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### On the Homefront:

Youth-n-Service begins for youth ages 12-16, through July 15. Youth will participate in community projects for the elderly, give support to organizations that help those in need and work in projects that keep Mesquite beautiful. Contact 972.222.3198 for more information.

ArtCentre of Plano hosts "Jump Start for Arts," a Free Summer Arts Program for low-income students. Classes taught by certified art teachers: ages 13-15, July 14-25. At the ArtCentre, downtown Plano, at the corner of 15th Street and Avenue K, from 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Call 972.423.7809 for information and registration.

Free Beginners Computer Classes at the Urban League Community Service Center in Garland, 210 Carver Street. Classes held Monday and Thursday 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Some state income guidelines may apply. Call 214.413.1720 for more information.

The Brookhaven Choral Society, Brookhaven College, performs Joseph Haydn's oratorio "The Creation," Sunday July 6, 2:00 p.m. at The Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center, Dallas Arts District.

Do you need a new home? Do you have income, and are willing to help build your new home? Then Habitat for Humanity may be your answer. The North Collin County branch is hosting two seminars, Thursday July 10 at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday July 13 at 2:00 p.m. at the McKinney Memorial Public Library, 101 East Hunt Street, McKinney. For more information call 972.542.5300 or 972.542.2371.

The SPCA of Texas is taking their furry residents to Valley View Center July 1 through July 20 in hopes of them getting new homes. Adoption prices include spay/neuter surgery, shots, de-worming, heartworm tests for dogs, and 60 days of free Sheltercare Health Insurance for you new pet. Sponsored by PETCO and Valley View Center. Monday - Saturday 11a.m. to 7p.m., Sundays noon to 6 p.m. Valley View Center, Preston Road and LBJ (I-635).

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## A Rare Find



Carol Edward-Malone and Betty Blanchard, co-owners of Rarity Boutique

By Lakeesha Joe

If you like beautiful hats and accessories to match, then the Rarity Boutique is the place to shop.

Since November of 2002 the Rarity Boutique has been serving the citizens of Plano, and anyone else who loves to shop, with their unique hats, accessories and apparel.

"The idea for the boutique came about because people didn't have a lot of places to purchase fashion hats, especially church hats for women," said Carol Edward-

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## Eureka, Eureka! I've found Weapons of Mass Destruction!

By James Clingman

It is said that when Archimedes discovered how to determine whether the king's crown was made of pure gold, he jumped out of his bathtub and ran naked through the streets of Syracuse shouting, "Eureka, eureka! I've found it!" Well, I am not about to run through the streets naked, but I will shout, "I've found it! Or, in this case I should say, 'I've found them!'" What have I found? I have found the elusive weapons of mass destruction (WMD), sometimes called Weapons of Mass Deception. I wonder if there is a reward for finding these weapons, after all, the entire contingent of U.S., British, Australian, and let's not forget about those other fearsome countries like Latvia and Eritrea, could not find them.

Before I tell you where they are, let's do a brief review of recent history. Our president and his cohorts, during the weeks leading up to the war in Iraq, told us they knew there were WMDs in Iraq. They were unequivocal in their assessments

of the situation. They looked us in the eyes, just like they said Clinton did when he said, "I did not have sex with that woman," and said they knew Iraq had WMDs and they even knew how much and how many they had. Our man Colin Powell laid it all out for us, and our girl Condoleezza Rice backed him up, not to mention old Donald Rumsfeld, Paul Wolfowitz and the boys. They knew Saddam Hussein had those weapons, and they were determined to go over there and disarm him, and kick some Iraqi butt in the process. After all, like George W. Bush said, "He [Saddam] tried to kill my daddy!"

So, as the story goes, the Bushites knew so much about the WMDs that I was all but convinced they were there, that is, until I asked myself the following question: If they know these weapons are in Iraq, why don't they just tell old Hans Blix where they are? That way Blix and his crew, instead of looking every where but the right place, wasting millions of dollars in the process, could just waltz right up to the place where those 100 to

500 tons of weapons are being stored and they could say, Eureka! Made sense to me.

If you are that certain the weapons exist, it logically follows that you know where they are. After all, you had satellite photos of them, you had intelligence on the ground in Iraq, and you had your best and brightest CIA and FBI infiltrators already snooping around in Iraq. What's more, you had Iraqi spies and turncoats who were sending information to you as well! Surely you had to know where the WMDs were being stored. There is a great deal more in background information, but if you have kept up at all with the war in Iraq, you know most of it.

Now, as in Bill Clinton's case, there are cries for impeachment of Georgy Boy. Even though Clinton confessed on national television, he was still vilified and taken through the impeachment process. Bush has not yet confessed; as a matter of fact he still says the WMDs are there and

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## Hamilton Park Men's Chorus to Open at Star Spangled Fourth



Garland, Texas - The City of Garland has confirmed the Main Stage lineup for Star Spangled Fourth 2003. Each night will feature nationally recognized entertainers, spectacular fireworks and a special entertainment surprise. The festival is set for July 2-6, 2003 in historic Downtown Garland.

The Christian Contemporary Music Group The Newsboys will headline on Thursday, July 3. The group's latest album, "Adoration," is getting rave reviews for its spiritual and musical

depth. The Newsboys have more than a decade of Christian Contemporary hits to their credit. The Hamilton Park Men's Chorus from First Baptist Church of Hamilton Park in Richardson will open the evening's entertainment.

On Friday, July 4, four-time Country Music Association Vocal Group of the Year winner Diamond Rio will be the headline act. Diamond Rio has created one of the most unique sounds in country music with 23 Top Ten country hits, 15 top five singles, and more than \$9 million in record sales. The Garland Symphony Orchestra will kick off the Independence Day lineup, followed by Texas native Blaine Gray.

Pop star and actor Rick Springfield headlines on Saturday, July 5. Mr. Springfield has

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## Trinity Fest Presents Second-Largest Fireworks Program In America July 4th In Downtown Dallas

More than 300,000 viewed fireworks last year;

Dallas Cowboys Zone, expanded kid and teen areas plus other enhancements on tap this year

DALLAS, Texas - The biggest fireworks spectacle ever held in Texas will once again grace the skies of downtown Dallas. The second-annual Trinity Fest celebration is set for Fri., July 4, 2003, from 2 p.m. till midnight at 600 Memorial Dr. (at Reunion Lot E south of the Dallas Convention Center arches).

Building upon last year's inaugural event that attracted more than 300,000 visitors to downtown Dallas, Trinity Fest 2003 will showcase the pyrotechnic talents of the world-renowned Gruccis of New York, creator of the unforgettable shows for the 2002 Winter Olympic Games in Salt Lake City, the America Millennium Celebration and the last six Presidential inaugurations. The 30-minute fireworks program, choreographed to inspiring music and dramatic narrative, will begin at 9:30 p.m. sharp. WRR 101.1 FM will do a live broadcast of the fireworks music beginning at 9:30 p.m.

Trinity Fest kicks off at 2 p.m. with an expanded children's area and new teen zone with special activities; entertainment and games; an arts and crafts marketplace; carnival rides; souvenir sales; and "state-fair" type food and beverage concessions. Featured on the Bud

Light Main Stage will be Latino pop music group Moenia at 4 p.m., rhythm & blues singer Monica (who currently has the #1 hit So Gone) at 6 p.m. and country & western singer Ricky Van Shelton at 8 p.m.

