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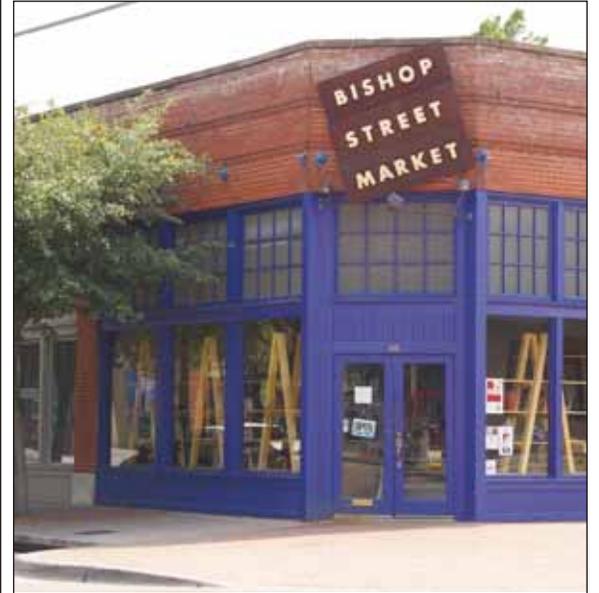


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## Take part in Oak Cliff Day



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Bobby Jones, BET

## BET Host brings the Power

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Every year, 780,000 Americans suffer a new or recurrent stroke. That translates to a stroke almost every 40 seconds. Stroke kills more than 150,000 people a year, making it the third leading cause of death, behind

diseases of the heart and cancer. On average, someone dies of stroke every 3 to 4 minutes.

However, cardiovascular diseases, including strokes, are the number one killer of African-Americans, whose risk for stroke is more than double

that of other groups. This year alone, nearly 100,000 African Americans will suffer a stroke.

The American Stroke Association, a division of the American Heart Association, created the "Power to End Stroke"

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## Dallas Energy Co. Announce Discrimination Lawsuit

From staff reports

DALLAS—Attorneys from the law firms of Sayles Werbner, PC, and Provost Umphrey, L.L.P., are announcing a lawsuit filed in Texas state district court on behalf of Dallas-based ICC Energy Corp. against Oklahoma City-

based energy giant Chesapeake Energy Corp. claiming that Chesapeake reneged on a commitment to partner with ICC Energy on the marketing of gas from the Barnett Shale at Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport.

The lawsuit, filed yesterday in Judge Bruce

Priddy's 116th District Court in Dallas, includes claims of discrimination, breach of fiduciary duty, breach of contract, misrepresentation, and fraud against Chesapeake as well as several company subsidiaries and individuals.

According to the law-

suit, Chesapeake approached ICC Energy in May 2006 about partnering on a bid for an oil and gas lease covering 18,000 acres of land owned by D/FW Airport. The land is part of the Barnett Shale, the second-largest onshore domestic natural gas

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## Singer R. Kelly found Not Guilty in Child Porn case

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## Sudan asks for more Egyptian troops for Darfur

Associated Press

CAIRO, Egypt—Sudan's defense minister asked Egypt on Sunday to commit more troops to his country's troubled Darfur region.

An Egyptian battalion is due in Darfur by the end

of June to boost the beleaguered AU-U.N. hybrid peacekeeping force that is struggling to protect civilians in the violent region.

"Sudan wants large Egyptian participation in these troops," said Minister Abdul Rahim Hussein, adding that he

was also asking for police. He spoke to reporters in Cairo after meetings with Egypt's president, foreign minister and intelligence chief.

U.N. officials have complained that banditry and insecurity are on the rise in Darfur, particularly

following an attack by Darfur rebels on the outskirts of the Sudanese capital of Khartoum in May.

The peacekeeping mission deployed in January, but it remains staffed at only about a third of the level authorized. The force also lacks equipment and

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Blackonomics

## Coalescence or Obsolescence; What's it Gonna Be?

By James Clingman  
NNPA Columnist

Coalition-building is the best way for Black people to make the kind of progress we need to make in this country, especially when it comes to economic empowerment, thus, the title of this article. Someone said a while ago that Black people were swiftly becoming obsolete. From the agricultural economy to the industri-

al and mass production economy Black folks, in some cases, had it going on. Many individual Blacks did quite well with jobs and businesses in those areas. As we moved to the technology/information economy and now into the knowledge-based economy, the rules for survival have changed.

Are Black people as a group becoming obsolete? I believe it was

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## Simon Sibranda

The fashion and modeling industry might be escalating to new heights now but it was never like that a few years back when the likes of Simon Sibanda started his journey in the South African modeling industry. His gorgeous, heart-pumping looks might have been the reason why he got discovered, but the

journey that awaited him was nothing like the fairy tale vision he had in mind. Determined to make a name for himself Simon exceeded society's expectation of what a black male model should be.

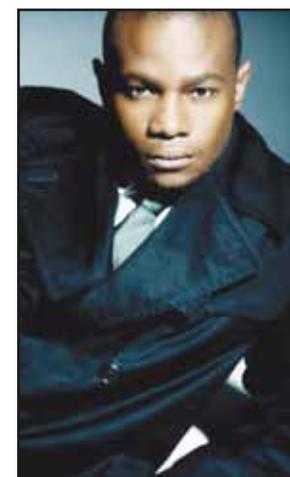
Now Sibranda "Mr Ghetto Child" has become a major household name in South Africa, and the most

demanding face in the industry, gracing magazine covers, national and international TV commercials, fashion catalogs and campaigns. Simon Sibanda is also the founder of the "Blue African Sky" singing trio, and a seasoned music producer.

Sibanda has taken his taken advantage of his successful model career to pursue another passion - music. "Well, I always had

passion for music and when my modeling career took off I decided to invest in one thing I loved the most, which is music. I built myself a recording studio and began my journey in the entertainment industry. Now I manage three brilliant acts which are afro pop trio "Blue African Sky", a rap trio called "Tripple KDAS" and another afro pop/R&B male artist called "Gaai".

Growing up, Sibranda always wanted to write and be involved in music. Unable to find any sound engineering schools or courses in Johannesburg, he traveled to Cape Town on a train ticket sponsored by one of his brothers, and enrolled at City Varsity. In a smart move, he used his looks to find work as a model and used the income from these jobs to buy the sound equipment he needed.



## Brandy Adamson

Ms. Adamson has over 12 years of professional experience in the oil and gas and manufacturing industries as well as education and non-profit sectors. Ms. Adamson is the owner of Alive Incorporated, a firm providing it clients with business consulting, brand management, marketing and coaching services. Through its newest addition to the Alive Incorporated family, Siri Publishing, Ms. Adamson also publishes ALIVE Magazine, a bi-monthly publication for aspiring and current entrepreneurial

women of color. This magazine motivates, inspires, and encourages women to bring dreams to life. The mission of this publication is to nourish women's dreams through access to resources, networking, development opportunities and avenues for advertising her business.

Ms. Adamson is currently developing the infrastructure and curriculum for an Entrepreneurial Academy. The academy focuses on providing the tools necessary for individuals to successfully establish and maintain a busi-

ness. Ms. Adamson believes that a solid foundation in the areas of not only entrepreneurship education but also financial literacy, life skills and etiquette will contribute to the personal and professional success of each participant.

A business and life coach, she coaches entrepreneurs and professionals to identify priorities and align their values and actions while developing effective strategies to make progress toward life goals. Her e-newsletter and blog talk radio show provide inspiration and motivation to its readers and listeners. Ms. Adamson is also a public and motivational speak-



er who has been invited to be the keynote speaker for various events including conferences, retreats, special events and panel discussions.

The focus of Alive Incorporated is to assist individuals and organizations develop to their full potential. Alive believes in offering their clients products and services that assist in holistic development. The products and services offer practical knowledge, thorough counsel and decisive action purposed to achieve specific goals or objects that result in a prosperous legacy. As an enterprise consortium, their mission is to develop a legacy by accomplishing its mission of seed. plant..grow. Through this mission, individuals and organizations are provided resources, knowledge, and skills that

will supply strategic tools to achieve goals, improve productivity, and enhance marketability. This mission is achieved through consultative services, personal development, seminars, and conferences.

In an interview with Posh Goddess™ Wisdom, Adamson shared her secrets of success. "When individuals ask me what it takes to be successful, I tell them that its drive and persistence. We have to celebrate our personal successes and those of others. We must reach one teach one, planting those seeds in others. We must expect greatness not only from ourselves but others."

