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### On the Homefront

The Plano Centre located at 2000 E. Spring Creek Parkway, Plano, TX 75074, will be hosting High Pointe Christian Academy "One Nation Under God." Judge Kenneth W. Starr the Independent Counsel, whose investigation led to the impeachment of President Bill Clinton, will speak on One Nation Under God. There will also be a silent auction and dinner before the event. Proceeds will benefit the children at High Pointe Academy. For more information call 214-544-1794 or visit [www.highpointe.christianacademy.com](http://www.highpointe.christianacademy.com).

The Plano Centre located at 2000 E. Spring Creek Parkway, Plano, TX will be hosting the life Enrichment Boot Camp on February 25-26th. They will be presenting their interactive workshop that includes experimental games, drills and competitions to improve relationships. Admission charge is \$700 per person. For more information contact 972-469-8886 or visit [www.lifeenrichmentbootcamps.com](http://www.lifeenrichmentbootcamps.com).

Collin County Community College District is celebrating African American History Month with a variety of activities including an art gallery, exhibits, a speaker, moderated films with panel discussions and displays in the college in the college's libraries in Frisco, Plano and McKinney. All events are free and open to the public. For more information about African American History Month at Collin, visit the website at <http://www.ccccd.edu/aaah> or contact Cathy Donald-Whitney at [cwhitney@cccd.edu](mailto:cwhitney@cccd.edu) or 972-548-6717.

The Plano City Council accepts nominations for "Volunteer of the Month" on a regular basis. The deadline is the first of every month. The final selection is made by the Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem and the Deputy Mayor Pro Tem. For more information visit: [www.ci.plano.tx.us](http://www.ci.plano.tx.us).

This spring, Collin County Community College District is offering a new advanced-level Java programming class at its Spring Creek Campus, 2800 E. Spring Creek Parkway, in Plano. The new class, Java Web Application Development II, for more information, call continuing education at 972-985-3750.

Plano Chamber of Commerce Women's Division Luncheons are held monthly at Glenview Country Club, 8401 West Park Blvd., from 11:30 am to 1 pm. For more information regarding future guest speakers and ticket pricing call 972-424-7547.

The Outer Loop is a future thoroughfare, which is ultimately planned to connect I-35 in Denton County to I-20 in Kaufman County. For past two years, Collin County has been conducting Phase I of the corridor study, from the Denton County Line to US 75, and have been meeting with citizens and city councils throughout the county to receive their input. The first town hall meeting on Phase II will be Thursday, February 24, at 6:30 pm. The location for the event is Melissa High School 3150 at Cardinal Drive. For more details log on to [www.collincountytx.gov](http://www.collincountytx.gov).

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## Umbrellas For Peace

Photos and Story

By: E. Dewayne Gibson Jr.  
Visual artists Solange Mariel and Romanhio, natives of Brazil and Chile, respectively started off the year carrying out the mission of love, hope, and peace, through the visual arts and through active participation about what it takes for the young and old to gain a better understanding and a higher level of tolerance.

In response to September 11, Irish-American artist Matthew Lamb birthed one of the largest global art projects intentionally developed to circulate across the world. The Lamb Umbrellas For Peace project is an international endeavor created to reach out and bring awareness to all about what it takes to make a difference in the communities in which we live and serve.

Solange and Romanhio have taken the initiative to coordinate the global art project locally here in Dallas.

Grade school children were the initial target audience to execute this project. Through dialogue and

interaction, children can begin to understand that peace, love, and



Rhase Shawn Buford of MON-The Gazette, Sara, and Solange Mariel.

hope are values common to all of us.

The Umbrellas For Peace project is helping to teach the leaders of

tomorrow to express themselves as well as to understand other cultures whom they will have to work with in the near and distant future.

Why an umbrella? An umbrella is physically and symbolically used for protection. Matt Lamb believes that "being protected means to live in peace and love; love is the best prevention against war, terror, aggression and fear. We will be able to pass on the message of peace, love, and understanding." The ultimate goal of the Lamb Umbrellas For Peace project is to highlight that "our similarities are greater than our differences."

"Two hundred sixty umbrellas were painted by St. Monica Catholic School art students and also by area artists. The umbrellas were on display in downtown Dallas, as a symbol of awareness of peace, love and hope to all people."

"Through the visual arts, we can express ourselves without restrictions, making changes as we realize that we have the power to do so," said local co-ordinator Solange Mariel.

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### Blackonomics

## Masochistic Black Folks

By: James Chingman

"How strange it is to see men of sound sense, and of tolerably good judgment, act so diametrically in opposition to their own interest." From David Walker's speech to the Massachusetts General Colored Association, as printed in Freedom's Journal December 19, 1828.

It would not take much more for me to conclude that our people willingly submit to mistreatment, discrimination, and abuse by the establishment. Police brutality is running rampant across this land, from the brutal murders of Amadou Diallo and Patrick Dorismond in New York, Roger Owensby and Nathaniel Jones in Cincinnati, and the latest outrages, the killing of Kenneth Walker in Columbus, Ga. and 13 year-old Devin Brown in Los Angeles.

Economic apartheid shows itself as "normal business practices" in our cities, as stadiums are built for millionaires, in our state highway and school construction projects, and in our federal government as it

goes about its business handing out no-bid contracts to Halliburton and Armstrong Williams.

Every week Blacks are treated like common animals, being beaten, choked, electrocuted, maced, cheated, exploited, and abused in any number of ways. Our solution is to march, protest, or start a protracted legal case that takes years to settle, despite the blatant guilt of the perpetrators. The latest in this tragicomic scene is the outlandish scenario that took place in Inglewood, California, where a White cop was awarded \$1 million after he physically abused a young Black man - on television no less.

Here in Cincinnati, the City Council debates whether the cop should be allowed to electrocute 7 year-old children with their new toys: Tasers. Can you imagine that? They actually have to decide on shooting 50,000 volts of electricity through a 35-pound child, and since the overwhelming majority of those youth who have already been tasered are Black, you know what that means for our 7-year-olds.

Note: Black conventioners, Black

college football teams, and music festival patrons coming to Cincinnati despite the boycotts, leave your children at home. You may be able to survive 50,000 volts, but not your children. Remember, this is the same city administration that participated in putting 500 Black families out of their homes under false pretenses and rationalizing the killing of Nathaniel Jones. If they would do this to their own residents, you can imagine what they would do to out-of-towners.

One definition of masochism is "liking or inviting misery." Black people, in many cases, simply lie down and take the abuse heaped upon us. Yes, we yell and scream, but so does a masochistic person. Maybe we are like the little boy who constantly hit himself in the head with a hammer. When asked why he did it, he said, "Because it feels so good when I stop."

Our abuse stops from time to time, usually around MLK's birthday, when we hold hands with guilt-ridden White folks and feel, just

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### Black History

## Did You Know? Local African American History Facts

Research By: Kimberly Keeton  
Dallas, TX - Freedman's Memorial  
Did you know?



A Model of the Freedman's Memorial located just outside downtown Dallas.

One of the largest Freedman cemeteries in the United States, this one honors the lives of pioneers; slaves and their ancestors with a memorial built in 1990. Visitors to Dallas have and opportunity to see a piece of African American heritage that has recently been reclaimed. The Freedman's Memorial was dedicated to honor the 7,000 former slaves and free blacks who were buried in the Freedman's Cemetery between 1861 and 1925.

