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People In The News



No longer considered an oddity, country singer Donna Nash brings her talents to Mesquite on October 22nd as part of the Cowboy and Cowgirls of Color Invitational Rodeo.

Ms. Nash was born in the Crawfish Capital town of Breaux Bridge, Louisiana and raised in Houston, Texas. She began developing her country sound and vocal skills by entering country music talent competitions and singing at some of the best Texas Grand Ole Opry stages. She was twice named "Best Country Entertainer of the Year" in 1998 & 1999 and in 2000 hosted The Magnolia Jamboree Country Music Association. She was voted "Best Female Modern Country Entertainer & Vocalist of the Year 2000/2001 at the "Best of Texas Search" hosted by The Lone Star Country Music Association.

Continuing with her musical venture, this country sensation performed at the 2005 Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo at the same venue with Brooks & Dunn, Alicia Keys and Clint Black. In Houston's "Reliant Arena" she also gave an astonishing performance for the Rodeo's 12th Annual 2005 Western Gala hosted by "The Black Heritage Committee".

Learn more about Donna Nash at www.msdonnash.com.

The Cowboy and Cowgirls of Color Invitational Rodeo will be held at the Mesquite Championship Rodeo Resistol Arena, 1818 Rodeo Drive, Mesquite on Saturday, October 22nd. Call 972-285-8777 or visit www.mesquiterodeo.com for ticket information.

Renowned entertainer and social activist Harry Belafonte will join in the celebration at Mountain View College's 35-year Anniversary Gala and Auction on Nov. 18. The event will be held at the Ruthe Jackson Center in Grand Prairie, and will begin at 7 p.m. The gala is just one of many special events that have been held in recent weeks to honor Mountain View's 35th year as part of the Dallas County Community College System.

Harry Belafonte has dedicated his life to uniting people for causes often considered controversial. This dedication goes back to the civil rights movement in 1963 when he served as friend and confidant to the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. As a result of his efforts, Mr. Belafonte has been honored on numerous occasions by such diversified groups as the American Jewish Congress, the NAACP, the Committee for United Negro Relief, the City of Hope, the Fight for Sight, the Boy Scouts of America and the Peace Corps. He was the first member of the entertainment industry to be named by the late President John F. Kennedy as cultural advisor to the Peace Corps.

Tickets for this event are available at Mountain View College or can be purchased by credit card at 214-860-8709.



Vivian Malone Jones, one of two black students whose effort to enroll at the University of Alabama led to George Wallace's infamous "stand in the schoolhouse door" in 1963, died last Thursday. She was 63.

Ms. Jones went on to become the first black to graduate from the University of Alabama.

She had enrolled at historically black Alabama A&M University in Huntsville when she transferred to the University of Alabama in 1963. The move led to then-Gov. Wallace's infamous stand in defiance of orders to admit black students. Jones and James Hood, accompanied by then-Deputy U.S. Attorney General Nicholas Katzenbach, enrolled after Wallace finished his statement and left.

At an appearance last year in Mobile, she recalled meeting with Wallace in 1966, when the former governor was in frail health. He died in 1998.

"I asked him why did he do it," she said. "He said he did what he felt needed to be done at that point in time, but he would not do that today. At that point, we spoke - I spoke - of forgiveness."

She recalled that she and Hood waited in a car until Wallace read his proclamation. Finally, when he stepped aside, she said, that allowed them to enter the university.

After graduating, Jones went on to work for the U.S. Justice Department in Washington and for the Environmental Protection Agency in Atlanta, where she retired.

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Farrakhan Blasts Katrina Response At Millions More

By: Erin Teixeira

Railing against the delayed relief for victims of Hurricane Katrina, Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan said Saturday that the federal government should be charged with "criminal neglect of the people of New Orleans."

"For five days, the government did not act. Lives were lost," Farrakhan said at the 10th anniversary of the Million Man March. "We charge America with criminal neglect."

A crowd of thousands cheered as dozens of prominent speakers - academics, activists, artists and media pundits - spoke, recited poetry and sang songs in the 12-hour program on the National Mall.

Pointing to the broad spectrum of participants, Farrakhan said the march included an "unprecedented" array of black leaders of organizations "coming together to speak to America and the world with one voice."

"This tells us that a new day is dawning in America," he said.

Ten years ago, Farrakhan urged black men to improve their families and communities - women, whites and other minorities had not been invited.



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Hurricane Bus Driver Faces Charges

The driver of the bus that caught fire while carrying elderly patients fleeing Hurricane Rita has been charged with criminal negligent homicide in the deaths of 23 passengers, a spokesman for the Dallas County Sheriff's Department said Monday.

The charges against Juan Robles Gutierrez, a 37-year-old Mexican national, were forwarded to District Attorney Bill Hill, Sgt. Don Peritz said.

Robles was taken into federal custody on an immigration violation five days after the Sept. 23 explosion near Dallas.

The bus caught fire about 16 hours after leaving Houston with residents of a nursing home who were fleeing approaching Hurricane Rita.

Some passengers and the driver escaped but the flames, fed by 18 medical oxygen tanks that also caused explosions, trapped many inside.

There was no comment Monday from the bus company, Global Limo Inc. of Pharr. Its telephone had been disconnected.

From the beginning, investigators have focused on the condition of the bus brakes. A motorist told investigators he motioned the driver to pull over shortly after seeing a rear wheel hub that was glowing red.

Hussein Pleads Not Guilty As Baghdad Trial Adjourns



Saddam Hussein pleaded not guilty to charges of torture and murder in a 1982 massacre of Iraqi villagers, as a five-member special tribunal in Baghdad began a trial that may end in the ousted dictator's execution. The trial was adjourned until Nov. 28.

Hussein, 68, and seven former members of his Baath Party regime were charged with murder, forced expulsion, imprisonment, torture, and failure to comply with international law, relating to the 1982 massacre of at least 140 people in the village of Dujail, presiding Kurdish Judge Rizkar Mohammed Amin said. All eight men face the death penalty, he said.

Dressed in a dark suit and a white open-necked shirt, Hussein refused to give his name and occupation, and described himself as "the President of Iraq," when asked by Amin to identify himself, footage of the trial aired with a 20-minute delay showed. He pleaded not guilty, as did his co-defendants.

Hussein ruled Iraq from 1979 until his removal and capture during the 2003 U.S.-led invasion. While the initial charges focus on Dujail, he's accused of murdering hundreds of thousands of ethnic Kurds and Shiite Muslims in other incidents, as well as countless tortures, rapes, evictions and incarcerations.

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Leadership Plano Welcomes New Class, New Executive Director

The Leadership Plano Executive Board and the Plano Chamber of Commerce proudly announce the members of Leadership Plano Class 23. Each year, up to 30 candidates, representing a variety of for-profit businesses, nonprofit agencies and community groups, are selected to participate in Leadership Plano. Class members commit to a nine-month program designed to increase community awareness and personal and professional leadership competencies. This year, the program also welcomes Carole Greisdorf, former head of communications for Plano Independent School District and Athena award winner, as its new executive director.

The members of Class 23 began their leadership journey with a two-day retreat in Palestine, Texas, September 17-18.

The members of Leadership Plano Class 23 will be honored at a reception hosted by Reflections on

Spring Creek, 1901 Spring Creek Parkway, Plano, from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, October 20, 2005. Title sponsor for the reception is Morgan Stanley - The Kravitz Group.

