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People In The News



Dr. Jean 'Jon' Carron, chancellor of the Dallas County Community College, has announced the appointment of Dr. Andrew Jones as the system's new vice chancellor for educational affairs. Members of the DCCC board of trustees approved the appointment during the group's regular monthly meeting in July. Dr. Jones, who began work on Aug. 15 for DCCC, has served as president of the Community College of Baltimore - Catonsville since 1999.

"I am delighted to return to Texas, the Dallas County Community College and my many friends and colleagues in the system," said Jones.

The new vice chancellor previously served as executive vice president for academic and student affairs at Cedar Valley College, one of seven individually accredited institutions in DCCC, the system educates more than 63,000 credit and 27,000 non-credit students each semester.

Dr. Jones has served as president and professor of education at Southern-Douglas College in Baltimore, Md., as executive assistant to the president and associate professor at Talladega (Ala.) College, and as assistant professor of continuing and adult education, assistant dean of students and sports information director at Coppin State University, also located in Baltimore.

His honors and awards include listings with Distinguished Black Marylanders, the International Directory of Distinguished Leaders, Who's Who in America, Men of Achievement, Outstanding Young Men of America, Community Leaders and Noteworthy Americans.

We are proud this week to feature one of our own, Sister Shirley Demus Tarpley, Religious Editor at MONT-The Gazette.

"Sister Tarpley" will be featured as the keynote speaker at the closing of a Leader "San August 27th. Sister Tarpley will deliver a vital message of "A Teachers Expectation" in coordination with the conference, theme of "Encouraging Youth to Develop Leadership Abilities."

The conference is free and will be held from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. at McKinney Fellowship Bible Church. It is sponsored by Neighbor to Neighbor Ministries and McKinney Fellowship.

Sister Tarpley who is the mother of two and the grandmother of four, has made it one of her life's missions to help those in need and to steer youth in the right direction.

"My expectation is that each person will reach their ultimate potential by seeking God's guidance for their life," she said.

A retired teacher since 1996, Sister Tarpley, has a B.S. degree in Business Education from Prairie View University, and a master's degree from SMU. She began her career as a school teacher at the Dallas Independent School District, and later integrated two Carrollton high schools, R.L. Turner and Newman Smith.

Sister Tarpley plans to continue her quest of helping others and developing youth from "learners today, into leaders tomorrow."



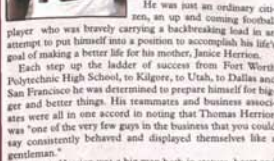
Area pastor and San Francisco offensive lineman Thomas Harrison collapsed in the locker room and died Sunday morning, shortly after the 49ers played the Denver Broncos in a preseason game. He was 23.

His name was not a household word, he was not a community leader or one of the famous members of society.

He was not an ordinary citizen, an up and coming football player who was bravely carrying a backbreaking load in an attempt to put himself into a position to accomplish his life's goal of making a better life for his mother, Janice Harrison.

Each step up the ladder of success from Fort Worth Polytechnic High School, to Kilgore, to Utah, to Dallas and San Francisco he was determined to prepare himself for bigger and better things. His teammates and business associates were all in one accord in noting that Thomas Harrison was "one of the very few guys in the business that you could say consistently behaved and displayed themselves like a gentleman."

Thomas Harrison was a big man both in stature, heart and soul. The bland statistics in his resume about his prowess and many honors achieved on the athletic field do not define him; they merely embellish the endless continuum and uniqueness that was Thomas Harrison.



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New Century Mortgage Sponsors Habitat House in Douglass Community of Plano



The Awa Family-Sophia, Tessim, Abdu, Samaya and Asma listen as Khalid Awa reads a letter of thanks for their new home to Habitat for Humanity.

For the Abdu M. Awa family, a dream has been realized thanks to the sponsorship of New Century Mortgage Corporation. On Sunday, August 21st a dedication was held for Abdu Awa and his family to commemorate their move into a house at 1129 F Avenue in the Douglass Community of Plano, Texas.

Representatives of the New Century Mortgage Corporation, City of Plano, and Plano Area

Habitat for Humanity were on hand for the dedication.

Mr. Awa came to the U.S. from Ethiopia in 1981 when he was sponsored by a family friend during one of the many famines that ravish that part of Africa. He is a cab driver for Cowboy Cab company and has been for a number of years. He presently lives with his family in East Dallas in a neighborhood that they will be glad to leave except for their few close friends. The two older children, son Khalid 11, and daughter Asma, 6 have already started school in Plano. The younger two girls, — Samaya, 3 and Tessim 2, are still at home with their mother, Sophia.

Mr. Awa, members of his family and friends contributed

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Uncovering Media Coverage

By James Clinegan - NNPA Columnist

During an appearance on America's Black Forum, which dealt with the sale of Black-owned businesses to White companies, we discussed the recent sale of Essence magazine to Time-Warner. I made the point that it is vital for conscious Black Americans to own and control media outlets in order to tell our own stories and to report the news from a Black perspective. We complain a lot about the portrayal of Black people by dominant media outlets, but we continue to support them, and we continue to sell our or use them to perpetuate the stereotypical images of ourselves with daily (and nightly) buffoonery.

A glaring example of this is the following observation by Frank W. Quillian in 1940: "When a Negro commits a crime the newspapers always emphasize his race connection by such headlines as 'A Big Black Bully Brute of Negro' does such and such, and the whole race gets a share of the blame; while if the crime is committed by a white man, race is not mentioned, and the individual gets the blame."

Have things changed from that scenario? Nearly 100 years later, Black folks in this country

are still subjected to the same treatment in dominant media. But we already know that, don't we? The points I want to make in this article are two recent observations, which you may have also noticed in USA Today.

The first was a story on how folks in Lexington, Kentucky perceived George Bush titled, "Taking the Pulse of Bush's America." The writer interviewed several persons, and several photos accompanied the piece. The striking part of the article for me was the photo of a Black woman talking to her grand daughter in front of a housing project called Bluegrass-Aspendale. The caption under the photo of 2 year-old Amoni Price and her grandmother, Jackie Price, stated, "Drugs, Crime, Vices."

The subliminal and obvious

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Rapper Kanye West Speaks Out for Gay and Lesbian Fairness

Rap musician Kanye West speaks out against homophobia on an MTV special set to air tonight saying hip-hop is supposed to be about "breaking down barriers, but everyone in hip-hop discriminates against gay people." West was prompted to speak out on anti-gay bias in hip-hop, and his own, after learning that his cousin is gay.

"West is taking a stand for millions of Americans who struggle with discrimination every day," said Human Rights Campaign President Joe Solmonese. "From schoolyards to popular music, the word 'gay' is used as a way to put people down and mark them as different. His message of toler-



ance and inclusion reminds Americans that discrimination has no place in this country."

According to an Associated Press story, West said, "Not

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Wrong Budget Choice for Children

By Marlon Wright Edelman

The budget fight is not over. As the summer winds down, the next few weeks are critical. In April, Congress passed a budget resolution that will cut critical services for vulnerable children while giving extravagant tax benefits to the wealthiest Americans. Over the past four years, Congress has bestowed \$3 trillion in tax cuts that benefit the most affluent among us most. Now Congress wants to provide another \$106 billion in tax cuts that will go overwhelmingly to the wealthy.

At the same time that the rich are getting more huge tax breaks, the federal deficit is at an all-time high as is the gap between rich and poor and child poverty and infant mortality have increased. And the same leaders who want to give more government welfare to billionaires and millionaires are proposing budget cuts and freezes to crucial children and family health care, food stamps, child care, and housing programs

Some of the best experts on how these budget cuts would affect children and youths are youths themselves. At a New York City Youth Speak Out and Hearing sponsored by the Children's Defense Fund-New York City, and 20 co-sponsoring groups, young people from across the city spoke about how the proposed budget cuts could affect them, especially cuts to after-school programs that help many of them gain leadership skills and stay out of trouble. Here are just a few of their statements.

