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On the Homefront:

The Plano Children's Medical Clinic is trying to extend its services by purchasing a mobile unit. Join with Jerry Huffman Custom Builders at their 3rd Annual Spring-Fling Monte Carlo Style Event (Black Tie event) and help raise funds. Event is May 16, 7:00 p.m. - midnight, Harvey Hotel, Plano. To be a sponsor, donate money or items for the auction: 972.248.1667, or visit www.jhuffman.com.

McKinney Art & Jazz Festival May 16 & 17, - boutiques, antique shops, art galleries and collectibles, street performers, face painters, contemporary jazz, blues, swing and original music by singers/songwriters. Cuisine prepared by local restaurants. Family Area with children's hands-on activities, music and entertainers. For more information contact the Downtown McKinney Association at 972-562-6880.

The City of Garland Parks Recreation department and local sponsors will host the Ninth Annual Fishing Derby on Saturday, May 17, 7 a.m.-10 a.m. at Ablon Park, south Garland.

Open to all ages. Pre-registration until May 16 at any Garland Recreation Center at \$5.00 per person. On-site registration is \$7 per person beginning at 6:15 a.m. For more information contact Scott Graves, Recreation Specialist at 972-205-2771 or via e-mail sgraves@ci.garland.tx.us.

Museum Day in McKinney, May 18, celebrating International Museum Day. See some of McKinney's finest historical museum attractions. Free admission from 1:00-4:00PM at the Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary, www.heardmuseum.org, 972.562.5566; Chestnut Square Historical Park, www.chestnutsquare.org, 972.562.8790; Collin County History Museum, www.collincountyhistory.org; and the Heard-Craig House, www.heardcraig.org, 972.569.6909.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., North Dallas Suburban Alumnae Chapter, a public service organization, is holding its annual scholarship fundraiser, Jabberwock, at Plantation Golf Club, Frisco, Saturday May 17. Check in 11:00am -1:00 pm. Buffet lunch 1:30pm-1:00pm.

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Teens United for the Future (R.U. T.U.F.F. ENUFF)



Left to Right- Bertha Murrell, Virginia Hunt, Samantha Clark of the Douglass Community Boys and Girls Club

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Pianist Vince Madison to Play at Collin Creek Mall



MON-The Gazette columnist Cheryl Jackson with pianist Vince Madison

Pianist Vince Madison will be performing at Collin Creek Mall in Plano, TX, May 15-18 during mall hours. His CD, "Perfect Hearts" was released this month. To hear samples of his visiting his website at www.vincemadison.com

"I believe that when people listen to music they truly love, they experience a feeling of fulfillment and joy that is in fact not duplicated in any other experience. My mission is to create as many of those moments as possible for my listeners, thereby enriching their lives and touching their hearts and souls with some happiness and inspiration."

Students Prepare for Mission Trip to Nicaragua



Native Hawaiians entertain the audience with one of the many dances that were performed during the luau

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Cincinnati in Black, White and Green

By James Clingman

Mark Twain is often quoted as saying if he knew the world were coming to an end he would move to Cincinnati, because there everything happens 10 years later. If that's true, and from all indications it is, it means Black people will have to wait 10 more years for justice as it relates to the latest in a long string of ridiculous events in this town. It also means that White people are 10 years ahead when it comes to the same things.

Want some examples? How about these? A couple of years ago, a White police officer, Steven Roach, killed a 19-year-old Black man, Timothy Thomas. The Black man was wanted on misdemeanor charges but received death. The officer committed a felony but received misdemeanor charges, for which he was subsequently told by a White judge, "You are free to go."

Last year, the second-highest ranking police officer in Cincinnati, a Black man named Ron Twitty, was indicted by a "special" grand jury for lying about a dent in his police car. He was charged with two misdemeanors and two felonies, which carried penalties greater

than those of all three of the White cops who killed Timothy Thomas and another Black man, Roger Owensby, who was choked to death, even though he wasn't being sought by police when he was stopped.

There are several other incidents I could cite, especially things like a blind man who was given a jaywalking ticket for crossing against the light, and the grandmother who was cited because she put a quarter in someone's expired parking meter. But I am sure you get the picture.

Cincinnati's latest in-your-face injustice inspired me to write this particular article. During a recent so-called "celebration," some college students decided to start invading private homes (breaking and entering, in police parlance), setting fires (arson), overturning automobiles (destruction of private property and vandalism), throwing rocks and bottles at police officers (assault on police officers), and causing fear and panic among neighborhood residents (disturbing the peace, intimidation and inducing panic).

The local media gave the

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Scratching The Surface of Allergies and Asthma

By Monica Thornton

Your head feels like someone has it in a vice grip, your cheeks are so sore if you didn't know better you'd think someone had beaten you. Your eyes, mouth and throat itch so badly you could scratch them to pieces, and you'd like to stop sneezing long enough to take a good breath. But one of your children is coughing and wheezing so hard she can't get her breath, and your other child has run in the house swollen from head to toe.

It sounds like you and your family are suffering from chronic allergies and asthma, and are in desperate need of help.

If you even suspect that you or a family member has allergies or asthma, consult with a doctor, who can perform tests to determine the cause of the symptoms and develop a treatment plan to control allergic reactions, and help prevent the development of allergic asthma.

But how serious is the allergy and asthma situation? Just ask any sufferer and the picture gets clearer.

Millions of people are allergic to foods, including nuts, eggs, seafood, wheat and just about anything. Others are allergic to grasses and tree pollens and try to take refuge indoors, but are allergic to their home with dust mites, animal dander, and mold spores. Dust is present even in clean homes, and allergens of house dust are a major cause of year-round allergies and asthma.

Nine year-old Keaton

Khonsari of Plano, has suffered with allergies since infancy. His mother, Jennifer Khonsari, said it started with eggs causing him to swell, so she had him tested for allergies.

"The doctor used needles in his back to find out what he was allergic to, and he was allergic to just about everything indoors. He was put on medicine, but the situation kept getting worse," said Khonsari.

So Keaton was tested again when he was eight, and he was found to be allergic to

everything outdoors. He had to take medicine every day to avoid allergic reactions, but the medicine made him sleepy, making it hard for him to function at school.

Khonsari said about two years ago she took Keaton to Dr. Elliott Ginchansky in Plano, who started him on allergy shots.

"He started out with two shots, two days a week, now he is down to getting shots every other week," Khonsari said. "He can now function at school, and allergic reactions are minimized."

But Khonsari said she carries an epi-pen (epinephrine) in case of emergencies, as she said there is still the chance of a bad reaction, even with the shots.

"The worst reaction he's ever had was when he was playing football outside for about an hour," she said. "By the time he finished playing he was covered in wheals on all exposed skin."

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Teens United for the Future (R.U. T.U.F.F. ENUFF)



Guest Speaker, Mr. Rickie Clark, Founder/CEO of DAVillage



Mistress of Ceremony- Helen Macey

Youngsters in Plano were treated to a 'lock-in' at Main Event in Plano, on Friday May 6, from 6:30 p.m. until May 10, at 6:30 a.m. The event was sponsored by Boys & Girls Clubs of Collin County, and was sponsored by Plano Housing Authority.

Karen Johnson, program director at the Plano branch of Boys and Girls Clubs, said there were about 230 young people in attendance. The evenings festivities began at the Harvey Hotel, Plano, with speeches by Rickie Clark, DeWayne Owens and Rosemary Dumas.

Johnson said there was silence in the room when Rickie Clark spoke. He encouraged the youth to strive for excellence and know that they can be what they want to be.

Rosemary Dumas, of Mary Kay, taught the youth how to make a living with Mary Kay, and motivational speaker DeWayne Owens taught them how to make an honest living.

After the session and food at the hotel, the youth went to Main Event for a night of fun, and returned to the hotel for breakfast at 5:45 a.m.

Johnson said they had people from the McKinney, Frisco, Plano and Ennis branches of Boys & Girls Clubs, and also youth from Garland and surrounding areas who were not associated with the club.

