

Day on Sunday August 1, 2004 ar Hob Woodruff park in Plano, TX., from 5 pm to 9 pm. Boys & Girls Club of America is establishing the first Sunday in August as a day devoted to the hearts and minds of children. Hope to see you there. For more information please contact Ms. Karen Johnson of the Plano Douglass Unit at 972-424-6301.

Plano Chamber of Commerce Women's Division Luncheons are held monthly at Glencagles Country Club 5401 West Park Boulevard, from 11:30 - 1:00. The Wednesday, August 11th luncheon will feature Cynthia Coldren of the Small Business Development Center. Make your reservations by calling the Chamber at 972.424.7547. Chamber at Reservations are due to the Chamber no later than noon on August 6th. The cost is \$20.00 at the door for members, \$25 for non-members and guests. Reservations will not be accepted after 12 noon on Friday, August oth.

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writer is a long-time resident of Austin, Texas.

Primich's city attitude and mid-western charm make an Host, and Creator Louie White

Bang Bang You're Dead

Written by William Mastrosimone **Directed by Emily Heaton** WHAT: BANG BANG YOU'RE DEAD WHERE: Mesquite Arts Center (1527 N. Galloway) Black Box Theatre WHEN: October 8, 2004 at 8 p.m. and

October 9, 2004 at 8 p.m.

COST: Free

Bang Bang You're Dead, by William Mastrosimone, is a school violence awareness play which has been performed in more than 2000 schools. Directing the play is Emily Heaton, a senior at Dr. Ralph H. Poteet High School in Mesquite. "The play shows that events like school shootings injure, kill, and traumatize innocent people. It shows that shootings involve real destruction and real consequences." The play is set in the jail cell of Josh, 14, the night after he kills five fellow students. His victims appear around him on stage as figments of his imagination. As the play begins, they demand to know why they are dead. Bang Bang You're Dead takes a deep and compelling look at the heart of the killer. Performances are October 8, 2004 at 8:00 p.m. and October 9, at 8:00 p.m. at the Mesquite Arts Center in the Black Box Theatre. Admission is free. Seating is limited. For Information call the Mesquite Arts Council at 972/216-6444 8a-5p

*This play is presented under license from the Author and is endorsed by Ribbon of Promise National Campaign to Prevent School Violence

Da' Blues Executive Producer,

videos and two televison programs have been Nielson rating successful.

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Police, Sheriffs in Violation of State Law Senator says more oversight needed

AUSTIN-- Seventy law enforcement agencies in Texas have failed to comply with a Texas Senator's recent open records request, acts that are in violation of the Texas Public Information Act.

State Senator Royce West (D-Dallas), author of Texas' racial profiling law (S.B. 1074) which passed in 2001, issued open records requests to nearly 600 police and sheriffs' departments across the state, asking for each department's racial profiling data for 2002 and 2003.

"Racial profiling is a serious issue," Senator West said. "The Texas Legislature approved legislation that prohibits racial profiling in order to eliminate this deplorable and unjust practice.

Now some departments are refusing to report the data to the public. It begs the question of what their reluctance means. What are they hiding from?

Senator West's request was made in order to continue monitoring racial disparities in stop and search rates across Texas, and to ensure that departments are complying with routine open records requests.

The most recent request coincides with the results of a study by Texas civil rights groups earlier this year, which **Police Violation Page 4**

people, only to have some of my own brothers and sisters fear they may offend their new masters if support they Black empowerment.

I give up! I'm drained of my substance, my drive, my enthusiasm, and my hope of ever seeing our people break our psychological chains.

I give up! I'm worn-out. Black people, fatigued by our slothfulness, the squandering of our resources and talents, and the abdication of our responsibilities to our children. I give up!

Now that Bill Cosby's words are the cynosure of our

status. Well, I'm fed up with Blacks of higher economic status.

So, I guess between Cosby and me, most Black folks are covered, or should I say "uncovered."

While my comments won't get the same attention as Cosby's, allow me to vent the same way he did. I'm tired of Black people who sell themselves and their people to the lowest bidders.

For instance, National Baptist Convention USA officials

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"Empowerment Through Education" Fred Douglas/Moore 7th **Biennial Reunion Held In Denton**

The Fred Douglas School was built in early 1900, and was located in the colored community known as Quakertown. The community's location was near Texas Woman's University; where the civic center, city park, city hall and Emily Fowler Library are now located. Fred Douglas was the only colored school in Denton. When the community was relocated, the school was moved to the present site of Fred Moore School.

The Fred Douglas School was rebuilt in 1949 and renamed Fred Moore, the namesake of the longtime principal Frederick Douglas Moore. The school held

it's first graduation in the new school in 1950. Fred Moore School was closed in 1968 after the U.S. Supreme Court declared "separate but equal" was unconstitutional. The school reopened in the late eighties as a third high school in Denton.

Both the high school, and elementary school were located on this new site. Grades were primary to the 11th grade. The school had no cafeteria, gymnasium, science laboratory or library; as a matter of fact, the principal had no office. The Fred Moore Nursery School is also located on the present campus.

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Community Spotlight

Homeschooling Legal Expert and **Pro-Family Leader Will Keynote Ninth Annual Education Event in Plano**

Allen-The activist founder of educational tools. the Home School Legal Defense Association (HSLDA) and the leader of a national pro-family organization will give the keynote addresses at the ninth annual Summer Homeschool Conference and Bookfair in Plano, TX, August 6 and 7.

Michael Farris, who started the HSLDA in 1983, is a constitutional lawyer and staunch defender of parents rights to homeschool their children.

He will join David Barton, founder and president of WallBuilders, an organization dedicated to helping citizens get involved in their communities, as lead speakers at the conference.

Sponsored by the North Texas Home Educators' Network, the conference at the Plano Centre is expected to attract more than 3,000 homeschooling families from all over North Texas and surrounding States.

Farris has titled his presentation "Battle for your Right to Homeschool," and will draw on his extensive courtroom experience on behalf of homeschooling families.

In addition to his legal battles for parents, he is President and Professor of Government at Patrick Henry College in Virginia, an ordained minister, and the father of 10 children, all of them homeschooled.