Eighteen-year-old Dominique, a

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When Did Competition Become A Bad Thing?

By: Paul Bailey

One of the most difficult things to explain to any visitor or newcomer to Texas is the insanity that is the Wright Amendment.

The first thing they are going to ask is why did you have to drive all the way to Irving to pick them up when there is a perfectly good airport in Dallas just minutes from where you live.

On the long drive home, you can explain why a federal law that in 1979 banned national air traffic from Love Field to protect the new DFW airport is still necessary in 2005. Particularly when DFW is the second largest airport in the world in terms of landings and the third busiest in terms of flight operations. In order to make your point you may have to omit the fact that

DFW served 53 million passengers last year from 140 gates, and is growing.

There are not a lot of ways to explain to your visitor that due to American Airlines' monopoly at DFW, consumers in North Texas pay an average business fare that is 48 percent higher than at other airports across America. This, while the number one domestic low-fare air carrier in the U.S. (Southwest Airlines), can't offer nationwide service and is restricted to flying direct only to the states that border Texas. You might not want to tell them Southwest has consistently provided low fares and fast, efficient service from Love Field for 34 years while American Airlines holds its passengers hostage by making them pay

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The Farrakhan Challenge

By: George E. Curry

NNPA Columnist

Nation of Islam Minister Louis Farrakhan created a stir recently when he agreed with a controversial statement made by Mexico's president about immigrants taking low-paying jobs that even African-Americans don't want.

Speaking in Milwaukee earlier this month, Farrakhan said, "Vincent Fox was not wrong when he said the Mexican takes jobs that even Blacks in America don't want."

Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton accused Fox of being insensitive and flew to Mexico to tell him so in person. They met with Fox on separate days, holding their own news conference to recount their conversations with Fox. Even after the visits, Fox did not back down from his original statement. Subsequently, he supported the issuance of Mexican stamps that had stereotypical images of Black people that was far more insulting than his original statement.

Having witnessed first-hand

how Farrakhan's words have been distorted in the past, I decided to request a copy of the Milwaukee speech from the Nation of Islam. They sent me a CD and DVD of the speech overnight so I could hear

Minister Farrakhan's words for myself.

According to a recording of Farrakhan's speech, he asked: "Why are you so foolishly sensitive when somebody is telling the truth?" He drew laughter when he told the audience, "You picked cotton so long, you don't want to see a farm. Even if you own it, you get away from it."

I, too, thought the Vincent Fox incident was overblown and said so in one of my regular appearances.

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Millions More Movement Ramping for October March

As with the Million Man March, Minister Louis Farrakhan will play a role in coordinating the Millions More Movement, which, according to a spokesperson, will be spearheaded by a who's who of Black leaders. It is being billed as a more inclusive successor to the October 1995 march, as conveners are encouraging women and gays to attend.

"This will be a coalition of national leaders working to create a framework that goes beyond just marching to actually making fundamental changes," Millions More Movement spokesperson Chae Carrier told BlackAmericaWeb.com.

The Millions More Movement, which will take place the weekend of October 14 in the nation's capitol, will provide Black people with an opportunity to do something greater for their community, said Dr. Ronald Walters, a political science professor at the University of Maryland.

"This gives us an opportunity to do something significant, beyond bringing Black people to the Mall," Walters said, referring to the popular downtown Washington area long known for hosting rallies, demonstrations and similar events. "We ought to use this time and take

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Hamilton Park 50th Year School Wide Reunion



(L to R) Gwen Jackson - Scholarship Chair, Danielle Duffey - Scholarship Recipient, David Tyson - Richardson Independent School District, Board of Trustees



Hamilton Park Community participants converse.



Former Teachers of Hamilton Park School



Hamilton Park 50th Year Reunion attendees reminisce before dinner.



Janet Ellis Marrett, Vice President of Human Resources and Administrative Services of DaimlerChrysler



Ray Robinson, Atlanta GA

On August 13th, nearly 400 people crowded the Westin Park Central Hotel Ballroom in Dallas for the 50th Year School Wide Reunion of Hamilton Park School. Guest speakers included Janet Ellis Marrett, Vice President of DaimlerChrysler and Ray Robinson of Atlanta Georgia, both former students of Hamilton Park.

It was a night of gathering with former classmates, great

entertainment and giving back to the community.

Hamilton Park was the first community of new homes built in the city of Dallas for African Americans during the early fifties. In 1955, Hamilton Park School opened its doors as the only African American School in the Richardson Independent School District. In 1970, by court order, the Richardson ISD School District was forced to integrate the historically all black school, busing students from the black neighborhood of 750

homes, to the white suburbs of Richardson, Texas to attend public schools. The school building still remains as a magnet elementary school for Richardson ISD and since been renamed as Hamilton Park Pacesetters.

Beginning in 1987, a School Wide Reunion is held every two years to remember and honor the graduates and former students that attended the all black school.

On August 13, 2005, the first of two annual scholarships of Hamilton Park were given in appreciation to former teachers who helped educate many black students in north Dallas during the early fifties and late sixties.

The two annual scholarship award recipients for 2005 are Ms. Danielle Duffey, (who is attending Prairie View A&M University), and Ms. Ava Hanks (who is attending Spelman College). Both recipients were awarded \$1000 scholarships.

Corporate Sponsors for the Hamilton Park 50th Year School Wide Reunion included Texas Instruments, Inc., Daimler Chrysler, North Dallas Bank and Trust Co. and Williams Funeral Directors Corporation.

Mid-Cities Texas Chapter, The Links, Inc. Hosts "Round XIII: A Knock-Out Affair"



(L to R) Gloria Lockett (Vice Pres of Programs), Beverly Lyle (Financial Secretary), Andre Doyle (Corresponding Secretary), Roslyn Thibodeaux Fitch (President) sitting, Marilyn Stevens (Treasurer), and Marneise Elden.



(L to R) Erica Smith Buchanan, Michael Williams, Texas Railroad Commissioner, his wife Mrs. Donna Williams, and Guyon Smith



(L to R) Faye Barbadele (Past President -1993-1997), Roslyn Thibodeaux Fitch (President), and Carol Hensley Little (Past President -1997-2001).



(L to R) Roslyn Thibodeaux Fitch (President), presents the presidents award to Dorothy Mason (Tiffany & Company).



The Links Incorporated - Mid Cities Texas Chapter.



(L to R) Derrick James and Andrew Greely square off in the heavy weight bout.

On Saturday, August 20 at the Fairmont Hotel, Dallas, the Mid-Cities Texas Chapter of The Links, Incorporated hosted the organization's annual fund-raiser *A Knock-Out Affair: Black-Tie Boxing Event*.

The black-tie affair featured musical entertainment, dancing, dinner, live professional boxing and an auction/raffle featuring numerous prizes. Proceeds from the event will

benefit the Mid-Cities Texas Chapter's award-winning Senior Prescription Assistance Program coordinated through community partners in Irving and Grand Prairie to assist mature adults in securing their prescription medicines, the Sallye Moore Scholarship Fund, the Boys and Girls Club of Grand Prairie, The Circle Girls Leadership Program and other community service programs.



(L to R) Roslyn Thibodeaux Fitch (President), and (R) Co-Chairman, Sponsors, Ron and Karen Spencer.

Around The Town

On Going

Plano City Council meets on the second and fourth Monday of every month for a 5:00PM workshop and at 7:00PM for a regular meeting. At the Municipal Center, 1520 Avenue K.

The North Dallas Business Professionals Networking After Business Hours - Wednesdays at Django on the Parkway, Addison, 5100 Beltline Rd, 6p.m. - 9 p.m.

