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## Legislating to Protect Home Ownership

By U. S. Rep. David Scott  
*NNPA Special Commentary*

The mortgage foreclosure crisis is in full swing and not looking to ease soon. Mortgage lenders continue to report their highest foreclosure and delinquency rates in five

years. Rising default rates have not only affected those in the subprime market, but higher mortgage rates are putting a squeeze on borrowers with good credit, as they have in metro-Atlanta.

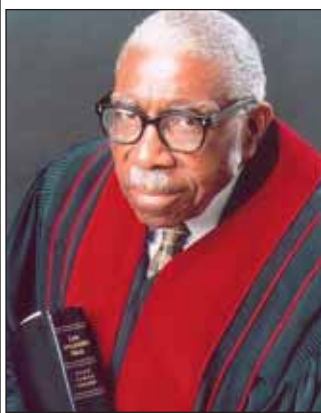
Mortgage reform legislation recently passed by

the House of Representatives and the U. S. Senate will go a long way in ensuring there is some relief for those families caught up in the current housing crisis.

H.R. 3221, the American Housing Rescue and Foreclosure

Prevention Act, set for signature by President Bush this week, would provide relief to millions of Americans affected by this crisis by instituting the reform necessary to ensure these problems do not recur. This important leg-

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C.A.W. Clark

## Legendary Pastor, philanthropist dies at 93

By Shawn Williams  
*DallasSouthBlog.com*

On Sunday one of God's preaching greats left this Earth with the passing of Rev. C.A.W. Clark.

Pastor Clark began preaching in 1929 and was ordained four years

later. He lead his first church, Israelite Baptist in Louisiana, at age 19. Clark was a graduate of Bishop College.

My earliest memories are of Pastor Clark on the cover of Ebony magazine in the early 80's as one of America's 15 Best Preachers. This was a big

deal in my house because I had an aunt and uncle who attended his church.

As a matter of fact, the first time I met Pastor Clark was in my grandmother's Paris, Texas living room. Clark was in town for a week long revival and Mt. Pisgah

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## Do the Right Thing ~ Rename Ross Ave to Honor César Chávez

By Ruth Ferguson  
*North Dallas Gazette*

Often we find ourselves in a quandary of our own making. The City of Dallas finds itself in such a spot.

In May they promoted a poll for citizens to partici-

pate in the selection of a new name for Industrial Blvd. The thoroughfare will serve as a key access road to the Trinity River project underway. The city heavily promoted the opportunity to vote via the Internet or telephone. Cesar Chavez Blvd.was

one of twelve names considered. Chavez received 52% of the 22,000 votes.

This took city officials by surprise, which is odd; Hispanics are the largest ethnic community in Dallas. Officials declared the informal vote was non-binding; it was advisory

only for the Council's Trinity River Corridor Project Committee to take under consideration before providing a final recommendation to the Council. Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Dwaine Caraway joined other council members on the committee in recom-

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Blackonomics

## Clingman: You got next

By James Clingman  
*NNPA Columnist*

When I played basketball, and probably still today, those on the sidelines would say, "We got next," to let everyone know they were next on the court.

The game would be in full swing sometimes and we would yell out, "We got next," which would be acknowledged by the current players with responses like: "You don't want none of

this!" "Yeah, c'mon and get take your whippin' too;" or "We'll be right with you cause beating these scrubs won't take long."

No matter how much trash-talk we did, we knew it would soon get serious when the new game started and that we would have to prove ourselves on the court in order to continue playing in the next game.

So it is with us today; elders are on the court playing the game and the

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## People In The News...



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## Renee Daniel Flagler

Renee Daniel Flagler is the President and CEO of Aspicomm Media, an author and an award winning freelance writer who has served in marketing, promotions and events for more than a decade. Under the divisions of Aspicomm Media, Flagler has been able to marry the things she enjoys the most; marketing, events and writing, into one fulfilling personal career.

Flagler has treasured the art of writing since she was

a young girl and in 2004 she took her love of creative writing seriously and self-published her first novel, Mountain High, Valley Low. She later released her sophomore novel, Miss-Guided, in the spring of 2006. Flagler's third novel, In Her Mind, is set to be released in the summer of 2008. She is currently working on her first non-fiction title, Putting Your Passion to Work set for release in 2009.

Flagler is also the founder of The Self-Publishing Symposium, a business conference for self and independent publishers. Flagler was awarded for Excellence in Journalism by the New York Association of Black Journalists and honored by Black Star News for her accomplishments in business for starting the Self-Publishing Symposium. She received the Entrepreneur of the Year in 2005 award by C&B Books Distribution. Additionally, Flagler has been profiled in Literary Divas, The Top

100+ Most Admired African American Women in Literature, among literary greats such as Tony Morrison, Terry McMillan and Oprah Winfrey.

Flagler is dedicated to mentoring at-risk teens and impacting literacy in inner city communities.

Flagler is a graduate of New School University with a Masters in Media Arts, as well as a graduate of St. John's University with a Bachelor of Science in Communications. She is a member of the, New York Association of Black Journalists, the National

Black MBA Association, National Association of Female Executives and Publishers Marketing Association.

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## Dr. Alduan Tartt

Dr. Alduan Tartt is positive psychologist with over ten years of experience in being a resource in the field of self-development and communications. Dr. Tartt trains clients to utilize psychological techniques and principals that immediately transform managers, leaders, and company VIP's into more effective, powerful, and compassionate communicators.

Dr. Tartt also specializes in enhancing relationship communication, career satisfaction/zest, and effective parenting strategies for the new millennium. Additionally, Dr. Tartt utilizes his previous experience with the University of Michigan football and golf-teams to assist athletes with optimal performance. Dr. Tartt caters all of his trainings and keynotes specific to the

corporation or non-profit organization so that no two presentations are ever the same.

Dr. Tartt's psychologically stimulating seminars and trainings employ interactive, "in session" role-plays that immediately transform clients into better communicators as business managers, parents, and community leaders. He enjoys intensity of teaching and coaches audience members live so that their skill set immediately improves for that



important next day at the office or home. Dr. Tartt routinely offers follow up

coaching sessions to corporate trainings to reinforce retention and promote actual application.

Dr. Tartt is a graduate of Morehouse College and is one of the youngest African-Americans to receive a PhD in Clinical Psychology from the University of Michigan. Currently, Dr. Tartt is an associate member of the National Speakers Association of Georgia, serves on the Board of Directors for the 100 Black Men of America,

Dekalb Chapter, and is a member of Toastmasters International, Inc. He is founder of Visionary Minds, Inc., psychological private practice, and is a partner in The Novem Group, LLC, a professional, executive, and personal life-coaching firm that specializes in improving career satisfaction, professional and romantic relationships, time management, overcoming procrastination, and overall zest for life.

## Brenda Lauderback

Susan G. Komen for the Cure(R), global leader in the breast cancer movement, has appointed Brenda Lauderback, former group president of wholesale and retail at Nine West Group, to its board of directors. Lauderback is a breast cancer survivor and will serve on Komen for the Cure's board for two years.

An accomplished leader, Lauderback is skilled at instituting highly disciplined planning and product-development processes that enable faster implementation. During her career, she demonstrated marked success in upgrading the quality and cost-effectiveness of domestic and overseas sourcing programs and was instrumen-

tal in re-engineering headquarters and field organizations in the wake of mergers, acquisitions and other major corporate initiatives.

