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A Voice For Freedom Is Silenced

Kwame Ture, formerly known as Stokely Carmichael, died Sunday, Nov. 15, 1998 in Guinea. He was diagnosed with terminal prostate cancer in 1996. He will be buried this Sunday in Conakry, Guinea.

Dr. Conrad Worrill, Chairman of the Black United Front reveal during a telephone interview that "Ture was born in Trinidad in 1941. His family later moved to New York, where Ture received his high school education at the Bronx Academy. He was a good student and became involved in many student activities. By the time Ture arrived at Howard University, where he attended college, and joined the National Student Association, he was well prepared for the social and political activism for which he became well-known."

Ture, as a part of the National Student Association, joined the "Freedom Rides," that were instrumental in removing impediments that precluded Blacks from voting in the South during the early 1960's. From his involvement with the "Freedom Rides" he joined the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC). He later became chairman of SNCC. As a part of SNCC, Ture traveled to Lowndes County, Alabama to lend support to the Lowndes County Freedom Organization's Black voter campaign. The symbol of the Lowndes County Organization was a black panther. Huey Newton and Bobby Seal, political and social activists from Oakland, California, who were involved in the Lowndes Black voter campaign, took the symbol of the panther back to Oakland and used it as the Black Panther Party.

After the Lowndes County campaign, because of the controversy that developed in the infrastructure of SNCC, Ture resigned his chairmanship and became Prime Minister of the Black Panther Party.

Ture was a vital and piquant voice of the Black freedom movement. He popularized the slogan "Black Power" that became the battle cry of young militant activists and Black Nationalists.

Dr. Worrill indicated, "Because of Ture's virulent and uncompromising commitment to the Black power struggle, during 1966, his life was put in imminent danger."

Initially, Ture was protected by guards from the Fruit of Islam (FOI) by the order of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad. He found subsequent refuge in Guinea, when Shirley Graham DuBois, who was living in Guinea, requested the President of Guinea to invite Ture to visit that country. He later decided to remain in Guinea. Ture was a consistent, dedicated and trustworthy freedom fighter. He loved African people everywhere. Perhaps his most significant and insightful contribution was to link the struggle of African Americans to the struggle of Black people on the continent of Africa.

Ture became firmly convinced that the only true way for Black people to gain full-freedom and empowerment in the world was through Pan African Unity. Ture was founder of the All-African People's Revolutionary Party. Memorial services will be conducted in many places across the world, simultaneously with Mr. Ture's burial, to honor his life and works.

Slower Hiring Pace On Tap For Lubbock

A positive, but more subdued job scene is projected for the Lubbock area at the beginning of 1999, according to Manpower Inc.'s latest survey of businesses' workforce requirements for the first quarter of the year.

Sheryl Ellis of Manpower said, "The Lubbock Employment Outlook Survey for January, February and March shows that of employers contacted about their staffing needs this winter, 26% will add to their payrolls, 13% are preparing for personnel cutbacks and 58% plan to make no adjustments. The balance, 3%, are unsure of their plans."

"A year ago at this time the outlook was a little better, as 20% said they would hire and 3%

anticipated reductions. The job picture was much brighter last quarter, when 36% intended to increase staff while 3% thought fewer workers were needed."

Job opportunities appear most promising this winter in construction and wholesale/retail trade. Staff cutbacks are predicted in transportation/public utilities and finance/insurance/real estate. Mixed readings are reported in durable goods manufacturing and services.

Seasonal hiring patterns dominated the survey on a national basis, with 23% adding new employees, 10% planning reductions, 63% expecting no change and 4% uncertain.

THE EMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK SURVEY

Manpower Inc. conducts the Employment Outlook Survey on a quarterly basis. It is a measurement of employers' intentions to increase or decrease the permanent workforce, and during its 22-year history has been a significant indicator of employment trends. The survey is based on telephone interviews with 16,000 public and private employers in 473 U.S. cities. Manpower Inc. is the world's largest staffing services firm, annually providing employment to 1.6 million people through more than 2,500 offices in 48 countries.



Clarence O. Smith (second from right), cofounder and president of Essence Communications, Inc., and CEO of Essence Television Productions, received the Joseph Papp Racial Harmony Award from the Foundation for Ethnic Understanding at its annual benefit on Thursday, November 5. Smith is pictured here with (from left to right) fellow honoree Danny Goldberg, president and CEO of Mercury Records Group; special guest and world-renowned entertainer Diana Ross; and Rubbi Marc Schneider, president of the Foundation for Ethnic Understanding. The foundation's mission is to promote Black-Jewish relations, reduce bigotry and promote reconciliation and understanding through dialogue between the leaders of ethnic communities. (Photo, Richard Lobell)

Geronimo Ji Jaga (Pratt) Speaks at Muslim Youth Conference in Africa

Geronimo Ji Jaga recently visited Accra, Ghana, West Africa and addressed the first Muslim Youth Symposium. Brother Ji Jaga (formerly known as Geronimo Pratt), former political prisoner, was visiting Africa for the first time since being released from (27) years of an unjust incarceration. A highlight of the conference, his presentation was well received as he spoke on the history of the Black Panther Party and the love and admiration he has for the Nation of Islam. While in Ghana, he visited the historical Slave Dungeons of Elmina and Cape Coast, toured the W.E.B. DuBois Pan African Center, and the Kwame Nkrumah Memorial.

The conference was viewed as a success due to the dramatic display of unity of over 1,100 Muslims, male and female who attended the first Muslim Youth Conference on November 1st, 1998. The event was held at the Accra International Conference Center in Accra, Ghana. It was a joint effort of the Ghana Muslim Youth Movement and the Nation of Islam Ghana Mission.

Muslims from various communities traveled from many parts of Southern Ghana to respond to the call made by the Muslim Youth Movement, which was founded by Sheikh M.M. Gedel. The Conference was coordinated with the assistance of the Nation of Islam's office in Ghana, under the direction of Minister Abdul Akbar Muhammad.

The theme of this historic event was "Reshaping the Image of Islam for Ourselves and the World." Brother Brian Muhammad, Chairman of the Conference said, "Our purpose today is to prepare



Left to right: Geronimo Ji Jaga (Pratt), A. Akbar Muhammad, Nation of Islam, Dr. Mohammed Ibn Chambas, Deputy Minister of Education, Imam Abu Bakr Yasin of Trinidad

Muslims to take responsibility for the image of ourselves, not only in Ghana, but throughout the world. It is vitally important for our youth. In particular, to understand and accept their role in improving the image of our faith."