"It was a great success, and we're looking forward to doing it again next year," said Johnson.



Kim Roy introduces guest speaker.



Sharon Watson, Executive Director of Collin County Boys and Girls Club



Left to Right- Sharon Watson, Helen Macey, Brenda McDonald, Event Advisor

Around The Town

On-going

In an effort to provide citizens with vital information in the event of an emergency, Collin County has created an emergency preparedness hotline. The number is 972.548.4114. You can also visit www.co.collin.tx.us.

Residents of Collin, Rockwall, Dallas, Hunt, Navarro, Denton, Kaufman and Ellis counties can now dial 211 for free advice on who and where to call for support.

The Arts Gallery at Collin County Community College, Spring Creek Campus, displays works by students and professionals. Visitors and new artists are welcome. For more information call: 972.881.5154. Open Mon-Fri 8 a.m.-9 p.m., Sat 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Dallas Children's Museum at Valley View Center (LB) and Preston Rd) - interactive activities including a hospital fantasyland underwritten by Presbyterian Healthcare, a miniature grocery store by Kroger Foods, a farm (where you can milk a cow), a "Jungle Impressions" exhibit, complete with rain forest, and arts and crafts. Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., Saturdays 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Sundays noon - 6 p.m. Children 2-10 years \$4/Adults \$3. Call 972.386.6555.

Young Adult Writers of Allen, a self-directed group for teens ages 13-18 who like to write and would like feedback on their writing from their peers in a relaxed environment. New

writers always welcome. Contact Debbie Vavra at dvavra@ci.allen.tx.us or 972.727.0195. Meet Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the Allen Library, 301 Century Parkway, Allen, Texas 75013.

Join the Allen Seniors for monthly activities, including luncheons, table games, line dancing, business meetings and more. Contact the Allen Senior Center at 972.727.0155, or mandelman@ci.allen.tx.us.

International Library of Photography announces that over \$60,000.00 in prizes will be awarded this year in the International Open Amateur Photography Contest. Beginners and seasoned photographers welcome to enter, entry is free. Deadline is June 30. Visit: www.picture.com for details.

Through May 24
Saturday art classes at the Dallas Children's Museum - Learn the art of Adinkra stamping, how symbols in African textiles were developed, how to make your own stamps and print them on various surfaces. Different topic each week. \$5. Times are: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.; 4 p.m.-6 p.m. Call 972.386.6555.

May 9
The National Cowboys of Color Museum and Hall of Fame will induct its inaugural class of Hall of Fame Inductees, at the Museum located at 3400 Mount

Vernon Avenue, Fort Worth, at 7:00 p.m. Call 817.922.9999 for reservations.

Through May 31
'In Their Mothers' Eyes', at the ArtCentre of Plano - a display of children's photographs taken by their mothers, who are professional photographers. At 15th Street and Avenue K. Gallery hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., free admission.

May 16, 17, 18; 23
Dallas Children's Theater presents Coyote Tales, about a witty, tricky and clever canine trying to cheat and fool everybody. Tales based on traditional Mexican folk stories, a fiesta of music, dance and puppets. Recommended for 3 years and older. At the Rosewood Center for Family Arts, 5938 Skillman, Dallas (Skillman & Northwest Highway). Call 214.740.0051 for reservations and ticket information.

May 17
Junior Anglers & Allen Parks and Recreation presents Kids All American Fishing Derby, Bethany Lakes Park, 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Free.

Kidfish, an outreach program designed to educate and provide hands on fishing experiences to children 16 and younger, will be held at Mesquite City Lake Park from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Contact 972.216.6260 for more information.

Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary presents Walk On The Wild Side! Tour the Heard Museum Sanctuary and observe native wildflowers in their habitats, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Pre-registration and payment required. \$7 museum members, \$10 non-members. For more information: 972.562.5566 or visit www.heardmuseum.org.

May 18
The North Texas chapter of American Mensa offers testing at 1:00pm at Fretz Park Dallas Public Library, Beltline and Hillcrest. Call 972.478.3556 or 972.393.9399 for information and reservations.

May 19
DFW Community Newspapers Career Fair, Plano Center 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Dress for success, bring your resume and be ready for on-the-spot interviews. Free admission. At Spring Creek and Jupiter Roads. Call 972.424.4585 ext. 1802, or visit www.planostar.com

May 20
Collin County Community College District's Recruitment and Programs for New Students hosts free College Prep Seminar, 7-8:30 p.m. McKinney Memorial Public Library, 220 N. Kentucky. Call Donna Okaro at 972-548-6777.

May 22

Genealogy Resources on the Internet, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Mesquite Public Library, 300 W. Grubb Drive. Participants need some experience handling a computer mouse and the Internet. Registration required for all classes: call 972.216.6224.

Applications for the annual "John & Alta Nichols Art Camp" are accepted beginning at 8am. For information call the Mesquite Arts Council at 972.216.6444.

May 27
Texas Summer Reading Club registration begins at the Mesquite Public Library, 300 W. Grubb Drive and the North Branch Library, 2600 Oates Drive. View our summer fun and activities at: <http://www.cityofmesquite.com/library/children.php>

May 28
Quad C Theatre at Collin Community College will hold auditions for Julius Caesar, by William Shakespeare. Casting approximately 20 actors, 6-10 p.m. Prepare 1-2 minute blank verse monologue from any play by Shakespeare (may be from the play). Performances are June 24-29. Contact Gail Cronauer at 972.881.5125, or e-mail: gcronauer@cccd.edu.

Volunteer opportunities
Volunteers are needed to advocate for residents in nursing and assisted living facilities throughout Collin County. No experience necessary. 36 hours of training is provided. Volunteers

work 2-3 hours per week. Please contact Lisa at 1.800.272.3921, ext. 1172.

Literacy for Life needs volunteers for Plano library's literacy program. The program teaches adults reading, writing and language skills. There is currently a list of students waiting for a tutor. Flexible hours. Call Angela Funai at 972.941.7175.

Birthday Angels, a non-profit agency is seeking board members and volunteers. This agency provides birthday parties for children in shelters due to abuse, neglect and homelessness. They need people experienced in event planning, grant writing, fundraising, culinary design, donations, sponsorships, and memberships. Submit a letter of interest to: P. Barnes, P.O. Box 363, Frisco, Texas 75034, or email to: happybirthdayangels@yahoo.com

The Plano Animal Shelter need volunteers over 16 years old to wash and walk the animals, help with clerical services and customer service. 972.578.7510. And here's a friendly reminder that there are thousands of pets at shelters needing homes. Check out your local pet shelter for a furry addition to your family. Or consider being a foster parent while permanent homes are found for animals. Contact your local animal shelter for details.

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THE TRUTH CLINIC From Momma With Love

My mother passed almost 30 years ago. And while life goes on there is a vast emptiness in my heart each mother's day. Last Sunday was no exception.

While Momma isn't here I know she's near because she was always close to me. She could sense what I was doing even when I wasn't in sight. At times she seemed to be clairvoyant but what I remember most is that she spent her substance and energy in rendering loving care that only a mother can give.

I never really thanked her for the love she verbally expressed and for the love she showed in the simplest of ways. Her life trembled in the balance as she gave me birth. She strengthened me each day with the breadth of her love. She dreamed and told me stories of what I could become. She sowed the seeds of purpose, ambition and responsibility in me. She constantly prayed for me long after I was grown, no matter where I went or what I did.

Momma, when did you ever sleep? As far back as I can remember you were just a bundle of energy in constant motion. You were the last one to go to bed each night and yet you were up each morning before anyone else, getting the cook stove hot, bringing in water, cooking a hot meal and in between seeing that we children were getting dressed, buttoned up, and shoes put on the right foot.

Momma, I don't see how you did it because each meal had to be cooked from scratch. We didn't have a refrigerator to hold leftovers or to permit cooking things up a few days in advance. And our clothes had to be washed by hand on the old scrub board after boiling them in the big copper kettle.

