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Virgil Johnson Recalls History of The Velvets

by Candida Johnson



When the Johnson family packed their bags and moved to Lubbock from Cameron, Texas, they had no idea a family member would make music history.

Doo Whop fans all over the world remember the smooth sounds of the vocal group the Velvets. Led by Lubbock's own Virgil Johnson, the group found national fame. "My parents came to Lubbock looking for better job opportunities," said Johnson.

Growing up in Lubbock in the 40's, Johnson sang in a singing group and later graduated in 1954 from Dunbar High School. His singing could have topped them.

Thanks to encouragement from his mother, Jennie V. Johnson, Johnson attended Bishop College, which was located in Tyler, Texas at the time. "The trend was to graduate from high school, get a job and get married. My mother raised me from the seventh grade alone and pushed me to get a higher education."

Once at Bishop, Johnson found himself singing in groups around campus. After receiving a degree in English, he began his first teaching job in Odessa. Teachers noticed four students singing individually in the halls. "Singing groups were in back then so when someone suggested we combine the guys and form a group, I volunteered to work with them. I ended up singing," Johnson continued.

In the spring of 1958 Clarence Rixby, Mark Prince, William Solomon, Robert Thursby and Virgil Johnson became the "Velvets." While other groups in the late 50's were imitating the popular groups of the times, the Velvets developed their own distinct sound. "We didn't want anyone to mistake us with other groups. We wanted to be original and yet maintain an R&B identity," Roy Orbison was from the Odessa area and gave the group the big break they needed. "We knew Roy from talent shows and other performances. One day while teaching class I was called to the office for a long-distance phone call. It was Roy calling from KOSA radio station

with Fred Foster, the president of Monument Records. Roy had told him about us. Foster wanted us to come to Nashville for a recording session." Monument Records paid the group's expenses to Nashville.

After the first session the Velvets recorded their rock-a-ballad version of "Crying in the Chapel." The song broke into the 100 charts of *Billboard* and *Cash Box* music magazines. "Anytime you have a song on the top 100 charts it's a huge honor. Thousands of songs are released each week."

The Velvets were more popular on the East Coast than in West Texas. Johnson says this is due mainly to many radio stations not playing black artists' songs on traditional white-established radio stations. (Which back then accounted for nearly all radio stations, especially those in the South.) However, some radio stations along with many whites did not know the Velvets were African-American. "We had our sound and most people, if they didn't know us, thought we were white," said Johnson.

"The Velvets were really popular. My brothers and I would imitate them. We were proud that some local 'Negro boys' were making it big," said Velvets fan Lenious Johnson.

"Tonight Could Be the Night," written by Johnson, made the top twenty charts, and when the group recorded "Lana," their popularity spilled over into other countries, hitting number one in Japan.

The group had the opportunity to meet Brook Benton, The Five Royals, Chet Atkins, Bill Justice and many other famous artists. "I really enjoyed working with Boots Randolph and once in the same studio after Elvis. "We sang on all the mikes so we could say we sang on the same mike as Elvis."

After the group's last recording in Nashville, tragedy struck the group—Velvet member Clarence Rixby was killed in a car accident in California. "We all felt a deep loss," said Johnson. The group never recorded again as a group. "Sure, we always wanted to get back together, but we were all going different ways. I was a teacher and they were students. I realized I wasn't going to stay in Midland forever and I knew they weren't going to stay in high school forever. I got married and moved to Lubbock." Johnson later became principal of Dunbar High School and retired in 1993. "I still get calls from people today that ask me if I'm The Virgil Johnson of the Velvets."

Johnson may be making a comeback. Recently the Southern California

Doo Whop Society flew Johnson to Long Beach to perform in concert with Angel of Angel and the Originals, McNeely and Buddy Bailey (lead singer of the Clovers). More appearances are in the making.

Last year Sony records released a CD collection of all the Velvets songs. The collection is available at local record stores here in Lubbock.

With all the contributions the Velvets made to the music industry they still have not been recognized in the West Texas Hall of Fame which is located East of Ave. Q and 7th Street. Most people know this area as the Buddy Holly Area around the Civic Center. Established in 1980, the Walk of Fame recognizes outstanding West Texas citizens such as Waylon Jennings, Mac Davis, Jimmy Dean, the Maines Brothers, Roy Orbison, Joe Ely and many others from our area who have brought recognition to West Texas.

While Johnson believes it would be an honor to be recognized in the Walk of Fame, he does not dwell on the fact that his group is being left out of history. "If I never sing again, I still have so many memories to take with me forever."

New members are inducted into the Walk of Fame once a year, according to Civic Center employees, and are voted on by Civic Lubbock's Board of Directors. The velvets have been nominated and meet all the qualifications of new inductees. Only time will tell if this world-renowned group will be inducted this May.

For those trying to break into the music industry from this area, Johnson advises them to "believe in yourself and be original. If you're making music that makes you happy, it will make somebody else happy." Acknowledging that Lubbock is a long way from Hollywood, Johnson says it's still possible to make it "Big." "Back then Nashville was the music capital of the world. Midland was a long way from Nashville, and who knows, we probably could have been even bigger had we not been so far away. Those hoping to make it big must get an education and above all else stay away from drugs. A person trying to get started in the business doesn't have time for drugs, they should be too busy trying to be creative."

The four remaining members of the Velvets are successful today and some are still involved in music. When asked if the Velvets would reunite for a concert, Johnson smiled and replied, "You never know."

Delta Sigma Theta Presents 36th Annual Ebony Fashion Fair

by Keisha Barrett



The Lubbock Alumni Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will be sponsoring the 36th annual Ebony Fashion Fair at 8 p.m. March 29 at the Lubbock

Memorial Civic Center.

The Ebony Fashion Fair is a traveling fashion production coordinated by *Ebony Magazine*, directed by Eunice W. Johnson, wife of chief executive officer and publisher, John H. Johnson.

The show will consist of 10 women and two men modeling fashions by Bob Mackie, Bill Blass, Bill Oldfield, Christian Dior, Yves St. Laurent and Fabrice, says Wilma W. Wright, president of the chapter.

This show is used by Delta Sigma Theta as a fundraiser to benefit the Lou Ella Scott Memorial Scholarship Fund. It is also used to provide funds for other community services done by the Deltas.

"We are really pleased we could get this show to

Lubbock," Wright says.

Door prizes will be presented at the show. Some of those include a trip for two to any destination served by American Airlines within the 48 states, a weekend getaway at the Sheraton Inn, three month membership to Flex Fitness, some Avon jewelry and much more.

Tickets may be purchased from Reflections II Hair Salon, SL&L Hair Salon, Caviel's Pharmacy, J&J Beauty Supply and any member of Delta Sigma Theta.

Tickets are \$12 for students, \$6 for non-students or \$22 for reserved. Children 5 years and under are admitted free. With each ticket purchased the buyer is offered a one-year subscription to *Ebony*, *Ebony Man*, or a sixth-month subscription to *Jet Magazine*.

Also included with the ticket is an invitation to the reception immediately following the show in the lobby of the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

This is the fourth time for the Ebony Fashion Fair to be brought to Lubbock, each time by the Deltas.