The keynote speaker of the Conference was Imam Abu Bakr Yasin of Jamaat Al-Muslimeen from Trinidad and Tobago. Using references from both Bible and Holy Quran, the Imam exhorted the attendees to follow the path of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) towards overcoming obstacles in their personal lives. "Just as Allah alternates the night and the day as a sign, and we taste the sweetness of fish from a salty sea, our personal life conditions can be changed" said Imam Abu Bakr.

A presentation was given by Dr. Mohammed Ibn Chambas, the Deputy Minister of Education. His topic was Muslim in Higher Education. In his comments, he cited the low enrollment of Muslim students in medical school and other institutions of higher learning. He

offered an historical overview of the root causes. Alhaji Baba Issah and Dr. Farouk Brimah spoke on issues regarding Health and the Environment. There were also presentations on Conflict Resolution by Sheikh M.M. Gedel and Minister Akbar Muhammad.

During Minister Akbar's presentation in the Conflict Resolution segment, his major point was that, "Although there are differences among the many Muslim communities, they should not cause us to be violent. We must find a way to work together."

Sister Velma E. Muhammad of the Nation of Islam expressed a hope that this event become an annual event. She made this remark while thanking everyone for their participation. Sister Rakia Adamu, Women's Leader of the Ghana Muslim Youth Movement, also thanked the attendees for their overwhelming support towards the successful event.

Brother James L. Muhammad is the East Coast Regional Secretary visiting in Ghana.

CBC Members' Efforts Yield Results In Black Farmers vs. USDA

WASHINGTON—Black farmer groups and activists consider the recent passage of U.S. House of Representatives legislation, waiving the two-year statute of limitations on discrimination complaints by farmers, as a major breakthrough. The waiver was part of the \$55.9 billion agriculture appropriations bill which now goes to the Senate for conferring.

Attorney General Janet Reno issued an opinion on the statute last April "barring" many of the backlogged USDA claims. "Congress has sent a clear, unambiguous message to both the courts and the Department of Justice that real constitutional rights don't have a statute of limitations," said Sam Taylor, part of the farmers' professional legislative team. The statute of limitations has been a major obstacle in the path of Black farmers seeking redress from the government.

Four hundred farmers have filed a \$2.5 billion class-action lawsuit, Pigford et al. vs. Glickman, citing years of racial discrimination resulting in foreclosures and loss of Black-owned land. The suit is languishing in federal court and U.S. District Court Judge Paul Friedman has urged the government to reach a mediated settlement.

Gary Grant, president of the Black Farmer & Agriculturists Association, said, "we're pleased that this first step is over and are expecting the legislation to go through the Senate by the end of August." Grant explained that the waiver of the statute of limitations meant more than 2,500 Black farmers could now join the lawsuit.

The Congressional Black Caucus (CBC), especially U.S. Representatives John Conyers and Maxine Waters — along with Rep. Eva Clayton, Bennie Thompson and Cynthia McKinney — led the

negotiations, while Rep. Jose Serrano offered the amendment. "They each have much to be proud of. This issue taxed and exhausted every legislative skill the Caucus had and still they found a way to be victorious, after 18 months of fighting," said Taylor.

Others considered instrumental in negotiating the waiver were: House Speaker Newt Gingrich, who met with Black farmers last month pledging support and Clinton chief of staff, Erskine Bowles, who worked with Gingrich and other congressional leaders.

Black farmers also have a new ally as America's largest civil rights organization has waded into the issue of Black land loss. NAACP President and CEO Kweisi Mfume recently called on the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to take a much more aggressive role in addressing the problem. "This is an increasing dilemma for African-American farmers and the NAACP has been concerned for some time now about long-term consequences," he said.

The NAACP has just established an Office of Rural Development Outreach and the USDA has assigned a staff person to work at the organization's National Headquarters in Baltimore, Md. The new office will work to help prepare NAACP branches to become advocates for small and minority farmers. "I don't necessarily expect that this will be a panacea. The process will be a long and tedious one, however, it is certainly the first step in the right direction," said Mfume.

There will be a workshop on "African-American Farmers and Black Land Loss" at the NAACP Convention being held in mid-July in Atlanta, Ga. There will be a workshop on Reparations for Black slavery focusing on passage of H.R. 40, the Reparations study bill sponsored by Congressman John Conyers.

City Workers' Creativity Tapped

LUBBOCK, TEXAS—A National Arts Program exhibition featuring the art works of City of Lubbock municipal employees, retirees, and their families will be on display at the Garden & Arts Center, 4215 University Ave., Lubbock, TX 79413, from December 7 through December 8, 1998. An opening reception for the exhibition will be held on Thursday, December 10 from 5:00p.m. to 7:00p.m. with a proclamation presented by Mayor Windy Sitton.

Works by all ages will be on display. Mediums that will be on display will include paintings, drawings, photography, sculpture, and crafts. Winners in the two youth classifications (youth under 12 and 12 to 18 years of age) will be given awarded 1st (\$300), 2nd (\$200), and 3rd (\$100) place prizes. Winners in the three adult classifications (amateur, intermediate, and professional) will be awarded also 1st (\$300), 2nd (\$200), and 3rd

(\$100) place prizes. In addition, a "Best of Show Award" of \$150, scholarships for the youth and honorable mentions will be presented provided by the National Arts Program Foundation. Each artist will receive a National Arts Program Certificate of Participation.

The exhibition will be open for viewing at the following times:

Monday (12/7): start of exhibit-8:00 AM to 9:00 PM; Tuesday (12/8): judging of exhibit-8:00 AM to 5:00 PM; Wednesday (12/9): exhibit open-8:00 AM to 5:00 PM; Thursday (12/10): exhibit open-8:00 AM to 7:00 PM; reception & awards ceremony-5:00 PM to 7:00 PM; Friday (12/11): exhibit open-8:00 AM to 5:00 PM; Saturday (12/12): Auditorium closed due to pre-scheduled events; Sunday (12/13): O.A.C. closed; Monday (12/14): Thursday (12/17): exhibit open-8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

For more information call 767-3724 or fax 767-3726.

Ruby Jay's Corner



The New Hope Baptist Church, 2022 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and the Rev. Billy R. Moton is the proud pastor. Come and visit New Hope Baptist Church if you don't have a Church Home; our doors are always open.

Services were held as usual at New Hope last Sunday, but the crowd was small due to the Thanksgiving holidays. Many of our members were out of the city for the holidays. But we had church right on!