Leadership Plano is a program of the Plano Chamber of Commerce, which is funded through a combination of tuition, corporate sponsorships and alumni contributions. Businesses or individuals interested in sponsoring a session or making a contribution to the program, or anyone interested in learning more about Leadership Plano, should contact Carole Greisdorf at 214.697.2743 or visit the Web site at www.leadershipplano.org.

Male Focused Teen Pregnancy Conference Held In Plano



Members of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and participants in the Teen Pregnancy Conference. (L to R) Front row: Jeffrey Tyler, Victor Standberry, Malcolm Carthledge, Brandon Brewer, Josh Stewart, Andre Desper and Anthony Everett. Second Row: Darryl Myles, Bradley Malone, T. K. Kanemoyal, Tony B. Bello, Bishop Stewart, Michael Garvin, Jordan Ford, Steve Colbert, Darryl Myles, Undea Allen, Gregory Shirley, II and Mark Carthledge.

By: Gwen Elder
Onward and Upward: The Alpha Way was the theme for the 25th Annual Conference on teen pregnancy aimed at males spon-

sored by the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc and the March of Dimes Defects Foundation. Forty males attended the event
Teen Pregnancy Conference Page 4

Rice: I Don't Want To Run For President



For Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, no means no - and no again - when it comes to whether she will run for president.

"It's not what I want to do with my life, it's not what I'm going to do with my life," Rice said Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press."

A group pushing for a Rice candidacy has run a television ad in New Hampshire - traditional site of the first presidential primary - and plans to air it soon in Iowa, where the first party caucuses take place.

At least two Web sites are promoting Rice even though Rice herself has said for months that she is not

interested in running.

Asked on NBC and on "Fox News Sunday" whether she would run for president in 2008, Rice said she is flattered but would decline.

"I'm not somebody who wants to run for office. I haven't ever run for anything," Rice told NBC. "I think I'm doing what I need to do, which is to try and promote American foreign policy, American interests, the president's democracy agenda at an extraordinary time."

Pressed by host Tim Russert, Rice said, "I don't know how many ways to say no."

"So," asked Russert, "no ...?"
A few seconds of silence followed. "Tim," Rice said, "I don't know how many ways to tell people that I have no interest in being a candidate for anything. ... No."

She told Fox host Chris Wallace, "I'm quite certain that there are going to be really fine candidates for president from our party, and I'm looking forward to seeing them and perhaps supporting them."

Rice was interviewed from London at the conclusion of a diplomatic mission.

Crowd In Toledo Turns On Police After Protesting White Racist March

By: John Seewer
In the days leading up to a white supremacist march, ministers pleaded with residents to stay calm and community leaders organized peace rallies.

Authorities even delayed releasing the route so protesters wouldn't know where the group planned to march.

It wasn't enough to stop an angry mob that included gang members from looting and burning a neighborhood bar, smashing the windows of a gas station and hurling rocks and bottles at police on Saturday. Twelve officers were injured, one suffering a concussion when a brick flew through her cruiser window.

In all, 114 people were arrested on charges including assault, vandalism, failure to disperse and overnight curfew violations.

According to Mayor Jack Ford,

people were "highly angry over the idea that someone from outside the community could come in and insult them" in their neighborhood.

Officers wearing gas masks fired tear gas canisters and flash-bang devices designed to stun suspects, only to see the groups reform and resume throwing rocks.
"We knew during the preparation that it was going to be a tremendous challenge," Police Chief Mike Navarre said Sunday. "Anyone who would accuse us of

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African American Museum Guild Holds 28th Annual A. Maceo Smith Community Service Award Brunch

By: Gwen Elder

The honorees at the 28th Annual A. Maceo Smith Community Service Award brunch held Saturday, October 15 at the Adolphus Hotel (Dallas), have one thing in common, they all understand the importance of sharing and

advocate and champion for the interests and issues in the African American community. He serves on the Dallas Urban League Board and leads initiatives to better educate North Texans on the accomplishments and successes of African American business and community leaders.

lifted until 2003. A school, the Sam Tasby Middle School in northeast Dallas was named in his honor in 2005.

Youth Involvement- the visionary men of Guide Right Foundation of Dallas, Inc. have a long history of community involvement. In 1984 they came together to form an organization that would focus on the educational needs and issues that would impact the Southern Sector of Dallas. For the past 20 years they have given more than \$80,000 in scholar-

ships to deserving college bound students. In addition, they mentor young men, provide and develop programs, workshops, seminars and field trips which teach life skills and instill cultural pride.



A. Maceo Smith Award Winners

(L to R) Business: Stanley R. Levenson, Arts and Culture: Emma Rodgers, Education: Sam Tasby, Civic and Human Service: DeVonne Fouts, and Youth Involvement: Guide Right Foundation of Dallas, Inc.

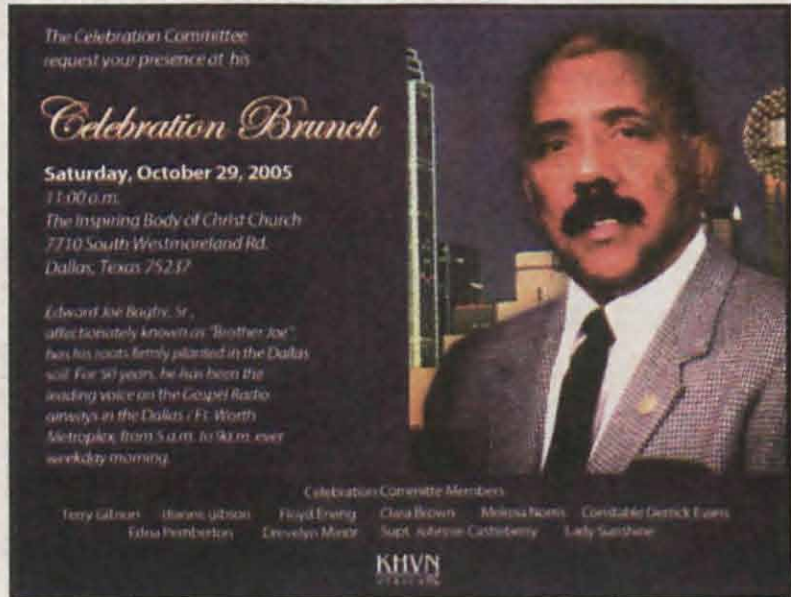
giving back. Dr. Wright L. Lassiter, Jr. Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the African American Museum and host for the event stated that, "All of those honored today reflect greatly on the legacy of A. Maceo Smith."

The 2005 honorees are: Arts and Culture- Mrs. Emma Rodgers who has co-owned the Black Images Book Bazaar for 28 years along with Ashiria Oye Tosihwe others. She volunteers for many cultural and literary organizations. Some of these include: co-chair for the Tulusoma, South Dallas Book Fair and Arts Festival; founder of the Just Us Girls (mother/daughter) Book Club; and represented the United States as the first bookseller on the United States Information Agency's Corridors of Culture tour to Ghana and Zimbabwe. Business- Mr. Stanley R. Levenson is considered an

Civic and Human Service- Mrs. DeVonne Fouts is an elementary school librarian, hospice volunteer, storyteller, precinct chair and judge in spite of her own health challenges. With her desire to be of service she continues to focus on the needs of others. In 1995 she helped found the Mary McCloud Bethune Haven for Women and still serves on the board. Her motto is "If I can help someone along the way, my living is not in vain."