The Freedman's Memorial was officially dedicated on

Juneteenth, an anniversary of the day in 1865 when Texans learned that slavery had been abolished by the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863. The memorial is marked by five sculptures. An African warrior and an African griot, or a female storyteller and historian, guards the entrance of the memorial. Inside two sculptures of a man and a woman represent the violated state of the slaves, while a fifth sculpture centerpiece of the memorial shows a couple that are comforting each other and mourning the dead after slavery.



Hamilton Park: A Planned Black Community in Dallas by William H. Wilson.

Dallas, TX - Hamilton Park  
Did you know?  
Hamilton Park, originally an all-black subdivision, is ten miles north of Main and Akard streets in downtown Dallas, Dallas County. The subdivision was named Dr. Richard T. Hamilton, a black civic leader and physician. It was dedicated in October 1945 and

formally opened in May 1954.

Hamilton Park stands at the intersection of four paths of African history: the history of Dallas, urban history of Dallas, African-American history, and the history of community.

Urban historians place Hamilton Park in the formation of the "second ghetto"; the new black settlements created during the movement away from the original African-American neighborhoods developed or expanded under the impact of the rural-to-urban migrations of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Hamilton Park began life as a black community, and has remained to use again the phrase so often employed—predominately African American. The fact of the community's ethnicity adds an important dimension to its development

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### National

## Julian Bond Renews Criticism of Bush

By: George E. Curry

NNPA Editor-in-Chief

WASHINGTON (NNPA) -

NAACP Board Chair Julian Bond

celebrated Presidents' Day weekend

by criticizing President George W.

Bush on issues as varied as Social

Security reform to what he calls

Bush's violation of several of the Ten

Commandments.

- "We are meeting on President's

Weekend, so I want to say a few words

about presidents - one to whom we

bid farewell [NAACP Immediate

Past-President Kweisi Mfume] and

another who has never said 'hello,'"

Bond said at the annual meeting of

the NAACP in New York.

- "Unfortunately, as one president

left, another stayed."

Bond offered a withering critique of

Bush's policies, a clear indication that

the nation's oldest civil rights group

will not temper its criticism of the

former Texas governor simply because

it is the target of an Internal Revenue

investigation. The IRS has questioned

whether the NAACP violated its tax-

exempt status by engaging in partisan

politics. The NAACP has refused to

cooperate with what it calls an

unwarranted investigation and Bond

showed no signs over the weekend of

being intimidated by the inquiry.

- "At the NAACP, we have never

opposed or supported political

parties," Bond said, emphasizing the

word parties. "Instead, we have always opposed political policies that are wrong..."

Debunking the notion that Bush received a mandate in the November presidential election, Bond noted that Bush won with the narrowest margin of victory for a sitting president since Woodrow Wilson in 1916.

"So we have a country divided roughly 50/50 but a government held entirely by one side," Bond said. "Most of us would rather have had the election turn on issues of race and peace than on issues of war and sex. I thought we had 10 commandments. What happened to the ones against lying, stealing, and killing?"

Repeating what has become a familiar theme in his public speeches, Bond added, "Bill Clinton may have led in the war between the sexes. George W. Bush led about the war. When Clinton led, no one died."

In the past, Bond has accused the Bush administration of engaging in racial politics. He reiterated that criticism last Saturday, saying, "The November election served as a reminder of the extent to which the body politic feeds off of race."

"That is reflected, Bond said, in the Bush administration's approach to

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### DBDT

## Ann Williams: A True Living Legend

By: Kimberly Roberts

The art of dance has been a staple

in the African American community

for many generations. The history of

the relationship between dance and

African Americans can be traced all

the way back to Africa.

Ann Williams, a pioneer in the area

of dance has been performing, creating

and teaching this art form since she was a

child. Williams has been teaching

classes at the local YWCA and YMCA.

Williams enjoyed attending the

classes, but says it wasn't until she

became a student under Katherine

Dunham that she was inspired to

make a career out of dance.

"I was member of the Purple Flash

at Lincoln High School here in

Dallas," says Williams.

"But I didn't decide on dance as a

career until I was a student at Prairie

View A &amp; M University."

Dunham, who was the first woman

to open up a dance company, inspired

Williams to pursue dance as a career.

Williams went on to become the first

black woman to receive a Master's



the school for seven years until she went on to open the Dallas Black Dance Academy.

Williams and other dancers began performing in the community. The group would perform wherever they were asked and then in 1976 Williams started performing a professional dance company. And so began her journey down an unbroken path.

The group consisted of dancers from all over. At the academy they were teaching, not performing. I noticed the looks on their faces as the children performed and I could see that they missed performing," Williams said.

She organized the company into a

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## UNT To Host an "Evening With Coretta Scott King."

Human rights activist

Coretta Scott King, widow of

the late Dr. Martin Luther King

Jr., will address the University

of North Texas on Friday,

February 25 during its 'Eight

Annual Equity and Diversity

Conference. "An Evening with

Coretta Scott King," will begin

at 7 pm in the Windspire

Performance Hall at the

Murchison Performing Arts

Center. The Performing Arts

Center is located along

Interstate 35 East at North

Texas Boulevard in Denton,

TX. This special evening will

conclude a two-day conference

on the topic, "Developing

Others to Expand the Journey"

(Mentoring Others to take our

Places). The conference and

the special address by Mrs.

King will mark the

culmination of a series of

events held on campus in

celebration of Black History

Month. For ticket

information call 940-565-

2456 or log-in to the UNT

website at

[www.music.unt.edu/tickets](http://www.music.unt.edu/tickets).



## Community Spotlight

### DBDT Performs at Christian Chapel CME Temple of Faith



(L-R) DBDT dancer Armando Silva, Sr. Torpley, Dr. Jerome E. McNeil, Jr., Sr. Pastor of Christian Chapel CME Temple of Faith, First Lady Billie McNeil, and DBDT dancer William Gill.



DBDT dancer William Gill performs for the congregation to "Change My Name."



DBDT dancer William Gill demonstrates his agility as he worships God through dance.



DBDT dancer William Gill lifts up a praise to the Lord.

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Talented visual artists Solange and Romanho plan to take the project to all of the local elementary schools and senior citizen homes in the Metroplex in hopes of starting dialogue about values that are important to understanding each other.

"We also want to take the exhibit all across the state of Texas," stated Romanho, who involved himself with the community project as an extension of his participation with Landmark Education.

which they live and share."

Lamb incorporated educational aspects into this project such as fostering creativity, promoting intercultural competence through international experiences, increasing self-awareness and self-consciousness, and spreading the message of peace and love through the artwork.

"An early experience with art helps children to develop a deep understanding and appreciation for the culture of their own country as well as for foreign cultures."



Umbrellas painted by St. Monica Catholic School art students and area artists.

Students in the 4th to 6th grade marched and paraded the umbrellas on February 5th at a Peace Conference.

On September 11, 2005, Solange and Romanho plan want to have as many umbrellas as possible to display and exhibit again.

"The call for peace is not more than rhetoric," The "umbrella" represents art over rhetoric. If music is a universal language, then indeed, painting on a canvas of choice is a visual form

of global communication.

The arts project has gained local support from the Dallas Public Library, Fashion Industry Gallery (FIC), Landmark Education, Dallas Peace Center, and Starbucks Coffee on Audelia and Skillman (donations are being accepted at this location).

