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### On the Homefront:

**Halloween Happenings!** Thursday October 30, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Mesquite Main Library, 300 West Grubb Drive. Come see the Library in a whole new light. Recommended for children ages 5 and up.

Like Poison Ivy - John O'Neal of New Orleans, an internationally acclaimed playwright and founder of Junebug Productions, presents his latest stage production, Poison Ivy, a play that examines the issue of environmental racism in the United States, October 31 - November 2, South Dallas Cultural Center, 3400 S. Fitzhugh Ave.

SPCA of Texas' Dallas & McKinney host Pet & People Portrait Event. Nominal donation of \$15 to receive one 8x10 portrait, additional packages available. November 1 - 2 at SPCA McKinney, 8411 FM720, 9a.m. - 7p.m. November 8 - 9 at SPCA Dallas, 362 S. Industrial Blvd, Dallas, 9a.m. - 7p.m. Call 214.651.9611, ext 162 beginning October 27.

GISD Construction Forum for Subcontractors, November 3, 2003, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. At the Harris Hill Administration Building, 2nd Floor, 501 S. Jupiter, Garland. Snacks and drinks provided. Overview of upcoming projects, bidding information, Q & A session, networking opportunity.

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## The Plano Community Forum (PCF) honored military personnel, past and present

By: Monica Thornton

The Plano Community Forum (PCF) honored military personnel, past and present, at its 21st Annual Awards Banquet on Saturday October 21, 2003.

PCF is dedicated to providing scholarship opportunities to minority students graduating from Plano schools, and to promote cultural enrichment and community involvement.

And at the banquet, their mission was fulfilled with the presentation and announcements of scholarships, community, civic and youth awards, and recognition of military personnel, active and retired.

Mayor Pat Evans, City of Plano gave the Proclamation for the evening, and Master of Ceremony was Mr. Vondlee "Lew" Lewis, retired USAF. His son, Jeffrey L. Lewis, was promoted to the rank of Colonel in the U.S. Army, on August 1, 2003, and he spoke at the banquet in honor of his father.

"I came to do this tonight for

my father," said Col. Lewis. "There are still a lot of people who forget the individual behind the uniform, but we're all doing the best job we can."

Members of the U.S. Armed Services, representing the army, air force, navy and marines, gave the

scholarship for the district in the amount of \$1000.00, in the name and honor of the late Alfred P. Schexnayder, Jr., one of the founders of Plano Community Forum. Israel said that CCCC would match the scholarship amount.

Schexnayder's wife, Ruth, who presented Israel with the scholarship, said she was overwhelmed with his offer.

"You have truly warmed my heart tonight. I accept this scholarship with the agape love in the memory of my late husband," she said.

Youth Award recipient, Jasmine Daniels, 18, graduated from Plano East High School and is now attending the Spring Creek Campus of CCCC. Daniels' passion is making a difference in the lives of children. She volunteers with the Boys & Girls Club Plano Douglass Branch, and is a youth counselor and substitute Sunday School teacher.

"I just really want to change the lives of children," said Daniels.

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history from the founding to the present of each branch. Also present was Peggy O'Neal, who was a participant in the rescue of U. S. Army Private Jessica Lynch earlier this year in Iraq. O'Neal is on deployment in D/FW, and is attending Spring Creek Community College in Plano.

Dr. Cary Israel, Collin County Community College District President was presented with a

## Erasing Spiritual Illiteracy

By Lakeesha Joe

Over 20 years ago, Dr. E.D. Thornton founded Gospel Ministry Outreach (G.M.O.R.) Theological Institute, which he calls a "higher spiritual education." According to Thornton, while in the hospital, God gave Dr. Thornton the vision of starting this theological institution.

Since its inception, Dr. Thornton's vision of beginning a theological institute has grown by leaps and bounds. In addition to its original Houston, TX location, G.M.O.R. has annex schools in Illinois, Indiana, Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, Florida, and Dallas/Fort Worth. Dr. Kenneth W. Johnson was elected to serve as the executive director of G.M.O.R.'s Dallas/Fort Worth and Atlanta, Georgia, and Houston Southwest locations.

"I felt that there was a need for a higher spiritual education

because there is a lot of spiritual illiteracy going on," said Dr.



Dr. E.D. Thornton, Founder/CEO, G.M.O.R. Theological Institute, established in Houston, TX in April 1982.

Johnson. "We wouldn't have so much chaos in the pulpit if we can

erase spiritual illiteracy."

Dr. Johnson, a Houston, Texas native, began his journey as the Executive Director of the G.M.O.R. Theological Institute with a lot of experience in hand.

Called to ministry in 1984, Dr. Johnson was ordained with The Apostolic Brotherhood International in 1996. Dr. Johnson also started pastoring Southwest Christian Center, which is a non-denominational church in Southwest Houston, Texas. Later, Dr. Johnson was ordained as the Southwest Regional Overseer of Houston Texas with Deliverance Fellowship of Churches International.

In September of 2003, Dr. Johnson, a graduate of G.M.O.R., was elected to serve on the Council Member board of the World Pentecostal Fellowship Ministries, Incorporated and also appointed to Bishop-Elect of the

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## Are You a Certified Black Person?

