

the Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem and the Deputy Mayor Pro Tem. For more information visit the city's website www.ci.plano.tx.us

The City of Plano host will "Zoo University" November at the Clark 17 Recreation Center. Admission is \$3. Call the Plano Parks and Recreation at 972-941-OF visit 7250 the web or site www.planoparks.org. The Allen Rotary meets every Club Wednesday at 12 Noon at the First Methodist South Church on more For Jupiter. call information, Sandifer, Randy 972-396-1118. or Grif Moore, 972-727-9945.

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course, when she died there was no money at the end of that policy.

What was it that made our elders care so much about paying those premiums? You may not have noticed, but we do the same thing today.

Why are some of our people still paying for "policies" while

it in a little book she kept. Of return for a mere \$29.95 per policy we trust will pay-off one month.

> Of course, you can pay it in a lump sum if you choose.

These are the modern-day insurance policies that are sold array of "policies" owned and to Black people and others, of course, that for the most part companies or individuals. are never used or redeemed. These policies never pay off, not may pay-off, but the point is even when you die.

day and carry us to that promised-land of riches we dream about.

Black consumers pay into an controlled by non-Black Some may be good and some Blackonomics Page 4

Keynote Speaker At "Living With Purpose" Workshop

Dallas-Directional Consultants Inc. will host the "Living with Purpose" workshop on Saturday, November 13th at the Radisson Hotel located at 6060 N. Central Expressway in Dallas, TX. Action International business coach and author Ché Hill will be the event's keynote speaker. The workshop is set to begin at 9 am Saturday morning.

This two hour directional workshop is geared towards entrepreneurs, small business

owners and independent professionals who want to improve their life and their business right now!

During the seminar, individuals will learn how to use the power of passion, identify life's purpose and how to start living it now, systematically define and

achieve goals in business and everyday life and get qualified direction for anything they'd like to accomplish and turn their life's purpose into a legacy.

"The workshop has three main goals," says Hill, "To provide clarity of purpose, which will help individuals to choose the right path for their lives that will ultimately lead to their achieving true satisfaction in life, surpassing simply motivating people by actually moving them to actively begin achieving their goals and to help them develop successful life philosophies."

Individuals attending the workshop will get to put into practice some of the skills taught by Hill through hands on techniques and practical applications.

Hill is an award-winning salesman, accomplished business owner and author who

has been featured in the publication Conversations on Success with bestselling selling authors Mark Victor Hansen (Chicken Soup for the Soul), Dr. Deepak Chopra (wellness expert) and internationally reknowned speaker Mark Sanborn. To pre-

register for the "Living with Purpose" workshop contact DeShields Unlimited at 1-800-445-6905. Registration fee is \$40.00 and includes a complimentary copy of Conversations On Success and light refreshments. For more information call 1-800-445or log 6905 onto www.directional consultants.com

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NAACP- Houston Branch Honors Chris Pappas Of Pappas Restaurants With The President's Award

Chris Pappas and the Honorable Sheila Jackson-Lee received the President's Award at the 2004 Houston NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet held on October 28, 2004 at the George R. Brown Convention Center. With a banquet theme of "Courage Under Fire", the stage was set for recognizing outstanding citizens of the Houston community.

The President's Award recognizes outstanding contributions to the African American community and the NAACP, in its continuing efforts to promote and support civil rights.

Chris Pappas of Pappas Restaurants and Luby's, a long-time supporter of the Houston Branch of the NAACP, has recently been involved with the development of the Branch's new Family Technology Center.

Through donations of time and resources, Pappas helped establish the Center, which provides technological training to minority communities who otherwise might not have access to these resources. Fran Gentry, president of the Houston NAACP, presented Pappas with the NAACP Honors Pappas Page 3

North Texas Job **Corps Honors Fourth Quarter Graduates** Local television co-anchor invited to speak

By Joanne Crawford

The North Texas Job Corp Center in McKinney honored fourth quarter graduates at a ceremony, Saturday, October 30, 2004. The keynote speaker for the occasion was Ms



Keynole speaker Debbie Denmon receives appreciation plague from NTJC Business and Community Liaison, Renaldo Williams

Debbie Denman, Co-anchor of WFAA Channel 8's "News 8 at Daybreak" and "Midday."

The ceremony, held in the campus NTJC Honor Graduates Page 5

Masquerade With A Flair Page 1



The Grim Reaper (Lennel Brown) shows up with a lovely guest (Joyce Brown)

The proceeds primarily are going to the Dunbar Learning Center which is part of the Dallas Independent School District.

