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On the Homefront:

The Plano Symphony Guild invites young women in Collin County and surrounding communities to the 2005-2006 Debates Presentation Program. The Plano Symphony Orchestra's debate program is a two year program open to high school sophomores to expand their cultural, social and volunteer opportunities. Activities begin in the fall of 2005 and end with a Presentation Ball in November 2007. For financial obligations and more information visit: www.planosymphony.org.

Beginning May 4, 2005, Collin County Community College District is offering a new advanced-level Java programming class at its Courtyard Center for Professional and Economic Development (CYC), 4800 Preston Park Boulevard in Plano. The new class, Custom JSP Tag, begins this spring. Check out the continuing education schedule online at www.ccccd.edu for more information.

Students can get a slice of convergence technology - and plans - at the Collin County Community College District (CCCD) Engineering and Emerging Technology Expo. The event is slated for 6:30-7:30 pm in room P148 at the Preston Ridge Campus, 6700 Wade Blvd., in Frisco, TX. To RSVP, email info@cccdd.edu. For more information, call Ann Blackman at 972-377-1582.

On May 4, 2005 The Collin County Community College District Engineering and Emerging Technology Division will hold an information session to help answer questions about careers in high-tech fields 7 pm. The location for the session is in Heritage Hall, room H208 at the Preston Ridge Campus, 6700 Wade Blvd., in Frisco, Texas. Seating for the high-tech information session is limited. For reservations, please call 972-377-1715 or email info@cccdd.edu.

If you represent a nonprofit organization or community service group, from the Plano Independent School District on May 19, 2005 for their Media Access Seminar. They will be discussing how to submit press releases, identify potential sources and handle deadlines. There will also be a question-and-answer session with a panel of representatives from The Dallas Morning News, WFAA-TV (Channel 5), Quick and All Da. The seminar is FREE, but space is limited. Register by phone at 214-977-6288 or by email at mediaaccess@jdsdnews.com.

The Collin County Christian Prayer Breakfast will be held at Plano Centre, 2000 E. Spring Creek Parkway on Thursday, May 5, 2005. The annual breakfast of prayer, song, and a message of Christ's influence in our lives will include keynote speaker Cindy Bricker Simpson, President of Leadership in Action, and author of the "Woman-Sense Rules: The Spiritual Woman's Guide to Finding Yourself When You Didn't Know You Were Missing." Lunch is sponsored by Kimberly Schramm of the Foster Financial Group. Make your reservations by calling the Chamber at 972-434-7547. The cost is \$20.00 at the door for members, \$25 for non-members and guests. Reservations will not be accepted after 12 noon on Friday, May 13th.

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Time to Vote

The City of Dallas and its surrounding areas will be holding elections on May 7th to elect new city officials. As a newspaper that serves the communities of Dallas and its surrounding areas, **MON - The Gazette** believes that it is important for citizens of those communities to know where the candidates stand.



Loretta L. Ellerbe

MON-The Gazette sent out Candidate Surveys to all those who are running in the upcoming election so that you will know where they stand. The following responses were received from candidates who are running for the office of Plano City Council:

Place 3
Loretta L. Ellerbe
Knowledge, skills, or experience your candidacy offers.

I have over 20 years' volunteer service to this city. I have served on about 10 boards and commissions. I was on the Planning and Zoning Commission for 6 years and was the Chair in 1999 and 2000. I have been president of the Homeowners Council, Committee for first downtown housing (Eastside Village), and the tree preservation ordinance. Currently, I am vice-chair of County Planning Board.

Previously been a candidate for this office.
 No.

Top three priorities in this elective office if elected.

1) Start seeking a solution to handling the city as it ages, so we can preserve the same quality of life we enjoy today. 2) Continue working on revitalization of downtown and older properties and 3) Continue to seek new business for the city.

If successful, what would you do to improve this office?

Suggesting an improvement would indicate that I think the current council is not doing a good job. I would rather tell you how I intend to conduct myself when in office. I would be open to listening to every issue with an open mind and will be respectful of the citizen's opinions, but my primary goal would be to make every decision based on what I think is in the best interest of the entire city of Plano.

What do citizens deserve from this public office?

Each citizen should be able to express an opinion on any matter that concerns them, and they

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I'd Rather Switch than Fight

By James Clineham
 The old cigarette commercial said, "I'd rather fight than switch."

My question is: Why fight when all you have to do is switch? Black folks spend a great deal of time fighting against those who couldn't care less about us; we fight over some one else's stuff, and we fight to get folks to like us and treat us right. We have fought these battles for hundreds of years and we still haven't won. We continue to fight against that pervasive bugaboo, institutional racism, both public and private. We fight against wrongdoing by corporate moguls and continue to build their wealth by buying everything

they make. Aren't you tired of fighting? Wouldn't you rather just switch than keep on fighting?

Consider this: How serious can Black folks be about reparations if we are not willing to use what we already have in our pockets and purses to create and maintain our own "internal reparations" fund? All we need to do is redirect a greater portion of our spending and our contributions back to ourselves. Booker T. said a long time ago, "The world might try a whipping nation, but it will never resist it [until it respects itself enough to do for itself]."

How can we be serious about being "included" in economic development

projects paid for with our tax dollars if we are not willing to stop participating in these stupid "minority" programs? Having to be certified that we are "minority" is an insult, but rather than just switch, we continue to fight for our portion of the 20 percent set-aside while White males get the rest - and they don't have to be certified! We even have Black folks promoting this irrational scenario and then bragging about how they helped get us "included." Why are we always the ones being included? When will we start being the "includers" rather than the "included?"

Black people, in general, have been reduced to

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Les Brown & Company Inspires, Encourages and Motivates Hundreds to Become Millionaires

By Justin Jones

Who wants to be a millionaire? Apparently, many Dallas-Metroplex residents do. That was evident Friday, April 22 as hundreds of eager business owners, city leaders and citizens graced Richardson's Charles W. Eiseman Center to hear motivational speaker Les Brown talk about "Bringing Out the Millionaire in You."

"Bringing Out the Millionaire in You," which also featured a free business vendor fair (around 60 booths), is the first of a 2005 Motivational Series that NTheKnow, LLC, plans to bring to the area. A barrage of sponsors, including **MON-The Gazette**, helped make the event a success.

"This was an excellent turnout," said NTheKnow.com CEO Teresa Taylor, who also owns KidsntheKnow.com, The Know Group, LLC, DBA TePheJez and MBNR. "There was a wealth of knowledge given out. This was a great success and we had some awesome

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For Passover, 'kosher gospel,' Jewish diversity

Joshua Nelson one of thousands of nonwhite Americans born Jewish

By Verena Dobnik

NEW YORK (AP) - When Joshua Nelson sings the gospel music of his black ancestors, he commands attention.

It's not just because of his fire-and-brimstone voice, the comparisons with the late Mahalia Jackson, or even his discovery by Oprah Winfrey, whom he counts as a friend. It's the places he sometimes performs (synagogues), the word he avoids (Jesus), and his own faith (Jewish).

"We've been Jews for centuries, as long as anyone can remember," Nelson says. "Why is it that when people of color are Jews, questions are raised?"

In fact, Nelson is one of about 100,000 nonwhite Americans who were born Jewish. Another 300,000 people of color are followers of Judaism through marriage, adoption, conversion or the recent surge of Jewish immigrants from Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East, according to Yavilah McCoy, director of Ayecha, a New York-based group she founded five years ago to reach out to Jewish minorities.

Nelson's voice rocked a pre-Passover "Liberation Seder" last week that was organized by McCoy and co-hosted by The Jewish Community Center in *Kosher Gospel* Page 10

Serving the Community

By Lakeasha Joe
 Political Candidate

Denise Upchurch, who has been involved in the Mesquite community for quite some time and is currently an Advisory Board member for the Mesquite Independent School District (MISD), has decided to campaign for a position on MISD's Trustee Board for the second time.

Upchurch, who has lived in the Mesquite community for last twenty-five years and has watched all six of her children complete their education through MISD, truly feels that her involvement is needed at MISD.

"We complain about our children, but they are our future," said Upchurch. If we don't provide a good beginning

for the students, they won't have a good ending."

In addition to being a political candidate and mother of six, Upchurch is also the wife of Charles Upchurch. She has been married for the last sixteen years.

"I've been very blessed and fortunate to have a husband who can support me financially as I try to serve the community," said Upchurch.

In 2003 Upchurch ran for the first time for a place on the MISD trustee Board. During her first campaign, the results of her efforts left her with 1,135 votes against an opponent who received 2,136 votes.

"I did very well against my opponent for it being my very first time running," said Upchurch.

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Irving-Poised for Change?



(L-R) City Council Candidates - Jason Watkins, Allan E. Meagher, Lowell Cannadedy, Roland Medina, David Cole, and Moderator Mona Wyatt.

By Paul Halley

It's a city characterized by a rapidly increasing Hispanic and Asian population, a contentious class and economic struggle between the northern and southern sectors of the city, a school district in need of a major overhaul, significant neighborhood code enforcement issues, and challenged with finding new ways to attract new businesses to the city to bolster its weakened commercial tax base. Nothing new for the city of Dallas, right? Try the Dallas

neighbor 15 minutes to the west-Irving, Texas.

On May 7th, Irving residents will cast their ballots in a general election for positions on the Irving ISD school board, Dallas County school board, Irving City Council and Irving Mayor.

On April 20th, the Irving League of Women Voters co-sponsored a candidates forum in the Council Chambers at Irving City Hall.