Solange and Romanho find much purpose and fulfillment in their selfless involvement in the "Lamb Umbrella For Peace Project." For more info, check out umbrella-project.com and federicomari.com.

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501(c)(3) and began holding auditions for dancers.

Overcoming financial obstacles has been one of the greatest challenges that Williams and the company have had to face. Williams pointed out that compared to other major groups that offer the same type of services, the funding is totally different.

"Gaining financial support from the community has been a 28 year challenge," commented Williams.

While financial support is a continuous quest, the company also needed a studio in which they could express themselves freely.

"We needed a space that had good solid floors, large open windows and plenty of room."

The company found just what they were looking for at the former Moorland YMCA, which will soon

serve as their new home.

"We have recently realized a part of our goal as we prepare to open at the YMCA. We hope to be fully operating there by early 2006."

Funding from sources such as IBM, ExxonMobil and the City of Dallas has aided the company to halfway reach its goal to find a new home, and it has also helped the company keep its staff.

"We have 12 dancers and a staff of six that we have been blessed to keep on our payroll."

Directress Ann Williams has not only overcome challenges running the company since 1976; she has made major strides in the dance community making the Dallas Black Dance Theatre a household name worldwide.

The company has toured nationally and internationally, co-founded the Dallas Morning News Dance Festival and worked with some of the most

famous dancers in the world; such as Alvin Ailey, Don McKeay, Talley Beatty, Christopher Huggins and Donald Burke to name a few.

Williams said that while working with nationally renowned dancers is great, she celebrates the company's own dancers' longevity as one of her biggest accomplishments.

"We have two dancers that have been with the company over ten years," Williams said.

"Having dancers that start here and then develop and mature is something I am most proud of. It says that they find something here that can't be found or they don't want to look for anywhere else."

When asked where she sees the company in the next five to ten years, Williams says the company will hopefully continue to grow, move into their new building and gain even more support from the community.

### Dallas Black Dance Theatre Ensemble Church Performance Schedule

#### JANUARY 2005

January 2005	Church	Pastor	Contact Person & No.	Church Address	Service Time
2nd Sunday 1-09-05 Sunday	St. Life Fellowship Baptist Church, Hamilton Park	Bishop Miller, Jr.	Church Receptionist 972-613-1097	2118 Hance Drive Dallas, TX 75243	10:30 am
2nd Sunday 1-09-05 Youth Day	Hamilton Park Baptist Church, In Hamilton Park	Rev. Patrick Wright	Church Receptionist 972-255-4633	3101 Schroeder Rd Dallas, TX 75229	1:00 pm
3rd Sunday 1-16-05 Youth Day	Keller Springs Baptist Church	Rev. Larry J. Sanders	Ruby Sanders 972-715-1222	3227 Keller Springs Road Carrollton, TX 75006	11:00 am
4th Sunday 1-23-05	St. Olive Church (M.O.C.P.)	Rev. Sam McElroy	Elders: David Spivey 972-437-3511	240 Avenue D Suite 100 Plano, TX 75074	1:00 pm

#### FEBRUARY 2005

February 2005	Church	Pastor	Contact Person & No.	Church Address	Service Time
1st Sunday 2-06-05	St. Anthony's Missionary Baptist Church	Rev. Albert Haynes, Sr.	Mechelle Tucker 214-358-3532	2710 Webster Avenue Dallas, TX 75209	10:00 am
2nd Sunday 2-13-05	Westside Baptist Church, Lewisville	Rev. Kenneth Taylor	Church Receptionist 972-225-5668	800 Bellvue Blvd. Lewisville, TX 75067	1:00 pm
Saves Sunday is a later time	St. Mark's Missionary Baptist Church, In McKinney	Rev. Charles S. Taylor	Ms. Deborah Taylor 972-535-7878	1308 Wilson Street McKinney, TX 75069	In the morning 10:00 am
3rd Sunday 2-20-05	Christian Church CME Temple of Faith	Dr. Eugene Taylor	Rev. Linda Taylor 972-255-1120	14320 North Bend Rd. Dallas, TX 75244	10:45 am
4th Sunday 2-27-05	Pilgrim Rest BC in Dallas	Dr. Curtis W. Wallace	Jackie Robinson or John Adams, Dir. of Worship 214-823-7308	1819 Washington Avenue Dallas, TX 75204	10:45 am

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### Around The Town

#### Ongoing

Eyecare America urges seniors to call the Senior Eyecare Hotline: 1-800-222-EYES (3937). The help-line is intended to remind the senior community about the value of sight and the eye care program is available all year round. For more information, visit [www.eyecareamerica.org](http://www.eyecareamerica.org).

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

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

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

Tenn Graffiti seeks good students who take school seriously. Who knows—you could be Tenn Graffiti Scholar Student of the Year! For contest rules and more information visit [www.tenngraffiti.com](http://www.tenngraffiti.com), call 972-496-9457, or email [info@tennteachingtens.org](mailto:info@tennteachingtens.org).

#### Jobseekers

Job seekers can attend weekly meetings held by TeamNetworking of Collin County. The non-profit group oversees several chapters, group meetings from 11:30 am to 1 pm every Tuesday at Blue Mesa Grill, 5200 North Dallas Parkway in Plano. For more information, log on to the Plano City web site at [www.planochamber.org](http://www.planochamber.org).

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

#### General Information

The Urban League of Garland County Service Center offers limited financial assistance for utilities, rent and mortgages, for local residents. Other services offered include housing counseling focusing on reverse mortgages, default mortgages, and financial literature for first-time home buyers is available by appointment only. For more information, please contact 214-413-1739.

During the month of February, Wal-Mart will begin a nationwide program in celebration of Black History Month. Wal-Mart shoppers will have the chance to take home free copies of unique, inspiring and educational publications, "Profiles in Pride," and "Milestones in History." Timeline will be available at any Wal-Mart store. For more information log on to: [www.walmartstore.com](http://www.walmartstore.com).

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

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

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

St. John First Baptist Church in Fort Worth, TX is sending local youth on a Black College Tour. The church is asking for donations from all who can help in the DFW Metroplex with the \$2500 that needs to be raised. The trip will take place in March. For more information on how you can help, contact the program coordinator, Candace Tuck at [cuck@DISD.org](mailto:cuck@DISD.org).

"The National Black Marathoners' Association (NBMA) has launched its website. This is a not-for-profit organization that promotes distance running to African American adults and offers scholarships to Black high school distance runners. For more information and to see the new website log on to: [www.blackmarathoners.org](http://www.blackmarathoners.org).

The City of Garland is encouraging neighborhood improvements through a Neighborhood Vitality Matching Grant program. This program is designed to provide assistance to specific neighborhood projects that provide a public benefit by promoting a stronger, safer, and healthier community. The next application

deadline is April 1, 2005. Applicants may contact Felicia Corner, Neighborhood Vitality Manager, at 972-205-3964 or by email [fcorner@ci.garland.tx.us](mailto:fcorner@ci.garland.tx.us).

#### February 24, 2005

Shug Jones and Lynne Chinn of Tensere Music Studio, Inc. invite you to join a select few for a preview of the Douglas Community Arts Advisory Committee's, "Tracks of Air Past and Future Mural" at 1111 N. Jupiter Rd., Suite 108A in Plano, TX. For more information log on to [www.tensere.com](http://www.tensere.com).