Services began at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday School and Superintendent Virgil Johnson was at his post of duty presiding. Teachers had 30 in mutes of discussion in their various classrooms. All reassembled at 10:15 a.m. to the main auditorium with Sister Florenza Stokley as musician playing the familiar "Yield Not To Temptation." Prayer was given by Sister Cleo Quigley. Pastor Moton brought the high points of the morning lesson which were very good.

Class Reports: Youth Department — The Kindergarten Class received both banners, Attendance and Offering Banners. Adult Department: Adult Class No. 1 retained the Attendance Banner which was the Men's Class. Adult Class No. 2, taught by Sister Dorothy Kinner, retained the Offering Banner.

Last Sunday was the Fifth Sunday and it was Missionary Day, me Women Missionary Society led the morning devotions. Those participating were Sisters D. Scales, Ruby Jay, and Ruby Washington.

The morning processional was done by the Senior Choir. Altar prayer was offered by Brother Ernest Swain. A song, "All My Help Comes From The Lord," was sung. The morning scripture was taken from the Book of Psalms and read by Sister Rosie Reddie. A very fervent prayer was given by Sister Margaret Moton, first lady of the church. Another song, "More Love For Thee," was sung, me Senior Choir sung beautifully.

Responsive reading was done with all standing and led by Sister Lucille Jackson. The morning hymn was "I Want To See Him". Pastoral observations were given by Pastor Moton. He always gives you something to feast upon during the coming week. The sermonic hymn "I Need Thee."

Pastor Moton's sermon text was taken from Psalms 56:3-4. His subject was "Let Your Faith Handle Your Fears." It was quite a message.

Let us continue to pray for those on the sick and shut in list. We are praying for the faithful and want them to know we miss them.

Th is writer, Ruby Jay, received a phone call last Sunday morning about her cousin in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma who passed. Thank you for your precious prayers.

Ms. Dora Johnson was surprised with a birthday party last Saturday in the Fellowship Hall of New Hope Baptist Church. Her daughter, Linda, from Arlington, Texas, was present. It's just so nice to be nice to nice people

Chantell Jay and her boys visited here for the Thanksgiving holidays. All were enjoyed very much.

Patrick Johnson visited his parents, Virgil and Ida Johnson, during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Mary Mitchell and sisters visited a sister in New Mexico over the Thanksgiving holidays. They enjoyed it very much.

Rev. and Mrs. D. N. Thomas of Bivins, Texas were the guest of Sister Bernice Kelly during the Thanksgiving holidays. They had a wonderful time together.

We would like to take this opportunity and welcome a new pastor and wife of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. and Mrs. Elliott Lambert. May God bless and stay with this pastor and wife. Welcome to Lubbock, Texas!!

The Slaying of Joe Joshua

By Earl Ofari Hutchinson, Ph.D.

"I've seen a White man distraught with a knife and they shot him with rubber bullets—anything to save his life. But they just killed that Black man." Those angry words were spoken by a local merchant who witnessed 76-year-old Joe Joshua being gunned down by LAPD officers on a street corner in South Los Angeles.

Police say they shot Joshua when he advanced on them with a knife. However, this witness, and several others have disputed this. They claim that Joshua did not threaten officers with the hunting knife that he carried.

Even if he did what police say, they angrily asked how much of a threat was a 76-year-old man? Couldn't the officers have fired a warning shot, or shot him in the arm or leg? Couldn't they have used one of the non-lethal weapons in their arsenal such as a stun gun, tasers, rubber bullets, tear gas pellets, pepper spray, or bean bags to subdue him?

Joshua was not just another one of the thousands of poor, nameless, faceless elderly African-American men and women who seemed destined to live out their lives quietly and alone. He was the father of five, a government pensioner, and according to his family, a Korean War veteran who had been awarded three Purple Hearts for battle wounds suffered during combat.

Unfortunately, his age record, and family ties did not save him from being a victim of tragic — and to many senseless — violence at the hands of Los Angeles police officers.

Was the shooting of Joshua an aberration or was it just lethal business as usual for the LAPD? At the very least, it was more evidence how "serious" the LAPD is in curbing the use of excessive force by officers.

The Christopher Commission, established after the L.A. riots in

1992, made it painfully clear that far too many officers are getting away with far too much when it comes to abusive treatment of citizens. They were able to get away with misconduct because the chief, and the Police Commission in too many cases, were willing to wink and nod at it.

The issue of excessive force, which was the signature of the LAPD during the reign of Daryl Gates, came to a head with the beating of Black motorist Rodney King in 1991 and the devastating L.A. riots in 1992. This ultimately led to the downfall of Gates and the unprecedented national public revulsion over the practices and performance of the LAPD.

While the LAPD became the national poster department for police violence it is hardly the only offender. Between 1984 and 1991, The Justice Department received more than 15,000 complaints nationally of police brutality. The number of complaints has continued to remain high since then. But, these figures badly understate the problem because most instances of police abuse go unreported out of fear.

Other than dealing with a handful of carefully selected, high-profile cases, the Justice Department has done virtually nothing to clamp down on police abuse in local departments. The attitude is that police abuse is a problem that must be solved by police departments and local officials.

In most cases, it hasn't and won't happen. The slaying of Joe Joshua is deadly proof of that. This is why the national day of protest against police violence held in Los Angeles and other cities nationally on Oct. 22 was of life and death importance for the thousands of Joe Joshuas in America's inner cities.

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New Seat Belt Campaign Targets Children Ages 12 and Under

The Lubbock Police Department and the South Plains Safe Communities Coalition are asking parents to give their children a special gift this holiday season, the gift of safety buckling up for every trip on our streets and highways.

A brief news conference and demonstration of the safe and proper use of child safety seats will be held Monday, November 23rd, 11:00 a.m. at the corner of 60th Street and Slide Road in the Parking lot of Furr's Cafeteria, across from the South Plains Mall entrance on Slide Road.

Lubbock Police Chief Ken Walker, who will participate in the news conference, has announced police officers will be enforcing the child safety belt law this holiday season to help reduce the number of deaths and injuries to children. Texas leads the nation in the number of deaths among children 12 years and under due to not properly using seat belts.

Health Educators from the City of Lubbock Health Department will be conducting demonstrations at the

corner of 60th and Slide on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, November 23-25, for the proper installation of infant and toddler car seats and the proper buckling procedure for infants, toddlers and children under 12. The free demonstrations for parents and children will be held at the location Monday and Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and on Tuesday from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Participating in the news conference will be representatives from the Lubbock Police Department, South Plains Safe Communities Coalition, Citizens Traffic Commission, Texas Department of Public Safety, Texas Department of Transportation, City of Lubbock Health Department, Lubbock Traffic Engineering Department, Lubbock County Sheriff's Department and Lubbock Independent School District.