A packed chamber of over 300 citizens heard the candidates give brief

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Local Hispanic Community Deals with Key Issues during 2005 LULAC Convention

By Ruth Ferguson
 Cody Rodriguez Anderson,

involvement was the only way the concerns of the Hispanic community will receive the necessary attention. The convention was held at the Southfork Hotel in Plano, Texas and featured panel discussions, legislative updates, a luncheon and election of new officials.

Dr. Gabriela D. Lemus, LULAC Policy Director, provided a legislative update. Topics the membership's continued

Cody Rodriguez Anderson (LULAC District 3 Director) gives opening remarks.

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Irving - Poised for Change Page 1 statements about themselves, take questions from a panel of Irving journalists, and finally, take questions from audience members.

The city of Irving is becoming increasingly diverse racially. Hispanics currently make up 31% of the city's



Mayor Candidate Herbert Gears.

population and are expected to be 41% of Irving's residents by the end of the decade. There is also a burgeoning Asian population of immigrants that include a large number of small business owners, and a solid base of African-American residents. Irving, like many other cities in Texas, is fast becoming a majority minority city.

The most glaring observation about this forum, which speaks volumes about the political landscape in Irving, is that of 13 candidates present there is only one minority candidate running for office. The lone minority is Mayor candidate Lowell Medina, who is Hispanic.

Irving politics has a strong need to transition from the white male dominated, good old boy system which has primarily served the needs of Las Colinas and North Irving, to a more inclusive system, "incorporating" and addressing the needs and

problems of a growing immigrant population.

The field for the mayoral race is crowded with seven candidates with various backgrounds, the majority having ties to the traditional Irving establishment. The list is headed by current mayor Joe Putnam, who has served as Irving mayor since 1999.

His critics insist that the city needs new blood given his perceived mishandling of issues, most notably the exit of the Dallas Cowboys, but Mr. Putnam counters that he has done the best job possible given the current economic downturn.

"I believe I'm the person best qualified to provide leadership for this city," he said.

Opponents include current council members Herbert Gears and Terry Waldrum.

Other candidates are former Irving school board member Owen Dewitt, insurance agent Thomas Spink, and perennial candidate Melvin Pullen.

With regard to developing the city, Tom Spink, a former US Senator (1994 and 1996) and multiple business owner, plans to promote local businesses across the state to sell Irving, if elected. Bringing in new resources, businesses and manpower to the fire department are his top concerns. Ultimately he would like to bring new business and



Mayor Candidate Terry Waldrum.

revenues to the city and effectively utilize its resources by not paying more for services than the city takes in.

With the exception of Mr. Pullen, who has run for Irving mayor several times, the mayoral candidates are all generic reflections of each other. The only significant difference in their answers to questions was in the potential uses for the Texas Stadium site now that the Cowboys have inked a deal to move to Arlington. The suggestions range from soliciting SMU to build the George Bush library on the site, to turning it into an entertainment district with a large retail presence.

City council members are being elected in two different races. Place 3 incumbent Allan Meagher is facing a challenge from chiropractor and city Health Board member Jason Watkins.

A three-way race is being waged in Place 5, between recently retired Irving Police Chief Lowell Cannaday, community activist Lowell Medina, and a political newcomer, restaurateur David Cole.

One seat on the Dallas County School Board will also be on the ballot.

The board, whose function is supervising bus service for school districts throughout the county, includes representatives elected from four districts, which reflect county commissioner districts.

The two candidates for Dallas County School Board for Place 4 are retired Duncanville school superintendent Sam Thompson, and realtor Ann Hubener.

A clash between the old and the new is the best way to describe the Place 2 Irving school board race. Incumbent Barbara Cardwell has served on the school for 18 years

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including the last 12. Her challenger is accountant Lucia Rotenberg who has not served in any elected position.

Like Dallas to its east, Irving is at a crossroads in defining its future direction, in defining its identity for the new millennium. Unfortunately, an extremely small group will elect the leaders who will make the choices for the city's future. Of the 87,000 registered voters in Irving, less than 2% actually voted in the last mayoral election. The status quo is going to be the order of business in Irving until the growing minority population realizes their collective power, unifies, registers, and votes.



Mayor Candidate Tom Spink.

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2005



Definition of Mayor: A leader in the business community and a servant to the citizens of Irving. The job requires 24-7 and a person that can bring the interests of north and south Irving together as one.

The Problems: Irving is not taking in sufficient revenues to provide the services vitally needed. Our fire department does not have adequate training facilities and without needed manpower could lose its #2 rating causing our home owner premiums to be increased.

The solution is simple but the execution is difficult - the results possible.

I would enlist the best talents in our city to form a board to craft a well designed plan to attract business. Then, personally go out and call on strategic companies, with these talents, to sell the city of Irving, Texas as a solution to their needs.

Our location is the very best in the entire State of Texas. 15 minutes from either major airport, unparalleled highway access of 163, 114, 121, 161, LBJ & George Bush with rail and ground transportation to extend throughout the Metroplex. I would re-evaluate the budget of our police and fire departments. They are our first line of defense against crime and terrorism and our first line offense to save lives in medical emergencies.

My commitment to you is to serve 24-7, bring viable new business to Irving, aggressively support code enforcement and work with our police and fire departments to make certain our city is safe at home, work & worship.

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Garland City Council District 8

Election on May 7 - Early vote April 20 - May 3 City Hall (972)205-2000



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Around The Town

Eyecare America urges seniors to call the Seniors Eye-care Hotline: 1-800-222-EYES (9397). The help-line is intended to remind the senior community about the value of sight and the eye care program is available all year round. For more information log on to: www.eyecareamerica.org.

The African Chamber of Commerce DFW chapter hosts weekly business luncheon every Wednesday from Noon - 1 pm, featuring guest speakers, networking, technical assistance, etc. Location: The Farmers Market Resource Center, 1010 S. Pearl Street-Dallas, TX. For more information call 214-670-5880.

PJP Productions, distributors of the new multi-station show, The Valder Beebe Show, announces The Valder Beebe Show broadcast on "KKV FM The Bridge Network" each Sunday, from 6-7 pm.

City of Allen Teen Book Discussion Group meets the third Thursday of each month at the Allen Public Library, located at 301 Century Parkway. For more information, please call 972-727-0195. Collin County emergency preparedness hotline: 972-548-4114. You can also visit the web at www.co.collin.tx.us.

Teen Graffiti seeks good students who take school seriously. Who knows - you could be Teen Graffiti's Scholar Student of the Year! For contest rules and more

information visit www.teengraffiti.com, call 972-496-9457 or email info@teengraffiti.com.

Jobseekers
Job seekers can attend weekly meetings held by TeamNetworking of Collin County. The non-profit group oversees several chapters, group meetings from 11:30 am to 1 pm every Tuesday at Blue Mesa Grill, 8200 North Dallas Parkway in Plano. For more information, log on to the Plano Chamber web site at www.planochamber.org.

DISD is looking for qualified teacher applicants to begin employment in FALL 2005. If you are interested in becoming a teacher, job fairs will take place in April. Call 972-925-4238 for more details.

Dallas County Community College District is looking for potential part-time instructors who can share their expertise and resumes, plus their college transcripts, to the admissions lobby in Building C. Recruiters are seeking adjunct faculty who would be interested in teaching at one of the system's colleges. Persons interested in teaching college credit course part time must have a master's degree and have demonstrable teaching skills. For more information, call Paul Forte in the DCCCD office of human resources at 214-860-2158.

General Information
The Urban League of Garland Community Service Center offers limited financial assistance for utilities, rent and mortgages, for local residents. Other services offered include housing counseling focusing on reverse mortgages, default mortgages, and financial literature for first-time home buyers

is available by appointment only. For more information, please contact 214-413-1739.

PEAK Leadership Development
- Information Luncheon-PEAK Leadership is an executive development program for corporate leaders and managers. Lunch is \$5 for individuals interested in an executive leadership development program. For more information contact Wm. Jan Dachner at 214-808-0849.

The Dance Academy of Pathway of Life Church is registering applicant classes are held every Saturday from 10:15 am - 2 pm. Children ages 4 to adult are welcome to learn ballet, jazz, modern, lyrical, hip-hop and musical theater. For more information contact Cyndia Chapman at 214-275-7284 ext. 117.

The work of artist Annie Lee, "Annie Lee: The Artist, Her Life, Her Work" will be exhibited at The Black Academy of Arts and Letters (TBAAL) January 16 - May 14. The artwork may be viewed Tuesday - Friday, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm and Saturday, Noon - 4:00 pm.

Girls, Inc. (Dallas) will be taking their participant's West Africa in June 2005 for the Rites of Passage. The cost of the trip for each individual is \$3500.00. The group is in need of extra volunteers and staff. If you are interested in supporting the organization it will greatly appreciated. Contact Emma Rodgers, Co-Owner of Black Images Book Bazaar at 214-943-0142 or by email at erodgers@aol.com.

The National Society of Black Marathons' Association is pleased to present the NBMA Scholarship Program. This program will provide awards to two students for the

2005/2006 academic year. To be considered for these scholarships, students must complete an application demonstrating that all eligibility requirements are met. For more information contact the NBMA at 972-307-8731 or scholarship@blackmarathoners.org.

Teens Reaching Teens, Inc. is sponsoring an amateur poetry contest, FREE to everyone. Prizes will be awarded. Poems may be written on any subject, using any style. The deadline for entering is May 31, 2005. To enter, send one poem 21 lines or less: "My Own Words" Poetry Contest, P.O. Box 45271, Garland, TX 75045, you may also email your entry to info@teensreachingteens.org.