## Donna Edwards

Donna Edwards became the state's first black woman to be elected to Congress after easily defeating Republican Peter James Tuesday night in a special election for the vacant 4th District seat. With 74 percent of the precincts reporting by 10 p.m., Edwards had captured 79 percent of the vote. Edwards, an activist and lawyer, will serve out the remainder of former Rep. Albert R. Wynn's term. Wynn, who lost to Edwards in the February primary, left office May 31 to join a powerful lobbying group, leading to Tuesday night's election. She will serve the rest of the year. "It really didn't hit us about the element of history, but what it says is that we're ready for change and for

people who represent all of us," said Edwards, 49. "The fault lines we draw among races, counties, really don't matter," she said. It is a victory political observers say will give the Prince George's County Democrat a jump on other incoming legislators if she beats James again in the general election in November. Edwards, running a populist, anti-war campaign that has drawn support from national liberal groups, will be the prohibitive favorite in a district in which Democrats outnumber Republicans 5-1. "I never want to take any election for granted," Edwards said. "I'll continue to be out meeting and speaking with people in the 4th District. We're going to do what it



takes to win." Add to Edwards: Maryland Democratic leaders did not want the seat open for six months and rushed through a plan for the special election for the district, which includes parts of Montgomery and Prince George's counties. Edwards will have the status of incumbency for the November election. The special election had an estimated bill of \$1.3 mil-

lion, mostly for setting up polling stations and programming ballots. As a young professional, Donna worked for Lockheed Corporation at Goddard Space Flight Center with the Spacelab program, helping translate into readable English the work being done by "rocket scientists" and engineers. After the devastating explosion of the Space Shuttle Challenger, Donna decided it was time to go back to school, and she chose Franklin Pierce Law School in New Hampshire. At Franklin Pierce, Donna developed her love of law for the public interest. She co-founded and served as the first executive director of the National Network to End Domestic Violence, and though not a victim herself, she realized that battered women had no legal or political support.

Donna received national recognition as she led in the successful fight to pass the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, pro-

viding comprehensive funding to shelter and services for victims of domestic violence and their children.

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## Beyond the Rhetoric

## Let's Get a Grip on Energy Costs

By Harry Alford  
NNPA Columnist

Have you had enough yet? Gasoline is over \$4.00 per gallon and appears to be nowhere near the end of this testament to our mismanagement of resources. Just wait for your heating costs this winter. Global climate change appears to be quite real and we do nothing as it festers right before our eyes. No one disagrees that we have had enough of this reckless and free falling attitude by our leaders and policy makers. The following is what America needs to do to ensure energy supply and affordable prices while protecting the environment at the same time.

**Oil and Gas Supply:** God has blessed this nation with some of the largest pockets of crude oil and natural gas. Due to political pressure and agitation from certain groups we have limited the utilization of these plentiful reserves and have become dependent on sources that are not at all friendly to the United States nor have any vested interest in our well being. It's like sleeping with the "enemy" and no good can come from this. When it comes to pricing, the basic law of "supply and demand" is supposed to prevail. That is not the case here. Despite ample supplies of oil from our trading partners, speculators

and other social/business ill contents are manipulating the markets and we are paying unnecessary skyrocketed amounts for our basic energy needs. That is indeed the situation we are in.

The great singer Billie Holiday once wrote "God bless the child who has his own". That is the case here. We, the United States, must begin utilizing the massive reserves we have under our own land and ocean shores. We must begin new drilling in a massive fashion. Alaska, West Coast, Gulf, East Coast and about 20 of our total 50 states should be utilized for drilling both oil and gas. At the same time, we must start building new refineries.

We have not built one new oil refinery in this nation during the last 30 years. It's a terribly flawed strategy if you can even call it a strategy. The Alaska Pipeline is only at 30 percent capacity. Let's start new drilling and start building new refineries with a vengeance. While this will jumpstart a big rise in our economy -jobs, lower prices, etc. it will also not have any adverse effect on our environment. Remember, during and after Katrina, our oil facilities did not have one spill or accident. If they can get through Katrina they are indeed safe.

If we do this right our

price of gasoline should drop at least 50 percent. The impact will be substantial and to the benefit of our safety and security.

**Power Generation:** Sit down and brace yourself - let's go nuclear! There has been a phobia against nuclear power generation. All the while we have been resistant; our friends in France have transformed their whole nation into a nuclear generated source of power.

Eighty percent of France is now powered through nuclear facilities. These facilities are clean, efficient and safe. Even Greenpeace and the Sierra Club can't criticize France for what it has done.

The United States is rudimentary when it comes to nuclear facilities and we need to begin catching up by building nuclear plants as fast as we can. This energy is absolutely clean and the wastes can be stored very efficiently.

We have the perfect model in France. Each nuclear facility will bring about 1500 jobs to a community and the average salary for these jobs will be \$150,000. What are we waiting for!

While we start building nuclear facilities, we can also implement the new technology in clean coal powered generation. Also, we can convert coal into crude oil for about \$50 a

barrel and this method should also be implemented to further increase our supply of oil and further lower the price.

The situation we are in is caused by our own ignorance, reticence and lack of courage to develop a comprehensive energy policy. I have been on Capitol Hill for the last ten years advocating such a policy.

I pray that sooner than later we will find some champions within our Congress to step forward and lead this nation out of its pitiful dependence on energy sources. Right now, America is on its knees being slapped around by some of the meanest people and characters on Earth. We have ourselves in a helpless state and the only way we can react is in a knee jerk fashion.

That's how we have gotten ourselves into unnecessary military conflicts. That's why the price at the pump is totally cruel and ridiculous and right now there is nothing, NOTHING that we can do about it but pay and hurt.

Again, God blesses the child who has his own. Let's go out and get our own.

Harry Alford is the co-founder, President/CEO of the National Black Chamber of Commerce. Website: [www.nationalbcc.org](http://www.nationalbcc.org).

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Marcus Garvey who said, "All the shoes have been shined and all the cotton has been picked," he went on to suggest that Black people were no longer needed by White folks, therefore, if we did not change our ways when it came to business development we would indeed become obsolete. Frederick Douglass, Booker T. Washington, and

Garvey spoke of a time when we would have to consider this question if we did not awaken from our deep sleep and refuse to be dependent upon the largess of others for our sustenance. The strength we gain from coalescence will bring about this much-needed change.

Initially, the Nationalist Black Leadership Coalition (NBLC) was called the

Nationalist Black Leadership Council. We decided to change "Council" to "Coalition" because we did not want potential members to think the NBLC was some kind of hierarchal organization where a few sat in authority. No, we made a deliberate effort to be inclusive of all Black people, and we wanted to connote the value of coalescence among Black organizations

and Black causes.

The NBLC is, in fact, a coalition of Black organizations and individuals who not only understand the importance of coalescence but are also willing to make the requisite sacrifices and do the work necessary for victory. I ask you again to go to [www.bringbackblack.org](http://www.bringbackblack.org) and join the NBLC because together we are stronger.

## Africa's Natural Resources Near Exhaustion

NNPA

The conservation organization WWF warns that many African countries are rapidly running down their natural resources as growing populations push the continent towards its ecological limits.

The warning was contained in the group's first-ever detailed report on Africa's ecological footprint - an estimate of the area of a country's land

and sea surface used annually in meeting the individual consumption demands of its people.

"A growing number of African countries are depleting their natural resources -- or will shortly be doing so - faster than they can be replaced," said WWF president Chief Emeka Anyaoku who presented the findings to a Johannesburg conference.

The report put Egypt, Libya and Algeria at the

head of a list of nations of the continent living beyond their ecological means followed by Morocco, Tunisia, Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, Senegal, Nigeria, South Africa and Zimbabwe.

The Swiss-based WWF, previously known as the World Wide Fund for Nature issued the report, Africa-Ecological Footprint and Human Well-being, together with the US-based Global Footprint Network.

## U. S. Banks Go to Africa Begging for Help

NNPA

Having exhausted most private equity and sovereign wealth funds, troubled U.S. banks are now planning to turn to Algeria, Angola, Libya and Zimbabwe for 11th hour bailouts, the Wall St. Journal reports.

"Selling stakes to funds

of authoritarian or unstable regimes doesn't quite mesh with Wall Street's lofty image of itself," the paper wrote. "But (the banks) created this mess, and beggars can't be choosers."