Education- Sam Tasby was a taxi driver in 1970 and father of six when he took a stand for equal education for all children in Dallas. He filed a suit in federal court so that his children would have the right to attend the closest school in their neighborhood. That lawsuit enforced court oversight of the Dallas ISD which resulted in more than three decades of work by the district to ensure educational quality for all its students. Despite his efforts that desegregation order was not

(L to R) James Washington, Phillip Jones, Darwin Smith and Rickey Allen



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Black Images Book Store in the Wynnwood Shopping Center in Oak Cliff, Sam's Record Shop in Dallas and Ft. Worth, and "His Place Retail Store" on Jefferson Blvd. in Dallas.

Around The Town

Ongoing

State Fair of Texas- September 30-October 23. Call 214-670-8400 for more information. Check local papers for discount coupons.

The SPCA of Texas in conjunction with animal shelters nationwide is celebrating "Adopt a Shelter Dog Month" during October. Call 214-651-9611 for information.

October 3-30

Crowns written and directed by Dallas native Regina Taylor at the Kate Humphrey Theater, 3636 Turtle Creek Blvd. Call 214-522-8499 for ticket information.

The Grand Prairie Arts Council will offer a series of concerts Saturdays in October from 2-4pm, at the Main Street Gazebo, Main and Second streets downtown. For information call 972-642-2787 or www.artsgp.com.

National Geographic presents "Through the Eyes of the Gods: An aerial Vision of Africa" through November 13 at the African American Museum located at the Fair Park. Call 214-565-9026 or 214-373-1601.

October 19-23

Stage play, "Why Do Good Girls Like Bad Boys?" Black Academy of Arts and Letters, 650 Griffin St.

October 21

Black Cinematheque Dallas will begin at 8 p.m. at the Black Forest Theater, 1922 MLK Blvd. They will show "The N" Words and Love, Sex and Eating the Bones. For information, e-mail marilyn.clark@abeglobal.net.

The Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce presents their 79th Annual Awards Banquet featuring keynote speaker Wally "Famous" Amos who created "Famous Amos" cookies, the Dallas Convention Center-Ballroom A, 650 S. Griffin St. Call 214-421-5200

October 21, 22 and 23

The Art of Invention: Mindfest 2005 brings mind expanding fun to Fort Worth Museum of Science and History, 1501 Montgomery St. For more information call 817-255-9300.

Houston-Tillotson University, Austin celebrates 130 year anniversary with the following activities:

October 23-26

2005 National Minority Supplier Development Council Conference and Business Opportunity Fair, Dallas Convention Center. For more info call 212-944-2430 or visit www.nmsdc.org for information

October 22

The Cowboys and Cowgirls of Color Invitational Rodeo to be held at the Mesquite Championship Rodeo-Resistol Arena, 1818 Rodeo Drive, Mesquite

The Black Academy of Arts and Letters presents a 24 hour star power filmfest. Donnie I. betts will show his films "Deerfield", "The Road Less Travelled" and "Music Is My Life, Politics is My Mistress". The films will be shown at 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. at the Black Academy of Arts and Letters, 650 S. Griffin St. Call 214-743-2400 or TicketMaster, 214-373-8000 for information.

The Third Eye, a tribute to the African ancestors will begin at 7:30 pm, Freedman Cemetery located on Lemmon Ave and Central Expressway. For information call 214-426-1683.

The Urban League of Greater Dallas and North Central Texas will host a free, hands on practice workshop to prepare high school juniors and seniors who will take the SAT and ACT College Entrance exam. The workshop will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Call 214-915-4600 for information

Plano International Festival designed to educate, enlighten and enrich the multi-cultural experience for all. Contact www.planointernationalfestival.com

Make a difference day at Arbor Hills Nature Preserve in Plano. Wildflower seeds will be given out to spread. Begins at 10:00 a.m. Call 972-941-7168 or renee@plano.gov.

The Plano Community Forum presents, "A Legacy of Service and Education at its 23rd Annual Awards Banquet, at the South Fork Hotel(Plano). Silent Auction begins at 6:30 p.m. and dinner and awards at 7:00 p.m. Call 214-682-8364 or 972-260-4208 for information.

Free Garage Sale sponsored by the First Baptist Church of Plano. Everyone who comes will be given 10 tickets that can be redeemed for 10 garage sale items. Free means free! Sale begins at 8:00 a.m., 1300 E. 15th St.

October 24

Plano Bi-monthly City Council meeting will be held at the Municipal Center, 1520 K. Ave., 7:00 p.m.

October 25

The City of Garland will host a special Town meeting broadcast on location at the newly opened Firewheel Town Center to be aired on cable CGTV-15 at 7 p.m. The program is hosted by District 1 Council Member Michael Holden and District 7 Council Member Mark Monroe. Residents from these dis-

tricts with questions for their City Council representative may e-mail in advance to pi@ci.garland.tx.us or call 972-205-2879.

October 26, 11:30 am, Agard-Lovinggood Lecture Hall. Author Nina Fox discusses her latest book, "Marrying Up." Fox originally from Jamaica, New York, currently resides in Austin.

October 27, 11:30 am will be a fall symposium entitled, "The Civil Rights Movement and the Church: Impact and Reform," featuring W. Astor Kirk, at Agard-Lovinggood Lecture Hall. Kirk is a former HT professor and author of Desegregation of the Methodist Church Polity; Reform Movements That Ended Racial Segregation.

October 28, Charter Day Convocation, 10:00am at the King-Seabrook Chapel, represents the official designation celebration of the signing of the Charter of Incorporation that established Houston-Tillotson College on October 24, 1952.

Golden State Mutual Presents 80th Anniversary Celebration. Keynote speaker will be Johnnie Cochran, Sr. Call 214-339-3355 for information.

Book discussion on Mary Frances Berry's new book, "My Face Is Black Is True", facilitated by Joyce King, author of "The Story of a Jasper Dragging." The discussion will be held at the Black Images Book Bazaar, 230 Wynnwood Village (Dallas). The store is offering Berry's book at a 25% discount. For information call 214-943-0142.

October 29

Morehouse College Club Concert and student recruitment at St. Luke Community United Methodist Church, 5710 R. L. Thornton Freeway. Call 214-538-5464.

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"Millions More Movement" Commemorates Tenth Anniversary Of '95 March

By: James W. Breedlove

A huge throng gathered on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. on Saturday to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the Million Man March and to raise their collective voices in a call for unity and responsibility while demanding social, political, and economic equality.

Both the Million Man March of 1995 and Saturday's Millions More Movement were organized by Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan, who addressed the crowd late in the afternoon. Earlier participants during the 12-hour program included the Rev. Al Sharpton, the Rev. Jesse Jackson, Congressional Black Caucus chairman Rep. Mel Watt, American Indian activist and actor Russell Means, and other academics, activists, and artists.

Several speakers acknowledged the vast number of young people in the audience, saying that the hip-hop generation would be able to confront the responsibilities of the future.

Noting the broad spectrum of participants, Farrakhan said the march included an unprecedented array of black leaders of organizations "coming together to speak to America and the world with one voice."

"The more we are organized, the more we can generate power to change reality. The more we unify, the more power we can generate to change reality," he said.

Ten years ago, Farrakhan urged black men to focus on improving their families and communities. Women, whites and other minorities had not been invited to the 1995 march and it was largely shunned by mainstream black leaders. On Saturday, all were welcome at the Millions More Movement that was supported by civil rights groups, including the National Council of Negro Women, the Urban League, the NAACP and several black religious groups.

A diverse group of speakers challenged the on site and TV audience to transform the words spoken at the More Movement into local and national action whereby those that were being ignored would have their social, economic and political demands heard.

"It makes no difference what we say, but it will make a difference what we do," Farrakhan said during his speech. "If we mobilize and organize, we can accomplish that which we desire for the good of ourselves."