Acclaimed jazz saxophonist Phil Woods will join the University of North Texas One O'Clock Lab Band for a concert at 8 pm at the Winpear Performance Hall. The Winpear is inside the Murchison Performing Arts Center, located at the corner of Interstate Highway 35E and North Texas Boulevard. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased in advance by calling the box office at (940) 369-7802 or go to [www.music.unt.edu/tickets](http://www.music.unt.edu/tickets).

#### February 25-26, 2005

Bayler College of Dentistry will partner with Texas Dentists for Healthy Smiles, the Texas Dental Association and the Dallas County Dental Society to provide dental care during the Texas Mission of Mercy event from 7-5 pm on both days at The Science Place in Dallas Fair Park. There will be no charge for the care rendered. To schedule an appointment for yourself or your child, call (214) 828-8422.

In recognition of Black History Month, the 30th Annual Elite News Awards Night will be held at 7:30 pm. The highlight of the event will be the "Bishop College Mini Reunion," which will feature a tribute to some of the graduates of the now defunct

Bishop College. In addition, three extraordinary community leaders will be honored: The Elite News Awards Night will be hosted by Dr. Stephen C. Nash and the congregation of Mount Tabor Baptist Church, 3700 Simpson Stewart Road in Dallas. The event is free and open to the public. Contact: Jordan Blair or Brenda Thomas, 214-372-6500.

#### February 25, 2005

Human rights activist Coretta Scott King, widow of Martin Luther King Jr., will address the University of North Texas' Eighth Annual Equity and Diversity Conference, "An Evening with Coretta Scott King," will begin at 7 pm at the Murchison Performing Arts Center. The center is located along Interstate 35E East at North Texas Boulevard. Ticket information: Call 940-565-2456 or log-in to the website [www.music.unt.edu/tickets](http://www.music.unt.edu/tickets).

#### February 26, 2005

Prairie View A&M University will be hosting Pantherland Day on the Hill from 9 am - 3 pm. There will be activities and presentations regarding Financial Aid, Scholarships, Campus Tours, and Student Activities. For students is \$10 and \$20 for adults. Cash or check must be received by Thursday, February 17, 2005. For more information contact Bill Heath at 972-669-0261 or Walter Gerard at 214-375-9700.

#### February 26, 2005

The United Negro College Fund proudly presents its Sixth Annual "Red Hot and Sassy" Benefit Gala at the Fairmont, 1717 N. Akard Street in Dallas. This year's event is expected to be the biggest and best yet! First time Presenting Sponsor and Education Partner is Countrywide. R&B band Morris Day & The Time will provide the entertainment. For detailed

sponsorship table information, please call UNCF at 972-234-1007 or metro 972-263-4114.

#### February 27, 2005

Saviors' Day 2005—Minister Louis Farrakhan will speak out on "A Nation Within a Nation... We must first prepare a future for our people." The event will be held at the Black Forest Theater at 1920 MLK Blvd in Dallas, TX. For more information on tickets and seating accommodations call 214-421-4848 or log on to: [www.dallasunf.org](http://www.dallasunf.org).

#### February 28, 2005

In keeping with the spirit of the film and Black History Month/Music, HBO is offering an exciting music-fueled event that gives consumers a chance to honor and celebrate Black music at the Essence Music Festival 2005, July 1-3 in New Orleans, LA. To enter, consumers should visit <http://www.HBO.com> and click on the sweepstakes link and follow the onscreen instructions.

#### Support Groups

"Healing Matters" Grief Support Group meets the fourth Monday of every month at 7:30 pm at Medical Center of Plano classrooms. This is a Pregnancy loss support group for anyone who has lost a baby to miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth, newborn death or SIDS. There is also a share group for those pregnant again following a loss. For more information, call 972-519-1588. DivorceCare meets at 7 pm each Tuesday at Fellowship Bible Church North, 850 Lexington, Plano. Call Bob Hornstein at 972-783-8800.

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# THE TRUTH CLINIC

## Black History Must Reach Beyond The Celebrations

By: James W. Bredlove

Annually, during February, our attention is dutifully directed to programs and celebrations of Black History. A chain letter e-mail recently caught my attention not so much because the subject was a Black genius but because the closing call for action was a simple "Forward this to all the Black people you know."

The e-mail summarized the computer wizardry of Dr. Mark Dean, a Black PhD from Stanford University who is currently a Vice President with IBM. Dr. Dean, little known outside the circles of the technologically elite, is one of the primary innovators that designed the basic computer architecture known as the "ISA bus" that allows IBM type PCs to work with peripheral devices such as keyboards, modems, disk drives, printers, and scanners that have become so indispensable in our lives.

Because of his innovations Dr. Dean was named an IBM Fellow and was inducted into the National Hall of Inventors, the American Academy of Arts and Science, and the National Academy of Engineering. His numerous honors include the NSBE Distinguished Engineer award, the Black Engineer of the Year award, and the U.S. Department of Commerce's Ronald H. Brown Award. He holds more than 20 patents with 20 more pending. These are remarkable achievements for a young man in his early forties.

The e-mail lamented how history seems to be overlooking the technical ingenuity of Dr. Dean just as it has been less than forthright in telling the stories of past African American innovators that helped establish America's technology leadership. Black inventors such as John Stanard (refrigerator), George Sampson

(clothes dryer), Alexander Miles (elevator), and Lewis Latimer (electric lamp) have been buried in history's dustbin for years.

According to the e-mail, Dr. Dean helped start a digital revolution that opened the door for tycoons like Microsoft's Bill Gates and Dell Computer's Michael Dell. Millions of jobs in information technology can be linked directly to Dr. Dean's efforts. Dr. Dean's story should serve as inspiration for African-American children who might be encouraged to climb out of the "Digital Divide" if they were made aware of his trailblazing work.

While these are certainly noble sentiments we need to pause and examine the value to Blacks of simply passing around countless e-mail messages bemoaning that American history is still denying Blacks recognition for the many valuable contributions they made.

Two generations after Dr. King's dream Black America's fundamental philosophy is still "get an education and get a job" instead of "get an education and create jobs." We do not seem to realize that the end result of this shortsighted philosophy is the continued deliverance of our brightest minds to empowering the very establishment we denounce as depriving us of our just rewards.

Reversing the disparity where only 3 percent of Blacks are employed by Black business requires a long-term objective and commitment to creating Black businesses where Black innovators can earn a living while using their creative genius to enrich and empower Blacks.

For example, in the early 1970's the Lockheed Corporation was on the verge of bankruptcy because of development cost overruns and schedule delays associated with the L-1011 jumbo jet. The

stock had tumbled to its lowest level in ten years. The market value of the company had been reduced to less than \$2 billion. A controlling interest in this powerful defense company, the home of the famed high tech "SkunkWorks", could have been purchased for less than \$10 million dollars.

Another golden opportunity presented itself in 1975 when the Magnavox Corporation, makers of top-secret government equipment and consumer electronics, was in play because the market value of the stock has fallen to a paltry \$4 dollars per share.

Pentagon budget cuts had temporarily impacted both Lockheed and Magnavox but huge sums were still being spent on specialized technology at both companies. However, during the economic downturn, savvy investors bought a controlling interest at fire sale prices and not only made millions on the stock recovery but ended up dictating policy impacting over 100,000 employees. The government made sure that both companies remained viable.