Buyers of shares in U.S. banks have seen their value plummet and tradi-

tional overseas investors are reluctant to spend more on a losing proposition. While Africans, many with great reserves of oil wealth, may seem like a ripe market, few countries have shown an interest in building U.S. portfolios during this unfolding credit crunch.

camps in Darfur for people who have been displaced.

## Dermatologists Launch Vitiligo Study

From staff reports

UT Southwestern Medical Center dermatologists are testing whether surgery and light-therapy treatments can help patients with vitiligo, a malady in which patches of skin lose their color.

Researchers are investigating whether light therapy alone might work best or whether a combination of surgery and light therapy is more effective for treating the condition.

"Vitiligo, which affects about 1 percent to 2 percent of the population, carries a social stigma because people can see it," said Dr. Amit Pandya, professor of dermatology and director of clinical studies for the dermatology department. "Those afflicted with the condition feel a lot of distress psychologically. If we could find a combination that would work, it would have a big impact on these patients."

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researchers are seeking potential patients with brown or black skin, 18 years of age or older, and whose vitiligo hasn't changed much during the past six months. The study will provide surgical treatment and light-therapy treatments at no cost to the patient. Study participants will be required to commit to the treatments for three months.

The disease, which affects up to 4 million Americans, often strikes men and women in their 20s and 30s. Skin pigment cells, called melanocytes, are destroyed, and melanin, the substance that gives hair and skin their color, is no longer produced, causing the blotchy appearance. Vitiligo is most noticeable on people of color, particularly in areas such as the hands and face, which are exposed.

Scientists are unsure what causes the disease, though they suspect it

may be a combination of genetic and environmental factors. They do not know why it is limited to certain areas and there is no known cure.

Current treatments range from medications to minor surgeries to light therapies. The goal of the study is to determine which treatments or combinations of treatments are most effective.

Surgical treatment involves an outpatient procedure where pigmented cells from elsewhere on the patient's body are used to replace patches of colorless skin. These pigmented cells then grow into healthy skin. Light therapy involves exposing the affected skin to specialized UV rays, but therapies such as this sometimes darken normal skin as well as the lightened patches.

People interested in participating in the study should contact Memoree Lee at UT Southwestern at 214-645-8971.

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President Omar El-Bashir, right, meets with visiting delegation of U.N. Security Council ambassadors in Khartoum, Sudan (AP Photo/Abd Raouf)

transport.

Sudan has insisted that the force be predominantly African, causing difficulties and delays in securing troop commitments. Only 9,000 of the 26,000 troops authorized for the U.N.-AU force are currently in Darfur. Sudanese officials have said they will allow Thai and Nepalese forces to join the mission but only

after the Egyptian and Ethiopian troops arrive.

The Egyptian forces in the area are expected to number about 1,200. An advance team is already in place, but U.N. officials say the region's rough roads have delayed the arrival of equipment.

Hussein said an Egyptian police force can be deployed in and around

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## Texas Book Festival Grants Awarded to Plano Public Library

From staff reports

Plano Public Library System was recently awarded \$5,000 in grants from the Texas Book

Festival that will be used to purchase graphic novels and CD books at two Plano libraries.

Gladys Harrington Library, 1501 18th Street, will purchase fiction and non-fiction adult CD books. This collection will emphasize the classics as well as audiobooks dealing with humor, business and

spiritual topics. Special attention will also be given to books nominated for the Audie Award. The Audie Award is given by the Audio Publishers Association to award excellence in spoken word entertainment.

The Maribelle M. Davis Library, 7501-B Independence Parkway, will purchase fiction and non-fiction graphic novels. These novels focus on topics such as biography, history, science, art, comedy and others, with special

emphasis on award winners. The graphic novel format has been gaining in popularity and readership in recent years. "Maus," a graphic novel about the Holocaust by Art Spiegelman, won the 1992 Pulitzer Prize. In 2007, Gene Yang's "American Born Chinese," was the first graphic novel to win the Printz Award.

Materials will be added to the collections at each library, but will be available to all Plano Public Library System patrons.

## Plano Receives Third "Safe Community" Award

From staff reports

For the third year, the City of Plano has achieved Risk Watch® Safe Community recognition status from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). With this designation, Plano joins a select number of cities and towns across North America and Canada that are dedicated to keeping children safe from unintentional injury.

Since 1998 the Plano Fire Department and



Plano Police Department have teamed with Plano Independent School District teachers to teach injury prevention to elementary students in Plano using the Risk

Watch curricula. According to NFPA, unintentional injuries including traffic crashes, drownings, fires, burns, choking, poisonings and falls kill more than 5,500 children and permanently disable more than 92,000 annually. In 2006 the NFPA began to recognize communities that were reaching out to children and families to teach injury prevention. Plano was one of the first cities in the United States to receive the Safe Community recognition.

## All-American 4th Fireworks At Oak Point Park and Nature Preserve

From staff reports

Plans to light up the night sky in Plano with its traditional All-American Fourth fireworks display are finalized. The public is invited to come enjoy this holiday spectacle on Friday, July 4th at Oak Point Park and Nature Preserve on Spring Creek Parkway – between Jupiter and Parker Road. A great location to view the show is from the grounds of the Collin College Spring Creek Campus.

Western Enterprises is the pyrotechnician behind Plano's fireworks display.

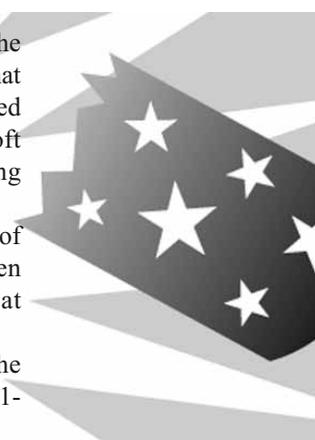
This show has been viewed as one of the premier free pyrotechnic experiences in the Dallas area. A live 97.5 KLAK radio remote broadcast offers music beginning at 7:30pm; then at 9:30pm, a special collection of patriotic songs will be simulcast on 97.5 KLAK during the fireworks show.

Everyone is encouraged to bring lawn chairs, picnic dinners and radios

to relax on the grassy slopes of the viewing area. Concessions sold that evening include (but are not limited to) corn dogs, funnel cakes, soft drinks, and Dippin' Dots serving frozen treats.

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# InnerCity Solutions, Inc. announces Scholarship finalists

From staff reports

DALLAS – InnerCity Solutions, Inc. honored its top performing 2008 Lucius and Carrie Dixon Youth Scholarship finalists during a dinner reception Friday, June 6. High school graduates Colton Evans (Lincoln High School Humanities and Communications Magnet), Mirakol J. Smith (A. Maceo Smith High School) and ShaLisa Middleton (Barbara Jordan High School in Houston) are the third group to benefit from this annual scholarship program.

Ms. Middleton plans to continue her education at Lamar University (Interdisciplinary Studies-History). Mr. Evans will continue his pursuit of education in communications at Texas Christian University. Ms. Smith has been accepted at the University of Texas at Austin, where she will major in Psychology.

To whom much is given, much is required. Committee chairperson Sharlynda Bedford explained to the honorees that this scholarship award doesn't end with Friday night's reception. It's just beginning.

"Whatever gifts given to you, take them and honor those who gave them to you," Mrs. Bedford advised the new graduates. "Honor them by being and doing the very best you can."

Comedian Cecil "Shuckey Duckey" Armstrong returned for his third year to stir up the crowd as guest host for the dinner which included a silent auction, poetry and musical presentations.

The Lucius and Carrie Dixon Youth Scholarship Fund provides needed financial assistance and recognizes the educational

achievements and exemplary character in high school seniors seeking higher education. InnerCity Solutions, Inc. (ICS) receives financial gifts and sponsorships throughout the year for the scholarship awards. With the exception of minimal expenses, all proceeds from the dinner reception also go to the scholarship recipients.

ICS named the Lucius and Carrie Dixon Youth Scholarship Fund in honor of the parents of the organization's president, Eric T. Anderson. The late Mrs. Dixon was a lifelong educator. She and her husband are well known, loved and celebrated in the Houston area for their legacy of faith, educational excellence and service in the community. For this reason, each year at least one of the scholarships is awarded to a graduating senior in Houston. Mr. Dixon has been on hand each year to personally congratulate each of the scholarship finalists.