Farrakhan and other organizers said the objective of the event was to create a lasting "movement" in communities across the nation addressing local and national concerns relating to education, police brutality, incarceration of black men and poverty. A major theme is the tearing down of internal barriers that divide blacks and to change public policies that have mired African Americans in poverty. They also stepped up demands for personal responsibility among black men and leadership organizations.

Farrakhan appeared to be broadening his message beyond concerns specific to black Americans. He called for an alliance of the black, brown, Native American and poor. "To ensure that the needs of the coalition were supported he proposed the creation of ministries of health and human services, agriculture, education, defense, art and culture, trade and commerce, justice, information, science and technology, and spiritual unification. He urged the alliance members to organize beyond their political boundaries, religious differences, and cultural differences in order to change their lives and their communities."

He denounced President Bush, the war in Iraq and Muslims who kill innocent life for political purposes. He also called for unity with Africa, reparations for slavery, inclusion of undocumented

immigrants and a government apology to American Indians.

"We're living in a world where the rich are few and the poor are many," he said. "But the poor are supporting the rich, and the rich hate anybody who stimulates the consciences of the poor."

Farrakhan also accused the federal government of "criminal neglect" for its slow response to the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. He questioned why the government was able to do a better job helping the citizens of Florida last year, and why so few lives were lost, when the state was hit by four major hurricanes.

"I believe that we can charge the government with criminal neglect," he said. "I firmly believe that if the people on those rooftops (in New Orleans) had blond hair and blue eyes and pale skin, something would have been done in a more timely manner. We charge America with criminal neglect and the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Department of Homeland Security should be sued."

Farrakhan, long a polarizing figure because of his action oriented, no-nonsense views, held true to form as he challenged the Bush administration in pre-rally interviews to disprove claims that levees protecting low-income neighborhoods in New Orleans' 9th Ward were deliberately breached.

He said suspicions were justified because levees south of New Orleans were previously blown up in 1927 to save the then mostly white city from flooding while homes of the rural poor were destroyed.

Farrakhan also announced a Millions More Movement disaster relief fund, urging listeners to network in their communities to encourage every participant to give one dollar each week for hurricane victims.

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Why Blacks Are Having Difficulty With Democrats

By: Ron Walters
NNPA Columnist

To the puzzlement of a lot of people, in an important Senate vote on the nomination of Judge John Roberts to the Supreme Court, 22 Democrats voted "yes" for this long-time conservative, while 22 said "no." This is but the most recent example of a poorly kept secret in Washington: Democrats are often equal to, or worse than Republicans in their treatment of Black issues in the Congress. Why? At least two things account for this.

First, many Senate Democrats, especially in states where the vote is often influenced by who is running for president, are now afraid of the power of conservative voters. If you look at the 22 Democratic senators who voted for the Roberts nomination, nine of them were in states handily won from 52 percent to 60 percent by George Bush in 2004.

Another group of Democratic senators were from four states won by Kerry, but only narrowly. So they were cautious in risking that their vote against Roberts would come back to bite them in a subsequent election. This means that in addition to the 55 Republican votes in the Senate, many more Democrats are vulnerable where high-profile votes are concerned that touch on the senator's ideology. This is what creates the "conservative consensus" in that body.

Despite this, there were four other Democrats from Connecticut, Delaware, Vermont and Washington (states with small or non-existent Black and Hispanic populations) who apparently felt free enough to vote for Roberts. I consider these to have been seduced by his charm, his high level education, his intelligence

and his ability to persuade them that he would consider each issue on the merits, that he was not a right-wing ideologue and that he considered *Roe v. Wade* to be settled law. Why Senator Patrick Leahy of Vermont, the Democratic Minority Leader of the Judiciary Committee felt this way is inexplicable, since he is an old hand and knows that nominees will say such things to get confirmed. As the leading Democrat on that committee, he stared the consistent right-wing record of Roberts in the face, then abdicated the leadership of his party to his own faith. It was a decidedly weak historical move.

The second problem with Democrats is their philosophical confusion. This too, is created, in part, by the fact that there is a conservative consensus on issues that especially touch Black life. Thus, issue such as affirmative action in higher education and contracting, whether government should do more to help the poor, and also housing, welfare and crime issues, are all issues that unpopular with Whites, regardless of party.

Recently, two former Clinton White House staffers, Dr. William Galston and Dr. Elaine Kamarck wrote a report for The Third Way, an organization that was influential in shaping the Clinton approach to governing. While the Third Way posited itself as a "progressive" organization, it is directed toward the "middle class" a term that in the political parlance has been code for the white middle class. In this, it has supported issues little different from those of the Democratic Leadership Council, the right wing of the Democratic Party.

For example, this report argues that Democrats can't win the White House by relying on improving the turnout of their base to win elections, that they need to appeal to

swing voters instead. They report that the Hispanic vote increasing slowly and also swung toward Republicans in 2004; women did not come back to the Democratic party even though married women were targeted; and Blacks would add little even if their turnout improved 4 or 5 percent. Their conclusion then, is that Democrats shouldn't concentrate on their liberal base - and by extension liberal issues - they need to become more tolerant of conservative values such those that put George Bush into office in the last election.

The question I would raise is that, since this is a recipe for further dismissing the interests of Blacks, Hispanics and women, the base of the party, then how does a "swing vote party" operate to give confidence to its base that it will honor their concerns. In other words, if they can win without appealing to the base, then why do they need to cater to them when they get into the White House? This is the key to the difficulty that Blacks have with Democrats in this era of history. When Democrats win the White House, we receive little in the way of public policy, and as the minority, when they vote with the Republicans in the House and Senate, we don't hold them accountable.

Drs. Kamarck and Galston are calling for more of the same and I guess black leaders will buy it by not challenging this political strategy. Where is our integrity? It is hidden inside the Gini bottle of Independent politics.

Ron Walters is the Distinguished Leadership Scholar, Director of the African American Leadership Institute, Professor of Government and Politics at the University of Maryland College Park. His latest books are: *White Nationalism*, *Black Interests* (Wayne State University Press) and *Freedom is Not Enough*, (Rowman and Littlefield).

Women Show Support For Millions More Movement

By: Valencia Mohammed

Women in unison with thousands of Black men at the kickoff of the Millions More Movement symbolized trust and hope in those charged with the responsibility to unify our resources, financially and intellectually.

Carolyn Kilpatrick from Detroit, Mich., portrayed the feelings of most women who attended the 10th year anniversary celebration of the Million Man March in Washington, D.C. on Oct. 15 in the nation's capital.

"The Million Man March was needed. But it was time for women to join in the discussion and active participation about the plight of our people. This is awesome watching serious and focused men and women from around the country, marching side-by-side, listening to the same message to take back to their communities for action," said Kilpatrick. Others agreed.

Elizabeth Buckner traveled from Norfolk, VA., by bus.

"It is time for us to overcome barriers that keep us separated as a race. We must learn to take care of ourselves. That is something I hope to learn at the march," said Buckner.

Some believed it was long overdue.

"I think this event is wonderful and the movement is long overdue and needed. I attended another march in the 70's with my parents as a child. It's something you never forget. Somehow I believe that the people are sincere and there will be major changes in the lives of Black people," said Simona Smith, who traveled from Detroit, Mich., with Celester Morris and 14-year old, Jaquanx Slappeg.

The resounding message brought

families together from all parts of the country.

"I have been here for three days having lots of fun. I went to a rally at a church with my daughter who attends Howard University. I am very impressed. It shows unity, no riots, no violence, and us supporting each other the way it is supposed to be," said Patricia Hurd, from San Jose, California.