If Black political and economic aspirations are to be realized then goals must be set higher than mere recognition with plaques, gold-plated trophies, and media stories. Our Black History lessons must extend beyond being content with getting Blacks jobs. We must prepare to take advantage of the "Lockheed or Magnavox" type opportunities that arise so that our Black innovators will not be forced to sharecrop their talents in white establishments that do not believe in power parity.

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## Race, Gender and Corporate America

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There is undeniable evidence that African-Americans have made impressive progress in Corporate America. Kenneth Chennault is chairman and CEO of American Express. Richard Parols is chairman and CEO of AOL Time Warner. E. Stanley O'Neal holds a similar title at Merrill Lynch & Co. Byron Lewis is president and CEO of Knorr. Ann M. Judge holds the same titles at Young & Rubicam Brands.

A report just released by the Executive Leadership Council in Washington, D.C. offers more encouraging news. According to its findings, African-Americans now hold 8.1 percent of the board seats on Fortune 500 companies.

What that means on an individual level is that some African-Americans are finally being allowed to advance to a level commensurate with their talent. Collectively, it means that young Black kids can now model their lives and careers after Black corporate superstars rather than professional athletes and entertainers.

As much progress as we've made in this area, there is still plenty of room for growth. While it is impressive that Blacks hold 8.1 percent of the board seats on Fortune 500 companies, that's about double the African-American representation in the executive suite. In other words, it's twice as easy to be an outsider elected to set policy for a Fortune 500 firm than it is for a Black to rise to the top from within the company.

A 1995 report by the federal Glass Ceiling Commission observed, "At the highest levels of business, there is indeed a barrier only rarely penetrated by women or persons of color. Consider: 97% of the senior managers of Fortune 1000 industrial and Fortune 500 companies

are white; 95 to 97% are male. In Fortune 2000 industrial and service companies, 5 percent of senior managers are women - and that 5 percent, virtually all are white."

The Glass Ceiling report observes, "The world at the top of the corporate hierarchy does not yet look anything like America. Two-thirds of our population, and 51 percent of the working population, is female, or minorities, or both." The commission projects that this year, people of color and women will make up 62 percent of the workforce.

U.S. Census Bureau projections show that over the next 50 years, the U.S. population will grow by 50 percent, with 90 percent of that growth occurring among people of color while the White population increases by only 7.4 percent. Given these dramatic changes in the population and the workforce, White males can't continue to enjoy the virtual monopoly they've held on the top jobs in Corporate America.

The Executive Leadership Council represents African-Americans at the senior level in corporations, two or three ranks below the CEO. What is striking about its inaugural report on Black board directorships is that while 67 percent of the Fortune 500 companies have at least one Black on their board, a third - 33 percent - have no African-American directors.

There are 5,572 total board seats for Fortune 500 companies. Of those, 449 or 8.1 percent are held by African-Americans. Black men hold more than three times as many seats than African-American women. Black men hold 344 of the total board seats, or 6.2 percent, and Black women hold only 105, or 1.9 percent.

Interestingly, there was a major difference between the top 100 members of the Fortune 500 and the bottom 100. Of the top 100 companies on the Fortune 500 list, Blacks held 10.9 percent of the seats. For the 100 at the bottom of the list, Blacks

were only 0.6 percent of their directors. What was surprising was the number of firms that have no Black directors yet expect African-Americans to continue supporting their products.

They include: Safeway, Inc.; Intel Corp.; Knorr Holding Corp.; Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co.; Lehman Brothers Holdings, Inc.; Rite Aid Corp.; Quest Communications International; Humana, Inc.; Wharfedale Capital One Financial Corp.; Centex Corp.; Palte Homes; Guardian Life Insurance Co. of America; American Standard Co.; Boise Cascade Corp.; Newell Rubbermaid, Inc.; the First American Corp.; Apple Computer; Land O'Lakes; Southwest Airlines Co.; N.C.R. Corp.; Barnes & Noble; Mattel; Maytag Corp.; Caesar Entertainment; Dole Food Co.; Goodrich Corp.; Jostens Apparel Group; Levi Strauss & Co.; Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide; Ross Stores; Hart Marrott Corp.; and Gateway.

If those companies don't think enough of us to have an African-American on their board of directors, we should think enough of ourselves not to spend our money where they do. And we should let them know we're taking our business elsewhere.

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reforming Social Security.

"Now they are trying to tell us that privatizing Social Security would be beneficial to Black people. This is because, they say, Blacks don't live as long as Whites," Bond said.

"It is Social Security that's a bad deal for Blacks - dying too early is the real bad deal! They'd rather play the race card than actually address Black's shorter life expectancy."

According to the National Center for Health Statistics, White women in the U.S. live to be 80, followed by Black women at 74.8 years, White men, 74.5 years and Black males at 67.6 years.

Of the 15 leading causes of death, Blacks had higher rates of deaths than Whites in 11 areas, according to the Centers for Disease Control. In Atlanta, although Blacks and Whites have improved their health over the years, the gap between Whites and Blacks has increased in recent years, according to federal statistics.

Bond and some his supporters have tried to garner support for the president's Social Security proposal by arguing that because Blacks die earlier than Whites, they should support a program that purportedly allows them to cash in sooner.

"Using shorter life expectancy as an

excuse for privatizing Social Security isn't just offensive; it is also misleading," Bond asserted.

"The Black-White disparity in life expectancies practically disappears at retirement age. If they really cared about life expectancy, they'd fix health care, which is really broken."

They'd fix the Black-White unemployment gap - joblessness for Blacks is always twice the rate for Whites. They'd fix the prison gap - more Black men are in prison than in college. They'd find ways to end the numerous threats to long life and to extend our lives. Instead, they want to turn Social Security into broker security. This argument isn't about Main Street, it's about Wall Street."

Bond noted that Social Security is the sole source of income for 40 percent of elderly African-Americans. "Their so-called reform is a solution without a problem," Bond said. "It is part of an all-out attack on the underpinnings of the progressive spirit in America."

At a news conference, Bond told reporters that a search firm was looking at 200 candidates to succeed Mfume, who resigned in December.

According to news accounts, he told reporters: "I want someone with the fund-raising ability of Bill Gates, with the oratorical ability of Martin Luther

King and the managerial ability of someone who's managed big, big things successfully and done well."

Bond said the organization expects to announce Mfume's successor by July. The NAACP also reported a \$4.7 million shortfall for 2004. It spent \$28.9 million, although income was \$24.2 million. The difference was made up from reserve funds, which now total about \$13 million, according to NAACP Treasurer Francisco Borges.

Approximately half of the remaining reserves were set aside for an endowment and scholarships, NAACP officials said.

In his speech, Bond was critical of Bush's proposed budget.

"Having started the government with tax cuts for the rich, they now propose a budget which will punish the poor."

After listing a half-dozen cuts in the Bush budget that would adversely impact the poor, Bond turned the president's language against him, ridiculing Bush's goal of an "ownership society."

Bond said, "The budget tells us the real meaning of the so-called ownership society - it means a society where, unless you're rich, you're on your own."

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And, are we satistically imitating our captors by abusing one another? I shudder to think how often folks really look upon us, the most educated Blacks people in the world, with more annual income than many countries.