The Star Spangled Tribute to America, honoring the men and women who served our

country past and present, begins at 7:30 p.m. The unforgettable Fireworks by Grucci program begins at 9:30 p.m. sharp, followed by a "post party" from 10 p.m. till midnight

featuring popular Dallas rhythm & blues band Road Crew. Carnival rides and games will be on hand. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison is the festival's honorary chair for a second year. Trinity Fest benefits the Trinity Commons

Foundation, a 501 c 3 organization. Dallas Cowboys to play major role in Trinity Fest this year

New this year is the Dallas Cowboys Traveling Hall of Fame exhibit showcasing the greatest moments of America's most storied sports franchise. Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders and Dallas Desperados Dancers will perform, sign autographs and give away prizes, and children can meet team mascots Rowdy and Kid Coyote. All ages can experience the seven inflatable interactive games like the football toss, field-goal kick and bounce house. They will also sponsor the Dallas Cowboys Sky

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## "Fare Ye Well"

By Charles A. Black, Special Correspondent

Courtesy of The Atlanta Inquirer newspaper Atlanta, Georgia

It took three days in three venues for Atlanta and the world to say "Thank You" and "Good Bye" to Maynard Holbrook Jackson, Jr., affectionately known to everyone simply as "Maynard." Services were held at Atlanta City Hall on Thursday, Morehouse College's Martin Luther King, Jr.

citizens attended the Saturday services.

Thousands of grateful and admiring citizens stood in lines for hours (some for as much as five hours) to pay their final respects to a man who has meant so much to so many. The mourners could be heard sharing their personal reflections about the contributions that the first black mayor of a major southern city had made in his official capacity and in one-on-one



International Chapel on Friday and at Boisfeuillet Jones Atlanta Civic Center on Saturday to honor the political giant. He was like the 900-hundred pound bear who could sleep wherever he chose, except that he appeared never to sleep - until now. Mourners spoke of a rest deservedly earned. An overflow crowd of more than five thousand

experiences. Everybody remembers that he orchestrated the building of the new Hartsfield airport terminal under budget and ahead of schedule while insisting upon significant minority contractor participation. Maynard was a freshman mayor at the time of this incredible accomplishment

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## Congressional Redistricting Unveiled

Under a special session of the 78th Legislature, called by Texas Governor, Rick Perry, Republicans unveiled a new plan Tuesday night for Congressional redistricting, a plan that they say would give the GOP a chance to capture most of Texas' congressional seats. The Texas congressional delegation currently has 17 Democrats and 15 Republicans.

Under the proposed new boundaries, five senior Democrats would be at risk of being ousted, and Republicans could get as many as 20 of the state's 32 congressional seats.

Mr. King's map seeks the following changes:

- Changing Mr. Frost's district by removing parts of southeast Tarrant County and adding Republican suburban North Dallas, including the Coppell area that houses potential GOP congressional candidate Ken Marchant. Mr. Marchant is a member of the House Redistricting Committee. The map also places Mr. Frost's home into the district now represented by Mr. Barton

of Ennis.

- Pairing two incumbents, Democrat Chet Edwards of Waco and Republican John Carter of Georgetown, in a majority Republican district.

- Pairing two incumbents, Democrat Nick Lampson of Beaumont in a majority Republican district with Republican Kevin Brady of The Woodlands.

- Pairing two incumbents, Democrat Charles Stenholm of Abilene in a mostly GOP district with Republican Randy Neugebauer of Waco.

- Flipping the East Texas districts of Democratic incumbent Max Sandlin of Marshall and Jim Turner of Crockett, putting them both in majority Republican districts that include suburban voters.

The map also includes a new district in Houston.

Although the plan tentatively puts Mr. Turner, Mr. Lampson, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Sandlin and Mr. Frost at most risk, congressmen paired together could get around that by running for another district, as they are not required to live in the district they represent.

The redistricting panel reviewed the map but did not vote on it.

## What is Redistricting?

Federal law mandates that congressional district boundaries be redrawn each decade, usually after the census. Texas has 32 congressional districts, and the law requires that each district be equal in population. The Legislature is encouraged to use "traditional redistricting criteria," which includes trying to keep together common areas and communities of interest. Redistricting maps must also comply with the federal Voting Rights Act.

When were the current district boundaries drawn?

Federal judges developed the boundaries in 2001 when the Legislature, because of political bickering, failed to do so.

What is the current makeup of the Texas delegation to Congress?

There are 17 Democrats and 15 Republicans. Both Texas senators are Republican.

Why is the Legislature considering redrawing the lines now?

Republicans, who now control both the state House and Senate, say it's the duty of the Legislature to redraw congressional boundaries, not the courts.

Are there other reasons?

Some redistricting supporters say that the state is pro-Republican and that its congressional delegation should reflect that. Democrats argue that many of their candidates already run - and win - in Republican-friendly districts.

Didn't redistricting die when 51 Democrats fled last month to Ardmore, Okla.?

They derailed the issue in the regular session, but GOP Gov. Rick Perry called a 30-day special session to take it up again.

How much will the special session cost?

At least \$1.7 million.

What happens if the Legislature approves a map?

Any redistricting plan would have to be approved by the Justice Department, and opponents could file lawsuits to block it. The congressional boundaries drawn after the 1990 Census had legal actions pending almost up until the 2000 Census.

## Allen USA Spectacular



(Left to Right) - Jessica Sutton and Victoria Butts enjoy the Arts & Crafts Booth



Popular 80s group, Loverboy performing at City of Allen's 50th Birthday

The City of Allen celebrated 50 years as a municipality on Saturday, June 28. Hundreds of local residents came out to enjoy the festivities while also celebrating the grand opening of Celebration Park. Popular 80s rock group, Loverboy performed on stage as well as J.T. Taylor, former lead singer of the legendary band, Cool and the Gang. Taylor performed many of the old favorites, including "Celebrate". Kids got a

chance to enjoy The All-4-Fun Kids Zone, which included 30 games and inflatables. The grand finale for the evening was a fireworks display choreographed to the patriotic music of the Allen Philharmonic Symphony.

Sponsors for the event included Deja Blue, Hilton Garden Inn, Presbyterian Hospital of Allen, Dr. Pepper, and many more.



Jeff Thorp as "Uncle Sam" entertains the crowd with his knife-juggling act.

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## A Rare Find

Malone, one of the owners of the Rarity Boutique.

Edward-Malone is the Chief Founding Officer of the business and her mother, Betty Blanchard, is the Chief Executive Officer. They are co-owners of the shop, and together they have fifty plus years of wearing and purchasing all types and designs of hats, bringing a unique quality for their joint venture.

"My mother and I came up with the idea and started the shop," said Edward-Malone.

Both mother and daughter from Gary, Indiana. When Blanchard lived in Indiana, she was involved in the political process, serving as a

Precinct Committeewoman. As a Texan, Blanchard is a former contestant in the 2001 Senior Plano Pageant, she serves as a member of the Queens Court, and is also very active in church.

Edward-Malone was also very active in her community in Gary, Indiana serving as a coach for the Pop Warner Basketball league. She is also a former professional cheerleader for the Chicago Bulls. Like her mother, Edward-Malone is also very active in her church. She is married to Reverend Charles Malone, a piano teacher in Dallas, and is the mother of Tatiana and El Salvador.

According to Malone and Blanchard, they are very

precise when it comes to selecting hats to purchase for their distinct clients. The shop sells hats for men and women. They also sell bandanas and an eclectic range of jewelry, apparel and accessories. The boutique is considered a unique place to shop because of the variety of hats and accessories it offers.

If you want just the right hat to complete any outfit, Edward-Malone and Blanchard will help you find it. To see their collection on line, visit:

[www.rarityhomestead.com](http://www.rarityhomestead.com). For store location, times, and directions, call Carol Edward-Malone at 972.977.1894.

The Senate Jurisprudence Committee Hearing on Congressional Redistricting has been rescheduled for July 8, 2003, at 3:00 p.m. at the University of North Texas at Dallas, 8915 S. Hampton Rd., Rm. 224, Dallas, TX 75232.

The Jurisprudence Committee will meet to take testimony regarding Congressional Redistricting.

For questions or more information, please call Senator Royce West's office at 214-467-0123.