LaDanna Morales drove from Fayetteville, N.C., to the march with her family after her brother, Malik Muhammad flew from California to meet her with his three sons. "We wanted to make this a family affair. This coming together for the march also helps to strengthen families' love for one another. Look all around you, thousands of Black people in love and harmony. That's why we came. We wanted our children to know that love exist between Black people all over the world," said Morales.

The program included experiences for several generations of

youth.

"I came for the personal experience. We always see things on television. It's great to say you are a part of history. I wanted to hear Min. Farrakhan, Kanye West, Tavis Smiley and many other Black leaders pledge to do more and to commit themselves to the upliftment of Black people," said Monica Veney, a sophomore at Old Dominion.

Rasheeda Brown Jordan is a sophomore at Norfolk State University and works a full time job. "Although money was tight, the sponsoring group made it affordable. The march came at the perfect time. The Bush administration tries to portray Black people as uncaring. This shows we do care," said Jordan.

Sophia Muhammad, a young mother from Altamonte Springs, Fla., said she was hoping that during her lifetime she would attend an event like this with her daughter. "Just like the brothers did in the past, there are many mother-daughter teams here today represented. This feels so good," said Muhammad.

Some had mixed feelings about the Millions More Movement. Asantewaa Nkrumah-Ture marched with a group of 50 protesters to protest the last minute decision not to include a representative from the homosexual community. "I came here to support the right to inclusion by gays, lesbians, bisexuals, transvestites and queer brothers and sisters. Although I believe it is a mistake not to include a representative as previously promised by Rev. Willie Wilson, the event shows when Africans come together to do great things, they can be done effectively," said Nkrumah-Ture.

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being underprepared I would take exception with that."

Much of the anger boiled over because people were upset that city leaders were willing to allow the supremacists to walk through the neighborhood and shout insults, residents and authorities said.

Authorities said there was little they could do to stop the group, because they did not apply for a parade permit and instead planned to walk along sidewalks.

"They do have a right to walk on the Toledo sidewalks," said Ford, who at one point confronted leaders of the mob and tried to settle them down.

If the Nazi group tries to come back, Ford said he would seek a court order to stop them.

Navarre said the riots escalated because members of the National Socialist Movement took their protest to the neighborhood, which is predominantly black, instead of a neutral place. "If this march had occurred in downtown Toledo, we wouldn't have had the unrest," he said.

The neo-Nazi group, known as "America's Nazi Party," said they came to the city because of a dispute between neighbors, one white and the other black.

Police began receiving word mid-week from officers on the street that

gangs were going to descend on the neighborhood in protest, the police chief said. The disturbances were confined to a 1-square-mile area, but the crowd swelled to about 600 people, overwhelming police.

The crowds were eventually dispersed by police in riot gear after about four hours, and the mayor declared a state of emergency that remained in effect through the weekend.

About 200 officers patrolled the neighborhood overnight after the riot, Navarre said. Police reported no problems Sunday, but an 8 p.m. curfew was in effect for a second night.

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U.S. Department Of Education Awards More Than \$600,000 To UNT For Development Of Child Care Program

Statistically, low-income college students are less likely to graduate, especially if they must care for dependent children. Now, a grant from the United States Department of Education to the University of North Texas will give low-income students an affordable child care option.

The four-year, \$600,000 grant will enable UNT to develop and fund a child care program.

Funded through the Child Care Access Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS), the program will initially help low-income students find and pay for quality child care through the use of subsidies from the

program's grant funds.

The project will also establish operational plans and curriculum for a child care center on or near UNT's Denton campus that will meet the needs of UNT students, faculty and staff and charge on a sliding scale.

"This funding will support our effort to develop and open a child-care center accessible to students who have children and have an economic need," said Richard Rafes, senior vice president for administration and chair of the committee to develop the program. "We've been working to develop a child care center for two years. We hope to open it by fall of 2006."

Carol Hagen, director of UNT's Child Development Laboratory, part of the Department of Counseling, Development and Higher Education in the College of Education, is responsible for writing the grant along with Paul Ruggiere, research scientist in the UNT Survey Research Center.

"The CCAMPIS grant will help fund child care for low-income parents, either on or off campus," Hagen says. "It can also help us establish a larger facility on campus to more fully address the child education and care needs of all students with young children, as well as the UNT faculty and staff."

Teen Pregnancy Conference Page 1
held October 15, at the Frederick Douglas Community Center in Plano.

Undrea Allen, President of the Xi Tau Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha welcomed the young men to the conference and explained the need for such an activity. The event according to organizers is designed to provide education, motivation and skill-building on issues of responsibility, relationships, teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases for males 12-15 years old. The conference goal is to provide these young men with current and accurate information about teen pregnancy and STD.

The participants viewed a video, participated in discussions and heard speakers who addressed these issues. They were also treated to a Step Show presented by the College Brothers of the fraternity, lunch and received tee shirts.

Rev. Clarence Ford, Senior Pastor of Hill Chapel AME Church, provided a provocative and thoughtful presentation about

sex from a religious perspective. Instead of having sex he invited the youth to consider abstinence. "Abstinence, stated Ford, means more than keeping it in your pants. It means keeping things in line with God." He went on to stress that, "Getting it up, should mean to lift up your thinking to a higher plane. When you ascend to the heights of the King's throne nothing will bring you down."

Karen Littlejohn, Director of Program Services for the March of Dimes also shared important information. She commented that, "According to data, teenage birth rates in this country have declined steadily since 1991. However, teen birth rates in the U.S. remain high and exceed those in the most developed countries."

She explained that teen pregnancy offers an increased health risk and teen mothers are more likely than mothers over the age of twenty to give birth prematurely. Premature babies face an increased risk of newborn health problems, lasting disabilities, as well as death.

This is why the March of

Dimes collaborates with other groups and agencies because it is important to educate so that the health of mothers and babies can be improved and prevent birth defects and infant mortality.

Other chilling statistics about teen sexual involvement are that 3 million teens are affected by STD annually, out of a total of 12 million cases reported.

The diseases include Chlamydia (which can cause sterility), syphilis (which can cause blindness and maternal death, as well as death of the infant) and HIV, the virus which causes AIDS, which may be fatal.

If you desire more information about teen pregnancy visit the March of Dimes website at www.marchofdimes.com. Or contact the following agencies:

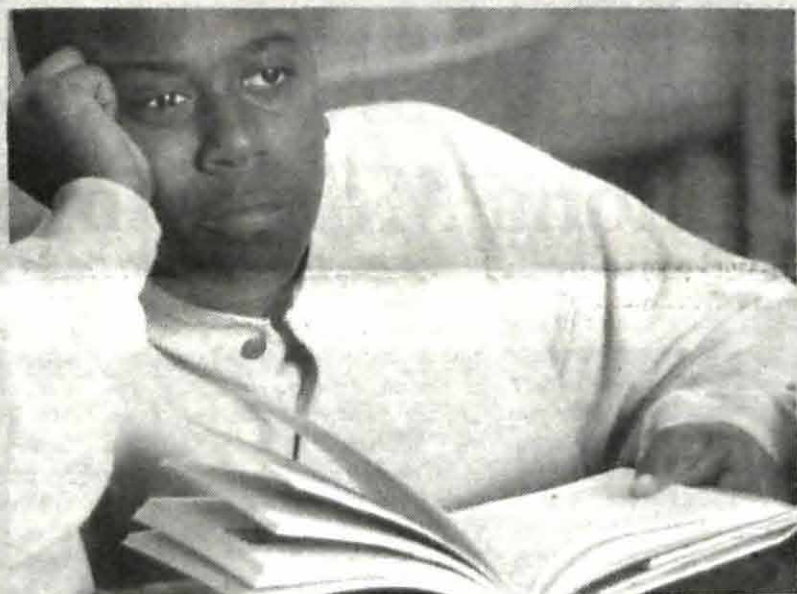
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- Marijuana and underage drinking are linked to higher dropout rates. Students who drink or use drugs frequently are up to five times more likely than their peers to drop out of high school.³ A teenage marijuana user's odds of dropping out are more than twice that of a non-user.⁴

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City Grants Available In Garland

Under a new City of Garland program aimed at improving the corridor, business and property owners along South First Street, between Main Street and Miller Road, may now apply for grants of up to \$15,000 to make exterior improvements to their commercial properties. The grant money may be used for a variety of improvements, including repair or replacement of windows and doors, painting or cleaning, signage and lighting, canopies or awnings, and other exterior improvements. The funds may also be used for permit fees and architectural and engineering work.