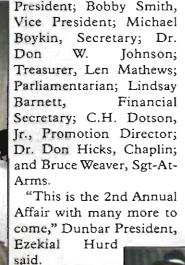
"It will fund scholarships and it funds other charities that the foundation and the organization supports,"said Dr. Johnson

"We will also be back here in January for our winter ball, the Debutant Ball."

Guests \$50 paid per person attend to party the t h a consisted of dinner, dancing to the sounds of musical artist John Rochelle, a silent auction, a 50/50 raffle, costume

and

contests



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club are Ezekial Hurd,

"We try to help the community any way we can. We have a food drive that we do, a clothing drive and we support the Dunbar Learning

> Center." The Dunbar Learning Center is made up of children in third through

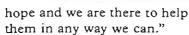
fifth grades in the heart of what Dunbar Social and Charity Club members refer

to as the 'ghetto." "What we are trying to

do is make a difference and go into h environment and show the kids that where they are now is where we used to be," Hurd said.

"Anything is possible if you strive to get what you

need to get out of this world. We go in to let them know that there is



Community Spotlight

The Dunbar club has been providing service to the community for over 80 years and was named in honor of the black poet, Paul Laurence Dunbar.

"Paul Laurence Dunbar is our founder and that's what we aspire to be like," Hurd said.

Guest Alicia Warren who came dressed as Cat Woman, said she had been looking



Dunbar Officers L-R Ezekial Hurd, Dunbar President, Paulette Hurd, Committee member, T.J. Johnson, Committee Co-Chair, Don B. Johnson, Committee Chair

> forward to the party and she plans to continue to come every year.

"I wouldn't miss it for the world," Ms Warren said. "This is so exciting. I went to several shops looking for a costume. It is such a wonderful cause."

Silent Auction items were provided by the Dunbar members and their wives.

Items ranged from brilliant crystal barware to various works of art and fine clothing.

For more information on the Dunbar Social and Charity Club's upcoming

events, visit the web site at http://www.dunbarsocialclub.8m.com or send an e-mail to Dunbarsocialclub @yahoo.com





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Around The Town

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214-275-7284.

November 6

The City of Allen The Urban League of "Xtreme Teens Trip to

Century Parkway. For the Plano City web site Denise Upchurch at information please call Center Dallas Hotel. Debbie Little at 972- For 562-7279 ext.101

November 11 The City of Wylie will Movement Media at

ticket information please call the Faith

Bone Daddy(Rodney Smith) Cat Woman (Alisha Warren) masquerade parade. Officers of the Dunbar

Ongoing Eyecare America the Seniors Eye-care 0195. Hotline: 1800-222-

Information, more urges seniors to call please call 972-727- www.planochamber.org. Collin

County EYES (3937). The emergency preparedness Garland Community Eisenbergs Skate Park host a neighborhood 972-675-9640

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community about web the value of sight. The free eye care program is available more information, visit www.eyecare america.org.

distributors of the multi-station new Beebe Show, announces broadcast on "KXVI FM The Bridge Network" each Sunday, from 6 p.m. Commerce to 7 p.m. City of weekly Allen Teen Book Discussion Group meets the third Month at the Allen 15th Public Library, located at 301

to remind the senior You can also visit the at www.co.collin.tx.us.

Jobseekers

Job seekers can attend all year round. For weekly meetings held by TeamNetworking of Collin County. The nonprofit group oversees PIP Productions, several chapters, group meetings from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. every show, The Valder Tuesday at Blue Mesa Grill, 8200 North Dallas The Parkway in Plano. No Valder Beebe Show reservations are required and more information is of Pathway of Life available online.

offers a opportunity called "Business Interchange" every Friday 7:30 a.m. Thursday of each to 8:30 a.m., 1200 E. hip-hop and musical Street, Plano. 75074. For information, log on to Cylinda Chapman or

help-line is intended hotline: 972-548-4114. Service Center offers will be held from 5pm to meeting from 7pm to limited assistance for utilities, open to teens 13 to 18. Elementary rent and mortgages, for The cost is \$10 and ID Cafeteria. housing counseling focusing reverse on mortgages, default mortgages, and financial literature for first-time home buyers is available by appointment only. For more information, please contact 214-413-1739.

General Information

The Dance Academy Church is registering! The Plano Chamber of Classes are held every Saturday from10:15 networking a.m. to 2 p.m. Children ages 4 to adult are welcome to learn ballet, jazz, modern, lyrical, theater. For more more information contact

financial 10 pm. The event is 9pm at the Atkin call 214-50-4750.