How did you dip those hot clothes out of the kettle with that wooden stick day after day--month after month--year after year? And even

after you did all of our clothes you still could find the time to do all those shirts for Doctor John down the street, starching them and ironing them so carefully with that heavy flatiron.

Momma, I never heard you complain even though I must have gotten on your nerves at times. How could you be so patient and loving with me even when I disobeyed you? You gave me strict orders not to run down those stairs because I'd trip and fall or not to touch that hot stove.

I'd do it anyway and almost before I could let out the first cry of pain you were there placing a healing kiss on my scratched knee or bruised elbow; or your lips gently blew the cooling breath of love on my burnt fingers to make the hurt go away. Momma, your love was like the sunshine. It brightened life's peaks and glorified the valleys. It surrounded me like a mirrored room--colored the fragrant flowers--and beautified the green grass--yet never never refused to shine even when I was at my worst. But for your gentle ways the inner savage in me might have prevailed.

Momma, when in my childish greed I ate too much candy or too many green apples why did the stomach ache always come in the wee hours of the morning? And when I whimpered, hardly before I could wake up, you were there picking me up out of the bed so I wouldn't disturb the three other children. You would bundle me against the chill with your shawl and sit down in the old rocker chair and let soda water slip into my mouth, teaspoon by teaspoon, as I cuddled on your lap. And by the time you finished humming a little song, the comfort of your breast and the warmth of your love had me well and fast asleep.

And yet the next day there you were fresh as the morning dew, getting a hot breakfast into us kids so we could go to school and checking each one at the door to make sure everything was just right.

Momma, I remember all those times when there wasn't quite enough on the table to go around. Somehow you never seemed to be hungry and would tell us to go ahead and eat because you were going to eat later. Many times you went to bed hungry but happy because you knew your children were full. I know now what unselfish love really is.

And Momma, how many times did I awake in the still of the night and hear you talking to someone in a low voice, just above a whisper? I didn't know what it was then but now I can put the puzzle together. Now that I am grown, sometimes in the stillness of the midnight hour I find myself down on my knees--when the burdens get heavy--talking to that same someone you were talking to.

Momma, I saw those tears in your eyes, not tears of sadness but tears of joy, when I made the decision to take that step forward and join the church. I could read your silent lips as they tried to form the words, "Thank you Jesus, Thank you Jesus." "Thank you for taking my little boy under your wing. Lord you know I've done my best but he'll be going away from me one of these days so I'm placing him in your hands, in your care."

"Lord, you walk with him and stand by him through all life's trials and tribulations, through the mountains of joy and the valleys of despair; through the laughing good times and the heart break of bad times. Just walk with him, I pray."

Momma, when you looked at me that day I could tell that something special was making those tears but I did not understand what it was. And though it had been there since the day I was born it is only now that I realize that behind those tears your heart was whispering, "FROM MOTHER WITH LOVE."

James W. Breedlove
Comments or opinions may be sent to the writer at: jaydubub@swbell.net

Democrat Walkout

I am disappointed by the actions of most of my Democrat colleagues. We are being paid to tend to the business of the people of Texas. We get paid a daily amount for being here during the 78th Legislative Session, and those members who walked out are wasting hard earned taxpayer dollars! They are hiding out and impeding the legislative process.

I recall being in the Republican minority...last session, the Democrat redistricting bill was shoved

down our throats while they still had a majority, and a Republicans, we never walked out. It is a sad day in our State of Texas when we have officers from the Department of Public Safety tracking down elected officials.

The legislative process is a combination of constitutional authority and statute...implemented by person rightfully elected. If they do not like the process, they ought to work to change it instead of picking up their marbles and go home if they

don't get their way. This time, the Democrats did not get home...they went out of State!

Rep. Jerry Madden serves on the Committee on State Affairs as the Vice-Chair, Committee on Public Education and Committee on Calendars. Rep. Madden has also been appointed to the Sub Committee on School Finance.

Jerry Madden
State Representative
District 67

National Church Building Conference For African-American And Hispanic Churches

The first national church building conference of its kind will be held on May 20 and 21 in Indianapolis, Indiana at the Indiana Convention Center with future annual conferences being held in different parts of the country. According to the co-sponsors, Bishop T. Garrett Benjamin, Jr. of Light of the World Christian Church and Earl Myler, CEO of Myler Church Building Systems, "The biggest issues facing African-American and Hispanic churches in their building programs are getting their projects funded and

financed. The Arise and Build National Church Building Conference is going to focus on helping these churches deal successfully with these financial challenges." There are 9 prominent African American pastors and 1 Hispanic pastor serving on the Arise and Build Board of Directors.

Co-sponsors of the conference include Light of the World Christian Church, Indianapolis, Indiana, a prominent Indianapolis congregation recognized as one of the "best of the best" among 300 excellent

Protestant congregations across the United States by an independent national study conducted by the University of North Carolina, and Myler Church Building Systems, Crawfordsville, Indiana, recognized as the largest church designer and builder in the United States, having completed over 1,000 church building projects.

To register or get more information go to www.ariseandbuild.us or call Laura Shaw at 317-543-2275.

Tee Off for PCF's Scholarship Fund

The Plano Community Forum is sponsoring its 6th Annual Golf Tournament on Friday June 20, 2003, at Los Rios Country Club. Have a great time while helping the Forum's Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Fund.

Get 4-man teams together or enter individually and be assigned to a team. Individual entry is \$85 and includes box lunch, green fee and cart. Or go all out and be a corporate sponsor at \$500, which

includes 4 players, tee sign, and recognition in the Forum's Awards Banquet Souvenir Booklet. Additional sponsorships are: hole sponsorship - \$300; tee sponsorship - \$135.

Don't miss out on this opportunity for a day of fun, and your chance to win a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place team place prize, a consolation prize and goodie bags.

Register by June 1, 2003 and qualify for Earlybird Drawing. Write to Plano Community Forum, P.O. Box 860242,

Plano, TX 75086-0242, include all names, addresses and phone number of entrants, with handicap, and enclose appropriate fees in the form of a check payable to Plano Community Forum.

Call Jimmy Dismuke at 972.424.5829, or Sam McPherson at 972.491.2119 if you need more information.

Tournament is at Los Rios Country Club, 1700 Country Club Drive, Plano, 75074. The event begins at 2:00p.m.

Network Your Way to Success

Selebrian Strategic Technical Marketing wants you to step out of your box and be a part of their next McKinney Networking Event, "Getting the Most Out of Networking & Building Professional Relationships," Friday May 30, 2003, at the Comfort Suites, McKinney.

Elyse Jenkins, founder of Selebrian, said she wants people to get connected, get promoted and get involved in this monthly professional after hours networking opportunity. Whether

you're a business owner, are working or a transitional professional, a community leader or investor, come and network with local business leaders, owners, and professionals, and hear about upcoming business opportunities and community events. Visit with vendors, and take part in local business and restaurant complimentary drawings.

Business participants include MON-The Gazette (also a sponsor), the City of Plano, City

of McKinney, CMCg eSolutions, Wade Consulting Group, Mary Kay, and many more. Be a part, either as an attendee or a vendor. For information on booth space visit: www.selebrian.com, or call Elyse Jenkins at 214.403.8379.

RSVP by email to events@selebrian.com for \$10 admittance/\$15 at the door.

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

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

Think of MON-The Gazette as your paper of opportunity!

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**Congressman
Joe
Jaynes**

Last week, I had the opportunity to tour the 121 construction project with Geary Burnside, a lifelong McKinney resident, who is the project manager for TXDOT. Geary has seen a lot of change in Collin County and with his job he has played a major role in that change. Geary's current project is Phase I of the six-lane expansion of SH 121 from US 75 to just west of Custer Road, a \$44.5 million project with a contract time of 765 working days and is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2005.