InnerCity Solutions, Inc., is a Dallas based not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization providing



From left, InnerCity Solutions, Inc. President Eric T. Anderson, 2008 Lucius and Carrie Dixon Youth Scholarship finalists Colton Evans (Lincoln Humanities and Communications Magnet High School), ShaLisa Middleton (Barbara Jordan High School, Houston), and Mirakol J. Smith (A. Maceo Smith High School), and scholarship namesake Mr. Lucius Dixon.

quality service and support for the community for more than 10 years. ICS president and founder, Eric T. Anderson, continues to lead the organization's efforts to focus on programs targeting youth, seniors, education and economic development.

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The program is held on **Tuesday's and Thursday's**, from 5:30 - 7:15 pm, in the clubhouse at **Traliga On Forest Apartments, 9669 Forest Lane, Dallas TX 75243.**

**Topics Discussed:** Family Values, Juvenile Crimes, Alcoholism & Drug Addiction, Teenage Pregnancy & Self Preservation, etc.



**Like Highlands Recreation Center 9610 White Rock Trail, Dallas, Texas "Dreams" NENE Basketball and Soccer League. Registration deadline is May 24th 2008. Registration fee \$25.00 per youth. League starts June 7th - July 31st. We are in need of referee's and coaches for our leagues. If you are interested please send your resume to one of the following: Rich\_cates@nene-ym.com, penny@nene-ym.com, or laladhaus@enke.com**

For more information, please contact:  
**Founder/CEO - Rich F. Weatherbee (969) 223-5818**  
**or VP - Penny Francis (214) 799-7178.**

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# Juneteenth Events



Juneteenth is a freedom celebration that became a tradition when, on June 19, 1865, General Gordon Granger sailed into Galveston harbor and issued a proclamation that gave freedom to a quarter of a million blacks in Texas who were still in bondage 2 1/2 years after the Emancipation Proclamation was issued by President Abraham Lincoln on January 1, 1863. The tradition, firmly rooted in Texas became a state holiday in 1980, and has come to be regarded as the earliest African American holiday.

## DOUGLASS COMMUNITY CENTER Makes Final Prep for Plano's JUNETEENTH Celebration

The Plano Douglass Community Center is offering up a day full of activities in celebration of Juneteenth 2008 on Saturday, June 21. The event will be held at the Douglass Community Center, 1111 Avenue H and is free to the public.

This year's Juneteenth

observance features lots of information and food booths, a basketball tournament, numerous games for all ages and face painting. There will be live music by R&B band The Clay Trio starting at 8 p.m., and a variety of fun family activities from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

The Juneteenth 2008 Talent Showcase is for gifted youth up to 18 years old.

Local youth church and civic groups are encouraged to participate. Awards will be given to the first, second and third place youth performers. Vendor booth space is still available.

A brief Juneteenth history will be

presented by Douglass Community volunteer Grady Dunbar. For more information on this event, vendor space or to register for the Talent Showcase, contact Alvis Alexander at 972-941-7174.

### Schedule of Events:

- 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Food, Information Booth, Music
- 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Talent Showcase
- 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Dominoes Tournament and Face Painting
- 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Youth Basketball Invitational
- 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Old School vs. New School (women) \*new event

7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Old School vs. New School (men)

8 p.m. to 11 p.m. Live Music - with the exciting and soulful Clay Trio performing all your favorite R&B hits

Often cited as African-American Independence Day, Juneteenth has been deemed a special day of recognition by many municipalities and states. The observances commemorate June 19, 1865, the day the Emancipation Proclamation was announced in Texas, the last of the seceding states to be occupied by the federal army.

## SANKOFA FILM FEST

Friday, June 20, 2008 7:30 PM  
 Yes, this is a jammin' concert and a whole lot more. And Rita Marley, African music sensation Angelique Kidjo, Danny Glover, Lauryn Hill, Teddy Afro, Bob Andy, Mrs. Cedella

Booker, Bob Marley's mother and Princess Mary, granddaughter of Emperor Haile Selassie, Damian Marley, Julian Marley, Ky-Mani Marley, Sharon Marley & Cedella Marley, Ziggy Marley were there .

**2: SANKOFA EXPERIENCE:**  
*A True Juneteenth Experience*  
 45 min by the Act of Change Collective An important documentary highlighting the journey of African people from our African

homeland to enslavement and resistance to freedom.

THE SOUTH DALLAS CULTURAL CENTER  
 3400 S. FITZHUGH SOUTH  
 DALLAS TEXAS

**1: AFRICA UNITE**  
 by Stephanie Black 87 min.

## SANKOFA JUNETEENTH TOUR

JUNE 21-22ND  
 1:00pm until dark

There is no other event like this in the world, which allows you to journey the path of our Ancestors, from

the village, through enslavement, and to freedom. This historical outdoor event is held on sacred black owned land in Dallas, TX., purchased in 1876 by freed Africans, and maintained by their 79 year-old

great grand daughter. Bring your entire family and celebrate Juneteenth, by journeying back into the past, and remembering the Ancestors .

Morney-Berry Farm  
 9455 Lancaster-Hutchins Rd.,  
 Dallas, TX. 75241

Admission: \$10.00, Children 12 and under, Free

Group discounts and vendor space available. Appropriate for people of all races, religions & backgrounds For more information: 214 3 7 2 - 3 5 0 0  
 actofchange@yahoo.com.

**Ongoing**

**African American Republican Club of Collin County** meets 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7 pm (Doors will open at 6:30 pm) Collin County Republican Party Headquarters 8416 Stacy Road, McKinney Call Fred Moses at 972 618 7027 or [fred@tes.com](mailto:fred@tes.com) for more information.

**Collin County Black Chamber of Commerce General Meeting** is 2nd Thursday monthly, 6:30pm - 7:30pm. McKinney Housing Authority 1200 N Tennessee St McKinney 75069 The general public is welcome. For additional information call 469-424-0120.

**Collin County Black Chamber of Commerce Monthly Lunch & Learn** every 3rd Thursday \$15 for members; \$20 for non-members, 11 am-1 pm, Ralph and Kacoos - 401 S. Central Expwy, Allen. For general information and reservations call 469-424-0120.

**DFW Financially Empowered Women** meet monthly for lunch or dinner and a fun, informative seminar on various financial topics. For more information call 469-952-0809 or [www.meetup.com/378](http://www.meetup.com/378).

**Marriage Prep Class** 1st Saturdays monthly 423 West Wheatland Road Suite 101, Duncanville 75116 \$10 fee for materials. For more info call Karen Duval at 972-709-1180.

**No Limit Network Business Networking Lunch** 1st and 3rd Thursday 11:30 am - 12:30 pm every Thursday at Texas Land & Cattle Steak House 3945 N. Central Expressway Plano 75023 Must RSVP at [www.TheNoLimitNetwork.com](http://www.TheNoLimitNetwork.com) or call Sylvia Williams at 972-898-5882.

**SHARE! PISD International Exchange Student Program** is in the process of finding new host families to share their hearts and home with an exchange student for the 2008/2009 School Year. For more information on or how to become a host family, call 1-800-941-3738, or [www.sharesouthwest.org](http://www.sharesouthwest.org).

**The National Business Women Enterprise Network (NBWEN)** hosts monthly lunch and learn workshop and networking event giving members and guests the opportunity to network, build relationships, present information on their business and services, and most importantly, learn different ways to improve upon and grow their business. For more information [www.nbwen.org](http://www.nbwen.org).

**Wit Women Conference** Call join this weekly conference call if you need encouragement, prayer, or inspiration. Dial in Tuesdays 7 pm - 7:15pm to 218-486-1616, Code 10984

**June 16 - 21**

**Dallas Dazzlers 8th Annual Elite Dance Summer Workshop!** The Dallas Dazzlers Dance Co. will host their 8th Annual Elite Dance Summer Workshop at the Cedar Hill Recreation Center from 3 pm - 9 pm. For only \$55, participants will receive intense dance training in jazz, modern, hip-hop, African and praise dance from Jamie Buis, Christian Motivational Speaker and former Dallas Mavericks Dancer; Regina Tucker, Director of Dance Arts at Friendship West Baptist Church and former Dallas Cowboys Cheerleader; and Michelle Gibson, professional choreographer and performance artist who has appeared as a principal dancer in the films "Interview With The Vampire" and "Ray. Registration ends June 1st. Registration brochures are

available at the Cedar Hill Recreation Center located at 310 E. Parkerville Road. Call 469-767-9903 or send an email to [dallasdazzlers214@yahoo.com](mailto:dallasdazzlers214@yahoo.com).

**June 20 - 21**

**TBAAL Black Academy: Sankofa Muse Cafe Bash** at the Dallas Black Academy of Arts and Letters Convention Center Theatre Complex. This event begins at 9 pm, and admission costs \$10. For more information please call 214-943-2442.