In July, the Garland City Council allocated \$50,000 of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) money to fund the program along the 1.2-mile stretch of South First Street. The request for these funds and program was initiated by local business and property owners and was approved by the Council. The program represents a valuable tool in the revitalization and continued success of this important

commercial corridor.

The purpose of the program is to improve the visual appearance and economic vitality of the corridor by encouraging improvements to commercial structures. The goal is to strengthen the corridor, improve safety, and make it more aesthetically appealing to community residents and visitors to the area. The City hopes that the improvements by existing businesses will act as a catalyst for widespread revitalization along this important corridor and throughout the community.

The Garland Redevelopment Design Corps, a group of architects, landscape architects, and other design professionals, will host a design workshop to provide enhancement ideas for those who want to make improvements, but need additional guidance.

Applications, deadlines, and a complete program description are available from the Garland Planning Department. For additional information on the program, please contact Daniel Krzyzanowski at 972-205-2460 or dkrzyzan@ci.garland.tx.us.

SBA Loan Denials Probe Sought

A New York congresswoman is calling for an investigation into why the U.S. Small Business Administration has denied 90 percent of its loans to hurricane victims.

So far, the SBA has approved only 89 loans to businesses in the entire Gulf South seven weeks after Katrina came ashore.

In Louisiana alone, hurricanes Katrina and Rita disrupted an estimated 32,000 businesses from Lake Charles to New Orleans.

Rep. Nydia Velazquez, who is the ranking Democrat on the House Small Business Committee, has asked the General Accounting Office to investigate whether the SBA is

responding sufficiently.

An SBA spokesman said the agency has processed 1,333 of the total 13,251 business loan applications and 11,466 of the total 63,253 home loan applications.

Nine out of 10 of the applications reviewed have been rejected by the SBA thus far.

For business disaster loans, the SBA has approved 89 applications for \$6.4 million and declined 1,044 applications.

For residents, the SBA has approved 1,717 applications for \$111.73 million and declined 9,749 applications.

The SBA has cited as a major holdup that agents can not reach areas to inspect damage.

Small Business Workshop will be held Nov. 15

The Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce and the City of Irving will present a free workshop for small businesses Tuesday, Nov. 15, at the Irving Arts Center, Carpenter Performance Hall, 3333 N. MacArthur Boulevard. Sessions will be at 8:15 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. Business owners will learn about free or low cost resources available, and will have the opportunity to visit with representatives from federal, state and local agencies that provide small business services.

Attendees will also learn about various grants, including programs to help fund employees in periods between contracts. Speakers will include representatives from the Small Business Administration, Texas Workforce Commission, the Governor's Office for Economic Development, business research and technical specialists, the city's Business Liaison office and the Chamber of Commerce. To reserve a seat, call (972) 252-8484 or e-mail: bcrag@irvingchamber.com.

Safeway To Close Nine Dallas-Fort Worth Tom Thumb Stores

Safeway Inc., which operates Randalls and Tom Thumb grocery stores in Texas, says it will close 26 poorly performing locations in Texas, including nine in Dallas-Fort Worth.

In February, Pleasanton, Calif.-based Safeway (NYSE: SWY) executives declined to comment on widespread speculation that it was trying to sell its 138-store Randalls/Tom Thumb division in Texas. Tom Thumb operates 71 stores in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

"This is a necessary step toward a healthier Randalls/Tom Thumb," said Division President Steve Frisby in a written statement. "We are committed to improving our business in Texas. Closing these underperforming stores will enable us to execute a more focused and productive Lifestyle store remodel program."

The stores to close in Dallas-Fort Worth are:

- 4123 Cedar Springs, Dallas
- 3322 N. Buckner, Dallas
- 11255 Garland Road, Dallas
- 7440 McCart, Fort Worth
- 4209 Basswood Blvd., Fort Worth
- 2334 Buckingham Blvd., Garland
- 2810 E. Trinity Mills, Carrollton
- 2430 E. Pioneer Parkway, Arlington
- 7120 Rufe Snow Drive, North

Richland Hills

Following the closures Randalls/Tom Thumb will continue to operate 62 stores in Dallas, 36 in Houston and 14 in Austin.

Safeway says it posted a \$54.7 million pretax charge on the 26 stores in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 and expects to post a \$59 million pretax charge for the store closures in the fourth quarter.

For the quarter ended Sept. 10, Safeway reported net income of \$122.5 million, or 27 cents per share, compared with \$159.2 million, or 35 cents per share, for the same period last year.

Revenue for the quarter climbed to \$8.9 billion from \$8.3 billion for the same period a year ago.

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Beyonce Not Fair Enough?

Word has it that Vanity Fair really likes them fair – fair-complexioned that is. RadarOnline.com, the web component for Radar magazine, is accusing the mag of digitally lightening Beyoncé's skin for its cover and images.

This month's hip-hop theme cover featuring Beyoncé makes her the first African-American woman to front the glossy since Tina Turner appeared in 1993. But Radar questions whether the Destiny's Child member is too black for Graydon Carter, the glossy's chief editor? A high-level source at Vanity Fair has allegedly snitched to Radar that the magazine digitally altered her image to appear several shades lighter.

Convinced that a series of gloomy covers has contributed to the slump in VF's sales, the source told Radar, Carter ordered his art department to lighten up the singer-actress.

"Everything on the cover is bright, including the white background, to make it seem as white as can be," said the source, who claims that the pop diva's medium-dark complexion

was airbrushed to a "Jennifer Lopez shade of bronze" to fit in with the magazine's cheery new aesthetic.

But the brightening of Knowles caused other problems. According to Radar's source, the singer's cover photo clashed with



inside photos, which pictured Jay-Z. "All the photos of Beyoncé had been made so white that Jay-Z...had to be lightened up, too," said the source.

Not surprisingly, the magazine's spokeswoman insisted that the singer's portraits were "absolutely not" manipulated and said that any change in her skin tone was a result of lighting and makeup. Beyoncé's spokesperson also agreed.

"There are very fair-skinned black people in this world and Beyoncé is one of them," Yvette Noel-Schure told Access Hollywood.

Jamie Foxx Has Big Dreams for Fantasia

"I think if Fantasia does it, it's outta here," Jamie Foxx says, mulling the prospect of the "American Idol" winner portraying the role of Effie White in the upcoming film adaptation of "Dreamgirls."

"At first I wasn't going to do it," Foxx admits. "They didn't know what was going on. Then I was like, 'I wanna do it.' Then I found out Eddie Murphy was doing it and Beyoncé was doing it and I said, 'C'mon man. I have got to get that. Save me a dollar man, because that's going to be outstanding.'"