Housing Crisis Center of Collin County offers free legal education and representation to renters and landlords. Weekly workshops are at 1:30 p.m. Mondays at Frisco Family Service Center, 8780 Third St. in Frisco; 6p.m. Tuesdays at Douglass Recreation Center, 1111 H Ave. in Plano Call 972-941-7174

Corcoran Gallery of Art presents the Gordon Parks Half Past Autumn Exhibit at the Dallas Museum of Art, through September 4th.

August 25

Grandmaster of Funk George Clinton Benefit Concert for music Education in Dallas schools. The performance is at Django on the Parkway in Addison. Call 214-352-1881.

Comedian Bruce Bruce, former host of BET's 10th Anniversary Comic View, hits the stage at the Addison Improv, 4980 Beltline Road, Suite 250, Addison. For more information, call 972-404-0323

August 27

The Kerr Beach Step Show & After Party at the University of North Texas in Denton at 6:06.

Dallas Metroplex Council of Black Alumni Associations will be hosting its 11th Annual Jimmy Walker Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament at the Mesquite Golf Course with an 8p.m. tee time. Call 972-412-5169.

Free health fair sponsored by the NAACP of Mesquite & Pathway of Life Church from 10:00-2:00p.m. Loc-ated at Pathway of Life Church 8510 Military Pkwy in Dallas. Call 214-275-7284. Unity Concepts Presents:

Spoken Word Vibe Fest "Free Community Festival" located at The Black Forrest Theatre 1920 Martin Luther King Blvd. For more information please contact Kamillah at (469) 235-9028 or Keitwanna (214) 924-5530 or visitonline : www.poet.sunite.org.

VISIONS: The 15th Annual Women's Expo, complete with everything you need to know about being a woman, a fashion show, a teen talent competition and vendors to shop till you drop, will be held on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Dallas Market Hall, 2200 Stemmons Freeway. For more information, call 972-504-6358 or visit www.adjuvant.expos.com/visions.

Through August 28 Origins Spa, Tea Room and Garden presents "Self Day" at North Park on for complimentary facials stress management, foot reflexology, yoga, chair massages and refreshments. Call 214-265-7116. Calling all Poets to win \$1000 dollars in cash in a poetry/spoken word competition at the Rose Marine

Theater on the 27 at Fort Worth and on the 28th which is the finally at 5th Avenue Soul Sunday in Addison, 14775 Midway Road. Call Michael Guinn at 817-937-8301 or pick up tickets at Joakes African American books.

NTHEKNOW.com presents Pre-Labor Day Private Boat Escape party. Call 972-577-4483.

August 29

Party Under the Stars, a Hollywood-themed night of gourmet Southwestern food, music, dancing, auctions and casino games to benefit Big Brothers and Big Sisters of North Texas, will be held from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. at The Studios at Las Colinas, 6301 Riverside Drive, Irving. For ticket prices and more information, call 817-277-1148.

September 1

The Black Firefighters Association of Dallas will host its 1st Annual Youth Basketball Tournament for boys and girls 12 and under. The deadline for enrollment is September 1. For more information, contact Sharone Mims at 214-808-5605 or Louie Bright at 469-323-5805.

The Visiting Nurse Association will be hosting a bereavement luncheon from noon to 1:30p.m. at the Saturn Road Church of Christ on 3030 Garland Road. Call 214-689-2609 or 214-689-2922.

September 5

11th Annual WRR Picnic in the Park at the Dallas Arboretum, 8525 Garland Road at 7 p.m. Call 214-670-8558.

September 6

Colin Powell, former secretary of state for the Bush Administration, will speak at the SMU Tate lecture series to begin at 8 p.m. in McFarlin Auditorium at SMU, 6425 Boaz Lane. For more information, call Suzy Brack at 214-768-8283 or visit www.smu.edu.

September 10

The Dallas Metroplex Council of Black Alumni Associations (DMCBAA) is hosting its annual Fall College Fair at the New Mt. Zion Baptist Church Family Life Center located at 8835 Stults Road, in Dallas from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Contact Maxine Luster at 214-662-4384 or 972-416-3027.

September 17

The Women's International Network will be hosting their 3rd networking meeting of 2005 at the Homewood Suites at 2601 W. George Bush Turnpike in Plano from 9:00a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Special guest inspirational speaker Mary Hughes will be their to help uplift and empower. The cost will be \$9.00 per person and includes a full breakfast buffet (served from 9:00 a.m.-10:15 a.m.). Call 972-881-3339.

September 22

The University of North Texas Division of Equity and Diversity invites you to discover the power of diversity as it presents "Patti LaBelle: Her Life, Her Story." LaBelle will be a guest speaker on the UNT Denton campus Sept. 22 (Thursday) at the Coliseum, located on the corner of Highland Street and North Texas Boulevard. LaBelle is the first in a series of distinguished presenters that the division will host during the 2005-2006 school year.

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THE TRUTH CLINIC

Is NCLB Dismantling Public Education?

By James W. Breedlove

As the nation's school bells begin to ring students and parents prepare for a new school year with high expectations of receiving a quality education. In many communities they will find the public education system under attack with schools stagnating because of ongoing financial troubles and political posturing that undermines the quality educational services.

Unstable labor relations, decaying buildings and facilities, administrative apparatus that is typically inefficient and preoccupied with rules and regulations, classrooms without adequate books and supplies, teachers hobbled by routine paperwork because assistants have been eliminated, and an array of social problems that overwhelm school personnel are just some of major issues confronting public schools. The learning and teaching conditions have degenerated so badly that many teachers acknowledge that their role is little more than babysitter.

The Federal No Child Left Behind law (NCLB) of 2002 may go down in history as the most unpopular piece of education legislation ever created. It has been criticized for setting impossibly high standards, while simultaneously reducing funding to meet the standards. NCLB is a Trojan horse for those who challenge the very notion of a public school system. It is a tool designed not to strengthen our schools but a ticking time bomb set to destroy them as the punitive sanctions of the NCLB law are implemented.

Piling NCLB requirements with the resultant funding shortfall on top of the existing state testing that was already assuming nightmarish proportions is producing more education collateral damage.

Unlike other countries, where school funding is central and equal, school funding in the United States is local and unequal. The richest communities in the United States spend at least 10 times more per pupil than the poorest. This disparity

contributes to an achievement gap that is wider than in any other industrialized nation.

Consequently, the odds are extremely high that our most disadvantaged young people will drop out of school, and the odds are very low that they will be employed. Less than half of recent dropouts are likely to find jobs and, if the dropout is African American or Hispanic, the odds are only one in four, thus setting them up for the school-to-prison pipeline when they cannot become productive members of society.

The reality is that regardless of the experimentation and modification that may go on with NCLB, it simply cannot deliver on its stated goal of a quality education.

The NCLB Act, though well intentioned, threatens to make matters worse. While

requiring more and more high-stakes testing, NCLB does not require schools to provide adequate or equitable resources to meet students' needs. We continue to confuse test scores with quality schooling, even though there is no evidence that high scores on these tests predict anything about a child's success in life after school.

Rather than being helped to improve the education they provide, underfunded schools already hard hit by budget cuts since the Act was passed—stand to lose even more money if their students do not score well on tests.

Even worse, the incentives NCLB provides schools to boost test scores have begun to exacerbate the current surge in grade retention, and in dropout rates, for low-income, minority, and special-needs students. If left unchanged, NCLB will deflect resources from teaching and learning into intensive testing of students, ranking of schools, busing, and legal fees. In the next few years, most of the nation's public schools could be labeled "failing" under NCLB's punitive criteria—even when student achievement in those schools is improving. This could threaten the very foundation of public education and deflect attention from the plight of

the most needy schools to the need for privatization.