**June 23**

**The Plano Chamber of Commerce is gearing up for its 18th Annual Golf Tournament.** The Golf Tournament committee has been meeting every month to make this the biggest and best tournament yet. Sponsored by Capital One, the day will begin with registration and lunch at 11:30 am and the tee-off will be at 1 pm. The tournament will end with awards at 5:30 pm.

**June 27 - 28**

**TBAAL Black Academy: Comedy Night at the Muse** will feature B Cole at the Dallas Black Academy of Arts and Letters, Dallas Convention Center Theatre Complex. Comedy Night at the Muse will begin at 9 pm and tickets will be priced at \$15. For more information please contact TBAAL by calling 214-943-2442.

**June 28**

**2008 Reebok Heroes Celebrity Ball Game** at Baylor Medical Center at Frisco Celebrity Home Run Derby beginning at 4 pm Reebok Heroes Celebrity Baseball Game at 6 pm with the Fireworks finale following the game. The Dr. Pepper Ballpark is located at 7300 Rough Riders Trail in Frisco, Texas. Proceeds will benefit the children's charities of The Heroes Foundation, and Mike Modano's Youniversity Program. Tickets are now on sale for

\$5, \$7, \$12 and \$15 through Ticketmaster or the Dr. Pepper Ballpark. Tickets available at 214-373-8000, online [www.Ticketmaster.com](http://www.Ticketmaster.com), or at the Dr Pepper Ballpark Ticket Office during office hours.

**Punch Family Foundation presents the 13th Annual Benefit Recital** Saturday, June 28, 2008 Master Class (students) - 11:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M., Recital and Silent Auction - 1:30 P.M and Silent Auction. The cost is Adults \$10, Senior Citizens \$5, and Children \$1. The event will be held in the lobby of the Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center located at 2301 Flora St. Dallas, TX 75201, Dallas, TX 75201

**July 4**

**Addison's Kaboom Town** will feature spectacular fireworks, visible from all over town, from 5:00 pm - 12:00 am. Addison Circle Park, at 4970 Addison Circle Drive. For further information please email [webmaster@addisontx.com](mailto:webmaster@addisontx.com).

Garland's annual Independence Day celebration will take place from 10 a.m. until midnight at Firewheel Town Center, located on State Highway 78 at State Highway 190. The theme for 2008 is "We the People Celebrate!" This year's Main Stage will feature the legendary Kool and the Gang. To participate in the event as an artisan or craft vendor, please contact Melody Kamp at 972-675-1041 or [mkamp@simon.com](mailto:mkamp@simon.com). For volunteer opportunities, contact Dana Dunlap at 972-205-3896 or [ddunlap@ci.garland.tx.us](mailto:ddunlap@ci.garland.tx.us). Sponsorship opportunities are still available. Contact Bonny Patrick at 972-205-2633 or [bpatrik@ci.garland.tx.us](mailto:bpatrik@ci.garland.tx.us) For updates about plans for this year's event, log onto [starspangledfourth.com](http://starspangledfourth.com).

**July 5**

**July Jazz** in Addison at

Esplande Park, 5044 Addison Circle Drive in Addison. The Jazz will keep on playing from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. Admission is free, email [webmaster@addisontx.gov](mailto:webmaster@addisontx.gov) for more info.

**July 25**

**Barack Obama Turning Red to Blue Fundraiser** event located at The Black Academy of Arts and Letters Dallas Convention Center Theatre Complex 650 South Griffin Street, Dallas, 75202 from 6:00 - 11:00 p.m. For ticket or vendor information contact [teresa@dfwobama.com](mailto:teresa@dfwobama.com) now! For more details visit [www.DFWObama.org](http://www.DFWObama.org).

**August 9**

**4th Annual Women's No Limit Expo** will feature vendors, health screenings, immunizations, and other useful information. The Women's No Limit Expo will last from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Richardson Civic Center, in Richardson, Texas 75080. Donations will be made to local charities. Also, the No Limit Network now meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Texas Land & Cattle Steak House, 3945 North Central Expressway, Plano 75023. Must RSVP at [www.TheNoLimitNetwork.com](http://www.TheNoLimitNetwork.com) or call Sylvia Williams at 972-898-5882. For exhibitor, sponsorship, and advertising information, visit [NoLimitExpo.com](http://NoLimitExpo.com).

**August 13-16**

**National Sales Network's 12th Annual Conference and Career Fair** will feature leadership workshops and live entertainment. The conference is located at the Fairmont Hotel in Dallas. Visit [salesnetwork.org](http://salesnetwork.org) to register.

**August 16**

**Keepin' It Real! Youth empowerment conferences** this year will provide teens with an opportunity, during a one hour moderat-

ed panel discussion, to meet local leaders and to ask challenging questions of their own. Backpacking For Education is a program that supplies the attending teens with backpacks filled with school supplies and well wishes for a safe and productive school year. Additionally, some students will walk away with door prizes and all will receive giveaways from local and national corporations and small businesses. Keepin' It Real! 2008 will be held at Richland College, 12800 Abrams Road in Dallas, Texas. For more information on sponsorship opportunities, vendors, entertainment, or to register please visit <http://www.teengraffiti.com> or call Sharon Jones-Scaife at 972-496-9457.

**August 22-23**

**Sheryl Underwood** will perform live at the Addison Improv at 4980 Belt Line Road #250, Addison, 75254. Admission to the event is \$22. Call 972-404-8501 for further details.

**August 23**

**The Urban League of Greater Dallas** presents the "B'Jeweled" Gala 2008 celebrating 41 years of service with the Urban League. The B'Jeweled Gala will feature live entertainment by WAR. The Gala will be located at the Hilton Anatole Hotel 2201 Stemmons Freeway, Dallas. For ticket information or further details call 214-915-4600.

**August 9**

**12th Annual Government Procurement Conference** offers all you need to know about doing business with Government Agencies (Federal, State & Local), along with their prime contractors and subcontractors! The Conference will take place on Wednesday, August 27, at the Arlington Convention Center Drive, Arlington, 76010, from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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**Proud To Be An Active Partner In The Community**

Come one and all to Dallas City Hall on June 25 to celebrate Oak Cliff Day. Sponsored by Oak Cliff Proud and the Oak Cliff Community Renaissance Economic Development Corporation, this day is set to highlight the city council leadership, celebrate the business owners in the area and to announce the recent plans to economically revitalize the Southern area of Dallas.

"It is a celebration of being proud of Oak Cliff. We will announce the updates regarding the Southwest Center mall, the Cinema and showcase the South Dallas Cafe, Club Somewhere Else Restaurant and Bar amongst others," explained Edna Pemberton, founder of Oak Cliff Proud. "We will show our pride and share what's happening in regards to increasing the economic development, the tax base, and the creation of jobs in our area."

The official Oak Cliff Day celebration will be held in the flag room at Dallas City Hall at 1500 Marilla in downtown Dallas at 9:00 am. "We'll host a press conference around 8:00am and we will wait for the more than 350 Oak Cliff residents to pack the room. This event is a celebration and a kickoff of two major things – the transitioning of the mall ownership and the beginning of roundtable meetings." The meetings will be held in the Oak Cliff area and are designed for idea sharing, community connection in an effort to keep the community energized and moving forward after the day of celebration.

The current program plans include awards to the seven Dallas City Council members whose district jurisdiction include sections of Oak Cliff and also to Mayor

Tom Leppert.

"He said that when he got into office that he would not forget Oak Cliff and he has not," complimented Pemberton.

Also, there will be community speakers on hand to highlight notable areas of Oak Cliff including leaders of the Dallas Urban League and the University of North Texas at Dallas. Other event day sponsors include leaders from Paul Quinn College, Club Somewhere Else, pastors from Concord

# Oak Cliff proud

By Jacquinette Murphy  
Special Contributor



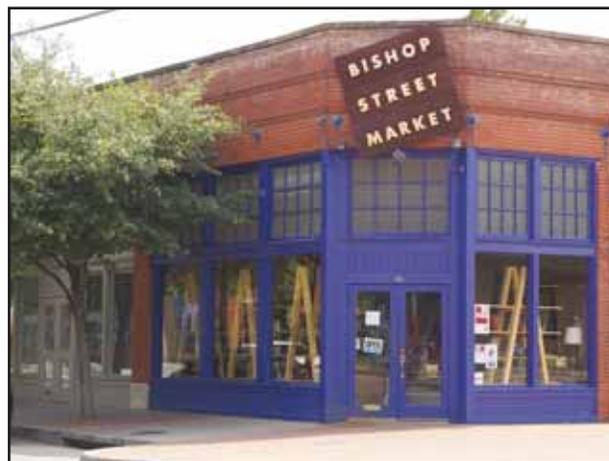
*Somewhere Else Restaurant and Bar*



*South Dallas Cafe*



*Cedar Crest Golf Course*



*Bishop Arts District Market*

Baptist Church, Antioch Baptist Church and Inspiring Body of Christ Church, the Southwest Police Officers and others.

