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NATIONAL NEWS

First African American Owned Telephone Company Launched

When Intra Community Communications (ICC) officially launched services in Milwaukee, Wis. on Feb. 22, 1997, it became the first certified African-American owned and controlled local telephone company in the U.S. ICC was founded in 1994 by five African Americans, including Bernell L. Ross, Chairman/CEO, to provide local telephone services similar to, and as an alternative to Ameritech. ICC plans to initially open and staff local sales offices in Milwaukee, Chicago and Cleveland, as well as state offices in Michigan and Florida. Its primary goal this year is to penetrate urban, central city areas, and residential markets; to offer valued products and services; at competitive prices and to offer special network marketing and affinity programs for all types of customers. With over \$200 billion in revenues, community members also have an opportunity to invest in one of the fastest growing industries in the country.

Burned Baptist Church in Arkansas to be Rebuilt

Destroyed by arson on Nov. 18, 1995, St. Mark's Missionary Baptist Church in Tyrone, Ark., is being rebuilt in a 10-day blitz between March 16-26, 1997. This is in an effort to ensure that the congregation will be able to worship in the new church Easter weekend. This is the only burned church that will be rebuilt so quickly. Approximately 260 volunteers from throughout the country, including people of all ages and from many faiths, will help to rebuild the church as well as perform other work in the community. A small, rural, African-American church (approximately 35 members), St. Mark's has been in the community for 92 years. The church was destroyed by arson in the middle of the night in November, 1995. No arrests have been made for the crime. The congregation has been worshipping in another church for the past 14-plus months.

National Minority AIDS Council Opposes the HIV Prevention Act of 1997

The National Minority AIDS Council (NMAC), a national HIV/AIDS organization for communities of color, opposes the "HIV Prevention Act of 1997," introduced on March 13, 1997 by U.S. Representative Tom Coburn, (R-OK), in a press conference held on Capitol Hill. The provisions of the bill include: The establishment of a national HIV reporting program, partner notification, HIV testing of sexual offenders, and non-consensual HIV testing of patients needing an invasive medical procedure. These measures have been unequivocally opposed by numerous organizations representing public health officials, health care providers and behavioral scientists, as well as by civil rights and AIDS organizations, nationwide. The National Medical Association (AMA) is in support of the act while other medical groups, like the American Nurses Association (ANA), the American Public Health Association (ALPHA), the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) and the American Psychological Association (APA), have expressed opposition. "It is shocking and deplorable that the AMA has taken a position which runs counter to the medical profession's Hippocratic oath to 'do no harm' by supporting a host of measures that have proven to drive people in need away from HIV counseling, testing and prevention services and will serve to further fuel the spread of HIV infection," said Miguelina Maldonado, NMAC's director of Governmental Relations & Policy.

THE CORPORATE GALA TRIBUTE! THE NOTORIOUS B.I.G.



WASHINGTON, D.C. --At the invitation of U.S. Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee (D-TX) (center), fifteen students and teachers from Houston's "Say Yes to a Youngster's Future" program traveled to Washington, D.C., for the second inauguration of President Bill Clinton. In addition to observing the inauguration from the steps of the U.S. Capitol, "Say Yes" participants joined Congresswomen Jackson-Lee for breakfast and a tour of her Washington office. "Say Yes to a Youngster's Future" was credited in 1987 by the National Urban Coalition, with a special grant from the Shell Oil Company, to give students a solid foundation in math, science and technology. Shell has sponsored the program for 10 years.

National Association of Market Developers to Hold 45th Anniversary Conference in April



NAMD Celebrates 'The Vision of the Founders, The Challenge of the Future'

It was Black pioneer Booker T. Washington who said, "At the bottom of education, at the bottom of politics, even at the bottom of religion, there must be for our race economic independence."

Forty-five years ago, the first Blacks in management at major U.S. corporations took Washington's statement to heart and acted on it. They formed the National Association of Market Developers (NAMD), an organization dedicated to enhancing opportunities for African-American professionals in the Black consumer market. NAMD works to strengthen the ties between the community and the private sector, and promotes the continued growth and advancement of its members.

From April 17-20, hundreds of African-American professionals will gather at the Chicago Marriott Hotel for the NAMD's 45th Anniversary Conference. The theme of the historic event is "The Vision of the Founders, The Challenge of the Future." In keeping with the theme, NAMD will pay tribute to 45 Legends—African-American men and women who are NAMD founders or major proponents of the organization's vision.

Among the 45 NAMD Legends are such outstanding leaders as Ophelia DeVore, Joe Black Tony Brown, Thomas Burrell, Earl Graves, Byron Lewis, Barbara Proctor and Thomas Shropshire. Others were the first Black officers at companies including Pepsi Cola, Gulf Oil, Coca-Cola, Greyhound, Miller, McDonald's, Phillip Morris, Quaker Oats and Hiram Walker.

NAMD serves Black business owners and professionals from such disciplines as marketing, advertising, public relations, sales management, corporate and community affairs, diversity and other related fields. NAMD Legends and members pioneered the concepts of ethnic target marketing, urban affairs, community relations, affirmative action, minority scholarship programs, corporate diversity, and support for historically Black colleges and universities.

The conference features a series of presentations and panel discussions on topics that include: Corporate Objectives in Ethnic Marketing & Diversity, Developing Business Partnerships, Corporate America & Small Business and Communication: From Drums to the Internet.

In addition to sharing their insights, inspirational stories and practical experience with conference participants, each NAMD Legend will be honored during an Awards Banquet on Saturday, April 19th. This tribute event is sure to be a conference highlight as the Legends "pass the torch" to 45 emerging business owners and marketing leaders who will guide NAMD into the next century.

The NAMD Conference also offers such special activities as "A Night in Bronzeville." Bronzeville refers to the area of Chicago that was the focal point for Black business and culture from the 1920s through the 1950s. The event includes a tour that highlights where many Black businesses began, including the original home for Johnson Publishing, S.B. Fuller, Johnson Products, Parker House Sausage, Luster Products, Soft Sheen and Burrell Advertising. The tour also highlights Record Row, where Curtis Mayfield and Muddy Waters launched their careers and where Vee Jay, the first black-owned record company flourished. Other tour highlights include significant places in the careers of Louis Armstrong, Nat King Cole, Muhammad Ali and Richard Wright.

Historically, Bronzeville alludes to the richness of the culture and climate in that particular section of Chicago. Today, this tradition of business growth continues. The Bronzeville tour also includes visits to three Black-owned businesses: All Jokes Aside, comedy club, The Retreat, restaurant and Bizzelle's restaurant.