By: James Clingman

(NNPA) Are you genuine? Are you legitimate? Can you authoritatively attest to your Blackness? Can you confirm it? Can you assure it? Can you guarantee it? Those terms comprise the dictionary's definition of "certify." And there is one more definition, which I will get to later. Black business owners hear this word, "certify" many times, especially when they want to do business on some publicly funded project where millions and sometimes billions of their tax dollars are being spent. We also have to be "certified" when it comes to obtaining contracts from private corporations under the banner, of course, of "diversity," "inclusion," and other socially acceptable programs. By the way, that other definition of "certify" is: "To attest officially to the insanity of..."

Insanity? Now that could be used to describe Black folks, especially those of us who have become fertilizer for the certification game. Someone said, "If you keep doing what you've always done, you'll keep getting what you've always gotten," and it's insanity to think you'll get something different. I agree. How long have we been certifying our Black businesses? Nearly 40 years of so-called affirmative action programs and we are virtually at the same place we started in the 1960's; some would say we are even further behind.

So which definition suits you? Should Black businesses submit to the paperwork hassles, the intrusive questionnaires, and hours of trying to justify why they should get 15 percent to 30 percent of the business, while White owned firms get virtually all of the business without having to justify

anything? Should Black-owned companies continue to gather at meetings, and information sessions, and "inclusion parties" in order to get their fair share of business from the public and private sectors? Can Black-owned businesses, if allowed to compete on their own merit and experience, win larger contracts?

Of course, those are rhetorical questions because the opportunity to play the game by the same rules that White companies play by has been shrouded and nearly eliminated by certification programs and diversity programs and economic inclusion programs. Even in cities where the majority of the population is Black or in cities where the total population of all so-called "minorities" exceeds that of White people, Blacks and others scramble and squabble over the measly percentages allocated to the "minority." Of course, now they are also using euphemisms like "small business" and "women-owned business."

In Cincinnati, Black people are approximately 45 percent of the population, and other "minority" groups make up around 10 percent. I am told. When I was in school, that would add up to 55 percent. Has math changed or what? Also, when I was in school, majority meant the most and minority meant the less; 51 percent was enough to have a majority. So why are Blacks succumbing to the minority games being played on us everyday in cities across this country?

I say this over and over in Cincinnati, but it seems to fall on deaf ears. Maybe that's because some Black folks, the ones getting all of the

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## American Airlines Promotes New VP-Human Resources

Debra Hunter Johnson was named Vice President-Human Resources Operations Support for American Airlines in July 2003. She oversees

support for the company's worldwide operations. She also has responsibility for the airline's global diversity strategies, corporate citizenship and community relations. On October 23, a reception was held on behalf of the company's African American Resource Group. The event was held at the African American Museum at Fair Park. During the reception, local business professionals had the opportunity to meet with the American Airlines' representatives from sales, marketing, purchasing, community relations, and many other departments.

Prior to her promotion, Johnson served as an Associate General Counsel with an emphasis on employment, corporate benefits and immigration law. Johnson joined American as an attorney in 1990. She was promoted to Senior Attorney in 1995 and to Associate General Counsel in 1996. Before joining American, Johnson served as an attorney with the then Chrysler Corporation and the former law firm of Patterson Pifer & Phillips. She is active as a speaker at legal conferences and has written several articles for legal publications, ranging from the employment issues that followed 9/11 to managing high-profile lawsuits. She serves on the Board of Trustees of the Jack and Jill of America Foundation, Inc., a non-profit organization that provides funding for outreach to youth. She also serves on the Board of Trustees of The Hockaday School in Dallas.

Johnson received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English from the University of Michigan and a Law Degree from Howard University. She and her husband have a 9-year-old daughter and live in Coppell, Texas.



## Schwarzenegger Visits D.C. Seeking Aid

By BETH FOUHY, Associated Press Writer  
WASHINGTON - It was supposed to be a victory lap through the nation's capital for Arnold Schwarzenegger, but with wildfires devastating southern California, the governor-elect's meetings with congressional leaders Wednesday focused on a more pressing problem - aid for his state.

"I came basically to Washington to establish relationships and to make sure we are getting more federal money for California as I promised in my campaign," Schwarzenegger told reporters following a meeting with

House Republicans. "But of course the recent events, the huge disastrous fires have changed my mission a little bit. I'm now looking for federal money for the people, the victims of the fire."

Schwarzenegger used his first visit since his Oct. 7 election to plead for additional federal resources to fight what authorities are calling the worst fire emergency in the state in more than a decade.

The governor-elect began his day on Capitol Hill, meeting with Michael Brown, the director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. There, on the



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**30 Years of Building Relationships 1973 - 2003**  
DALLAS/FORT WORTH MINORITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Dallas, TX - The Dallas / Ft. Worth Minority Business Development Council, as part of their 30th Year Celebration, will host its distinguished E-Awards. This elegant affair will begin at 7 p.m., Thursday, November 6, 2003, at the Wyndham Anatole Hotel, in Dallas, TX.

This event recognizes the accomplishments of minority business owners, corporations, and other individuals involved in the development and growth of diverse businesses in the

North Texas area. Throughout the past three decades, there have been many corporations and public entities recognized at this event like Raytheon the 2002 "Corporation of the Year" and Pinnacle Technical Resources the 2002 "MBE Corporation of the Year", just to name a few. All have demonstrated a commitment to fostering and developing business opportunities for minority businesses.