As David Walker must have, I also smile at the thought of Black people taking a real stand against injustice and economic discrimination. What a day that would be! When, once and for all, Black folks say, "This is as far as we are going, it ends right here, and we will use our financial weapons to wage war against those who mistreat us, our freedom will be complete."

If White folks' attention is what we crave, we would get much more of it by withholding our dollars from them, by reducing more of those dollars toward our own businesses. Until we do that, in a concerted and determined manner, and until we do more to secure our economic future by educating our children and creating jobs for them in our own businesses, the police abuse will continue, the economic discrimination will go on,

and Blacks in this country will go down in the annals of history as a broken people who not only took the abuse but, in some cases, invited and welcomed it.

Freedom is another word for "nothing left to lose," just ask Patrick Henry.

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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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COLLEGE STATION—As many as 8,000 high school students and their families are expected here Feb. 26 for "Aggield Saturday," Texas A&M University's annual "open house" day that showcases the school for prospective students.

The event gives students who are interested in attending Texas A&M the opportunity to see the university first hand, says organizer Cynthia Gay, associate director of admissions.

Students and their families will learn about campus life, student organizations, academics and financial aid and other areas they are interested in, Gay says. "It's our opportunity to welcome

students to our campus and show them what Texas A&M is all about," Gay explains.

Specific sessions will include representatives from the financial aid office, student life, the honors program, residence halls, Greek life and others, Gay says. Counselors and admissions officers will be available throughout the day to answer questions from prospective students and their families, and special sessions will be offered for transfer students, high school juniors and students who have recently been admitted to Texas A&M.

In addition, representatives from the Colleges of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Architecture, Geosciences, Science,

Engineering, Liberal Arts, Education and Human Development, Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, the Mays Business School and General Academics will be available to answer questions.

Gay said that although most of the "Aggield Saturday" participants are from Texas, students from throughout the Southwest also have been invited to attend the event.

"Aggield Saturday" is free and designed to be self-guided, but campus tours also will be given. Campus maps will be available at information booths on the main campus and west campus.

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The organization was created out of recognition that inequality in business practices exist and that the Black consumer is often victim of systematic discrimination by business practices as evidenced by disclosures of discriminatory practices in finance, lending, health care, insurance, and disparity of treatment in retail, hotel, and restaurant services as well as those that exist within many other venues. While a number of forums currently exist to ensure high ethical

business practices in the United States, there is an absence of a forum dedicated to African American discussions of their unique business experiences.

The BlackBBB allows consumers to submit immediate evaluations of businesses as well as follow-ups.

The BlackBBB operates primarily through our website at www.blackbbb.com, which will be heavily marketed to insure maximum participation. The BlackBBB believes that businesses should want to know what African American consumers are saying to each other about their business practices.

Business can join in promoting fairness and equality in business practice, by becoming a business member of the BlackBBB. You may join the BlackBBB online at: www.blackbbb.com, or by hotel, and restaurant services as well as those that exist within many other venues. While a number of forums currently exist to ensure high ethical

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Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Place: McKinney Housing Authority  
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In accordance with Sec. 903.17 of the Code of Federal Regulations the McKinney Housing Authority Five Year Annual Plan to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development will be available for public comment. A copy of the Plan will be available for review each weekday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the main office at 1200 North Tennessee Street. Written comments can also be submitted to:

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### Did You Know Page 1

and existence, as comparisons with a nearby white subdivision of approximately the same socio-economic standing will demonstrate.

Hamilton Park's residents were middle class in outlook and aspirations, which explains their devotion to one physical and intellectual expression of the community—its school.

Community values surfaced in a different dimension during a mid-1980s proposal to purchase Hamilton Park for commercial redevelopment. Almost from the beginning, however, Hamilton Park's inhabitants formed community-based organizations dedicated to the subdivision's preservation and improvement, social life, enhanced educational opportunity, youth development, and spiritual enrichment.

### Mesquite, TX - Brickyard Cemetery

Did you know?



A computerized schematic picture of the historic Brickyard Cemetery in Mesquite.

Practically hidden between a busy highway and a major arterial roadway in the city limits of Mesquite is an abandoned cemetery that yields many mysteries and few answers. The cemetery, known as the Brickyard Cemetery, is the final resting-place for many African-American workers who helped produce bricks at a local factory beginning almost a century ago.

Schuyler Marshall, Sr. started the Dallas Pressed Brick Company in 1904, just to the west of the township of Mesquite. The factory was the first industrial business in Mesquite and was built upon a naturally occurring yellow clay formation. According

to a newspaper article written by historian Michael Haylip, the company's workers earned about \$7.50 for each day of work. In addition to their pay, Mr. Marshall donated several homes, a school (which also doubled as a church) and an area for burials. Of this land, approximately three acres served for burial purposes. Very little is known about the people who inhabited this property of the ones they left behind.

### Plano, TX - The Douglass Community

Did you know?



Douglass Community sign noting the historical importance of the area to African American in Plano, TX.

Old City Cemetery (1881-Present) is a historical site that is in the heart of the Douglass Community. Joseph K. Klepper obtained his Peters colony land grant and designated a portion of the property as a cemetery prior to 1848. Later, Klepper and his wife Nancy deeded a portion of the land adjacent to the cemetery to the Methodist Episcopal Church, the earliest Methodist Church in Plano (1874-1894). After the Methodist Church moved, the area in which this cemetery is located evolved into an African-American neighborhood and the African American community has utilized the cemetery since the 1920's.

The first death recorded was in 1881 of African-American descent. Five Peters Colony settlers are interred here, as are several other early settlers. In addition, black pioneers including Andy Drake (1934, D)—the first African American to reside in Plano—and several African American community leaders are buried in the cemetery.

### McKinney, TX - Doty School

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### Irving, TX - Bear Creek Community

Did you know?

On February 2001, a historical marker was dedicated at Shelton's

Bear Creek Cemetery in Irving. African Americans first came to the area called Bear Creek Community in Irving in 1845. According to County Records of Deeds and Abstracts, African Americans first owned land where the Shelton's Bear Creek Cemetery is located in 1866.

Minnie Shelton was a former slave who bought land in 1879. Later she donated the land where the cemetery now sits. It is believed that nearly 200 burials took.



Dedication ceremony of the Bear Creek Cemetery in Irving. (L-R) Anthony Bond (at podium) who helped organized the event, and Eddie Bloomfield, owner of the land on which the cemetery is located.

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## Diary of a Mad Black Woman Comedy and Drama

Helen McCarter put the pieces of her life back together. Through the assistance of her

seemingly perfect life with husband Charles McCarter (Steve Harris). Over the years, Helen has been a faithful and loving wife, while Charles built a successful and lucrative career as a prominent Atlanta attorney. They wear the latest fashions, drive the nicest cars, have all the possessions they need, and they live on an expansive estate complete with an extravagant mansion, swimming pool, tennis court and all the trappings of wealth - a little piece of paradise away from the city.

However, on the eve of their 18th wedding anniversary, Helen's paradise begins to crumble as Charles announces that he wants a divorce. He abruptly and literally tosses Helen out of the mansion to make room for the other woman. With all of her possessions packed in a moving van, Helen starts on her journey to



friends, family, faith, and a twist of fate, Helen

finds the strength and empowerment she needs to get control of her circumstances.