For more information call 794-1256 or 794-3086.



PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE!—Mark V. Monteverdi, Manager, Public Programs, Philip Morris Companies Inc., right, chats with members of the Association Of Minority Enterprises of New York (AMENY) after moderating a panel discussion at AMENY's 17th Annual Seminar. Held at the Albany Marriott Hotel, the Seminar was called "Doing More in '94." With Monteverdi are, from left, State Senator Joseph Caliber, AMENY President Lynda Ireland and Assemblyman Gregory Meeks. Monteverdi moderated a panel called "A Game Plan for the Future of Minority Business Entrepreneurs." Participants discussed ways to strengthen and insure the clout of minority businesses. AMENY serves as a non-profit advocacy group for minority entrepreneurs and seeks to promote the expansion of the minority business community through partnerships and cooperation with corporate America.

Lubbock Residents Outstanding Technical Division Students for March at SPC

LEVELLAND—Five Lubbock residents are among the outstanding students for March in South Plains College's Technical Division.

"Each month, our faculty recognizes students who have achieved both academic and technical excellence in their respective majors within the college's Technical Division," explained Frank Hunt, division dean. "We salute these students for their hard work and devotion to their studies."

Recipients include Lubbock residents Tru Segura, 21-year-old sophomore law enforcement major and son of Juan and Linda Segura, named to the National Dean's List; Curtis Peoples, 26-year-old sound technology major, named to the President's Honor Roll; Keith Teeple, 19, drafting technology major, named to Dean's List and member of Phi Theta Kappa; Caitlin Nelson, 27, associate degree nursing; and Antonio Rocha, 25-year-old welding technology major who would like a career as a welding technician.

CHRB Offers Seminar

As a community service, CHRB will be offering a free "Home Buyer" workshop on the following dates:

Monday, April 4th
Wednesday, April 6th
Monday, April 11th
at 1946 Avenue Q, third floor, from 7-9 p.m. Persons do not need to attend all sessions to receive certification of participation. There is no fee for the workshop and all materials will be provided. The workshop answers questions such as:

- Do I really want to buy a home?
 - What can I do to get approved for a mortgage loan?
 - Can I afford it?
 - How much does it really cost to buy?
 - And more, so bring your questions.
- Class size is limited so call 763-3877 to register.

Internship Program Launches 1994 Class



AUSTIN—The 1994 class of participants in the Rodney Ellis Professional Internship Program met recently with Senator Ellis in Austin as they begin their semester of service in the offices of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker, other members of the Texas Legislature and the Texas Bankers Association. Seven interns have been placed in Austin offices; an eighth is serving in the Houston district office of State Representative Garnet Coleman.

The internship program, sponsored by the Mickey Leland Center at Texas Southern University, was implemented in 1990 to provide opportunities for minority students of designated universities to serve as interns in the Texas Legislature and various state agencies. To date, 17 undergraduate and graduate students interested in the political process have completed the program, receiving academic study with experiential credit for the one-semester internship.

"This internship program was inspired by my friend, the late Congressman Mickey Leland," said Senator Ellis. "Our goal is to encourage young people interested in public and humanitarian service."

For more information concerning the Rodney Ellis Professional Internship Program, call 713/5277370.

Ruby Jay's Corner



New Hope Service began at 9:30 a.m. singing "Bringing in the Sheaves." Supt. Brown absent. Assistant James Sterling present. 2nd Sunday is youth day they were in charge. Jr's class did the devotion. Teacher Sis. Alma Calquitt prayer music while passing to classes. Reassemble. High Points Jrs. Primaries won offering banner. Adults, no 1-offering banner. No 3 Attendance banner Sis. Cooper Teacher No 4 last bath banners Sis. Ervin Teacher. Youth in charge of Morning Service. Song Prayer and Scrip. Choir sing out of their soul. Responsive Reading congregation morning Hymn Blessed his name. Pastoral Observation by Pastor Good morning New Hope. Good Morning Radio listeners. Blessed be the name of the Lord song. Some one ask the question spring because I'm happy I sing because I'm B. Selection what a friend. Sermon Pastor Moton it was a message. Tette Hand made by God. perip text. 11:9 psalms 73-74-75 verses. invitations to discipleship. no one came, rest of service as usual you are invited to come celebrate New Hope. Fourth annual Youth Gospel workshop Featuring Bro. Cornell Booker. March 17th-18th and 19th final concert. Sis. Johnice Walker Director is expecting you. Sis Channice Kyle is home from hospital. Remember her as well as others with prayer. Rev. Johnne Williams 1st Friday for home St. Louise, Mo. Mr and Mrs. Hardin Barrow attended the funeral service of their cousin in Tulsa Texas last Wednesday- March the 9th, 1994. You have our prayers.

Hotline Survey Need Your Help

Area residents with multiple sclerosis can take part in a new 1800 hotline survey sponsored by the Multiple Sclerosis Association of America.

By dialing 1-800-860-7922, participants can leave a one minute message to describe new services or ideas MSAA can add to its list of patient care programs. Officials indicate the survey will run until mid-April, and anyone with the disease is welcomed to respond.

The focus of MSAA is to bring immediate care and relief to those with MS," said MSAA President John Hodson, Sr. "This survey is an excellent way of achieving this goal by reaching out to MS patients from coast to coast and getting a direct pulse on their needs. Once we tally the results, we'll work on implementing many of the most popular requests.

The MS Association of America, headquartered in New Jersey, offers current members a wide variety of patient care programs including peer counseling, support groups, free loan of equipment, barrier-free housing, symptom management through micro-climate cooling, newsletter and a host of referral services. MSAA is not affiliated with the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, but, according to MSAA officials, welcomes Society members to respond to the survey with their particular needs or interests.

Multiple sclerosis is a disease of the central nervous system, affecting over 300,000 American men and women. It symptoms range from blindness to complete paralysis. At present, there is no known cause, cure or prevention for MS, which strikes those mainly between the ages of 20 and 40.



Working With Students

Sandra Martinez, who is a student at Estacado High School, is shown working with students of Hunt Elementary School in a science class at EHS.



Mr. & Miss EHS Court

(L-R): Kevin Kinner, Rodrick Davis, Connie Tobe, Talia Reed, Chris Cortez, Shannon Cross, Trishonna Turner, Zabrina Benson, Mr. EHS Willie Tenell, Miss EHS Erica Matthews. The coronation was held February 19th.

Texas Tech University Assistant Dean of Students

The Assistant Dean of Students is responsible for the advisement of the Interfraternity Council (22 NIC fraternities), Panhellenic Council (12 NPC sororities), liaison to the National Pan-Hellenic Council (6 NPHC fraternities/sororities), and generalist duties including student discipline, student leadership development, student life research and alcohol awareness programs. Master's degree in College Student Personnel. Higher Education or related field and experience in area(s) of responsibility in college/university. Salary \$25,164 plus benefits. Application deadline April 15, 1994. Send letter of application, resume, and three (3) letters of recommendation to: Dr. Jan Childress, Chairperson, Assistant Dean of Students Search Committee, Box 45014, 250 West Hall, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX 79409-5014. An EEO/Affirmative Action Institution.