"Brenda brings a dynamic mix of organizational, management and retail experience to our table. Her efforts on behalf of some of the nation's largest brand names and retailers will prove invaluable as Susan G. Komen for the Cure implements strategies to increase organizational revenue, engage new audiences and deepen its global impact," said Hala Modellmog, president and CEO of Komen for the Cure.

Lauderback currently serves as a corporate director for the boards of Irwin Financial Corporation, Big



Lots Corporation, Select Comfort, Denny's Corporation and Wolverine World Wide. She is the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the Career Women of Achievement Award from the YMCA of Cincinnati and Bragg Award for Outstanding Achievement from the Black Retail Action Group. Lauderback is active with community

service organizations Jack & Jill of America Foundation and The Links, Inc.

A Dallas resident, she received her Bachelor of Science in marketing from Robert Morris University in Pittsburgh. Susan G. Komen for the Cure's board of directors functions to advise, assist and aid in the organization's efforts to support breast cancer research and community health initiatives, including education, screening and treatment programs.

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Kenneth E. Bentsen, Jr., and includes Norman Brinker, Linda Custard, Aimee DiCicco Cheryl

Jernigan, Clifton Leaf, Connie O'Neill and Robert Taylor.

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### Is the sky clearest on the day it is most blue?

While you ponder that thought we would like to announce that Minority Opportunity News, Inc., formerly a Dallas based renaissance community tabloid, founded in 1991, has relocated to Plano, Texas, and changed our name to MON-The Gazette. In addition to moving our offices to Plano, our editorial coverage has also shifted to encompass Dallas' Northern Corridor. The Northern Corridor is clearly the fastest growing region in Texas, if not in America. MON-The Gazette believes that the engine to continue this growth is the airport expansion in McKinney, which is the largest and most visible of many area opportunities. As always, and true to tradition, MON-The Gazette will be there carving a world of opportunity for those seeking to provide quality services. Should you dare to expand your quest for economic parity outside the southern region or just want to know what is going on up north, think of MON-The Gazette as your paper of opportunity!

The North Dallas Gazette, formerly Minority Opportunity News, was founded July, 1991, by Jim Bochum and Thurman R. Jones

# America, Did You See The Man?

By James W. Breedlove  
NNPA Columnist

America did you see him?

Did you see Barack Obama last Thursday as he challenged a new generation of Americans and Europeans to tear down walls between estranged allies, races, and faiths as he delivered a mesmerizing call for global unity at an unprecedented mass rally in Berlin? Did you hear him define his dreams of hope and change - not just for America, but for all nations?

Did you see him magically appear from behind the ornate gold topped Victory Column, the 226 foot monument that sits in the middle of a giant traffic circle in Berlin's central Tiergarten Park, and stride majestically, confidently, poised and focused across a length of blue carpeted runway toward the podium as if he were walking on a river of water?

Taking what he calls his "improbable journey" to the heart of Europe, Barack Obama succeeded in attracting a sea of adoring people who roared their approval as they gazed admiringly at this icon of hope that had come to their city; a phenomenon who in less than a year has become the world's most popular serving politician even though he has not been anointed with any title greater than the junior senator for Illinois.

While he has drawn record-breaking crowds to rallies all over the United States his appearance in Germany attracted his biggest audience of all-- more than 200,000 people. They had flooded into Berlin's central park and occupied a full mile down the broad avenue, Strasse des 17 Juni, that connects the Victory Column to the

historic Brandenburg Gate.

While Obama's voice did not emanate from the Brandenburg Gate as did presidents Kennedy, Reagan and Clinton it resounded further because Obama has become the hope of a Western world filled with concerns. Recession looms, high inflation is eroding the world's purchasing power, and increasing demand for commodities and natural resources is pitting user against supplier nations.

Also, no global leader has yet come up with a convincing response to global warming. No one has a master plan to bring peace to the Middle East, Afghanistan or Iraq. And no one has a promising strategy for dealing with terrorism.

At the same time, the West is searching for its place in an ever changing world order. How strong will China, Russia and India become? How should the West interact with these countries?

It is time for true leadership to fill this void. And only one man inspires the kind of confidence that would enable him to assume this role. Barack Obama, during his European tour, showed America and the world the validity of his claim for that position.

Indeed, polls show that many nations would welcome Obama as America's successor president after enduring eight years of Bush's dictatorial policies.

John McCain, who has touted his foreign policy experience, has traveled to Europe, Canada, Columbia, and Mexico. While he may have impressed his American constituency he has not improved his Bush-Lite image outside of America.

A recent Pew Global Attitudes Project report



shows that in 20 of the 23 nations surveyed the preference for Obama over McCain is clear cut. The gap between perceptions of Obama and McCain is particularly large in Western Europe. In Spain the confidence for Obama is 72 percent and three times that of McCain. In France and Germany more than 80 percent opt for Obama to 33 percent for McCain. Similarly, Britons prefer him by three to one over McCain, and Italians by five to one.

Asian/Pacific countries also give Obama a high confidence ranking; 81 percent in Australia and 71 percent in Japan with McCain receiving 40 percent in both countries.

But Obama brings an important intangible to the table besides his unflappable confidence and charisma that seems to elude the American right wing but is instantly recognized by an overwhelming majority of the international community-- common sense.

If Americans could divest themselves of past social bias and the arrogance and ego of supreme omnipotence they would realize that the international community is trying to help America out of its self imposed ostracism.

Non-Americans have a vested interest in the American presidential election because of the

impact it has on the rest of the world. They are being forced to deal with the consequences of inept U.S. policies from the Iraq War, to oil shortages and the subprime mortgage disaster. Many believe that few American voters are aware of the international repercussions of their presidential choice.

Anders Wijkman, a Swedish member of the European Parliament, summarized what much of the world is saying, "I think Obama represents what the world needs right now. McCain would be very much more of the same, and we don't need more of the same."

America, with this presidential election you hold the destiny of both America and the world in your hands. It will be nearly impossible to turn this country's depressed economy around or to redirect funds into affordable healthcare for the 47 million uninsured, jobs for the thousands that have become jobless over the past year, or billions for infrastructure repairs without the cooperative partnership of the international community.

The world is saying that America's seat at the table of global mutual accommodation is better served with the new vision of Obama than McCain's resurrection of failed Bush policies.

### EDITOR'S NOTE:

The North Dallas Gazette has recently conducted research on Wells Fargo Bank and their lending practices within the minority community. If you would like to offer any special comment regarding your interactions with Wells Fargo Bank - pro or con - please contact our Publisher, Mr. Thurman Jones at [publisher@northdallasgazette.com](mailto:publisher@northdallasgazette.com). Please include "Wells Fargo" in the subject line of your email. You may also send any comments to P.O. Box 940226, Plano, Texas 75094-0226.

## Kenya Faces Suit Over Biofuel Project

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A controversial project to grow sugar in the touristic River Tana Delta has triggered a lawsuit against the government by environmental and community groups.

The \$369 million project, approved despite possible harm to the region's fragile coastal wetlands, aims to grow sugarcane to produce ethanol and generate power.

The lawsuit claims that

at least five laws and the Kenyan constitution would be broken if the project goes ahead.

Kenyan Nobel Laureate and environmentalist Wangari Maathai, backs the action, warning that the country would regret failing to protect its environment.