## Around The Town

### On-going

Collin County has created an emergency preparedness hotline: 972.548.4114. You can also visit [www.co.collin.tx.us](http://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 information call: 972.881.5154. Open Mon-Fri 8 a.m.-9 p.m., Sat 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Interactive Dallas Children's Museum at Valley View Center - a hospital fantasyland by Presbyterian Healthcare, a Kroger Foods miniature grocery store, a farm, a "Jungle Impressions" exhibit complete with rain forest, 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.

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](mailto: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](http://www.picture.com) for details.

### General Information

The City of Plano Parks and Recreation Department hosts a free summer lunch program for area youth through July 25. Served at Bowman Middle School, 2501 Jupiter Road, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., for ages 1 to 18.

The City of Garland hosts a Summer Food Service Program, providing free lunches to children up to 18 years old in Garland and Dallas. People older than 18 years are eligible if they are mentally or physically disabled, through July 25, 11:00 a.m. - 1 p.m. Snacks served 2-3 p.m. For a list of sites available visit: [www.ci.garland.tx](http://www.ci.garland.tx)

DISD Food & Child Nutrition Services Department, with Texas DHS, is sponsoring the 2003 Summer Food Service Program through July 25, for ages one to 18. Free lunch and snack each day at more than 40 + sites. Call 214.932.5500.

Plano's Household Hazardous Waste Reuse Center offers Plano residents free, quality garden products (herbicides and pesticides), pool chemicals, household cleaners, repair products, pet products, paint and automotive products. 4110 West Plano Parkway, at the Parkway Service Center. Mondays: 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Wednesdays: 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Saturdays: 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. For information or to schedule a free chemical collection, call 972.769.4150.

### July 3, 4 and 5

Plano Repertory Theatre presents 'Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse' Tickets are \$8/group tickets \$6 for twelve or more. Performances run Monday through Saturday, 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. At the ArtCentre Theatre, corner of Ave K and 15th, 1028th 15th Place, Plano. Call 972.422.7460, or visit [www.planorep.org](http://www.planorep.org).

### July 4

Plano's All American Fourth - Parade begins at 10:00 a.m. at Park and Independence, to Spring Creek Parkway. Entry form at 972.424.7547, or [www.fourthofjuly.org](http://www.fourthofjuly.org)

Patriotic Pops Concert with the Plano Symphony Orchestra, 4 p.m., at the Eisemann Center, 2351 Performance Drive.

Tickets \$7 - \$25. [www.planosymphony.org](http://www.planosymphony.org)

Plano's Fabulous Fireworks at High Point Park, 6500 Alma Drive, 9:30 p.m.

Annual Forever Free Fireworks And Concert & 4th of July Celebration at Collin County Youth Park, Hwy 380 West to 1461 to 7117 CR 166. Entertainment, children's activities, concessions and fabulous choreographed fireworks show. Come early and enjoy the show. For more information: 214.544.0500.

Mesquite, at Paschall Park, 1001 New Market. Fireworks, festival food and fantastic fun for everyone. Entertainment, carnival rides, children's activities. Admission is free with nearby parking only \$3.00 (benefiting local charities). Park Opens 4:00 p.m. Texas Heatwave Aerobic Showteam, Josh Kirkland & the Texas Flood, Children's Choral Performance.

Garland's award winning July 4 celebration, July 2-6. Longhorn steers, roping, bull riding, and everything western will serve as the backdrop for the festivities this year. The festival with all the fun of the carnival, the Main Stage, all the daily attractions: July 3, 4:00 p.m. - midnight; July 4, noon - 1:00 a.m.; July 5, noon - midnight; July 6, 4:00 p.m. -

11:00 p.m. Downtown Garland. Rick Springfield, Newsboys and more will perform. Visit [www.starspangledfourth.com](http://www.starspangledfourth.com).

### July 5

Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary Presents Gardening With Nature - The Contained Gardener. Bring your containers and plant! Workshop begins at 10:00 a.m. and lasts approximately one hour. Pre-registration and payment required. \$40 museum members, \$45 non-members. For more information: 972.562.5566 or visit [www.heardmuseum.org](http://www.heardmuseum.org).

### July 10 - August 3

Plano Repertory Theatre presents "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," at the ArtCentre Theatre, 15th and Avenue K, downtown Plano. Call 972.422.7460, or visit [www.planorep.org](http://www.planorep.org) for ticket prices and performance times.

### July 12

Texas Southern University DFW Alumni Chapter hosts its Scholarship Banquet, featuring keynote speaker, Roger B. Brown, of Soul 73 KKDA. Souvenir books available. \$40.00 individual ticket price, table purchase available. July 12, 7:00 p.m., Holiday Inn Select, 3300 Mockingbird Lane, Dallas. Call James Pennick at

972.943.3536, or Tina at 972.475.5313.

### July 14 - July 19

As part of its Summer Children's Series, Plano Repertory Theatre presents "The Revenge of the Space Pandas or Binky Rudich and the Two-Speed Clock." Zany comedy for children, held at the ArtCentre Theatre, corner of 15th and Avenue K, downtown Plano. Performance run Monday - Saturday, 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Call 972.422.7460, or visit [www.planorep.org](http://www.planorep.org) for ticket prices.

July 19 through August 1 Windows to the Soul, at the Stephanie Ward Galler, 2546 Elm Street, Dallas. 214.752.5588. By artist Steven Bartu.

### Volunteer Opportunities

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, or consider being a foster parent while permanent homes are found for animals. Contact your local animal shelter for details.

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## America's Moral Leadership Has Disappeared

Flip Wilson, the award winning black comedian, hosted a very successful variety show in the early 70's. His most memorable character was the sassy Geraldine Jones who became a household name when she explained a questionable act with her trademark quip, "The devil made me do it." It appears that this devil has infiltrated the ranks of America's leaders.

The Administration's preemption policy, tax cuts for the wealthy, Patriot Act, and world antagonism raises deep questions about America's moral leadership. As a nation we look as never before to our leaders to create and achieve a new vision in this confused and conflicted world. But it must be a moral vision and our means of achieving it must be moral as well. Instead our nation seems to be mired in a quagmire of increasing moral deficiency.

But the moral deficit is not just political. It is running rampant throughout our core establishments: government, business, religion, education and media to name a few.

The world is looking to America for leadership. America is the world's only superpower. But America needs to be more than a military superpower. It needs to be the world's moral superpower. America needs to show the rest of the world that it is not kneeling at the altar of profit while our nation's and the world's moral foundations are crumbling.

We seem to be carrying the 20th century values of greed, selfishness, hypocrisy, and materialism over into the 21st century. We are addressing the issues of

peace in the world with war and more arms. Our leaders make speeches and pronouncements with high moral values as keywords but rarely do we see those values enacted by our politicians, corporate heads, civic leaders and, increasingly, religious leaders.

How can our nation's priority be spending resources on arms that we sell to other countries, including the emerging nations, when we know the arms will be used to oppress their citizens and neighbors and still maintain that we are in search of peace?

Yet who stands to speak against these morally outrageous acts? Not the Democrats. For some strange reason, they are so paralyzed by the fear of doing or saying something that might label them unpatriotic that they've rendered themselves utterly impotent when it comes to mounting any kind of moral challenge to the Administration's questionable actions. They are not wrong on the issues but seem to be morally timid to make a stand on important issues.

And religious leaders in the United States and the United Kingdom have been virtually silent in their condemnation of war disguised as peace. Can they in good conscience continue to witness killing and maiming of innocents on such a scale and do nothing? Besides those who were killed or wounded in America's war there are masses that continue to suffer and die because of the destruction to the water, electric, waste disposal, transportation, and security infrastructure that makes a modern city function.

Must we wait until long after the deeds are done and history confirms the magnitude of the butchery that has been unleashed on

innocent children and noncombatants before our moral centers speak out? This is what happened in Japan, Germany and France years after the atrocities committed during World War II were known. Repentance is admirable but moral leadership that waits a generation to react is immoral. We need to have moral leadership that cries out and denounces the evil and violence when it is happening not when it becomes politically correct.