Foxx finally signed on several weeks ago to play Curtis Taylor Jr., the manager who leads a female singing group, The Dreamettes, to fame and fortune. Loosely based on the story of Diana Ross and the Supremes, Beyoncé will play



Deena Jones, the Ross-esque lead singer who eventually leaves the group to pursue superstardom. Anika Noni Rose, a 2004 Tony winner for the play "Caroline and Change," will portray Dreamettes member Lorrell Robinson, while Eddie Murphy suits up as James Thunder Early, a superstar performer who hires the Dreamettes as backup singers. And if Foxx had anything to say about it, Fantasia Barrino would round out the cast as Effie, the role made famous on Broadway by Jennifer Holiday.

Wyclef to star in HBO Series



Fugees frontman Wyclef Jean has inked a deal for an HBO comedy series. Jean will produce and star in the yet untitled series which is loosely based on his life. Seth Rosenfeld and Danny Hoch are on board to pen the pilot script with Jean while Stu Smiley will serve as an executive producer. Jean will also write and produce original music for the series through his Platinum Sound studio.

Jean has branched out into act-

ing in recent years. He appeared in four episodes of the NBC drama "Third Watch" this year. He also has roles in the independent films, "One Last Thing," and "Dirty." "Dirty" is set to debut at next month's AFI Los Angeles International Film Festival.

In 2005, Jean earned a Golden Globe nomination for his track entitled "Million Voices" featured on the soundtrack to the film Hotel Rwanda.

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On Saturday, all were welcome at the Millions More Movement, which organizers said would build on the principles of 1995 and push people to build a movement for change locally and nationally.

Neither Farrakhan, who spoke for 75 minutes, nor police would not offer a crowd estimate.

Associated Press photos showed the gathering was significantly smaller than that of 1995, when Boston University researchers estimated between 600,000 and 1 million participants. The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority said subway ridership by 7 p.m. was just under 368,000, compared with a Saturday average of nearly 220,000.

Still, participants said they were inspired by the gathering.

Farrakhan "is the only one who can pull this magnitude of people together," said Michael Warren, 41, a Washington resident who attended for about five hours with three youths that he mentors. "No other leader since Martin and Malcolm have done this."

Many said the day held echoes of earlier gatherings.

Kelly Callahan, 65, of Newark said he had attended the 1995 march and Martin Luther King Jr.'s 1963 March on Washington. The movement, he said, is "more universal now."

Some speakers paid tribute to victims of the hurricanes in prayers and pledges of support, and many participants said the storm helped inspire them to come.

During his speech, Farrakhan announced a Millions More

Movement disaster relief fund, urging participants to give one dollar each week for victims.

He did not repeat his speculations in recent weeks that someone bombed New Orleans' protective levees, deliberately flooding black neighborhoods after Katrina struck.

"We want to know what happened to the levees," Farrakhan said Saturday. "We don't want to guess about it and we don't want to be guilty of following rumors."

Earlier, Jesse Jackson, the president of the Rainbow/PUSH Coalition, urged people to channel their frustration about Katrina toward change in their communities. He also told the crowd that "a barge in the canal hit the levee and the waters came rushing in."



but he did not elaborate on whether he believed this may have been deliberate.

Other prominent speakers included former presidential candidate Al Sharpton, hip-hop mogul Russell Simmons, singer Erykah Badu and Congressional Black Caucus chairman Rep. Mel Watts, D-N.C.

Farrakhan appears to be broadening his message beyond those of

concern specifically to black Americans and the poor. He denounced President Bush, the war in Iraq and Muslims who kill "innocent life for political purposes." He also called for unity with Africa, reparations for slavery, inclusion of undocumented immigrants and a government apology to American Indians.

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Church News



Sister Tarpley

With Elections coming soon, one Amendment has caused a lot of discussion about the pros and cons of "Same Sex Marriages." Last Sunday Rev. Sam Fenceroy, Senior Pastor of Mt. Olive Church of Plano preached a powerful message relating to "Same Sex Marriages." This was a Spiritual "soaking rain" to be taken in with individuals reaping the benefits now, and far into the future.

By: Pastor Sam Fenceroy
My prerequisite to the message is referenced in Leviticus 18:22-30 (KJV) dealing with the "Moral Laws" of God. Now if you don't believe in the Bible (God's Word) then this message won't help you to see the light.

On November 8th for first time in Texas' history we are going to the polls to vote if the State of Texas will define what a marriage is.

Texas' Amendment No. 2 (H.J.R. No. 6) states, "The constitutional amendment providing that marriage in this state consists only of the union of one man and one woman and prohibiting this state or a political subdivision of this state from creating or recognizing any legal status identical or similar to marriage."

If you are against "same sex marriages" then you must vote the way God would vote. Vote for Amendment No. 2.

Some churches like to say things that sound, look, and taste good; they don't want to condemn folks. But, you can be so liberal that you love folks but you don't want to tell them the whole truth. On the other hand

Is Homosexuality Approved By God? (Romans 1:18-28)

you can be so conservative that you tell folks most of the truth without telling it in love. There has to be a balance; if there is a problem or if folks are confused, you can't leave them where they are. In God's love, show them a way out; let them know there is hope for them.

When I was growing up my mother fed my family a lot of vegetables, spinach was one vegetable that I didn't



Picture Of The Week

Rev. Sam Fenceroy, Senior Pastor, Mt. Olive Church of Plano

like, but I learned that my body needed certain things that helped me to have a healthy body and mind.

When I was praying about the message, God gave me a title but I really didn't like it, it was in the form of a question. I know that a lot of people would have their own opinion; I often find that when folks want to do, or is doing something wrong, they like to get a lot of people to agree with them.

In the final analysis it doesn't matter what you think, what I think or what

America thinks; what does the Word of God say? I know some folks don't like to talk to you when you bring up God's Word; they like to do things based on their feelings. They say, "I did it because I felt like doing it." If you let your feelings (flesh) get involved in your decision making, you will do anything. Moreover, it's not about you, it's not about us, it's all about God.

I have outlined five reasons that God says that there should not be "Same Sex Marriages." 1) Foreknowledge of God's Creation (Romans 1:18-20.) 2) Forgetting of God's Creation (Romans 1:21-23) 3) Forsaking of God's commandments (Romans 1:24-25.) 4) Fullness of God's Judgment (Romans 1:26-28.) 5) Finally the outcome (James 1:13-15.)

How can you know what is right or wrong, let the Word of God be your measuring stick. The picture you see of Jesus wasn't designed by God but by man. God said that you have taken visible things and made them your 'god.' It doesn't matter if "your god" has blond hair and blue eyes or if he is dark skin with hair like sheep's wool; folks do ungodly things because they don't have a "God's Conscious." You must learn to retain God in your conscious so that when you are heading for destruction, God will let you know through the road blocks that He puts in your way.

"Is Homosexuality Approved By God?" With a resounding voice Pastor Sam says "NO!"

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October 23, 4:00 pm

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October 29, 2005

Join us for our spirit-filled and soul-stirring "Faith on the Move" classes. Evangelist Chelyon Brown will minister young ladies up to 22 years old with a theme of "Stand." Dr. Regina Woods minister for single ladies with a theme of "Don't Give Up." There will be classes for ladies that have been mar-

ried 5 years and less by Pastor Mary Williams; and for those married for 6 years plus by Lady Paula Pope, both classes theme will be "One Day, One Step." Mother Varnell Tarpley will minister to senior women with the theme of "Keep On Keeping On;" and at 12 Noon, Dr. Nancy Parks from Dallas, TX with be the guest Speaker with the theme "Faith on the Move."