Women Empowerment Meetings and IESP Life Skills Training (Supporting Others Through Mentoring) are two programs that provide life transforming, intellectual, emotional, spiritual and physical life skills training to the community. Meetings are held at 423 W. Wheatland Rd., Suite 101, Duncanville, Texas 75116. For more information call the SOTM office at 972-709-1180.

April 28, 2005
The 35th Annual USA Film Festival will be in full effect at the Angelika Film Center in Dallas, TX at 5321 E. Mockingbird Lane at Central Expressway (NE Corner). A complete schedule of all festival events may be obtained by calling the festival office at 214-821-FILM.

Spend an intimate evening with hip-hop diva Eryka Badu at Bass Hall. Badu a four time Grammy award winner and Dallas native will perform in Fort Worth from the first time in seven years. Event time begins at 8 pm at 4th and

Calhoun Streets in Downtown Ft. Worth. For further information call the box office at 817-212-4280 or 1-877-212-4280.

May 1, 2005
Got a video? Want to make a video? Then the Dallas Video Festival wants you. The festival in its 18th year has issued its annual call for entries. Professional and amateur filmmakers are welcome. Early deadline is May 1; the late deadline (\$25 extra) is May 20. The festival runs Aug. 3-7 at the Dallas Theater Center. For more information - including rules, fees, and entry forms, visit www.videofest.org, or call 214-428-8700.

May 3, 2005
The Dallas/Fort Worth Minority Business Council has a new name, new logo, and new business features at ACCESS 2005! The DFW MBC ACCESS Business Opportunity Expo connects minority business owners with private and public sector buyers to develop important contacts, relationships and ultimately to do business. For more information call 214-630-0747 or register online at www.dfwmbc.com.

May 6-May 22, 2005
Dallas - Children's Theater presents the first annual Young Adult Festival of Dramatic Works with a series of plays that explore issues affecting young people. Call DCT Box office for tickets or information at 214-740-0051, or log on to www.dct.org.

May 7, 2005
High Tea for Two with Mrs. Serita Jakes of The Potters House ministry is sending out a special invitation for sons and daughters

to invite their mothers, grandmothers, aunts, or that special woman in their lives to come and enjoy this special day in a stunning setting. Ladies from across the metropolis will enjoy an international tea with tasty delights, a breathtaking hat fashion show, and an opportunity to hear Mrs. Jakes discuss the essence of mother-daughter relationships. The cost is \$25 per person. For more information call 214-333-6536.

May 18-22, 2005
The 10th Annual Black Enterprise Entrepreneurs Conference will be hosted by General Motors at the Wyndham Anatole in Dallas, TX. For times of the conference and the cost log on to: <http://www.blackenterprise.com/becce.asp>.

Support Groups
"Healing Matters" Grief Support Group meets the fourth Monday of every month at 7:30 pm at Medical Center of Plano classrooms. This is a pregnancy loss support group for anyone who has lost a baby to miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth, newborn death or SIDS. There is also a share group for those pregnant again following a loss. For more information, call 972-519-1588.

DivorceCare meets at 7 pm each Tuesday at Fellowship Bible Church North, 850 Lexington, Plano. Call Bob Hornstein at 972-783-8800.

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THE TRUTH CLINIC

The Forgotten Black Popes Of History

By: James W. Breedlove

The world's attention the past few weeks was focused on the passing of Pope John Paul and the subsequent selection of Germany's Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger as the new Pope Benedict XVI. For a short period during the secretive Vatican election process there was media buzz that Nigeria's Cardinal Francis Arinze was the odds on favorite to be the first Black Pope.

Many of the 200 million Catholics of African descent, especially those in third world countries held high hopes that the new Pope would be a person of color and intimately familiar with the challenges facing the developing nations.

Even if Cardinal Arinze had been elected Pope he would not have been the first Black to head the Vatican. The history of Blacks in the Catholic religion has been so shrouded in secrecy that few Catholics and non-Catholics know that there have been three Black popes.

The three black African popes were Saint Victor I (A.D. 186-197), Saint Miltiades (A.D. 311-314) and Saint Gelasius (A.D. 492-496), all of whom left indelible marks on the Roman Catholic Church. The mainstream media was apparently unaware of the Catholic Church's colorful past.

Pope Saint Victor was born in Africa and became the fourteenth pope. He served for ten years during the reign of Emperor Septimius Severus, also African. Some of the known contributions of Victor were his reaffirming the holy feast of Easter to be held on Sunday.

discussions during this era affected the Church at Rome. The Christians at Rome, who had come from the province of Asia, were accustomed to observe Easter on the 14th day of Nisan, whatever day of the week that date might happen to fall on. This difference inevitably led to conflicts with the ingrained Christian community of Rome. Pope Victor wrote to Bishop Polycrates of Ephesus and solicited his aid in calling together the bishops of Asia to discuss a common Easter observance.

Victor, who acted throughout the entire matter as the head of Catholic Christendom, called upon the bishops of Asia to abandon their custom and to accept the universally prevailing practice of celebrating Easter on Sunday. In case they would not do this he declared they would be excluded from the fellowship of the Church. He was crowned with martyrdom and was buried near the body of the apostle Peter in St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City.

Pope Saint Miltiades was the 32nd pope. Though he ruled the church for a mere three years, Miltiades oversaw one of history's most dramatic turning points in the conversion of the Roman Emperor Constantine to Christianity in A.D. 313. Miltiades is credited with gaining approval of an edict of toleration signed by Constantine that put an end to the persecution of the Christians and permitted them to live in peace and reconstruct their places of worship.

The emperor gave Pope Miltiades the right to retrieve all ecclesiastical buildings and possessions that had been confiscated during the

persecutions making it possible to reorganize the ecclesiastical administration and the religious life of the Christians in Rome. Miltiades decreed that none of the faithful should fast on Sunday or on the fifth day of the week because this was the custom of the pagans. St. Miltiades was laid to rest in the Catacomb of St. Callistus.

Pope Saint Gelasius I, the 49th pope, occupied the holy papacy four years. Intelligent and energetic, Gelasius saved Rome from famine and was emphatic that bishops should devote a quarter of their revenue to charity, stressing that, "Nothing is more becoming to the priestly office than the protection of the poor and the weak." He died empty-handed as a result of his lavish charity.

He was a writer of vigorous and elegant letters to people of all rank and classes and is said to be the most prolific of all pontiffs during the first five centuries. He denounced Lupercalia, a fertility rite celebration. His theory on the relations between the Church and the state are explained in the Gelasian Letter to the Byzantine Emperor Anastasius. There is currently in the library of the church at Rome a document on church administration and discipline.

Race in modern times has been used in a prejudicial manner in the secular as well as the religious world. And both have been the poorer for it. If the church as Pope Benedict XVI stated during his inauguration is going to reach out to Jews and "believers and non-believers alike," it's going to have to seek "diversity and see beyond color."

Email Comments to: Politics@MonTheGazette.com



Saundra Lohr-Robinson

By: Saundra Lohr-Robinson

Question:

My forty something son-in-law is beginning to lose his hair, mainly just in the top. My daughter says it is really depressing him and he wears baseball caps all the time now. - Rachelle D.

You might consider this.....

Men and women have always battled hair loss. Ancient Egyptians often slathered their baldness with animal fat. It is even rumored that Julius Caesar wore the laurel wreath to hide his receding hairline. While I am not suggesting that your son-in-law do either of these, most of the methods now—spray on fake hair, over the counter lotions and creams aren't much better than what ancient civilizations used.

A noted medical doctor who is a hair specialist says that generally by age 50, hair loss affects more than 50% of men and 25% of women. Most of them suffer from what is known as androgenic alopecia. Simply put, this hereditary condition, also called male pattern baldness, causes the hair to recede from the forehead back to the crown. In

women, the hair becomes thinner all over the head.

He states, "the root of the problem are the male hormones testosterone and dihydrotestosterone, present in both men and women." It causes hair growth to "switch off". Hair loss can also be caused by thyroid trouble, pregnancy and other medical conditions that may upset the balance of hormones in the body. Other times, diuretics, antidepressants and cancer chemotherapy agents can cause temporary hair loss.

First, he says to develop a strategy for treating the hair loss. Determine what may be causing it. Sometimes all it takes is changing a prescription or hairstyle, if chemical relaxers are being used.

Second, get treatment by a medical professional if appropriate. A dermatologist may simply inject the anti-inflammatory drug cortisone if alopecia areata exists. This condition is the second leading cause of hair loss and is an autoimmune disorder that inflames hair follicles and causes bald patches on the scalp—and sometimes on other parts of the body as well. If you're afraid of shots, a cortisone lotion prescribed by your dermatologist may also work.

If your dermatologist advises you to use minoxidil (Rogaine), which boosts the flow of blood to the hair follicles, use it as directed. Just remember to ask if the real

problem may be the male hormones mentioned before. For that you will need an androgen-blocking drug. Most hair loss can be treated and stopped on a long-term basis with good results.

There are other options too, such as transplants. This surgery has been refined over the years. Also, transplants unlike hair weaves need no special care. Weaves may look good initially, but they require regular cleaning and tightening, thus, frequent visits to the salon.

Don't make a big fuss over his loss of hair; complement him on other aspects of his appearance. Take him for a complimentary makeover at one of the photo studios where they use computerized images to determine hair length, color and style. Let him try on another look, just for fun. Maybe a bald-look would suit him well....you might consider this.