To register for the NAMD conference, please contact Chicago Chapter President Yvette Jackson-Moyo at NAMD conference offices, 773-874-3773 or 219-938-1888.



"I went from ashy to nasty to classy," rhymes Notorious B.I.G. in a gangsta-slick song on his musically mature sophomore set *Life After Death* on Bad Boy/Arista Records - succinctly summing up his journey from hustling along cracked Brooklyn streets to lounging inside posh power suites.

Recorded and mixed mostly at Daddy's House, the New York City studio of Bad Boy CEO Sean "Puffy" Combs, the album is a 24-song, double-disc collection featuring production by Sean "Puffy" Combs, RZA, Easy Mo Bee, Kay-Gee, Deric Angelettie, Buck Wild, Clark Kent, DJ Premier, Stevie J, and Daron Jones, from the platinum-selling *Bad Boy* act 112.

B.I.G. has a lot to say... "I write about situations and problems that occur in my life," he explains, "and the experiences I've had doing all the records and tours have been exciting." But he also manages to make room for guest appearances from fellow rappers Lil' Kim, The Lox, Jay-Z and, of course, Puff Daddy. Also, he received a little help from R&B crooner Angela Winbush. "All the people that appear on the album are friends or people that I have relationships with," B.I.G. explains. "Nothing was really heavily planned or strategized."

The Lox, Lil' Kim and Jay-Z are B.I.G.'s longtime buddies from the Brooklyn bricks. He linked with Winbush when Combs produced a track for her husband, Ronald Isley, and his brothers. "When they came through I realized they were some real ballers," says B.I.G. "They live just like we live."

The moody molasses tracks on *Life After Death* are interspersed with cinematic snippets, which makes the album flow like a movie. It all starts with a thumping heartbeat, which represents a thematic follow-up to B.I.G.'s debut LP *Ready To Die*.

"That album ended with the sound of a heartbeat fading out," B.I.G. recalls. "Now it's building, because I'm on another level."

Ever since 1993 - when he introduced himself to the world on chart-topping singles by Mary J. Blige ("Real Love") and "What's the 411") and Supercat ("Dolly My Baby") - B.I.G. has been on a hit-making trail. His early rhymes were brief, but delivered with high poetic charge, clear enunciation and a crisp, commanding tone. His lyrics were packed with more feeling and skull-cracking appeal than many performers' whole albums.

To satisfy the tastes of underground heads fending for more, B.I.G. released "Party & Bullshit" on Uptown's Who's The Man motion picture soundtrack. Then he dropped the critically-acclaimed, multi-platinum selling *Ready To Die* - which offered a ghetto-styled cinema-verite look at the seared

lifestyles of chocolate-city drug dons - as well as a slew of cameos on hits by other artists, including Michael Jackson, Faith Evans and 112. Later he formed the group Junior M.A.F.I.A. with friends from his hustling past, and also rhymed on their gold-certified lead album, *Conspiracy*. Now B.I.G. is representing further growth after becoming one of hip-hop's most popular artists ever.

Released in 1994, B.I.G.'s first full-length LP chronicled his transition from a life of crime to a career writing rhymes. It spawned such classics as "Juicy," a Top 5 Billboard Rap Single, "Big Poppa/Warrior," which rose to #1, and "One More Chance," another tuneful top-liner which debuted at #1 on every format.

For his efforts the performer earned several honors, including three 1995 Source Music Awards (for Best New Artist, Best Live Performer, and Lyricist of the Year), one Soul Train Music Award (for Best Rap Album), and a Billboard Music Award ("Big Poppa" was named Single of the Year in 1995).

With this all-important second album, B.I.G. continues the Bad Boy tradition of creating untouchable musical meltdowns. B.I.G. says he's, "basically trying to show the world that the sophomore slump has nothing to do with me. I'm trying to come stronger than before and I want my name to fit my music. Everything really has to be B.I.G."

To assist his efforts to punch a higher floor, B.I.G. called on the production talents of several studio quans. With a voice as smooth and rich as textured black satin, he backs the tracks. "I got a lot of beats from all over," B.I.G. says. "But I basically chose just the hot ones. I'm not partial to any certain producer, and the only person I picked to do a track before even hearing a note was RZA. I love Wu-Tang Clan; I think their tracks are incredible, and I've always wanted to rhyme over one of them." B.I.G. swaggers through a rapscall with conversational tones that conjure up images of playboys posing, fly girls Rolex-staring, hotties with narcotic bodies and hustlers bouncing blue caps (crack) across the bricks. He brilliantly translates his catalog of experiences into a series of short stories and rap classics.

Cuts include "411" @ You Tonight," whose libidinous grooves and humping rhymes support B.I.G.'s sticky seductive sentiments; the "Ten Crack Commandments," a tune that spells out the rules for winning the drug game; and the first single "Hypnotize," which hops and drops like a peg legged playboy on the prowl.

Several songs on *Life After Death* are directed at folks flexing player-hating attitudes. "I always expected everybody to be just naturally happy

and proud for me when I made it," B.I.G. says. "But it's not like that, so I speak on it."

The performer never addresses the media-manufactured rivalry between 2Pac, who leveled several sharp accusations and personal attacks B.I.G.'s way before passing. "I feel like I'm a bigger person for ignoring it," he says. "Me addressing it would just leave the door open for somebody to say something else. And I felt that if I can do a whole double album - 24 songs - and say nothing about that, that was gonna show people that B.I.G. doesn't care about nonsense. I'm stronger than that."

A resident of the Bedford-Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn, NY, B.I.G. was born Christopher Wallace and grew up surrounded by bleak buildings, nodding crackheads and dapper dealers who sold them ill pills. He came up in a world with little hope, where positive role models were few. "Hustlers were my heroes," he says.

By the time he was a teen-ager, B.I.G. had succumbed to the allure of the streets. "Everything happened on the strip I came up on," he remembers, "and it didn't matter where you went - it was all in your face."

He had fun hanging in frat packs on corners, comparing fashions and competing for girls. But there was also a dark side. "We were seeing people get shot all the time," he recalls, and as he himself dodged coffins and hid in the shadows to escape police, a battle waged in his soul; he felt tension and developed depression.

When B.I.G. wasn't transacting deals he was messing with music and recalls, "I used to hang with the OGB Crew and the Old Gold Brothers." One of the members owned a pair of turntables, a mixer and a cassette recorder, and B.I.G. made tapes of himself free-styling over scratched breakbeats. They started circulating around the neighborhood, and a buzz started building about B.I.G.