She also finds that the tragic events of her life soon become comic, especially with the guidance and help - mostly unsolicited, by the way - of her pot-smoking, gun-toting, and much beloved grandmother figure Madea (Tyler Perry).

Release Date: February 25th, 2005 (wide).

Rating: PG-13 for drug content, thematic elements, crude sexual references and some violence.

## Tracey Edmonds Executively Produces The BET College Hill Reality Show

By Eunice Moseley  
"I pitched to BET a couple years ago the first African-American reality show," Tracey Edmonds says.

"I was surprised when they called. The premiere (last year) ratings were the biggest in BET history (for a series premiere)."

The first season of College Hill was shot on location (on campus) and Edmonds says that the show was "watered down a lot" because of that. Getting the colleges authorization on what to air, limited what they could show. But that the second season that premiered recently is shot off campus on a ranch in Oklahoma and that they are able to show everything that goes on.

That is an understatement when one of the students parades around the house in the nude and unknowingly two ex's find themselves in the same

house, and a devout Christian is also in the mix. This brings about an awesome reality show.

Out of thousands of hopefuls Tracey said only eight were chosen from Oklahoma's Langston University. College Hill airs on BET every Thursday at 9 pm.

Tracey Edmonds (wife of Kenneth "Baby Face" Edmonds, initially went to Stanford University of Pre-Med, then worked in real estate and now concentrates in entertainment as the owner and president/CEO of Edmonds Entertainment Group Inc., a film and television company that has also under it several other businesses: Edmonds Record Group, Edmonds Management, Edmonds Music Publishing and The TracKen Place (a recording studio).

"I have a couple of things going on a feature film, a comedy for Disney and an urban

remake of Oliver Twist," Tracey says.

Her first film project was the commercially successful "Soul Food" which earned five NAACP Image Awards and has grossed over \$43 million and sold over 2.8 million videos. Through 20th Century Fox Edmonds produced "Light It Up" in 1999 starring Usher, Vanessa Williams and Forest Whitaker. It received three NAACP Image Award Nominations. Other projects of Edmonds include Miramax's "Hav Plenty," Universal's "Josie and the Pussycats," and Nickelodeon's "Maniac Magee."

Advice she gives to those aspiring, "Prepare yourself...It's a rough business and a lot of rejection. Keep your head up and move forward."



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## Car Review

### 2005 Nissan Altima

By: E. Dewayne Gibson Jr.  
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3-spoke steering wheel, seat material, headliner and standard 6-speed manual added chrome accents and transmission and sport-tuned exhaust.

chrome door handles. The Altima SE-R is the sixth model in the 2005 Altima lineup. The SE-R Altima is geared towards serious sports car enthusiasts.

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On-Going

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

For more information and ticket prices, please call the church office @ 972-424-8989.

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

**CONCORD CHURCH**  
February 19 - February 23, 2005  
FREE! admission to see the "Black History Traveling Exhibit: Pathway to Freedom" in the church's chapel. The exhibit features memorabilia from the Underground Railroad, the Civil Rights Movement, and of Black Inventors.

Saturday's hours are 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. Sunday's hours are 9:30 am - 11:00 am and Sunday afternoon from 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm. For Monday - Wednesday, please call the church for an appointment. For additional information, contact Candy Bradshaw @ 214-331-8522.

**Concord Church**  
Rev. Bryan L. Carter, Senior Pastor  
6808 Boulder Drive  
Dallas, TX 75237  
214-331-8522

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## Career Opportunities

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## Church News



**Sister Tarpley**

I was asked where I get my information on Black History Facts. You can verify facts in my column by going to any public library or any "search engine" AOL, Yahoo, Google, MSN, etc. and type in the name of an inventor or invention that you want to learn about and get all of the facts you want and need.

It has been said that American's history is cruel when it comes to Black History Facts. I agree with this statement because plenty of Black History facts are overlooked and not included in American's history books, and many individuals will not do research to discover contributions that African Americans have made that have changed our world for the better; not only before, during and after America's admitted "slavery time," but in the latter part of the 20th and the early part of the 21st centuries as well.

Many individuals are saying that, "February is the shortest month of the year, and anyone, all of Black History should be taught 12 months of the year, and included in America's history books." I concur with both of these statements; however, there is a reason that Carter G. Woodson selected February as Black History Week, first, then for the entire month. Read the history in the February 10 - 16, 2005 issue of MON-The Gazette.

One good way of getting Black History taught about year round is through the use of the "Black Heritage Stamp Series." Each year, during the 1st or 2nd week of February, the United States Postal Service (USPS) in conjunction with the City of Dallas and others celebrates the Annual Anniversary of the USPS issuance of a stamp honoring the life and legacy of an African American from all walks of life. The Unveiling and Reception are both free and open to the public. What you can do year round is what

## BLACK HISTORY FACTS CONTINUES

Dallas District Manager Carl T. January, Jr. likes to say throughout his remarks, "Buy The Stamp!" To that I will add, use the stamps on all of your mailings and discuss all of the individuals that are honored on the stamps, which could lead to discussions of other African Americans and their inventions or contributions. This year USPS teamed up the Dallas Opera for honoring opera singer Marian Anderson, the 20th stamp



Picture of The Week

Mrs. Charles McNeil, the very gracious and saintly mother of Dr. Jerome E. McNeil, Jr., Senior Pastor at Christian Chapel CME Church Temple of Faith and Sister Tarpley.

Dr. Mark Dean, AKA America's High Tech "Invisible Man" has a Ph.D. from Stanford University. He is in the National Hall of Inventors. Dr. Dean, a vice president of Systems in IBM Research is the architect of the modern-day personal computer. He holds three of the original nine patents on the computer that all PCs are based upon.

Dr. Benjamin S. Carson, Sr., a pioneer in brain surgical techniques is best known for leading the first surgical team in 1984 that successfully separated a pair of seven months old

Siamese twins, who were born, joined at the head. Born in 1951, Dr. Carson came from a poor family in Detroit. As a child he had a difficult time in school. Undeterred, he studied hard in high school and won a scholarship to Yale University, where he received his bachelor's degree. He went on to study at the University of Michigan's School of Medicine and became the first African American accepted into the residency program at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. After one year in Australia, Dr. Carson was promoted to Director of Pediatric Neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins in 1984; at 31 years old, he was the youngest doctor to hold such a position.

**INVENTIONS:** Every Southern individual, especially Texans, should be happy about this, the Air Conditioning Unit by Frederick McJannet on July 12, 1949. The Automatic Flushing Device by G. Cook on May 30, 1899. The Gas Mask was invented on October 13, 1914 and the Automated Three Way Traffic Light on November 20, 1923 both by Garrett Morgan. Cash Registers in the 1890's by R.A. Hyatt. The Portable X-Ray Machine was invented by Frederick McKinley Jones. The Pillar's Mold for Building Foundation was invented by Elbert Robertson. Bullet Resistant Plexiglass used in banks was developed by Emanuel L. Lages. The Paper Bag Machine was invented by W.B. Parvo. The Exhaust Purification Device for cars was invented by Merold Goudine. And Orville Williams, the first African American hired by Republic Aviation, Inc. developed the first Albatross Radar Beacon for locating crashed aircrafts.

