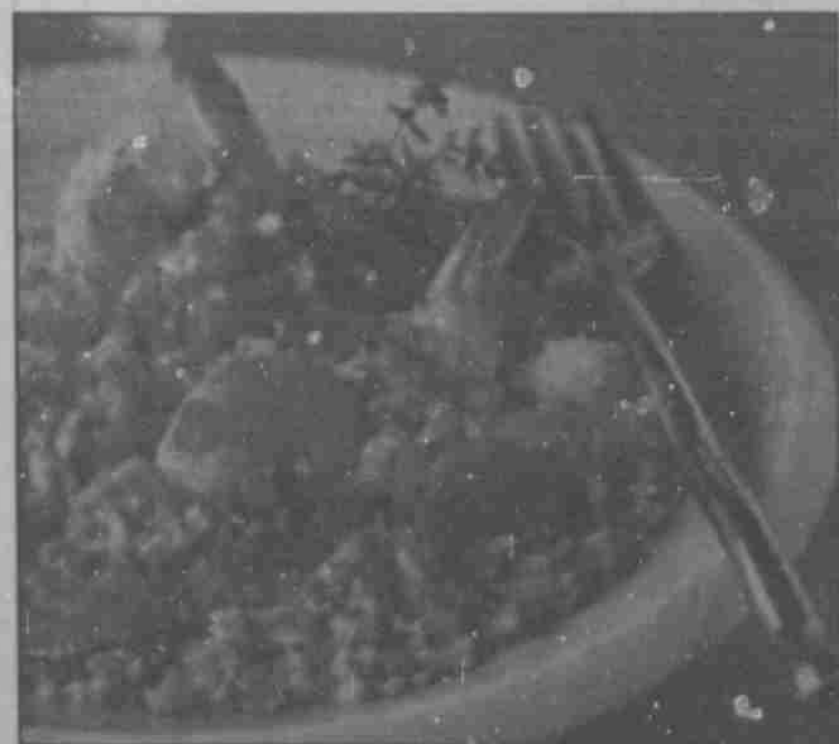
KASHA and SHRIMP JAM-BALAYA  
3/4 cup whole kasha  
1/2 cup long-grain rice (not converted)  
2 tablespoons vegetable oil  
1 package (4 oz.) chorizo, sliced (about 3/4 cup)  
1/2 cup sliced celery

Kasha adds robust flavor to this nutrition-minded jambalaya.

1/2 cup diced onion  
1/2 cup diced sweet green bell  
pepper  
1 can (14.5 oz.) diced tomatoes  
and chilies  
1 pound shelled cooked shrimp  
or 2 cups cooked chicken chunks  
1 teaspoon salt

In a large skillet (preferably nonstick), over high heat, cook and stir kasha and rice until toasted, about 3 minutes; remove to a bowl. To skillet, add oil; heat until hot; stir in chorizo, celery, onion and bell pepper; cook and stir over medium-high heat until onion is tender, about 5 minutes. Add kasha and rice mixture along with 2½ cups boiling water. Cover and simmer until kasha and rice are tender, 8 to 10 minutes. Stir in tomatoes, shrimp and salt; cover and cook until hot, about 2 minutes. If desired, garnish with chopped parsley; and/or thinly sliced green onion.

**YIELD:** 4 portions



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1 tablespoon rum

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### "It Has to be Us, For Us, By Us. If Not Us, Who?"

By Eddie P. Richardson

The time has long gone when the pass word is what about us? They need to help us. What is the Government doing for me and us? They mistreated me and us.

The new song should be what and how can do for myself and how? You cannot beg and bargain at the same time! You can't play civil rights, kicking the man in his britches eleven months, then beg on the twelfth month for help on my banquet and souvenir book. You

cannot beg and bargain at the same time. You must find a team and play on it, no matter what.

Too long we have sit around waiting for someone else to do for us. What we must do for ourselves to be successful. We must take as our personal creed: "If it is to be, it is up to me and live with it. And with the help of God make it a reality."

For our long denied communities to become the self sustaining market place, it should be the leadership and imitative us come from within the community itself. With resources, support, guidance, even money from others with us taking the lead. For the first time we have this in

North and East Lubbock Commission gathering information from the community and presenting the information will be presented to the Lubbock City Council.

Government welfare, aid, assistance and grants are dwindling. Government is becoming a dried up stream while the mighty ocean is business and industry which we should be forming marriages with business and industry which owns Republicans, Democrats, Independents, Suburbia, Ghetto, Barrio and others.