It is because of the commitment of large Dallas-based corporations and the collaborative efforts between corporate and the Minority

Enterprise business community, which has contributed to the long success of the D/FW Minority Business Development Council.

That's why this year's signature sponsor is Dallas based corporation Texas Instruments (TI). TI's very own, Tom Engibous, President, Chairman and CEO will be on hand for this distinguished night of excellence as well as many other CEOs and corporate representatives.

Join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of the Dallas Fort Worth Minority Business Development Council and its many Corporate and Minority Business Enterprises.



**On-going**

Collin County emergency preparedness hotline: 972.548.4114. You can also visit [www.co.collin.tx.us](http://www.co.collin.tx.us).

The Stephanie Ward Gallery hosts a series of seminars, through November. Topics include: understanding cubism; Art appreciation 101; Collecting 101; Framing and preserving your artwork; The scoop on art appraisal; The philosophy of modern art, and other topics. Call 214.752.5588. 2546 Elm St., Dallas. Sponsorship opportunities available.

An African American History Course at the African American Museum. A six-session course held Saturdays, taught by Robert Edison, a history teacher at Pearl C. Anderson Middle School, Dallas. Remaining dates: Nov. 1, Nov. 15, Dec. 6, Dec. 13 and Dec. 20. Admission to the African American Museum is free except for groups of 10 or more. Tuesday - Friday, 12 noon - 5 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Closed Mondays. Call 214.565.9026.

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.

Interurban Railway Station Museum, 901 E. 15th Street, Plano, Historic Downtown. From 1908 to 1948, this was a station on the Texas Electric Railroads' Interurban Line. Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. For special tours call 972.941.2117.

Heritage Farmstead, 1028 15th Street, Plano. 972.424.7874. Dedicated to preserving the early 1900's way of life, this unique four-acre museum features a beautiful Victorian home and 12 outbuildings that were part of a 360-acre farm operated by Ammie Wilson. Guided tours available.

**General Information**

Teen Graffiti magazine is recruiting members for all three Teen Advisory Councils: South Dallas, Garland/Richardson and Grand Prairie. Ages grades 7 - 12, diverse backgrounds. Applications available at middle and high school libraries, and online at [www.teengraffiti.com](http://www.teengraffiti.com). Or call Sharon Jones-Scaife at 972.496.9457.

**Through November 1**

McKinney Murder Museum "Don't go into the Basement." Some scenes relate directly to Collin County history, including the last hanging in Collin County. Located in the former U.S. Post Office, one block east of Courthouse Square in McKinney. Open evenings. \$3 12

and under, \$5 adults. Call Jennifer Kelley at 972.5432.9457.

**Through November 9**

Plano Repertory Theatre presents 'Chicago', at the ArtCentre Theatre, downtown Plano. Call 972.422.7460 for tickets and information.

Celebrate "A Harvest of Cultures" at Dallas Blooms at the Dallas Arboretum. A celebration of the beauty of autumn, and a salute to harvest traditions. Don't miss Trammell Crow's \$20 million Visitor Education Pavilion, the Arboretum's new horticulture centerpiece. Multicultural entertainment from African-American, Latino, Asian and Native American cultures, Children's crafts, Horticultural demonstrations, Horse-drawn wagon rides for \$2. Call 214.327.4901, or visit [www.dallasarboretum.org](http://www.dallasarboretum.org).

**Through December 13**

Sistuh, Sistuh, Sistuh, a non profit organization, provides life skills workshops Saturday's, from 10:00-11:30, including informational sessions on self-esteem, finances, computer literacy, obtaining employment and goal setting. At St Phillip's School and Community Center, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., Dallas. 214.421.5221 ext.122.

**October 31**

Safe "Trick Or Treat" On The Square - Downtown merchants dress up and hand out candy to children in costume 12 years and younger in this annual event. For

more information contact the Downtown McKinney Association at 972.562.6880.

**November 1**

Santina Kids' Collection Fashion Show, featuring children's apparel and accessories with a special performance by "Brazilian Samba." Free. At the Plano Center, Springcreek and Jupiter Roads, Plano. For more information contact Hortencia Dunaway at 214.739.4438.

**November 7, 8 & 9**

Neath the Wreath Holiday Gift Market sponsored by The Junior League of Plano, at the Plano Center, Springcreek and Jupiter Roads. Over 100 merchants. Proceeds benefit The Junior League of Plano. Tickets: \$7.00 one day/ \$15.00 three day/ \$20.00 preview shopping Friday 9am-12noon, and three day admittance. Friday 12 noon - 6p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information: 972.769.1142, or visit [www.jlplano.org](http://www.jlplano.org).

**November 7 through November 22**

"Bell, Book & Candle" a story of romance and magic, is presented by the Mesquite Community Theatre. Call 972.216.8126 for tickets, reservations and information. \$10 adults/\$8 students, seniors and STAGE members/\$6 children/\$8 all tickets on Thursday and Sunday matinee. At the Mesquite Arts Center, 1527 N. Galloway, Mesquite.

In recognition of National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week (Nov 2-8), The City of Plano Animal Shelter invites you to join them on November 8, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. to visit with the animals, see how the shelter enhances the quality of life in Plano, and see how you can help animals in need. Call Debbie New, City of Plano Animal Shelter: 972.769.4375.