A dub made it into the hands of Big Daddy Kane's DJ Mister Cee, who in turn passed it on to an editor at *The Source*. He placed B.I.G. in the magazine's "Unsigned Hype" column before introducing B.I.G. to Sean "Puffy" Combs, who later founded Bad Boy Entertainment.

Comparing the twin experiences of making *Ready To Die* and *Life After Death*, B.I.G. says, "When I did the first album I was in a living hell - stressed and depressed. I was more relaxed making this one and I'm proud of what I came up with. I want this to be the biggest record ever. I want it to hit the streets harder than any hit before. I want to live up to my name and prove to everybody that there really is life after death."

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



Ruby Jay's Corner

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

Sunday School began last Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. with Supt. Bruce Tharrington at his post of duty. The Easter program was sponsored by the Youth Department. It was very well done. We always appreciate our Youth Department. Let us continue to pray for their special efforts.

Easter Sunday was Women Missionary Society Day. The morning devotional period was led by the Women of the church.

Altar prayer was conducted by Rev. Jeff Brown. A selection, "Oh, The Blood," was sung. Scripture was read by Sister Ida Johnson who read Romans 5:1-11. Prayer was given by sister Clarissa Jay. Another selection, "Redeem," was sung. The responsive reading was led by Sister Annett Phillip with the congregation standing.

The morning hymn was "At The Cross." Pastoral observations were given by Pastor Moton. Another selection, "For God So Loved The World," was sung. The hymn of preparation was "The Old Rugged Cross." Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "At Calvary." His scripture text was St. Luke 23:33. He told the congregation how to get there.

During Sunday School, three persons came forward to join the church.

A correction from last week's report: It should have read Chanie Kyle was at church, and not Celestine Kyle. Sister C. Kyle is Ann Taylor's aunt.

There were many visitors at New Hope last Sunday morning. Remember you are always welcome to attend the New Hope Baptist

Church. May God continue to bless each of you.

Danna K. and children from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and her brother and family from El Paso, Texas were here. Leonard Bailey, visited their mother, Gloria Bailey, and grandmother, on Easter.

Let us keep praying for our sick and shut in citizens. Among them are Ruby Tennison and Edwina Woods who are both patients at St. Mary Hospital.

Sister G.H. Davis rejoiced over how nice everyone were to her on Easter Sunday. It was a surprise for her.

Many had relatives to visit them here on Easter Sunday. It was good to see so many of them who we haven't seen in a few months and years. Many did come to New Hope last Sunday morning.

The New Hope Baptist Church Family is making preparations for their Church Anniversary next month. You will read more about it in weeks to come in the Southwest Digest.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Goff of Clovis, New Mexico paid a visit to Sister Ruby Jay last week. They enjoyed their visit very much.

This writer, Ruby Jay, would like to thank everyone who were so nice to her on Easter. It is so nice to have friends and to be loved. The Barrows came with a gift. It was so nice to Brother Barrow so jolly!! I love all of you!!

Rev. N.H. Franklin, pastor of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, was able to be in the pulpit last Sunday morning. He has been ill in the hospital in Amarillo, Texas for several weeks. May God continue to bless him and his family.

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New Community Coordinator

December 17th 1996 Blanchie Swisher was elected Community Coordinator, which meets the first Monday of every month. Blanchie works as Community Coordinator for the AARP.

Happy Birthday!!!

Happy 56th Birthday on March 30th to Billy B.J. Morrison III. May the Lord keep on blessing you. From your Darling wife Jeffothel and Grandchildren and Great Grandchild. We love you.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD & THE NATION OF ISLAM: HAS THE MYTH SURPASSED THE MAN?

(Washington, D.C.) - Before Louis Farrakhan and Malcolm X, there was Dr. Elijah Muhammad - the man who established the Nation of Islam as a formidable, and sometimes feared, U.S. institution. Dr. Claude Andrew Clegg, author of "An Original Man: The Life and Times of Elijah Muhammad," says Elijah Muhammad's message of moral purity, self-sufficiency and entrepreneurship helped redeem thousands of people who were involved in crime and drugs. "As far as his impact on Black self-esteem...he's had a prolonged impact. Also, he encouraged African-Americans to, economically, pull themselves up."

However, Clegg declares that Muhammad did not always practice what he preached, allegedly buying lavish homes with Nation of Islam money, ordering dissident Nation members beaten up and expelled, and fathering several children out of wedlock. These

details have made Clegg's book a point of contention for Nation members, such as spokesperson Dr. Abdul Alim Muhammad, who believes Clegg has not done justice to Elijah Muhammad. "I would like to honor and thank Dr. Clegg for his work, but we can't give him a passing grade on what he did," he says.

This week on America's Black Forum, host James Brown leads a lively discussion with Dr. Claude Andrew Clegg III and Dr. Abdul Alim Muhammad on the late Nation of Islam leader, Dr. Elijah Muhammad. Commentators Julian Bond, Deborah Mathis, and Armstrong Williams inject their views on this fascinating subject.

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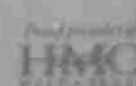
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FROM WALL STREET TO KING STREET

by John William Templeton

J. Paul Brownridge is one of the most welcomed people on Wall Street. As treasurer of the city of Los Angeles, he manages billions in operating accounts and even larger sums in pension funds.

But like any good money manager, he has his eye on where the cash is coming from—and where it isn't coming from.

In his home city, he recognized that sales and property tax receipts were down along the neighborhoods through which Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. passes in Los Angeles. His heart told him that depressed communities were an alarming societal tribute to the late minister-activist. Brownridge began a comprehensive research project—his second in two years—to find out the status of King Streets across the nation. His first project was a photo essay on Black Olympians in time for the 1996 Olympics. "Fifty of the top 100 American cities have Martin Luther King Jr. streets or avenues or ways and they're uniformly depressed areas," says Brownridge.

In an article in the John F. Kennedy School of Government's Winter Bulletin, the treasurer pointed out that the essence of the oft-quoted "I Have a Dream" speech was the economics of a "bad check" that had been written to African Americans and returned for "not sufficient funds." Brownridge said of the King Streets, "Few desire to exit the freeway onto them; some fear doing so. This is wrong; this is a dishonor." The treasurer proposes a national initiative for the 30th anniversary of King's death in 1998 to redevelop the King Streets of many of our inner cities, making them quality living and working corridors. Brownridge's perspective is a real example of the new cure saying, "show me the money." The explanations for a whole host of social issues relate back to the capital available for job creation, institution building and public services.