November 6

The City of Allen will hold the "Saturday Night Rec-n-Roll" from Farmer Recreation Center. The weekly event is a supervised recreational drop-off call 214-509-4750

November 6

Purina and the SPCA of Texas will present the "Fall Petfest" in Mckinney from 8am to Destitute Children," VIP 11:30am. Pet lovers are luncheon hosted by asked to bring their Helping Hands, Inc. will furry friends for fun and be held from Noon to games. For

School This will local residents. Other cards are required. For present an opportunity services offered include more information please for residents to meet city administrators. more information log on Plano classrooms. to www.ci.wylie.tx.us

November 17

7pm to 11pm at the Joe will hold its 2004 Community Involvement Awards Banquet at 6:30 pm at the Pavillion night for youth in grades Firewheel located at 600 three through six. For Campbell Rd., Garland. more information please Tickets are \$25. For following a loss. For more information please more information, call Stanley Runner at call '972-519-1588. 972-840-2777.

November 20

"A Benefit Rescue for more 2pm at the Westin City

Support Groups "Healing Matters"

Grief Support Group meets the fourth Monday of every Month at 7:30 p.m. For at Medical Center of This is a Pregnancy loss support group GarlandOnline.com for anyone who has lost a baby to miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth, newborn death or at SIDS. There is also a share group for those pregnant again

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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Editorial

THE TRUTH CLINIC The Truth About The Voting Rights

James W. Breedlove

There have been several cycles of chain e-mails circulated advising that African Americans are about to lose the right to vote in 2007. A quote from one such notice stated, "Did you know that our right to VOTE will expire in the year 2007? Seriously! The Voters Rights Act signed in 1965 by Lyndon B. Johnson was just an ACT. It was not made a law.

In the year 2007, Congress will once again convene to decide whether or not Blacks should retain the rights to vote (crazy but true). In order for this to be passed, 38 states will have to approve an extension. This is ludicrous! Not only should the extension be approved, but also the ACT must be made a law. Our right to vote should no longer be up for discussion, review and/or evaluation."

The errant e-mails have taken a partial fact, erroneously applied the fact to the right to vote, and propagated the myth as a potential tragedy. The truth is the Voting Rights Act of 1965 along with its amendments and extensions does not determine African American citizen's right to vote. However, the Voting Rights Act does contain temporary provisions that address fair voting practices. This is probably the source of the right to vote rumors.

The temporary provisions were incorporated as a political compromise to get the ACT passed in 1965. The Voting Rights Act was modified or amended in 1970, 1975, 1982 and 1992. The original ACT was to expire in five years. The amendments either adjusted the criteria for

a state or political subdivision Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Maine, to be subject to the ACT and/or extended the ACT for additional years. In 1970 the ACT was extended for five years. In 1975 it was extended for seven years, broadened to address voting discrimination against members of "language minority groups and required political districts with language minority groups to furnish bilingual assistance to the impacted citizens during an election. In 1982, Section 5 of the Act was extended for 25

years through 2007. Section 5 was designed to prevent states and other governmental entities with a history of voting discrimination from continuing to use the discriminatory practices or to devise new ways to discriminate after the abolishment of the old practices. Section 5 requires certain covered jurisdictions to submit any proposed voting changes to local election prior practices, to implementation, for federal approval by the Department of Justice. These changes include but are not limited to: changes in the location of a polling place, changing an elected position to an appointive one, or changing the existing voting system. Covered jurisdictions must demonstrate that the proposed voting changes do not have the intent or the effect of discriminating against minorities. If the Department of Justice determines the proposed change dilutes or weakens the voting strength of minority voters they can refuse to approve the change. This process is referred to as preclearance.

The current covered jurisdictions include the entire states of Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, Texas, and Virginia, parts of California, and Colorado, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, South Dakota and Wyoming.

Even if Section 5 of the ACT is not extended it does not mean that African Americans will not be able to vote. What will happen is covered jurisdictions will not have to submit voting changes to the Department of Justice for preclearance and this could become a serious issue for African Americans in the struggle for fair voting rights.

Voting discrimination still persists around the country. While literacy tests and poll taxes are not the current foil for neutralizing the Black vote Black precincts are still targeted with mail campaigns that challenge the qualification of black voters. Black voters are selectively intimidated by mailings that falsely question voter residency and suggest criminal penalties will follow. Black precincts have also been subjected to challenges to majority-black districts, redistricting maneuvers, keeping ex-felons off the voter roles, using alternate voting systems, and transforming district elections to at large elections to weaken the voting strength of Blacks.