A new Public Service Announcement, "Snuggle Up To Your Buckle," focusing on the importance of buckling up all children 12 years of age and younger, will be released Monday which will air during the holiday season.



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SUCCESSFUL SURFERS -- Roosevelt Roby with his sons, Tony and Danny, pose with the tools they use to tap into a global marketplace of over 5.5 billion consumers.

Businessman Shares Family Success Secret

Roosevelt Roby, entrepreneur and father of 10, taught his children how to make money selling products on the Internet. Their success translates into a very lucrative family business that he believes will sustain his growing family of 18 grandchildren and beyond.

"Through our research, we discovered how to tap into a vast global marketplace of over 5.5 billion consumers who are eager to buy anything that comes from America," he says. "All we need to know is what they want to buy, then we find the suppliers."

What do global consumers want to buy? Everything from toys to blue jeans, according to Roby. "They want the same things we have here in

America. The problem is," Roby explains, "they aren't equipped to manufacture most products in other countries. They're looking for American suppliers, and they're willing to pay top dollar to have the things we take for granted."

Take toilet paper, for instance. A common complaint among travelers is about the rough grade of tissue that is available outside the United States. It's pretty evident that American-grade tissue provides a much higher level of comfort. "In fact," says Roby, "it's a luxury item sought after by the royal families of the world. They want designer colors to match their bath ensembles."

Other products in high demand are used cars and auto parts as well as

music CDs and personal hygiene products. "My sons export rebuilt automotive turbochargers," Roby tells us, "and I've sold a large number of used American-made cars. There's a company in Germany who wants to buy eight or 10 cars per month. They pay in advance and the shipping company and my bank handle all the paperwork. We make from \$3,000 to \$5,000 per vehicle and they sell abroad for a much greater profit."

If business is so good, you might ask, why aren't more people involved in it? That, according to Roby, is because most people think that international trade is only for big businesses. "They think it's too complicated for an individual or small company," Roby explains. "Too many rules to follow."

In 1987, Roby developed a computer database system to simplify the process and provide vital information to importers and exporters. His service, WBE.NET, the World Business Exchange Network, is a membership trade association and subscription database located on the Internet (<http://www.wbe.net>). WBE.NET provides daily updated trade leads and market research information supplied by government and other trade resources as well as through WBE's own members. The database boasts over 125,000 records of contact information for buyers, sellers, manufacturers, agents and distributors worldwide.

"WBE.NET gave me the opportunity and the tools to participate in money-making deals ranging from a \$25,000 blue jeans transaction to an \$18,000,000 steel contract as a middleman/agent," says WBE member

Julius Hughes of Compton, California. "After purchasing WBE.NET's Global Package (which includes a computer, modem, fax/scanner/color printer/plain paper copier, and a one-year membership), I trained my son to work with me in this business and I am proud to show him that we no longer need to rely on a paycheck."

Roby believes that anyone who can run a yard sale can be successful in international trade. He says it is the only business he knows of that is promoted by governments throughout the world.

"They want you to be successful because it's good for everyone's economy," he says. "It doesn't take a lot of money or knowledge to get started. As an export agent, you can operate from home or office on a full or part-time basis with no inventory, no warehousing and no capital required to buy your merchandise. Surely, manufacturers welcome agents and distributors to expand their markets and sell more products. You can act as a middleman between buyers and sellers and earn hefty commissions for putting deals together."

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Race Relations Board's Revised Policy May Benefit Black Students

The report on race relations by the advisory board to President Clinton will be welcomed by Black students on predominantly White campuses. The board addresses the

moral foundation for policy changes in public education and acknowledges that more sensitive and insightful policy-making, coupled with related practices, can improve the academic

potential of Black students.

As colleges and universities follow the conservative trend of the nation, education for Black students on White campuses becomes a more arduous task. Black students increasingly become victims of an unequal distribution of goods, services and benefits manifested on financial, academic and social levels. These practices have a deleterious effect on their morale, productivity, and success.

In addition to these problems, Black students are faced with curricula and subject matter in which contributions of Blacks to human development are extremely limited or nonexistent. The involvement of Blacks is not included as an aspect of the discipline. The omission of ethnographic data constitutes, for the Black student, a deprivation of his heritage.

Furthermore, being subjected to prejudicial course material, Black students in a White-dominated college or university recurrently experience the subtle rejection of White professors who dismiss them as immaterial. Students report that the expectations of Black students by White professors are low and that they are viewed as members of a group characterized by negative stereotypes and not as individuals. It is observed that many White professors are unwilling to

offer additional assistance to Black students, or do so with a less than friendly and cooperative attitude.

The social aspects of university life on a White campus rival the racist and discriminatory practices in the academic halls. In totality, life is structured for the majority population without consideration of other racial groups. Homecoming, sororities, fraternities and student government are designed for and meet the social and political needs of White students, while Blacks on most campuses have little or no voice in the formation of the social calendar and cultural events. There is an absence of Black artistry, talent and scholarship which Black students enjoy and with which Black students identify. Culturally, they are aliens in a foreign land.

It is of critical importance that Black students assume their legitimate place and enjoy in equal proportion, the rights and benefits of an affluent society. They must not be deterred or distracted from their academic purpose, but must concentrate primary attention on achieving their goals.

President Clinton is considering the continuance of the board's work through a permanent council. Optimistically, disenfranchised Black students on White campuses eagerly await positive change. It is hoped that progressively revised policy will extend to equitable practice.

Animal Experiments Are Disastrous For Women's Health

The Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine (PCRM) denounced a press conference held in Washington on Wednesday by a group called "Americans for Medical Progress" seeking to promote animal experiments.

Animal experiments have proved disastrous, particularly with regard to women's health. In animal tests, that hormone appeared safe, only to cause severe limb deformities in children. Animal tests failed to show the toxic effects of new drugs in 52 percent of cases, according to an April 1990 U.S. General Accounting Office report.

Recently developed test-tube methods using human cells have proved more accurate than animal tests at predicting the safety of new drugs.

"The key to scientific progress is not animal tests," said Neal D. Barnard, M.D., president of PCRM, "but in human research. If our goal is to track down the causes of birth defects, we need to study exposures in human populations."

"Animal tests cannot settle the question of how diet affects breast cancer risk, whether hormone replacement therapy increases heart attack risk, or how best to protect women's bones," Dr. Barnard said. "For all of these health issues, we need carefully designed studies in humans."