Nuff Sed! WHY NOT?

## Book: The African-American Teenagers Guide to Personal Growth, Health, Safety, Sex and Survival

The nation's #1 Self-Help book for African-American Teenagers and Their Parents. THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN TEENAGERS GUIDE TO PERSONAL GROWTH, HEALTH, SAFETY, SEX AND SURVIVAL - Living and Learning in the 21st Century, AMBER BOOKS (ISBN# 0-9653064-4-4 / \$19.95 / 368 Pages) by Debrah Harris-Johnson, has just completed a six-month conference tour with the Tavis Smiley Foundation Youth 2 Leaders Program. The annual series of one-day conferences took place in various cities throughout the country, including: Atlanta, Chicago, New York, Houston, DC, Philadelphia, Detroit and Los Angeles.

The Tavis Smiley Foundation is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to enlighten, encourage, and empower growth. It was established by political commentator and advocate Tavis Smiley to provide young people with leadership skills. The Foundation

has identified and trained more than 1,800 Black youth, ages 13 to 18, from 32 states through the youth 2 leaders conference series. Their goal is to identify, develop and encourage tomorrow's leaders. Mr. Smiley felt that "The African American Teenagers Guide" would be a perfect resource for their young conference participants and contacted Amber Books about incorporating the book into the Youth 2 Leaders Program.

The African American Teenagers Guide is a perfect tool to bring parents and teenagers together in planning a healthy and successful future. The African American Teenagers Guide teaches teenagers how to make the right decisions and handle situations completely on their own. By reading this much-needed, powerful book, they'll gain insight to everything they need to know about: discovering who they are physically, emotionally and spiritually and learning how to use

their attributes in a positive way. Other organizations that Amber Books has worked with include: Urban League of Broward County, Urban League of Eastern Massachusetts, Urban League of Phoenix, Youth Opportunity Boston and The Sisterhood Agenda.

Publisher and CEO Tony Rose stated, "It's a great honor to have been involved with the Tavis Smiley Foundation and work with its Youth Leadership Program. I look forward to joining The Foundation as they celebrate the completion of the annual tour." The celebration will take place on Saturday, October 26th at the Tavis Smiley Foundation's Salute to Youth Leadership 2002 at the home of Arianna Huffington in Brentwood, California. The host committee for the star-studded event includes: Angela Bassett, Courtney B. Vance, Berry Gordy, Sidney Poitier and Geraldo Rivera.

## THIS N THAT

WANTS A SONIC FOR CHRISTMAS! THIS N THAT ... was attending a national conference in the beautiful city of salt lake city, utah ... last week when he was asked by one of those in attendance what he wanted for Christmas... THIS N THAT ... replied ... I WANT A SONIC DRIVE IN ... in District 2 ... immediately on returning on Monday morning ... of this week... THIS N THAT called a person who can help with this wish ... and that was none other than ... ROENEY WAKREN... Hope he understands how important this... CHRISTMAS GIFT ... would mean for all of us... AnyWAY ... this n that ... along with thousands of others will wait and see what will be under the ... CHRISTMAS TREE...

NO DOUBT. TEXAS NLEDS TEX 21! THIS N THAT ... knows there are many citizens in Texas ... including those who live in Lubbock who are working hard for the ... MANY TRANSPORTATION ISSUES ... in our state. It would be unfair for us to ... NEGLECT ... our State's transportation needs ... in favor of other issues... THIS N THAT ... is just happy to see that ...

TEX 21 ... is there working hard for all of us in Texas... Wouldn't it be nice if we brought... TRANSPORTATION IN TEXAS... into the 21st Century!

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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Christopher John Farley, a graduate of Harvard University, is a senior editor at Time magazine. Over the course of his career he has interviewed some of the biggest stars in entertainment and the arts, including Halle Berry, Denzel Washington, Bob Dylan, Bruce Springsteen and Aretha Franklin. He is the author of the bestselling biography Aaliyah: More Than a Woman and the novel My Favorite War. An excerpt from My

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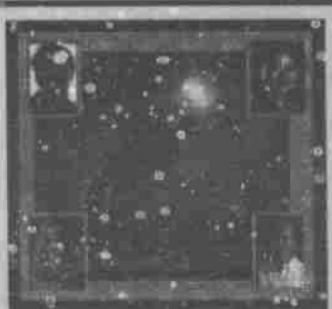
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