Moral guidance can't come from the corporate leaders that rape, rob and pillage with arrogance and a near impunity that makes drug lords turn green with envy.

The world does not need leadership guided by raw power. History vividly shows us the horrific results. Hitler, Stalin and every two-bit dictator that has ever terrorized a country are etched on our minds. Ethical leadership needs a moral compass.

There is a capacity of the human mind to soar above even the most emotionally charged and sordid events. Partisan bickering and the fight for power compromise even the semblance of seeking truth. Moral leadership would teach people what is possible when we desire to truly understand something rather than to feign concern or stress morality merely as a tool for destroying adversaries or achieving selfish interests.

In that sense, no abstraction needs to cloud the issue. After all, what is moral leadership, if it isn't the public embodiment of integrity, fortitude, courage, compassion and virtue?

James W. Breedlove, author  
Comments or opinions may be sent to the writer at [www.truthclinic.com](mailto:www.truthclinic.com)



Cheryl Jackson

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On June 21, I attended the Live your Best Life Tour in Tampa, Florida. My goal was to meet and interview Oprah Winfrey. After all, if a little unknown writer from Plano, Texas could land an interview with the "Queen of Talk Show", it would validate the fact that the only person that can keep you from achieving your dreams is YOU. I believed that if I could land an interview with Winfrey, getting people to believe in my dream should be simple.

Well, here's the story. Before the conference began, I met a man named Jay who was very interested in meeting Winfrey. I saw where her limo was parked, so I took Jay there. Jay told me his story and I told him mine. I wanted to get my first column signed by Winfrey and to interview her. It started to rain, so I decided to go inside and find a seat. Jay stayed, and later came running and smiling telling me how Winfrey had stopped her limo to take a picture with him. About 30 minutes into the conference, Winfrey invites Jay and a couple of other attendees to have lunch with her so I asked Jay to take me with him. The staff said no so Jay took my article and had Winfrey sign it. Meanwhile, Winfrey is captivating the audience with stories of her childhood and talking about the Texas Cattle lawsuit. She quoted Maya Angelou, "It's the arch of my back, the sun of my smile, the ride of my breast, the grace of my style, as she glided across the stage with such character. "I'm a woman, Phenomenally, Phenomenal woman, that's me."

The main idea of the conference was to be you, "there is nobody else that can be a better you," said Winfrey. "Learn to say no, but if you can't say no, buy yourself some time, say 'I'll think about it,' I'll

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pray about it," but stop having the disease to "please." Winfrey continued. According to Winfrey, it was in Texas, when she learned that silence speaks louder than words. I found myself on the edge of my seat because she kept referring to our wonderful state. At one point, someone tapped me on the shoulder and said, "You will never get to close to her because you are from Texas." With 30 minutes left, I knew I had to do something so I raised my hand and after she acknowledged me, I asked Winfrey if she would think about it, pray about it (using her own tactics) but please give me 2 minutes for an



Cheryl Jackson & Oprah Winfrey  
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interview. I explained that there were people in Texas that loved her and wanted her to come back to our beautiful state and she looked at me for a moment, then she said yes, "I will do an interview." I sat down and cried then got up and screamed. I was then escorted behind the scenes and there I met her best friend, Gayle.

Since the tour, friends have asked me about Oprah. What they don't know is Gayle is awesome! She kept me grounded and focused (thanks Gayle). Winfrey told me that she did the tour because she wanted to give back to her readers. She said if she gave back to them, they would continue to give back to

others. She said she WOULD come back to Texas and she had nothing but good feelings about Texas. According to Gov. Rick Perry's office, the day she decides to come back to Texas, will be declared "Oprah Winfrey Day." Winfrey said she allowed me to do my article because she felt my spirit. The Plain Truth is the spirit that we connected with is the spirit of giving and the passion we share is that if I never receive money for what I do I would still do it. Winfrey said she gives so much because that is what truly makes her happy and when you give, everything comes back to you. That is one of my favorite scriptures in the bible. When I left the interview, women were waiting and asking for my autograph, me, Cheryl Jackson, the unknown columnist from Plano, Texas. It was then that I realized that the only difference between Winfrey and me is her billion-dollar fortune.

As Oprah's #1 fan, there are questions that I want answers to, as well as other fans.

Oprah, I am prepared to sit down and get The Plain Truth about your interesting qualities that most people don't know.

Winfrey says that nothing happens without your intention. I intended to interview Winfrey, and I did. I intend to bring her back to Texas and I will. I intend to raise \$100,000.00 this year for my charity and I shall. Oprah Winfrey has character in her voice, style, and passion in her eyes. She made me laugh and cry. She uses her life to make a difference and I intend to do the same.

My goal is to use this column as a vehicle to give back to the community. Many in our community are in need of assistance and I intend to touch as many people as possible.

Contact me at [theplaintruth@msn.com](mailto:theplaintruth@msn.com) if you would like more information on how you can help. Thanks Oprah you are Phenomenal!

## Taking Care of Business Part II. Your Key to Business Survival Today - CONNECT

out why. God revealed to establish a path for my family (hence the name Selabrian - a combination of my children's names), this is what helps me keep my focus and establishes the manner in which I do business.

3. Even with all the carefulness of being particular on who you allow around you, or whom you choose to do business, **Expect the Unexpected!!** It's biblical and I can share many examples, one particularly, that is the word, one of Jesus' own right hand men betrayed. Why would this not happen to you? I am not saying that all negative things will come your way but just expect certain situations to come with the territory of doing business.

Now as it relates to Getting Connected, these are three (3) big lessons learned. Here are three more.

4. **Plan what your exit will be before you begin doing business.** When you get to a turning point or to the end of the business relationship you'll easily recognize it.

5. **Network, Network, and then Network.** When you expose yourself, move outside of your comfort zone and natural perceived way of doing business you INCREASE your chance of meeting others, and obtaining new potential business relationships. This definitely calls for you to do things different than you may have been previously. Here are some

quick tips on networking.

a. Start at a comfortable place, perhaps a church organization that you may have an interest.

b. Always have a means of contact, your business card or other information if requested.

c. Make sure your contact information is accurate.

d. Have a 30 second introduction nailed, so that when people ask what you do, they can easily understand what you do.

e. Attend other events, and activities. At Selabrian, we offer once a month Networking Events in McKinney. Set a date to attend one of these for starters.

6. Now that you are connected, **Build the Relationship.** Talk to any business owner, leader, executive, and they will tell you that how they got to where they are today was partly by making a commitment to build the relationship. This may mean you might have to give up something. Oh the benefit of letting go of old things to receive something new.

In our next issue, look for tips on how to Get Moving as you Build the Relationship. When you Get Focused, Get Connected, and Get Moving you are planning to succeed. Regardless of where you are today, these tips will aid you to move forward and get the best out of doing business.

Remember, Do Something New, Expect Different Results.



Elyse Jenkins

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In the last issue I shared tips on Getting Focused. In that article, the principles I recommend you put in place if you already are not currently practicing include:

1. Get Prepared.
2. Get Educated.
3. Get the Facts.
4. Get a Plan.

After you are well on your way with Getting Focused, now you are ready to Get Connected.

It is through our connections that we derive long term relationships, some short term, but ultimately where we tend to align ourselves in business to grow further. The very first point I want to make is

1.) **Know your purpose in the given opportunity.** This can apply to all relationships, but for business sales, here I am speaking of find the unique business opportunity that lies between you and the other.

2.) **Find out why the opportunity has come your way.** This point is similar to 1.) above, yet it's one step further. If you understand the purpose of the opportunity this will set the stage for doing business. If you take to the time to find out why (the opportunity) has come your way, this will be your measuring tool to keep you on track. I was blessed with the opportunity to start my own company. But when I found

## CCCCD-LULAC Young Adult Council Wins National and State Honors

Collin County Community College District's Hispanic student organization, CCCC-LULAC Young Adult Council, swept nationals recently, bringing home three of four awards given to Young Adult Councils at the annual, national convention in Florida, the founding state of the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC). CCCC-LULAC Young Adult Council president, Robert Villareal received the Man of the Year award, CCCC-LULAC Young Adult Council secretary, Stefanie Rodriguez received the Woman of the Year award and CCCC-LULAC Young Adult Council advisor, Lisabeth Lassiter received the Advisor of the Year award.