"We cannot just start messing around with the wetland because we need biofuel and sugar," Ms Maathai told the AFP news agency.

A judge has ordered

work on the project to be halted while the case is being heard.

The area, about 120 miles north of Mombasa, is home to 350 species of birds. It is also home to lions, hippos, elephants, and rare sharks as well as endangered primate species.

The global race to produce biofuels has been blamed for rising food prices and shortages by diverting resources from the cultivation of food crops.

## Ugandan President Urged to Seek A Fourth Term

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Supporters of President Yoweri Museveni are pushing the 64 year old former rebel to seek a fourth term in office but some members of the ruling party have already asked him to step down.

Museveni, already one

of the longest-serving leaders on the continent, would extend his rule to 30 years if re-elected in 2011. Popular with investors seeking opportunities in emerging markets, he has disappointed others who criticize his autocratic leadership style.

Meanwhile, Museveni's son, Muhoozi, is said to be training for his father's post. Last month, Muhoozi, 34, qualified in the army college of Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, as Uganda's first paratrooper. As a member of the first family, he is already a key decisionmaker.

## "Left Behind! Black America: A Neglected Priority in the Global AIDS Epidemic"

NNPA

The recently released report includes the startling facts below.

- Standing on its own, Black America would constitute the world's 35th most populous country, but would rank 16th in the world in the number of people living with HIV.

- A free-standing Black America would rank 105th worldwide in life expectancy and 88th in infant mortality. Blacks in the U.S. have a lower life expectancy than do citi-

zens of Algeria, the Dominican Republic or Sri Lanka.

- Outside of sub-Saharan Africa, only four countries – and only two in the Western Hemisphere – have adult HIV prevalence as high as the conservative estimate (2 percent among adults) for Black America. Blacks represent about one in eight Americans, but account for one in two people living with HIV in the U.S.

- Despite extraordinary improvements in HIV

treatment, AIDS remains the leading cause of death among Black women between 25-34 years and the second leading cause of death in Black men between 35-44 years.

- Black women are 23 times more likely than White women to be diagnosed with AIDS.

- Blacks make up 70 percent of new HIV diagnoses among teenagers and 65% of HIV-infected newborns.

For more information see our cover story on page 9.

## BAPS Charities holds Dallas Walkathon

From staff reports

The Dallas, Texas, chapter of BAPS Charities will be holding its annual walkathon on Sept. 6, 2008, at T.W. Richardson Park, Irving, Texas. In keeping with its

annual walkathon theme, "Building a Better Community, One Step at a Time," part of the proceeds from this year's walkathon will go to The American Diabetes Association.

This year, over 30

BAPS Charities centers throughout North America will hold walkathons in their respective regions. A portion of the proceeds from all of the walkathons will go toward local causes.



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# Fuel Costs Prompt City of Garland Environmental Waste Services Rate Increase

From staff reports

Due to significant escalations in fuel cost, mid-year rate increases are required for residential and commercial solid waste collection customers. The disposal gate rate charged to non-Garland residents and commercial customers using the City's landfill and Transfer Station will also be increased. The new rates take effect August 1, 2008.

New rates will be as fol-

lows:

- The current monthly residential sanitation rate of \$16.25 will increase by \$1.84 a month for a total monthly rate of \$18.09.

- Commercial solid waste collection rates will increase by 10% based on the size(s) and type(s) of container(s) and the collection frequency

- Landfill disposal gate rates will increase by \$5.00 per ton (non-Garland residents and commercial customers).

- New rate for automatic dumping vehicles: \$35.00 per ton

- New rate for trucks and trailers that do not automatically dump: \$52.50

- Transfer Station disposal gate rates will increase by \$5.00 per ton (non-Garland residents and commercial customers).

- New rate for automatic dumping vehicles: \$52.50 per ton

- New rate for vehicles that do not automatically dump: \$78.75



## Voter Registration Drive at the 4th Annual No Limit Women's Expo, August 9th

From staff reports

WMS Unlimited, communication and project management specialists, The No Limit Network, a business and social networking organization and the League of Women Voters of Plano/Collin County will be hosting a voter registration drive at the 4th annual No Limit Women's Expo. Sylvia Williams, founder and president of WMS Unlimited, The No Limit Network and the No Limit Women's Expo, feels that with this being an election year everyone needs to have an opportunity to

make sure their voice is heard by participating in the election process. Ms. Williams said, "Exercising the right to vote is definitely one way women can empower themselves. What better place to start than at the No Limit Women's Expo."

The purpose of the expo is to promote life enrichment and empowerment of women. Hope's Door Women's Shelter is the charitable organization benefiting from the expo this year.

The No Limit Women's Expo is a free event featuring exhibitors with products, services and business

opportunities for women. This fun, family-friendly and charitable event will be held Saturday, August, 9, 2008 10:00 am – 4:00 pm at the Richardson Civic Center located at 411 W. Arapaho Rd, Richardson, TX 75080.

The entire family can attend the No Limit Women's Expo and participate in the voter registration drive, shopping, health & fitness information, health screenings, immunizations, educational seminars, business opportunities, resume writing workshop, entertainment, children's activities and door prize drawings.

For exhibitor and sponsorship information, visit [www.nolimitexpo.com](http://www.nolimitexpo.com) or call (972)898-5882.

To learn more about WMS Unlimited, visit <http://www.wmsunlimited.com/>. To learn more

about The No Limit Network, visit [www.TheNoLimitNetwork.com](http://www.TheNoLimitNetwork.com).

The No Limit Women's Expo is sponsored by the Network of Enterprising Women, Movin 107.5, The

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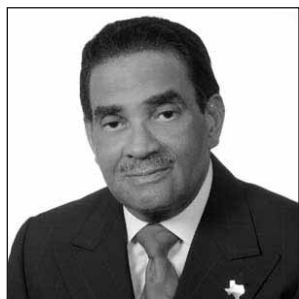
## TPPA Recognizes Garland Mayor

From staff reports

The Texas Public Power Association (TPPA) recognized Garland Mayor Ronald E. Jones with one of its most prestigious honors, the Jack Miller Public Service Award.

This award recognizes exception leadership and public service in the public power field. To be considered for the award the nominee must have made a substantial contribution to public power and to their community.

On Wednesday, July 23, TPPA recognized Mayor Jones for his leadership and for the significant con-



tributions he has made to the City of Garland and to Garland Power & Light, the third-largest municipal utility in Texas and the 39th largest in the nation.

"GP&L plays such a vital role in our community by providing a reliable source of power to our citizens and as a partner in countless worthwhile

endeavors," says Mayor Jones. "Our goal is for Garland to be a City of Choice. GP&L is a key component toward accomplishing that goal."

Formed in 1978, the Texas Public Power Association (TPPA) represents the interests of public power providers in the state of Texas including municipally owned electric utilities, river authorities, joint action agencies, and some electric cooperatives. TPPA provides resources through which members may extend their influence on public policy matters affecting the public power industry.

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# Dad/Student Receives Scholarship

Evans Pierre of Dallas believes he must set an example for his children. He knows that they will remember how he balanced working, attending college, visiting their schools and volunteering in his church in order to meet the priorities he has set for his life. As a non-traditional (25 and older) student at Mountain View College, he knows that resources are limited for now, but Pierre and his wife agree that his investment in higher education now will improve their family's future in the years ahead.