Original Coors Beer to Celebrate 120th Birthday

GOLDEN, CO—In recognition of its historic brand, Coors Brewing Company today unveiled special packaging and a nationwide consumer promotion aimed at celebrating the 120th birthday of Original Coors beer.

The Original Coors 120th Birthday celebration will feature a unique, commemorative bottle and will include a special "Happy Brew Day" promotion where consumers get a chance to win a trip to Colorado and participate in brewing a batch of Coors from start to finish as an "Honorary Brewmaster."

The 120th year celebration will run from Feb. 1 through April 30. All 12-ounce longneck bottles of Original Coors will feature a commemorative antique-style label that graphically represents the first Coors beer label of 1874.

"Breweries and brands come and go, but quality and commitment have a way of enduring," said Nancy Mammarella, Original Coors brand manager. "Original Coors symbolizes the Coors family's 120-year heritage of brewing the finest beers in the world in the foothills of the Colorado Rockies. With this birthday calls attention to that heritage, it is also intended to recognize and thank the millions of Original Coors drinkers."

Mammarella said that while the brand's 12-ounce longneck bottle labeling will change during the celebration period, the Original Coors recipe will remain the same. "We wouldn't change that," she said. "We want to deliver the same cold, crisp and refreshing taste that has made Original Coors the 'Rocky Mountain Legend.'"

Consumers can join the celebration through the Original Coors 120th Birthday "Happy Brew Day" Sweepstakes. Depending on state law, consumers can enter the contest in one of two ways. In most states, key words will be printed inside the bottle caps of select bottles. When consumers collect two caps that combine to read "Happy Birthday," "Happy 120th," or "120th Birthday," they qualify to enter the sweepstakes. In other states, consumers will join the sweepstakes by completing the entry form available at most retail accounts. Grand prize is a Colorado six-day vacation for two people, including airfare, lodging and \$500 expense money, with two days at the Coors brewery. There are also thousands of additional prizes, including Original Coors merchandise.

A full array of point-of-sale materials will support and highlight the celebration and explain the sweepstakes both on- and off-premise. For additional information, consumers can call a toll-free Happy Brew Day hotline: 1-800-COORS12. The hotline number and sweepstakes information will also be featured on the commemorative bottles' secondary packaging.

Adolph Coors, great-grandfather of current company Chief Executive Officer Peter Coors, opened the brewery in 1873, but it was not until February 1874 that the first bottles of Coors beer hit the marketplace.

St. Mary Hospital to Present "Sneak

Thieves of Sight" Thursday, March 17, 1994

LUBBOCK, TEXAS—St. Mary of the Plains Hospital's Senior Class and Doctor Finder programs will sponsor "Sneak Thieves of Sight," Thursday, March 17, 1994 at 7 p.m. in the hospital's Sunset Room, sixth floor.

During "Sneak Thieves of Sight," which is free of charge and open to the public, ophthalmologist Peter M.T. Ho, M.D., will discuss eye diseases common to senior citizens.

"I will discuss eye diseases such as glaucoma, cataracts and macular degeneration," Dr. Ho said. "These are problems which many senior citizens are faced with today."

Dr. Ho said the key to preventing eye diseases is early intervention. Dr. Ho received his medical degree from the National Taiwan University. He completed his internship and medical residency at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center. He has been practicing in Lubbock since early 1993. Dr. Ho specializes in the treatment of glaucoma and laser surgery for cataracts.

Valet parking will be provided at the front entrance to the hospital. Refreshments will be served following the program. To make reservations and for more information, please call (806) 741-7111.

Senior Class is a benefit program sponsored by St. Mary Hospital to assist senior citizens in meeting their hospital needs. Senior Class offers free health screenings, educational programs, social activities and insurance counseling throughout the year. Benefits vary with age.

Senior Class membership costs at St. Mary Hospital are \$20 per individual, or \$30 per couple. For membership at affiliate hospitals, costs are \$25 per individual or \$40 per couple. Affiliate hospitals include DM Codgell, Snyder; Garza Memorial, Post; Medical Arts, Lamesa; Seminole Memorial, Seminole; and Yoakum County, Denver City.

Doctor Finder is another benefit program sponsored by St. Mary Hospital. It is a physician referral service which puts you in touch with the physician appropriate for your needs. Doctor Finder can be reached by dialing (806) 796-6060.

St. Mary Hospital has more than 300 physicians on staff in almost 50 specialties ranging from allergies to rehabilitation. Doctor Finder provides the doctor's specialty, office location, phone number and hours. Doctor Finder is a free service and is available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Telling Secrets

by Congressman Larry Combest (R-Texas)
Ranking Member, House Intelligence Committee

Betrayal of trust and loyalty by someone sworn to the safekeeping of national secrets is a violation of one of the most sacred responsibilities of any American. Often the consequences are measured in lives lost and intelligence efforts compromised. Reporters have asked me whether the most recent incident of spying allegations raises as the most serious in U.S. history because they are made against the former head of the CIA's Soviet counterintelligence branch. Any case of spying is serious. When ranking any of the past spy cases, some might consider the number of classified documents disclosed. However, the seriousness weighs heavily on the families of those caught, tortured and executed as a result of a spy's treason. No punishment for spying could be too severe.

That Russia continues to spy on us comes as no surprise to those of us on the Intelligence Committees in Congress. The instability of democracy in Russia with the release of hardliners who attempted a coup and tensions with the former Soviet republics like the nuclear-armed Ukraine are unmistakable ripples on the surface of deep troubles. It is particularly troubling that the Russians are spying on the same U.S. government that is sending them financial aid. I consistently vote in opposition to foreign aid giveaways of your tax money, but others in Congress will have second thoughts about aid to Russia now.

As the Ranking Member of the House Intelligence Committee, I am greatly concerned that a 31-year wear intelligence officer would be charged with betraying his country. These accusations are reviving efforts of those of us who continue to insist on more frequent polygraph examinations of high-clearance government employees. Civil libertarians had successfully objected to the further intrusion of polygraph exams, although it is not as though CIA employees should not expect the seriousness of their jobs to warrant more comprehensive review. Financial disclosure forms would also give an intelligence agency's own investigators the means to discover when agents are living well beyond their means. As it was, the FBI and CIA had to depend solely on good police work to trace and patch the leaks.

For years to come, we will be learning about the consequences. In the serious business of keeping secrets, those who know shouldn't tell; those who tell shouldn't know.

WHAT IS HAPPENING LOCALLY To Complete The Unfinished Work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



ADIP is a networking process for organizations engaged in an overall community-building approach in addressing the root causes of all types of ills among Black and similarly-situated minorities. ADIP's overall objective, via this interorganizational coalition, is to begin immediately to transform the discrete communities within Black America, through instilling "togetherness," into such Shining Oases of Hope that all therein not only will be motivated to want to learn and become productive parts of our then-wonderful communities, but also there will be a greatly lessened desire, or "felt need," to abandon support for Black-led organizations that opened economic and other doors, Black-owned businesses and professional entities, Black churches, etc. by inordinately "uprooting" and/or invading the communities and social and other institutions developed by (and for) other ethnic groups. ADIP has a redemptive mission of completing the unfinished work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The information listed below about your organization should (as best possible) be focused on what your group is doing to help complete that unfinished work.