Each resident of the Oak Cliff area is personally invited to come out on the last Wednesday in June to show your support for the area which many people including African-Americans, Caucasian-Americans, Hispanic-Americans and

even Asian-Americans currently call home.

Oak Cliff is a historical part of the city of Dallas that should be celebrated and highlighted per Cheryl Taylor, a volunteer for Oak Cliff Proud. "Oak Cliff is 33 percent black, 33% white and 33% other. We want to celebrate Oak Cliff and show that you can find everything right here. We do have nice places."

"The only zoo in the

city of Dallas is located right here in Oak Cliff," chimed Pemberton. Other notable places include the Veterans Memorial Hospital, the Bishop Arts District, The Dallas Executive Airport, Wynnewood Village Shopping Center, Dallas Baptist University, the Cedar Crest and Stevens Park Golf Courses and of course, Southwest Center Mall.

Josh Howard, the

owner of Club Somewhere Else Restaurant and Bar is a new Oak Cliff area business owner that instantly connected with the vision to support and give back to the community that opened its doors to him a little over 10 months ago.

"I like this area in general," began Howard, a Detroit native. "I wanted to bring something new to the table, something that people said that they did

not have here." Club Somewhere Else is an elegantly renovated venue that serves an American Cuisine and attracts a variety of patrons from the corporate, networking and non-profit groups to the comedy lovers and nightlife crowds. Complete with an air-cooled patio area and a finely furnished dining room, this is a place in Oak Cliff ready to host your next event. Howard renovated the former nightclub venue, Club Atlantis, located at 7115 Marvin D. Love Freeway which means that there one less vacant building in the Oak Cliff area.

"When buildings are vacant, there is no tax base," commented Pemberton. This means that there is no profit coming from this building for the community members or the city. Dallas Council District 8 currently has an approximately 18.1% retail vacancy rate and a \$18,244 per capita income while Council District 14 has a 5.0% retail vacancy rate and a \$60,366 per capita income according to the council economic district facts released in January of 2008.

The increasing number of vacant and undeveloped retail and commercial facilities is said to be the cause of Oak Cliff's lightweight contributions to the overall city's econ-

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## Bun B and Zune Team to Find the Next Rap Star



Bun B

Rapper Bun B has announced a partnership with Microsoft Zune with plans to launch a contest for aspiring rap artists looking for stardom, reports [BallerStatus.com](http://BallerStatus.com). Interested participants can

download an exclusive instrumental Mp3 track from the Zune Marketplace, record an original rap over it, and submit their demo to Rap-A-Lot Records.

One winner will be

flown to Houston, TX where they will record the track in a studio with Bun B and have a chance at an exclusive recording contract. The winner's track will also be featured as a free download on Zune Marketplace in September.

Bun B recently scored the no. 2 album in the country last week with *II Trill*. Zune is offering a \$25 off coupon to fans who buy the album at Best Buy stores nationwide - while supplies last.

For contest rules and submission info, visit [RapALotRecords.com/RYouIITrill](http://RapALotRecords.com/RYouIITrill).

## NDG Gains Special Recognition



by  
**Rick Elina**

Teatro delle Muse, the resident company of the Art Centre Theatre located in historic downtown Plano held their First Annual Awards Ceremony last week. "The 2007-2008 season was a huge success for us," says Sarah VC Henderson, Artistic Director. The theatre was honored in so many ways this season we just felt it was fitting to take the time to honor our own and all those who made this smashing first season."

So, as they say, without further adieu, the 2007-2008 Muse Award winners are:

**Best Play**  
First Kiss

**Best Musical**  
High School Musical

**Best Performance by a Leading Actor in a Play**  
Kyle Dupree  
First Kiss

**Best Performance by a Leading Actor in a Play**  
Vince McGill  
The Glass Menagerie

**Best Performance by a Leading Actress in a Play**  
Lauren Wenzel  
Hecate Hill

**Best Performance by a Leading Actor in a Musical**  
Cam Wenrich  
High School Musical

**Best Performance by a Leading Actress in a Musical**  
Brittany Stene  
High School Musical

**Best Performance by a Supporting Actor in a Play**  
Casey Henderson  
First Kiss

**Best Performance by a Supporting Actress in a Play**  
Naima Imani-Lett  
The Glass Menagerie

**Best Performance by a Supporting Actor in a Musical**  
Zac Ramsey  
High School Musical

**Best Performance by a Supporting Actress in a Musical**  
Michelle McElree  
High School Musical

**Best Performance by a Featured Actor in a Play**  
Alonzo Waller  
The Glass Menagerie

**Best Performance by a Featured Actress in a Play**  
Elizabeth Robinson  
First Kiss

**Best Performance by a Featured Actor in a Musical**  
Curt Mega  
High School Musical

**Best Performance by a Featured Actress in a Musical**  
Mary McElree  
High School Musical

**Best Performance by a Featured Actress in a Musical**  
Sheila D. Rose  
High School Musical

**Best Performance by a Featured Actress in a Musical**  
Hope Henderson  
Beauty and The Beast

**Best Direction of a Play**  
Sarah VC Henderson  
First Kiss

**Best Direction of a Musical**  
Sarah VC Henderson  
Bill Fountain  
High School Musical

**Best Musical Direction**  
M. Shane Hurst  
High School Musical

**Best Choreography**  
Jennifer Obenney  
Brittany Levera  
High School Musical

**Best Scenic Design of a Play**  
Jeff Vaughn  
Victoria Vaughn  
Ash Robbins  
First Kiss

**Best Scenic Design of a Musical**  
John Mallory Land  
High School Musical

**Best Costume Design of a Play or Musical**  
Aaron Patrick Turner  
The Glass Menagerie

**Best Lighting Design of a Play or Musical**  
Chris Leffel  
First Kiss

**Best Original Sound Design of a Play or**

**Musical**  
Marc Rouse  
The Glass Menagerie

**Best Original Script**  
Rick A. Elina  
First Kiss

**Best Stage Manager of a Musical**  
Stephanie Jackson  
High School Musical

**Best Stage Manager of a Play**  
Ande Bewley  
First Kiss

**Best Technical Crew Person in a Play or Musical**  
Doug Meyer  
High School Musical

**Best Children's Play or Musical**  
Seussical Junior

**Best Actress in a Children's Production**  
Chloe Carlson  
Friendly Forest  
Jenna Reeves  
The Spyder Princess  
Tiffany Hollebeck  
Alice in Wonderland Junior  
Hope Henderson  
Seussical Junior  
Kylie Lavinsky  
Seussical Junior  
Tiffany Kuan  
Seussical Junior  
Alexis Henderson  
Art From the Heart

**Best Actor in a Children's Production**  
Jared Behning  
Friendly Forest  
Casey Henderson  
The Spyder Princess  
Casey Henderson  
Alice in Wonderland Junior  
Max Lavinsky  
Seussical Junior  
Brendon Legas  
Art From the Heart

**Best Scenic Design of a Children's production**  
John Mallory Land  
The Friendly Forest

**Best Costume Design of a Children's production**  
Sarah VC Henderson  
The Friendly Forest

**Top Honors For Excellence In Theatre**  
Cam Wenrich

**Top Honors For Excellence In Theatre**  
Brittany Stene

**Volunteer of the Year**  
John Mallory Land & Ande Bewley

**2007-2008 Season Special Recognition For Show Sponsorship**  
The North Dallas Gazette

## R. Kelly Acquitted on Child Pornography Charges

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A Chicago jury of 12 (nine men, three women) has acquitted R. Kelly on all 14 counts of videotaping himself having sex with an underage girl.

As the first "not guilty" was read June 13, Kelly dipped his head and kept it bowed during the entire reading of the 14-count verdict.

When the reading was completed, he dabbed his face with a baby blue handkerchief from his pocket as tears streamed down his face.