Pierre's dedication to school, family and work - and his volunteer efforts with the sick and needy at church - helped ease his financial burden at home when he received the 2008 Dr. Wright Lassiter Jr. BKM Scholarship, which honors the Dallas County Community College District's chancellor. The scholarship was established in 2006 by BKM Total Office of Texas - a Dallas-based office furnishings company.

Pierre was awarded the \$2,500 scholarship during a recent higher education seminar held at BKM's corporate offices in Dallas.

The scholarship is administered by the DCCCD Foundation and funded by BKM.

Pierre says, "My first academic goal at Mountain View College is to earn certificates in the discipline of business, as well as human resources and supervision. Then I plan to continue my education at Mountain View and pursue a double major in business administration and speech communication. My goal eventually is to enroll at the University of North Texas (at their Dallas campus); earn a bachelor's degree in organizational behavior



and human resource management; pursue a master's degree in dispute resolution and conflict at Southern Methodist University; and finish my education with a doctorate in corporate and administrative leadership from SMU."

In order to receive the Lassiter/BKM scholarship, Pierre met the following requirements:

- Completed at least one semester at a DCCCD college and earned a minimum grade point average of 2.5 or better;
- Enrolled for a minimum of 12 semester credit hours;
- Majored in one of 10 specific fields of study; and
- Completed the required scholarship application, including an essay on short- and long-term goals, plus a letter of recommendation.

Pierre, a business and communications major who has a grade point average of 3.7, lives in Dallas. He is president of the Omega Omega chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, an academic honorary for two-year colleges, and is noted on the National Dean's List. He has been selected to participate in MVC's Student Ambassador Program, and he is a member of the

Trio Focus Program as well. He says, "As a member of Phi Theta Kappa, I am learning that hard work and diligence are honorable. As a Student Ambassador, I am learning how to work with individuals in a team setting and to execute projects. Being a part of these clubs and organizations helps me put into practice what I have learned in the classroom so that I will be able to master it in the real world."

He wants to work his way up the career ladder in jobs that introduce him to human relations management, business administration and communications. "My goal is to work for a Fortune 500 company as an entry-level human relations manager, earn my way into middle management and always foster my leadership skills and people skills as I grow."

Pierre adds, "People skills are one of the most important attributes that anyone can learn to help them master the business world. I believe, by working with the sick and needy (through Gateway Church in Southlake), that I am learning to be compassionate and sensitive, which also will help me in management."

For more information

about the scholarship, contact Ella Shaw, scholarship coordinator for the DCCCD Foundation, at (214) 860-2149.

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Baptist Church. I found Rev. Clark to be a quiet yet engaging figure with an unforgettable chuckle of a laugh.

Speaking of unforgettable, once you heard Rev. Clark preach God's word, you could never forget it. Clark's sermon's began slow and deliberately. I wondered if his voice would ever rise above a whisper the first time I heard him. But by the end of the sermon, his whoop had the congregation on their feet shouting, lifting their hands, and praising Jesus.

Cesar Arther Walter Clark began his service as pastor of the Good Street Baptist Church here in Dallas in 1950. His long and effective tenure saw Good Street rise to nationwide prominence and become major civic destination. Over the years many great figures graced the pulpit there, including

Martin Luther King Jr. in 1956 (Dallas Morning News).

About 5 years ago at the Dawn of a New Day Conference here in Dallas, I had the opportunity to serve as an armor bearer of sorts for Rev. Clark. His body was slowed by age but his mind was still as sharp as ever.

As I took Clark around the room, we could not move more than 10 feet without someone stopping us so that they could reach out to him. I was amazed at how he recalled the names a story of everyone we bumped into. He would make a funny quip to each person which would get us all laughing.

The world has lost a preaching legend in Rev. C.A.W. Clark. Services for Clark will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday August 4, at Good Street Baptist Church, 3110 Bonnie View Road.

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-mending Riverfront Boulevard, which the council selected.

Naturally members of the Latino community and observers wondered aloud, why ask, if you were going to do what you wanted in the first place? In an effort to quell the frustration, the city offered to rename another street in Dallas to honor Chavez.

Alberto Ruiz, Chairman of the César Chávez Task Force and LULAC District 3 Director, spoke with North Dallas Gazette by phone this week regarding recommendation to change Ross Avenue to César Chávez.

Chavez is an American hero of value, of heroic and iconic proportion. Ruiz shared that many consider his stances on non-violence to mirror those of Dr. Martin Luther King, Gandhi and

Jesus Christ – he should not be considered “just a Latino” hero.

Ruiz said Commerce Street was proposed and highly favored; North Central Expressway and Dallas North Tollway, was also considered. A strong candidate was Live Oak; it next door to the Latino Cultural Center.

However, Ruiz said at each meeting of the Task Force Ross Avenue picked up more adherences.

Furthermore, Ross Avenue was the site of, “The largest Civil Rights March in Texas history that happened April 9, 2006,” according to the task force's website (<http://www.cesar-chavez-taskforce.com/>) protest-immigration issues.

Ross Street was named in honor of two brothers. According to the Dallas Morning News, “William

W. and Andrew J. Ross were early land owners who came to Dallas in 1866. One was a Civil War veteran, but, both men were farmers and real estate developers.”

The Task Force recognizes the significance of their contribution to Dallas and made a commitment to create a memorial to the Ross brothers to ensure they are not forgotten. They are seeking to coordinate with the city in establishing a program that would celebrate diversity and non-violent messages of Chavez, King and others.

They have not received an official response from the city.

Surprisingly, they have not received an organized pushback from business owners on Ross. In fact, several have offered letters of support or indicated that while they will not actively support the initiative, they would not fight the issue. Also, they

have been greeted with enthusiasm from businesses in the West End, where Ross Avenue ends.

Ruiz implores members of the community to, “Please write a letter or call your council member to urge them to be open to the renaming of Ross Avenue.”

Further steps include a vote on Tuesday, August 5th at the Trinity River Corridor Project Committee meeting to make a recommendation for the site selected. Then it goes to council for a vote.

The cost is less than the election – less than \$10,000 for the city to change street signs. Businesses would have a year to change their addresses on letterhead.

Visit <http://www.cesar-chaveztaskforce.com/> for more information and join our Hispanic brothers and sisters in gaining recognition for Chavez.



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**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 for more information.

**Collin County Black Chamber of Commerce General Meeting** is every 2nd Thursday, 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. 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.share-southwest.org](http://www.share-southwest.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) or [info@nbwen.org](mailto:info@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 (may change each week).

**SUCCEEDING AT LIFE:** "Developing the Winning Edge Community Success Series," free life-skills and personal-development workshops for ages 10 and older, 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays through Aug. 26, Gale Fields Recreation Center, 1701 Dairy Road. Register at [www.davidlarricksmith.com](http://www.davidlarricksmith.com) or at the center.

**PARENT SUPPORT:** Group to help parents deal with family problems meets 7:30 p.m. Mondays, First Presbyterian Church, 930 W. Ave. B., Garland, 214-356-3879 or [www.standupp.org](http://www.standupp.org).

**NEW LIFE NEW HOPE:** Breast cancer survivors group meets 7 p.m. first Tuesdays, Room 103-105 of First United Methodist Church, 801 W. Ave. B. 972-272-3471.  
**STARGAZERS:** Texas Astronomical Society

sponsors free star parties with telescopes. First Saturdays on Jonandrea Lane, in Garland's SpringPark neighborhood. [www.texasastro.org](http://www.texasastro.org).