This is a public service courtesy of the Southwest Digest. We will list your meeting date, time and place; special activities, annual meetings, etc. Anything else will be considered advertisement and will be charged as such. Such as hand-bills, brochures, promotions, etc. This is necessary, because of the inflated cost of doing business. We have to pay our expenses. There will also be a charge for photos, other than news events. For more information about getting your announcement on this page, call Eddie P. Richardson at 762-3612.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

The African-American Women Empowering meets Saturday at 12 Noon at 2812 Weber Drive, Community Center.

East Lubbock Chapter AARP Every 1st Wednesday at 1pm at Mac Simmons Community Center, Oak and 8th St.

The Dunbar International Alumni Association meets in Dunbar cafeteria as announced. More about their meetings.

Agape Temple Church of GOD in Christ will be hosting Free Dinner for the Homeless and Needy every 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month from 4:00 p.m. to 6 p.m. The church is located at 4510 Ave. Q. Bishop W. H. Watson is pastor.

Interdenominational Ministers Fellowship Alliance Every Fourth Thursday—6:30 p.m. Smith Temple Church, 9508 Avenue P.

The African-American Black Coalition meets on Thursday at 7:00pm at Estacado High School.

Guadalupe Economic Services Corporation Issues Commodities Second Monday & Tuesdays Parkway Drive & MLK Blvd. Call 766-7363. Free Health Screening Tuesday, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Green Fair Market Apartments Call either Debra, Lee or Rudy—

762-8793 For additional information call: 767-2011

Health For Friends Satellite Clinic for FREE Glucose & Hypertension Screening Every Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon at Cathedral of Praise, 2011 E. 13th Lubbock, TX. Sponsored by Lutheran Social Service, of Texas in cooperation with Cathedral of Praise. Questions? Call: Health For Friends 765-6030 Cathedral of Praise 763-6900

NAACP Monthly Meeting Every Second Saturday Evening 6:30 p.m. Smith Temple Church 6503 Avenue P.

The Girl Scouts of Greenfield Manor meet each Wednesday at 2812 Weber Drive at 4pm. All interested girls are asked to be present.

"Exodus into manhood" a Black Men Support Group Meeting time: 5:00 p.m. every Saturday at 2812 Weber Dr. Theme: "Visions for Black Men" For further information contact: Marvin 790-0051, Leon 784-0115, or R.D. 763-5534

Health For Friends: Every Thursday, 9:00am - 12:00 noon at Cathedral of Praise 2011 East 13th Question? Call Health For Friends at 765-2630 or Cathedral of Praise at 763-6900

Parkway Manor Care Center News

Mary Lara, who is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, came Sunday to offer communion to our Catholic residents.

Hayur Harrison, who is a member of New Zion Baptist Church, came Monday to visit the residents.

Ann Day with SPAG came Wed. to visit and read to the residents. Rev. K.G. Nathan visited with Mary Brunes and Rev. W. H. Stephen Wed.

Bro. Birmingham and Bro. Leonard visited with the residents Wed. afternoon. They are members of Hope Deliverance Church.

Jennie Ann Jordan and Shimira Barger visited Lucille Wiggins Thursday to offer communion to our residents. Attending members were Pastor N. H. Franklin, Bro and Sis Senders. We appreciate them so much for providing this for the residents.

Kary Shepherd, a member of Hope Deliverance came Thursday to visit, pray and sing one on one with the residents.

Manhattan C. O. C. at 5 came Thursday with worship service for the residents.

Mrs. Pauline Clay visited the residents on Friday.

Mittie Wallace and Galena high visited Roberta Bascus on Fridays.

Hope Deliverance Temple of 6 came Friday with worship service for the residents.

Parkway Manor C.C. are grateful to each of you for your concern for us. We thank God for each of you.

Mrs Norma Owens A, D and K



EHS Health Occupations Students Aid Victims of Car Accident

"This would be the perfect time to use our medical knowledge," said Jeremy, before he even saw the baby on the pavement.

Sophomores Jeremy Kiddle, Javier Martinez, and Veronica Martinez were headed east on 66th Street with Veronica's father Wednesday afternoon, February 23, when they saw a Chevy Nova run the stop sign and crash into the Ford Bronco in front of them.

When Veronica's father maneuvered their car around the crashed vehicles, Javier spotted the four year old in the street. By the time they got to him, the driver of the Nova was already trying to carry the child.

"What are you doing?" asked Javier, who knew from his medical training not to move an injured person.

While nearby construction workers watched the baby, Jeremy checked the father and the two year old still strapped in the car seat of the Bronco. Then he and Javier went to Motel 6 across the street to get help and some towels for the child's bleeding head leaving Veronica to calm the children's mother.

The three Estacado High School Health Occupations students worked to stop the child's bleeding while they waited for the ambulance.

"I used my shirt to wrap his head where it was bleeding," said Jeremy.

They checked vital signs, cleaned glass out of the baby's mouth, checked ribs, fingers, and kept an eye on the ear that was bleeding.

"Jeremy had to use his 'pinkie' finger to sweep the glass from the tiny mouth," said Javier.

When the police got there Jeremy talked on the police radio to the emergency dispatcher handling the situation. The ambulance arrived to find Jeremy, Javier, and Veronica doing what they could to stabilize the Torres family.

The two children remain in critical condition in the TICU at UMC. Mr. Torres, who drove the Bronco, suffered multiple face cuts from the windshield glass.

According to Lubbock police, 66th Street and 1-27 is now Lubbock's most dangerous intersection. Completion of traffic signal construction has been delayed because of bad weather and freezing temperatures.

LUBBOCK PTK INITIATES

A total of 47 Lubbock residents were among a record number 152 students recently initiated into the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society chapter at South Plains College. The honor society for students in two-year colleges nationwide recognizes academic excellence. Lubbock initiates include (from left, front row) Belinda McMennany, Tiffany Pruitt, Wendi Weathersby and Jeff Stapleton; and (from left, back row) Ernest Hernandez, Cheri Craig, Jorge Alvidrez and Jay Clay. (SPC Photo)

Holland & Knight Partner Marilyn Holifield Selected to Board of Prestigious National College

MIAMI—Marilyn Holifield, a partner with the law firm of Holland & Knight, was selected recently to the Board of Managers of Swarthmore College, one of the leading liberal arts colleges in the nation.

Ms. Holifield, a Swarthmore alumna and native of Tallahassee, is part of the 35-member board selected to four-year terms to oversee the general management of the college. The Board also appoints the president of the college, administrative officers and all members of the faculty.

The Quaker-founded Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania boasts an impressive list of alumni including Pulitzer-prize winning author James Michener, former Massachusetts Governor and presidential candidate Michael Dukakis, National Football League President Neil Austrian, Carnegie Institute President Maxine Singer, and the late Alice Paul, author of the Equal Rights Amendment; as well as three Nobel laureates and 19 present or former college and university presidents.