**November 11**

The Nicholson Memorial Library System's Spoken Word Coffee House presents Texas storyteller "Poor Ol'" Craig Vaughn. 7:00 p.m. at the North Garland Branch Library, 3845 North Garland Avenue, in Garland. Call 972.205.2803 for more information. Free, donations accepted. Spoken Word programs are intended for adults.

**Support Groups**

Healing Matters Grief Support Group meets the fourth Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at Medical Center of Plano classrooms. This is a pregnancy loss support group for anyone who has lost a baby to miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth, newborn death, or SIDS. There is also a share group for those pregnant again following a loss. For information call 972-519-1588.

DivorceCare meets at 7 p.m. each Tuesday at Fellowship Bible Church North, 850 Lexington, Plano. Call Bob Hornstein at 972-783-8800.

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College District's Counseling Services offers individual and group counseling, crisis assessment, intervention and referral. For more information call Counseling Services at 972.881.5779 at the Spring Creek Campus; 972.548.6615 at the Central Park Campus; or 972.377.1671 at the Preston Ridge Campus.

**Volunteer opportunities**

The Institute for Women's Health at Texas Woman's University seeks female volunteers, ages 18-60, for an ongoing women's health research study. You will receive free testing including blood work, EKG, cardiac stress test, pulmonary function and bone density testing. Texas Woman's University, 8194 Walnut Hill Lane, Dallas, 75231. Call 214.706-2319.

The Plano Animal Shelter need volunteers over 16 years old to wash and walk the animals, help with clerical services and customer service. Foster homes are also needed while permanent homes are found for animals. Call 972.578.7510.

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## White War Hero Blood Still Redder Than Blacks'

It appears that in the war with Iraq the blood of White war heroes is still redder than that of Black heroes. According to a report in the Washington Post Army, Specialist Shoshana Johnson was notified that she would receive a 30 percent disability rating for her war injuries. A few months ago her comrade in arms, Private Jessica Lynch, was discharged with an 80 percent rating for her injuries. Johnson is Black; Lynch is white.

Ordinarily, there would not be much concern over the disability cases of two wounded soldiers. This situation draws attention because of the media notoriety surrounding these women and the specter of military racism.

Both women belonged to the 507th Maintenance Company that was part of the long convoy making the dash to Baghdad at the beginning of the Iraqi War. Several of the vehicles took a wrong turn into the city of Nasiriyah where Iraqi Fayedeen defenders ambushed the lost vehicles. Eleven American soldiers were killed. Six soldiers, including Johnson and Lynch, were taken prisoner.

Lynch was taken to a local hospital where Iraqi Dr. Houssona's examination revealed a broken arm, a broken thigh and a dislocated ankle but no gunshot or stab wounds. Initial Pentagon reports indicated she had been shot and stabbed.

Jessica Lynch immediately became the poster girl of the Iraq war, fueled by Pentagon officials who needed to put a favorable spin on the bogged down action and an all too willing media eager to fall in

love with a hero. The story of Jessica's capture by the Iraqis and subsequent rescue by U.S. special forces (conveniently captured with night vision cameras) quickly became the lead news story and the focus of a movie and a book.

Johnson, a single mother with a 2-year-old daughter, was shot through both legs and held prisoner in Iraq for 22 days. She and five other soldiers were rescued on April 13 though not as dramatically as Lynch. Her parents said she is continuing rehabilitation treatments for her legs, has trouble sleeping and has depression that is characterized as posttraumatic stress disorder.

Essentially, these are two women from the same unit facing the same perils on the same day at the same place, but with a significant difference in how the Army has handled their cases.

But this disparity is nothing new. It is well known that there will be only one or two heroes that are at the right place at the moment to capture the public's attention. Then the media takes notice and folklore is created.

Teddy Roosevelt and the Rough Riders, Sergeant York of World War I, Audie Murphy and the Sullivan Brothers of World War II immediately come to mind. This is not to imply that they were not deserving of the accolades accorded their military exploits. But why only footnotes for the heroes of Doric Miller, the Massachusetts 54th, the 93rd "French" Division, or the Tuskegee Airmen?

The exploits of Blacks in America's wars have always been conveniently submerged in the history books. President Clinton, to correct one record of racial prejudice that lasted

more than fifty years, awarded seven Black World War II veterans the Congressional Medal of Honor in 1997. Five of the Medals were awarded posthumously.

Clinton said, "No African American who deserved the Medal of Honor for his service in World War II received it. Today we fill the gap in that picture and give a group of heroes who also love peace but adapted themselves to war the tribute that has always been their due. Now and forever, the truth will be known about these African Americans who gave so much that the rest of us might be free."

The citation for Lt. Vernon Baker, the only living award winner, gives insight into the race issue. During a fierce engagement against German forces Lt. Baker had destroyed four Nazi machine gun nests and killed nine enemy soldiers. He and his fellow platoon members were running out of ammunition. The platoon's white commanding officer left the engagement to obtain supplies and reinforcements. Lieutenant Baker continued the assault, destroying three more German machine-gun nests, one bunker and one artillery observation post. He was finally forced to withdraw with seven other survivors because the supplies and reinforcements never arrived.

Decades later, military historians concluded that white racism and segregation were the reasons why the seven men of Baker's platoon were not awarded the Medal of Honor.

So It was then and so it is Now.