If you have traveled this road recently you have seen much progress, even though the project is only about 10 percent underway. For example, the right-of way has been prepped by removing and mulching trees and by replacing the old drainage system. The new drainage system will involve cross culverts. These are huge structures that are built to handle the additional drainage that will flow from what eventually will be twelve-lane road--counting the service roads that are being constructed now and the main lanes that will be constructed later. An example of a cross culvert can be seen just west of Lake Forest Road.

Construction has now entered into the excavation and embankment stage. During excavation the new service roads will be cut out. You can already see evidence of this as you drive down 121. The embankment stage will also be fascinating. Most of the service roads will be up to 25 feet higher than the current grade level of the road. Tons of additional dirt will be added and stabilized with lime. By August you should begin to see the actual concrete being poured for both service roads. With an asphalt base, 10 inches of concrete will be poured for the two 6.2 mile service roads.

By the summer of 2004 traffic will begin to be transitioned to the new service roads. Then construction will begin on the 121 overpass at Custer Road. Once the overpass is completed, traffic on the service roads will have the choice at Custer of continuing through a signalized intersection or taking a one-lane exit ramp to cross Custer on the overpass. If you look closely at the Custer and Rowlett Creek area you can see pillar type structures being built. These will be the retaining walls for the overpass. After the overpass is completed the current road will be taken out and the pavement will be recycled. Much of this recycled material will be used by Collin County for asphalt county roads.

Overall, this project consists of six lanes, eight bridges and an overpass. By this time next year, work will begin on Phase II of this project, which will be the continuation of the six-lane service roads from west of Custer to the Dallas North Tollway. Phase II will also involve a three level

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May 28 commissioners' court will be 5 alignments that were selected out of the southern corridor for the Outer Loop. No decisions for an alignment will be made at this time. I will be proposing that we have a series of town hall meetings in the area over the course of the summer for citizen input and involvement.

(County Commissioner Joe Jaynes' email address is jjaynes@co.collin.tx.us.)

Community Invited!

The Women's General Mission of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, 920 E. 14th St. Plano, TX, would like to personally invite you to Fellowship with us, and others on Women's Day, Sunday, May 18. We want to take this time to get to know each other and hope that we will join together on the mission field for God. That mission is to spread the good news of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ; to feed the hungry, visit the sick and those imprisoned, and clothe the naked; to

love. We need all the saints of God on the Battlefield.

Please Come. We are looking forward to fellowshiping in God's name while sharing a light meal. Meet us in the fellowship hall immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service to feast at the SALAD BAR. The only thing you need to bring is yourself and a change of clothes if you choose to do so.

We hope to see you there!

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Fortunately a bath and benadryl alleviated the problem, and she didn't have to use the epi-pen. She said the epi-pens are essential, especially if you have severe allergic reactions, as they clear the airways, reduce internal swelling and prevent fatalities. But she also said not many people know how to use them. Khonsari is a trained CPR/First Aid instructor, and has the proper training needed to correctly administer the epinephrine, and also teaches others how to use the epi-pen.

Like millions of Americans, my daughter suffers from asthma, which is also a type of allergic disease in the form of chronic inflammation of the airways of the lungs. Karissa Trotti, nurse with the Asthma Program at Children's Medical Center of Dallas, said there close to 5,000 asthma related deaths in 2002 in the nation. She added that African American males under the age of 17 have a 30% higher incidence of asthma than their female counterparts, but adult women have a higher incidence than men. Added to this, Children's Medical Center had 5,000 asthma related visits to the emergency room in 2002, with 1,400 admissions.

The most common symptoms of asthma are cough, shortness of breath or rapid breathing, wheezing and chest tightness. When a person with asthma is exposed to things that trigger attacks, the air passages in their lungs get narrower, and breathing becomes difficult.

At the end of 2001, my nine year-old daughter developed a persistent cough. Visits to a doctor and two emergency rooms left her diagnosed with a cough, and she was sent home with anti-biotics. Finally, I took her to Children's



Certified CPR and First Aid Trainer, Jennifer Khonsari, demonstrates use of the epi-pen on her son, nine-year old Keaton Khonsari

Medical Center in Dallas, where she was given a nebulizing treatment and an albuterol inhaler to take home. The doctor in the emergency room said that most nights they have children lined up taking asthma treatments.

A few months after diagnosis, Memorial Elementary School in Plano (where my daughter was attending), hosted "Open Airways", a program developed by the American Lung Association and sponsored by The Cardiac Unit of Medical Center Plano.

Linda Bartlett, Memorial Elementary School nurse, said the program taught children with asthma how to identify things that trigger their asthma, and how cope with the disease.

"I think the program is highly effective, because knowledge is power, and when you teach children about their illness, the more they learn and the more control they have over their bodies," said Bartlett.

"Open Airways helped me know how to control my asthma, and it helped me know if my fingers go blue I need to call the ambulance," said Lara Thornton (my daughter). "It also helped me know what triggers my asthma."

Thornton said the asthma is scary because her chest feels tight and she can't breathe properly.

It is important to seek medical advice when dealing with asthma, as it can be fatal. Inhalers, nebulizers and steroid tablets are widely used in the treatment of asthma, and some are also turning to alternative natural remedies.

Malcolm and Ellaine Hoard, lifestyle consultants, counsel people to build the body's cell structure and immune system through healthy eating, exercise, sufficient rest, clean water and sunshine. Malcolm added that without sunshine and fresh air in our homes, molds grow, aggravating asthma and allergies. He said the use of aerosol cans, air conditioning, and buildings without windows all contribute to the growing allergy and asthma epidemic.

To contact Jennifer Khonsari regarding usage of the epi-pen call 972.578.8338. To contact Malcolm Hoard, call 972.303.3302. For further information on asthma, visit: www.lungusa.org.

HealthCheck© 2003 Calendar

We're keeping you informed about health-related events happening in your area!

Fairs

May 15
High Blood Pressure Seminar at Don Rodenbaugh Natatorium, 110 E. Rivercrest, Allen, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. featuring guest presenter Dr. Robert Barnett.

May 17
May is Skin Cancer Awareness Month. Medical Center of Plano, is sponsoring a free Melanoma/Skin Cancer Screening on Saturday, May 17, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon in the hospital atrium located on the northeast corner of Coit and 15th. Come in out of the sun and get your spots checked. No appointment is necessary. For information on the free screening or skin cancer, call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345.

May 22
Osteoporosis Seminar at Don Rodenbaugh Natatorium, 110 E. Rivercrest, Allen, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. featuring guest presenter Dr. Katrina Lee

May 28
10th annual Plano Senior Information and Wellness Fair, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm., Plano Senior Center, 401 West 16th

Street. Vendor booths providing information about a multitude of services available in the area. Health screenings offered include: blood pressure, blood sugar, hearing, vision, stroke, balance, hand strength and more. Refreshments, fun games, and chances to win door prizes. Call the Plano Senior Center at 972.941.7115, or the Parks and Recreation Administration office at 972.941.7250.

May 29
Osteoporosis Seminar at Don Rodenbaugh Natatorium, 110 E. Rivercrest, Allen, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. featuring guest presenter Dr. Phyllis Gee.

Free Blood Pressure Screening Each Monday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Visitors Center, Medical City Dallas.

On-going
Diabetes Support Group meets at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at Medical City Hospital, 7777 Forest Lane, Building A, 12th-floor classroom. Call 214.788.6175.

Diabetic Support Group meets at 1 p.m. the third Monday of the month at Maurice Barnett Geriatric Wellness Center, Plano Senior Center, 401 W. 16th St. Call

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Blood pressure screening every 2nd and 4th Sundays at the Mesquite Friendship Baptist Church, after the 11:00 a.m. service. Located at 2232 Franklin Drive, Mesquite. 972.329.5030, and www.mesquitefriendship.com

Walks/Runs

May 17
Taylor's Angel, 5K fun/run/racewalk
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McKinney YMCA Scholarship Run, 5K, 8:00 a.m. McKinney YMCA, 300 Ridge Rd, McKinney. Call 972.529.2559.