Ms. Holifield received a bachelor's in economics at Swarthmore before obtaining her law degree from Harvard Law School. As a partner of Holland & Knight's litigation department, her practice is general commercial litigation, including business torts, employment, products liability and antitrust.

"Undoubtedly, she is a leader in her field and a source of pride for the college," said Swarthmore College spokeswoman Jackie Fink. "She is one of the most outstanding alumni."

"This is an honor indeed," said Ms. Holifield. "I look forward to promoting education and helping open the doors to opportunity at my alma mater."

Ms. Holifield already serves on the advisory board of St. Thomas University and the Visiting Committee of the University of Miami Law School. She is also chairman of the board of Directors of the Economic Opportunity Family Health Center and chairperson of the American Bar Association Conference of Minority Partners in Majority/Corporate Law Firms. She is past president of the Harvard Law School Association of Florida and has served on the Board of the Greater Miami Opera and the Dade Community Foundation.

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Celebration Breakfast Honors New Shoney's Franchisees

LAKE CHARLES, LA—Calvin and Shirley Bridgeforth, Shoney's franchisees; Taylor H. Henry, Shoney's, Inc. CEO and chairman; and Mayor Willie Mount, mayor of Lake Charles, LA (pictured left to right), cut the ribbon at the Grand Opening Ceremony for the Bridgeforths' new restaurant in Lake Charles, LA. The Bridgeforths are the newest participants in the Shoney's, Inc. Minority Franchise Program.



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EDITORIALS • COMMENTS • OPINIONS

It Has To Be Me - Us!!

by Eddie P. Richardson



Each one of us should live by the creed, "If it is to be, it is up to me," and truly act the part as well as actually live the part day to day. In this part of the country, with Blacks being a minority, we have to work collectively for the good of all of us by pulling in the same direction with our priorities intact. We need to board up all these little camps and pool our efforts and resources by taking the initiative and leadership coming from within our own long-denied communities. The pace must be made by Blacks making the decisions about how our communities must be built and rebuilt. Too long we have sat around and waited for someone to do for us what we should do for ourselves. We must work with others that share our feelings of updating and upgrading our communities but we must not let them take us by the hand and lead us to a welfare mind of waiting for someone to do for us what we must do for ourselves.

We do not need leadership from outside ourselves,

nor do we need aid, we need jobs, contracts, trade and charting our own courses.

One point in hand is the second time around for the single member district case in U.S. Court here is the lack of Black people's support, both moral and financial. Black people should be out front supporting this effort to the fullest extent since it affects Blacks more by their being the minority. This is just another case of taking for granted, assuming and thinking someone owes us something for nothing. We must work our way out of this take-for-granted welfare syndrome.

We need to organize and not have so many organizations. We have so many organizations and so little organization, just too many big fish in small ponds instead of just fish in the mighty ocean. Blacks cannot afford to move in different directions as far as building and rebuilding our communities are concerned; we must get our priorities in order for us to reach our desired goals collectively and together for the good of us all.

We hope to learn to trust, love, respect each other, buy from, sell to, and hire each other whenever possible or feasible. We must understand no one can save us

from us, for us, what we must do for ourselves. The first step toward building and rebuilding our long-denied communities is to focus and refocus our minds to program and reprogram ourselves to the theory of yes I can, instead of somebody help me. Once we get our minds focused in a positive (yes I can) attitude, things will begin to change and results will start being positive and we will start to chart our own destinies and eventually take charge of our own future and leave something tangible for generations to come to have to cling to and have pride in. Then, eventually, our communities will be known as trade areas and not Aid areas. We hope in time our communities will have aid plus trade and in less time aid with more trade and in more time all trade and no aid, just the opposite of what we have now, all aid and no trade.

It would really be great if by next January, the birth month of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Black people across America would be working together collectively to make our communities self-sustaining marketplaces. This can be done by all of us working together united, not pulling in different directions, with different courses, which is the reason for the state of our communities

today.

For us to successfully reach our desired accomplishments for our communities, it takes us all working together collectively along with others that want to help, leadership and initiative must come from us.

The time is long past when well-meaning liberals and others took leadership paternal roles in our communities. The decision-making must be made by the Black community from outside the community and the role must be supportive only, whether financed, consultation, resource or hard work, anything but leadership. We will have to get ourselves out of the hole we are in, but we have to take the first steps and be in command by cooperating and working with those outside the Black community that are concerned and want to help. The ultimate goal is to pull our Black communities up by whatever bootstraps we may have. Remember let's live by the creed, "if it is to be it is up to me."

The final prayer is that once Black communities become solvent economically, politically and socially, they can make positive contributions to the total communities across America.

This & That

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In Cinque

by Renetta W. Howard

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The average hard-working individual in the lower middle class struggles to pay for a half day of short-stay care in a hospital. Surgery which lasts about fifteen minutes can net you a \$3,000.00 bill for use of the operating and recovery rooms along with an hour or two in a patient bed.

When the hospital bill shock wears off, then the doctor shock begins. Bills come from doctors you never saw or heard of for services you never knew you had and laboratory services which would baffle Sherlock Holmes and Columbo.

It is imperative that we take all of the necessary preventive measures to keep our children healthy and avoid the medical maze which can put us all in the "poor house." Get "in cinque" and pay attention to matters of health. Our lives depend on it!



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Crazy Horse

by Stephen C. McIntyre

I want to apologize to the three regulars who read this column every week. My computer died again last week. I almost junked it but decided to try one more time to get it fixed. Hopefully, the wizard I hired had sufficient m-magic to permanently fix the glitch.

Folks need to carefully look at the record and decide who they should vote for in the upcoming runoff in the Democratic primary: Miquel or Fisher for the U.S. Senate and Haas or Gonzales for the Texas Supreme Court. Fisher is a millionaire from Dallas who backed Perot and regularly contributes to Republicans around the country running for office. Haas is backed by Democratic state senators Gonzalo Barrientos of Austin, Greg Luna of San Antonio, and Carlos Truan of Corpus Christi.

Environmental racism is real. Whether it is a dump site, building a factory, locating a highway, developing Parks, or cleaning up a mess the evidence is mounting that if you are non-white your community will not be as physically attractive, safe, and protected as neighborhoods where the majority are white. Two recent books have been written dealing with fighting the environmental war against the big corporations and politicians who bow to them. The first book is a series of stories about folks around this country who are organizing and fighting back

and winning some battles. "Toxic Nation" by Fred Setterberg and Lonny Shavelson, 301 pp., New York: John Wiley and Sons, ~\$22.95. The other book has been called the handbook that every environmental activist should have in their library. "Confronting Environmental Racism, Voices from the grassroots," edited by Robert D. Bullard, forward by Benjamin Chavis, Jr., 259 pp., Boston: South End Press, \$16.

Any folks in Lubbock who are concerned about the environment of this area can contact any number of grassroots groups that are forming around Texas for suggestions and support. Call The Southwest Digest For More Information.