Email your questions and comments to: SaundraLohr-Robinson@ConsumersCorner@MonTheGazette.com

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nothing more than asinine terms like "percentages," "goals," "aspirations," "minorities," "underutilized," and "disadvantaged." We fight for a pittance of our own tax dollars and for reciprocity in the marketplace, but we make none of the ground rules. White males are running this stuff, y'all, and we act like we are in the game. Yeah, we're in the game all right; we are the pawns. Why don't we just switch?

The bottom-line for Black people, at least those of us who are not afraid to face reality and then do something about our plight, is that we must stop using so much of our time and resources fighting, and we must make a conscious decision to switch. I am not by any means saying we should walk away from the fight for reparations, injustice, and corruption in politics and business. But let's understand this: The folks who are running this show have been doing so for hundreds of years, and they are not about to change.

We have been calling their misdeeds to their attention, petitioning them to do better by us, to be fair to us, and yet they have demonstrated not only their unwillingness to change but also their disdain and outright unconcern for our condition. Isn't it obvious that we must take things into our own hands?

Marc Morial, Urban League President, said in the latest redundant State of Black America Report that the new civil rights struggle is economic. Martin Luther King said that in 1968! In his

book, *Betrayal by Any Other Name*, Khalid Al-Mansour, in discussing the role of NAACP leadership and our civil rights fight writes, "Responsible leadership is ... required to put the greatest attention where the problem is the greatest. If civil rights is 20% of the problem, why allocate 100% of the resources behind this strategy?" Duh!!!

Why not just switch rather than fight, at least in the economic arena? We continue to give what we earn right back to those about whom we complain, creating more wealth for their families. Most of the businesses located in Black neighborhoods do not give what they earn back to us. They take it home and divide it among their own people, and they continue to establish more businesses, more rotating credit societies, more vertically integrated economic initiatives, and they continue to buy their own stuff from one another — no matter the cost, because they understand that the circular effect of money means "what goes around comes around." The money they spend with their brothers and sisters will eventually return to them. They have no need or interest in fighting or switching.

If you want to keep fighting against the most powerful, most corrupt, most uncompassionate, most ruthless, most greedy, and the most arrogant economic force in the world, then you go right ahead. I have switched.

If you modern-day Black over-seers, who are still suffering from the Stockholm Syndrome, want to keep running games on your

brothers and sisters by telling us to keep quiet, and by selling us disingenuous "programs" that are kept alive by our dysfunction, there is absolutely nothing I can do about that.

But if you happen to be one of those "hard fighting soldiers" we like to sing about on Sunday mornings, ready and willing to get serious about your economic freedom, ready to make the sacrifices necessary to be respected, like Booker T. suggested, and if you are unafraid of what White folks think about you standing up with and for your people, just as others do for their people, then you must switch rather than fight.

Switch to Black owned businesses. Switch to Black made products. Switch to Black owned media. If you are serious, switch to Black.

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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—

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should be treated with respect.
How does your character, work ethic or expertise match citizen needs and expectations?
I consider myself a person of integrity. I make a total commitment to any organization or commission I have been involved with. In 6 years on P&Z and over 200 meetings, I have missed only 4 meetings. I have experience with both homeowners needs and I have experience with a number of varied city boards and commissions.
What, if any, are your campaign promises/pledges to the electorate?
I have made no promises other than to do my best for the city that I love.



Harry A. LaRoussiere
Place 5
Knowledge, skills, or experience your candidacy offers.

I've had experience in non-profit and working with the city.
Previously been a candidate for this office.
No.
Top three priorities in this elective office if elected:
1) Economic Development, 2) Revitalization of Neighborhoods and 3) Safe and Clean City.
If successful, what would you do to improve this office?
I would engage with the citizens of Plano on how to deal with relevant issues.
How would you relate the problem/progress of this public office?
The progress would be related through neighborhood roundtables.
What do citizens deserve from this public office?
Citizens deserve our time and a listening ear to understand the issues.

How does your character, work ethic or expertise match citizen needs and expectations?
I am honest and I will always vote with my conscience.

What, if any, are your campaign promises/pledges to the electorate?
I promise to uphold the trust they have gained by always trying to do the right thing.



Warner A. Richeson
Place 5
Knowledge, skills, or experience your candidacy offers.

3 years City Council experience, 11 years business owner, 6 years Civil Service Commission, 2 years Plano Community Relations Commission, Plano Bond Committee, Collin County Bond Committee, 6 years as Professor at Collin County Community College, and 45 years Engineering and Engineering Management.
Previously been a candidate for this office.
Yes - Elected to Plano City Council in 1973.

Top three priorities in this elective office if elected:
1) Provide for public safety, 2) Review the master plan and 3) Develop a sound fiscal policy.
If successful, what would you do to improve this office?
Apply my organizational skills, leadership ability, problem solving ability, and people skills.
How would you relate the problem/progress of this public office?

Before I propose solutions for a problem, I will first completely define the problem at hand.
What do citizens deserve from this public office?
Respect! The Council works for the citizens.
How does your character, work ethic or expertise match citizen needs and expectations?
I will give them hard work, honesty and attention to their needs.
What, if any, are your campaign promises/pledges to the electorate?
I promise to be a good steward, a devoted worker who will always be prepared to make decisions that will look out for the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens.



Jean Callison
Place 7
Knowledge, skills, or experience your candidacy offers.

Baylor University, BBA, MBA; EDS Financial 1988 - 1995, Past President of Junior League of Plano; Past President of Huffman Elementary PTA, Leadership Plano XVI, Plano Youth Leaders Board.
Previously been a candidate for this office.
Yes - City Council, Place 7 - elected in 2003.
Top three priorities in this elective office if elected:
1) Neighborhood Revitalization, 2) Economic Development, and 3) Safety (fire and police).
If successful, what would you do to improve this office?
Continue to ensure that Plano is a vibrant city where families and businesses can live and work in an enriched environment.
How would you relate the problem/progress of this public office?

As Plano continues to mature, the Council must ensure that Plano is the city that citizens have come to expect.
What do citizens deserve from this public office?
Commitment, integrity, vision, leadership, openness to citizen ideas and concerns.
How does your character, work ethic or expertise match citizen needs and expectations?
Having served one term on the Plano City Council in Place 7 I understand Plano's strengths and challenges. I am committed to building on strengths and seeking solutions to our challenges.
What, if any, are your campaign promises/pledges to the electorate?
I have lived in Plano over 25 years and am committed to the city and her citizens.

The Following responses were received from candidates who are running for the office of Garland City Council:



Harry Hickey
District 3
Knowledge, skills, or experience your candidacy offers.

I'm the incumbent council person with years of experience. Also have 3 years experience in the city council.
Previously been a candidate for this office.
Yes - City Council 2002, District 3.
Top three priorities in this elective office if elected:
1) Public Safety

2) Development and 3) Infrastructure.
If successful, what would you do to improve this office?
I would continue to work with the citizens and give them an honest answer to the problems.
Why are you seeking reelection?
To continue to do things in a professional manner and make sure projects started are finished. To continue to stimulate development.
How would you relate the problem/progress of this public office?
Town meetings, website and telephone.

What do citizens deserve from this public office?
Honesty and a professional educated person working for the citizens.

How does your character, work ethic or expertise match citizen needs and expectations?
Previous and current experience as an officer of a homeowners association, hard worker, professional, courteous, and dependable.

What, if any, are your campaign promises/pledges to the electorate?
Continue to improve city services, public safety, re-development and development and infrastructure with limited resources.
District 3
Preston Edwards
No Response.
District 6
Barbara Chick
No Response.
District 6
Marcus Reed
No Response.



Mark Monroe

District 7
Mark Monroe
Knowledge, skills, or experience your candidacy offers.
I believe I have grown in my leadership skills and have a firm grasp of the issues that face Garland.
Previously been a candidate for this office.
Yes, 2002 - 2005 District 7.
Top three priorities in this elective office if elected:
1) Increase sales tax, 2) Stabilize the Budget, and 3) Work for District 7.

If successful, what would you do to improve this office?
I would continue my close contact with the neighborhoods.

How would you relate the problem/progress of this public office?
I believe that an open dialogue is needed to be successful with staff, neighborhoods and council.

What do citizens deserve from this public office?
Honesty and a willingness to try to work towards their goals.

How does your character, work ethic or expertise match citizen needs and expectations?
I believe that I follow through on the issues that are brought to my attention.
What, if any, are your campaign promises/pledges to the electorate?
I will work hard and provide



Randall D. Dunning
Knowledge, skills, or experience your candidacy offers.

Senior Software Engineer for Nortel Networks. Twenty-five years experience solving complex problems with difficult people and tight budgets. Served on neighborhood services and utility services subcommittees, the audit committee, and state school finance advisory committee. Certified Skyward Storm Spotter and emergency preparedness volunteer. Strong faith, big family and active in church.
Previously been a candidate for this office.