If we really want to leave no child behind, there needs to be a renewed federal commitment to schools in cities and poor rural areas. We need to invest in programs like those that were in place during the 1970s, when we began to close the funding gap and the achievement gap for low-income children. At that time, before budget cuts sliced the federal share of education funding from more than 12 percent to half that level, funds were targeted to needy schools for teacher training and recruitment, and to magnet schools, preschools, after-school programs, and special education support.

While some complain about the ineffectiveness of federal programs, evidence shows that quality preschool programs, effective reading programs, and stronger teacher training make a difference in educational opportunity and achievement for urban and poor rural students. Full funding of these types of programs that give a high return on the investment would go a long way toward helping schools meet the needs of our children and the expectations of our society.

But right wing politicians and their conservative masters want to reestablish an education system based on class and privilege and dismantling public education is part of a larger political agenda.

In effect, the very nature of teaching and learning is rapidly being transformed, from an essentially creative and spontaneous activity to a mechanical process that is purposeless, dehumanizing and focused on standardized testing. The ultimate function of test is to witch-hunt "non-performing" schools (i.e., those in poor and minority neighborhoods) in order to justify school closures and attacks on teachers.

The closing down of the Wilmer-Hutchins school district in suburban Dallas is just one example of the NCLB program's process of dismantling public schools.

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New York Times Launches 'Black' Newspaper This Week

By Stacia Vaughn Cherrin
Special to the NNPA from the
Westside Gazette

Hoping to cash in on the billions in African American spending power, the Gainesville Sun, a subsidiary of the New York Times launches the Gainesville Guardian this week. However, local owners of African American periodicals in Gainesville are worried the paper will siphon off the already weak advertising dollars they have worked for years to gain.

Aimed at the predominantly African-American community on the east side of Gainesville, the weekly publication estimates a circulation of approximately 10,000. Owned and financed by the New York Times Regional Group, the Guardian has its own team of reporters. "It's an independent broadsheet newspaper," said Editor Charlotte Roy.

Over the past year, the Gainesville Sun held focus groups with Black business and community leaders to gauge their support of the paper. Roy has also been speaking to local church and community groups. Many, including local politicians, are rallying behind the new paper. "There is no Gainesville based African-American or community newspaper serving the East side. It's a large area," she said.

In the wake of many African-American owned media outlets, such as Black Entertainment Television and Essence magazine, that have been gobbled up by White owned conglomerates, African-American media owners wonder if this is a wave of the future.

"It's not so much a mockery, as it is an economic problem. Money and advertising dollars are going into a White-owned, Black represented newspaper. The dollars aren't circulating in our community. Many White advertisers don't advertise in Black-owned papers because they figure we will buy

their products anyway," said the owner of Mahogany Revue, Candace Lewis-Khufia.

For 17 years, Lewis-Khufia has published the bi-weekly Mahogany Revue magazine, serving the Gainesville and Ocala areas with local, state, national news and features. She was based in Gainesville for 12 years but relocated to Ocala in 1999. She and Charles Gotsen, the long-time publisher of the Black College Monthly and the African-American Voters Guide, are disappointed that local businesses are supporting the new paper.

"If you're getting together, it should be to enhance your Black community. We are competing for the same dollars they will go after. It's like a White contracting company fronting the 51 percent minority ownership of a business to get minority contracts. The Gainesville Sun has a paper for every White area. If they were truly interested in reporting news that pertains to us, why don't they incorporate Black news into their regular publications?" said Gotsen.

Although Gotsen has published the Black College Monthly for 22 years and the African-American Voters Guide for 14 years, he and Lewis-Khufia have been hard pressed to garner real support from Black advertisers.

"We get less than 1 percent of the advertising. The White-owned Gainesville Today gets about 90 percent of their advertising. Even lawyers don't advertise. It's a climate we've created. We have a lot of opinion of ourselves. Now they'll advertise. It's easier for them to write a check when a White man asks them," he said.

"How can we fight it or call it discrimination if everyone is behaving like a minister with the Faith Missionary Baptist Church, 300 members strong, was quoted as saying the Guardian will give more coverage to news that will empower people with job opportunities, educational resources and provide

positive coverage from an African-American perspective. We don't support our own. The same people who are so dismayed by this are the same people we have offered to write for us or send in news. They are also the same ones who don't have a subscription to the Mahogany Revue. Why aren't they saying we don't want this?" said Lewis-Khufia.

According to Gotsen, a native of Gainesville, there hasn't been any segregation in the news since the 1960s. Gainesville's mainstream media is sorely lacking in diversity. Of the 91 employees at TV 20 in Gainesville, only four are Black. "They recently fired a Black anchor and the only full-time person at TV 20 quit a month ago," he said.

In addition to lack of Black business advertising support, White-owned businesses that advertised in the current Black-owned publications will certainly find it easier to advertise in the Guardian. Supporters of the Gainesville Guardian were writing checks for a year's subscription. Some who had previously pledged advertising dollars to the Black College Monthly are saying they are being forced to advertise in the new paper.

"They don't realize the magnitude of the door they have just opened. What is the difference between a Black-owned magazine presenting news in the Black fashion and a White-owned magazine presenting Black news? They are fostering prejudice. Because the White media has come up with this idea, now it's something beautiful," said Lewis-Khufia.

Added Gotsen, "They are taking money out of our pockets. They don't have any respect for what others have done. It's the ultimate disrespect. We're still suffering from the slave mentality that the White man's ice is colder."

Where Do You Want To Go Today?

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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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Bad Competition Page 1

high fares in cities where they do not compete with a low fare carrier.

You are going to have to become rather creative to get the newcomer to understand how Republicans, which pride themselves on promoting free market capitalism, continue to support nonsensical, protectionist legislation which creates an unnatural monopoly in a "deregulated" industry.

You can tell your guest that the major argument against repeal of the Wright Amendment is that the increased competition will eliminate jobs at DFW and American Airlines. Be prepared, however, if your guest chooses to point out that many big metropolitan areas, including New York, Los Angeles,

Chicago, Houston, and Washington, have extensive service from two or more airports. You may also have problems if they ask you why, a few miles down I-45, Houston's George Bush Intercontinental Airport seems to do just fine competing with an unrestricted Houston Hobby Airport.

Things might get ugly if your guest argues that high airfares to Dallas have discouraged the attraction of new businesses to the city according to the Dallas Convention and Visitors Bureau. Or if they argue that forcing American to compete with the nation's largest low cost carrier at an unrestricted Love Field, DFW travelers would see their fares fall, stimulating more traffic and therefore increased economic

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messages in the article jumped off the page. I searched the article for comments from Jackie Price but found none; thus, they used a photo of a Black woman and associated that photo with the most negative aspects of the piece, and did not include comments from Price in the article. Some may think this is a minor concern, but the power of pictures cannot be overstated. Also, the article reminded me of Frank Quillian's words in 1910 that, by the way, were referring to my hometown newspapers in Cincinnati. No surprise there.

My second observation is even more important. We have seen the accolades heaped upon John H. Johnson since his death; we have heard his story of starting with \$500 in 1942 and creating the \$500 million empire, Johnson Publishing Company. We know he was an icon in this country and his rise to the top was and still is one of the most significant in our history. Again, USA Today, on the same day it did a two-page feature on Peter Jennings, gave a relatively small space and, quite honestly, short shrift to John Johnson. We can debate the issue of who made the more significant contributions to this society? It's a relative perspective anyway. But I think it's incon-

vertible that Johnson's accomplishments exceeded those of Jennings, especially when we consider the barriers Johnson faced.

Nonetheless, the real issue is how the two were treated in the same issue of the paper and, I might add by the dominant media in general. That is why Black people must own and control our media and the messages that come from them. For this very reason, our children cannot read about the Tulsa Riots and the opportunity for dominant events that occurred to their relatives. It is why they do not read about the tremendous strides of Black business owners during the early existence of this country. An African saying is appropriate here: Until the lion writes history, the hunter will always be glorified.