**The Texas Renaissance Festival** is located on FM 1774 between Magnolia and Plantersville, 45 minutes northwest of Houston. Group tours of the gardens and venues are held at 10 a.m. the first Saturday of each month, March through September. Private tours can also be pre-arranged by calling the festival office, 1-800-458-3435, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. For more information please call 1-800-458-3435, email Shelly Lee at [weddings@texrenfest.com](mailto:weddings@texrenfest.com) visit our website at [www.texrenfest.com](http://www.texrenfest.com).

**August 1**  
**Break Through Praise Fest 2008** presented by City of Miracles Music Ministry. Break on through at the Gospel Music Workshop and Concert located at 1720 W Northwest Highway, #350 in Garland. The program begins at 7:00 p.m. Admission is \$15. Email [rozbooker@yahoo.com](mailto:rozbooker@yahoo.com) or call 972-279-8266.

**August 2**  
**Hip Hop for the Homeless featuring: Big Daddy Kane with Little Brother and Strange Fruit Project** A portion of the proceeds will go to All Church Home for Children. The concert will begin at 8:00 p.m. at the Granada Theater, 3524 Greenville Avenue. Admission is \$15. Call 214-824-9933. p.m. Admission to the event is \$15. Call 214-824-9933 for more information.

**Symphonic Saturdays in Addison** at Esplande Park, 5044 Addison Circle Drive in Addison. Symphonic Saturday will begin at 8:00 p.m. and will last through 10:00 p.m. Enjoy Symphonic Saturdays presented by

the city of Addison for FREE. For more information on the event email [webmaster@addisontx.gov](mailto:webmaster@addisontx.gov).

**Harmony** a fun-filled event featuring christian hip-hop artists Lecrae and the 116 Clique bringing love, peace, and harmony to the community. The event begins at 6 p.m. at the corner of Hampton and Bickers St. Call 972-689-5413.

**August 3**  
**Back to School Blast** presented by Mentors in Motion will be located at 1530 Bonnieview Road in Princeton at the City Temple Adventist Church from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Email [atomentoring@sbcglobal.net](mailto:atomentoring@sbcglobal.net) for more information, or, you may call 214-942-3870.

**August 5**  
**The Dallas County Juvenile Department** hosts a community forum to discuss strategies to address Issues affecting our community. The event will take place from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm at Friendship West Baptist Church at 2020 W. Wheatland Road, Dallas, Texas 75232. Call 214-698-4971 or 214-205-5378.

**Camp CommUNITY** is designed to educate Delegates to be responsible leaders and social change advocates. The Camp will be held at Camp Hoblitzelle Conference Center at 8060 Singleton Road in Midlothian, Texas 76065. The Multicultural Alliance Event will last all week and costs \$300.00. Email [adena@mcatexas.com](mailto:adena@mcatexas.com), or visit [www.mcatexas.com](http://www.mcatexas.com). Call 972-723-2389, or visit [www.hoblitzelle.com](http://www.hoblitzelle.com)

**August 6**  
**Dallas Peace Center Summer Dinner Lecture Series** The August 6 dinner will feature Dr. Erika Frank, president of the Nobel Peace Prize-win-

ning Physicians for Social Responsibility (PSR). Dr. Frank specializes in preventative medicine and will discuss connections between climate change and global health issues. The Dinner Lecture will be located at FunAsia 1210 E. Beltline Road in Richardson from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Admission costs vary from \$75 - \$1,500 sponsorships. For ticket information email [tickets@dallaspeacecenter.org](mailto:tickets@dallaspeacecenter.org), or call 214-823-7793 for more information.

**August 7**  
**National Council of Negro Women, Inc. to convene 4th Annual Texas State Unity Conference/Bethune Recognition Program** The National Council of Negro Women, Inc. (NCNW) Texas Sections will convene in Duncanville, Texas, at the Hilton Garden Inn 800 North Main Street, to conduct the business of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc. founded by Mary McLeod Bethune and chaired by President Emeritus Dr. Dorothy I. Height. The Texas State Convener, Dorothy Allen Chimney of Lufkin, Texas, presides over the entire state of Texas. To learn more about the 4th Annual Texas Unity Conference contact the NCNW at 214-337-5817, or visit [www.ncnw.org](http://www.ncnw.org).

**Urban Engagement Book Club: Falling Behind** Learn How Rising Inequality Harms the Middle Class at the Highland Park United Methodist, Room 386, 3300 Mockingbird Lane at 12:00 noon; this event is hosted by Central Dallas Ministries and is free to the community, although RSVP to Linda Goolsby is required and may be sent to [LGoolsby@CentralDallasMinistries.org](mailto:LGoolsby@CentralDallasMinistries.org). Call 214-823-8710 for more information.

**August 8**  
**DFW Reggae: Island**

**Vibez** at the Palm Beach Club, 2816 Main Street in Deep Ellum. For more info about the Dallas Fort Worth Reggae expo email [info@dfwreggae.com](mailto:info@dfwreggae.com), or call 214-742-4743.

**August 9**  
**Honoring Mrs. Kathryn Gilliam and Mr. Martin Burrell The Maurine F. Bailey Cultural Foundation** Is honoring Mrs. Kathryn Gilliam and Mr. Martin Burrell for their contribution to "Education and Community Affairs". The banquet will be held at the Garden Hilton Inn Duncanville 800 Main Street, Duncanville, TX at 6:00 p.m. Contact 972-889-0824.

**District 111 Community Day** an event that provides an opportunity to gather in one location and register for services offered by various state agencies, participate in health screenings and also speak with representatives from utility companies regarding provider services. The Community Day will be held at Concord Missionary Baptist Church in the Fellowship Hall, 6808 Pastor Bailey Dr., Dallas, TX 75237 from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**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. 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 [www.NoLimitExpo.com](http://www.NoLimitExpo.com).

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# The New Face of AIDS in America: The Black Woman

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The United States leads the global response to HIV/AIDS, but fails to mobilize the same commitment to address the large and growing epidemic within its own borders, finds a new report released today by the Black AIDS Institute. "The AIDS pandemic, including the epidemic right here at home, is a worldwide crisis. That is why we must ensure it is addressed in a truly global way," says Barbara Lee, member of Congress from California and a co-author of the legislation that created PEPFAR.

"Left Behind!" reports that the Federal government is taking a fundamentally flawed approach to the epidemic in Black America.

## U. S. Leads Global Efforts Against AIDS, But Neglects the Epidemic in Black America, Says New Report

America, applying the prevention paradigm developed for concentrated epidemics, which focuses almost exclusively on so-called "high-risk" groups.

"The 'concentrated epidemic' approach reflects a fundamental misunderstanding of the social networks of Blacks in America. We are experiencing an epidemic with significant transmission beyond vulnerable populations. Nothing short of a mass Black mobilization will be sufficient to turn around the AIDS epidemic in Black America," notes Wilson. "The U.S. should understand from its work in countries with similar epidemiological profiles that a more effective approach for Black America would include a mix of targeted programs for high-risk populations; broad-based initiatives that mobilize entire communities

and efforts to address the role of concurrent partnerships and the rapid spread of HIV transmission in social networks."

"Black women are particularly affected by the domestic AIDS response and attention to their needs are inadequate. Lives are lost as a result," says Dr. Helene Gayle, President/CEO of CARE.