James W. Breedlove  
Comments or opinions may be sent to the writer at: www.truthclinic.com

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(Left to Right) Brenda McDonald, Director of Operation, Boys and Girls Club of Collin County, and Barbara Simpkins, president, Plano Community Forum



Evelyn McKnight, VP of Public Relations, Plano Community Forum (PCF), presents Rev. James E. Larry, senior pastor, Hill's Chapel CME Church with the Community Service Award



Pastor Ben Thomas and Frances Thomas, Mount Olive Church of Plano



Vondree Lewis presents Helen Macey, Executive Director, Plano Housing Authority with the Community Service Award



(Left to Right) Ben Thomas, wife, Frances Thomas; Ron Williams



(Left to Right) Dr. Clara Reed, senior pastor, All Nations United Methodist Church; husband, Charles; and daughter, Crystal



(Left to Right) Mayor Pro-Tem Steve Stovall, Janet Stovall, Sally Magnuson, Plano City Council; Coty Rodriguez Anderson, president, Collin County LULAC



John Hightower, chaplain, PCF, gives the invocation



Plano Mayor Pat Evans



Barbara Simpkins, PCF President, closed the evening with a special PCF President's award to Brenda McDonald.



Rev. James E. Larry, Senior Pastor, Hill's Chapel CME Church



Ms. Helen Macey, Executive Director, Plano Housing Authority

"And getting this award means I have accomplished a part of what I set out to do," Barbara Simpkins, PCF President, closed the evening with a special PCF President's award to Brenda McDonald. "She has always been active, creative and has taken our scholarship banquet to the next level," said Simpkins. Plano Community Forum 2003 Scholarship Recipients: Pavielle Christ; Christopher Flowers; Danielle Grigsby; Herschel Grigsby; Christen Johnson; Yewkit Loi; Kyle Oliver;

Kruti Patel; Asgedet Tedros. 2003 Reward Recipients Community Service: Dr. Clara M. Reed, Senior Pastor, All Nations United Methodist Church; Ms. Helen Macey, Executive Director, Plano Housing Authority Civic Awards: Rev. James E. Larry, Senior Pastor, Hill's Chapel CME Church Earnest Burke Youth Award: Jasmine Daniels



(Left to Right) LaCrisia "Cris" Gilbert, candidate, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3, Place 1, Plano; and Shirley Tarpley, Religious Editor, MON-The Gazette

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State of Texas.

G.M.O.R.'s curriculum includes a comprehensive nine months per semester study course, with required accredited hours in a Bachelor, Master, or Doctorate course of biblical studies.

Upon completion of studies at G.M.O.R. Theological Institute Dallas-Fort Worth annex you can receive a Bachelor of Biblical Studies, a Bachelor of Biblical Counseling, a Bachelor of Theology, or a Master of Theology.

The G.M.O.R. Theological Institute Dallas-Fort Worth annex is located at 5968 West Northwest Highway, Suite 1512 in Dallas, Texas. The institute offers classroom and correspondence studies. Currently, G.M.O.R. Theological Institute is offering the Bachelor Biblical Counseling class every Monday evening from 7:00-8:45p.m. at the Shekinah Glory

Community Church, Duncanville, TX. This new course study prepares students for biblical counseling upon completion.

After completion of his studies at G.M.O.R. Theological Institute, Dr. Johnson received a Bachelor in Theology, a Bachelor in Biblical Counseling, a Master's Degree in Biblical Counseling and a Doctorate of Divinity from the institute.

G.M.O.R. Dallas-Fort Worth annex recently held its first annual graduation.

According to Dr. Johnson, most graduates from the institute have not only been able to obtain jobs at various churches with their degrees, but a lot of the graduates have been able to obtain jobs teaching in the school districts, charter schools, and other businesses.

The institute has given honorary degrees to such people as civil rights activist, Jesse Jackson

and gospel recording artist, CeCe Winans. In addition, the institute has received a scholarship donation at its Chicago annex from such high profile names as actor, Denzel Washington, actress, Halle Berry, and Bishop T.D. Jakes, T.D. Jakes Ministries.

At G.M.O.R. G.M.O.R. Theological Institute is helping to erase the poverty of spiritual illiteracy in our nation's annals through theological studies and helping prepare saints for ministry," Dr. Johnson said.

G.M.O.R.'s school pledge holds the idea of educating its students to a higher spiritual level. The pledge goes as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Holy Bible, God's Holy Word: A lamb unto my feet, it is the word I will hide in my heart, that I might not sin against God. And that I will educate myself to a higher degree of God's Holy Word, Amen

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

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

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## Two RISD Junior Highs Named Among Top 36 In Texas North, Parkhill Named To Select Academic Honor Roll

(Richardson, TX) Richardson Independent School District today announced that two of its junior high schools, Richardson North Junior High and Parkhill Junior High, have been selected to the Texas Business and Education Coalition/Just For The Kids (TBEC/JFTK) Honor Roll for 2003.

"We are thrilled to receive this additional recognition of what our community has known for a long time - RISD has some of the best schools in the state," said Superintendent Carolyn Bukhair. "Congratulations to Principal Charles Pickitt of North,

Principal Judy Marcum of Parkhill and their staffs for earning this significant honor."

The TBEC/JFTK Honor Roll recognizes the top 36 junior high/middle schools in Texas, and is the most prestigious award for sustained, whole-school academic excellence in Texas. It recognizes consistent performance from schools rated exemplary or recognized for three consecutive years that have superior results in each grade and in each subject, and that rate in the top quartile of their peer group.