His observation that King streets generally ran through African-American neighborhoods is similar to research I conducted for my 1985 book *Illustrated National Guide to Black Households*. As late as 1980, 87 percent of African Americans in the United States lived on blocks that were 100 percent African American. The concentration index I developed was above 90 percent for 108 of the 110 metropolitan statistical areas in the country. The focus of national policy has

been to pick the best and brightest individuals from those communities for individual success, including moving out to the suburbs instead of improving those communities. However, Brownridge wants to move beyond the "A Better Chance" approach and provide a quality environment to all, particularly children. It all starts with capital to create businesses, buy homes and educate youth. The Federal National Mortgage Company has made a start by pledging \$10 billion for mortgages in depressed neighborhoods through city-based partnerships of government officials and lenders.

In the King Street Project, there will be both competition and cooperation between entrepreneurs and civic leaders, along the targeted thoroughfares. However, it will not go far without a change in assumptions from the lending community. The Federal Reserve has declined to require reporting of statistics on business and consumer lending to African Americans and Latinos. The local Federal Reserve has just analyzed the required data on home mortgages for the San Francisco Bay area and found that racial steering and differential patterns of service are still widespread. This could be an area where the aggressive fundraising by the Clinton administration is actually making a difference as top banking regulators met with major banks in White House coffees. Brownridge correctly perceives that the King legacy has lost much of its original emphasis. "Dr. King was helping to move the nation from gaining full civic rights for all to ensuring economic rights for those historically disenfranchised," he wrote.

For the 30th anniversary of his death, the only true tribute will be to transform the streets named for the Dreamer. San Francisco is one of the cities without a King Street, having spent over a decade to decide on the King memorial fountain in Yerba Buena Gardens. However, Brownridge's point still resonates for the growing support to name Third Street which passes the King memorial in honor of Dr. Carlton Goodlett, the physician, psychologist, publisher and gubernatorial candidate, who simultaneously advocated greater participation of African-Americans in the economy. It takes more than just a name to transform a street, it has to also take investment dollars.

Michael Levine and Dallas Brass

Thursday, April 3, 1997 at 8:00pm

at the University Center Allen Theatre - Texas Tech University

From jazz, to Broadway, to patriotic music the Dallas Brass is bound to satisfy your musical taste. "[They] could have toppled the walls of Jericho with their concert," according to *The Washington Post*. This brass quintet has added drums and a wide range of percussion instruments to create exciting new music. Along with the percussion, The Dallas Brass has also added narration and creative lighting. They have been performing for 13 years throughout the United States, Canada, Europe and even the Far East. Locally, the Dallas Brass recorded the National Anthem to be played at Ranger home games in Arlington, TX. Among many groups and orchestras, the Dallas Brass has performed

with the United States Air Force Orchestra, New York Pops Orchestra, the Philly Pops and the Dallas Orchestra.

The Dallas Brass has released four recordings, including one album of original pop/jazz music. They have worked into their busy schedule master classes and clinics for students of all ages and abilities. To also help students develop in music, they also have published education articles.

On April 3rd at 8p.m., this amazing group will be at the UC Allen Theatre to perform for you. Tickets are \$8 for students and \$16 for general public. For ticket information call 742-3610.

The Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History, Inc. (ASALH) announces its 8th Annual Essay Contest for undergraduate students.

ASALH, founded in 1915 by Dr. Carter G. Woodson, is the nation's preeminent organization for the promotion of African-American history and the sponsor of the annual Black History Month in America.

Any full time undergraduate in a two or four-year college may enter the competition. Essays may be submitted on any topic that explores the life, history, and culture of African-Americans.

The three best papers will be recognized.

Winners will be awarded a \$500 cash prize and an all-expense paid trip to ASALH's Annual meeting in Los Angeles, CA at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel, October 1-5, 1997 to present the papers.

Deadline for submission: May 15, 1997. For full information on requirements for submission of papers, please write ASALH, 1407 14th St., NW, Washington, DC, 20005, to request an official brochure.

Obituary



NELAS RIOS, JR.

Funeral services were held last Friday, March 28, 1997, at San Ramon Catholic Church in Woodrow, Texas for Nelas Rios, Jr., with Rev. George Roney officiating.

Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the directions of Guajardo Funeral Chapels.

He died Tuesday, March 25, 1997 in the Amarillo Veterans Administration Hospital.

Mr. Rios was born August 30, 1948 in Seguin, Texas. He was a U.S. Army veteran. He was a Catholic, and he had attended Southwest University and South Plains College.

He had worked for the Alternative Education Programs and El Editor Newspaper.

A twenty-one gun salute was given to Rios by veterans of the Community.

Survivors include his parents, Delfina and Nelas Rios, Sr., both of Woodrow, Texas; a sister, Teresa Rios of Woodrow, Texas; and other relatives and friends.

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

Prior:

\$10,789,254.90*

Winning Numbers:

1 3 10 18 19 46

Their System:

Number of

grandchildren, 1.

Her age, 3. Her

birthday, 10/18/91

(91 became 19)

and Lou and Butch's

age when she was

born, 46.

First Purchase:

Five new trucks.

Best Part About

Winning:

"Now I can starch my overalls. I thought that was a little touch of class." -Butch Lane

*Paid over 20 years.



"Yahoo."
"Yahoo."
"Yahoo."
"Yahoo."
"Yahoo."
"Yahoo."

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EDITORIALS • COMMENTS • OPINIONS

THIS N THAT

SISTER LAVERN BROOKS ON HER JOB!! THIS N THAT...who had as guest two weeks ago on the weekly radio program...**"SPEAK OUT LUBBOCK"**...over radio station KLFB...1420 AM...the manager of the Applegate Apartments...1001 East 28th Street...said she would be on her job on fighting...**DRUGS AND GANGS**...in the community...She is...**LAVERN BROOKS**...who has as a theme...**"MIRACLE ON EAST 28TH STREET...SAVING OUR CHILDREN..."** She advises of an...**"ANTI-DRUG RALLY"**...to be held on Saturday...**APRIL 26, 1997**...from 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m....**THIS N THAT**...is hoping that there is an opportunity for a...**DRUG MARCH**...in the area...say after the program has been concluded...**THIS N THAT**...believes it is time...**TO GO BACK TO THE STREETS AND CONTINUE TO MARCH AGAINST DRUGS AND GANGS**...More on this later...But keep the 26th of April on your schedule...and be there and help...**SISTER BROOKS**...in her effort...