International Women's Day

1908 Women garment workers strike

1919 Univ. of Montana economics professor Levine suspended for "disobedience" for publishing a study showing that the Montana Mining Company is dodging half estate taxes.

1916 Pancho Villa invaded U.S.

3/12 1912 "Bread and Roses" strike ends in victory.

3/13 1973 Nixon says he could raise ~1 million in "hush money" if needed.

3/14 1979 Dr. John Guffman testifies at Silkwood trial. "If you want to bet with funding from the AEC (Atomic Energy Commission) and its radiation too harmful."

you don't find 1923 The Republican Party spends ~16 million for a new ad campaign praising Reaganomics. This marks the first time the Republicans have begun a political advertising campaign more than 19 months before an election.

1983 The Roseville, Mich., school district announces it is putting all 14 of its public school buildings up for sale. 3/15 1971 William Rehnquist on surveillance: "I do not believe it violates the particular constitutional rights of those who are surveyed."

It appears that Langston, Patterson, and Adetoro are leaning towards building the new coliseum at the Fair Grounds in East Lubbock. After briefly thinking about the traffic, parking, access, community and economic development angles it seems to me that the Fair Grounds location may have less problems and provide more opportunity than the others. The City Council needs one more councilman to get on board to have a majority favoring that site.

"Moral courage is a rarer commodity than bravery in battle or great intelligence. Yet it is the one essentially vital quality for those who seek to change the world which yields most painfully to change."—Robert F. Kennedy

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Tues.	March 29	Estacado @ Monterey (2 games)	Lowrey
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Tues.	April 5	Estacado @ Plainview—6:00	Plainview
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FROM THE DESK

OF PARSON

D. A. SMITH

The question was asked: "Are people motivated by their interests or by their beliefs?" No clear-cut answer was found but, it appears that people are influenced by both. The Marxist idea is that concrete economic interest dominate ideas.

Political Suicide: Not Voting!

Capitalist favor parties, candidates, and ideals that support capitalism. The common laborer favor parties candidates and ideas that support the working class. There is a popular belief that poor people are liberal but to the contrary, the majority of poor people are found to be conservative. And many wealthy people are found to be liberal.

Ideas are important in politics. And while ideas may not be the only thing, time and time again they have proven to be crucial in shaping political events. The founding fathers of the United States shaped the Constitution the way they did because they were convinced of the rightness of the ideas of English philosopher and political theorist, John Locke and French political writer and thinker, Baron de Montesquieu.

In "Political Culture and Political Development—Princeton

University Press" it is implied that each society imparts its own characteristic set of norms and values to its people, and the people in turn have distinct sets of ideals about how the political system is supposed to work, about what the government may do to them and for them, and about their own claims on the system and their obligation to it.

The psychology of Lubbock/Lubbock County in regard to its political system was reflected by 17% of the voters, Tuesday, March 8, 1994. Of this 17%, the numbers depict shameful representation of voter of "people of color."

It appears that 83% of the registered voters of Lubbock/Lubbock County are proud of their country's political system and are willing to debate the issues, organize "political action groups," and in some minute way promote their political choices. However, participation by

actual voting has waned.

Why are the majority of our citizens not supporting the political system by voting? Have we been so adversely affected by laws enacted by legislators that we feel trapped and not voting show our resentment to politics. Are sociologists right in their fears that civic education has severely weakened in the present-day United States and this poses danger for U. S. democracy. Has anger at both parties cause a decline in voter turnout, party loyalty and distrust in government?

Whatever the case, the Eastern section of Lubbock will suffer because of its voter apathy. The interest groups, whether, ethnic, economic, cultural, etc. of the city and county that have banded their forces and produced the vote will prevail. Like it or not!

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast are happy to report their many activities each week. We would like to remind each of you, it is people like you who keep us going.

We realize, however, that the Lord is with us and we can't help but continue with our weekly missionary work.

We advise each of you to continue to visit those who are ill, either in their residence or in the hospital. Also let us not forget those bereaved families.

Some of this past Saturday in Littlefield Texas. They are really working hard for the Lord. More of this in the near future.

Easter is almost upon us. This, to us, is the season for a new beginning. We need to remember this.

Let's Pray
"Father, thank you for all the good things you give us. Help us not to forget that you made everything possible for all of us. Remind us to love one another as you loved each of us. Thank you, Father, for what you have done for us, and what you will continue to do for each of us. Amen."

If you have a problem, give us a call at 762-3347 or write to us: Outreach Prayer Breakfast, P.O. Box 1223, Lubbock, TX 79408.

Can any good come out of Nazareth? Come & see!
Sister Dorothy Hood, President; Sister Augustine Frazier, Secretary.



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"The Bewitched Church!!!" Part 4

Revelation 2:7a, Jesus said, He that had an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Isaiah 58:1, The LORD SAID, Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and show my people their transgression.

(Just last week three reverend GREENBACKS came to ME about writing as I have been about: THE BEWITCHED CHURCHES. They told me not to write things like that because it was not THE WORD OF GOD. But I told them by THE GRACE OF GOD, AND ME BEING AN APOSTLE OF JESUS CHRIST. I'm to say what THE LORD would have ME to say, and NOT WHAT MAN WANTS TO HEAR. When you throw a ROCK into a PACK OF DOGS, only the one that get HIT HOLLOW OUT. I'm just one CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS. PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD, AND MAKE HIS PATH STRAIGHT.

Reverend HERO, march the ABORTION CLINICS, because of THY SHALT NOT KILL. But won't march on THE LIQUOR STORES, they kill THOUSANDS: SELLING THEM A THRILL.

Revelation 2:11a, Jesus said, He that hath an ear, let him hear what the spirit saith unto the churches.

Mark 1:6,8, Jesus said, Well hath Esai-as prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me. Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.

Reverend HERO, THE LIQUORS ARE DOPE DEALERS; LIKE THE DEALERS ON THE STREETS. Be a HERO and

MARCH ON THEM, AND LETS SEE WHAT THE END IS GOING TO BE.

Revelation 2:17a, Jesus said, He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Mark 16:15,16, Jesus said, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

Reverend CLEAN UP, Jesus said: GO & PREACH THE GOSPEL NOT CLEAN THE WORLD, AND SOME OF YOU'RE RUNNING FOR OFFICES OF THE DEVIL; THE PRINCE OF THE WORLD.

Psalms 1:1,2, Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of the sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

(Jesus took Mathew out of the ring of the GOVERNMENT, FOR He was a Roman Tax Collector: Luke 5:27, Jesus said: FOLLOW ME. LEAVE YOUR JOB! Look like Jesus would have been SMART AS THE PREACHERS TODAY. Wanting to RUN FOR THE SEAT OF THE DEVIL, THE PRESIDENT'S SEAT & THE VICE, GOVERNORS, SENATORS, MAYORS, JUDGE'S SEAT. THESE ARE THE ONES THAT LEGALIZED LIQUOR & ABORTION. PRAY FOR THEM.)

Revelation 2:29, Jesus said, He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Mark 8:33b, Jesus said, Get these behind me, Satan: for thou savourest not the

things that be of God, but the things that be of men.