June 7
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Mr. Warren Brooks, KGGR RADIO (1040 AM)

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"I'm not a health nut by any means, but I am very conscious of taking care of my health. I don't eat red meat or pork and I get my share of leafy green vegetables. I drink fruit juices 90% of the time, because sodas are bad for my skin and waistline. I do not live in the gym but I do lead a pretty active lifestyle. I live downtown so I am FORCED to walk a great deal, which is very helpful." Sista Sondra can be heard during the Steve Harvey morning show on 97.9 The Beat and throughout the day on 94.5 KSOUL.



Ms. Teresa Taylor, CEO- www.Ntheknow.com

"Health to me is one of the most important elements of life. I will be turning 40 this year and taking care of my health is a top priority. Ntheknow.com is a very demanding business, which always keeps me on the run. It is very crucial that I take time out of my busy schedule to ensure that I get a work out in at least 4 times a week. Working out helps release stress and conditions your body and mind. I do cardio 4 times a week, I run 9 miles once week, one hour on the elliptical, bike or roller-skate and lift weights 3 times a week. I make sure I have my yearly check up with my doctor, take my vitamins and eat healthy food. I am a strong believer in if you eat healthy foods, exercise regularly and get enough sleep you can preserve your health and continue to look young."



Mrs. Debra Parish, American Cancer Society

"A few years ago I changed the eating habits at my household. Instead of Blue Bell Ice Cream, we sometimes have Non Fat Yogurt. Instead of eating a heavy meal for lunch or dinner, we sometimes have a salad with chicken strips, pecans, carrots, cucumbers, spinach, romaine lettuce and iceberg lettuce and whatever I can make fit from my refrigerator. When eating out, we sometimes get a vegetable plate. Not being big fruit eaters, we now make smoothies with yogurt, strawberries, orange juice, ice with a touch of sweet and low. The purpose in changing is to increase our fruit and vegetable intake. We are now working on the 8 glasses of water! Next is more exercise."



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March 20	Introduction to HealthCheck 2003/ Breast Cancer/ African American Breast Cancer Outreach Summit	✓
March 27	Diabetes	✓
April 3	Talk to Your State Legislature about Research (diseases such as cancer)	✓
April 10	Importance of Physical Fitness	✓
April 17	Kidney Disease	✓
April 24	Alternative Medicine	✓
May 1	March of Dimes (Preventative Healthcare for Pregnant Women)	✓
May 8	STD Awareness	✓
May 15	Asthma and Allergy Awareness	
May 22	Heart Attack and Stroke Prevention	
May 29	High Blood Pressure Education	
June 5	National Digestive Disorders Awareness (and Colon Cancer)/ Overview of Health as it relates to the body AND mind	

Students Prepare for Mission Trip to Nicaragua



Shelia Tarpley Lott (left) poses with mother, Shirley Tarpley

Last Friday, friends and members of Covenant Church in Carrollton, TX held a fundraiser at Park Lane Ranch in Dallas to raise money for a mission trip to Nicaragua/Costa Rica. Thirty-eight students attending Ministers Training Institute will spend three days in Nicaragua, followed by a flight to Costa Rica for an additional two days of ministry.

"I am very excited about the mission trip," said Shelia Tarpley Lott. Lott is in her eighth month of training at the Ministers Training Institute. Lott said that this 3-year program is broken

down into a nine-month training. Lott, a member of Covenant Church since 2000, is currently involved in the Children's Ministry as a Service Coordinator. Lott's mother, Shirley Tarpley, Religious Columnist for MON-The Gazette, is very proud of her daughter. As Lott's deceased grandmother, Evangelist Annie Mae Jackson used to say, "...Shelia's life is meant to be special..."

MON-The Gazette, a platinum sponsor of the fundraiser, is proud to support an organization benefiting the world. Friends and family supported Lott, including her mother-in-law, Patricia Lott,



David and Tyanna, children of Shelia Tarpley Lott, dance to the exotic sounds of Savea South Sea Entertainment, featured entertainment of the evening

aunts Billie Ivree Demus Daye and Rose Demus Field; cousins Jaecelyn Merseberg and Burton Fielding; along with friends J. Raphael Fields and Louis Sagna.

A crowd of about 300, dressed in Hawaiian attire, had a chance to get a sneak preview of Hawaii during the Polynesian Luau. Polynesians representing the various tribes were there entertaining in music, songs, and dance. "A Taste of Paradise" was the Ministers Training Institute's first annual fundraiser.

The fundraiser also included exotic foods and a silent auction.

The students preparing for the trip will be engaged in leadership training, learning the history and culture of the countries, and recording a daily journal during the mission trip.

Students will leave Dallas on June 21, 2003 to Nicaragua. During the trip, students will visit orphanages, feed the poor, participate in dramatic presentations, and much more.



Jaecelyn Merseberg, a native Hawaiian, now living in Dallas and a relative of Shelia Tarpley Lott, MTT student, returned early from Hawaii to support Lott.



Senior Pastor of Covenant Church, Mike Hayes thanks the audience including ministers, members, and students of MTT, for participating in the fundraiser.

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Please attach income verification. If you have any questions, please call the City of McKinney Housing Services Coordinator in the Community Services Department at 972-547-7519. This program is funded by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, a HUD funded, state administered grant. Homes funded under this program are subject to environmental review.

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50% median	35,900	38,550	41,250	43,900
60% median	43,080	46,260	49,500	52,680
80% median	57,450	61,700	65,950	70,200

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incident very little coverage and some attributed it to "a few college kids getting out of line." Several residents called 911 operators but it took police more than 30 minutes to react. Despite the same thing happening last year at the same event, police were ill-prepared to take charge this year. According to the chief of police, their "intelligence" failed to advise them of the event. He also said they did not have enough officers to deal with that kind of situation. I reiterate, the same thing happened last year at the same time and at the same place.

Juxtapose that scene against the one at City Hall a few weeks prior, when a few hundred Black supporters of Black attorney Kenneth L. Lawson rallied to let city officials know we would not stand by and allow Lawson to be vilified. (Lawson is the attorney who brought and won the racial profiling lawsuit against the City of Cincinnati.) The cops assembled for that peaceful event were in vans,

on horseback, in cars, on bicycles, on foot, hiding in alleys, on rooftops, and undercover in city council chambers, waiting for an outbreak that never occurred. Double standard? You bet.

Also compare the White youth who turned over the cars to the Black youth who turned over some hot dog stands in the aftermath of the Timothy Thomas killing. The White group was just a "little out of hand," while the Black group was immediately called "rioters," some of whom received a year or more in jail. Compare the high-ranking Black officer, who lost his job after 29 years of unblemished service, to the cop who killed Thomas and received a new job.

That's the Black and White of it; now let's get to the Green.

Two stadiums totaling nearly \$1 billion have been built with taxpayer dollars, with around 5 percent of the aggregate economic benefits, both short term and long term, going to African-Americans. A 30 percent "minority" allocation was included in a \$200 million highway construction project a

couple of years ago; White contractors filed suit and the 30 percent requirement was abandoned.

We are building a \$110 million National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, and have allocated around 25 percent of the benefits to "minorities." We just cut the ribbon at our convention center, which will be expanded at a cost of \$160 million. We are told, "This time it will be different."

And finally, we have a \$1 billion school building construction project in the works. The good thing about this project is the bold move by the Cincinnati Board of Education in mandating a "race-conscious" program, unlike the "race-neutral" program approved by our "black" (small "b") city council members and city administrators. Please keep in mind that Blacks comprise nearly 50 percent of Cincinnati's population and 70 percent of our school district's population.

Maybe old Mark Twain was right about Cincinnati, at least when it comes Black folks' rights. In a city

where you can turn over a hot dog stand and get a year in jail, but turn over a car and get nothing. In a city where you can damage a car and lose your job, but kill a Black man and get promoted. In a city where you can hold a brick and get killed by police, but throw bricks and bottles at police and get police "restrained." In a city such as this, Cincinnati, Ohio, when it comes to the Black, White and the green, it looks like we will never catch up.