Barton will use his keynote address to urge a grassroots movement to rebuild the constitutional, moral, and religious foundations of America's strength.

His organization WallBuilders, takes its name from the biblical tale of Nehemiah's success in rallying the nation of Israel to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem.

In addition to the keynote speakers, the Homeschool Conference and Bookfair will feature a variety of speakers on the home education topics, along with more than 125 exhibitors showcasing books, multimedia, *(other* and

The conference runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and

registration fees are \$10 per adult and \$5 per child. Additional

Saturday, August 6 and 7. Onsite 9th Annual Education Event Page 3



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Around The Town

Ongoing

EyeCare America will Collin County. be launching a summer nonprofit, campaign

intended to remind the Dallas Parkway in Plano. reservations are and more sight. The free eye care information is available online at www.teamnetworking.com P.I.P. Productions the distribution of the new multi-station show, The Valder Beebe Show is emergency announcing The Valder preparedness hotline: Beebe Show broadcasts on 972-548-4114. You can Garland, Texas' KXVI FM "The Bridge Network"

held by TeamNetworking to pursue careers in the participate in the event Sharon Jones-Scaife at 972-The health care industry by from 9 am to 2 pm. Cost 496-9457 urging business group oversees Latino Health Scholars equipment needed is a download seniors to call the toll- several chapters, group program. Contact Jaime basketball for warm-ups. free Seniors EyeCare meetings from 11:30 am-1 Gonzales at 1-800-297- For more information Help Line: 1-800-222- pm every Tuesday at Blue 9355 ext. 1679 or email please contact Marcus EYES (3937), which is Mesa Grill, 8200 North Jaime.Gonzalez@phs.com. Available now!!!

Wright at 469-481-0712 or Larry Thomas at 972-562-7761. August 8, 2004 SistahsConnect Literary Circle will meet for its monthly Sunday Brunch and literary discussion from 1 pm to 4 pm at Crowne Plaza Hotel in Addison. The cost is \$13.00 per person. "Lesson in Living" by Susan Taylor is the reading selection of the month, For more information contact Erykah James at erykah@sistahsconnect.co

OF business-to- PacifiCare Foundation per team is \$150.00. Only www.teengraffiti.com to Suite 100, Plano.

each month. Located at visit 1947 Ave. K.; Bldg. A, registration Contact Libby Dorn, C.I.T.Y. Family Center 972-424-4626

community No senior about the value of required program is available all year round. For more information, visit www.eyecareamerica.o rg.

County Collin also Visit www.co.collin.tx.us

Interactive Children' s Museum at Valley View Centerа hospital fantasyland, a miniature grocery store, a farm, a "Jungle Impressions" exhibit complete with rain forest, arts and crafts. Mon-Fri. 9 am-6 pm, Saturdays 11 am-6 pm and Sundays noon-6pm. Children 2-10 years \$4/ Adults \$3. Call 972-386-6555

Job seekers can attend weekly meetings

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General Information

each Sunday, 6-7PM

The American Red Cross needs YOU to help replenish blood supplies in July. Take the time to "donate the gift of life" this summer. Donors must be 17 years of age, at least 110 pounds and in good health. Call 1-800-GIVE LIFE to make an appointment.

Scholarship Information

More than 50 scholarships of \$2,000 each are available for Spanishspeaking bicultural, high tournament. Girls grades school students who want 8th and 9th are invited to

July 26 - August 1

Eastfield College Hosts 2nd annual Mesquite Guitar Festival at the Eastfield Performance Hall. All performances in the college Performance Hall unless otherwise noted. Festival activities kick off on July 26 with week-long workshops for enthusiasts of all ages on how to read music, identify notes on guitar, and perform as a group ensemble the last day of class. Costs for workshops m range from \$50 to \$125.

For more information, contact Enric Madriguera at 972-860-7138 or Art Greenhaw at 972-285-5441. Visit www.eastfieldcollege.com or www.artgreenhaw.com. July 30-July 31, 2004 Teams are needed for the McKinney Sports Association Basketball

August 13,2004

Registration is however, pre-registration is 1588. required. Teen Graffiti for back to school titled at 972-783-8800 "Keepin' It Real" Youth Empowerment Summit. For registration

form.

August 14, 2004

The NAACP Garland Branch will host its 2nd Annual Community Health Fair ar Gale Fields Recreation Center located at 1701 Dairy Rd., Garland, TX.

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

Don't miss this deadline. again following a loss. For free; information call 972-519-

DivorceCare meets at 7 Magazine, Teens Reaching p.m. each Tuesday at desk and to provide Teens Inc. and Lakewest Fellowship Bible Church Family YMCA brings a North, 850 Lexington, youth summit just in time Plano. Call Bob Hornstein receive a volunteer

C.I.T.Y. Family Center, a non-profit agency, is offering free parenting volunteers.Plano@lone information please contact groups the last Thursday of starhealth.com

Volunteer

Opportunities The Plano Animal Shelter needs 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

Volunteer at the Medical Center of Plano if you want to enrich your life, meet new people, experience the world of health care and discover personal fulfillment Volunteers are needed to be greeters and guides, to work at the information clerical support for departments. To application in the mail contact 972519-1272 OF email at

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The County Line

Editorial

THE TRUTH CLINIC **Olympic Drug Testing--Is Justice Being Served?**

Olympic Games set to start on August 13 there is а preliminary race that is garnering as much media attention as a photo finish in the finals of the 100-meter dash. That race is to have a Games roster submitted by midnight July 21 in the face of mounting evidence that some of the competitors may have used performance-enhancing drugs.

Accusations of illegal drug use have been made against a number of athletes but the focus on four prominent Black American field and track athletes has set the stage for a bitter battle in the war on steroids. Careers are at stake the International since Olympic Committee is expected to consider a potential Olympian ineligible for Athens if there is an unresolved issue of illegal drug use on the July 21 deadline.

Athletes know that winning more than a gold medal. Star athletes can earn a lot of money along with fame. Realizing this some athletes have chosen to use drugs and other practices that can enhance their performance knowing the risk of health damage and shortened careers.