I am not suggesting that Jennings was not a good man, a good reporter and journalist, and a good news anchor. What I am saying is the John Johnson story was an opportunity for dominant media to display what it always says it is: Unbiased, fair and balanced, and all that other nonsense. Where is George Curry's Emerge magazine when we need it?

What do I expect? Nothing I do not expect dominant media to treat the images of Black folks any differently from the way it treated us in

growth in the region.

Competition is the American way. In business, you either compete or go the way of Braniff, or PanAm or TWA. That Amtrak can't compete effectively with air travel does not justify restrictions on air travel. That car companies cannot sell large cars when gas prices soar does not justify restrictions on smaller cars. If anything, it justifies reduced investment in the activity not breaking even. Competition means that some ideas fail.

After all your explanation about the Wright Amendment, don't be surprised if by the time you pull into your driveway, your out-of-town simply looks at you and asks: when did competition become such a bad thing?

If they do, it will be a blessing, but I do not expect it. That is why we must support our own "conscious" Black media. Additionally, we must maintain what we have and capture even more outlets; we must grow those businesses by merging and forming strategic partnerships with one another; and we must resist the temptation to capitulate to offers from people who do not care about us when they come calling to take over what few media outlets we have. Quite frankly, were it not for a few radio stations, most Black newspapers, and a few magazines, positive Black images and fairness when it comes to Black news would be virtually nonexistent.

Our children know very little, if anything, about A.G. Gaston, Annie Turbo-Malone, S.B. Fuller, Joe Dudley, Dr. Walter Lomax, Ken Bridges, and other Black men and women, living and deceased, who have made monumental strides in the business world. This is in large part due to the dominant media and their lack of attention to these kinds of role models. It seems that our images have been reduced to dunking basketball and making music videos.

Media bias can be overcome by one simple thing: Media by us.

Education

HSBC, Education Group Team Up To Offer Financial Literacy Courses To Students At Historically Black Colleges



Loretta Abrams, left, vice president of Community Development and Consumer Advocacy for HSBC North America, presents Theodore R. Daniels, center, president and CEO of the Society for Financial Education and Professional Development, a check for \$750,000 to fund credit and money management training for more than 20,000 students. Dan Iannicola, Jr., right, deputy assistant secretary for Financial Education for the Dept. of Treasury, joins Abrams and Daniels to show the Treasury's support of this program.

HSBC North America and the Society for Financial Education and Professional Development (SFEPPD) have announced a \$750,000 multi-year partnership through which HSBC, one of the nation's largest financial services firms, will fund credit and personal money management training for more than 20,000 students in the next three years at historically black colleges and universities nationwide.

SFEPPD will administer the training sessions, with the curriculum focusing on credit management, savings and investments, budgeting, establishing financial goals and other personal finance topics.

The first course under the new HSBC-SFEPPD partnership was delivered this week at Virginia State University. Additional workshops will be offered in the coming weeks at Rust College in Mississippi, Savannah State University in Georgia, Elizabeth City State University in North Carolina, and Delaware State University. Seminars will be held at 61 universities during the 2005-2006 academic year.

"Now more than ever, it's critical that young adults understand how their short-term financial decisions affect them over the long term," said Loretta Abrams, HSBC's vice president of community development and consumer advocacy. "Our credit profile is inextricably linked to the interest rates we pay when buying a home or a car and our ability to get certain jobs. The knowledge of how to make wise credit choices is one of the best gifts we can give to our next generation of leaders."

SFEPPD has offered financial literacy training to college students since 2001.

"The seminars offered by the Society for Financial Education and Professional Development and HSBC will give students a better understanding of personal financial management and the practical, everyday uses of financial management strategies," said Theodore R. Daniels, SFEPPD's president and chief executive officer. "We expect this project will inspire young men and women to share their knowledge with families and friends and will

enhance financial literacy in the African-American community at large."

HSBC's partnership with SFEPPD is managed by the HSBC Center for Consumer Advocacy, which was established in 2003 to direct the company's broad range of financial education and housing programs and its community outreach initiatives.

"The Society for Financial Education and Professional Development and HSBC should be applauded for empowering young consumers with the tools they need to be fiscally fit and fiscally confident, and for ensuring that their efforts reach a diverse audience," said Dr. John A. Wheatland, director of freshman programs at Morgan State University in Maryland. "With many Americans expressing increasing discomfort about their

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more than 400 hours of "sweat equity" working on the house. Mr. Awal was present virtually every Saturday and worked very hard along side the volunteers. Mr. Awal and the family are grateful to Habitat and to all the volunteers and sponsors. He considers this a dream come true and knows this will change the life of his children.

New Century Mortgage, a subsidiary of New Century Financial Corporation (www.ncn.com), is one of the largest non-prime mortgage finance companies in the U.S., providing first and second mortgage products to borrowers nationwide through its broker partners. The house in Plano is just one of 10 that New Century has sponsored over the past few years, mostly in Orange County, Calif., where the company has its headquarters. This year, however, it will sponsor and help build at least four Habitat for Humanity projects in other parts of country, including those in Tampa, Florida, Houston, Texas, and Yonkers, New York.

Patti Moore, Vice President of Community Relations for New Century Mortgage commented on the program. "New Century believes fervently in caring about the communities in which we live and work," explains. "We have an extensive program that promotes and facilitates volunteerism among our Associates, giving them opportunities to choose the organizations that fit their personal giving goals and preferences. New Century's ongoing Habitat for Humanity support reinforces our commitment as a company to help deserving people achieve the dream of homeownership."

Dick Taylor, Executive Director of Plano Area Habitat for Humanity expressed gratitude for the participants. "Plano Area Habitat for Humanity is grateful to New Century Mortgage for

choosing our community as the site of one its national builds. We also appreciate the local volunteers of New Century who came to the worksite each and every Saturday to work with Abdu in the construction of his house. Habitat is about partnerships and the volunteers and family associated with this build have done a terrific job. Abdu and his family will both contribute to and be a recipient of the good will of the Douglass community."

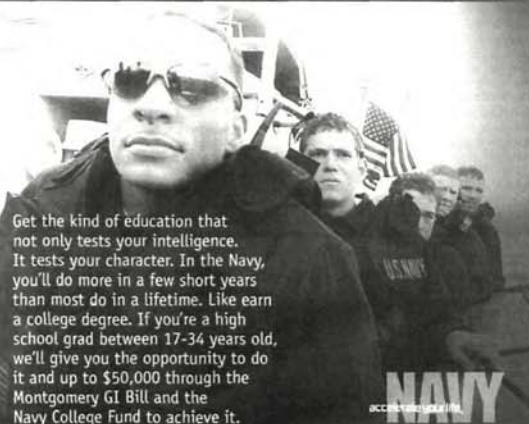
For over 25 years, Habitat for Humanity has helped low-income families achieve home

ownership throughout the world. Through volunteer labor and donations of money and materials, Habitat for Humanity constructs and rehabilitates decent, affordable houses with the help of the homeowner-partner families. Plano Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc. has built fifteen houses since its inception in 1997. PAHH serves the communities of Allen, Trinity Park, Lucas, Wiley, Murphy, Parker, Plano, Lowery, Crossing, Fairview, Saint Paul, and the rural areas of South Collin County, Texas.



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Sister Turpley, Religious Editor for MON-The Gazette and Mrs. Mozelle Blair, wife of William Blair, Jr.



Dr. Robert & Mrs. Deborah Price, Sr., Pastor of Little Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Forney, TX, and a guest speaker at the banquet.



Rev. Louis and Mrs. Audrey Laurent, Pastor of Little Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Forney, TX, and a 2004 Inductee.

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Even... and then I hear how they are cutting the budget for us. My mom does not have that much money to pay for my health insurance and things like that. And where will I go after school? I don't want to be like the rest of the girls I know... having babies without even finishing school?