In a national telephone poll con-

ducted for PCRM by Opinion Research Corporation of Princeton, N.J., in November 1996, 51 percent of the 1,006 people polled agreed that "I would be more likely to donate to a health charity that had a policy of never funding animal experiments." Fully 70 percent of 18- to 24-year-olds agreed with that statement.

"Americans for Medical Progress" is the name of a group started by surgical stapler manufacturer U. S. Surgical, which uses live dogs to show how its product works and has gone to great lengths to attempt to silence animal protection advocates.

The Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine, a non-profit organization founded in 1985 and based in Washington, D.C., promotes preventive medicine and higher standards in research.

50th Wedding Anniversary Announcement W.E. and Mary Rainwater

Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Rainwater of Slaton will observe their 50th Wedding Anniversary with a reception, Friday, December 4, 1998, at the KoKo Palace. Hosts for the occasion will be their children and grandchildren. Mary Alice Gamble and W.E. Rainwater married December 4, 1948, in



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STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

I am pleased that Representative Jim Clyburn (D-SC) was elected by his colleagues to Chair the Congressional Black Caucus. In January, Representative Clyburn will begin his fourth term representing the people of the Sixth District of South Carolina. Throughout his career, he has been a tireless advocate for his constituents and he has been a national leader on issues including rural economic development and affirmative action.

I commend outgoing CBC Chairwoman Maxine Waters (D-CA) for her outstanding leadership of the Caucus and I am confident that Rep. Clyburn will be a most-able successor. I look forward to working with Chairman Clyburn and the entire Congressional Black Caucus during the 106th Congress.

STATEMENT BY THE VICE PRESIDENT

I am pleased that today, my good friend, Rep. Jim Clyburn was elected the next Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus.

Jim has been a strong leader in Congress and will continue outgoing Chair Maxine Waters' outstanding leadership. Throughout his career he fought hard to improve our nation's roads, and to prepare our schools and our students for the 21st Century. On these and many other issues, he has developed a strong record of public service.

I am confident that Jim will be an effective voice for the Congressional Black Caucus — working to achieve a more accurate Census, to protect our environment, and to maintain critical affirmative action programs.

President Clinton and I share these priorities and we look forward to working with Rep. Clyburn and the Black Caucus to achieve our common goals.

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THIS N THAT

CONGRATS ON THE 5TH ANNUAL FOUNDERS DAY! THIS N THAT ... would like to take this ... OPPORTUNITY ... and say ... CONGRATS ... to the ... VISIONS OF LIGHTS GOSPEL CHOIR ... a group of young people from Texas Tech University ... who will celebrate their ... 5TH ANNUAL FOUNDER'S DAY ... JANUARY 28-30, 1998 ... The ... EVENTS will include a three day citywide mass choir workshop ... conducted by ... GRAMMY AWARD WINNING SINGER ... and ... COMPOSER ... RICHARD SMALLWOOD ... of Washington, D. C. ... No doubt about it ... THE VISIONS OF LIGHT GOSPEL CHOIR ... is committed to making a difference on the Texas Tech campus ... community service projects ... and civic and social activities ... CONGRATS ... VISIONS OF LIGHT GOSPEL CHOIR!! The ... CONCERT ... will take place on the Texas Tech Campus ... in the ... ALLEN THEATRE ... WHY NOT SHOW SUPPORT FOR THESE YOUNG PEOPLE!!!

SUPPORT THE HUB CITY KIAWINAS CLUB! ! THIS N THAT ... after speaking with the president of the ... HUB CITY KIAWINAS CLUB ... last Saturday night ... over the weekly show ... "SPEAK OUT LUBBOCK" ... over KLFB RADIO ... 1420 A. M. ... It is perfectly clear we have a group of men and women ... who want to make a difference in the Lubbock community ... and are doing just that! In their 16th year ... PRESIDENT TERRY COLLEY, wants to see to that ... MORE PROGRAMS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY ... At the same time ... he wants you to ... BE A FLAG PARTICIPANT ... and you can do this by ... SIGNING UP FOR THE FLAG PROGRAM ... which is only \$20.00 a year. If you pay this ... \$20.00 ... it allows the ... AMERICAN FLAG ... to fly ... SEVEN TIMES ... in your yard or place of business ... It's a vary good deal ... and you can fly ... "OLD GLORY" ... Give ... BROTHER COLLEY ... a telephone call ... by calling ... 793-9206.

SHIRLEY CANADY THE BARBER SAYS: "A WISE MAN ... remembers his ... FRIENDS all times ... but a ... FOOL ... only when he has ... NEED OF THEM ..."

A MARCH AGAINST DRUGS AND GANGS IS NEEDED AGAIN! THIS N THAT ... would hope there will be another ... MARCH AGAINST DRUGS AND GANGS ... before year's end ... perhaps before the ... CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS ... and we could bring ... SOME CHRISTMAS TOYS OR CANNED GOODS ... So let's keep this in mind ... that is ... to do it before we celebrate Christmas ... If this is done ... IT WILL BE OUR ... 71ST MARCH AGAINST DRUGS AND GANGS ... in our community ... More on this next week ... Let's talk it up ... and hopefully ... if done before the school closes for the holidays ... WE MAY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO GETTING A BAND! Just something to think about ... We'd love to have that ... ESTACADO HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND ... to march throughout our community ... and those exciting ... MATADOR CHEERLEADERS ... doing what they do best!

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: "EVEN THE HIGHEST TREE ... has an ... AXE ... waiting at its foot!"

ANOTHER HOME BEING CONSTRUCTED! THIS N THAT ... has observed there is a ... FOUNDATION ... for another home to be constructed in the ... 2300 BLOCK OF GLOBE AVENUE ... Actually it will be located at ... 2303 GLOBE AVENUE ... and next to it ... ANOTHER HOME IS ALMOST CONSTRUCTED ... which is located at ... 2301 GLOBE AVENUE ... There is much happening in our community ... WE SHOULD ALL BE THANKFUL!! THIS N THAT ... is just happy to see what is going on ... Also let us not forget the tremendous work being done by ... LUBBOCK HABITAT FOR HUMANITY ... that is ... in the ... 2400 BLOCK OF HICKORY AVENUE ... WHAT A DIFFERENCE ... A FEW YEARS MAKE!!

IN CINQUE

By Renetta W. Howard



In the past few years, there has been an increase in attempts by parents to teach their children at home rather than send them to public schools with the undesirable elements which are now found in them. Those parents who choose to teach their children at home generally do not have the funds for a private school or do not wish to spend the amount of money necessary for attendance at a private school. Some of these parents are not equipped to teach their children at home, but feel that they are.