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Denise Upchurch@yahoo.com • Denise Upchurch
Goodall40me@yahoo.com • Treasurer

ELECT ROLAND MEDINA FOR IRVING CITY COUNCIL PLACE 5
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MY PLATFORM:
• Working to create ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT throughout our city.
• Actively supporting neighborhood organizations
• Enforcing and strengthening CODE ENFORCEMENT policies
• Working with the PUBLIC SAFETY departments to keep our city safe
• Stimulating community awareness of our city's changing diversity
• Working actively to reduce the excessive taxes on homeowners in our city
• Establishing TOWN HALL MEETINGS to hear community concerns
If elected, I will be a full-time city councilman representing the citizens of Irving. I have no business interest or commitments other than to devote my time and tremendous energy to helping you build a better future for Irving.
A VETERAN WITH COMMITMENT, DEDICATION WITH 34 YEARS OF FEDERAL SERVICE IN CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION, PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND RISK MANAGEMENT
ELECT ROLAND MEDINA:

My life has uniquely prepared me to serve others.
Dear Irving Neighbor,
My six years of leadership experience as an Irving city councilman and Mayor Pro Tem has helped prepare me to serve in the Mayor's role. More importantly, though, my faith has prepared me to serve and to represent others. The Lord gripped me at an early age and taught me, first hand, about living with pain, about having to depend on others and about hopelessness.
Just before my fifth birthday, my father was tragically killed by a drunk driver. My mother, a widow at age twenty-four with three children, worked as a coffee shop waitress in the day and at a printing company at night. We were always struggling and doing without but we had each other and, by the grace of God, my mother, and many good hearted people, we survived.
Although my life is much different now, the awareness of the pain that I and others feel from the struggles of our lives never escapes me. When we all realize our common bond in the pain we feel, we will communicate better and we will care more for each other.
I believe I am ready for the responsibility of the Mayor's office and I need your support on Saturday. I fully understand the importance of protecting the public interest and I have a proven record of integrity and effectiveness as a six-year city councilman. I will serve you honorably and respectfully.
Sincerely,
Herbert A. Gears
Herbert A. Gears

"Mr. Gears wins our recommendation based on his effective representation of some of the city's neediest residents. He worked hard to win a federal loan for a new Parkland clinic for Irving and was one of the lonely council voices pushing for the city to seek housing assistance grants for lower income residents...our nod goes to Mr. Gears based on his accomplishments during his six years in office."
The Dallas Morning News
Irving edition editorial
April 24, 2004
HERBERT GEARS FOR MAYOR
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Motivating to Millions Page 1 motivational speakers." Aside from Brown, those speakers were his entourage, including Dallas natives Patrick Alcorn and Johnny Wimbrely, Houston's Marilyn Logan, John



Ribbon cutting ceremony presented by the Plano Chamber of Commerce with Teresa Taylor (center) CEO of NTHeknow.com at the Eisemann Center prior to the event.

Garcia, Chip Cummings, Denise Young and Kevin Bracey.

"I thought it went tremendously well and there was a tremendous amount of people who clearly want to get to that next level," Brown said. "I'm just glad I might be able to help someone bring out the millionaire in them."

And Brown quickly (as soon as he hit the stage) made it clear to the eager crowd that because they were in attendance, they already were millionaires.

"This being a Friday night you could have been anywhere else, but you are here," he said to a loud applause. "You are already millionaires in training."

Brown's overall, subliminal message, however, was to urge everyone to pass on their knowledge and talents to someone else, which is why



Laura Cobb (right) Founder of the LEARNING BRIDGE gives participants an overview of services provided by the educational company.

he repeatedly told the crowd to repeat: "We Learn. We Earn. We pass it on."

That's also why Brown allowed most of his stage time to go to the other

motivational speakers, starting with Logan, who owns a real estate company that brings in more than six figures a month.

Talking about "Getting around People Who Recognize your Talents," Logan talked about how she

was fired from her Corporate America job and was forced to live in a garage apartment, only to never give up on herself.

"You have to surround yourself around people that care about you," she said. "Be around people that see something in you that you don't see in your self."

In between speakers, Brown entertained the crowd with on-point jokes and inspirational quotes such as "knowledge is the new currency" and "there's power in choice," which he said before Alcorn stepped to the stage.

Alcorn, talking about the "Power of Choice: You're Better than That," explained that one has to create some charisma and enthusiasm with their passion.

"To be or not to be is no longer the question. It's what will you be?" said Alcorn, president and founder of the Transformation Group.

"Make the choice to be better. Make the choice to rise each time you fall. Choose your strategy to help you win."

Adding to that was Brown, who after Logan's exit, said "many people fail in life because they aim too low and hit."

That's why Garcia's message, "Go Out and Change the World," was about making a decision

and acting on it.

He said not to worry about the how part of the decision, but to just go for it ... to do whatever one has to do.

"You have to act on it and go beyond that," said Garcia, who is the founder of John Garcia Unlimited. "You must have faith in you that you can do that. Do that by starting to invest in yourself and setting your mind to it."

But while one is doing that he or she has to have fun, which is what Cummings, who has more than 25 years in sales and marketing, stressed. Cummings said it's about working smarter not harder. However, he added that one must first be honest about their situation.

"You then need to have fun with it," Cummings said. "Inside of you is a millionaire waiting to get out."



Johnny Wimbrely (Motivational Speaker) and Les Brown (Award Winning Speaker and Author).

Building on that was Wimbrely, whose message was "Your past doesn't



Les Brown speaks to an enthusiastic and motivated audience during motivational series "Bringing Out The Millionaire in You" at the Eisemann Center.

determine your future and if I can do it, anyone can."

Wimbrely who as a kid, along with his mother, lived in a homeless shelter, he said this was his first memory of life. From that point on, Wimbrely said he

was determined to win.

"Rejection was my first impression of life, so I decided from that point on that I would choose my own environment," Wimbrely said.

"Every choice will dictate your

next step."

That's why Wimbrely also said that one has to be willing to listen to those who already have made it ... to be "coachable, trainable and dependable."

Rounding out the night was Young and Bracey, both whom flew in from California. Young, a CPA who helps people discover ways to get out of debt, advised everyone to "get from under."

"In order to have more money tomorrow you have to do more today," she said. "When you are doing your dream it needs to take on mission-like proportion."

In closure, Bracey took majority of his time to tell everyone of the importance of saying thank you and giving praise to those who has helped along the way, which is what he did for Brown.

"You have to understand that the millionaire in you is the dream in you," Bracey said. "In order for you to live your dream, you have to have some assistance ... someone who opens the door for you. I just thank Les Brown for doing that for me."

After the motivational speakers were finished a reception followed as many people had the opportunity

to meet Brown & Co. That also was the case during the business vendor fair as Brown was seen greeting and talking to those who came to hear him speak.

"This was very inspiring, motivating and energetic," the event's MC Angelique Tege, a WFAA Channel 8 producer and reporter for Metro, said. "Johnny Wimbrely told me that motivation is momentary, and that it wears off. But, it's just like taking a shower... you



Patrick Alcorn (President and founder of the Transformation Group) speaks to the audience.

have to do that everyday. And we are responsible to motivate ourselves everyday."

And at least for one day, everyone in attendance was motivated, and ready to "Bring out the Millionaire in You."

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Contact no.: 972-547-1990

Branch Early Voting Locations - City of Plano Carpenter Park Recreation Center, 6701 Coit Rd., Plano, TX 75024
Contact no.: 972-208-8087

Christ United Methodist Church (tenup location), 3101 Coit Rd., Plano, TX 75075
Contact no.: 972-596-4812
Harrington Library, 1501 18th Street, Plano, TX 75074
Contact no.: 972-941-7175

PISD Administration Center, 2700 W. 15th St., Plano, TX 75075
Contact no.: 469-752-8040

Christopher A. Parr Library, 6200 Windhaven Phwy., Plano, TX 75093
Contact no.: 972-769-4300

Collin County Community College - Spring Creek Campus, 2800 E. Spring Creek Phwy., Plano, TX 75074
Contact no.: 972-881-5790

Main Early Voting Location - City of Garland City Hall, 200 N. Fifth Street Garland, TX 75040
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Contact no.: 214-653-6141

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Between the hours of 7:00 am and 7:00 pm beginning on Monday, May 2, and ending on Tuesday, May 3, 2005.

Note: Early Voting will not be available in Plano on August 30, 2005.

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Yes - 2002 - 2005 District 8.
Top three priorities in this elective office if elected.

1) Tax money spent responsibly, preserve your pocketbook, 2) Reasonable and fair ordinances; Protect your rights and liberties and 3) Right tools for city services and economic development; Promote your community.

If successful, what would you do to improve this office?

I strive for continual improvement in communication between citizens and the city. I represent the city to the citizens by helping them wind their way through the proper procedures for getting things done when they call for help. I represent the citizens to the city by standing up for their rights and voicing their concerns.

Why seek re-election? What remains to be done?

Redevelopment of the Garland Shopping Center at Miller and Garland Road. Improving pedestrian safety along routes like Shiloh Rd. Improve safety on Brand Rd. where the unexpected curve has caused accidents. Continue to press for relief from excess taxes and unreasonable ordinances. My opponent says people do not pay high enough taxes. I also want to make sure grant money like CBDG are to the maximum degree possible, used for crucial infrastructure rather than pet projects.

How would you relate the problem/progress of this public office?

The greatest progress in this office is the current diversity of ideas and opinions. This provides a balance so that change does not take place more quickly than the community can absorb. Vigorous debate is healthy. It educates and stimulates. The council's greatest weakness is the tendency to make choices based on what is most useful right now, without carefully considering potential unintended consequences that are not local, immediate or apparent.

What do citizens deserve from this public office?

Citizens deserve government that is honest in its intentions, fiscally responsible, limited in scope and

that represents the will of the people while upholding the principles upon which our form of government was founded. These principles articulate the source of our liberty and define our inalienable rights. My opponent calls this "philosophical nothingness."