The practice of using artificial substances or methods enhance athletic to performance is called doping. The U.S. Anti-Doping Agency (USADA), created in October 2000 to oversee drug testing in Olympic sports, has placed Tim Montgomery (100 meter record holder), Chryste Gaines silver medallist), and Michelle Collins (2003 indoor 200

With the 2004 Athens the spotlight with notices to each being pursued by the USADA that they may have committed drug violations. In addition five time Olympic medallist Marion Jones is being investigated but has not been formally accused. Craig Masback, USA Track &

Field chief executive, acknowledged in a statement prior to the start of the Olympic trials in Sacramento that the sport faces a serious problem. "Nothing is more challenging or dispiriting than the situation in which we find ourselves. Instead of a daily celebration of our great sport and our outstanding athletes, newspapers around the world are delivering news of scandal and shame related to some of our athletes and coaches."

What makes the allegations against these five Blacks unusual is that none has failed a drug test. But as pressure mounted to ensure that performanceenhancing drugs were not being used by American hopefuls and because of documents obtained at the Olympics can reap them from the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative (BALCO), a California nutrition firm that allegedly supplied illegal performance-enhancing drugs to dozens of athletes, the USADA is arguing that it should be able to use a less-stringent burden of proof in their doping investigations.

The Washington Post recently USADA quoted а memorandum that said the agency was lowering its burden of proof for circumstantial evidence from "beyond a reasonable doubt," to "the comfortable satisfaction" of the panel hearing the case. The lesser standard is partially (two time Olympic medallist), rationalized as necessary because Alvin Harrison (200 Olympic proving to the original standard is unlikely.

Several legal scholars have sent to the writer meter champion) squarely in indicated that the new standards

Where Do You Want To Go Today?

are likely to raise serious questions of fairness, proof and due process. Already the BALCO connection to these allegations has raised eyebrows. Victor Conte, the man at the center of the BALCO steroid scandal, stated in a letter to President Bush that he would provide information about athletes, coaches and officials that will ensure the USA's Olympic team will be drug free. In exchange Conte seeks a promise from the President of no jail time and no guilty pleas to money laundering for him and his business associate. Might he fabricate a story to serve his selfinterest?

Most would agree that positive efforts should be taken to make track and field as clean as possible. American Olympic athletes found using drugs would taint the entire U.S. contingent. But in its quest for zero-tolerance of illegal drugs, the antidoping agency is setting the stage to mistakenly cast the net of guilt onto athletes who are clean.

This potential for error is too great a risk to take. It is better to miss some cheaters while using a process that is clear, fair and beyond reproach, than to bar an innocent athlete from a once in a life time opportunity for fame and fortune.

The question is, "Is justice being served if even one untainted athlete is convicted using the new standards simply because the USADA desires to field a clean team?" Every effort must be made to ensure that drug users are caught, but draconian measures will hurt America's image more than an unfair system will enhance it. , James W. Breedlove

Comments or opinions may be at: www.truthclinic.com



McKinney- Collin County is taking on a 10-year project to asphalt all 763 miles of county roads by 2014.

"This is a tremendous undertaking, but we're up for the task," says Collin County Commissioner Joe Jaynes. Public "Our Works Department has been working on developing this plan for more than five years. We have a plan that's ready to go."

The Commissioners Court unanimously approved the plan.

Of the 763 miles of county roads, a little over 434 miles consist of rock and nearly 40 miles are dirt.

"Our population has grown faster than expected. Over the last year, we had an estimated 90 people who moved into the county each day," says Jaynes. According to the North Central Texas Council of Governments, the population increased 5.65-percent between 2003 and 2004. And, Collin County is now home to more than 615,200 residents. Because of this growth,

Collin County to pave all county roads by 2014

neighborhoods are stretching to the north and east, where a bulk of the rock and dirt roads are located.

"Over the long term, we have determined that it will be more cost effective to go forward and asphalt all county roads that it would be to continue the maintenance of all rock and dirt roads," says Public Works Director Jon Kleinheksel .

A recent Colorado State University study (as it applies to Collin County) reveals that based on 434 miles, 108,500 tons of rock are lost per year. Because the current cost per ton is \$12.73, that's a monetary loss of \$1,381,000 per year.

Beginning in 2005, the County projects a cost savings of \$500,000. By 2014, the projected savings will be an estimated \$2.75 million, and the county expects to continue saving that amount through at least 2026.

"These are considerable savings," says Collin County Commissioner Jerry Hoagland. "The important thing to remember is that the county must keep up with population demands."

"From an environmental aspect, this project is important because it will control the dust and decrease the number of requests to oil roads, which we hope will improve the health of residents," says Collin County Judge Ron Harris.

"There are additional considerations to asphalting, too," says Collin County Commissioner Jack Hatchell. "It takes a vehicle traveling at 50 miles per hour, an estimated 250 feet of stopping distance on wet rock, approximately 165 feet on dry rock and wet asphalt, yet only 110 feet on dry asphalt. There's a big gap between those numbers."

Each year, Collin County plans to asphalt 50 miles of rock roads until the project is complete.

"I would like to commend the staff who has worked on this project over the last five years, "says Collin County Commissioner Phyllis Cole. "Their efforts will enhance the mobility throughout the county, save money and improve the environment."

Galaxy's Annual Fundraiser Goes Under The Moon Don't Put Your Vacation Clothes Away Yet

GARLAND - On August 28th from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m., the community will gather for Galaxy Counseling Center's 10th annual gala, Under the Mediterranean Moon. Mike Cantrell, Dallas County Commissioner, will serve as Honorary Chair. The event will be hosted by Linda and Woody Brownlee in their

home, at 1818 Country Club Circle in Garland, and will offer guests an unforgettable evening of entertainment and fellowship.

The event will feature Mediterranean-inspired hors d'oeuvres, including such gourmet delights as shish kabobs, dolmas, humus with pita bread and baklava. Throughout the evening,

9th Annual Education Event Page 2 and northeast Texas.