"We are the future... that's what I hear every day," said 16-year-old

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Broadway's 20-year-old Jasbir gave one of the most forceful testimonies of the day. "I was a prime example of what happens when the government stops investing in our future. If you save how I was brought up, you would probably have the government funders for pulling the programs that occupy after-school hours. By having no place to go, I resorted to the street. Thank God that one of the few programs the

government still funds was [the after-school program] be eventually attended because without them I would have been dead... We deserve to keep programs alive in communities that are at risk. I feel as though the cause of youths being incarcerated and being re-incarcerated is the lack of after-school funding. Please, help save your future, because by saving the next generation, you save the world."

Is Jasbir right? To add your voice to his and the other youths' here, call your Members of Congress toll-free today at 1 (888) 233-1221 and tell them, "STOP providing tax breaks for the rich at the expense of funding for programs that serve vulnerable children and youth!"

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future credit situation, partnerships like this one between private businesses, nonprofits and universities will go far in helping young people manage their money and reach their potential."

HSBC's giving to educational initiatives represents 60 percent of the firm's total giving in the United States this year. Initiatives supported by the company include adult financial education programs, college scholarship and internship programs for women and minorities, and business and economics education for students in primary and secondary schools.

"It is extremely important that all college students, especially those of historically black colleges and universities, have a keen awareness of personal financial management as they embark on their careers," said J. Mack Willis, owner of an Atlanta assisted-living facility and a graduate of Fort Valley State University, an histori-

cally black university in Georgia.

"In the long run, the most successful individual is not always the one who earns the most. Oftentimes, the most successful is the one who best manages his or her financial resources."

HSBC's support of higher education also includes the HSBC - North America Military Financial Education Center at the University of Maryland - University College Web site (www.umuc.edu), as well as a two-year, \$200,000 commitment to fund scholarships and financial education at Bennett College for Women, an historically black college in Greensboro, N.C. The company also has granted \$25,000 in scholarships to students at North Carolina Central University, along with internship opportunities at HFC and Beneficial consumer lending branch offices. The company also maintains the personal financial education Web site www.yourmoneycounts.com

Through the HSBC/UNCF Corporate Scholars Program, a four-year, multi-million dollar initiative launched in 2001, HSBC offers scholarships and internship opportunities to outstanding minority students majoring in accounting, business, computer science/MIS, economics, finance, human resources, marketing and mathematics. Through the program, administered by the United Negro College Fund, HSBC has employed 29 interns since summer 2002 and contributed more than \$2 million. HSBC employees raised an additional \$287,000 through a workplace giving campaign in 2004, making HSBC one of UNCF's largest contributors.

HSBC also has granted \$800,000 to the Hispanic Scholarship Fund in a multi-year commitment to fund scholarship opportunities and the organization's newsletter.

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Local Promoter Brings Labor Day Family Gospel Festival to Richardson

By: Paul Bailey

Some might say that gospel music and the Richardson Eisenmann Center is an odd coupling. But to Cheryl Anderson and Perfect Praise Productions,



Vanessa Bell Armstrong

this is a pairing that is long overdue.

On Friday, September 2 at the Eisenmann Center in Richardson Texas, The First Annual Labor Day Family Gospel Festival will feature gospel artists Anthony Evans, JoAnn Rosario, and Vanessa Bell Armstrong.

Ms. Jackson is seeking to develop ties between the Christian community and business leaders.

"We will create a bond between Christian culture, and the business community that support our events. If the secular world can network and pool their monies, why can't Christians?" she asks.

Ms. Jackson, owner of CAJ Professional Services, has just recently returned from Houston where she wrote and hosted the First Annual Theologian Award show which will be aired on national television during the fall. She is making her initial venture into the concert promotions business and prays that her company will change the way gospel concerts are

viewed. "Perfect Praise Productions (a subsidiary of CAJ) will showcase today's national praise and worship artist while networking Communities, Cultures and Christian Businesses," she adds. She continued, "Usually, it's very tough to get business sponsors for a Christian activity. We received almost immediate business support for this event, people like Crest Auto Group General Manager Paul White.

Concert goers will leave the event receiving more than a song from their favorite artist. X-Box Game systems, CD players and CDs will be given away as prizes between acts. A portion of the ticket sales proceeds will benefit the non-profit Touch Ministries organization.

Touch Ministries is directed by Pastor Minnie Hawthorne of the Daystar Deliverance



JoAnn Rosario

Ministry. The name is inspired by a slogan of Pastor Hawthorne's mother, which was "you can change the world by

just one touch at a time."

The calling of Touch Ministries is to assist families in crisis by providing clothing, food, counseling and by direct-



Anthony Evans

ing people to other organizations that help those in needs. Two of their most successful programs are their "Back to School" program and the "Taking it to the Streets" program for the homeless.

Perfect Praise Productions and Ms. Jackson are encouraging all who attend to enthusiastically praise God during the event. "We've all been to gospel shows where audience members have been told to sit down. For this concert, we want people to come out and give God their perfect praise."

The First Annual Labor Day Family Gospel Festival will be held on Friday, September 2 at the Eisenmann Center, 2351 Performance Drive, Richardson, Texas. A networking dinner will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. For more information contact Perfect Praise Productions at (972) 208-9333 or visit www.cajps.com.

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sites serviced were attended by elementary, middle and high school students from eleven DISD schools including R.L. Thornton Elementary, Lisbon Elementary, McNair Elementary, Umphrey Lee Elementary, Hulley Middle School, Hood Middle School, Anderson Middle School, Holmes Middle School, Zumwalt Middle School, Roosevelt High School and Spruce High School. DBDT's dance classes served over 350 students as a part of this program, and the students presented their skills for parents, faculty and students in showcase performances at the various school sites at the conclusion of the program.

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Citigroup Foundation Supports Dallas Black Dance Theatre's 2005 Summer-Youth Dance Education Programs

Dallas Black Dance Theatre announces a \$10,000 grant from the Citigroup Foundation to support the company's Summer Youth Dance Education Programs for 2005. Dallas Black Dance Theatre's Summer Youth Dance Education Programs include activities for children, teens and adults over six weeks. Combined, these programs served over 500 children, teens and adults.

"Citigroup believes in enhancing the creativity of all children through arts education and in bringing access to cultural opportunities to those who don't have it. We are proud to support the Dallas Black Dance Theatre in their efforts."

The Summer Youth Dance Enrichment Program, held June 6-24, provided an exhilarating three weeks of dance training for youth ages 9-15, and attracted over 100 students from across the state and nation. The program was held at Dallas Black Dance Theatre's arts district studios and provided an opportunity for boys and girls to participate in daily instruction taught by DBDT company members in the disciplines of ballet, modern, jazz and African dance. Annually, 100 students are enrolled and past participants have included youth from Dallas, Fort Worth and more than 20 suburban Metroplex communities. In addition, Kaufman, Combine, San Antonio and out-of-state students, including Louisiana and Missouri, have participated in the dance enrichment program.

DBDT's Summer Intensive Professional Dance Workshop, held June 27-July 8, is designed to give serious dance students intensive instruction from the finest teachers in the

disciplines of Ballet, Modern, Jazz, African Dance, African drumming and Liturgical Dance. 100 students from around the world were drawn to DBDT's exciting summer workshop. The roster of guest master teachers included: Jeffrey Gerodias, former dancer with the Alley company, teaching the Horton technique of Modern dance; Christopher Huggins teaching Jazz; the incomparable Ballet instruction of Virginia Johnson, former soloist with the Dance Theatre of Harlem; the inspirational Dr. Chuck Davis, Artistic Director of the African American Dance Ensemble, teaching African dance; Foluso Alamide Mimy

spearheading the African Drumming workshop; and the DBDT dancers, lead by Praise Dance director Darrell Cleveland, will guide children, teens and adults through the movements of Liturgical Praise Dance. Classes for the Summer Intensive Dance Workshop were held at the Plato Karayannis Opera Rehearsal Hall in the Fair Park area.