James E. Clingman, an adjunct professor at the University of Cincinnati's African-American Studies department, is former editor of the Cincinnati Herald Newspaper and founder of the Greater Cincinnati African American Chamber of Commerce. He hosts the radio program, "Blackonomics," and is the author of the book, "Economic Empowerment or Economic Enslavement-We have a Choice." He can be reached at (513) 489-4132, or by e-mail at jclingman@blackonomics.com.



Rev. Ella Mae McDonald


Hamilton Park United Methodist Church Celebrates Women's Day

The Women's Day Committee of Hamilton Park UMC is blessed to announce our Women's Day Worship Service will be held Sunday May 18, 2003 at the 9:15 Worship hour. All members and friends are invited to come and hear our prolific guest preacher, Rev. Ella Mae McDonald who is known for her "Storytelling" which brings the Gospel message home where it hurts - home where it heals - and home where it helps. She has served in the pastoral ministry for almost 20 years and is the current pastor of Jenkins Chapel A.M.E. Church of Dallas, Texas. The theme for Women's Day is "I Know Thy Works" based on the scripture text Revelations 2:19. Our dynamic Women's Chorus will render the ministry of music in song. All are welcome to come as you are and join the women of Hamilton Park United Methodist Church as we serve our risen savior May 18th. Rev. Derrick R. Wright is Senior Pastor and Rev. Ouida F. Lee, Associate Pastor and Women's Day Chairperson.



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Local Students Honored As Finalists In The Coca-Cola Marketing Scholarship Essay Contest



Coca-Cola Representatives Sandra Schmeltz, Ron Byrd, Bob Archibald and Josh Munoz pose with DISD Marketing Education Specialist Dr. Charles McGill and the 2003 Coca-Cola Free Enterprise Essay Scholarship award winners.

Dallas, Texas- Recently, ten high school students from across Dallas were honored by the Coca-Cola Bottling Company of North Texas at the 28th annual Marketing Education Employer-Employee Banquet. The banquet, was held at the Adams Mark Hotel, in recognition of high school seniors involved in the Dallas Independent School District (DISD) Distributive Education Club of American program (DECA).

The Coca-Cola Bottling Company of North Texas created the competition to encourage students to think about future career aspirations in the field of marketing and communication. The Free Enterprise Scholarship Essay Contest was open to high school seniors in DISD.

Approximately 51 students entered the essay competition and wrote about the topic, "How Could Companies (such as Food & Beverage) Market Their Products Better to Teens?" The finalists were awarded scholarships between \$100-\$1,000.

The students' essays were judged by Dallas Weekly editor Gordon Jackson, Dallas Morning News Retail Advertising Representative Karen Scogins and Angela Kolter, English teacher for DISD. The scholarships were graded based on grammar, organization, readability, interest and directiveness.

The grand prize winner of the Coca-Cola Free Enterprise Scholarship Essay Contest was Christina Ramon of W.T. White High School. The second place

winner was Marco Meza of Skyline High School and Michael Linarez of Molina High School was awarded third place.

Other finalists included Adrienne Rickett and Laura Branda of the Townview Magnet Center, Claudia Salas and Maria Maldonado of Skyline High School, Danny Alvarado and Joshua Orona of Sunset High School, and Nathan Welchert of Seagoville High School. In addition to the marketing awards, Co-CEO of Minyard Food Stores Gretchen Minyard Williams joined in announcing the best salesmanship awards and Sabrina Pierce presented the Frito-Lay Job Interview Scholarship Award.

DECA, the association of marketing students, has been leading talented young people toward real careers and lifetime skills in the past 56 years. In 1946, DECA organized around an ambitious goal: to improve educational and career opportunities in marketing, management and entrepreneurship for students. In the years since, DECA has remained on the cutting edge of education innovation, working with the business community to integrate academic achievement with career and technical skills.

The Coca-Cola Bottling Company of North Texas is pleased to co-sponsor the 28th annual Marketing Education Employer-Employee Banquet and applauds the excellent high school seniors from around the area. Coca-Cola Bottling Company of North Texas remains committed to youth, education and the community, recognizing that our youth are our future.



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Car Review

Volkswagen Keeps Getting Better



Volkswagen Keeps Getting Better

Stylish, comfortable, and loaded with standard features at every trim level, the 2003 Volkswagen Jetta is a serious contender amongst the step-above economy cars. It's still small and cost effective, yet it has powerful 1.8T and VR6 engines, making it a fun ride.

If you prefer the VR6 engine to the 1.8T, you'll have to go with the sedan, as the wagons no longer get the GLX trim level. But the GLS wagons are eligible for a premium package of power seats, automatic climate control, an auto-dimming rearview mirror, rain-

sensing wipers, wood interior trim and a trip computer. And for 2003, the 1.8T is available in the GL sedan and wagon, with the 1.8T and VR6 engines for the GLI, just for those who like the added power without the added price of the GLX.

Standard features will make you whistle, with side airbags and head-curtain airbags, four-wheel antilock disc brakes, a height-adjustable driver seat, power windows, mirrors and locks, cruise control, a CD player, full-size spare tire, and for the 1.8T equipped cars, there is traction control. Step up to the GLS for an armrest, sunroof, alloy wheels and all

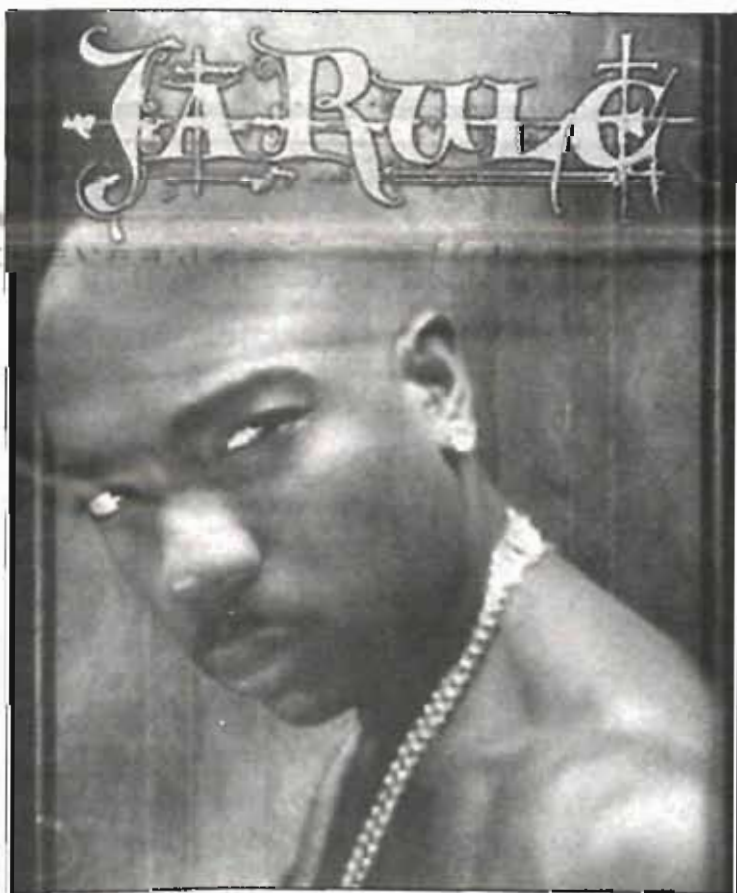
the options for the GL - stability control, heated seats, monsoon sound system and dealer-installed CD changer - and let's not forget the leather interior.

Under the hood there is plenty to think about with the Jetta. Three engines are available with the GL and GLS - 2.0 liter inline four-cylinder, giving 115 hp, a 1.9 liter turbocharged direct injection (TDI) diesel, making 90 hp, or the turbocharged 1.8 liter inline called the 1.8T, making a resounding 180 hp. All three are available with a five-speed manual or four-speed automatic, with the TDI being tops for fuel economy (up to 49 mpg). Look under the hood of the GLX and GLI models and feast your eyes on the 200 hp 2.8 liter VR6, with a five-speed automatic for the GLX, and a six-speed manual for the GLI.