Kelly, who did not testify during his trial, faced up to 15 years in an Illinois prison.

The case centered on a 27-minute videotape anonymously sent to Chicago Sun-Times pop music critic Jim DeRogatis in 2002. Prosecutors said Kelly videotaped himself having sex with - and urinating upon - his underage goddaughter.



In closing arguments, the state said more than a dozen witnesses identified the alleged victim as being on the tape. Prosecutors also said there's no doubt that Kelly is the man on the tape and that the video was made in his Lake View basement some time between 1998 and 2000.

Prosecutors brought in a video expert, who played the notorious sex

video in slow motion, pointing out a dark spot clearly visible on the man's back.

If he was convicted, he faced a minimum of four years in prison and a maximum of 15 years.

The trial comes to an end six years after the R&B singer was first charged in 2002.

*Information from the Chicago Sun Times contributed to this report.*

## Identifying Your Niche to Securing Your Funding

All emerging and established entrepreneurs in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area should register to attend One Life To Live From Dreams to Reality – Small Business Leaders Conference being hosted in Dallas, TX August 12 – August 14, 2008. Alive Incorporated in collaboration with Envi Consulting & Associates Inc. has designed a Small Business Leadership Conference City Tour set to kick off in Dallas, Texas.

The purpose of this conference is to provide tools and resources that

will provide the solid foundation upon which leaders can establish or grow successful and sustaining businesses or charitable organizations. Business Owners, Emerging Entrepreneurs, and Community Leaders will receive the tools necessary to establish and maintain a viable business, thereby contributing to the economic development of communities. Emerging and established leaders will not want to miss this conference.

There will be many sessions including:

- Identifying your Niche

- Branding your Business
- Making yourself and your business marketable
- Modernized Marketing Strategies
- Outlining your Corporate Structure
- Developing your Empowerment Team
- Securing your Funding

Registration for this event is \$350. Registered attendees will complete a comprehensive business plan, receive 2 hours of personal coaching per month for 3 months (valued at \$900), and a membership to Imminent Evolutions. The first 50 registrants will be entered

into a drawing for an identity package for their business (valued at \$1,500). There will be ample opportunity to network with other professionals who can be a wealth of knowledge as well as beneficial contacts for your business.

Don't miss this opportunity to make the best investment in your business!

Reserve your seat today for \$100.

For a registration form and more information, email us at [events@aliveincorporated.com](mailto:events@aliveincorporated.com).

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field in the United States. ICC Energy is the largest African-American-owned marketer of natural gas in Texas.

During the bidding process, Chesapeake sought the participation of minority-owned partners and subcontractors in order to win the lease as a result of D/FW Airport's longstanding policy of awarding contracts only to those companies that commit to utilizing minority- and women-owned businesses.

ICC Energy invested more than \$3 million in the bid process based on Chesapeake's promise that if it won the lease bid, then ICC Energy would market 20% of the natural gas recovered at D/FW Airport. Chesapeake filed three separate bids with the D/FW Airport board where the company touted its relationship with ICC Energy and highlighted minority involvement in the marketing of the natural gas.

However, according to the lawsuit, once Chesapeake won its bid and was awarded the right to drill, Chesapeake never permitted ICC Energy to market the gas that was found, and instead moved the work in house in violation of

the earlier agreement and despite the company's representations to the D/FW Airport Board.

Attorney Joe Kendall of Provost Umphrey, a former federal judge and co-counsel to ICC Energy, says he believes Chesapeake pulled a classic "bait & switch," causing his client to lose millions of dollars.

"Chesapeake was eager to involve ICC Energy during the bidding process, but when the company saw the dollar signs they decided that

they no longer needed a minority partner," he says. "Chesapeake is not only defaulting on their agreement with ICC Energy, but they're trying to deceive the airport board as well."

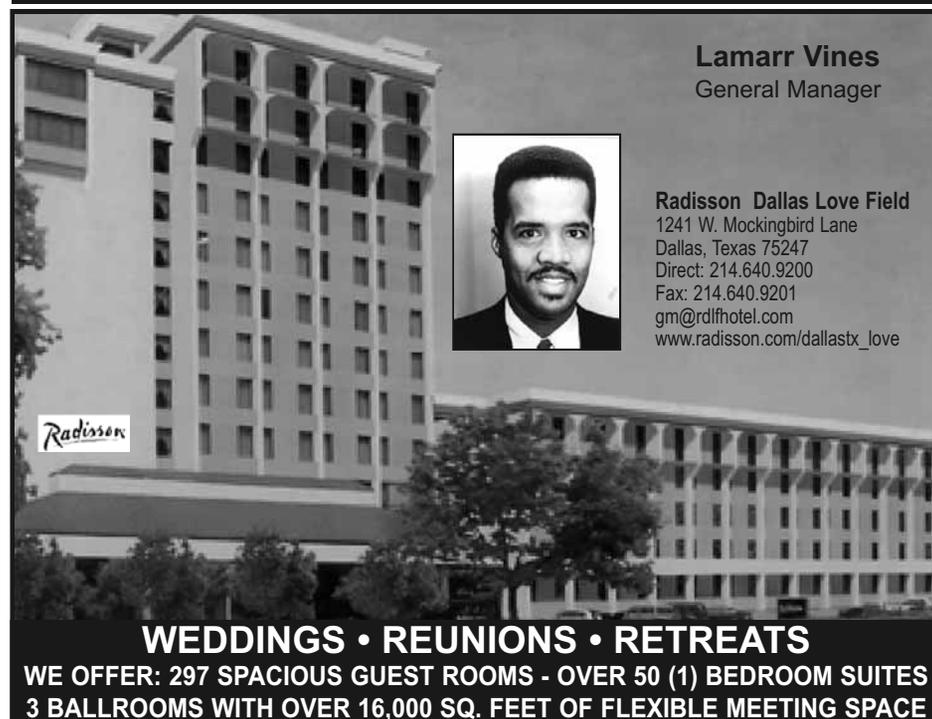
Attorney Mark Werbner of Sayles Werbner, co-counsel to ICC Energy, says his clients "have worked too hard to be ordered to the back of the bus" by Chesapeake.

"Karl and Kris Butler have built ICC Energy into one of the top minority-owned companies in the state," Mr. Werbner says. "They have proven

themselves again and again as one of the industry's top marketers of natural gas and other fuel products, and they are not going to stand aside while Chesapeake exploits their minority status."

Mr. Butler, president of ICC Energy and a Vietnam-era veteran of the Army and Navy, says his company believes there may be as much as one trillion cubic feet of natural gas on the D/FW Airport leased property, which is expected to yield substantial daily production for more than 40 years.

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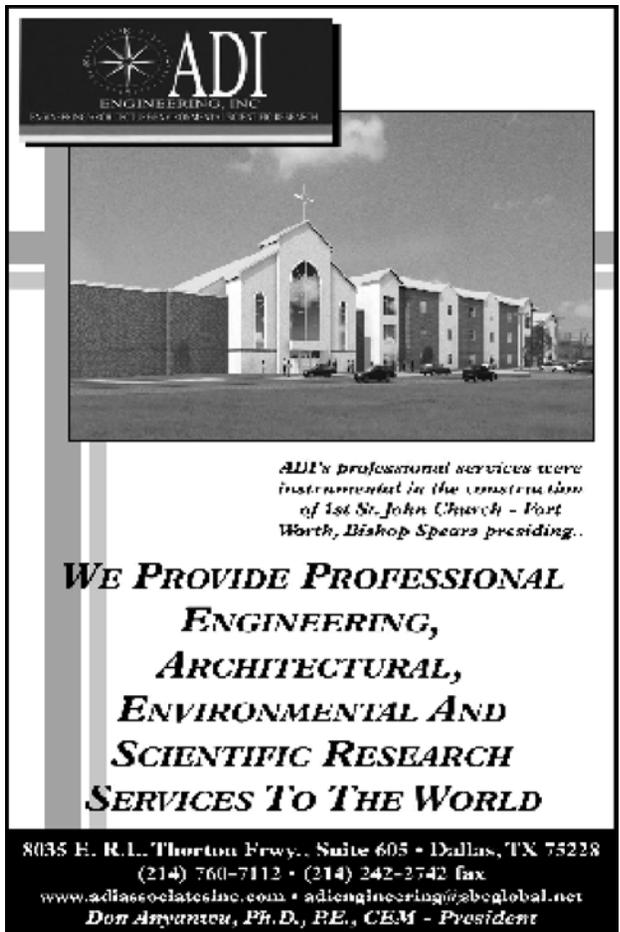
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## OAK CLIFF, continued from pg 9

omy in relationship to the northern sections of the city.