FAIR AT PATTERSON LIBRARY A SUCCESS!! THIS N THAT...learned that the...**FAIR AT THE T.J. PATTERSON LIBRARY & LEARNING CENTER**...held on Saturday afternoon...**MARCH 22, 1997**...was a...**SUCCESS**...It was learned from the chairperson...**MS. GLORIA TOINES**...that 127 adults and children were in attendance...Of that number...**SEVENTEEN NEW LIBRARY CARDS WERE ISSUED**...**FORTY-SEVEN CHILDREN PARTICIPATED IN STORYTIME**...and there were...**TWELVE APPLICATIONS**...for the...**LIL' PIONEERS PROGRAM**...which is an effort to reach young children...between the ages of 3 and 5...who are not afforded an opportunity to attend a...**HEAD-START PROGRAM**...at the...**T.J. PATTERSON LIBRARY AND LEARNING CENTER**...for those young children who have fallen, through the cracks...

WINNERS OF THE HAMS!! THIS N THAT...also learned that there were two drawings for...**HAMS**...at the program at the Patterson Library...Winners were...**TIM DICKENS**...and...**ODESSA LEWIS**...THIS N THAT...would

like to say thanks to...former mayor of Lubbock...**DAVID LANSTON**...for making the hams available...

NEW THE BARBER SAID! THIS N THAT...had to find another barber in the community...who will be willing to share some...**COMMENTS ABOUT LIFE**...as has been done over the past...**FIFTEEN YEARS**...by **D.C. KINNER**...**BROTHER KINNER**...retired on Saturday...**MARCH 22, 1997**...and will no longer be sharing all the knowledge he has been afforded over the years...Mr. Kinner was in the...**BARBERING BUSINESS**...for fifty years...come actually...**JULY, 1997**...He was...**THIS N THAT'S BARBER**...and will be missed...Replacing...**BROTHER KINNER**...will be another outstanding barber of the community...She will be...**MRS. SHIRLEY CANDADY**...who does her trade at...**PAULS BARBER SHOP**...More from here next week...

NEED TO CHECK OUT!! THIS N THAT...would like to advise those of you who don't know to listen to the weekly...**RADIO SHOW**...entitled...**"SPEAK OUT LUBBOCK!"**...which is heard over...radio station...**KLFB**...1420 AM...from 8:00 P.M....until...9:30 P.M.... each Saturday night...If you would like to call in for info...CALL 765-5016...You'll be glad you listened to...**SPEAK OUT LUBBOCK**...

BELATED BIRTHDAY!! THIS N THAT...would like to wish a...belated birthday wish to...our brother...and co-publisher of the Southwest Digest...**EDDIE PRICE RICHARDSON**...who turned...**SIXTY ONE YEARS YOUNG**...last Saturday...Wish him the very best...and may...**GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS HIM!**

OUR FRIEND NELAS RIOS, JR. PASSES!! THIS N THAT...will miss a young man...who was always there since day one of meeting him...He was...**NELAS RIOS, JR.**...who was buried last Friday morning in Woodrow, Texas...in Peaceful Gardens Cemetery...after services at the San Ramon Catholic Church...and a...**TWENTY-ONE GUN SALUTE!** He will be missed!!

A WISE MOVE

by Eddie P. Richardson



After a lot of wrangling, pushing a n d pulling the council finally agreed to give Purina Mills a tax abatement which was a wise move. There is an exception to every rule. The problem was every other business in town would want the same consideration, but other businesses do not have the same track record as Purina Mills. Since 1941, Purina has paid millions in taxes and salaries, but most importantly, it has been a good neighbor, which most people overlook now with the key interest being the all mighty dollar!

Next to Plains Coop Oil Mill, Purina has, over the years, been a good neighbor, and did not over the years ignore or leave out blacks. Purina, like Plains Coop, gave blacks real jobs with benefits when that was not fashionable for blacks from other sources.

I have personally known blacks who were formerly at Purina when it was not fashionable. Purina gives and has done so over the years given annual picnics for its retired persons. How many blacks had that opportunity in years gone by?

Now back to the council. Besides myself, T.J. was the only council person who knew the history of Purina, including Victor, with Purina being in his district.

Long time city hall critic and candidate for the mayor on various occasions made a

statement. Something to the fact: "Lubbock has a bad name, because the council makes decisions without involving the citizens." I highly disagree! If you have to run a government by committee then you do not need elected officials. That's why they are elected. To make decisions in the best interest of their constituency. If you had to go to the citizens for every issue, we would still be in the stone age!

The ballot takes care of bad decisions. In fact, the ballot is a cure all; a reward for a job well done and job retention. The ballot is also a vehicle for firing a person who is not doing a good job.

But, on the other hand, why would the council appoint Market Lubbock, Inc. and then challenge them to one of the problems we have today. We give people a job; give them responsibility; then we do not give them the authority... **Responsibility...with-out...authority...is...nothing.** David Nelson showed his lack of experience and knowledge. He showed his freshmanism and junior councilman stature. I also remember some of our senior council persons when they were freshmen council. Boy, have they matured and grown. Hope the same for you.

-Closing Thought for the Week-

If you spend 50% of your time minding your own business and 50% of your time leaving mine alone the happier we would and could all be. Nuff sed!!!

THIS WAY FOR BLACK EMPOWERMENT

The End of "No"-ing As We Know It

By Dr. Lenora Fulani



How many times have you promised yourself, or someone else, that you would stop doing one of those things that you don't want to be doing--only to find yourself doing it the next time around? At the risk of stating the obvious, "just saying No" -- to drugs, or anything else -- is just saying no. That is, it's a way of talking that doesn't necessarily have anything to do with activity. Which is why, in my opinion, the "Just Say No" campaign to discourage the use of drugs has been such a disastrous failure.

As a developmental psychologist, I believe that just saying "No" -- regardless of who is saying it or what we are saying it about -- doesn't work because it is based on a faulty psychological premise.

This premise is that human beings are driven primarily by ideas, emotions,

beliefs, desires, attitudes, opinions, and all those other "things" which are supposedly inside us. In order for people to change, therefore, we must first change our minds, or undergo a change of heart--at least so the psychological story goes.

Like the campaign to "Just Say No," the many therapies and programs that rely on this assumption fail to help the overwhelming majority of people who are seeking to lose weight, to give up smoking or alcohol or gambling, or to avoid abusive relationships. This myth of psychology is so deeply entrenched, however, that its assumptions are rarely challenged. Instead, people are blamed (and blame themselves) for not being motivated enough, for not having will power, and/or for being "addicted."

But human development, not "motivation," is the issue. Human beings have the unlimited capacity to develop and to grow. How we develop, moreover, is not by changing our minds or undergoing a change of heart beforehand, but in performance.