"As in other parts of the world, Black women in the U.S. often face increased vulnerability to HIV due to lack of a perception of power in sexual relationships and low self-esteem. Many cannot insist on abstinence or the use of condoms because of fear of emotional or physical abuse by their partners. Development of female-initiated prevention methods is not only a critical priority for Black women overseas, but also for Black women here at home."

The report illustrates that young people in Black America, as in other parts of the world, are often at highest risk of infection because of inadequate knowledge of HIV infection, a high prevalence of inter-generational relationships, and a shortage of youth-tailored HIV prevention programs. And it points out that the silence that masks the particularly high risk of HIV confronting men who have sex with men in Africa and other heavily impacted regions also exacerbates AIDS in Black America.

"Among men who have sex with men worldwide, Blacks in the U.S. may have the highest HIV prevalence. In the U.S., Black gay men experience more than twice the rate of infection as their White counterparts," noted Jesse Milan, Vice President of the non-profit health management consultancy Altarum. "Black men who have sex with men in the U.S. share important attributes related to HIV risk with their peers in other regions, including the experience of severe stigma and discrimination that often impedes HIV prevention efforts."

Drug use is one of the leading modes of HIV transmission in the U.S., particularly among Blacks, who account for more than half of drug-related HIV infections in the U.S. Black America experiences some of the same challenges to effective HIV prevention as other heavily-impacted regions of the world, such as government hostility to evidence-based harm reduction strategies and high rates of incarceration without adequate access to HIV prevention or treatment.

When it comes to AIDS treatment, the report shows that many of the same factors that contribute to excessive rates of HIV illness and deaths in developing countries also apply to Black America – including late initiation of treatment, a high prevalence of co-occurring medical conditions, and impediments to treatment adherence.

The report also presents an action agenda for bringing the U.S. response to AIDS at home on a par with U.S. - supported efforts to fight the epidemic overseas. Among these, the report calls for immediate action to:

•Enhance support for community mobilization against HIV in Black America, including efforts to mobilize Black America to fight stigma, overcome prejudice, and promote solidarity against the epidemic.

Leading Black organizations, constituencies and media outlets are struggling to promote AIDS information and prevention with little or no government support. Far greater government support is needed to maximize the impact of community responses to the epidemic in Black America.

•Significantly increase support for the scale-up of essential HIV prevention, treatment and care services in Black America. In particular, the report notes the dire need for increased funding for HIV prevention efforts in Black America; the virtual absence of prevention strategies designed for Black Americans; and the need to prioritize research on HIV vulnerability and infection patterns that Black America shares with other countries.

•Break the silence on AIDS in Black America. The report calls on global AIDS leaders to speak out on the neglect of the epidemic in Black America. While the U.S. government should be lauded for the PEPFAR initiative, it must also be held accountable for its failure to address the epidemic within its borders.

"America has claimed a leadership role in the fight against the global HIV epidemic," says Wilson. "Yet, America's failure to respond to its own epidemic among its Black citizens undermines its credibility in addressing AIDS epidemic worldwide. For the U.S. to truly be a global AIDS leader, it must put its own house in order, too."



# Train in The Distance To Be Performed at Art Centre Theatre



by  
**Rick Elina**

Train in The Distance will be presenting its 2nd and 3rd concerts in a series of concerts designed to raise money and awareness for The

American Cancer Society. Sponsored by Teatro delle Muse, the concerts will be held August 15th and 16th starting at 8pm in the Art Centre Theatre in Plano, located at 15th Street and Avenue K. Tickets are available online at [TrainInTheDistance.com](http://TrainInTheDistance.com) for the suggested donation of \$15.

Train in The Distance began its concerts in 2006 shortly after Executive Producer Scott Wood finished his chemotherapy. In its inaugural year, Train

raised over \$5,000.00 in one concert earning the respect and sponsorship of The American Cancer Society. In 2007, Train raised over \$11,000.00 with two concerts. What makes Train so special? One hundred percent of all proceeds go directly to The American Cancer Society.

Professional musicians, professional vocalists and the entire support staff all volunteer their time. Teatro delle Muse, the resident company at the Art Centre Theatre is spon-

soring the event this summer.

The songs will be familiar to both the young and old. Covers include soft rock ballads of such artists as Billy Joel, Janis Joplin, The Beatles and Dan Fogelberg who died of cancer within the last year. The One Night Only Band, which has been with the event since the beginning will be providing the music. Band members include Randy Linberg, drums; Patrick Kelly, guitar; Brian Coleman,

guitar/vocals; John Riherd, bass; M. Shane Hurst, piano/keyboards/vocals; Ande Bewley, John Tillman, Amy Rizzo and Scott Wood all on vocals.

The American Cancer Society is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by saving lives, diminishing suffering and preventing cancer through research, education, advocacy and service. Founded in 1913, The Society has its national headquarters in Atlanta along with 13 Regional Division

offices and 3400 local community offices, involving millions of volunteers across the United States. For more information on The American Cancer Society call 1 (800) ACS-2345 or visit [Cancer.org](http://Cancer.org).

For more information, contact Producer Ande Bewley at [Ande@TrainInTheDistance.com](mailto:Ande@TrainInTheDistance.com)

*Rick A. Elina is a playwright based in Plano, Texas and is the Theatre Critic for The North Dallas Gazette.*

## Mummy Movie Series gets Resurrected, Fraser's Second Summer Flick



Explorer Rick O'Connell to combat the resurrected Han Emperor in an epic that races from the catacombs of ancient China high into the frigid Himalayas. Rick is joined in this all-new adventure by son Alex, wife Evelyn and her brother, Jonathan. And this time, the O'Connells must stop a mummy awoken from a 2,000-year-old curse who threatens to plunge the world into his merciless, unending serv-

ice. Doomed by a double-crossing sorceress to spend eternity in suspended animation, China's ruthless Dragon Emperor and his 10,000 warriors have laid forgotten for eons, entombed in clay as a vast, silent terra cotta army. But when dashing adventurer Alex O'Connell is tricked into awakening the ruler from eternal slumber, the reckless young archaeologist must seek the help of the only people who know

more than he does about taking down the undead: his parents. As the monarch roars back to life, our heroes find his quest for world domination has only intensified over the millennia. Striding the Far East

with unimaginable supernatural powers, the Emperor Mummy will rouse his legion as an unstoppable, otherworldly force... unless the O'Connells can stop him first.

## Angela Blair Headlines the Harbor Concert

From staff reports

The City of Rockwall presents, Angela Blair, live in concert in the Summer Outdoor Concert Series by the Lake at the Harbor Amphitheater this Thursday, July 31st, 2008 beginning at 7:30pm.

Enjoy a two hour concert with the Dallas' Soul Diva, with a cool breeze from Lake Ray Hubbard and lots of great music and fun for the whole family. This concert is free!

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## New Book Offers Advice to Minorities to Navigate and Succeed in Corporate America

*One of Corporate America's Highest Ranking African Americans Shares His Experience in Recently Released Book, "Good is Not Enough: And Other Unwritten Rules for Minority Professionals"*

After more than 25 years in some of America's top-earning companies, Keith Wyche knows a thing or two about surviving in the workplace, and in his first book *Good is Not Enough: And Other Unwritten Rules for Minority Professionals* he shares must-hear advice on climbing the managerial ladder as a minority in the rigorous world of corporate America.