How does your character, work ethic or expertise match citizen needs and expectations?

My diverse areas of interest, experience and expertise enable me to connect with the people, understand the pressures of the business owner, and appreciate the quality of life issues that concern so many of my constituents. Because I work in a challenging industry under sometimes crushing pressures, I share in the struggles and concerns of those having to make a living in uncertain times. I am responsive and in touch with people of all walks of life.

What, if any, are your campaign promises/pledges to the electorate?

To always play straight. I will speak the truth (as gently as possible), admit when I stand corrected, listen to other points of view before making decisions and be willing to stand up for the rights of the citizens in my district by upholding principles against the pressures of political power and patronage.



Lee Lutz

District 8

Lee Lutz

Knowledge, skills, or experience your candidacy offers.

Graduate of Russell Sage College,

Troy, NY with B.A., Graduate of American Bar Association Multnomah College, Portland, OR, Paralegal Certification program, Graduate of Garland Chamber of Commerce Leadership Garland, 20 years experience in community based programs for persons living with disabilities, Elected to the D.A.R.T. Community Transportation Forum, Garland Chief of Police Advisory Committee. Previously been a candidate for this office.

No.

Top three priorities in this elective office if elected.

1) Public safety, 2) Improve Neighborhoods, and 3) Appropriate Zoning.

If successful, what would you do to improve this office?

Set aside individual ambitions and work together as a council on a shared mission of improving Garland.

What do citizens deserve from this public office?

Citizens deserve a council member who will work for the citizens and one who cares about the city's future.

What, if any, are your campaign promises/pledges to the electorate?

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BETHLEHEM MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
April 27 - April 29, 7:00 pm

We are having "The Move of God 2005 Spring Revival." Our theme is: The Kingdom of God is Not by Observation. Our guest speaker is Rev. Kenneth Spears, Pastor and Evangelist of First St. John Baptist Church in Ft. Worth. This is an open invitation for all churches and pastors.

For more information, please call the church @ 817-626-7342.

Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church
Rev. Richard Jones, Pastor
3019 Rosen Avenue
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June 12, 2005
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COALITION OF CHURCHES IN PRISON MINISTRY
On-going Mentor Program
Our host church, True Lee Baptist Church, 3907 Bertrand Avenue, Dallas, TX 75210, 214-421-9435 where Rev. Donald Parish is the Pastor, is working with a mentor program for children of parents that are incarcerated. Come or call to find out how to get involved.

For more information, please call Carolyn Johnson @ 972-235-6432.

Coalition of Churches in Prison Ministry
Rev. Isaac Johnson, Coordinator
P.O. Box 225863
Dallas, TX 75222-5863
972-235-6432 or 214-632-6519

COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY
April 30, 6:30 pm

Our 15th Church Homecoming and Anniversary Banquet will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, DFW, 4650 West Airport Freeway, Irving, TX 75062. Chief Apostle

Dr. Lloyd Benson, Sr. will be our Keynote Speaker and Pastor Darin E. Floyd, Sr. will be our Toastmaster. The public is invited to join us for a Holy Spirit joyful time.

For details and to register, please call 972-986-5552.

May 1, 2005
You are welcome and encouraged to join us in our 15th Church Homecoming and Anniversary Sunday Morning Service at the church. We will be looking for you!

Community Outreach Ministry
Pastor Lisa Tarpley, Overseer
526 Compton Avenue
Irving, TX 75061
972-986-5552

COMMUNITY UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
April (Easter Month), 7:00 pm

Wednesday evening class on "Spiritual Practices, Rev. Rev. Priscilla Richter will teach the class. The public is welcome.

On-Going
Hope Preschool, ages 2-5 has begun pre-registration for 2005. Call the church office on Tuesday through Thursday @ 972-424-8989.

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Community UU Church
Rev. Priscilla Richter, Minister
2875 East Parker Road
Plano, TX 75074
972-424-8989

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June 1 - August 12, 2005, 6:30 am - 6:30 pm

We will have a Summer Day Camp for Kids in grades K-6 - Camp Stone!

For more information and registration, please call 1-817-468-0083.

Cornerstone Baptist Church
Rev. Wm. McKissic, Sr., Pastor
5415 Matlock Road
Arlington, TX 76018
1-817-468-0083

DAUGHTERS OF THUNDER MINISTRIES
April 28 - 30, 2005

The "Women Leading in Ministry" Conference will be held at The Inspiring Body of Christ Church (IBOC), 7710 South Westmoreland Road in Dallas, Dr. Rickie G. Rush is the Senior Pastor. This conference will be hosted by Dr. Ouida Lee of St. Luke Community UMC, Rev. Susan Stephens of Friendship West BC, and Lucretia Cook of Jubilee UMC. The public is invited.

For more information, call 972-283-2264.

Daughters of Thunder Ministries
301 Frank Keasler Blvd.
Duncanville, TX 75116
972-283-2264

DAYSRING FAMILY CHURCH
May 6 - 7, 2005

Dayspring will host our 10th Annual Women's Conference and Luncheon at the Sheraton Grand Hotel in Irving, TX. Our focus for the conference is, "The Time is Now!"

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Dayspring Family Church
Elder Kevin Dickerson, Pastor
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DAYSTAR DELIVERANCE MINISTRIES
May 12 - 14, 2005

The Touch Ministry of DayStar Deliverance Ministries will sponsor a FREE, Women In Transaction (W.I.T.) Conference @ the Adam's Mark Hotel, 400 North Olive Street in Downtown Dallas. The Conference is free, but donations are generously accepted for this powerful work of God.

For more information and registration, please contact Sister Jacque Hawthorne @ 972-769-8826.

DayStar Deliverance Ministries
Bishop Minnie Hawthorne, Senior Pastor
6205 Coit Road, Suite 336
PMH 142
Plano, TX 75024
972-769-8826

GOOD FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH
May 9 through 11, 7:30 pm

We are having an old-fashioned revival to be held at 1310 Avenue I in Plano (across from Shiloh Baptist Church). Dr. C. W. Wallace, pastor of Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church will be our guest preacher.

May 15, 3:00 pm
We will celebrate our 23rd Church Anniversary and Homecoming at 1024 Avenue F in Plano. Our special guests will be God's Grace Baptist Church of Dallas; Rev. Douglas Hammond is the pastor.

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Good Faith Baptist Church
Rev. Herbert Walters, Pastor
1024 Avenue F
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Community Outreach Ministry
526 Compton Avenue
Irving, TX 75061

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KEM's 'I Can't Stop Loving You' is Top 10 at Radio For More Than 5 Weeks in a Row!

New York — Motown Records' critically acclaimed singer/songwriter KEM's go another high with their single "I Can't Stop Loving You," from his forthcoming sophomore album KEM Album II. In its first official week at radio, "I Can't Stop Loving You" was the #1 "most added" song at the Urban AC radio format, and is currently #2 on the

Urban AC chart. The heartfelt song has remained in the Top 10 for more than five weeks in a row and is one of the "most requested" songs at radio commanding a listening audience of more than 13 million fans.

KEM Album II, in stores May 17th, is self-produced by the multi-talented singer and is the highly anticipated follow up to KEM's gold-certified album Kemistry. The album spawned the sleeper smash hit "Love Calls," which stayed in the Top 10 on the radio airplay chart for more than a year. USA Today

hailed his debut album as a "Motown classic," while Vibe called it "haunting" and "romantic." KEM will be performing songs from both albums when he headlines a 20-city "Find Your Way Tour" featuring American idol

was once homeless, struggling to support himself and his family by waiting tables and singing Top 40 cover songs for weddings. Once he got on his feet, he independently financed and released his first album before



winner Fantasia and singer Rashaan Patterson as opening acts. The tour kicks off in St. Louis, Missouri on June 8th.

Although the Detroit native rose to national attention with his poignant love songs, his personal story is one of victory and triumph: KEM

signing with Motown Records in 2002.

In addition to the tour dates, fans can catch KEM's performance on The Tom Joyner Fantastic Voyage Cruise May 29-June 5 and at the Essence Music Festival (main stage) in New Orleans July 3rd.

Andre 3000 Composes for Broadway

By Chris Harris, MTV News
Dre has even signed on to lend his voice to the upcoming live-action interpretation of the classic children's book "Charlotte's Web."

Andre Benjamin's stock continues to rise with Hollywood's wheelers and dealers. Benjamin — best known by his musical alias Andre 3000, one half of the award-winning rap outfit Outkast — has signed on to star in an as-yet-untitled modern-day musical that's being developed by Double Feature Films, the production company behind "Along Came Polly" and "Garden State."

According to Variety, Tony-winning "Avenue Q" wordsmith Jeff Whitty will write the film's script, and Andre has agreed to compose original music for the movie's score.

Dre will also be co-producing the project, in which he'll play "someone with magical powers, who comes into the lives of a family," reports Variety. Double Feature's principals told the media they're aiming to produce a musical that's hip and current, but recalls the golden age of the

Hollywood musical at the same time.

The demand for Andre's big-screen talents has swelled within the last year or so, and the rapper is fast becoming a Hollywood player. Not only has he appeared in various television roles (most



notably playing a Los Angeles comic-book-store owner in an episode of FX's controversial cop drama "The Shield" in 2004), he's been adding more and more film roles to his resume. Andre recently played Daba, the leader of a rap group, in the Elmore Leonard-inspired John Travolta vehicle "Be Cool," and will next be seen in the currently untitled

HBO film formerly known as "My Life in Idlewild," a musical set in the 1930s co-starring his Outkast counterpart, Big Boi (see "Outkast's Manager Says Movie, LP Will Be Their 'Purple Rain'"). Andre has also signed on for "Revolver," the upcoming Las Vegas-themed gangster flick from Madonna's director husband Guy Ritchie ("Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels," "Snatch"), and appears alongside Mark Wahlberg and Tyrese in John Singleton's upcoming "Four Brothers" (see "Andre 3000, Mark Wahlberg And Tyrese As Brothers' Only In Hollywood ...").