By performance, I mean the unique human-activity of going beyond our-

selves, of being other than who we are -- before we know how to do it, and without necessarily "wanting" to. Is such a thing really possible? Well, babies do it from the get-go. If very young children weren't allowed to make any sounds until they "made up their minds" to do so, for example, none of us would ever have learned how to speak.

What does all this have to do with the drug problem that is destroying the lives of our youth, our families, and our communities? It suggests that we turn aside from the anti-developmental myth of psychology in favor of an approach that makes use of the human capacity to perform, and thereby to develop. We need to support our young people to be other than who they are as defined by the deadly and deadening roles in which they often find themselves trapped. This helps them develop.

Development can make the drug problem vanish. How? When people are developing in their lives -- learning, growing, dreaming of the future -- they say "No" to drugs because they are saying "Yes" to so much else.

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Your Bureau received word

from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission that **HEALTH O METER** is voluntarily recalling about 50,000 Mr. Coffee espresso/cappuccino makers to replace their filter holders and filter baskets. The construction of the filter holder could make it difficult for consumers to rotate the holder securely into position, which, if not rotated securely can dislodge under pressure. Only model ECM9 Mr. Coffee espresso/cappuccino makers are involved in this recall. The model number is imprinted on the bottom of the base. Various retail stores sold the espresso/cappuccino makers nationwide from September 1996 through February 1997 for about \$40. Consumers should immediately stop using the model ECM9. The free filter holders, filter baskets, revised instruction manuals, and coupons for coffee filters will be sent if consumers will call Mr. Coffee toll free at (888)999-3934.

-THOUGHTS OF THE WEEK-

"Trouble - Free Living"

No situation is too difficult for the God of Creation.

Job 42:2

by The Bethel Church Youth Department

THE FEDERAL JUDICIARY APPOINTMENTS OF FOUR U.S. PRESIDENTS (CLINTON, BUSH, REAGAN, AND CARTER; PART 1

Attached, you will find a seven page RESEARCH paper which evaluated the Federal Judiciary appointments of the first four years of Presidents Clinton, Bush, Reagan, and Carter. Due to time constraints, it was not possible to evaluate the SECOND TERM of President Reagan.

It is hope that you will share this information with your readers and clients. This information should be helpful to voters, and those eligible to vote, but not knowledgeable on the issues.

The four Blacks who were nominated but not confirmed, during the recently adjourned 104th U.S. Congress were as follows

1. Eric L. Clay; Detroit Michigan 6th Federal Circuit
2. James A. Beaty, Jr.; Winston-Salem, NC 4th Federal Circuit
3. Cheryl B. Wattle; Dallas, TX U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas
4. Wenona Y. Whitfield; Carbondale, IL U.S. District Court, Southern District of Illinois

The data delineated in the attached research paper provides in distinct terms the problems faced by Racial Minorities and Women in pursuit of Federal judiciary nominations, if the occupant of the White House or U.S. Senate are enemies of equality and justice.

Remember the damage done to EEO and racial justice by a Black man who votes as if he hates Black people.

JUDICIAL INJUSTICE PRACTICED BY THE 104th U.S. CONGRESS

The impetus for this research was the injustice witnessed during the final days of the 104th U.S. Congress. The 104th session of the U.S. Congress has practiced state sanctioned discrimination and gross mistreatment against a number of individuals nominated for the Federal judiciary by President Clinton. The nomination of 28 outstanding individuals by President Clinton for Federal judgeship positions, were delayed and effectively killed by the inaction of Republican Senate leaders, under the leadership of Senator Bob Dole and Senator Trent Lott, who replaced Senator Dole in June 1996.

DECANT MODERATES, LIBERALS AND MINORITIES NEED NOT APPLY

Open Hostility Toward Liberals and Racial Minorities The second session of the 104th U.S. Congress was openly hostile and almost totally non-receptive to African-Americans, whose names were submitted for positions on the Federal District and Federal Appeals courts. I spoke with a number of key aides handling judiciary appointments for a number of Republican and Democrat Senators. One major point which came through from aides representing both political parties was, that the Republican majority was not interested in confirming any individual which they judged as being Liberal or having any tendencies to be Liberal. The operative buzzwords among Republicans was "NO Liberals will be confirmed" Not only were four outstanding African-American nominees not confirmed but, they were savagely attacked as being Liberals, and unjustly held as election year hostages.

Nominees Held Hostage By The Republican Senators: We were unsuccessful in identifying the specific Senators placing holds on most of the candidates. A number of staffers stated that the official policy of the Senate Republicans was to withhold the name of the Senator(s) holding a specific nominee hostage. Senate Majority Leader, Trent Lott, Republican of Mississippi, put a hold on "Susan Oki Mollway" of Hawaii, an Asian female nominee for the District Court in Hawaii. As described to me, Senator Lott basic concern was Ms. Oki's response to her membership and/or affiliation with so-called Liberal groups such as the American Civil Liberties Union.

Senators Helms and Faircloth of North Carolina put a hold on James A. Beaty, Jr., currently serving as a distinguished Judge on the Federal District Court, Middle District of North Carolina. Senator Helms did not oppose Judge Beaty for the District Court position. Senator Helms strongly wants one of his former aides to fill this Appeals Court position. Senator Helms has a political career and track record of strong opposition to equality and racial justice. One could reason that, it is highly probable that Senator Helms' unspoken reason for opposing Judge Beaty is racism and the desire to oppose strong Blacks, unless they are certified clones of Associate U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence "Sambo Mentality" Thomas. Senator Helms is nationally and internationally known as a man with antiquated stereotypical racial and sexual views, when the issues involve equality and

justice. The question Senator Helms has never answered is as follows: "How can you support Justice Clarence Thomas for an Appeal Court and the U.S. Supreme Court and oppose Judge Beaty for the Appeal Court, when Beaty's overall qualifications are far superior?"

The following is a racial and sexual profile grouping of the Federal judiciary nominees who were not acted upon by the 104th U.S. Congress, under the leadership of Senator Trent Lott and his predecessor, Former Senator, and now Republican Presidential candidate, Robert (Bob) Dole.