The color-blind society so often hypothesized by conservatives is still a distant dream. Even with a record number of federal, state and local elected officials equal representation for Blacks also is a distant dream. Major legal battles have been initiated in local and federal courts by opponents of voting rights. Diligence related to the Voting Rights Act is desperately needed but for efforts to be effective they must be based on

facts and not rumors

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In the 1999 county bond election, voters approved almost \$5 million in bonds so that Collin County could partner with local cities and nonprofits in the expansion and, in some cases, the creation of park programs.

With Collin County being one of the fastest growing counties in the nation, voters realized that it is critical that we preserve open space before the county, with its ever-increasing development, becomes all glass and concrete.

The \$5 million has played a major role in generating over \$20 million in park projects countywide.

In the 2003 county bond election, voters approved \$11 million in bonds so that Collin County could again partner with local cities and nonprofits in the acquisition and development of more parks and open spaces.

The Collin County Parks Advisory Board recently announced their recommendations for the first round of open space grants from the 2003 bond. Listed below are

Editorial

the entities, their projects and the Renner West Trail/\$50,000 amount of the grant awarded:

Guild/Pedestrian Trail/\$38,000 Association/Playground

· Douglas Community/Wall

· Heard-Craig Trust/Garden

Lovejoy ISD/Hart Elementary Ballfields/\$46,730 · City of Allen/Molsen Farm

acquisition/\$500,000 · City of Dallas (Collin County portion)/Bentwood Park/\$98,000 · Town of Fairview/Summerhill

· City of Farmersville/Park Improvements, Chaparral Trail Extension/\$72,810

Parkway Hike/Bike Trail/\$9,878 Trail Connection/\$41,170

Creek Greenway/\$144,315

Park Phase II/\$54,029

· City of Melissa/Zadow Park Phase 11/\$25,000

· City of Plano/Oak Point Park

& Nature Preserve/\$500,000

The County Line

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countywide.

· City of Wylie/Olde City

Overall, this amounts to

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\$1,783,064 in grants which

creation/addition of over \$17

million worth of park projects

commissioners' court has sold

\$2 million in bonds and the

remainder will be used by the

county for a long term master

plan for Collin County's Youth

Next year Collin County will

sell another \$2 million in bonds

and will continue the grant

process. Once the dates are

available they will be posted on

the county website at

l strongly encourage cities

and nonprofits to take

advantage of this program.

Whether its parks, roads or

healthcare, we can accomplish

more through partnerships

(County Commissioner Joe

Jaynes' email address is

jjaynes(@collincountytx.gov.)

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be located when the case comes

and the improvements they've

made in the efficiency in all areas

of operation. We now have a new

professional court facility as well

as efficient court operations

comparable to any in the Dallas

area," says Court Director Ed

more focused on collecting fines

owed to the City. We're working

with a new Warrant Unit created

in the Police Department to

more quickly expedite the

collection of warrants. We're

The Houston Family

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"We have a philosophy that is

"I am proud of our court staff

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Allen Heritage Park/\$150,115

· Blue Ridge Area Sports for Ballpark/\$8,500

Art Project/\$45,500

Improvements/\$2,195

Farms Park/\$37,822

· City of Frisco/College · City of Frisco/Panther Creek

· City of McKinney/Wilson

· City of Melissa/Bob Miller

· City of Richardson/UTD-

Municipal Courts: Year of Great Progress

Week November 1-5, 2004.

Garland's court system employs two full-time municipal court Garland

The new facility allows for sinnultaneous court proceedings to be conducted, expanded records

NAACP Honors Pappas Page 1 award.

"I am very honored to receive this prestigious award," said Chris Pappas.

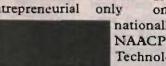
"Knowledge of computers and technology is essential for individuals to be successful in today's workforce. Technology centers like the one developed by the Houston Branch of the INAA CP play an important role in making sure all Houstonians have the opportunity to learn these valuable skills, and I'm very pleased to have been a part of making the Family Technology Center a reality." The Houston Family Technology Center is NAACP Family Technology Center

storage for better records retention, and enhanced customer-friendly environment to service Garland residents.

In October 2003, the City Auditor reported the Municipal Court had more than 150,000 unresolved citations. Through hard work and reorganization, that backlog has been eliminated.

The number is now down to about 5,500 current working cases. The Court has also reduced the timeframe for the issuance of warrants to an average of 30 days. A new file retention process has been implemented to significantly minimize the number of cases dismissed due to files that cannot

programs specifically targeted at increasing academic performance, entrepreneurial



Technology Center is the existence. one nationally through the Family NAACP Technology Center Initiative. Individuals and corporations

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Garland- The Garland City Council will recognize the tremendous accomplishments of

the City's Municipal Court during tonight's Council meeting. The City of Garland Municipal Court is observing Municipal Courts

38 full-time employees including judges and recently added three associate judges. Municipal Court services recently expanded and relocated into a new facility at 1791 West Avenue B.