High quality interior materials and a solid build only add to the finishing touches of its excellent safety rating of 5 stars in both of NHTSA's frontal impact crash tests, with the sedan earning four stars in side-impact tests.

Arts & Entertainment

Rap Star Ja Rule To Give Fans A Break From His Music



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MIAMI — We've seen it happen to plenty of labels — Bad Boy, Cash Money, No Limit, Def Jam and Death Row. Label executives ride a wave of commercial success, putting out nothing but hits, only to eventually hit a wall. While some companies are able to bounce back and be embraced once again by the public, others ultimately fall by the wayside. Murder Inc. is trying hard to avoid that fate.

Having gone through a bit of a rough patch these past few months — on top of its beef with Eminem, Dre and 50 Cent, the label is in the middle of an ongoing federal investigation stemming from a raid of its New York offices back in January — company CEO Irv Gotti says he's well aware of the backlash, especially when it comes to his biggest star, Ja Rule.

Case in point: Ja's 2002 LP, *The Last Temptation*, is his lowest selling since his debut, *Venni Vetti Vecci*, and his current single, "The Reign," isn't getting the record-breaking radio spins the Queens MC has grown accustomed to. On a recent episode of BET's "106 and Park," fans panned the song's video and called for Ja to stop singing so much. To make matters worse, the public has been showing overwhelming support for Rule's lyrical foe, 50 Cent.

"Rule's been out since 1999. He came out in 1999 and we dropped an album every year since [then]," Gotti said Saturday, rationalizing Ja's seemingly fading popularity. "He's been on the radio — probably the most played rap artist [from] 1999 till now. I'll give the people that — maybe y'all want a little break from my man. I'll give you six months. Y'all could ride with whoever. [Regardless of what they say], it's all good 'cause they talking about my man. As long as y'all talking about my man, we'll deliver."

Gotti says that Rule is going to keep relatively silent during the next half year. He's been turning down interviews and the two aren't thinking about dropping Ja's next album until sometime in 2004.

"We're going to come with a double album 'cause [there's] a lot to talk about," Gotti revealed. "We're going to make some records. When the records are finished, the album will come out."

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Arts & Entertainment

Six Flags Over Texas Presents The First Annual Gospel & Soul Weekend



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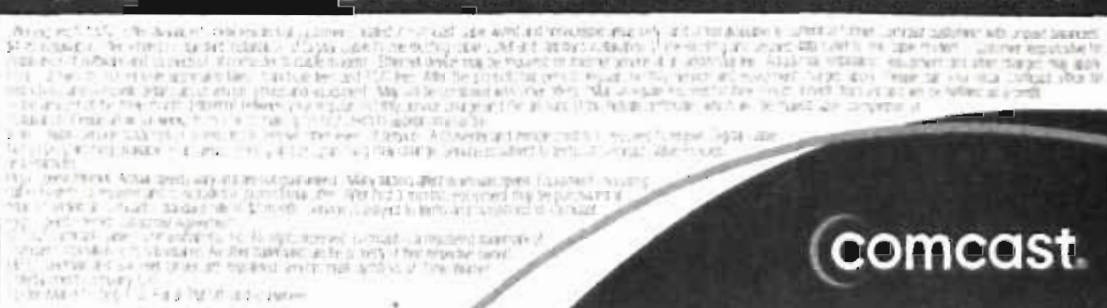


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The Value Of A Daughter

Last week, my family, friends and I placed a half-page ad in MON-The Gazette for my daughter Sheila. We did it not only to reinforce our love for her and to support her walk with God, but more importantly in memory of Sheila's grandmothers, Mrs. Cedella Baker Demus and Evangelist Annie Mae Harper Jackson and her late father, Lorenzo Tarpley, who died at an early age of 58; all whom she loved so dearly. They would be so proud of her today.

When I was pregnant with Sheila, my mother, Mother Demus and all of the older ladies of the church insisted that I was carrying a boy. However, Jarrell, Sheila's brother, insisted just as strongly that he was getting a "baby sister." My mother would talk constantly to Jarrell telling him to expect a brother and not a sister this time around, because he was going to have a "baby brother." She didn't want him to be disappointed. After listening to his grandmother, Jarrell, three years old at the time, could not be persuaded and continued to proclaim that he was having a "baby sister." After Sheila was born, that should have been my first clue that Sheila's life was meant to be unique and that she would have a divine purpose for God.

Sheila was an exceptional child, because of her asthma the two of us spent many early mornings, evenings and late nights in a hospital emergency room. I prayed many times for God to help Sheila with her breathing and He did. This perhaps should have been

another clue that Sheila would have a divine purpose for being here, because there have been many children that died from an asthma attack.

Sheila and her brother, Jarrell Edwin Tarpley, were the first grandchildren of "Grandma Jackson" as she was called by them and she confessed to me that many times she would kneel besides her bed, anytime, day and night, and would pray for her only grandchildren, at the time. She asked God to bless them individually, and then she asked God to bless their future spouses and children. Evangelist Jackson prayed to God constantly for Sheila to have an extraordinary walk with Him. I believe that God revealed things about Sheila to her grandmother that I never knew.

When Bill asked for Sheila's hand in marriage, it was alright with me because I knew that if Bill wasn't the "special" man for Sheila, that the marriage would never take place. Sheila thought on at least two other occasions that she might marry, but the marriages didn't take place, because the gentlemen were not the ones that God had reserved for Sheila. It is my strong belief that when Bill was born, God set him aside just for Sheila because God knew that it would take a "very distinctive" man for Sheila and the work that He had planned for her.

Of course my precious grandchildren, Tyanna & David and those yet unborn, are my specific blessings for being the vehicle for Sheila coming into this world. I am truly blessed and highly favored of God.

Some particular care that Sheila received as a young child is that every Father's Day weekend, which happens to be Juneteenth weekend also, we have our family reunion in Mexico, Texas, going on now for 56 years. Uncle Charlie and Aunt Eva Joyce Baker reserved a bed for Sheila to

spend the day at their house, if her asthma was acting up and being on a farm, there were many times that it did.

Sheila would listen intently as Aunt Jessie Baker Green and our cousin Mark Baker would teach Sunday School and would join in on the discussion. Which would have been another clue to me that God obvious had a divine plan for her life.

Needless to say, we are proud of Sheila and her valuable walk with the Lord.

My public apologies to my niece, Jacelyn Merseberg for misspelling her name last week and to Dr. William Coco for not listing him as a Medical Doctor.

This past Saturday Ms. Diana Reed invited me to a book signing for Author Michelle Cole with her new book "Lilla Belle—The First Stages," with very good reviews being released at Joke's African American Books on Camp Wisdom in Oak Cliff. Upon arrival I discovered the event had been cancelled because Ms. Cole had been involved in an accident on Friday morning on Hwy 183 in Irving, Texas. Ms. Cole was injured but she survived the accident, however, her cousin, Ms. Janet Williams, who flew in from Pennsylvania, especially for the book signing was killed. Please add Michelle Cole and her family to your prayer list, ask God to bless her to have a speedy recovery and ask that He will comfort her family in their hour of bereavement.

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ALL NATIONS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 17, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Church-wide Garage Sale - Items to include clothes for all, toys, books, furniture and exercise equipment.

Monday-Thursday

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Project Transformation (8-week program) - Free summer educational enrichment and recreational program for elementary age children. Meals and snacks will be provided without charge. Registration- May 19-20 Contact the church for more information.

Through May 22

Spanish class for church leaders!