Parents' feelings go a long way in the judicial system in many states, but there are some states which require the children who are taught at home to pass the same tests that are administered to public school children. The 'home school' student must pass the test which is given by public school personnel, at a public school. It is through the tests that 'home school' students can have credits earned certified for promotion to an institution of higher learning whether it is a grammar school, junior high, high school or college.

There have been a number of cases in which students

have successfully completed grammar and high school at home under the tutelage of their parents and entered into college and became honor students. These students were the exception, not the rule. Their parents in most instances were educators with high academic achievements and formal preparation in the knowledge of teaching and thereby were able to adequately teach their children using acceptable methods and procedures of teaching.

The average parent whom has successfully completed high school too often feels adequate to teach grammar school children basic skills. A high school diploma does not constitute the necessary knowledge and skills to teach reading or any other subject for that matter. Parents who are not qualified and know this, should step down, send their children to school and be thankful that they do have some place to go.

Somewhere down the line, the home school can do more harm than good if the teacher has not had proper training to do the job. Is there any wonder that public school teachers must have a college degree with a major subject area in order to teach children? If the job is so easy, why are certified teachers needed? Why must many 'home school' children repeat classes or grade levels? Teaching is an important job and it is time that we get 'in cinque' and respect the qualified teacher and let them do their job.

Survey Shows Texas Small Business Wants Local Phone Competition

AUSTIN - A recent statewide poll of members of Texas' largest small business advocacy organization shows overwhelming support for opening local telephone service to competition. A staggering majority of members of the National Federation of Independent Business/Texas who were surveyed said local competition would have a positive effect on their businesses, reduce prices, and increase technological advances.

Robert Howden, executive director of NFIB/Texas, said the survey results reflect the entrepreneurial nature of NFIB's membership and show the state's small business community is ready for a change in local telephone service regulation.

"Local telephone service is a significant cost factor for many small businesses," Howden said. "It's clear from

our survey that NFIB members think local competition will lead to competitive prices, better service, and more technological innovation."

Among the 6,000 NFIB/Texas members who participated in the survey, 82% believe more competition for local phone service would represent a change for the better. Eighty-five percent support the idea of allowing multiple companies to compete for their business and 62% believe local competition would lead to lower prices and more technological innovation.

Howden added that more than 57% of respondents said they currently spend between \$100 and \$500 per month for local phone service. "Another 54% already use the Internet in their business. Our members are clearly ready for the technological advances

and superior service that can only come in a competitive environment." It has been two years since Congress passed the historic Telecommunications Act of 1996, which was designed to provide more competition for local phone service.

With 32,000 members in Texas and 600,000 members nationwide, NFIB is the country's and the state's leading small business advocacy organization. The typical NFIB/Texas member has five employees and rings up gross sales of about \$300,000. Together, NFIB/Texas members employ more than 400,000 Texans and earn about \$25.6 billion (gross) annually.

For more information on NFIB and small business issues, click on the NFIB homepage at www.nfibonline.com.

HBCU's Kick-Off New Season Of Academic Competition

LOS ANGELES — During the months of November through January, more than 80 Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) will field teams of students aiming to become a varsity scholar for their institution. These students will compete in the 10th Anniversary of the Honda Campus All-Star Challenge (HCASC). This question and answer competition brings together the best and brightest students from America's HBCUs, offering these students an opportunity to showcase their academic abilities answering questions from a wide array of topics including: history, science, the arts, popular culture, as well as African-American history, culture and achievement.

"The Honda Campus All-Star Challenge is an important part of our campus life. It brings together students and instills in them the importance of the lessons they are learning. We have been a part of HCASC since its inception, and it has proven very positive for our students and institution alike," says Dr.

Frederick Humphries, president of Florida A&M University.

Students will compete in these Campus Tournaments through January 1999. Thereafter, the top 64 institutions earn the right to advance to the National Championship Tournament.

With almost 500 HBCU students, presidents, and volunteers, HCASC is also an important African American educational summit. The 1999 HCASC National Championship Tournament will take place in Washington, D.C., March 11-15, 1999.

"We are very excited to bring the tenth year of the Honda Campus All-Star Challenge. Investment in

higher education pays off in many ways, bringing a brighter future for the students...and America at large," says Eric Conn, Asst. Vice President, National Auto Advertising. We also look forward to returning to the nation's capital, the site of the first National Championship Tournament."

The theme for the 1999 HCASC is "The Next Level," representing the bright in which these students will take their education, and the necessary steps they will take to accomplish their personal and social success. The HCASC program works to assist them with making positive changes for their communities and America.

"Our aim is not only to assist

students with an academic showcase, but also to provide a larger world of networking. These are our future leaders and they must be given the opportunity to connect early, to establish valuable networking relationships they will build upon for the rest of their lives. HCASC fulfills that objective, and we want these special relationships to continue," states Conn.

For ten years, the HCASC event has touched the lives of more than 15,000 students, volunteers and college presidents. In addition, more than \$2.5 million in grants have been provided to institutions to assist with enhancing the university environment and student life on campus.

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"WHAT IS TRUTH?"

THE GREEK WORD AL-AY'THI-O. MEANING TO SPEAK THE TRUTH; IN DOCTRINE AND PROFESSION, AND NOT CONCEALING THE TRUTH.

WHEN THE CHURCH BROUGHT JESUS TO PILATE; HE ASKED JESUS WHAT IS TRUTH? THE CHURCH TODAY DID AS PILATE DID; TURNED AND WALKED AWAY FROM THE TRUTH!!

JOHN 18:38, PILATE SAID UNTO HIM(JESUS), WHAT IS TRUTH? AND WHEN HE SAID THIS, HE WENT OUT AGAIN UNTO THE JEWS, AND SAID UNTO THEM, I FIND IN HIM NO FAULT AT ALL.

ALL AMERICA WANTS TO IMPEACH MY PRESIDENT; BECAUSE OF UN-TRUTH; GOD SAID FORGIVE THE MAN; SUPPOSE THAT IT WAS YOU!!!

MARK 11:25, 26, JESUS SAID, AND WHEN YE STAND PRAYING, FORGIVE, IF YE HAVE AUGHT(GRUDGE) AGAINST ANY: THAT YOUR FATHER ALSO WHICH IS IN HEAVEN MAY FORGIVE YOU OF YOUR TRESPASSES(LIES). BUT IF YE DO NOT FORGIVE, NEITHER WILL YOUR FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN FORGIVE YOUR TRESPASSES(SINS).