As part of the Honor Roll process,

each school will be visited by a TBEC team to learn more about the methods each campus utilizes to drive high performance.

The principals will officially accept their awards November 20 in Austin.

For information regarding Richardson ISD, please visit our award-winning Web site at [www.risd.org](http://www.risd.org), or contact (469) 593-0301. For additional information, please visit [www.tbec.org](http://www.tbec.org) and [www.just4kids.org](http://www.just4kids.org).

### Blackonomics Page 1

minority portions of the business deals, just don't want our people to hear it. That's all right though; I know you are hearing what I am saying and I know some Blackonomics readers out there will stand up, speak out, and make a change.

Check this out. Even Toyota has a minority program. When Jesse Jackson threatened to boycott Toyota, \$7 billion appeared and a diversity advisory board was established to get more business out to minorities. The typical scenario took place. Black folks screamed discrimination, unfairness, stereotyping, and threatened to boycott, which resulted in every "minority" group getting paid. And Toyota, of all companies, even fell for the minority game. Hey, Toyota, you are a minority, too! Why would you need a minority-diversity program to help your own people and other folks who are in the same position as you, Toyota? That's like a Black company setting aside a minority portion of its business for Black people. Oops! Some of them do. But first they have to be certified.

I recently had a discussion with a brother about the certification process and why we have to go through it. He said we have to protect against "front" companies. "You know how some of our people will let White firms use them as fronts, Jim," he responded. He was right about that, which speaks to our lack of consciousness and love for one another. It's easy for someone to exploit that by offering a few dollars to a sellout. However, while we do have work to do among our own brothers and sisters who sell themselves and their people that way, I wondered why that brother didn't mention anything about those other "front" companies known as "women-owned businesses."

We know, and have seen White women go from housewives one day to business owners the next, and receive lucrative contracts almost immediately. Some I am sure go into business on their own, but many are put into business by their husbands and others merely to take

advantage of those "certification programs" and to get a piece of the action. If you write the rules, surely you know how to play by them. No one is saying anything about those "front" companies, many of which are taking business from Black folks, but we are vitally concerned about Blacks who are fronts.

So, are you a "certified" Black, or are you just "certifiable"?

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](mailto:jclingman@blackonomics.com)

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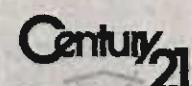
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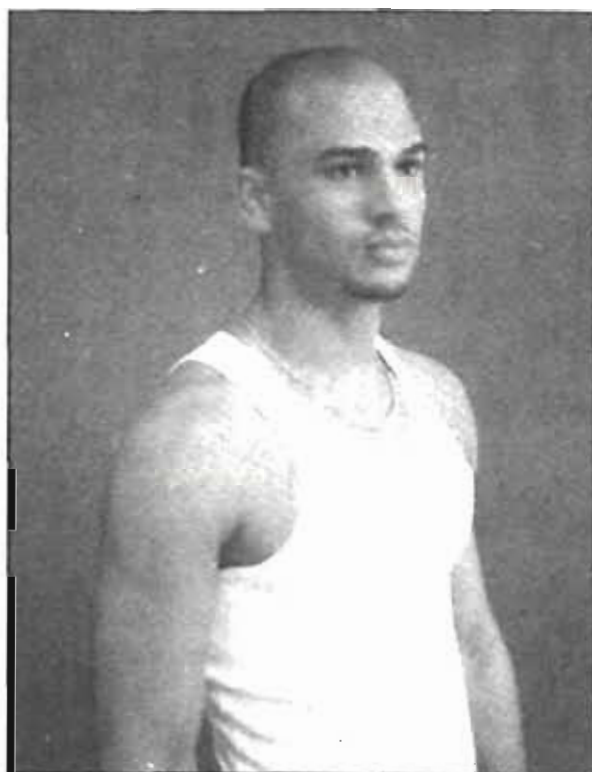
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## Chico DeBarge Costars With Kelly Price

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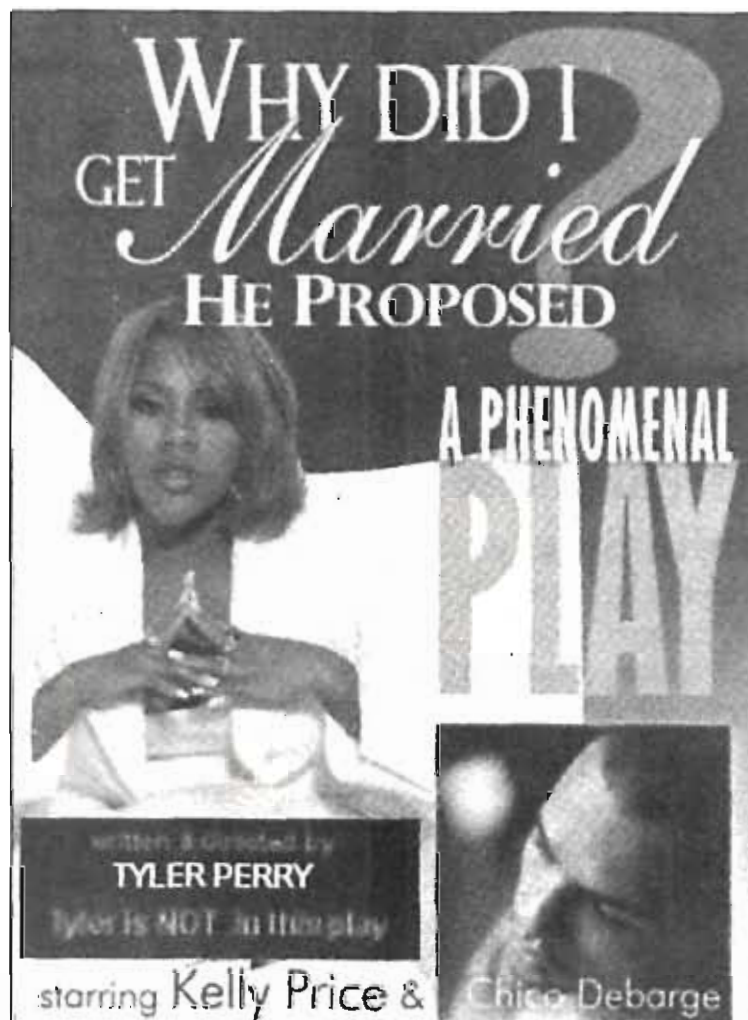