"This group of students has done a phenomenal job of organizing and building a team to reach Hispanic students at the college, encouraging them to become more involved in

their school and community. They have accomplished many exemplary things to the community and will continue to be a positive, driving force for CCCC in the future," said Gary Israel, president of CCCC.



The council represented Texas at the national convention after they were recognized as the Texas LULAC Young Adult Council of the Year at the state convention. They competed not only with school groups from other community colleges, but with councils from universities and independent young adult councils made up of adults 18

years old or older.

"This is just an unstoppable group of students! Although they formed as a student organization at CCCC in Sept. 2002, they were not official members of LULAC until April 2003. Throughout the year the students were always looking for community needs that could use their help. They plan to meet over the summer to work on other projects and be ready to go in the fall with new members and a new year of successes," stated Lisabeth Lassiter, student organization advisor.

LULAC is a driving force behind significant advancements and improvements to the quality of life for Hispanics across the country.

For more information regarding the CCCC-LULAC Young Adult Council, contact club representative Rob Villareal at [robvillareal@cccc.edu](mailto:robvillareal@cccc.edu) or call Lisabeth Lassiter, club advisor at 972-577-1627.

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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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## Hamilton Park Men's Chorus to Open at Star Spangled Fourth

recently been headlining in Las Vegas but is now touring around the nation to the delight of throngs of die-hard "Jesse's Girl" fans. Sons of Harmony alumnus Marcos will launch the evening's entertainment, followed by the up-and-coming Dallas-based rock band Stereo Fuse.

Main Stage entertainment will begin at 7:00 p.m. each night. In response to public input, the nightly fireworks display will begin at about 9:30 p.m., before each evening's headline act. The headline acts will begin at 10:00 p.m.

"We're excited about the new format on the Main Stage this year," says Event Producer and City of Garland Community Relations Director Cindy Vochatzer. "We wanted to achieve three things with this format: first, answer public requests that the fireworks be scheduled earlier in the evening for the benefit of young families; second, invest our entertainment budget in a really dynamite headline act for each night; and third, highlight local and regional talent who are well on their way to stardom in their own right."

The Main Stage concerts are free to the public; however, reserved tickets will be available for \$10 each. Details on ticket outlets will be announced soon.

The Main Stage will also feature a special surprise each evening before the fireworks. "This new feature will be great fun and a unique addition to the event this year," says Ms. Vochatzer.

"It's a Wild, Wild Fourth" is the theme for this year's Star Spangled Fourth celebration, giving the entire event a Western flavor. The carnival sneak preview opens from 5:00 p.m. until midnight Wednesday, July 2. The full festival including the carnival, three entertainment stages, food, crafts, special exhibits, a children's area and much more is open from 4:00 p.m. to midnight Thursday, July 3; noon until 1:00 a.m. Friday, July 4; and noon until midnight Saturday, July 5. The carnival only will open from 4:00-11:00 p.m. Sunday, July 6.

In addition to the Main Stage, festival patrons can enjoy more local and regional entertainment at the Landmark Stage and the new Community Stage. The Landmark Stage will feature bands from around the state playing all kinds of music, including Latino, jazz, blues, country, rock, classical and much more. The Community Stage will offer opportunities for local dance studios, vocal groups, and other individual performers to show their talents.

A Wild, Wild Fourth parade is scheduled each day of the full

festival at 6:00 p.m. The parade will be led by Texas Longhorn steers, flag girls, stagecoaches, and all things western. Festival goers can sample the wares of more than 150 food, craft and merchandise vendors.

This year's festival will also feature a special area just for the kids. The Primacare Kid's Corner will include face painting, bounce houses, sand art, a refreshing waterslide, and a rock-climbing wall, all open to kids of all ages.

"We're still working on some special attractions we hope our 'festival faithful' will enjoy," says Shelley Franklin, special events coordinator for the City. "Folks need to keep an eye on our festival website, [www.starspangledfourth.com](http://www.starspangledfourth.com), for updated details."

Admission to Star Spangled Fourth is free. Parking will be available at Garland High School, on Garland Avenue at Avenue D, and Williams Stadium, on Stadium Drive at Glenbrook Drive. DART shuttle buses will take patrons to and from downtown Garland. Festival goers are also urged to park at the DART Light Rail station on Forest Lane at Jupiter and take the train to downtown Garland.

For more information about Star Spangled Fourth, call the Garland Convention and Visitors Bureau at 972-205-2749.

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eventually they will find them. Oh yes, pardon the fact that on average, one U.S. Soldier per day is being killed in the process, about 50 at latest count, all since Bush's "top gun" appearance as the conquering hero on the deck of that aircraft carrier. Pardon the fact that the very soldiers who were used to fight this war were "left out" of the administration's initial tax-cut proposal. Pardon the fact that the very soldiers who fought would come home to a massive cut in military veterans' benefits.

Pardon the fact that both Wolfowitz and Rumsfeld have all but admitted the whole thing was just a ruse, that WMDs were the one thing they felt everyone in the country could "get behind," that they only used the WMD story "for emphasis," and the real deal, because Iraq "is swimming in oil." Told ya! (See article: "It's Iraq's Economy Stupid!")

("Pardon." Now there's a word from the past. Remember Gerald Ford's pardon of Richard Nixon? As Gil Scott-Heron once said about Nixon's pardon, "He had phlebitis. Rats bite us; no pardon in the ghetto.")

Well, Bush and his guys and Gal Friday have not yet found the WMDs; they have taken over the oil wells and gotten the black gold flowing again, but they have not found the WMDs. So I figured I would help them out by looking into this matter myself to see if I could find them. And, Eureka! Eureka! I found them! I found them in the most unlikely place. Little did I know, those dreaded weapons were right under our noses. Much to my chagrin, they were located in a place we should have searched a long time ago.

The weapons of mass destruction, weapons that have killed masses and destroyed massive infrastructure in Iraq, are in Washington, D.C. They are in the White House, in Congress, and in the Pentagon. Now that we know where the WMDs are and who they are, let's disarm them in November 2004.

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### Trinity Fest Fireworks Page 1

Box (see Tickets section on next page).

The Kids Zone features carnival rides (with lots of ticket booths), inflatable games, an activity tent and best-selling kids entertainer Joanie Bartels on the McDonald's Kids Stage. The Bull Ride, Spider Web, sand art, face painting and ice carver are among the highlights.

Also check out the Teen Zone for "extreme" sports games, karaoke, the rock-climbing wall, gyroscope, jewelry/puppets, Coca Cola Road Jam, Speed Zone and the latest music. The Dallas Sidelicks also will participate in this area.

Shopping opportunities are ample with more than 50 arts and craft vendors and souvenir concessionaires.

Medical care will be provided by volunteers from Methodist Health System and Parkland Hospital.

Ticket and DART information: Tickets are required for admission and can be purchased at any Minyard, Sack'n Save or Carnival Food Store in the Dallas/Fort Worth area, while supplies last (DART passes are also available at these locations). General admission tickets are \$3.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children ages 10 and under (NOTE: on back of each general admission ticket is a \$5 off coupon toward a \$50 minimum purchase at Minyard's, Sack'n Save and Carnival food stores); Bridge Viewing Tickets are \$40 each; and Dallas Cowboy Sky Box Tickets are \$125 each (children 3 and under are free with ticketed adult). Tickets are also available by calling Ticketweb at 1-866-468-7621 or online at [www.Ticketweb.com](http://www.Ticketweb.com). Attendees are encouraged to arrive early; there will be no admittance to the grounds after 8 p.m. No fireworks, pets, food, drinks, alcohol, coolers, lawn chairs, umbrellas and video cameras are allowed into the event grounds. Blankets for seating comfort will be permitted.