NTHEN conducts conference information is available meetings, leads regional activities, online at www.nthen.org or by co-host leadership seminars and calling 214-495-9600. retreats, provides consultations, North Texas Home *l* he Educator's Network (NTHEN) sponsors the Homeschool Conference and Bookfair. NTHEN is a 15-year-old nonprofit organization whose mission is to educate, inform, and mentor homeschool group leaders. NTHEN fosters cooperation among home education support groups, promotes special events such as high school graduations to the homeschool community, and educates the general public about homeschooling. NTHEN is the largest of several regional homeschool organizations in Texas, serving local support group leaders in more than 80 countries and from more than 160 support groups throughout north

dances will be performed and taught to aspiring guests by belly dancers from Tatika's Treasures. Tickets (\$60 per person or \$110 per couple) are limited and may be purchased by contacting Galaxy at 972-272-4429 ext. 400 or rsvp@galaxycounseling.org.

traditional Mediterranean

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the Century" in education. special

He has written eight books, including two novels, a high school textbook on constitutional law, and two books on fathering.

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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 parody 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! MON-The Gazette formally Minority Opportunity News, was founded July, 1991, by Jim Bochum and Thurman R. Jones

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population and we wanted VBS to reflect that. The Lord has blessed us with the opportunity to partner with other churches and the McKinney Independent School District. I wanted the community and other communities to see what we can do working together in Jesus' name."

From its inception 15 years ago, St. Mark's Vacation Bible School has always been open to the community.

"We had over 200 children per night. We had children from different cultures and races which reflects what the kingdom move. We have also purchased of God should look like."

At Saint Mark's the vision is to get back to the basics. Pastor Wattley is leading a workbook study on spiritual warfare.

In spiritual warfare, the question is asked, "Why God permits Satan to come against us like Job?...to work on our relationship with Christ."

On Wednesday nights, Saint Mark focuses on family ministry.

and offers helpful online information. More information about NTHEN is available online at www.nthen.org or by calling 214-495-9600.

Michael Farris is chairman and general counsel of the Home School Legal Defense Association, which he founded in 1983. His cases include more than 40 reported decisions as lead counsel in courts across the nation, including the U.S. Supreme Court, five U.S. circuit courts of appeal, seven state supreme courts, and five state courts of appeal.

He argued and won a landmark religious freedom case in the U.S. Supreme Court in 1986. Education Week named him one of the 100 most significant "Faces of

"We have a strong marriage

Pastor Charles Wattley is the

ministry headed by Brother and

second in tenure behind Rev.

B.T. Jones who pastored St.

Mark for 31 years. Under

Pastor Wattley's leadership, St.

Mark relocated from its Titus

Street location to its current

According to Wattley, it was a

1308 Wilcox address in 1993.

challenge to get the church body

to see the vision. He says there

was much history at the old

location and people were not

"The Lord has blessed the

the property across the street

which is 2.3 acres," remarked

Pastor Wattley and St. Mark

"You've got to have space to

grow ministry. Our 5-year plan

is to build a new worship

The family church is heavily

populated with young adults.

Pastor Wattley attributes the

have definite visionary plans for

excited to change.

Wattley.

center."

the property.

Sister Winston," said Wattley.

He was the Republican nominee for Lieutenant Governor of Virginia in 1993.

David Barton's WallBuilders organization helps citizens become active in their local schools and communities, to exert a direct and positive influence in government, education, and the family.

He has served on committees in Texas and California to develop history and social studies standards for students, and has helped review history standards in several other states. He has written numerous books on historical, legal, and educational issues and is a frequent consultant to state and federal lawmakers.

basic values that are instilled into the youth are attracting the young adult audience. At Saint Mark's there is a blended service, both contemporary and traditional worship styles to suit everyone's needs.

"Another highlight is that I do pastor my home church, I pastor my mother and father, and pastor the people in the community that helped raised me," Wattley said.

Pastor Wattley's sustaining force has been his "faith in God." Growing up in the church, Saint Mark had a male chorus that sang all over North Texas and their theme song was "I Will Trust In The Lord." It was instilled in young Wattley that Jesus would "never leave you nor forsake you."

"It's not about us, it's about God and building His Kingdom, "Wattley says.

For more information about Pastor Charles Wattley and St. Mark Baptist Church, log onto Saintmarkbc.com or call 972-542-6178.

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UNT establishes scholarship endowment to honor 50th Anniversary of Desegregation, pioneering students

DENTON (UNT), Texas scholarship program, will be Gala Celebration recognizing 50 Years of Progress and Opportunity, the University of North Texas today established an endowment fund to support annual scholarship an honoring the campus' 50th anniversary of desegregation.

The A. Tennyson Miller and Joe L. Atkins 50th Anniversary of Desegregation Scholarship is named for two of the university's pioneering African American students. In 1954, Miller, a doctoral student, became the first African American to attend UNT, and opened access to graduate programs.

filed by Atkins paved the way for African American undergraduates to enroll.

"With the support of our students current and alumni, the university created this scholarship to continue the legacy forged by our most critical barrier Norval Pohl.

The scholarship, which is recognition part of the Multicultural Scholastic

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found that hundreds of departments failed to comply with previous open records requests for their racial profiling data.

Despite the 10-day deadline for responding to an open records request under the Texas Public Information Act, more than 100 departments did not respond to Semine West's initial request.

More glaringly, 70 agencies have yet to respond to a followup request sent by Senator West in June.

"I'm concerned that so many sheriffs' police and departments don't seem to be taking their obligation to share

With \$10,000 in awarded to either an proceeds from its February undergraduate or graduate student in any academic discipline by the Division of Equity and Diversity at least annually.

The university hopes that creating this endowment will encourage future donations. As more funds are donated to the scholarship, the number and amount of awards can increase, providing opportunities for more students.

Applicants must meet the following minimum academic requirements to be considered. Freshman and students with fewer than 29 credit hours must have a 1000 SAT or 21 ACT score. Transfer students and those who have completed 30 A few years later, a lawsuit credit hours must have a 3.0 cumulative grade point average. Graduate students must be currently accepted to or enrolled in graduate studies at UNT and have a 3.5 cumulative GPA.