Dre has even signed on to lend his voice to the upcoming live-action interpretation of the classic children's book "Charlotte's Web." Dre joins an all-star cast that includes Robert Redford, Steve Buscemi, John Cleeve, Oprah Winfrey, Cedric the Entertainer and Thomas Haden Church; Julia Roberts has accepted the eight-legged lead role. Dre will voice Elwyn, one of the story's two dimwitted crows.

Visit Movies on MTV.com for more from Hollywood, including news, interviews, trailers and more.

Kellogg Honors Legacy of Gospel Music And Showcases Talented Youth Through the 2005 Kellogg's Gospel Sing Off Youth Choir Competition

Kellogg issues a call to youth choirs across the country to come together in celebration of gospel music with the launch of the 2005 Kellogg's Gospel Sing Off Youth Choir Competition. The competition provides youth choirs with an opportunity to demonstrate their talents, pay tribute to gospel music and celebrate its impact on American music.

Kellogg invites youth gospel choirs across the country to submit a recording of their group to be reviewed by a distinguished panel of musical experts. A total of 40 choirs will be selected to compete in semi-final events in Detroit, Chicago, Washington, D.C., Atlanta and Dallas. Each semi-finalist will receive a minimum cash prize of \$500. Regional winners will be awarded \$10,000 for first place, \$5,000 for second place and \$2,000 for third

place. The grand prize winner will receive a magical vacation to the Walt Disney World® Resort in Orlando, FL. And the opportunity to perform on stage with some of the biggest names in Christian music at Night of Joy at Walt Disney World® taking place Sept. 9 and 10, 2005.

"Through this competition Kellogg is celebrating the legends of gospel music, as well as bringing together some of the country's best young talent," said Jenny Enochson, Kellogg Company senior director of marketing communications. "To pay tribute to the impact African Americans churches have had on gospel music, we have selected historic church sites to host the competitions, and we've developed a special commemorative souvenir booklet, 'Great Moments in Gospel History.'"

This year Kellogg announces the participation of EMI Gospel recording

artist Kierra "KiKi" Sheard, who will serve as the competition's spokesperson and perform at the Gospel Sing Off regional semi-finals.

To enter the 2005 Kellogg's Gospel Sing Off Youth Choir Competition, contestants must submit an audio recording of their group along with submit one hundred (100) original UPC/bar codes from select Kellogg's®, Cheez-It®, Famous Amos®, or Keebler® products. Entries for the competition must be postmarked by Friday, May 6, 2005 and received no later than Friday, May 13. The semi-final events will take place in July 2005. For more information on the 2005 Kellogg's Gospel Sing Off Youth Choir Competition or to request an entry packet, please visit www.kelloggsgospel.org or call 1-866-305-4813.

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I became acquainted with Mr. DeWitt when I served as a volunteer on the Irving Schools Foundation Board as a member of the 1999 Leadership Irving class. As a woman of color, Owen has shown himself to be very approachable and willing to give everyone a fair opportunity to express their views. Our children attended school together and the DeWitt's home was always open to every child. I observed his leadership style at board meetings and found Mr. DeWitt to be a very capable decision maker. His recognition of Irving icons, witnessed by his championing to name the new Irving Elementary School - the Jackie Mae Townsend Elementary, is another example of Mr. DeWitt's desire to unite this community regardless of background, nationality or stage of life.

I encourage all voters to consider Owen DeWitt as the next Mayor of Irving. He definitely has my vote.

Nancy L. Jones - Resident of Irving - Parent

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Dallas Morning News

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discussed included the push for a so-called Real ID, the U.S. Senate's consideration to change the rules regarding filibusters and the impact of President George W. Bush's proposed changes to the Social Security system.

Dr. Lemus indicated the U.S. House of Representatives has already passed a bill, which will make it difficult for undocumented workers to obtain a driver's license. While proponents of the bill believe it will help in the fight against terrorism, opponents believe it will only drive potential suspects further underground. The additional danger is that those who prey on the fears and illegal status of undocumented workers will increase the abuse and mistreatment they impose. She encouraged attendees to contact their senator to ensure their voices are heard.

LULAC supported the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) in the 1990's; however they are currently opposed to the

Central American Free Trade Agreement. Dr. Lemus indicated reasons include the lack of infrastructure in Central American and the impact on Latinos jobs. Studies showed 30% of the workers displaced under NAFTA were Latino workers.



(L-R) Texas State Rep. Rafael Anchia (D), Texas State Senator Royce West (D), and Texas State Rep. Ray Allen (R) participate in a legislative panel discussion.

Nearly one hour was designated to state policy matters. A panel of Texas Legislators which included Texas State Senator Royce West (D), Representative Ray Allen (R), and Representative Rafael Anchia (D) led the discussion. The panel focused primarily on the current state of public education in Texas and the hot topic of vouchers. Senator West said the bill forwarded to the Senate by the House on education is a 300-page document, with a third of it focused on charter schools.

If a school is graded as a poor performer for two years, it can be turned over to a private team. One of Sen. West's key concerns is the lack of recourse. If a private company fails to turn around the schools' performance, their contract can continue to be renewed.

Sen. West would prefer to see a technical team sent in after one year of poor performance, provide an assessment and put an action plan in place, with necessary funding. "Then if they cannot turn it around they would begin to look at other solutions," suggested Sen. West.

When LULAC National President Hector Flores asked the

audience to raise their hands if they support vouchers, only Rep. Ray Allen did so. He contends like any marketplace, needed changes and improvements will only occur when competition exists. He said if we are not careful usage of the monopoly form of public education system will "lock them [students at poor performing schools] into a ghetto of poor education."

He stressed that he is not advocating a wholesale change, but seeks to set up a pilot system and following vigorous analysis of results, roll out to other locations.

Rep. Allen pointed out since 1995 the system has incurred an increase of 38% non-teaching positions, with many administrators earning salaries of

\$80,000 - \$100,000. He contends that while the business world has streamlined management, Texas public education has added layers. He closed with the suggestion that the system is "locked in a 1950's time-war and it is time for a change."

Rep. Rafael Anchia pointed out the Dallas Independent School District unsuccessfully tried privatization with the Edison Project. The schools in their control failed to match the performance of similar public schools in DISD.

State Senator Royce West discussed the accomplishments of the Top 10% legislation he co-authored in 1997. HB 588 passed into law in 1997, guarantees every Texas high school senior graduating in the top ten percent of his or her class automatic admission to any state college or university. This legislation sought to counteract the negative impact on the minority community of the removal of race-based preferences for entrance into colleges and universities in Texas

during the 1990's.

As a result of Top 10%, by the Fall 2005 semester the University of Texas at Austin's incoming freshmen class will be the most diverse class in the school's history. The forecasts are that up to 18% will be Hispanic, 17% Asian and 5% African American - resulting in a 40% minority freshman population. "The face of UT Austin is about to change and be more reflective of the state [population]," boasted Sen. West.

Rep. Anchia was also the keynote speaker for the afternoon luncheon. He is the son of immigrants and the product of an excellent public education system in Miami, Florida. He served on the DISD school board before winning election to the House of Representatives last November.

He encouraged the youth members of LULAC to continue their involvement reminding them, "Many have put in buckets

of sweat efforts," to allow them the opportunities they enjoy.

"You will become leaders in the community, churches and work. The quality of your character will open the doors," Rep. Anchia said as he ended his inspiring message.



Gabriela D. Lemus (LULAC Policy Director) provides a legislative update of laws passed under the Bush Administration impacting the Hispanic community.



Hector Flores (LULAC National President) raises questions regarding school vouchers and the education system.

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Church News



Sister Tarpley

Sunday I attended the 8:00 am Service at Christian Chapel CME Church Temple of Faith, Dr. Jerome McKel Jr., is the pastor. As always, I was blessed to hear a powerful message directly from the throne of God. I can't duplicate on paper the superior sermon and presentation of Rev. Fred Jones, but I believe this synopsis will bless your spirit, as it blessed mine. You can also call and order the full sermon on tape or CD.

By: Rev. Fred L. Jones, Associate Pastor
The choir completed the song, "The Potter wants to put you back together again," and after his opening prayer, Rev. Jones said, "Thank God for that classic song. Many children are taught a nursery rhyme that says, Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall, Humpty Dumpty had a great fall, all the king's horses and all the king's men couldn't put Humpty back together again." "The reason that they couldn't put him back was because they didn't make him in the first place, so what ever you are broken in, what ever you are broken from, and what ever is hurting, you must take it back to the one that can put you back together again."

"Trust in the Lord with all thy heart; and lean not unto thy own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy path." Proverbs 3:5-6 (KJV). I recommend that every believer, every Christian ought to read the book of Proverbs. It is a book of wisdom and wisdom that God gives us to live by; it is a navigation tool for us to live our lives by. All through the book of Proverbs you will find a word that will apply to your life. It is a book that will keep you from destruction. Everything in Proverbs relates to your success as a Christian; it's how you can move from pitiful to powerful.