October 30, 4:00 pm

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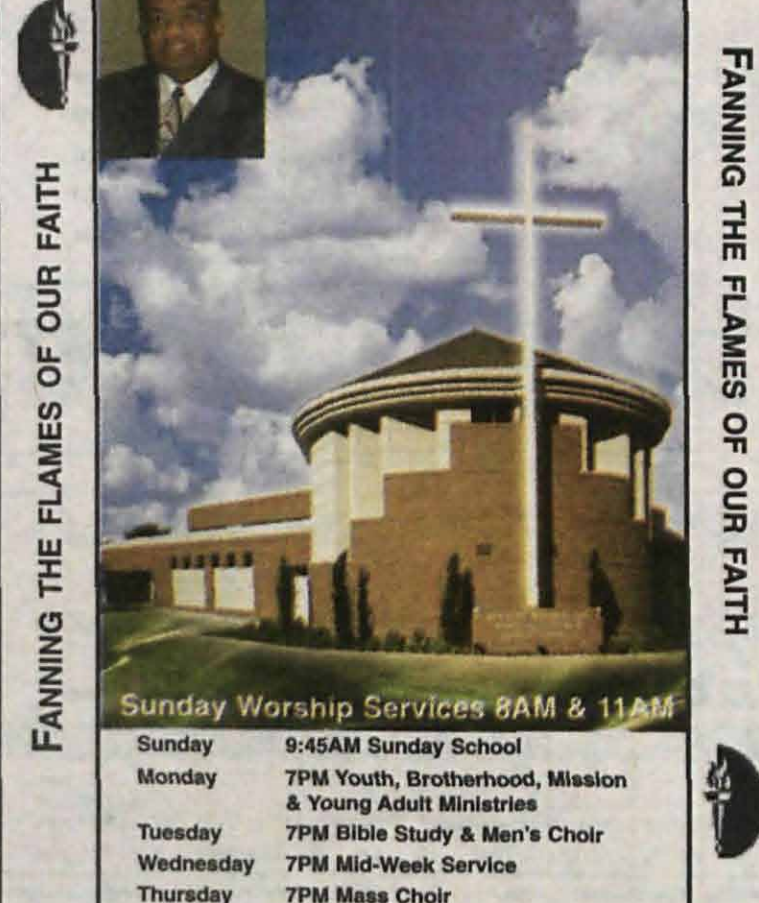
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A crowd favorite for years, the Circle L5 African American Drill Team from Fort Worth will execute their high-speed routine and Escaramuza Charra la Guadalupe will offer the female tradition of ladies side-saddle riding in elaborate costumes and sombreros.

Attendees can partake of food, visit vendors and get autographs from cowboys and cowgirls. Visit www.mesquiterodeo.com for details.

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ations. Sunni Muslims and Christians were also targets.

Hussein is the first leader of a Middle Eastern country to be brought to justice for crimes against humanity, and his trial is intended to open "a new chapter in the history of Iraq," according to President Jalal Talabani.

Prosecutors will decide "at the last minute" whether they'll ask for Hussein's execution if he's convicted, Special Tribunal spokesman Raed Juhi said on Oct. 13. Three of the five judges

must consider him guilty for a conviction. Under the current law, the president of Iraq has to approve executions.

At least 300,000 Iraqis, mostly Shiites and Kurds were killed by Hussein's regime in the late 1980s and early 1990s, according to human rights groups. One of the worst crimes was a chemical weapon attack on the Kurdish town of Halabja in 1988. In addition, hundreds of thousands of civilians died in the 1980-1990 war with Iran and the first Gulf War in 1990-1991.

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A Place of New Beginnings... II Corinthians 5:17

Sunday Morning Bible School 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
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Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting and Evening Bible Study 7:15 p.m.

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MT. OLIVE CHURCH OF PLANO (MOCOP)
October 26 - 28, 7:15 pm Nightly
Attention! Attention! Our Women of The Word Ministries invites you to be a part of our very exciting 2005 Vision Summit Conference. Our theme is: "One Race Unto God." We are looking for you!

Mt. Olive church of Plano (MOCOP)
Rev. Sam Fencero, Senior Pastor
740 Avenue F, Suite 303
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Join Us at Our New Worship Location:
November 2, 7:00 pm
We are relocating to a "New Worship Location" at the Wyndam Garden Hotel, Dallas Park Central, 8051 LBJ Freeway (off of Coit Road) Dallas, TX 75251
November 6, 9:00 am
"New Location" and "New Service Times" Sunday School time is 9:00 am; and Morning Worship is 10:00 am. Wednesday's "Life in The Word Bible" is at 7:00 pm
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North Dallas Community Bible Fellowship in Richardson
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RHEMA LIFE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH
Tuesdays, 7:00 pm
Please join us and bring a friend as we study Women of The Word in our Truth on Tuesday Bible Study Night.

Rhema Life Fellowship Church
Reverend James W. Thomas, Pastor
3801 Avenue K
Plano, TX 75074
469-467-7575

SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
October 24 - 26, 7:30 pm Each Evening
We cordially invite you to three "Spirit-Filled" evenings of renewing one's faith and soul at our Annual Church Revival. Our special guest for the Revival is Rev. Dennis Carl Jones from Gettysburg, MB, Houston, TX. For more information, please contact Curtis Woods @ 972-516-4930.

Shiloh MBC in Plano
Rev. Isiah Joshua, Jr., Pastor
920 East 14th Street
Plano, TX 75074
972-423-6695

ST. MARK BAPTIST CHURCH, MCKINNEY
October 31, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
The community is invited to join us for a FREE, fun, and an alternative to regular Halloween activities. Let's make certain that our children enjoy fun activities that are Christian related, at our Annual Harvest Fun Festival. There will be carnival games, face painting, arts, crafts, inflatable bounce house, food, music, entertainment and more!
For additional information, please call 972-542-6178

St. Mark Baptist Church
Rev. Charles Wattley, Senior Pastor
1308 Wilcox
McKinney, TX 75069
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THE INSPIRING BODY OF CHRIST CHURCH (IBOC)
October 29, 11:00 am
The Celebration Committee requests your presence at the "Celebration Brunch" for Mr. Edward Joe Bagley, Sr., affectionally known as "Brother Joe". For 50 years Brother Joe has been the leading voice on the Gospel Radio airways in the Dallas Metroplex from 5:00 am to 9:00 am every weekday morning. The

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P.O. Box 650
Service Location is:
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214-544-1886

WARREN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
October 23, 4:00 pm

We are proud to announce our return to the South Dallas Community after an almost four year absence due to a fire. In celebration for this occasion we are inviting the South Dallas Community to join us in praise and worship commemorating this great blessing from God. The man of God for the hour will be Rev. Zan Holmes, former pastor of St. Luke "Community" UMC.
Please RSVP to Ms. Juanda Wallace @ 214-339-5996.

Warren UMC Church
Rev. Perry N. Crenshaw, Pastor
3028 Malcolm X Blvd
Dallas, TX 75215
241-928-7373

RHEMA LIFE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH
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Sunday School 9:00 am
Sunday Morning Worship 10:15 am
Tuesday Night Bible Study 7:00 pm

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9:00 am - Prayer Ministry
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10:45 am - Morning Worship & Children's Church

Tuesday Service
7:00 pm - Bible Study

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Sunday
Early Morning Worship 8:00 a.m.
Sunday School Classes 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship (1st Sunday) 6:00 p.m.

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

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

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