Throughout this year, the university is commemorating its desegregation and the breakers," said President progress made in the 50 years since by sponsoring ceremonies, alumni gatherings, lectures Award and other special events.

> insensitive to the issue of racial profiling."

> There is no clear pattern that characterizes compliance or non-compliance among departments. Some departments who did respond to the Senator's request exceeded the requirements of S.B. 1074.

> > e department

shown good faith by collecting additional data but have also proven that compliance with the racial profiling act is possible for any department, large or small. There is clearly no good excuse why some - especially larger departments have not complied with state law," said Senator West. It cannot be determined if non-responding agencies actually produced the S.B. 1074 mandated reports. Those departments may be in violation of two state laws - the Public Information Act as well as S.B. 1074.

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agreed to come to Cincinnati, despite the boycott, and in exchange for their \$21 million economic impact, they received a banquet, a limousine, a hotel rebate, and a few free airline trips. Bill Cosby was the first to honor

Cincinnati boycott by the canceling his appearance here. Do we agree with him on that? Will we follow his example?

We have two Black colleges, Bethune-Cookman and Grambling, agreeing to come to this boycotted city, in exchange for money they could - and should be receiving from Black people.

Of course, this so called "Black" football game has been commandeered by corporate dollars and turned into a hammer with which to beat oppressed Blacks over their heads.

Hmmm. This sounds like a job for the Blackonomics Million Dollar Club. We could give these two schools much more money than they will receive for coming to Cincinnati to play a football game against the wishes of their oppressed brothers and sisters. What do you say, BMDC?

There are Black people, no doubt among the remnant of W.E.B. DuBois' disappointing Talented Tenth, who settle for terms like MBE, SBE, and WBE, having to be certified that they are Black (and glad to do it) to get a contract, and they never open their mouths to say anything about how Black people are mistreated.

I have proposed, since Black folks just love this alphabet soup discriminatory process of economic exclusion, that we institute a new category: "BBE" -Black Business Enterprise.

We have Black leaders, or as Nathan and Julia Hare say, "Leading Blacks," who won't take positions in support of the righteous struggles of their own people.

On the contrary, they will speak in support of the establishment, suggesting everything is all right and Black folks are doing just fine.

We have super-rich Blacks who make grandstand donations to organizations that do absolutely nothing to uplift their people. Yes, it's their money, and they

can do whatever they want to with it, but c'mon brothers and sisters, you can do much better with what you have.

We have Black organizations that kowtow to get those banquet tables sold at their "Freedom Dinners" and Awards Banquets. Freedom? Awards?

When did we get free? What are we celebrating? Our major freedom fighting organizations should refocus their attention on capturing an economic position rather than their leaders always trying to capture a good position in front of a news camera.

We have celebriries who've been mistreated and discriminated against by taxi drivers, advertisers, and the police, and common Black folks from across the country rally to their defense, threatening to boycott and punish the transgressors.

Some of those same celebrities, when called upon by common Black folks fighting against oppression, look the other way and opt for the path of least resistance, such as those who have come and will be in Cincinnati for the self-righteous, snooty, aloof Underground Railroad Freedom Center celebration in August 2004. Freedom?

Finally, relative to Cosby's remarks about our children having those \$200 gym shoes, I would say many of our upper class Black folks spend their money on ridiculous items, too.

Check out an Ebony magazine or watch shows like Cribs and How I'm Livin.'

Talk about ridiculous! These multi-millionaires show us their homes, their plasma screen TVs in every room, their fur bedspreads, their top-shelf liquor, their 15 cars with \$20,000 worth of tires and rims, and their recreation rooms, but they never show us their libraries

While Cosby may be "holding up" his end, he has some peers who are certainly not holding up their end. I wonder what they would say if he got on their case. That's why I am giving up on Black people. I am all tuckered out

by disingenuous, condescending, fake, self-centered, spend-thrift,

Black folks who do us more harm than good. I give up!

Just kidding, just kidding. I love you, brothers and sisters, with our warts, our dysfunction, and misguided material values. Let's just try to do better by one another, those in the lower, middle, and upper economic status. Okay?

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 has written several books, including: Economic Empowerment or Economic Enslavement - We have a Choice; Blackonomics; and his soon-to-be-released book, Black-o-Knowledge, Stuff we need to know. Contact him at www.blackonomics.com 513/ 489-4132.

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public information seriously and in fact, are in violation of state law," said Senator West.

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Employers will learn how to avoid costly pitfalls when operating a business and learn techniques to more effectively

Commissioner Representing Employers, Ron Lehman, and his staff will present practical, up-to-date information and preview new high-tech tools for finding workers.

Agency attorneys and staff discuss employee will handbooks, hiring and retention, firing, workplace investigations, unemployment insurance, tax credits, wage and hour laws, employee medical issues and more. Participants will receive an invaluable TBC handbook, including manage the latest edition of the

TWC popular Especially for Employers.

> The conference also offers general professional credit, as well as six hours of continuing education for participating certified public accountants.

> Denton at the Radisson Hotel, 2211 I-35 E. North in Denton, on Friday July 23, to present the conference.

> "I encourage all employers to attend the conference and familiarize themselves with the laws that affect them and their workers," Lehman said. "While we mailed invitations

publication to employers, anyone who Texas has not received one is welcome to attend."

The full day seminar is 385 and includes a continental breakfast. Conference registration is from 7:30 to 8:30 am on Friday July 23, at the Radisson Hotel in Lehman's staff will be in Denton. The workshop will begin at 8:30 am. Registration by phone will not be available. Seating is limited.

> For more information or to obtain registration forms online, visit http://www.texsworkforce.or g/twcinfo/tbcforms/tbcfaq.ht ml or call 512-463-6389.

Rural Texas communities awarded over \$48 million in state grants ORCA awards 198 grants for development projects statewide

(AUSTIN) The Office of us to help rural communities system encourages activities nation's largest Community Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) announced it has awarded 198 grants totaling \$48,778,573 to rural cities and counties across the state for infrastructure, public facility improvements, housing unit rehabilitation and planning capacity building and activities. The awards are the result of biennial competitions for the Community Development, Housing Rehabilitation, and Planning and Capacity Building Funds, which are part of the agency's federally funded Texas Community Development Program (TCDP).