Concurrent to these programs, DBDT's professional dancers taught enriching, fun and energetic dance classes in Modern, Jazz and Hip Hop techniques in 8 DISD schools. Classes were held daily from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. The eight

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The Selma March and the Montgomery Bus Boycott are two of 10 stamps depicted on the stamp sheet, which will be dedicated during ceremonies on August 30.

The other important milestones commemorated on the stamps are Executive Order 9801 - the order issued by President Harry S. Truman that abolished segregation in the military, Brown V. Board of Education, the Little Rock Nine, Lunch Counter Sit-ins, Freedom Riders, the March on Washington, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

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 nces on NPR's "News and Notes with Ed Gordon." I agree that Fox should have been more careful in his word selection. To say that Hispanics were taking jobs that "even" Blacks don't want, implied that as far as Americans go, one couldn't get any lower than African-Americans. If you remove the word "even," there's nothing to complain about. The truth is immigrants from Mexico are taking jobs that neither Blacks nor Whites want.

Having covered civil rights leaders for more than three decades, I know that the most dangerous place on the planet is to stand between some of them and a TV camera. You take your life into your hands if you do that. Let's be honest and state that the trips by Jackie and Sharpton to Mexico were taken,

The Selma ceremony will take place Aug. 30 at 11 a.m. at the Walter Theater, 1000 Selma Ave., and the Montgomery ceremony will be held at the same time at the Davis Theatre for the Performing Arts, on the campus of Troy State University. Both ceremonies are open to the public.

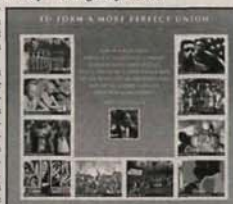
Selma played a major role during the Civil Rights Movement when in the Spring of 1965, demonstrators demanding an end to discrimination gathered to march to the Alabama capital 50 miles away. The resulting historic confrontation between the marchers and authorities became known as "Bloody Sunday."

After Rosa Parks was arrested on Dec. 1, 1955, for refusing to let a white passenger take her seat on a Montgomery bus, African-Americans began a prolonged boycott of the bus company, which resulted in carpooling for more than a year.

Scheduled to participate in the Selma ceremony are

Georgia Congressman John Lewis, who was present on "Bloody Sunday," Alabama Congressman Arthur Davis, Selma historian Dr. Alton Pitts and Don Murphy, Deputy Director of the National Parks Service.

Montgomery ceremony participants will include Alabama Lieutenant Gov. Lucy Baskley, Civil Rights activist Jonnie Carr and attorney Fred Gray, who brought the case of *Browder V. Gayle*, which integrated the buses in Montgomery in 1956.



in part, to gain publicity. I don't doubt their sincerity, but I also know their history. Most of us whisper this among ourselves, but unlike Farrakhan, don't say it publicly.

What bothered me about their trips to Mexico was they undertook them impossible just as the battle over George Bush's next nominee to the Supreme Court was heating up. Given the choice between whether the president of Mexico used imprecise language and the selection to fill a Supreme Court vacancy, Jackson and Sharpton should have headed to Washington, not Mexico City.

This Vincente Fox fiasco points to a need for a more balanced style of national leadership. Seeing the walls of segregation crumble in my hometown of Tuscaloosa, Ala., I am not one to say that marching or street demonstrations are not still needed. But we must insist on

fewer publicity gimmicks and more emphasis on the less glamorous work, such as education. We need to not only narrow the achievement gaps between Blacks and Whites, but between Black males and Black females. To his credit, Hugh Price tried to steer the civil rights movement in that direction during his tenure at the National Urban League. Each of the major civil rights groups has major initiatives in education, but no group is doing enough.

Of course, there is the usual rhetoric about providing the same accolades for academic excellence that we as a community provide for athletics. One of the most effective programs is the NAACP's ACT-50 program created by the late Vernon Jarrett. My friend Dr. Donald Suggs has a banquet each year to honor educational excellence in St. Louis and many other local groups have similar programs. But all of us need to do more. A report by the American Council on Education notes that twice as many Black women as Black men now attend college. That has enormous implications for every aspect of our community. Concentrating on keeping our young people in college and out of the criminal justice trap will be much more rewarding, in the end, than rushing to Mexico for a photo op and press conference.

George E. Curry is editor-in-chief of the NNPA News Service and BlackPressUSA.com. He appears on National Public Radio (NPR) three times a week as part of "News and Notes with Ed Gordon." In addition, his radio commentary is syndicated each week by Capitol Radio News Service (301/588-1993). To contact Curry or to book him for a speaking engagement, go to his Web site, www.georgeecurry.com.

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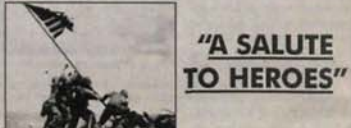
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Church News



Sister Tarpley

Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time. Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.

Colossians 4:5-6 (KJV)
We can learn a great deal from the Alaskan Bull Moose. Each fall, during the breeding season, the males of the species battle for dominance. They literally go head-to-head, their antlers crunching together as they collide. When antlers are broken, defeat is ensured since a moose's antlers are its only weapon.

Generally speaking, the best defense is a good offense. The best offense is a good defense. Therefore, the battle is nearly always "pre-emptive" the summer before.

It is then that the moose antlers round the clock. The one that consumes the best diet for growing antlers and gaining weight will be the victor. Those who eat inadequately will have weaker antlers and less bulk. The fight itself involves far more than brain (the brain is more useful during the summer months in preparation) with more reliance on bulk than on skill.

What is the lesson here? Spiritual battles are inevitable, but the Lord said, "the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong..." Ecclesiastes 9:11 (KJV) We each experience "seasons of attack" in our lives. Whether we are victorious or fall victim depends not

Be Prepared For The Battle

on our skills or brain-power, but on our spiritual strength. What we do in advance determines the outcome of the battle. Now is the time to develop enduring faith, strength, and wisdom. Now is the time for prayer, reading, and hiding the Word of God in your heart. Now is the time to hear the Gospel preached, with your spiritual ears! It has been said, that luck is a matter of preparation meeting opportunity. Be guilty of making the

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News Flash: "The play, 'Oh, My Child!' by Ron McGee and the New Next Generation Organization has been rescheduled for September 23, 2005. The play will be at the Majestic Theatre, 1925 Elm Street, Downtown Dallas on September 23, 2005. The amateur moment and fashion show will start at 7:00 pm and the Stage Play Show Time is 8:00 pm to 9:45 pm.

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Picture of the Week
L to R: Reverend Sister Tarpley, Religious Editor for *MON-The Gazette*, and Ms. Lorraine Thomas from Delaware vacationing in the Dallas Metroplex

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Shields added, "West's experience emphasizes the importance of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people sharing their stories with family and friends. But just as significantly, it also highlights the role that straight people can play in helping to promote respect and understanding for all people - regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity."

The Human Rights Campaign is the largest national lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender political organization with members throughout the country. It effectively lobbies Congress, provides campaign support and educates the public to ensure that LGBT Americans can be open, honest and safe at home, at work and in the community.

Kanye West Speaks Out Page 1
just hip-hop, but America just discriminates. And I wanna just, to come on TV and just tell my rappers, just tell my friends, "Yo, stop it." West called his cousin's coming out a "turning point" and thought to himself, "I love him and I've been discriminating against gays."
HRC's National Coming Out Project Director Mark

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MT. OLIVE CHURCH OF PLANO

August 27, 8:00 am

Don't miss this exciting and spirit-filled conclusion of our 2nd Annual Women's Conference, with guests, Minister Cheryl Sims from Love and Faith Fellowship in Carrollton, TX; Reverend Melissa Alfaro from JAM Ministries in Rhame, TX; and Evangelist Maurice Owens from Prophetic Vision Ministries in Plano, TX. Call today for more information; and how to register on-line @ 972-633-5511. Registration includes materials, workshops and breakfast.