Reverend GREENBACK, he run a REVIVAL, THEN PUT PEOPLE IN \$20, \$50, \$100 PRAYER LINES THEN SAY: IF YOU'VE GOT PROBLEMS, THEN GET IN THE \$100 LINE; BLOWING THEIR MINDS.

Revelation 3:6, Jesus said, He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Acts 20:27-30, For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God. Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood. For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them.

Revelation 2:4,5 Jesus said, Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of this place, except thou repent.

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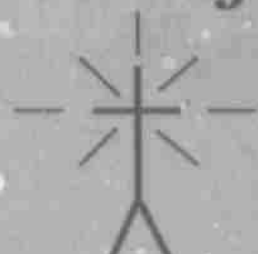
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The album, produced by Womack, is a chronicle of his life spanning from poverty to his huge successes and drawbacks in between.

"I felt like I just had to record this album," Womack commented. "I wanted to tell my story and make an impact not just with music, but with my life. On the record May May Ali, Ron Wood, G.E. Smith, Stevie Wonder, Michael Compton from Journey, Brian May from Queen—all of them came and recorded tracks with me. I'm just happy to be back and making music."

Womack is the first signing to Slide Music, a newly-formed record label owned by Rolling Stones guitarist Ronnie Wood. The label is marketed and distributed worldwide through the Continuum Records of New Jersey.

A single from the album is expected for release in April, 1994.



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Two Brothers Say God-Bye Lubbock, Hello Austin

By Tracy Hodges

March 12 marked the end of familiarity and the beginning of a new adventure for two Lubbock businessmen, Kevin and Keevin Dailey, graduates of estacado High School and Texas Tech University and members of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity, have decided to move on and try their luck, opening a beauty supply store and salon in the state capital, Austin.

The Dailey family is already known throughout Lubbock for their businesses, such as J&J Beauty Supply, owned by their father and mother and where the twins work and supervise during the day, and Crystal's night club, owned by their father and uncle, which the brothers managed for 15 months on Friday nights.

So if the family is already well established in this area, why the move to Austin? "We had talked to a couple of college friends," said Kevin, "and they expressed that there is a need for something of this caliber in that market... We've been planning to go to Austin for years, ever since we finished school, we knew we were going to get to Austin; our dad just wanted us to run J&J for a year from the top to bottom... to get the experience, and make sure this is what we wanted to do."

Kevin, who received his degree in Economics in 1992, didn't always know he wanted to own his own business, but Keevin, who has a general studies degree, with emphasis on business, political science and social science, did.

"I was interested in being involved in business. I knew that from a while back, but I didn't know exactly what I wanted to do until later on."

Although Kevin and Keevin differ on whether or not they wanted to own their own business, anxieties about leaving are something they have in common.

"I'm excited, but I'm a little apprehensive," said Kevin. "I don't know if it's leaving familiar surroundings and security... I don't want to leave my girlfriend either. It's a risk factor... I'm about to make a move that I haven't made before."

"I'm really excited about the opportunity..." said Keevin. "I'm nervous about leaving something so stable."

Kevin says that his parents are scared and unsure, but that it's their choice and to do it.

Cheree Scott, Kevin's girlfriend, is proud of what they are accomplishing.

"I have tried not to deal with Kevin's leaving... just talking about it makes me emotional. But I'm



SHINE THE LIGHT ON CRIME COMMITTED BY PRIVILEGE—

Then We Will Believe

Carolyn L. Bennett, Ph.D.

When the press and government start chiding the light of truth on crime committed by privilege, then we'll believe they're serious about reducing crime in American society.

It took thirty long and tortuous years (1964-1994) to bring the murderer of Medgar Evers to justice. In the same 30 years not a single person was brought to trial, either by Mississippi "justice" (if there is such a thing!) or by the U.S. Department of Justice for the murders of civil rights workers Goodman, Schwerner and Chaney. And even without historical abominations representing a long line of abuses, miscarriages of justice, and untruths, there is daily evidence of a selective characterization and definition of crime by press and government; and an equally selective rendering of justice by America's judicial system.

There is crime deep in the fiber of America that acts out indiscriminately—in the halls of Congress, in the military, in executive offices in every sector of society. It is a pattern of behavior, a pattern of ethical, moral, human and legal violation that press and politicians don't talk about when they talk about "crime." Crime of privilege. Crime without checks, bound by no law.

Crime of privilege precedes and cultivates any penny ante crime you can think of: crimes of pimps, prostitutes, drug addicts, burglars, the homeless. Squeegee men. These penny ante crimes pale by comparison with crimes of privilege, position and power.

Southern sheriffs' perverted authority, New York policemen's harassment of the homeless are crimes under cover of darkness hidden deep in the bowels of newspapers, or left out altogether.

A sheriff or policeman who is doing dirt, even conspiring to do murder, does not bring a case against himself? A U.S. congressman or president on the dole of a political action committee; a newspaper, magazine or TV program beholden for advertising to a corporate magnate who is the "brother" of the sheriff, arg a president, congressman and newspaper publisher who will not push a Justice Department probe and bring the murderers to justice?

It is also true that no government can reasonably provide for the physical safety of Americans in their homes, on the streets, in work and other public spaces—unless it confronts all crime. Unless it turns the light of day on crime in private enterprise and public agencies, in charitable organizations and economic, welfare, educational and financial systems and institutions.

No one can talk seriously about crime unless he talks not only about crime on the surface, but crime in the fabric, in the grain of America's being. Crime that is whitewashed by press and government.

Press and Government (we) are not really serious about reducing crime.

When press and government get serious about crime, they will talk about crime networking through whole systems, enterprises and institutions (an "information superhighway of crime"?). When they get serious about crime they will confront it wholly and publicly for the sake of, as the Constitution says, insuring domestic tranquility and promoting the general welfare.

Congress and the White House are touting one or another anti-crime proposal, but in a situation where there is interlocking investment in the status quo and an ongoing conspiracy to cover up—one bill is just as useless as another.

Whether the key ingredient is prevention, detention or something else, the proposals will prove useless because they are flawed with questionable motivation, erred definition and unclear articulation of the problem. More prisons, more penny ante people in prison, 100,000 armed police on the streets won't solve the problem of prisons programmed to promote recidivism; or the senselessness of perverted authority. Proposals contrived to draw public attention to slogans, buzz words, personalities and competing interests are intentionally useless.

Any proposal or bill not focused on the horrendous task of "reinventing" (Mr. Gore's word) penal, criminal and judicial systems is designed to solve nothing. Any bill or discussion that does not shine the light of day on crime that is in the fabric of America, and crime on the dark side, hidden in the corridors of power and privilege where drugs can be used and abused, bought, sold and trafficked, where deals are made and deeds done without detection or detention, without publication or prosecution—any limitation in acknowledging the full scope of crime in America constitutes a failure to talk seriously about crime in America.

Limiting our view of crime is also a denial of our operational values.

Our operational values are paying citizens to vote our way, and taking money for voting the way we're told to vote. Our values are taking money to legislate and money to execute. Paying off government to avoid punishment for "white collar"

Our values are men sexually harassing women in just about every imaginable work or social situation: on college campuses and in military academies, in the halls of Congress, on and off active duty military assignments. Our values are cheating, stealing and lying our way in and out of educational institutions where admirals can't figure out how to punish hundreds of midshipmen for stealing an engineering exam.