"These funds provide for the basic necessities that many of us take for "granted," said Robt. J. "Sam" Tessen, MS, ORCA's Executive Director. "The monies are vital to rural Texas communities with limited funding options to cover infrastructure needs. ORCA's mission is to assist means possible for the benefit of our fellow Texans, non-entitlement grants help

provide for basic human needs."

"TCDP funds are development tools for neighborhood stabilization, revitalization, economic development, and other critical community development needs," Tessen continued. "The program brings together residents, local officials, community development corporations, and community and business leaders in partnerships that benefit local communities."

The Community Development Fund is currently distributed on a biennial basis through annual competitions held in each of the twenty-four state planning regions. The Community Development Fund principally addresses water, sewer, and housing projects that benefit lowincome persons. A total of awards 170 totaling \$46,519,278 were granted from this fund.

The Rehabilitation that will make existing housing units accessible to Program. The state's TCDP persons with disabilities. A total of six awards totaling \$1,500,000 were granted from this fund.

Funding from the Planning communities and Capacity Building Fund is available on a competitive basis for planning activities 375,000 beneficiaries each that assess local needs, develop strategies to address local needs, build or improve for TCDP funds, 740 have a local capacity, or that address other needed local planning elements. The planning process undertaken with these funds should result in an improved local capacity to identify long and short term needs and to develop implementable strategies to address the identified community needs. Emphasis is placed on public works and housing assistance planning. A total of 22 awards totaling \$759,295 were granted from this fund.

For a complete listing of grantees and awarded Housing projects, please visit the Fund is agency's website at

Development Block Grant is a flexible, communitybased program that provides much-needed resources to 1,017 eligible rural and 245 eligible rural counties, and provides services to over year.

Of the 1,017 cities eligible population of less than 3,000 and 424 have a population of less than 1,000. The demographics and rural characteristics of Texas have shaped a program that focuses on providing basic human needs and sanitary infrastructure to small rural communities in outlying areas. , Control & Control 'ORCA's door is always open for your comments and suggestions regarding the agency, or rural issues in general.

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Valassis Initiates Minority Supplier Search **Diversity Initiative Expands to Include Company Spending**

LIVONIA, /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ --Valassis (NYSE:VCI), the leading marketing services company specializing in Invited Media, announced today their search for Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) certified businesses to participate in the company's Supplier Diversity Program.

Recommended by the Valassis Diversity Council, an employee-led group focused on promoting diversity in the workplace, the Valassis Supplier Diversity Program will serve as a way for the company to grow its spending with minority vendors, meet the needs of its customers and reinforce its commitment to diversity.

"Valassis recognizes that supporting minority-owned businesses is a way to continue growing our business," said William H. Blackmer, Vice President of Strategic Sourcing for Valassis.

"As we market to an

Mich., increasingly diverse customer marketing services to consumer base, we have a growing need to strategically utilize MBEs for manufacturers, the procurement of goods, technology companies and services and expertise."

> Qualifying companies must be MBE certified by an organization such as the National Minority Supplier Council Development (NMSDC) or its regional affiliates, the Small Business Administration and both state and municipal government agencies.

Companies eligible for MBE certification must be located in the United States or its trust territories and be owned (51% minimum), operated and controlled by minority group members. Minority group members are defined as U.S. citizens who are Asian, Black, Hispanic or Mative American. Companies interested in applying for Valassis' Supplier Diversity Program should email the company at supplierdiversity@valassis.com.

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Jazz Musician Continues To Groove George Benson At Smirnoff Music Centre August 1st



Eight-time Grammy winner George Benson is best known for three things: his versatile style, first-class execution and

most importantly never being predictable. These qualities have made Benson, a jazz guitar legend, soul-pop vocalist and a one-of-a-kind giant in the music industry.

Celebrated as both a musician and performer by millions. Benson has always used his sly, seductive sound to captivate his audiences. would Few have predicted the tremendous amount of stardom some forty years ago, when Benson was a fledgling guitarist performing in the pubs

of his native Pittsburgh. That is where his passion for performing began.

"I was an entertainer first."

danced and played the ukulele in a nightclub. As my career has progressed, I've had the pleasure of playing with the baddest jazz cats on the planet. But that doesn't change my desire to entertain folks. That's really who I am."

It was Wes Montgomery, one of jazz's most creative players, who came across Benson early on; the vet complimented the young guitarist, urging him to continue his already impressive work. In the early 1960s, Benson apprenticed with organist Brother Jack McDuff; he found the organist's gritty swing a fertile ground for the sly, confident and adventurous guitar lines which carned him an early rep as a master.

"Jack turned me on to a lot of stuff," muses Benson, "A lot of

said Benson. "As a kid I sang, the jazz tunes we played together were danceable, and that furthered my understanding of what people wanted. When jazz was danceable, it was king. The intellectual stuff that came later on - Charlie Parker and all that turned toward a brainier sound. That was good, and I dug it. But I really like when people kick up their heels and go crazy."

Montgomery called one of his best records Boss Guitar. Benson had both the conviction and chops to nip at his hero's heels; his 1964 debut was released as The New Boss Guitar. It lived up to its title. Benson's tone was juicy, and his blues solos sparkled with a carefully honed logic. A jaunty funk and swing aesthetic prevailed.

By the time legendary talent scout John Hammond signed Benson to Columbia, the

7th Annual Reunion Page 1

In 1987, the association adopted the nursery.

Everything was done in the classrooms. All school activities such as musicals, plays and graduations were held in the local churches. Students used old out dated textbooks that were handed down from Denton High School and elementary schools.

Dedicated teachers inspired students to "be anything you want to be." African American teachers faced obstacles and handicaps, but used them to their advantage to teach the students lessons in living. Showing by example, the values the teachers upheld were the same values they instilled in all their students.