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## Church Happenings

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**DENTON FULL GOSPEL HOLY TEMPLE**  
March 1 - 4, 7:45 pm Each Night  
Harvest Time Crusade with guest speakers Apostle Lloyd Benson from Baton Rouge, LA; Bishop Clinton Heyward from Brooklyn, NY. Crusade Host and Thursday's speaker will be Pastor Floyd H. Daniels III. Also appearing is Gospel Recording Artist Carolyn Traylor and Pastor Ron Holland from Ft. Worth, TX. This glorious event will be at the MCL Auditorium, on the campus of Texas Woman's University in Denton, TX.

For more information, please call the church at 940-484-0963.

**Denton Full Gospel Holy Temple**  
Elder Floyd H. Daniels, Pastor  
529 Bolivar Street  
Denton, TX 76201  
940-484-0963

**GREENVILLE AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
February 27, 2005  
Black History Program

Greenville Avenue C of C  
S.T.W. Gibbs, III, Minister  
1013 S. Greenville Avenue  
Richardson, TX 75081  
972-644-9347

**HILL CHAPEL CME CHURCH**  
February 27, 4:00 pm

Our Youth Department will present a Black History Program: Celebrating Our Heritage "Where there is no vision, the people perish" Proverb 29:18 (KJV). A special guest performance will be by the Dallas Black Academy. The public is invited.

**Hill Chapel CME Church**  
Rev. James E. Larry  
Senior Pastor  
1113 Avenue I  
Plano, TX 75074  
972-423-4090

**MORSE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH**  
March 5, 6:00 am - 12 Noon  
Church Prayer Summit  
For more information, please call 940-320-5364.

**Morse Street Baptist Church**  
Rev. A. R. Stokes, Pastor  
921 Morse Street  
Denton, TX 76205  
940-320-5364

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**MT. HEBRON BC (The Mount)**  
Rev. Leonard Leach, Pastor  
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**MT. OLIVE CHURCH OF PLANO (MOCOP)**  
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**MT. Olive Church of Plano (MOCOP)**  
Rev. Sam Fenceroy, Senior Pastor  
740 Avenue F, Suite 303  
Plano, TX 75074  
972-633-5511

### NORTH DALLAS COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

March 10 - 13, 2005  
Music Workshop with Ronald J. Materre, Minister of Music at New Faith Baptist Church, Houston, TX and General Director of the Texas Mass Choir of the Gospel Music Workshop of America. The workshop will culminate with a musical on March 13th at 3:00 pm in celebration of our 5th Church Anniversary.

March 13, 2005  
Join us in celebration of our 5th Church Anniversary, with special musical guest, the United Voices from Denton, TX. For more information about the above events, please call 972-484-1185.

**North Dallas Community BC**  
Rev. Billy R. Robinson, Pastor  
1718 Trinity Valley Drive  
Carrollton, TX 75006  
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### OASIS INTERNATIONAL CHURCH

March 19, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Women's International Network (WIN) quarterly Networking Meeting. Our theme is "Empowering The New You to Prosper" to be held at the contemporary Homewood Suites at Jupiter & George Bush Toll way in Plano. A full breakfast buffet will be served from 9:00 am - 10:30 am. For more information, and to register, please call 469-467-6797.

**Oasis International Church**  
Doctors Charles & Vera Hughes Founders  
P.O. Box 941192  
Plano, TX 75093  
469-467-6797

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## Church Directory

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9:45 a.m. Prayer & Worship  
10:15 a.m. Sunday Experience  
Thursday  
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal  
Tuesday  
7:15 p.m. Bible Study  
Wednesday  
6:30 p.m. Prayer Service  
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Reverend Charles E. Franklin, Pastor

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Sunday School Classes 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship (1st Sunday) 6:00 p.m.  
Tuesday  
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Wednesday  
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## NAACP Garland Branch holds 5th Annual Winter Ball



Fred Marsh of State Farm Insurance and his wife Gloria Marsh.



Mr. Nate Johnson and his wife Dr. Pam Johnson enjoy the evening.

The Castle at Canyon Creek was dazzling on Friday, February 11, 2005, with guests attending the 5th annual Winter Ball. This "black tie" event was sponsored by the NAACP Garland Branch in recognition of African American History Month.

The theme for 2005 was "Celebrating the Accomplishments of Our City Employees." Honorees from local municipalities were



2005 Honorees: Front Row (L-R) Michael Gathier, Danish Wilson-Owens, Prudence Hobbs, Margaret Hart, Barbara A. Johnson, Brandyce Druce, Carolyn Rosa, Back Row (L-R) Lennel L. Green, Charles Rene, Gregory Hunter, Lonnie R. Banks, Larry D. Daniels.



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## 7th Annual Freedom Fund Banquet to Feature Local Author

The 7th Annual Freedom Fund Banquet hosted by the NAACP Mesquite Branch will be held on Saturday, February 26 at Eastridge

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author of "When Water Was Free," will be the guest speaker. The semi-formal affair will begin at 7 p.m. For ticket information call 972-288-3916.

## Church Happenings

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### PILGRIM REST BAPTIST CHURCH

**February 27, 10:45 am**  
African American History Program, and an Old Fashion Dress-Up Day, special guest for the day will include Sister Tarpley, Religious Editor, MON-The Gazette, and the International Renowned Dallas Dance Theatre. DBDT Ensemble will perform with refinement and dignity to honor God. The dancers will show poise and physical prowess as they praise and worship God in a dance; and they have been known to draw the audience into intimate participation with each, labored breath and reveal their rich humanity and unique personality.

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**March 6, 2005**  
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**March 19-20, 2005**  
Deacon's Ministry Workshop, and Dallas area Nurses and Nurses Workshop  
**March 27, 5:00 pm**  
Easter Sunday and Musical  
**March 28, 4:00 pm**  
Tribe of Judah Dance Gala  
**March 31, 7:00 pm**  
Anniversary Word Explosion  
For more information please call the church at 214-823-7308.

Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church  
Dr. Curtis Wallace, Pastor  
1819 N. Washington Avenue  
Dallas, TX 75204  
214-823-7308

### SANCTUARY OF PRAISE FELLOWSHIP OF ALLEN

**February 27, 10:00 am**  
We cordially invite the public to our "Soul Food Sunday 2005 - A Celebration of Faith" and we will have our Black History Program that will feature Maleka Lewis and the Anointed Sanctuary of Praise Dancers, also there will be poetry reading and special music.  
For more information, please contact Pastor John Wilson, III at 469-853-2380.

Sanctuary of Praise Fellowship of Allen  
Rev. John Wilson III, Pastor  
100 East Main Street  
Allen, TX 75013  
469-853-2380

### ST. LUKE AME CHURCH (SLAME)

**February 26, 9:00 am**  
Reaching Out To The Community (ROTC)

**February 27, 2005**

Stewards Program  
**March 12, 2005**  
Scholarship Workshop  
**March 15, 10:15 am & 3:30 pm**  
Family Day—our guest speaker @ 3:30 pm will be Rev. W. L. Brown from Shiloh AME Church of Galveston, TX.  
**March 26, 11:00 am**  
Easter Carnival and Egg Hunt, the community is invited.

For more details about the above events, please call RaQuell Thindill, Church Administrator, @ 972-487-9703.

St. Luke AME Church  
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### ST. LUKE COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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For more information, please call 214-376-0835 or 972-270-4480.

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Evening Worship (Agape Hour) First Sunday ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting and Evening Bible Study ..... 7:15 p.m.

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