The Oak Cliff Community Renaissance Development Corporation and its partners are working to make this area of Dallas to return to the destination spot that it was known for in its early days.

“We want Oak Cliff to be a destination place. This celebration is not just a revival,” began Pemberton. The use of the common religious term to refer to a temporal thrill

that often soon dies out. “It is how you walk when you come down. You plan your work, work your plan.”

She explained that the Oak Cliff corporation is more of a business think-tank designed to locate the Oak Cliff business owners and match them together to fulfill some of the City's contracting needs to improve the Southern sector of Dallas.

Oak Cliff Proud, is a non-profit group that serves as a more of the energy and excitement

generator to encourage more spending in the area and as it helps to facilitate the economic planning for the area. “If we can get 337 of the Oak Cliff residents to shop in our area and buy something at the mall, we can increase the tax base,” informed Pemberton as one of the simple solutions to revitalizing the area's once booming economy.

Oak Cliff has been a part of the City of Dallas since its annexation in 1903. It was originally incorporat-



Golfer at Cedar Crest

ed in 1887 with its current name and was the home to The Dallas Land and Loan

Company, one of the state's first giant land development companies formed in 1886. The boundaries of Oak Cliff can currently be considered as Interstate 30 and the Trinity River on the north, Interstate 35E on the east, Camp Wisdom Road on the south, and Cockrell Hill Road on the west.

Informing the community of the vitality of being an active supporter of the community organizations seeking to improve the

economic value of Oak Cliff. June 25 is cited to be a day of a new beginning in the Oak Cliff area, an area with much potential that simply needs someone to sow into it and nurture it back to the wealthy enclave that it was many years ago.

Be a part of Oak Cliff Day, learn more about mission, meetings and plans of Oak Cliff Proud and the Oak Cliff Community Renaissance Development Corporation by calling 972-780-7544.

## STROKE, continued from pg 1

campaign to educate African-Americans about their risks. By helping people know and manage risk factors such as blood pressure and diabetes, strokes can be prevented. As part of the education and awareness campaign, the American Heart

Association will present the “Power to End Stroke” Gospel Tour, hosted by Dr. Bobby Jones of Black Entertainment Television. The event, sponsored by Aetna, will feature free blood pressure and glucose screenings, cooking demonstrations and inter-

active physical activity demonstrations, in addition to musical entertainment.

The Gospel Tour is a fun and inspiring way to help African-Americans celebrate healthy lifestyles and learn effective ways to prevent stroke and cardiovascular disease.

**What:**  
Power to End Stroke Gospel Tour and Health Fair

Come for the music and leave with tools for healthier living. The Health Fair will feature health screenings, complimentary informational brochures and

giveaways.

**When:**  
Saturday June 28, 2008  
3:00 - 8 pm

**Where:**  
Concord Baptist Church  
6808 Pastor Bailey Drive  
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**Who:**  
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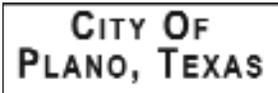
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**June 23-27, 6:30-8:30 pm**

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**June 21, 8 am - 12 pm**

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**June 20, 8 pm**

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**June 21, 10 am**

We are having our Jubilee/Celebration, Chimes of

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**Also June 21, 6 pm**

Join us for our Church Anniversary Concert as we worship and praise God together.

**June 22, 7:45 am & 11 am**

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"As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith. Galatians 6:10.

As Christians we must always pray and to reach out to others, especially now. The Word states that if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. It also states we are to bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill

the law of Christ.

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. Do not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. We are reminded that when we have an opportunity to work for the good of all; pray for all; and help all that we can that we should be honored to do so.

Assure hurting people

that God's help is what they need. He can and He wants to handle any stress in their lives. Right now they may be on the edge of a major decision. They may have lost their job and is finding it hard to get another one. They may have lost their home and need divine guidance. They may have been desperately praying to hear from the Lord. You must remind them that they are not to panic because God is still on the throne. He know precisely what He is doing; exactly where they are in their lives, and unerringly, He knows what it takes for them to

get back on an 'even keel' Spiritual level.

We should, "Commit thy works unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established." Proverbs 16:3. They should learn to fully trust God and, "When a man's ways please the Lord, He maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him." Proverbs 16:7. No one can trust God without feeding on His Word.

Shadows of depression can change the way an individual pray. When worried or depressed everything may appear to be a gaping hole of silence and futility, but prayer can

and will bring you relief and comfort. Seek peace and solace: find a quiet place, take a walk, open yourself to God, and remember that you are not alone, others are hurting also. Start now, daily reading God's Word and what ever problem is bothering you, pray and trust God with it. When you pray believe and you will receive. Stop worrying and begin believing.

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint." Isaiah 40:31. It has been said that the force of faith has the power to rejuvenate your

physical body. Get more faith and increase your strength.

Something to Ponder: God never leads us astray; His voice isn't very difficult to hear. He sometimes shouts through our pain, whispers to us while we're relaxing, occasionally He sings to us in a song and warns us through the 66 books of His written Word. The Bible will never lead you off course. God has even given you wise counselors, friends, acquaintances, parents, teachers and mentors who have earned your love and respect. Before you undertake a major life-direction change, be very care that you are following God's direction.

## The Preachers Who "Sang!" Concert Celebrates Ministers Who Can Preach Then Punctuate Their Message with a Song

Some preachers have a double portion of spiritual blessings. They preach. Then they drive their point home with a heartfelt song.

These messengers of God are like Elisha in II Kings 2:9 who asked for and received a double portion of the spirit that was in his mentor Elijah.

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The choir at Mt. Horeb Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate doubly blessed preachers who fervently punctuate their messages with a song.

The choir will present the free concert Preachers Who "Sang!" at 3:30 p.m. Sunday June 22, 2008 at Mt. Horeb, 3306 Carpenter.

Some ministers featured on the program -- some with their choirs -- include Rev. McKinley Jackson of

Samaria Baptist Church in Ft. Worth, Rev. Timothy Thompson of New Beginners Baptist Church, Rev. Lawrence Hicks of Friendship Baptist Church in Bryan, Texas, Rev. Tom Thompson of North Park Baptist Church, and Mt. Horeb's own pastor Rev. Bishop J. Bradford III. The Mt Horeb choir will accompany Rev. Bradford under the direction of Mt.

Horeb's minister of music Dr. Sylvia D. Lowe.

Additionally, the concert will feature an "open mic" section where any ministers in the audience will be invited to come up and sing a favorite song that has special meaning in their lives.

Other ministers from throughout the Dallas and Fort Worth area are invited to come and be a part of the

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Schedule of Services:

Sunday

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 Sunday School Classes 9:00 am  
 Morning Worship 11:00 am

Wednesday

Morning Bible Study - 9:30 am  
 Prayer Meeting and Evening Bible Study - 7:30 pm

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# Save Energy and Money

From staff reports

During the hot summer months, the best way to save on energy and stay cool is to have your cooling system checked and tuned up annually. Check your thermostat's accuracy using a reliable thermometer. An inaccurate thermo-

stat can increase your cooling costs significantly. Consider an electronic thermostat - they are more accurate than older models. Make sure the fan switch on your thermostat is set to "automatic" instead of "on" or "continuous". Running the fan continuously can re-evaporate moisture

removed by your air conditioner. Be sure to check your air conditioner filter monthly and clean or replace it as needed. A dirty filter can block the air flow through your cooling system, increasing your energy bill and shortening the equipment's life.

Denton Municipal Electric also suggests the following tips to maximize

your energy efficiency during the long, hot summer:

- Run ceiling fans in the down direction to keep the air circulating - moving air feels cooler than still air. Turn fans off when the room is unoccupied.
- Keep window shades or blinds closed during the day to keep the heat out.
- When possible, locate your outdoor air condition-

er on the north side of the house. If the unit is exposed to direct sunlight, use trees or shrubs to shade it, but keep shrubs at least three feet away so they don't block airflow to the shade uses as much as 10 percent less electricity than the same one operating in the sun.

- Keep lamps and other

heat-producing appliances away from you air conditioning thermostat. The heat from these appliances can cause the system to run longer than necessary.

- Don't set your thermostat at a colder setting than normal when you turn on your air conditioner. It won't cool any faster - it will just run longer and cost you more.

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Wednesday Bible Class	7:00 p.m.

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