Bridge Viewing Tickets (\$40 each), located on the Jefferson Boulevard Bridge, will provide "one of the best seats in the house." This area features shaded seating, special foods and activities available for purchase, piped-in music from the Main Stage and fireworks program, plus easy access to the main grounds.

The Dallas Cowboy Sky Box (\$125 each) offers an exclusive area with open bar and complimentary refreshments, team giveaways plus a 6-8 p.m. "tasting reception" by Central Market and local eateries. Guests will enjoy outdoor and indoor seating (with air-conditioning), large-screen TVs featuring the greatest moments in Dallas Cowboy history, piped-in music from the Main Stage and the fireworks program, exclusive entertainment and activities, and much more. Photo opportunities will be available with the Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders, Dallas Desperados Dancers and all five Super Bowl trophies.

DART Rail will run to and from Trinity Fest every 10 minutes from noon to 1:30 a.m. The Trinity

Railway Express (TRX) service to Trinity Fest will be special advance-purchase, reservation-only service from CentrePort DFW Airport, West Irving and South Irving stations. For details, go to [DART.org](http://DART.org) or call 214-979-1111 (see enclosed news releases from DART).

Discounted parking will be available at the Dallas Convention Center, City Hall and the Frank Crowley Courts Building (see [www.DallasTrinityFest.com](http://www.DallasTrinityFest.com) for details).

500 volunteers needed to work festival lots of benefits provided.

More than 500 volunteers will work at Trinity Fest, and, with the help of the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO), approximately 400 have already been recruited (but 100 are still needed). Volunteers must attend a mandatory orientation session on Thurs., July 3, at 6 p.m. at Reunion Arena where volunteer credentials,

shirts, and other items will be distributed. Volunteer benefits include a parking pass, a Trinity Fest t-shirt and visor, \$10 in Trinity Fest coupons for concessions and up to six admission tickets mailed in advance (those working during the fireworks show will receive three credentials for family or friends for the VIP Bridge Viewing Area good only from 7-11:30 p.m.). If interested, please call Tammy Enzor at 214-871-3029.

For additional information and the latest updates on Trinity Fest 2003, visit the website at [www.DallasTrinityFest.com](http://www.DallasTrinityFest.com) or call 214-871-3029.

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# 2003 Grammy Winner Norah Jones Plays NextStage On July 23



Sultry vocalist and pianist Norah Jones developed her unique blend of jazz and

both intriguing and comforting, she didn't really explore jazz until attending

Dallas' Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing and Visual Arts. During high school, Jones won the Down Beat Student Music Awards for Best Jazz Vocalist and Best Original Composition in 1996, and earned a second Best Jazz Vocalist award in 1997. Putting her vocal talents on the back burner, Jones worked toward earning a degree in jazz piano at the University of North Texas for two years before accepting a friend's offer of a summer sublet in Greenwich Village during the summer of 1999. Although she fully intended to return to college that fall, the lure of the folk coffeehouses and jazz clubs proved too strong and she

soon became inspired to write her own songs. Jones appeared regularly with the funk-fusion band Wax Poetic and assembled her own group around songwriters Jesse Harris (guitar) and Lee Alexander (bass), with Dan Rieser on drums. In October of 2000, the group recorded a handful of demos for Blue Note Records and on the strength of these recordings, Jones signed to the jazz label in early 2001. Following an appearance on Charlie Hunter's Songs From the Analog Playground, Jones spent much of 2001 performing live with Hunter's group and working on material for her debut. Come Away With Me, recorded by Craig Street (Cassandra Wilson,

Manhattan Transfer, k.d. lang) and legendary producer Arif Mardin (Aretha Franklin, Dusty Springfield, the Bee Gees), was released in early 2002 and garnered much public attention. The combination of her striking beauty and the fact that she was the daughter of an internationally renowned musician placed Jones in the awkward position of defending her music from those who dismissed her as another pretty face (the same argument used by those

opposed to Diana Krall) and/or another riding the coattails of her musical royal heritage (see Natalie Cole, Miki Coltrane, Corey Parker). Although not by any stretch a "jazz" album (the label chooses to call it "jazz-informed"), it does feature jazz guitarist Bill Frisell and session drummer Brian Blade, and seems to indicate a new direction Blue Note is willing to take. Jones and her group followed up the release of Come Away With Me with a series of tour dates on the West Coast.

## Car Review

### Feel the Force in a Pontiac Grand Prix

Pontiac has unleashed a new power force on the roads of America with its all new Grand Prix. With striking designs, precision handling, plenty of storage space, and luxurious yet contemporary interior, the Grand Prix is a total performer.

Outside, the 2004 Grand Prix is sleek and curvaceous and devoid of body-side molding, and it has an oversized collection of headlights, taillights and foglights, giving this car a clean, sporty and contemporary look.

Inside, the contemporary sports appeal is continued with the seats, as Pontiac went for bolstered sports seats all round, to provide for a total of four occupants. Fabric and leather complete the Grand Prix's rich, contemporary look, while the large, sporty, three-dimensional appearance of the analog gauges ensure the car is part of the 21st Century. Add to this the Head Up Display (HUD) and easily accessible center stack controls for control, style and driving satisfaction. The

HUD features a 'stealth' mode, allowing the driver to navigate from the HUD with the instrument-cluster lights extinguished.

But the Grand Prix isn't finished there. Pontiac has given the rear doors almost 90 degrees of swing, allowing for easier access to the rear for passengers and bulky items. The trunk is nearly



10 inches wider, the rear seats fold 60/40, and you have the option of a front passenger fold-flat seat, giving you the power to carry long items on board.

The Grand Prix doesn't disappoint on performance, with the Wide Track Handling System, standard on both GT and GTP models, harmonizing suspension, steering and chassis components for a smooth ride and excellent vehicle control. An

all new braking system includes electronic brake force distribution, providing shorter stopping distances by making maximum use of the rear brakes.

For control and stability, the Grand Prix features the all new Competition Group, optional on the GTP model, for a superior suspension system. Also included are Stabili Trak Sport, electronically controlled front/rear proportioning, adjustable rebound struts at all four corners and a robust front stabilizer bar, all designed for maximum control to the driver.

And of course, all this is needed to handle the 3800 Series II V6. The GT races in with 200 hp, and the GTP races by with 280 hp and 280 lb-ft of torque. Make it fun and add the TAP shift (Touch Activated Power), offering an automatic with 'paddle shifts on the steering wheel manual.' The performance package is completed with the Electronic Throttle Control System that uses a speed based response mechanism for top maneuverability no matter the speed.

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Friday, July 25 - 8:00pm  
Saturday, July 26 - 2:00pm/8:00pm  
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Kenny G

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Tuesday, July 29 - 7:30pm

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# Arts & Entertainment

## "2 Nights of Kenny G" at Bass Hall July 28th & 29th



Kenny G has long been the musician many jazz listeners love to hate. A phenomenally successful instrumentalist whose recordings make the pop charts, G's sound has been a staple on adult contemporary and "smooth jazz" radio stations since the mid-1980s, making him a household name. Kenny G is a fine player with an attractive sound (influenced a bit by Grover Washington Jr.) who often caresses melodies,

putting a lot of emotion into his solos. Because he does not improvise much (sticking mostly to predictable melody statements), his music largely falls outside of jazz. However because he is listed at the top of "contemporary jazz" charts and is identified with jazz in the minds of the mass public, he belongs in this book.