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Saluting A Hero

A Retired Captain, and now a Senior Pastor, Rev. W. L. Stafford, Sr., Minister of Divinity, is a "Military Hero" that deserves our "Thanks." He served in the United States Army before retiring in 2004. He has been, since the tender age of 15 to the present time, serving faithfully in God's Army. As Senior Pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church in Allen, TX he is a giant soldier in spreading the Word of God, in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, through a holistic ministry that is concerned with the spiritual, mental, economical, physical, and the political well-being of this society.

Born in Vallejo, CA his family later moved to Wichita, KS where he completed his high school education.

Licensed to preach at the young age of 15, Rev. Stafford was ordained at the age of 22 at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in Wichita, KS under the leadership of Rev. L. E. Smith, Jr.

A proven natural born leader, Rev. Stafford enlisted in the U. S. Army at the youthful age of 17 and quickly achieved the rank of Staff Sergeant/E-6. He was later awarded a full

ROTC Scholarship to Virginia State University where he majored in Sociology.

In 1992 Rev. Stafford was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army and in 1996 he was promoted to Captain. After 20 years of faith-



Pastor W. L. and First Lady Tasha Stafford, Sr. of Fellowship Baptist Church in Allen

ful active duty service on August 1, 2004, he retired from the U.S. Army.

As a military officer, and a man of God, from 1992 through 2004, Rev. Stafford preached and taught the Word of God

throughout the United States and abroad.

In 2002, Rev. Stafford successfully completed his Master of Divinity degree with a concentration in Homiletics from Morehouse School of Religion at the Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC) in Atlanta, GA where he was listed on the school's Dean's and Honor's List. He also received the Barry Jackson award for outstanding academic achievement.

Rev. Stafford is currently pursuing a Doctorate of Education degree with a concentration in Pastoral Community Counseling from Argosy University in Sarasota, Florida; and he is a professor at D. Edwin Johnson Theological Seminary in Dallas, TX.

As Senior Pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church of Allen, he is thankful to God for his gifts, his talents, and his unique style (his members and friends will tell you) of preaching and touching the hearts of today's youth, the middle aged, and the elderly. Rev. Stafford is extremely sensitive to a holistic ministry that is concerned with the "whole" individual.

Married to his college sweetheart, Ms. Tasha M. Thomas of Harrisburg, PA, they are the proud parents of two sons, Wayne, Jr. and Nathan Wayne.

Choices, Good Eating Habits, Building Positive Self-Esteem along with a host of other topics. KIO's Chris Arnold will be the guest speaker, including featured entertainment from True Praise (Mt. Hebron Missionary Baptist Church Youth Choir), Lil' Larry, Cutta C, Bianca and other local artists and entertainers. There will be great food, games, give-aways (school supplies and other great prizes). Registration ends August 19th and seats are limited.

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ST. ANDREW CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

August 26

9:00 am - 12:00 Noon and 7:00 pm FAME Workshops and Mid-Day Worship featuring Evangelist Vera Lewis and Dr. Regina Spellman. The 7:00 pm Evening Service will feature Bishop Darryl Hines

August 27, 12:00 Noon

The Noon Luncheon will feature Lady Louise Patterson.

For more information and registration fees, contact Primary Purpose Ministries @ 940-323-0754 or Charal Johnson @ 940-453-9434

St. Andrew COGIC in Denton Sup. Kenneth Davis, Pastor

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940-243-3797

ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 28, 10:45 am

Our guest speaker during an exciting Heritage Service of "Power-Packed Prayer and Praise" will be Dr. Henry L. Masters, Sr., Senior Pastor at Holman UMC in Los Angeles. Dr. Masters is a former pastor at St. Paul UMC.

For more information about the above events, please call Muriel Johnson-Redd @ 214-922-0000

St. Paul UMC

Rev. L. Charles Stovall, Senior Pastor
1816 North South Street
Dallas, TX 75201
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THE INSPIRING BODY OF CHRIST CHURCH (IBOC)

Sign Up Now

FREE Computer Training classes by Christian Business Services. For more information and registration, please call Rev. C. Greer at 214-796-1294 or Email: ccgreer@ibocglobal.net

Trinity Prayer Chapel
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Lewisville, TX 75067
972-221-5668

Church Happenings

Monday, 7:00 pm

Monday School with Holy Spirit Bible Teachings

McKinney, TX 75069
Dallas, TX 75251
214-544-1886

The Inspiring Body of Christ Church (IBOC)
Dr. Rickie G. Rush, Pastor
7710 South Westmoreland
Dallas, TX 75237
972-572-IBOC (4262)

TRINITY PRAYER CHAPEL

Sign Up Now

Reynolds Wood Ministries is now conducting FREE GED and ESL Classes, Mentoring Program, and Dance/Ballet/Karate Classes (scholarships are available.)

For more information and registration, please call 214-544-1886.

This Saturday, August 27, 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

We will host a FREE "The Making of a Leader Conference - 2005" at the McKinney Fellowship Bible Church, 2801 Orchard Drive, McKinney, TX. Our Keynote Speaker will be the Honorable Bill Whitfield, Mayor of McKinney. Other guest speakers will be Mr. Richard Abbott, NTJCC; Rev. Reynolds Wood, Founder of RWM; Ms. Linda Little, McKinney Chamber of Commerce; and Sister Shirley Dennis Tarpley, Religious Editor for MON-The Gazette.

There will be performances by the RWM Dancers & Karate Team, the McKinney Fellowship Youth Band, and many, many more. Registration is FREE, but seats are limited. Please register early, by phone at 214-544-1886, online @ www.reynoldswood.org or by mail @ P.O. Box 650, McKinney, TX 75069.

Also we proudly announce that Rev. Wood will be available to autograph a copy of his long awaited new book, "The Ability Within" about the Principles of Leadership.

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VOICES OF DELIVERANCE MINISTRIES

August 25

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm Only

We will present a "Strengthening The Family" Seminar at the Super 8 Motel, 4245 W. Airport Freeway, Irving, TX. Session 1 will be on Victims and Families dealing with Substance Abuse with Motivational Speaker Anita McLaughlin, Director of The Foundation of Substance Abuse Victims. Session 2 will be "The Silent Cry of the Lambs Coping with Domestic Violence" by Author Loretta Williams. There is no registration. The subject matter is for Adults Only. No children are allowed.

The sessions are open to the public and will be held at The Super 8 Motel Meeting Room, 4245 W. Airport Freeway in Irving, TX (off of Hwy 183 & Eaters Road) For further information contact Apostle Williams @ 972-570-4769.

Voices of Deliverance Ministries
Apostle Loretta Williams, Pastor
Post Office Box 168034
Irving, TX 75016
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Westside Baptist Church (WBC) OF LEWISVILLE
August 27, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
WBC presents "Women of Joy, Even in the Midst" Music Workshop.

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Teen Summit Aug. 26

Teen Graffiti Magazine and Lakewest Family YMCA are hosting its second annual "Keep-It Real" Youth Empowerment Summit. The summit will be held Saturday, August 27, at the Lakewest Family YMCA located at 3737 Goldman Street in Dallas from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Their goal is to provide at least 300 young people (ages 12-19) from the Dallas-Forth Worth Metroplex with information that will ultimately help them become successful students and responsible citizens in our community.

The youth summit is free and is designed to provide teens with "real life" solutions to everyday problems, and to help build their self-confidence as they prepare to return to school. During the summit each student will participate in a series of mini-workshops on topics such as: The Effects of Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD)/ AIDS, Making Effective

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