One reason some Christians don't trust in the Lord with all their heart is that they have "Spiritual ADD (Attention Deficit Disorder)." They can't

Trusting God When It Just Don't Make Sense

keep their attention in one place; they move from subject to subject; and the disappointments are to prepare and make you stronger for where God is going to take you. God wants to move you to a place that you've never been before; a place where people can't explain, they can't figure out; one that they can't do a formula on. You are wondering why God is only speaking to you, it's because God has given you a DNA, and a finger print that the blessings that He has for you, doesn't have anything to do with anyone else.

That's the thing about faith; you know that you have been in situations that only God could have directed you in and out of. Faith will take you places that your body, your money, your family, and your education can't take you. Faith will take you through situations that the devil tried to send for you, but because of your faith and trust in God, He allowed you to move forward.

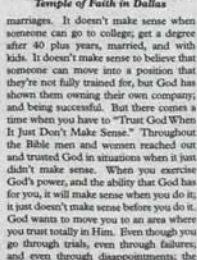
Don't get so comfortable that you stop trusting and depending on God. Some Christians think that it's all right to fully trust God when everything is going well, but when you lose your job, when your health starts failing, when you lose your car, and your faith starts to fail, and doubt comes in. There are times when God will drop something in your comfort zone just to get you to trust Him again.

Every Christian needs a GPA: 1) Get a successful Grip on your prayer. 2) Get a Position to receive your blessings. 3) Get in Alignment with God. When you have improved your GPA, God will allow you to be successful every time. "Trust God in everything, because, 'Great Is Thy Faithfulness'" Lamentations 3:23b (KJV).

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Picture of The Week
Rev. & Mrs. Fred L. (Janice) Jones at Christian Chapel CME Church Temple of Faith in Dallas



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GREENVILLE AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST (GACOC)

May 7, 8:00 am - 1:30 pm
GACOC will host our 20th Annual Adolescent and Ladies Symposium. Our theme is "Twenty Years at The Cross." This FREE symposium includes a continental breakfast, luncheon, and prizes galore. For early registration and further information, please call 972-644-2335.

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1013 S. Greenville Avenue
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972-644-2335

KELLER SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

May 1, 11:00 am
Come and help us celebrate Senior Pastor, Larry J. Sanders and Family's 5th Anniversary for their 50th year of service. Our theme is, "It's Your Season." The scripture is 1 Timothy 4:2-5. For more information, please call 972-735-8077.

Keller Springs Baptist Church
Rev. Larry Sanders, Senior Pastor
3227 Keller Spring Road
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MESQUITE FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

May 21, 7:00 pm
Every 2nd and 4th Sunday
After our 11:00 am Service, we have a blood pressure screening that is available to all.

Your youth will present a Musical Celebration unto the Lord in songs and dancing. Please join us. For more information, contact Rev. Johnnie Bradley @ 972-329-5030, Ext. 26.

Mesquite Friendship BC
Rev. Terry Turner, Pastor
2232 Franklin Drive
Mesquite, TX 75150
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MT. HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH (THE MOUNT)

April 30, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm
We will have a garage sale in our Academy parking lot; there will be clothes, shoes, appliances, etc. Donations will be accepted on site from 7:15 am to 8:00 am. For detailed information, please call Carolyn Primm @ 972-272-8095.

Mt. Hebron BC (The Mount)
Rev. Leonard Leach, Pastor
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Operation Oasis sponsors a program that assists youth that are at-risk, and ex-offenders returning to society. The program's goals are to change lives of the formerly incarcerated person, to increase safety, and to spiritually fortify our communities. For more details about this wonderful project, please contact Juanita Lee, Administrative Assistant at 972-437-3801 or call Toll Free at 1-800-370-0318 (376-2747).

Each Saturday through May

5:30 am - 11:30 am
NDCBF's Christian Education Department will start their Session 2, Saturday Morning Courses: 1) Evangelism and Discipleship 2) Advanced Bible Study Methods 3) Proverbs and Ecclesiastes: Wisdom for the World, and 4) FDIC Money Smart.

Each Tuesday through May 18, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

NDCBF will start their Session 2, Tuesday Evening Courses: 1) Issues & Answers: A Biblical Perspective 2) Biblical Business Development Christian Ethics 3) The Book of Acts: From Religion to Relationship 4) Bible Study Methods (formerly named How to Study the Bible) 5) The Gospel: Matthew, Mark, Luke and John 6) The Origin and Development of the Black Church: 1600-Present.

For further information about NDCBF's Christian Education Department and registration fees, please contact Associate Pastor T. Roche Coleman, Th.M. at 972-437-3437, Ext. 102.

North Dallas Community Bible Fellowship in Richardson
Dr. Leslie W. Smith, Senior Pastor
1010-1020 South Sherman Street
Richardson, TX 75081
972-437-3493

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May 7, 10:00 am
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Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship Church
Dr. Anthony Evans, Pastor
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Manhattan. The evening, accompanied by a Seder meal of Middle Eastern, African and East European dishes, accented the Jewish community's diversity in New York.

Among black Jews, "you see the flavor of Jewish culture in a way you might not have seen before, when it was just black and white, so to speak... as in, Christians and non-Christians," says McCoy, 33, who is black and raised in Brooklyn's Crown Heights neighborhood, where she studied in a yeshiva with other Orthodox Jews.

At home now with her husband in St. Louis, a physician and Jewish convert, she plans to serve collard greens at the family Passover meal, replacing the pork with beef fried like bacon.

The feast honors her Southern great-grandmother, who followed black traditions while embracing Judaism and renaming herself and her children after Old Testament figures.

The harmonious mix also raises the dilemma of black-Jewish relations today.

The civil rights era made Jews and blacks close allies, but incidents like the Crown Heights riots of 1991 have put a heavy strain on the ties between the groups... a paradox to McCoy.

"Jews have been oppressed. And African-Americans have been oppressed," she says. "When a soul endures, there's something very beautiful in its music. It's not just oppression, but the spirit of joy that overcomes oppression... something so powerful that it's explosive."

At the "Liberation Seder," that spirit came in a variety of tones.

Five non-Jewish young men from Sudan, orphaned when

their parents were killed in that African nation's civil war, performed the music of their "exodus" for an audience celebrating the flight of the Jews that is at the heart of Passover.

Then Nelson took a turn, singing "Mi Chamocha" — meaning in Hebrew, "Who is like you, God?"

He inspired people to clap and dance to his ecstatic fusion of spiritual tunes, Motown and Jewish lyrics, his rich voice equally at ease in a cantorial wail and in hard-driving gospel. "I let people know it's all right to enjoy, to put their whole bodies into it," he says.

Winfrey's mother, Vernita Lee, met Nelson four years ago, through a mutual friend, and was so dazzled by his high-octave delivery that she introduced him to her daughter... after serving him the Southern collard green recipe Nelson is making for Passover (with red hot peppers, instead of the ham hocks).

Last fall, Nelson appeared on "Oprah," with the show's host joking that he doesn't sing "Oh Happy Day" — but "Oy Happy Day." He's been on programs with Wynton Marsalis, Aretha Franklin and the late jazz greats Cab Calloway and Dizzy Gillespie.

He's sung at the Globe Arena in Stockholm to a crowd of 30,000, New York's Lincoln Center Jazz Festival and in Selma, Ala., for President Clinton, Coretta King and an audience of 10,000 marking the Voters Rights Act of 1965.

It was the sound of Jackson's recorded voice that first seduced Nelson when he was 8, living in Brooklyn with five siblings; their

father worked as a truck driver, and their mother was a nurse. The fascination with Jackson's voice lasted after he graduated from Newark's Performing Arts High School and went on to sing at the funeral of another graduate, Sarah Vaughan.

While attending Hebrew University in Jerusalem, he started blending Hebrew texts with gospel melodies — or arranging Jewish hymns in gospel style, resulting in solo CDs like "Hebrew Soul."

He occasionally sings a real Christian gospel hymn — "for historical purposes" — but his "Kosher gospel" avoids any mention of Jesus.

For Passover, Nelson planned to worship at Ahavah Achim B'nai Jacob and David in West Orange, N.J., where the Orthodox rituals and music are closer to the Sephardic traditions of American Jews with roots in Africa, as well as Iran, Iraq and Syria. Nelson teaches Hebrew at Temple Sharey Tefel-Israel in South Orange, N.J., a Reform synagogue his family had attended while living nearby.

"Being Jewish is not a race, it's a culture and a religion," says Nelson, who believes the earliest Jews were "dark-skinned Semites, speaking a language indigenous to Africa."

Nelson says he resents the suggestion "that we need to come back to our faith," as one black minister put it.

"I told him, it's weird the way black Christians look at us as sort of strange. We came off the boat Jews. You didn't come off the boat Christians. Your faith was given to you by a slavemaster."

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PILGRIM REST BAPTIST CHURCH

April 25 - 29, 2005

Spring Revival with guest minister, Rev. Ralph West, Brookhollow Baptist Church in Houston, TX.

April 30, 6:00 pm

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May 1, 2005

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May 8, 10:45 am

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May 15, 5:30 pm

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May 21, 8:00 am

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May 22, 3:30 pm

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May 25, 7:15 pm

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From the desk of Dallas Mayor Laura Miller, Councilman Leo Chavez will present the "Key to the City of Dallas" and a proclamation to the keynote speaker, Jeff Bezos.

For more information, contact Minsha Shabazz, Public Relations Director @ 817-930-0469 or Deborah Williams, Founder @ 214-500-2115.

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