May 25

Women's Day

Visit our website at www.allnationsumc.org

All Nations United Methodist Church
Dr. Clara Reed, Pastor
34185 E. 14th St.
Plano, TX 75074

CHRISTIAN CHAPEL CME CHURCH TEMPLE OF FAITH

May 18

Souls for Christ Anniversary

May 20, 6:30 p.m.

Grief Recovery

May 22, 7:00 p.m.

Challenges for Tomorrow, ITC Room

May 24

Sunday School Convention- Kirkwood Temple C.M.E. Church

May 25
7:00 a.m. Breakfast for Graduates; Graduates Reception, ITC Room

May 31, 7:00 p.m.
2003 New Anointing Breakthrough Rally featuring the world renowned ministry of Morris Cerullo
14120 Noel Rd.
Dallas, TX

For more information, call 972-239-1120

Christian Chapel CME Church Temple of Faith
Rev. Dr. Jerome E. McNeil, Jr., Pastors
14120 Noel Rd.
Dallas, TX 75254

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

May 14-16, 7:30 p.m.

FBC Spring Revival

May 18, 3:30 p.m.
22nd Church Anniversary Program

For more information, call 972-625-8186.

Friendship Baptist church
Rev. Paul McBride, Pastor
4396 Main St.
The Colony, TX 75056

GREENVILLE AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Month of May, Sundays at 5:00 p.m.
Leadership Training for Men (Young & Old) Room 316

For more information call, 972-644-2335

Greenville Avenue Church of

Christ
1013 South Greenville Ave.
Richardson, TX 75081

HAMILTON PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 18

Women's Day

For more information call 972-239-4633.

Hamilton Park United Methodist Church
Rev. Derrick R. Wright, Senior Pastor
11881 Schroeder Rd.
Dallas, TX 75243

OUTREACH FAMILY CHURCH

Sundays, 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Word Explosion
Minister James Washington, Pastor

For more information, call 214-629-3819.

Location- The Clarion Inn Hotel, 7138 N. Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, TX

For more information, call 214-629-3819.

MESQUITE FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

2nd & 4th Sundays
Blood pressure screenings available after 11:00 a.m. service

For more information about our events, call the church at

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9:00 am Sunday School

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Brotherhood 7:00 pm
Missions 7:00 pm
Singles Group 7:00 pm
Bible Study 7:45 pm



Pastor Robert E. Price

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214-341-6459 (Phone) • 214-342-8403 (Fax)
9550 Shepard Road
Dallas, TX 75243

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Friendship Baptist Church

Dr. C. Paul McBride, Pastor



Schedule of Services:

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 7:30 p.m.
Evening Bible Study

4396 Main Street

The Colony, Texas 75056

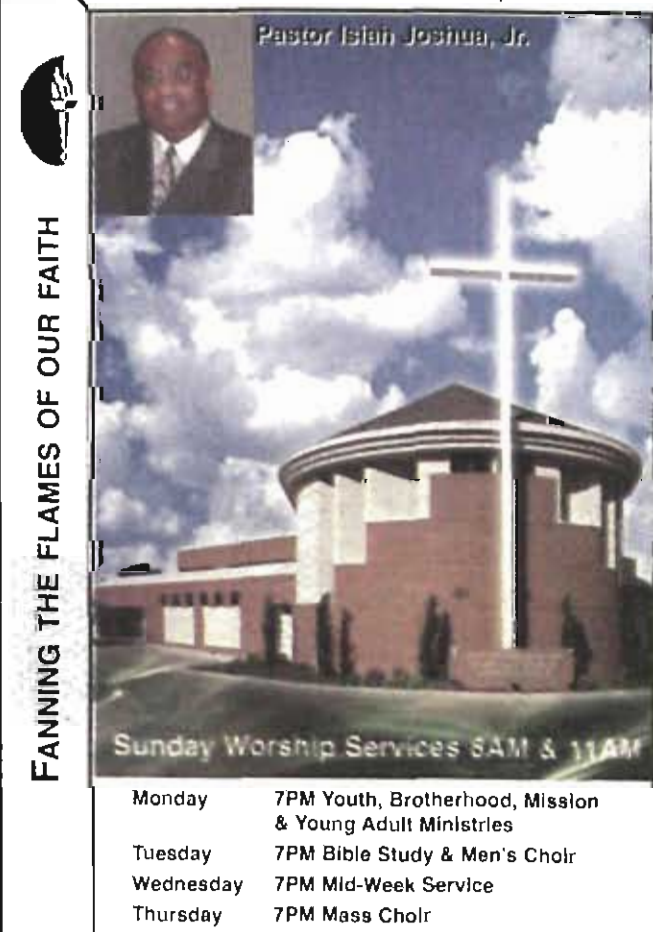
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Wednesday 7PM Mid-Week Service
Thursday 7PM Mass Choir

For more information call (972) 423-6695
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Standard Announcements

Sunday School 9:30 AM
Worship Service 10:45 AM
Men & Women Ministry 1st & 3rd Mondays 7:30-8:30 PM
Leadership Meeting 2nd Mondays 7:30-8:30 PM
Marriage Enrichment & Singles Ministry 4th Mondays 7:30-8:30 PM
Deliverance from Issues Tuesdays 7:30-8:30 PM
Mid-Week Service Wednesdays 7:15-8:30 PM
Youth Bible Study Wednesdays 7:15-8:30 PM

Radio Broadcast Station 1040AM-KGGR
M-F 10:25-10:30 AM

For More Information: (972) 633-5511
or E-Mail: sfenceroy@aol.com

Saint Mark Missionary Baptist Church

1308 Wilcox Street, McKinney Tx
Pastor Charles S. Wattlely



Sunday
Education Ministries... 9:30 a.m.
Worship Celebration... 11:00 a.m.
- Nursery Facilities Available -

Wednesday
Family Ministries... 7:00 p.m.

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972.542.6178

www.saintmarkbc.com
stmarkmissionary@aol.com

Church Happenings

972-329-5030 or visit
www.mesquitefriendship.com.

Mesquite Friendship Baptist Church
Terry M. Turner, Pastor
2232 Franklin Drive
Mesquite, TX 75150

MT. HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH

Wednesday Night Tutoring,
7:00 p.m.-8:15 p.m.
Tutoring for students in grades K-12 in all subject areas. Free and open to the public.

For more information concerning any of these events, call 972-276-5218.

Mt. Hebron Baptist Church
Rev. Leonard Leach, Pastor
901 Dairy Rd.
Garland, TX 75040

MT. OLIVE CHURCH OF PLANO

Tuesdays, 9:30-10:00 a.m.
7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Free 30-minute singing lessons, limited to one lesson per week.
Call the church to schedule a lesson.

Tuesdays & Thursdays,
7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Counseling by Minister Gloria Fenceroy-Call the church for an appointment

Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday Deliverance by Pastor Sam-Deliverance Issues Sessions-Call the church for an appointment

May 24, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
MOCOP Development Center-Free business workshop Snacks and drinks will be provided.

For more information, call

Mt. Olive Church of Plano
Pastor Sam & Minister Gloria Fenceroy
740 Ave. F, Ste. 303
Plano, TX 75074

SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday,
7:15 p.m.-8:15 p.m.
The Singles Ministry of Shiloh Baptist Church is sponsoring a single's fellowship, providing positive life enrichment opportunities, support, and interaction with other singles within the context of the Christian Faith. Light refreshments served.

For more information, contact Minister Daniel Shaw at 972-291-0449 or email lakeith75104@yahoo.com.

May 10, 11:00 a.m.
2nd Annual Fish Fry- Sponsored by the Brotherhood Mentoring

Program

For more information, email thebrotherhood@shiloh.org.

Shiloh Baptist Church
Rev. Isaiah Joshua, Jr., Pastor
920 E. 14th St.
Plano, TX 75074

ST. LUKE "Community" UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 24, 2:00 p.m.
St. Luke presents Soprano Alfrelyn J. Roberts in concert!

For more information, contact Billie Kerl Roberts at 972-808-4587.

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Rev. Tyrone Gordon, Senior Pastor
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