from 1988. Released after six years imprisonment, with Long Time No DeBarge returned to See.

Chico DeBarge was too young to join the family group DeBarge in 1978, but he was signed to a solo contract with

R&B crooner Chico DeBarge is the younger brother of El DeBarge and the DeBarge family musical group. Born in Grand Rapids, Mich., in 1966, Chico launched his own solo career in 1986 with a self-titled album on Motown; it was an immediate success, spawning the hit single "Talk to Me." Unfortunately, Chico was subsequently imprisoned on drug charges for nearly six years, preventing him

Motown Records in 1986, issuing a self-titled album in a harder, funk-rooted style than his brothers and sisters. His debut single, "Talk to Me", was a major US hit, and he had four more black music chart entries up to 1988. His promising career was effectively ended when he and his brother Bobby DeBarge (a former member of the Motown group Switch) were arrested and then convicted on charges of trafficking cocaine in October



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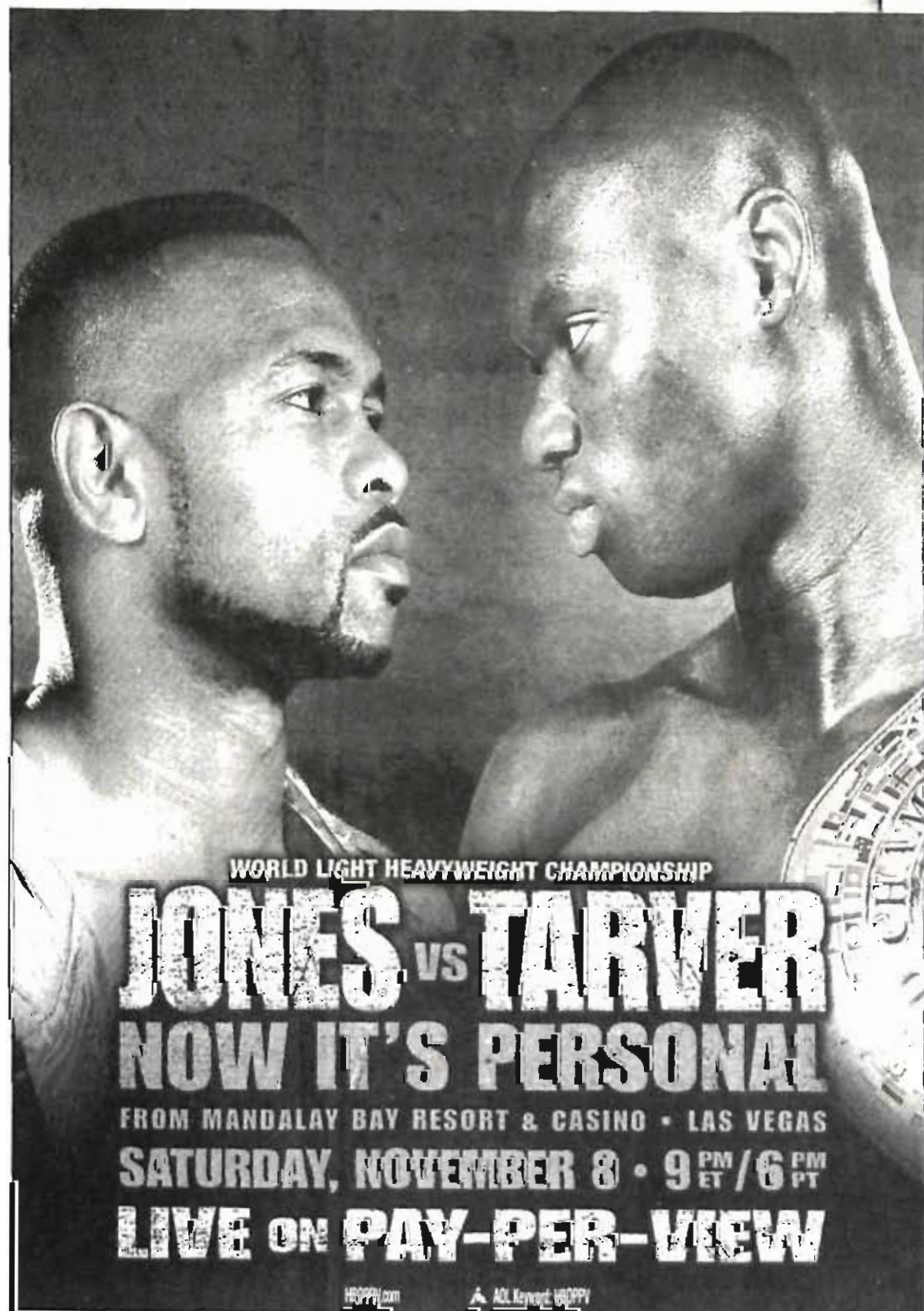


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office of outgoing Democratic Gov. Gray Davis, he pressed for "one stop" disaster relief centers where firefighters could receive medical services in a single location.