Kenny Gorelick started playing professionally with Barry White's Love Unlimited Orchestra in 1976. He recorded with Cold, Bold & Together (a Seattle-based funk group) and freelanced locally. After graduating from the University of Washington, G worked with Jeff Lorber's Fusion, making two albums with the group. Soon he was signed to Arista, recording his debut as a leader in 1982. His fourth album, Duotones (which included the very popular "Songbird"), made him into a star. Soon he was in

demand for guest appearances on recordings of such famous singers as Aretha Franklin, Whitney Houston and Natalie Cole. Kenny G's own records have sold remarkably well, particularly Breathless, which has easily topped eight million copies in the U.S.; his total album sales top 30 million copies. 1994's holiday album Miracles and 1996's Moment continued the momentum of his massive commercial success. He also recorded his own version of the Celine Dion/Titanic smash "My Heart Will Go On" in 1998, but the following year he released Classics In The Key Of G, a collection of jazz standards like "Round Midnight" and "Body & Soul," possibly to reclaim some jazz credibility. Regardless, he has made the soprano sax sound appealing to millions of fans, while simultaneously annoying many jazz purists.

## The Dave Matthews Band Rocks The ACC July 18th

Early in 1991 Dave Matthews decided to put the songs he'd been writing on tape. And rather than record only his voice and guitar, he decided to gather some other musicians to give the project a fuller sound. As a bartender at Charlottesville's premier jazz venue, Miller's, Dave had seen and heard much of the local and regional talent, including Carter and LeRoi who were well known throughout the area for their jazz chops. Dave told them about his plans to record his songs, and they agreed to help him. Stefan, who at the age of 16 had already gained the respect of local musicians as an excellent upright and electric bass player, was chosen for the project because, as Dave said, "I just had a feeling about him, his spirit, his sense of the music. It was so much beyond his years." Rounding out the quintet back then was keyboard player Peter Dinklage, a fellow Miller's employee and friend of Dave's who joined in as the band rehearsed at the

club. When strings were needed for a tune the band was working on, band members called on Boyd Tinsley and his high-energy violin. After sitting in with the band on a few different occasions, Boyd was asked to join full-time, and The Dave Matthews Band was born.

After several rehearsals in basements (first Carter's mom's, then Dave's mom's), they were ready to play in public. The first gig was May 11, 1991 at a party on the roof of an apartment building in Charlottesville. About 40 people were in attendance that night.

Their first open-to-the-public performance was at the 1991 Earth Day Festival on Charlottesville's Downtown Mall. That exposure led to regular Tuesday night gigs at a small restaurant called Eastern Standard. The owner of Trax nightclub (the largest music venue in town) heard them play one night and

suggested they move the Tuesday night gigs to Trax. The band agreed and were soon filling Trax to capacity with locals and University of Virginia students week after week.

DMB's first album was released November 9 of 1993 and was distributed independently from the tiny Charlottesville office that served as the



DMB home base. Fans loved "Remember Two Things" immediately, and it debuted November 22 on the College Music Journal chart as the highest independent entry.

In February of 1994 DMB released another independent record, a 5-song EP entitled "Recently." It contained previously unreleased material and one remixed song from "RTT." At that time the disc was only available at live shows or through mail order.

1994 proved to be a huge year for

DMB. They played their first theater shows as the headliner. They toured the country most of the summer, and spent three weeks as part of the HORDE. They also recorded and released their major label debut, "Under the Table and Dreaming" (recorded in Bearsville, NY) was released on September 27th and DMB left the country in November for their first European tour. They returned to the States to close out the year as they had the previous two years with a sold out New Year's Eve show in Richmond.

Late in 1995 DMB went back to the Bearsville studio to record their second major label album. Recording "Crash" kept the band busy until almost the end of the year. They managed a brief post-Christmas tour and ended 1995 with two shows at the Hampton Coliseum in Hampton, Virginia December 30 and 31.

Following a short break, DMB went back into the studio (this time just outside San Francisco) and recorded their latest release, "Before These Crowded Streets" available in stores now. The band kicked off their 98/99 international tour with a sold out stadium show in Roanoke, Virginia, and just finished the final leg of that tour with a sold out show at Giants Stadium, in New Jersey.

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THE CROSS

Author Unknown

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Upon entering the other door he saw many crosses, some so large the tops were not visible. Then, he spotted a tiny cross leaning against a far wall. "I'd like that one, Lord," he whispered. And the Lord replied, "My son, that is the cross you just brought in."

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There are persons that love them dearly, but simply do not know how to express or show their feelings.

Money can buy everything but happiness, love, joy and peace.

Two people can look at the same thing and see it totally different.

That a true friend is someone who knows everything about them. . . and likes them anyway.

It is not always enough that they be forgiven by others, they have to forgive themselves."

I sat there for a while enjoying the moment. I thanked Him for His time and for all that He has done for my family and me, and He replied, "Anytime. I'm here 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All you have to do is ask for me, and I'll answer."

Remember that people will forget what you said; people will forget what you did; but people will rarely forget how you made them feel.

"Come in," God said. "So, you would like to interview me?" If you have the time, I said.

God smiled and said, "My time is eternity and is enough to do everything. What questions do you have in mind to ask me?"

"What surprises you the most about mankind?" God answered: "That they get bored of being children, they are in a rush to grow up, and then they long to be children again."

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That by thinking anxiously about the future, they forget the present, such that they live neither for the present nor the future."

God took my hands and we were silent for a while, and then I asked, "As a parent, what are some of life's lessons you want your children to learn?"

God replied with a smile and said, "To learn that:

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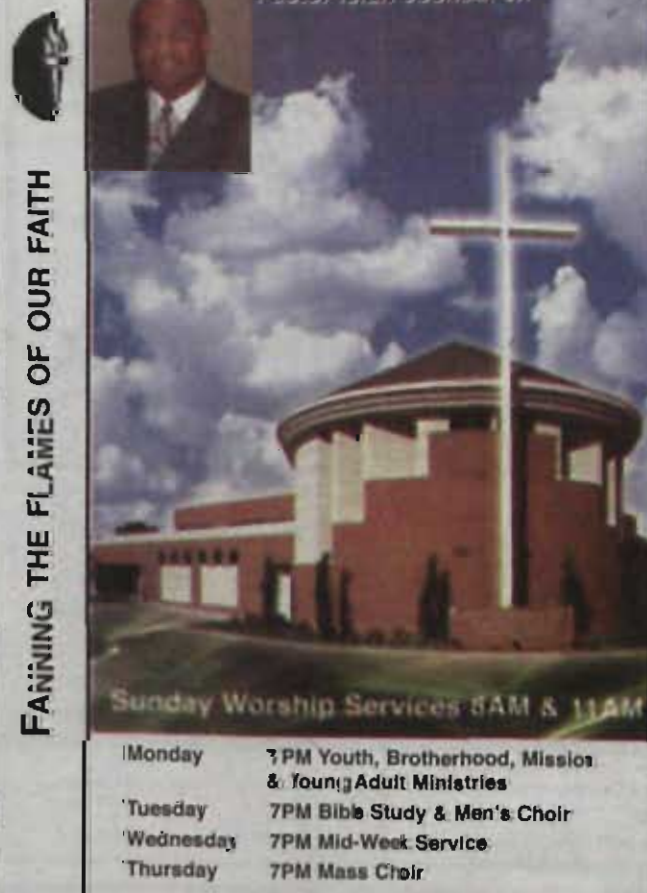
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# Texas NAACP President Calls for Legislature To Extend Civil Rights Constitutional Protections



Bob Lydia

(Austin) - The president of the Texas NAACP recently called on the Texas Legislature to extend constitutional protections against racial discrimination to include civil monetary damages as a deterrent to retailers who persist in targeting minorities for surveillance and harassment.

Gary Bledsoe issued the call after a state judge in Beaumont ruled that attorneys for Dillard's department stores were correct in arguing that 18 claimants including children could not recover money damages for civil rights violations under the Texas Constitution.