Our values are harassing the homeless who we can't figure out how to help in a way that also helps society as a whole.

Our "values" tell us there is privileged crime about which press and government are mum; and there is crime of the unprivileged, "unpositioned," "unpowerful" that blazes daily in the headlines so much so that we are conditioned to think "those people" whenever we hear the word "crime."

We will solve the crime problem in America when the press and government (and therefore, the public) turn the torch light of truth and honesty on the under cover of privileged crime. When press and government start shining the light of truth on crime of privilege, then we will believe that America is serious about reducing crime in American society.

Dr. Carolyn L. Bennett is a writer and former educator who lives due west of the Potomac.

BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU REPORT

Companies that offer to consolidate all your debts and present you with one "simple monthly bill" are generally not out to save you money. Except for some non-profit organizations that provide this as a public service either at no charge or for a nominal fee, the BBB has found that debt adjusting companies often tack on an additional five to 10 percent (or more) to your debts and then pay the bills for you with your money. While this will make bill paying time simpler, if you had problems coming up with enough money in the first place, the additional cost may make matters worse. Some debt adjusting companies state they will contact the companies you owe and try to arrange a reduced monthly payment. Remember that a debt adjusting company will NOT lend money to pay off your bills; pay off your bills all at once; or use its own money to pay off your bills. Get a reliability report by calling your BBB at 763-0459.

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SBA Assists Hamburger Business in Tremendous Growth

LUBBOCK—Short Stop Hamburgers is fast becoming a household word in Lubbock. In November 1991 John Ropas and his wife Irene assumed a U. S. Small Business Administration (SBA) guaranteed loan to start their business endeavor. An existing first location was at 4th and University but had not been very progressive. Ropas secured private financing and opened the second location at 50th & Boston; this time he put in two drive-in windows instead of one. This concept is unique and cannot be found in any other restaurant within a 100-mile radius of Lubbock. Now, things were starting to happen—this new concept in the hamburger business was catching on. In 1993 two additional locations, 34th & Avenue Q and 50th & Slide, were opened with the assistance of two SBA guaranteed loans. This business has quadrupled in only two years with locations in the major thoroughfares in the city!

"Convincing vendors this venture was more than a small 'Mom & Pop' operation was difficult but essential to get good prices," said Ropas. Another obstacle was in transforming the name association as it had been in operation in Lubbock since 1988. First in one location and then moving to the current 4th & University location. Still it was not progressing. In other words, purchasing an established business name and turning it into the current success was no easy task. Irene's major in advertising was vital in this respect. John concentrated on the operations and finance of their enterprise.

POEMS WANTED FOR CONTEST AND ANTHOLOGY

Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum Inc. is offering a grand prize of \$500 in its new Distinguished Poet Awards poetry contest. Thirty-four other cash awards are also being offered. The contest is free to enter.

Poets may enter one poem only, 20 lines or less, on any subject, in any style. Contest closes May 31, 1994, but poets are encouraged to submit their work as soon as possible, since poems entered in the contest also will be considered for publication in *Treasured Poems of America*, a hardcover anthology. Prizes will be awarded by July 31, 1994.

"We are looking for sincerity and originality in a wide variety of styles and themes," says Jerome P. Welch, Publisher. "You do not have to be an experienced poet to enter or win."

Poems should be sent to Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum Inc., Dept. E, 203 Diamond Street, Sistersville, WV 26175.

ABOUT THE CONTEST SPONSOR: Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum sponsors six free poetry contests and publishes six hardcover poetry anthologies each year. Sparrowgrass is dedicated to encouraging and rewarding the many "undiscovered" poets across America.

New Mothers Urged to Stay Off Cigarettes

HOUSTON—Pregnant women may be getting the message about the dangers of smoking, but the majority return to the habit following pregnancy.

"It then becomes a risk for the newborn child," says Dr. Marianna Sockrider, a pediatric pulmonologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "The mothers think they have 'saved' their baby from exposure to tobacco smoke, but when they light up the danger begins again."

Sockrider says that one hurdle for pregnant women who quit smoking is the change in attitudes of those around them once the baby is born.

"During pregnancy, people are sensitive about smoking," she said. "They don't smoke around the pregnant woman, or offer her cigarettes. But once the baby is born, the pressure to smoke resumes."

Sockrider, who treats children with asthma and other respiratory disorders, often counsels parents about the dangers of passive smoking. Passive smoke is more poisonous than smoke inhaled directly from cigarettes and contains more than 2,000 toxins, some of which are known cancer-causing chemicals.

Second-hand smoke can burn the eyes, nose and throat, an irritation that can be more severe in babies due to their small features. It can also lead to ear infections, respiratory infections such as bronchiolitis and pneumonia, and can affect lung function. In addition, some studies have questioned possible ties to increases in crib deaths and impaired intelligence and child development.

Even though they may wish to stop smoking for good, new mothers are not always prepared for the temptations from well-intentioned smoker friends or loved ones.

"By planning ahead, they can examine why they smoke and look at different coping mechanisms for after the pregnancy," Sockrider said. "They can talk with their spouse or other smokers in the house to help create a smoke-free environment."

Sockrider suggests parents who want to lessen the health risks from second-hand smoke either quit smoking or do the following:

- Designate a smoking area outside or in a well-ventilated room.
- Cut back. There is a direct link between increased health risks and the number of cigarettes smoked. Also, cutting back the amount you smoke could be the first step towards quitting.
- Know that you are in control. Tobacco smoke is the leading cause of death in the United States. Disease and death resulting from its use either directly or passively is 100 percent preventable.

UC Programs Presents T.V. Talk Show

"Violence Against Women"

LUBBOCK—Lois Waraskevich will host the IDEAS & ISSUES talk show on Tuesday, March 29th at 7:30 p.m. This semester's talk show is focused on "Violence Against Women," as part of the Women's Focus slated for March 28-April 8. The show will consist of panelists discussing the problem of violence against women, where women can find help, and prevention tips. Panelists for the show are Ms. Robin Brewton, Health Education Coordinator, Student Health Services; Ms. Susan Schroeder, MS, LCDC, SWA; and Ms. Kelly Whitman, Lubbock Rape Crisis Center. The show will be taped in the Texas Tech University Center Matador (Coronado) room at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 29th. Admission for the show is free and everyone is invited to attend. The show will actually air on KLBK Channel 13, on April 17th at 12:00 noon. For more information, call Ceci Lou at 742-3621, or come by the UC Activities office, second floor of the University Center.

The Public is invited to Attend a Reception and Fundraiser For ABRAHAM SPIRES, a Democratic Candidate for Candidate for County Commissioner Precinct #2. Date: March 17, 1994 Time: 7:00 p.m. Place: University Life Insurance Company 1526 E. 19th Street Please, let us support Mr. Spires. If you are unable to attend, please call 763-7277 and your donation will be picked up. Thank you. Friends of Abraham Spires