From the power of perception to unavoidable double standards, Wyche exposes the realities about corporate thinking and culture, and provides essential advice on meeting these challenges head-on and winning.

Wyche details in his book that in corporate America today there is 'the way it is' and 'the way it should be.' "In many, many ways, we are much closer to 'the way it should be,' he says. "Yet in certain ways, today's minority professionals -- all of them -- still have to reconcile their corporate advancement strategies with 'the way it is' in their corporate cultures, while still holding strong to their cultural integrity and core values."

Simply possessing a top degree and letting one's work "speak for itself" won't get the key to the executive suite. For minority professionals to continue scaling the ladder, it takes acknowledgement of the unwritten rules in the corporate workplace and strategic planning.

Some of Wyche's strategic pointers include:

- \* Know how others see you -- because their perception can become your reality
- \* Stay current to remain rel-

evant -- being a continuous learner is a must

\*Always have an "exit strategy" -- it's better to have one and not need it than to need one and not have it

Wyche's ultimate mission is to help today's minority executives understand the importance of managing Performance, Exposure, and Perception as they move up the corporate ladder--otherwise known as his P.E.P philosophy. Hard work is at the core of this powerful message as Wyche drives this point home by sharing with readers candid, personal experiences that demonstrate why minorities must work far above and beyond what is expected in order to advance their careers.

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As a mentor to countless young people, Wyche is well-known for empowering today's African American and other minority professionals with straight-talking and practical advice on everything from the top five mistakes to avoid at all costs to the four skills every senior leader needs to know.

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As Nat Irvin II of the

University of Louisville says, "Good is Not Enough is THE guidebook for minorities of all backgrounds who aspire to reach the top of the corporate ladder." *Good is Not Enough* also includes anecdotes from prominent CEOs such as Ken Chenault of American Express, Richard Parsons of Time Warner, and Alwyn

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To request more information on *Good is Not Enough: And Other Unwritten Rules for Minority Professionals* and on Keith Wyche, please visit [www.goodisnote-nough.com](http://www.goodisnote-nough.com) or call Sean Irish at 678-884-4008 ext. 705. A FREE excerpt is also available online.

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young folks are on the sidelines saying "We got next!"

In my case, having been in the game for quite a few years, I am saying to the young people all over this country, "You got next!"

I did a three-part television series using that title and interviewed young entrepreneurs, all in the context of how important it is for young people to step forward into business. The shows were powerful, inspiring, and rewarding.

We highlighted entrepreneurship and the opportunities therein while showcasing young people and their entrepreneurial endeavors.

Having started an inner-city entrepreneurship high school in Cincinnati, after much persuading of the school board and superintendent I might add, it is inspiring to see the students, after seven years now, com-

pleting their business plans and being bitten by the entrepreneurship bug.

They may be on the sidelines right now, but they know they will definitely be in the next game. We must support their efforts by encouraging them and providing them the tools and information they need to continuously improve their lives.

One segment of the CNN broadcasts on Being Black in America presented a rotating panel discussion on various issues and featured the President of the Chicago Urban League, Cheryle Jackson, whose answer to a question regarding the lack of progress by Black people in this country delighted me to no end.

Her answer was straightforward and simple: Economic Empowerment through Entrepreneurship. WOW! "Now that's what I'm talking about," as Ken Bridges would say. That

Sister knows what's up; and more should follow her example. (See [www.cul-chicago.org](http://www.cul-chicago.org) for more information).

In a local news interview, Sister Jackson emphatically stated, "The Chicago Urban League is getting out of the social service business and will focus exclusively on economic development."

All I can say is, Kudos to Cheryle Jackson and the Chicago Urban League. They have created a model for others to follow and they have the answer to most of the problems plaguing our brothers and sisters across this country.

Supported by relevant education and access to the opportunities therein, entrepreneurship will bring to fruition the dreams of young people who have been heretofore locked-in, locked-down, and locked-up in crime-ridden neighborhoods, dysfunctional schools,

and broken families.

As a side note, the Chicago Urban League's Program is called "Project Next."

Back in 2001, immediately after the civil unrest in Cincinnati, among the "solutions" presented to deal with socio-economic problems among Black youth was my contention that economic empowerment through entrepreneurship was the answer, not a panacea but a major step in solving the problem. Although I was able to get the Entrepreneurship High School started, which has now graduated three classes and is doing a great job in educating future entrepreneurs, an overall program of economic empowerment among our youth has not yet come about.

My impression of the Chicago Urban League's program is exactly what I had in mind back in 2001.

Access to information and opportunity, guided by experienced and dedi-

cated practitioners, are all our young people need to get in and stay in the game. Because they truly do "Got Next," we must give them the necessary skills to be real players.

My hat is off to Cheryle Jackson and her team in Chicago for changing the traditional paradigm that ostensibly suggests the only way Black youth can be helped economically is by displaying dysfunction.

The more dysfunction they show the more funds various organizations can receive; that's a Catch 22 proposition because dysfunction – not success – must be continued in order for the funding to continue.

Again at the risk of dating myself, in the 1970's and early 1980's when I worked in social service programs, I had this "radical" notion that we should be working our way out of a job by helping our clients move completely away from being dependent on "programs"

and falling into the what I called a "program hopping" mentality.

I posited that we as counselors should be more interested in eliminating the endless repetitive parade of clients starting and stopping and starting again to enroll in any and every program that came along.

Man, was I met with resistance. But now I am buoyed and quite frankly justified in my contention, then and now, that the answer is not just finding jobs for clients but having clients create jobs through entrepreneurship.

Thanks to the Urban League of Chicago, and I might add to the Urban League of Cincinnati which, under the leadership of Donna Jones-Baker and her staff, for having the insight to implement an entrepreneurship initiative as well.

Cheryle Jackson's initiative asks, "Who's got next?" The answer: "You (young people) Got Next!"

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-islation incorporates a number of bipartisan bills designed to modernize the Federal Housing Administration (FHA), reform the GSEs (Government Sponsored Enterprises) Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and increase liquidity in the markets.

This legislation is designed to help borrowers who are at risk of default by allowing them to refinance with a loan guarantee from the government. The existing lender would voluntarily decrease mortgage debt below the home's current value, which will give the owner equity in the house. Lenders may also be able to recoup more money than if the house went in to foreclosure and the government would receive part of the gain if housing prices rise in coming years. Moreover, with fewer foreclosures

and forced sells, nearby homes would be more likely to retain their value, thus saving whole communities from devastation.

The legislation passed by the House and now under consideration in the Senate increases the Veterans Affairs home loan limit. The bill would also provide \$11 billion in tax benefits including tax credits for first-time homebuyers, a real property tax deduction for non-itemizers, an additional \$10 billion in mortgage revenue bonds for states and would improve access to low-income housing.

As a member of the House Financial Services Committee, I have worked with my colleagues to build greater financial literacy. To that end I have introduced legislation, H.R. 3133, the Financial Literacy for

Homeowners Act, which would provide grants to states and non-profit agencies to educate consumers on mortgage lending practices.

It would also create a national toll free number where consumers can report cases of abuse by lenders. It is of utmost importance that we provide consumers with education about lending laws, counseling and referral services. H.R. 3221 contains many of the provisions of my legislation, and would provide \$180 million for housing counseling programs.