***** WILL AMERICA ROB GOD?*****

EVERYONE HAVE TOLD THAT WHICH WE KNEW WAS THE UN-TRUE; A LIE IS NOTHING BUT A LIE; AND IT MAKES GOD HATE YOU!!! PROVERB 6:16a,17, THESE SIX THINGS DOETH THE LORD HATE: A PROUD LOOK, A LYING TONGUE, AND HANDS THAT SHED INNOCENT BLOOD.

ITS THAT LYING TIME AGAIN; TELLING CHILDREN ABOUT SANTA CLAUS; SAYING HE BRING TOYS TO BOYS AND GIRLS; HE GIVES THEM TO ALL!!!

1 JOHN 3:18, MY LITTLE CHILDREN, LET US NOT LOVE IN WORD, NEITHER IN TONGUE; BUT IN DEED AND IN TRUTH.

THE CHURCH IS FOLLOWING THAT SANTA AND RAIN DEERS LIE; SOMEDAY THEY WILL HAVE TO GIVE ACCOUNT; WHEN GOD ASK WHY???

JOHN 10:1,5, JESUS SAID, VERILY(TRULY), VERILY(TRULY). I SAY UNTO YOU, HE THAT ENTERETH NOT BY THE DOOR INTO THE SHEEPFOLD, BUT CLIMBETH UP SOME OTHER WAY, THE SAME IS A THIEF AND A ROBBER. AND A STRANGER WILL THEY NOT FOLLOW, BUT WILL FLEE FROM HIM: FOR THEY KNOW NOT THE VOICE OF STRANGERS.

(I HEARD THE TESTIMONY OF A MISSIONARY; CLAIMING SHE CLOSED DOWN THE PRESTON CONVENIENCE STORES; ABOUT 8 OF THEM. SHE HAD A FALLING OUT WITH THEM; AND SAID SHE PRAYED A CURSE UPON THE BUSINESS TO SHUT DOWN. ALTHO THEY WERE ALREADY IN THE PROGRESS OF DOING SO; BUT TO PUT MY GOD'S NAME WITH IT, THAT IS NO "TRUE". THAT IS THE WORK OF YOUR FATHER" THE DEVIL "; HE CAME TO KILL, STEAL, AND DESTROY!!! JOHN 10:10; BUT MY FATHER IS IN THE BLESSING BUSINESS.)

***** WILL A MISSIONARY ROB GOD?*****

IT WAS JOB WHO ROBBED GOD; JUST THE OTHER DAY; HE SAID THE LORD GIVETH; AND IT IS THE LORD WHO TAKETH IT AWAY!!!

JAMES 1:17, EVERY GOOD GIFT AND EVERY PERFECT GIFT IS FROM ABOVE, AND COMETH DOWN FROM THE FATHER OF LIGHTS, WITH WHOM IS NO VARIABleness, NEITHER SHADOW OF TURNING.

GOD'S KINGDOM IS BUILT ONLY ON HIS WORD; AND HIS WORD IS TRUE; WE THAT ARE THE CHILDREN OF GOD; MUST WORSHIP; IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH!!!

JOHN 18:37b, JESUS SAID, TO THIS END WAS I BORN, AND FOR THIS CAUSE CAME I INTO THE WORLD, THAT I SHOULD BEAR WITNESS OF THE TRUTH. EVERY ONE THAT IS OF THE TRUTH HEARETH MY VOICE. GOD IS NOT THROUGH WITH US YET. SO LETS PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER ALWAYS. WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY B.J. MORRISON, III YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST JESUS ALWAYS!

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members and friends of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast will meet Saturday, December 5, 1998 at 9:00 a.m. at Hope Center, 501 East 34th Street. Rev. T. Ortega is host pastor. We thank God for being able to pray and worship with this fine Church and Pastor again.

Quoting from a recent program, it said: "It will take city wide unity to win the city wide war. Our separate efforts will not stop the tide of increasing evils in our city. If we as a people remain isolated from each other."

It was no other than Jesus who said, a house divided against itself shall not stand. To the humblest God will give us Grace, the only way to change, and change we must! We cannot speak to sinners with deep and lasting credibility of God's forgiveness while harboring enmity and strife against our fellowman. What value is it to be able to define the love of God if by our lack of love toward others we bring dishonor to the Almighty.

Think about it!

Thought of the Week: "Success is not the fulfillment of what you want, but what you have."

Write to us: Outreach Prayer Breakfast, P. O. Box 123, Lubbock, Texas 79408. We surely would like to hear from you, no matter what you want to talk about.

Sister Dorothy Hood, president, Rev. Sister Christine Burleson, vice president, and Sister Ernestine Frazier, secretary.

I KNOW I'M SOMEBODY



'cause God don't make no junk!!



from the Desk of: Parson D.A. Smith

Here's talking 'Cuzin' Bush's words

There is a saying that fits well in the Lubbock community, that is, "With all its wonders, science has found no cure for stupidity."

This writer has tried to refrain from writing about "Johnnie Cochran's" coming to Lubbock town." However, when one read the "letters to the editor" in the Lubbock Avalanche Journal, it is hilarious to see the stupidity and blindness of the so-called intelligent white folk and "oreo" blacks of Lubbock and vicinity.

What really chap my hide was Bob Horton's commentary (Monday, November 30, 1998, Lubbock Avalanche Journal 5A). Listen deeply to what this boy says:

"So, JOHNNIE COCHRAN is of a mind to put Lubbock on trial with a lawsuit accusing our police of being racist in arresting those coaches from Virginia's Hampton University as suspects who tried to bamboozle of a local citizen.

I have a message for Counsel:

Good luck, Mr. Cochran, because you're going to need it. You might have gotten your celebrated defendant O. J. off a murder rap by arguing that the L.A. police were racist. Here, you don't have a leg to stand on. You will not be able to contrive a legal argument solid enough to convince a judge to let this case get off the ground...

From what I know, our police officers do not routinely hammer blacks - or honkies or Asians or Hispanics - with police batons. Nor is it our deal to subdue them or anyone with tear gas...

In short, Mr. Cochran, you've got a dog in this deal that isn't going to hunt. And you ought to call him off...

Inside AJHS

We are entering the final 3 weeks of the first semester of school. The Thanksgiving break has given our students and teachers a much needed break. We are anxious to continue our journey to provide the best educational opportunities available. Your children and our students are continuing to perform at improved levels.