PROFILE OF FEDERAL JUDICIARY NOMINEES NOT ACTED UPON BY THE 104th U.S. CONGRESS

White Males	White Females	Black Males	Black Females	Hispanic Males
12	07	02	02	01
Hispanic Females	Asian Males	Asian Females	Total Females	%White Males
02	01	01	12	43%

The previous table shows that the Senate leaders in the 104th U.S. Congress were not committed to a racially and sexually inclusive Federal judiciary, as evidenced by the fact that 16 of the 28, or 57% of the nominees not confirmed were White Females and Racial minorities. A total of 4, or 14% of those not confirmed were African-Americans. It is obvious that the Senate leaders and power-brokers are not committed to confirming Federal judges unless they are basic clones of Associate U.S. Supreme Court Justice, Clarence "Sambo Mentality" Thomas. The actions of the 104th U.S. Congress are such that reasonable individuals could conclude that decent Whites and racial minorities are unacceptable and need not apply for the Federal judiciary. The number of Federal judiciary nominees not acted upon raises some concern as to the role of racism and sexism in the failure to confirm.

A HISTORICAL OVERVIEW OF THE FEDERAL JUDICIARY APPOINTMENTS: RECORDS OF FOUR U.S. PRESIDENTS

The following tables profile in succinct detail the individual and composite records of Presidents Clinton, Bush, Reagan and Carter relative to the racial and sexual profiles of their nominees to the various Federal courts. It is obvious from the data developed during our research that Women and racial minorities were shortchanged by Presidents Bush and Reagan during their selection of Federal judiciary nominees. President Reagan's dismal record indicates he sold America a substantial amount of SNAKE OIL when the issue of racial and sexual equality was supposedly under consideration.

This research indicated some very stunning findings relative to who was nominated to the Federal judiciary by four U.S. Presidents, during the 16 years of the 20 period of 1976 to 1996. President Reagan's nomination of only two African-Americans for the Federal judiciary during his first (four years) term, is basically obscene and cannot be reasonably justified. NOTE: This survey did not cover the last four years of Reagan's term.

PRESIDENT CLINTON nominated a total of 232 individuals for the Federal courts during his four year tenure. The following table is a profile of President Clinton's nominees.

Total Nominations	Total Males	Total Females	Total Whites
233	160	73	169
100%	68.7%	31.3%	72.5%
African Americans	Total Hispanics	Total Others	Women & Minorities
42	16	6	123
18%	6.9%	2.6%	53%

A further analysis of President Clinton's judiciary nominations showed that racial minorities numbered 64 or just under 28% of the total nominees. White Females comprised 59 or just over 25% of the total nominees. White Males comprised 110 or 47% of the total nominees.

The above data offers substantial prima facie evidence that President Clinton has a strong track record of practicing racial inclusion in his Federal judiciary nominations. President Clinton had the highest percentage of nominees with ratings of "well qualified", when compared to President Bush, Carter and Reagan. Evidently, Clinton knew and selected qualified nominees from all racial and ethnic group as evident by the fact that 53% of his Federal judiciary nominees were White Females and racial minorities.

Continued Next Week.

SPORTS

Lady Matador Track Team Opens Season



Stephanie Alvarez 10, KaShondra Barber 10, Tiffany Brown 10, LaDonna Clark 10, Monique Douglas 10, Janie Hernandez 10, Krystal Herron 10, Joquoyah Hines 10, Robin Hines 10, Tanisha Johnson 10, Natasha Jordan 10, Shemeka McCowin 10, LaTisha Ranson, LaKesha Ross 10, Felicia Tillman 10, Showanoeke Thomas 10, Tiffany Wallace 10, Johnna Williams 10, Tennika Woodson 10, Jennifer Martinez 10, LaQuinta Banks 11, Tameka Boyd 11, Jada Calloway 11, Yvonne Clark 11, Abrisha Henderson 11, Erica Hutcherson 11, Natasha Johnson 11, Mulanda Lemons 11, Donisha Patterson 11, Carla Ross 11, Estella Williams 11, LaToya Williams 11, Siaratta Basped 12, LaQuinta Manahan 12, Trashonda Johnson 12.

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Thursday, April 3, 1997, 7:00 p.m.
City Hall, City Council Chambers
1625 13th Street

City and County residents are encouraged to give their input on transportation issues for Lubbock. The City of Lubbock serves as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Lubbock Urban Transportation Study. This Transportation Improvement Program involves short term projects (3 years) to meet the future transportation needs of the Lubbock Metro Area, and includes projects by the public transit system.

Your input is needed to build the best transportation system possible for our area, including needs of citizens with disabilities. Representatives of the Lubbock MPO, the Texas Department of Transportation, and Cibus will be making presentations. Citizens requiring special assistance for the public meeting, such as hearing impaired, should make their request by calling 767-3189, TDD/ 747-2888



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Isaiah 45:18b, GOD HIMSELF that formed the earth and made it: HE hath established it, HE created it not in vain. HE formed it to be INHABITED; I AM THE LORD; AND THERE IS NONE ELSE.

There is a lie going around; that all men are EQUAL AND FREE. That lie is the thing that has caused AMERICA, TO BE IN MISERIES.

Isaiah 30:1, WOE to the rebellious children, SAITH THE LORD, that take counsel, BUT NOT FROM ME; and that cover with a covering, but not of MY SPIRIT, THAT THEY MAY ADD SIN TO SIN.

The DEVIL told Adam and Evil, don't do as GOD SAID, BUT EAT OF THE TREE. GOD don't want you to have YOUR RIGHTS; HE DON'T WANT YOU TO BE FREE.

Proverbs 10:29, The way of THE LORD is strength to the upright; but destruction shall be to the workers of INIQUITY (LAWLESSNESS).

There is nothing new, that can be found under the sun, EQUAL RIGHT'S IN GOD; LIKE CANE AND ABLE, THEY ARE FOR EVERYONE.

John 14:6, Jesus said, I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE: NO MAN COMETH UNTO THE FATHER, BUT BY ME.

Man can boast and brag, of things he's got and PLACES HE CAN GO, BUT HATE IS YET IN MAN'S HEART; YOU CAN ASK THE MAN FROM TEXACO.

John 8:31,32, Jesus said, If ye continue in MY WORK, then are ye MY DISCIPLES INDEED; and ye shall know THE TRUTH (JESUS) AND THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE.

Many Christians DIDN'T WANT MR. BILL CLINTON; AS THEIR PRESIDENT, BUT MR. CLINTON IS A TOOL OF GOD; THAT'S WHY HE'S BEEN SENT.

*****ITS PRAYING TIME*****

The old way was to TRAIN UP THE CHILDREN; THEY BELONG TO GOD, BUT WE'VE GIVEN THE CHILDREN THEIR RIGHT'S: UP TO THEM TO SERVE THE LORD.

Jeremiah 6:16, THUS SAITH THE LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for THE OLD PATHS, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. BUT THEY SAID, WE WILL NOT WALK THEREIN.