Firm believers in the transforming power of education, the teachers also reached out to children in the homes, churches and the community. The teachers

Local TV Show Wins Page 1

Of the six "Real Street Blues," which was locally broadcast 4 years, won a NABJ Award in 1999 and the current broadcast product "Da' Blues" is providing to be an even more

did not toil in vain. Former students are bishops of large denominations, preachers, pastors, lawyers, directors of community centers, college deans, college administrators, college professors, principals, teachers, doctors, nurses, social workers, professional football players, coaches, city council members, school board members, engineers, consultants, businessmen, dentists, military professionals and police officers just to name a few prestigious occupations. Former students formed an

association and decided to hold reunions every two years. It is a chance to rekindle old friendships, reminisce on times past and enjoy the company of friends and family. The focus of the reunions is to keep the legacy of teachers gone but not forgotten alive. The same teachers who were the driving force in the lives of so many students are

celebrated biennially in Denton. In addition to the celebration of the efforts of teachers, the reunion is a chance to recognize current students excelling in academic affairs. The reunion committee awards scholarships to students whose roots are grounded in the Fred Douglas/Fred Moore school. This year the committee is pleased to be awarding eight scholarships. The scholarship fund was named after C.H. Collins and Alice Moore Alexander who were teachers at Fred Douglas/Fred Moore. Alexander is the daughter of Fred Moore and is the oldest living teacher of the school.

The Reunion activities will begin at 9 am on Friday, July 23 at Fred Moore School with registration and a breakfast association meeting. Additionally, the election of the officers will commence at 11 um. A street fair at 3 pm is sure to be fun for all. These activitles' will

be at 3 pm at Fred Moore School. A welcome home party will begin at 8 pm at the Visual Arts' Center at the corner of Hickory and Bell Ave. The celebration continues at 10 am on Saturday, July 24 with a parade through downtown Denton ending in southeast Denton. A men's and women's basketball tournament will be held at 1 pm at Fred Moore Gymnasium. The evening festivities include a banquet dinner and awards ceremony at 6 pm followed by a dance at 9 pm. Both events will take place at The Radisson Hotel on 1-35 North near UNT. The celebration will conclude with a church service at 3 pm at St. Andrew Church of God in Christ at 608 Lakey Street. For more information please contact Ruby Cole at 940-387-7408

guitarist's name was bubbling throughout the industry. His work for the label proved Hammond's hunch to be ontarget: brains and flash were a perfect match.

These days Benson's interests are many. He's often spotted out at Manhattan jazz clubs, checking the action of fledgling

guitarists. The most impressive of the lot are sometimes invited back to Benson HQ for jam sessions and stylistic powwows. The guitarist is resolute about keeping the sparkle in his playing

"The younger cats awaken something in me from the carly days," says the 55-year-old, "I love listening and playing with guys like Joshua Redman, Roy Hargrove, and Christian McBride. When they tell me I've still got the chops, I feel great."

Public Meetings

The Regional Transportation Council of the North Central Texas Council of Governments and the Texas Department of Transportation welcome the public to comment at the following meetings:

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Car Review The 2004 SAAB 93



By E. Dewayne Gibson Jr.

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We are sponsoring the 2004 College Upward Bound Seminar. All parents and

their children who are in grades 7th through 12th are urged to attend. Please call 214-

823-1018 for registration procedures and

LITTLE FLOCK BAPTIST CHURCH

Sundays @ 6:30 pm We now have Sunday Evening Services,

Hopewell Missionary Baptier Church

Rev. Michael R. Hubbard Sr., Pattor 5144 Dolphin Road



Once, when five volunteers were to undertake a dangerous mission, a General lined up his men and asked that those willing to volunteer take one step forward. During the process, he said he would turn his back

When he re-faced his men, the line was intact. As the general expressed his disappointment that apparently not a single man in the entire group was brave enough to volunteer for the task, a Corporal interrupted him saying, "Beg your pardon Sir, but we all stepped forward and at the same time, Sir."

Think what it would mean to the church and non-profit other organizations if this was the attitude of all Christians and people in general. In spite of all the good that is being done in congregations, in our

neighborhoods and our cities throughout the brotherhood, we know that it is still being done by a very small percentage of those who are members of someone's church and in the non-profit organizations. Perhaps that is why Jesus said, "Many are called but few are chosen." Too many Christians and people wish just to be "counted" a worker in the church, community and the neighborhood. For that reason,

someone else must carry the load and work that they should carry. commanded Only a few are willing to really

work for the Lord and God's kingdom. Others allow weeks to pass into years without doing more than worship once a week and not even once a week sometimes if something comes up that they desire to do. They neither advertise

nor attend many gospel meetings.

STEP FORWARD FOR THE LORD NOW? WE MAY NOT ALWAYS

HAVE

"STEP FORWARD PLEASE"

REALIZE We may not always realize that everything that we do, affects not

YOU

FORWARD FOR THE LORD?

WILL YOU BE WILLING TO

only our lives but others, too!

> For a little bit of thoughtfulness that hows someone you care creates a ray of sunshine for both of ou to share.

as the Master

STEPPED

Yes, every time you offer someone a helping hand-every time you show a friend that you care ind understand-

Every time you have a kind and gentle word to give-you help someone find beauty in this precious life we live.

For happiness bring happiness and love always brings

love; and giving is the treasure that contentment is made of. Greenville Avenue Church of Christ Bulletin

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Church Happenings

MT. HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH Mt. Hebrow Christian Academy Now enrolling K - 3rd Grades. Piease call 972-272-8095 for more information

Mt. Hebron Baptist Church Rev. Leonard Leach, Pastor 901 Dairy Road Garland, TX 75040 972-276-5218

NORTH DALLAS COMMUNITY BIBLE FELLOWSHIP Thursdays, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Support Group-Healing Past Wounds held in Youth Library, Room D204 For more information, contact Tera McFarland at 972-437-3493, Ext. 111

North Dallas Community Bible Fellowship Rev. Leslie W. Smith, Pastor/Teacher 1010-1020 South Sherman Street Richardson, TX 75081 972-437-3493

OPEN BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH 2nd Sundays Health Awareness. FREE meal planning Session. Cell 972-422-4248 for more information

Open Bible Fellowship Church Rev. Don Bright, Pastor 2701 Briarwood Drive Plano, TX 75074 972-422-4348

> RESTORATION TRIUMPHANT. CHURCH (R.T.C)

July 25, 6:00 pm You are invited to our SUPER SUNDAY service. Special guest speaker will be Apostle Raymond Pordey, Pastor of Total Deliverance Worship Center For more information and participation, please call 972-202-8975.