Students who have grade point averages of 3.5 or higher are members of the Honor Roll. We are proud to have 65 students who have achieved this high honor. All students at Alderson are challenged to a very high level. These students have achieved excellence! Take a moment to acknowledge their success.

Seventh Grade:

La'Kendria Bell, Lamicka Byrd, Christina Cervantes, Latrice Floyd, Eric Garces, Alexandra Garcia, Jamar Green, Priscilla Guzman, Crystal Herrera, Phylcia Isaac, Daniel Jackson, Danyelle Jackson, Shantivia Johnson, Monica Luna, Albert McCleod, Anissa Parson, Christian Pruitt, Joe Rodriguez, She'Tara Swearingin, Robert Taylor, Nikki Torres, Ronald Watson, and Gerren Woodard

Eight Grade:

Veronica Altamirano, Emmanuel Anderson, Ingra Carson, Richard Cervantez, Trachia Dottin, Jonathan Jenkins, Chandra Johnson, Charlie Knighten, Morrie Knighten, Idris Lateef,

Lakesha Minner, Amber Monroe, Tameka Patterson, Alise Quigley, Fancy Richardson, Juan Rodriguez, Magdalena Sanchez, Sherry Sanders, Taneka Taylor, Rebecca Tijerina, Jannie Urrutia, and Melvin Williams.

Ninth Grade:

Samon Biename, John'e'l Bolden, Erica Esquibel, Diana Garcia, Melissa Garcia, Rebecca Garcia, Marlon Hastings, Adam Lopez, Nahum Lopez, Tabardrick McNeal, Rosalinda Mendoza, Archie Nobles, Ana Palacios, Angela Rodriguez, Kieves Shelby, Ashanti Shepherd, Elizabeth Soto, Jeffrey Ward, Ladeivia Wiley, and Chanta Young.

The students' grade point averages from 3.57 to 4.42 on a 4.0 scale. Many students take Pre-Advanced Placement courses that are weight above the 4.0 scale. Twenty of these students' averages are 4.0 or higher.

In addition to recognizing the students above we would also like to welcome Ms. Deborah Gamble and Ms. Margaret Martinez to the instructional team at Alderson Junior High. Ms. Gamble brings a wealth of knowledge, life experiences, and compassion to your children. We are fortunate to have Ms. Gamble on our team. Ms. Margaret Martinez will assist Ms. Gamble. Ms. Martinez has roots in our attendance area

But if you have the proper moral fiber, good intentions, and a sense of what is right, you should promptly advise Dr. Harvey to back off."

What's wrong with this picture? Why is O. J.'s name being mentioned. Was it because his deceased angelic wife was white and many white folks believe that O. J. murdered her even though he was found not guilty.

Why would Mr. Horton say that Attorney Cochran would not be able to contrive a legal argument solid enough to convince a judge to let his case get off the ground? Is he saying that the judges here are a part of the bigot Aryan movement in America.

Mr. Horton did not mention anything about a Lubbock jury. Another writer challenged Mr. Cochran to a Lubbock jury and as much waged that he would lose.

What's ticks this writer off is for a white boy or an "oreo" colored boy to insult my people's intelligence with their stupidity. Racism is alive and well in Lubbock. Let me remind you of just two recent events. A white boy was found not guilty by a majority white jury of killing a young black man when he was driving intoxicated. And this alleged killer may get off without any punishment for killing the other to kill others while drunk. A young black man was sentenced to life in prison for raping a white woman. Sentencing is not the issue, but the amount of the sentence, the political gain by an attorney running for judge, subtly using the mother of the victim in political advertisement with the race card to gain votes.

Lubbock Uncle Tom's should tell their masters that all blacks or not stupid and will see to it that they get an economic a-whipping for their wrongs to others.



Wendell J. Brown
Principal

and is a welcomed member to the Alderson Junior High team. When you have the opportunity, please extend your welcome to our new team members.

Alderson Junior High has been fortunate to receive a grant that will provide opportunities for students to participate after school. This program is in the planning stages. The hours for the program will be from 3:45 p.m. until 7:45 p.m. The activities will have social and academic focuses. Every student from the Alderson Junior High feeder schools will bring information home as soon as it is finalized. This will definitely create support for students to receive assistance with schoolwork. Your support and ideas are welcomed.

We welcome parents to come to school and work with us in the education of our students. A good way to combine our efforts and provide the very best learning situations for students is for the school and the family to work hand in

hand We would like very much to develop a partnership with every family to insure that every student has the best education. Call and set up a time to meet with the Academic Teams for your seventh or eighth grade student or for the preparation times for your child's ninth grade teachers. It takes the entire community to provide a top-notch education for all students. We, like you, will not settle for less than the best for our children. "Our Vision is Quality" at Alderson. Join us in this vision for your child and all of the children we serve.

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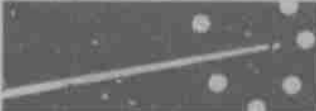
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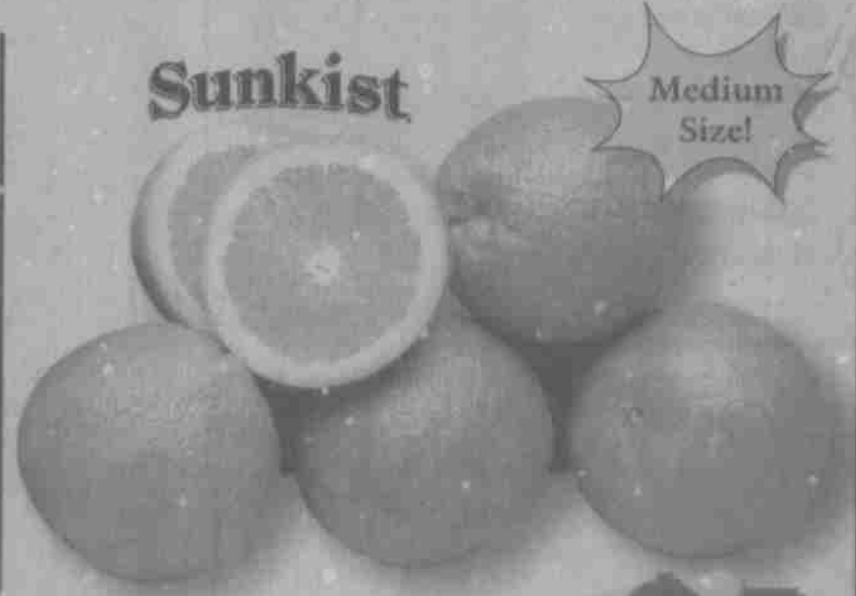
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