WE'RE LOSING OUR CHILDREN! SO LETS REPENT; AND PRAY TO THE LORD, HE LOVE'S ALL MANKIND; ALL SOULS BELONGS TO THE GOD.

Hosea 6:1,2, COME, and let us RETURN UNTO THE LORD: for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he has smitten, and he will bind us up. Then shall we know, if we FOLLOW THE LORD: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the RAIN, AS THE LATTER AND FORMER RAIN UNTO THE EARTH.

GOD is not through with us yet. So lets PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER ALWAYS.

By Evangelist Billy B.J. Morrison, III Your Brother In CHRIST JESUS ALWAYS!!!!



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith The Question of Authority

"For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven." —Matthew 5:20

John Henry was a deacon in the church. He also was the treasurer. He had much to say how the church business was conducted. He never missed a service and he testified and prayed often and with great fervor. Everyone considered John Henry a pillar, a cornerstone of the church. In fact, he was one of the founding members.

Then one day the pastor went to John Henry's home on a pastoral visit. John Henry's wife opened the door. She was crying and her face and arms showed big bruises. The pastor was shocked and asked her, "Who did this to you? Who would hurt you so badly?"

"My husband," she replied. The pastor found it hard to believe. His faithful fervent deacon—a wife-beater?

Yes, John Henry put on a beautiful mask at church. But the mask came off at home. John Henry was a despicable hypocrite.

It is true, that a man or woman may be regular in church attendance and be a generous giver to the church and sometimes may even be the pastor. But if his or her heart is full of sin and pride

and he or she has no love or justice in his or her dealings with others, he or she is not a true Christian, but a hypocrite.

In the earlier days of my pastorate, I preached a sermon on "hypocrisy" and to my surprise and the congregation, two of the officers left the church. Meanwhile they told the Bishop and Presiding Elder that such sermon need not be preached.

The basis of hypocrisy is insincerity. Jesus looks deep into our hearts and sees all the insincerities of which even we are sometimes unaware. What really motivates us? Are we what we really appear to others? Or are we wearing a mask? The smiling face and soft voice—does it change suddenly when we get to our homes. Does the mask slip off, and the voice become harsh? Such a double life God despises.

Jesus said, "There is nothing hidden." What we are and do in secret will often appear in the lines of our faces for the world to see. What we truly are will show in our eyes, our attitudes, and even in our walk. Nothing is truly hidden.

Why not ask my Lord and I hope your Savior to probe deep into your heart so that He may find and remove all hidden insincerities. He will cleanse you and make you pure from all hidden pretenses, so that you may be true and genuine and real.

Remember: "A hypocrite is never genuine; he is always playing-acting."

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We are to be living testimonies. Generally, most of our church worship services begin with a testimony, praise and worship period. During that initial segment of the service, many inspirational testimonies are shared. Some of the awesome testimonies set the entire congregation on fire. Holy Ghost fires. Hand clapping, foot stomping, and thunderous vocal praises filling the air. Lord knows, we like it, and are so blessed by the testimonies and praise, and equally blessed by the proclamation of the Word of God. This service sets the order for the remaining acts of worship. A spoken testimony is wonderful, but a living testimony is divinely rewarding. We like to see living testimonies some time, that have substance. God has called all of his children to be Christian witnesses, not only by word of mouth, but even more by the life we live. Lifestyles very easily determine who we are and to whom we belong. The apostle Paul admonished young Timothy to be an example of the believers. The believers being those who believe in Jesus as both Lord and Savior. Informing Timothy that God required him to be a Christian witness, to be an example in the word. Every word that falls from your lips is a witness. Either for Christ or Satan. Exercise trust in God at all times. In every circumstance or situation. Steadfast in faith lifting up Jesus. Let no defile thing rest in your mind. Be spotless inside out. Only the pure in heart will see God. Remember God's call to us is that we present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy acceptable unto God, which is our reasonable service and to be not conformed to this world, but to be transformed by the renewing of our minds. Romans 12:1-2

May our lives, all of us, be examples to this sinful generation is our prayer.

Lets Pray.
Oh, God, we often get so caught up in the comfort of todays stuff, that we totally ignore the commission of the good new we choose to worship and neglect the purpose and preparation that ought to lead to worship. Help us to know anew that we are called to be witnesses of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, until every human being has heard at least one time. Help us remember those on their bed of affliction. We know your will is that we be in health. As our souls prosper, so will the total body. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

Read Mark 11:22-24, II Chronicles: 7:14
Keep smiling friends. "We're going to make it" Meeting Saturday at 9:00 a.m. at 2132 E 30th. Come.

Write Outreach Prayer Breakfast at P.O. Box 1223, Lubbock, Texas 79408.
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April 29 Deadline For Bidding On Forfeited State Land

AUSTIN -- A catalogue listing 109 tracts of forfeited state land reserved exclusively for bids from Texas veterans is now available from the Texas Veterans Land Board (VLB). Bids will be opened on April 29, 1987 at 1 p.m.

The catalogue, which contains bidding instructions and a detailed description of each tract, can be ordered by calling 1-800-252-VETS.

Located in more than 65 counties, the tracts range in size from five to 80 acres. The tracts, known as Type I tracts, can be purchased with no down payment. Bids are restricted to eligible Texas veterans.

The VLB will finance the entire loan amount of all winning bids. There is no limit on the amount loaned or on the number of tracts that an individual can bid on. However, eligible Texas veterans are limited to one purchase in the sale.

"Since these tracts have never been offered for sale by the board, this sale gives Texas veterans an excellent opportunity to

buy good land with 100 percent financing," said Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro who is VLB chairman.

Mauro noted that setting aside new forfeitures exclusively for bids from Texas veterans is a long-time VLB policy.

The Veterans Land Program is part of a Texas tradition that goes back to the days of the Republic of Texas," Mauro said. "It's my belief that Texas veterans should get first shot at any forfeited tracts."

Tracts not sold in the April sale will be offered to both veterans and non-veterans through local real estate agents.

Texas veterans will receive a 7 64 percent interest rate with a 30-year assumable fixed-rate loan. A \$25 non-refundable fee for each bid is required.

The sale will be by sealed bid only, with a minimum bid set by the board. All bids must be received by April 29 at 1 p.m. Details of the sale can be obtained by calling 1-800-252-VETS.

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Children with special needs are encouraged and welcomed to apply.

Applications will be taken at 1301 Broadway, in the housing authority office, next to the first united bank. Hours will be from 8:30 - 4:00 p.m. parents should bring copy of their child's birth certificate, social security card and proof of income.

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