The late Friday, Oct. 31, 2003, was establishing the relief centers. Most of the relief centers were established by Schwarzenegger.

Schwarzenegger said he met with the Capitol elected the morning after the morning routine. He was flanked by a large entourage, including a police detail and several firefighters, and he was greeted by several dozen reporters and at least 20 television crews on the way out of his meeting with House Republicans.

"He's much more impressive in person than in pictures," Rep. Bill Thomas (R-Calif.), chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, said of the celluloid action hero.

Schwarzenegger also met with the members of the House and Senate leadership and had individual meetings with California Democrats Sen. Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein.

He pledged to work with Feinstein to extend the federal assault weapons ban which has been one of her signature issues and which is scheduled to expire this year. He also said he had no hard feelings about Feinstein's efforts to campaign against the recall of Davis.

"You have to understand that it's not works in politics," Schwarzenegger said, adding, "We will be working together like a new day."

Feinstein, for her part, said she was willing to put aside past disagreements and work closely with Schwarzenegger.

"What's past is past. One of the ways that I think we have to go is to turn the page and move on," she said.

After a meeting with Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., Schwarzenegger planned to meet Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham at the department. He and his wife, Maria Shriver, also planned a private lunch with Shriver's uncle, Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass.

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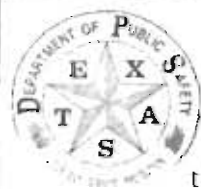
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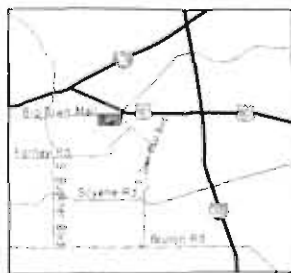
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--Greenville Avenue Church of Christ's Weekly Bulletin

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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.

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Leadership Meeting..... 2nd Mondays 7:30 pm  
Singles Ministry..... 4th Mondays 7:30 pm  
Youth Bible Study..... Wednesdays 7:30 pm  
Mid-Week Service..... Wednesdays 7:15 pm  
Mother's Day Out ..... Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm



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# One of Dallas' Prominent Pastors Dies

Dr. E.K. Bailey, founder and senior pastor of Concord Missionary Baptist Church in Dallas, lost his battle with cancer on Wednesday, October 22 at Charlton Methodist Hospital. Dr. Bailey was known as the "pastor of pastors". He was 57.

Dr. Bailey founded Concord in 1975 while he continued to aid other pastors and leaders across the country. Today, Concord has more the 4,000 members.

His service for God began at age seventeen and assumed his first pastorate at Mount Carmel Baptist Church in Dallas in 1969. Dr. Bailey received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Religion from Bishop College (now Paul Quinn College), Dallas, Texas in

1969 and his Doctor of Ministry Degree from United Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio in 1991. He also received an honorary degree from Dallas Baptist University, Dallas, Texas.

In 1982, he began sponsoring the Institute on Church Growth Conference, designed to help African American churches progress in their efforts to improve Christian operations through joint leadership. As founder of E.K. Bailey Ministries, Inc. in 1989, a non-profit ministry, he developed several conferences designed to meet the needs of the Black churches. The 2003

International Expository Preaching conference was held in July 2003, "Preaching in Black and White", named from his book, Preaching in Black and White What We Can Learn from Each Other, co-authored by Warren W. Wiersbe.

Tuesday, October 28, Concord members attended "Reflections of Pastor Bailey" in which they had the opportunity to express words of encouragement, and hear a special musical tribute with gospel recording artist, Vicki

Winans. A memorial service was held yesterday, October 29. The speaker for the service was Rev. Bryan Carter, who was voted as Dr. Bailey's successor in August 2002 during the pastor's extensive fight against cancer. The funeral is today, October 30 at 11:00 am at Concord Missionary Baptist Church, 6808 Boulder Drive, Dallas, TX. Dr. William J. Shaw, pastor, White Rock Baptist Church of Philadelphia, PA, and president of the National Baptist Convention, USA will deliver the eulogy. Funeral services will be broadcast live from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm on KHVN/970AM.

Dr. Bailey is survived by his wife of 34 years, Sheila; two



Dr. E.K. Bailey and wife, Sheila

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daughters, Cokiesha and Shenikwa; and son, Emon. The family has requested that in lieu of flowers, memorial gifts be donated in memory of Dr. Bailey to one of the following organizations: E.K. Bailey Ministries, Inc., P.O. Box 764679, Dallas, TX 75376; Health, Healing & Hope Foundation, Inc., 5317 Bluebonnet Drive, Colleyville, TX; and American Cancer Society, 8900 Carpenter Freeway, Dallas, TX 75247.

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