"We had racial profiling in a criminal case in Tulia, and now we have allegations around the state of racial profiling in a variety of retail stores. In the Beaumont cases, a judge has ruled that there is no constitutional recourse to persons who are due justice because Texas law simply provides for no

monetary damages when constitutional civil rights are violated. While this may be the law, this is a woefully inadequate deterrent. We cannot rectify this injustice any time too soon," Bledsoe said. Bledsoe, and NAACP Branch Presidents Bob Lydia and Sam Bean are requesting that the legislature take up the issue during its upcoming special session.

Bob Lydia, of Dallas, Texas, who is also the First Vice President of the Texas NAACP, said, "To say that people who have been falsely accused and falsely imprisoned, who have been abused and harassed simply because they are a minority have no constitutional clout in court is unacceptable. Rather than amend the Texas Constitution, we can pass a statute to implement constitutional protections. In the last session, Representative Glenn Lewis introduced a bill regarding public accommodations; although the bill did not pass, we can approach the problem in the same way to prevent racial profiling by department stores."

The plaintiffs had sued Dillard's on allegations ranging from assault and battery and false imprisonment to infliction of emotional distress growing out of incidents from April 1992 to December of 2001. The trial on the other causes of action will proceed.

Bledsoe said they are not making any specific allegations

about a specific store or incident.

Since 1994, at least six people have died after confrontations with Dillard's, five of them minorities. Four of those deaths have occurred in Texas. Dillard's, along with J.C. Penney's and Macy's, have all been hit with racial profiling lawsuits in the last two months.

"In the course of the hearing, attorneys for the department store asserted that in Texas a company can violate the civil rights of citizens and not face constitutional sanctions. The judge ruled that although there are other civil penalties, that indeed, the laws of Texas do not allow for civil monetary damages for violations of constitutional protections by private companies," Bledsoe said.

"President Bush and the Attorney General of the United States have issued orders to prevent abuses of racial profiling by federal officials," Bledsoe continued. "In Texas there are no specific laws preventing racial profiling by retailers, while ironically laws are now in place for governments preventing racial profiling."

Bledsoe continued, "In Texas we have outlawed racial profiling by government agencies. Governor Perry has called the Texas Legislature into Special Session. The Governor should add issues of racial justice to the call for the session." Bledsoe also recommended that the topic of innocence be added to the call.

Sam Bean, President of the Beaumont branch of the NAACP said, "In the Special Legislative Session we need to end this outrageous situation. We are letting the stores where we spend our money abuse their customers without a civil rights penalty. The Governor and the legislature need to put a remedy in place immediately."

Bob Lydia, President of the Dallas Branch of the NAACP and First Vice-President of the State NAACP, said, "I think that Governor Perry should step up to the plate so that we end racial profiling by private retailers in Texas. It is un-American to do engage in this practice. We have ended racial profiling throughout the United States and by the Texas government; we must end it by private retailers."

"We have brought this issue to the United States Department of Justice Community Relations Division in Dallas and asked them to review this matter because of the adverse impact on members of the African American Community in Texas," Bledsoe said.

"Racial abuse of private citizens by private companies must be penalized and prevented by example. Governor Perry should add a call for justice for violations of freedom by irresponsible corporations. Texans should be able to hold these companies accountable in our courts for violations of our Texas Constitution." Bledsoe concluded.

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## "Fare Ye Well"

against tremendous opposition by the white business and political power structure of the day. But the spoken remembrances were usually more personal and unbridled.

One mourner was heard to quip: "Isn't that just like Maynard, to tell God okay if I must go, let me take two major bigots with me." A reference to the passing within days of Maynard's Monday, June 23 death of former Georgia Governor Lester Maddox and South Carolina United States Senator Strom Thurmond. Maynard was also said to have willed the favorable Affirmative Action ruling by the US Supreme Court on the day of his death as a tribute to his unparalleled efforts in this area.

Two former US Presidents, Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter, and the incumbent President George W. Bush joined Civil Rights legends, political and business leaders to express their condolences and admiration for the indefatigable pioneer of politics and social justice. Many family members spoke eloquently for themselves about the man they shared with the city, the nation and the world.

Stirring tributes were offered by US Representative John Lewis of Georgia's 5th District, former US Ambassador, US Congressman and Atlanta Mayor Andy Young, Coretta Scott King, Rev. Jesse Jackson, Dr. Otis Moss, Jr., Rev. Joseph Lowery, former Georgia Governor Roy Barnes, Atlanta Mayor Shirley Franklin, Delta Airlines CEO Leo Mullin, Coca-Cola Senior Vice President Ingrid Saunders Jones, Rev. William Guy, Rev. Gerald Durley, Father Austin Ford and the Morehouse College Glee Club and other singers.

John Lewis called Maynard a founding father of the New Atlanta, the new South and the New America who was on the right side of history. Barnes called him "a bear of a man who needed a body that big to house the heart that beat within him." Andy Young called Maynard an aristocrat by achievement, one who like Moses took his people kicking and screaming into the Promised Land. Leo Mullin said of Maynard: "You have indeed affected eternity." Mullin said that Maynard made the Atlanta airport the world's greatest, as he spoke of the airport's \$17 billion per year impact on Georgia's economy.

Mrs. King called Maynard one of the greatest American mayors ever. She said that he had left an indelible mark in the heart of the New South. She reminded the audience that he

had chaired the campaign to build the King Center for Nonviolent Social Change. She spoke of his integrity, ability and vision and dubbed him an "incorruptible champion of the poor and oppressed." She said politics was Maynard's ministry and service, his passion.

Ingrid Saunders Jones said, "no one lived a more purposeful life, a more determined life" than Maynard. She spoke of his willingness to "bring others along with him, especially the youth."

In 1990 Maynard founded the Maynard Jackson Youth Foundation, to which the family has asked that contributions be made in his memory. A graduate of the foundation, Morehouse College political science major Wayne Martin, who serves as an intern with the foundation, said a large tree has fallen but not his purpose.

Father Ford, retired director of Atlanta's Emmaus House, told the audience, "If you would see his [Maynard's] monument. Look around you."

Former President Bill Clinton brought laughter to the crowd when he referred to himself as the non-Georgia contingent of the Maynard Jackson Administration Society. Then added that Maynard "had seen how much good Affirmative Action had done for wealthy white folks and thought it should be tried" for minorities as well. With obvious sincerity, he declared, "I loved Maynard Jackson." Maynard's widow Valerie was escorted to her seat at the Saturday services on the arm of the former President.

America's Poet Laureate Maya Angelou wrote a poem on the morning of Maynard's final services that spoke of great trees falling, of great souls dying and reminding the hearers of her words from the mouth of Atlanta's theatre scion Kenny Leon that we can be better because they existed. Mayor Shirley Franklin called her mentor "a fearless, courageous and audacious leader" who gave us his all.

Maynard's brother, Paul Jackson, ended an impassioned tribute with a reminder from Maynard to "Vote and vote every time." Maynard was fond of quoting his legendary grand father John Wesley Dobbs who said freedom for blacks would come through "The Book, The Ballot and The Buck."

The most emotional moment for the audience came when daughter Brookie Jackson Edmond began her tearful tribute with the words, "I would rather be anywhere but here today talking about my father."

The story was once told of a time when Maynard left Chicago on crutches to speak in Jamaica for the island nation's Labor party. While

inspiring the audience to always do their best, he dramatically threw his crutch aside and told the audience never to accept any excuse or crutch for not succeeding. (Daughter Valerie may remember this experience on the occasion of her fifth birthday for which she received her first pearl necklace.) Maynard was living in Chicago where he worked for a prestigious securities law firm following two terms as Mayor of Atlanta. No firm in Atlanta would

hire him in spite of his tremendous accomplishments for the city from which they all profited. He later formed his own firm, Jackson Securities, which does more than three billion dollars a year in municipal bond work.

The remains of Maynard H. Jackson were interred at Atlanta's historic Oakland Cemetery in a private family service following the final services at the civic center on Saturday, June 28, 2003.

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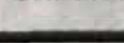
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