Restoration Triumphant Church Rev. Mavis Adams, Pastor 1101 Stonewall Garland, TX 75043 972-202-8975

CHURCH July 25, 3:00 pm Men & Women Annual Day@Cedar Fork BC, E. Hwy 31, Trinidad, Texas, Rev. Jenkins, Pastor.

SIXTH AVENUE BAPTIST

Sixth Avenue Baptist Church Bishop K. D. Davis, Sr., Servant 125 South 5th Street Corsicana, TX 75110 903-874-4873

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FREE Computer Training classes by Dominion Training & Support Center For more detail and information, please call Rev. C. Greer @ 214-760-9575 or Email: Rnong@aol.com Mondays, 7:00 pm

Monday School

The Inspiring Body of Christ Church (IBOC) Dr. Rickie G. Rush, Senior Pastor 7710 South Westmoreland Dallas, TX 75237 972-572-IBOC (4262)

TRINITY PRAYER CHAPEL August 8, 7:00 pm

Revival Service - Guest Speaker is Dr. Richard Hanner, Dallas, and special guest Ministers in attendance will be Rev. Sammy Addy, New York; Reverends Sarn & Gibria Fengeroy, Reverends Sarb et cherna Pengeroy, Plano and Minister Regina Hanner, Dallas. Our therne is "Overcoming Ractern and Culture." The Trinity Prayer Chapel (T.P.C) Prayer Tearn will perform and there will be special music by Pauline Musonda, Dallas, and The Hereafter (T.P.C) Band.

For more information call 469-396-2912

Trinity Prayer Chapel Reverends Reynolds & Misty Wood 406 N. Tennessee Street McKinney, TX 75069 469-396-2912

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NORTH DALLAS COMMUNITY BIBLE FELLOWSHIP "A Spiritual Oasis for a Thirsty World" Isaiah 55:1 SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:00 AM • 9:30 AM • 11:30 AM 972-437-34 Rev. Leslie W Smith. 1010-1020 South Sherman Street . Richardson, TX 75081 New Mt. Zion Baptist Church of Dallas **Sunday Service** Morning Worship 7:30 am & 10:30 am 9:00 am Sunday School





972-644-2335 (Office) • 972-644-9347 (Fax) www.GreenvilleAvenueChurchofChrist.org (Website) SCHEDULE OF SERVICES Sunday - Early Morning Worship 7:45 am



Dr. Rickie G. Rush, Pastor of The Inspiring Body of Christ Church (IBOC) in IBOC's "Spiritual Warfare" Hummer Jeep; he is prepared to

go into the "highways and hedges" seeking young people where they hangout to tell them that Jesus loves them; Pastor Rush and his members invite the young people to allow Jesus an opportunity to change their lives for the better.

> Thousands die every day without the gospel, but it is not any of their concern. Religion or doing good has never meant anything to them, except as an escape from hell or just bragging about it for their own selfish gain; and some are not using it enough to do that.

But just suppose that all Christians and caring people should step forward at once. The story would be much different. It is our hope and prayer that some day all of us will desire to be really loyal



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Hamilton Park UMC's **Administrative Assistant Retires**

Shirley (HPUMC).

Mrs. Pleasant began her Finance Dr. Henry L. Masters, Sr. was pastor.

Prior to coming to HPUMC Mrs. Pleasant served three years with Dr. Marshall Hodge at Aldersgate UMC and 8 years with Rev. Mack Tyrone Flemmings at Freedom Missionary Baptist Church.

In 1990 she received her certification as a UMC Secretary from Emory University and became an active member of the Professional Association of United Methodist Church Secretaries (PAUMCS).

While fulfilling her full time obligations as church

secretary Mrs. Pleasant became an active member of the Executive Board of the Dallas Bethlehem Center and chaired the center's programs.

While serving as President of program of the UMC. the United Methodist Women she became actively involved Methodist Hospital Auxiliary.

Administrative Assistant to serve as chairperson of the to pilot the inaugural class for Hamilton Park UMC retires Publicity Committee, served on after 17 years of devoted service the National Nominations to Hamilton Park UMC Committee and is presently chairperson of the National Committee employment with HPUMC in PAUMCS sponsored by the with the Advanced Certification 1987 as church secretary while General Council of Finance and Administration of the UMC.

Mrs. Pleasant served as a



member of a panel at Chandler Public Service Award from the University in Nashville, TN to explore ideas with executives from the General Board of major fundraisers in support of Pensions and Health Benefits that would enhance the benefit

Shirley Pleasant is also the recipient of an Honorary with Methodist Hospital and is Master's Degree from Southern presently serving as a member Methodist University in Liberal of the Executive Board for Arts. One of her proudest moments as Administrative As an active member of Assistant to HPUMC was to be

Pleasant, PAUMCS she was elected to one of thirteen members selected Advance Certification.

At PAUMCS 2004 Annual Conference in Greensboro, North Carolina she was honored of as one of the first to be presented Bar.

> Serving the HPUMC congregation has been a joy and

personal fulfillment of her favorite scripture, "I can do all things thru Christ who strengthens me."

Her career at HPUMC culminates with serving 3 Senior Pastors and 8 Associate pastors. She ends 17 years of service not only to the church but also as a proud representative to the Dallas community at large. Last week she received a letter of commendation for dedicated community service from the House of Representatives in Washington, D.C.

Saturday, June 27th, she was the recipient of the 2004

Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Psi Chapter, and as mentioned earlier in the year was named the 2004 Zera Phi Beta Sorority, Kappa Zeta Chapter Woman of the Year.

Mrs. Pleasant will continue her work with The National Executive Board of PAUMCS and will travel to Richmond, VA, Pasadena, CA and Albuquerque, NM before completing her term of office in 2005.



Celebration

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Saturday July 24th

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