I remain concerned about the inordinate percentage of minority families suffering during this crisis and the affects this has on our communities. The facts are disturbing at best: black and Hispanic individuals have been disproportionately targeted for high cost subprime

loans and are more likely to face foreclosure.

In Georgia's 13th Congressional district, neighborhoods with an excessive number of foreclosures have become magnets for crime. Solving this problem is a matter of protecting our neighborhoods. We should also focus on the high social costs involved with this crisis, as schools can expect to receive less property tax funding as home values fall.

H.R. 3221 will allow many Americans to remain in their homes and fight predatory lenders. Consumers will be ensured of acquiring good loans, credit availability will be preserved, lender and consumer interests will be aligned, consumers will get a simple, understandable and meaningful disclosure of their loans terms and mortgage originators will no longer have incentives to steer consumers into bad loans.

I am hopeful continued negotiations on this measure will prove fruitful and the Senate acts soon to pass this necessary legislation. In my opinion, all involved should get

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Chestnut Ridge, NY (BlackNews.com) - Deborah Curate is the founder and Chief Executive Officer of The VA Solution, and a consummate entrepreneur and business professional. Her firm, The VA Solution is an innovative company that provides the highest quality of virtual professional support services to companies, organizations and individuals.

"In today's fast-paced, Internet-driven style of life and work, innovative solutions are a requirement for success," says Curate. "Compound this work dynamic with the increasing trend in corporate downsizing and the move toward smaller, home-based enterprises, and the need for competent, reliable virtual support on a free-lance, as-needed basis becomes critical."

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According to Law Practice Today, a Web-based magazine written by lawyers for lawyers, virtual assistants are a vital resource in the legal profession. Virtual assistants

are "an outsourcing strategy that can give lawyers the best of all solutions to the need for help. You get a professional team member, selected to your criteria, attuned to the business and professional needs of your practice. You are relieved of the cost (and potential liability) that in-house staff can represent. Best of all, you have an efficient solution...one that frees you to do the client representation and development work." According to Curate, the same benefits of a VA can be ascribed to any industry or profession.

It is Deborah Curate's more than 10 years of experience as an Executive Assistant that helped her understand the value of superior management support in the success of any individual, and led her to create The VA Solution. During those years, Curate honed her skills while supporting high-level corporate leaders at Fortune 100 companies, and assisting them to achieve excellence. Now a smart, focused and dedicated CEO, Curate takes great joy in helping people be more efficient and effective.

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A hypocrite is a person who is not himself on Sunday. 2 Kings 17:33. Safety does not consist in the absence of danger, but in the presence of God. Psalm 57:1. You may have good grounds for praying, but you must first be on praying ground. Psalm 66:128. The feeblest knock of faith will open Heaven's door! Mark 5:28. We can always live on less, when we have more to live for. James 4:14; John 10:10.

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Paying your vows with praise will delight the Lord and double your blessings. Psalm 22:25. The way to face trials is to begin praying, continue watching, and end in praising. 1 Peter 4:12-13. The greatest thief is one who will rob you of the truth! John 14:6; John 8:32. A little with the Lord is better than much with this world's goods without him. Proverbs 10:22; 1 Timothy 6:6-8. Trusting in God today takes the anxieties out of tomorrow! Nahum 1:7. There is an answer in God's Word for every circumstance in your life today. Psalm 121:1-2. Faith and power come by hearing and obeying the Word of God. Roman

10:17.

The pleasures of sin are for a season, but the wages are for eternity! Nahum 1:7. The greatest thing we can do for a loved one is to influence them for Christ. John 1:41-42. Praising the Lord in adversity changes burdens into blessings. Acts 16:25; Hebrew 13:5. The fragrance of faithful praise should rise from the blossom of answered prayer. Psalm 28:6. You can't put your sins behind you until you are willing to face them. Luke 13:3. What God gives by promise, we must take by faith. John 5:24. Take a tip from nature: man's ears are not made to shut, his mouth is. James 1:19.

We do our best kneeling when we are in good standing with God. Psalm 84:11; 95:11.



Picture of The Week:

Sister Tarpley and Mrs. Euphemia Tinner after church service @ First Baptist Church of Hamilton Park; today is her birthday!

Ponder This: The butterfly begins life as a caterpillar, a wormlike larva that spins a cocoon for itself. The larva remains within the cocoon as it undergoes metamorphosis. When its time for the butterfly to emerge, it must struggle and fight its way out of the cocoon. The struggle makes it strong and enables it to fly. In order for the butterfly to fly, there must be a transformation process

that is often developed through adversity. They need adversity to become what God intended them to be.

Consider Job, a wealthy community leader. Through his trial of adversity, he grows in strength, wisdom and faith. His perspective on God is transformed by his suffering. All Christians need adversity to be what God intended for them.

## Garland's Oldest Black Church celebrates 93 years of service

From staff reports

Ronald Session, Senior Pastor invites the community to join Sims Chapel Missionary Baptist Church members during the month of August as they celebrate their 93rd Church Anniversary. Sims Chapel is the oldest African American Church in the Garland area.

The celebration begins this Friday August 1, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. with our Youth Explosion. All youth choirs, mime teams, step teams, drill teams, praise dancers and puppet ministries are invited to join in for this celebration.

Then on Friday August 8, 2008 at 7:45 p.m. they will host their Church Anniversary musical. This

will be a great night of music and worship. The congregation looks forward to this event as a time to uplift spirits, draw the unchurched and encourage believers.

The celebration activities will culminate on Sunday, August 17, 2008, at 4:00 PM, at Sims

Chapel. The guest for the afternoon will be Pastor J. DeWitt Clark and the New St. Phillips Baptist Church Family of Arcola, Texas.

Located at 317 Parker Road, you can call 972-276-0014 for more details on the celebration planned.

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Sunday School Classes-9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship-11:00 a.m.

**Tuesday**  
Early Bird Bible Study - 6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday**  
Morning Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.  
Prayer Meeting and Evening Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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# YWCA accepting school supply donations

From staff reports

In an effort to help families living on a tight budget afford the supplies needed for the start of school, the YWCA Young Leaders Board is launching a Back-to-School Supply Drive to benefit the children of the YWCA After School Club.

Donations will be accepted through Wednesday, August 6, 2008, at the YWCA of Metropolitan Dallas (4144 N. Central Expy., Ste. 580) and the Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce (2838 MLK Jr. Blvd.) The board plans to make the drive an annual community event.

Community members interested in contributing to the Back-to-School Supply Drive have a variety of ways to participate. They can e-mail the YWCA at [info@ywcadallas.org](mailto:info@ywcadallas.org) to "adopt" a student for whom they can buy supplies or they can make a donation to the YWCA for

the purchase of supplies. The YWCA estimates the cost of supplies per child to be approximately \$40.

"With gas and grocery prices on the rise, the beginning of the school year can be a very difficult time for many of the families served by the YWCA," said Young Leaders Board president Paige Montgomery. "Considering

many of our families are headed by hard working, single mothers, providing our children with the school supplies they need to start the school year will help them stretch their budgets that much further."

Supplies are also needed stock up for the school year at the YWCA After School Club. Donations of

new school supplies, art supplies, books and games will be accepted to support the needs of the after school program.

Supplies will be delivered to students prior to the August 15-17 tax-free weekend, so families can take advantage of the weekend's sales to purchase any additional supplies needed.

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