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While you ponder that thought we would like to announce that Minority Opportunity News, Inc., for must y . Dallas based remaissance community tabloid, founded in 1991, has relocated to Plano, Texas

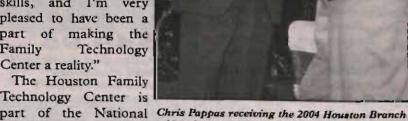
and ichanged our ume to MON-The Gazette. In addition to moving; our offices to Plano, cour editorial coverage has also shifted to eiocompass Dallas' Northern Corridor. The Northern Corridor is clearly the fastest growing region in Texas, if not in America. MON-The Gazette believes that the engine to continue this growth is the airport expansion in McKinney, which is the largest and most wisible of many area opportunities. As always, and in a



to tradition, I dON-The Gazette will be thre carving a world of oppertunity for those seeking to provide quality services. Should you dare to expand your quest for economic parody outside the southern region or just wink 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 I builded July, 1991, by Jit n Bochun and Thurman R. Jones

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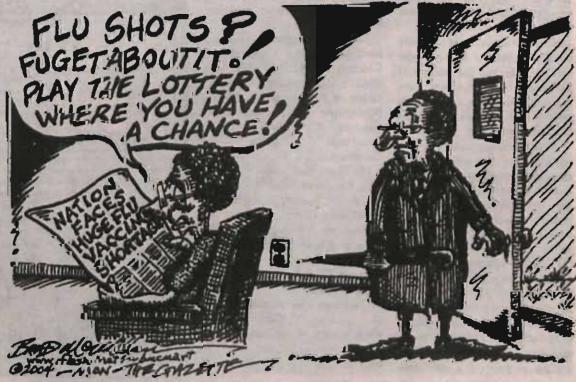
NAACP President's Award from Fran Gentry, NAACP Houston Branch President.

develop technology skills in skills enhancement, and job minority communities through readiness skill building.

interested in learning more about the Center or volunteering should contact the Center at 713-521-1289.

Chris is the Chief Executive Officer of Pappas Restaurants, Inc. and President and CEO of Luby's, Inc. Pappas Restaurants is a privately owned company of seventy restaurants located in six states. Luby's, founded over 50 years ago, is a publicly traded cafeteria chain with over 130 locations, mostly in Texas.

The branch also presented a President's Award to Women In Initiative, which aims to enrichment, basic computer NAACP (WIN) and the Humanitarian Award to Rev. J. J. Roberson.



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Business Directory To Advertise Call 972-509-9049 Build Wealth Now: November's Black Enterprise Highlights How to Develop **Prosperity Through Entrepreneurship, Investing, and Retirement Planning**

NEW YORK /PRNewswire/ BLACK ENTERPRISE highlights its Black Wealth Initiative, 10 financial guidelines with the goal of promoting financial security, by showcasing entrepreneur Hamet Watt, who strengthened business his through professional networking while mentoring others along the way.

To buy just about anything on credit in America, one needs a respectable credit score, which ranges from 620 to 680. To buy anything on credit at a good price, one needs a great credit score, which is 700 and above.

Higher credit scores mean better interest rates and toptier treatment from all lenders, from mortgage to credit card companies. Having excellent credit requires a great deal of discipline and fiscal responsibility.

In "The Perfect Score," BE provides the five keys to credit score success. Those African Americans who have reached the highest tier are reaping the financial benefits.

Direct sales in 2003 totaled \$29.5 billion, according to the Direct Selling Association. In direct sales, a product manufacturer offers to pay individuals outside the company to sell its goods and services directly to consumers.

Typical products include cleaning compounds, educational tools, and home decorations. However, not all direct network marketing may be legitimate. Pyramid schemes, which are illegal, require sellers year. to invest money up front.

riches, direct selling can lead to financial disaster without the proper research. Determining how much money there is to be made and identifying the schemes can be challenging.

In "Network Marketing or Pyramid Scheme?" BE provides a guideline to help determine the legitimacy of a marketer's claims and whether network marketing is a wise employment choice.

When crafting an overall financial plan, long-term health insurance should be a major consideration. According to AARP, a consumer group that represents the interests of senior citizens, the national average cost of a nursing home is \$4,654 a month, or about \$56,000 a

The average outlay for home

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Often considered a road to care services is equally steep, professionals, averaging \$37 an hour for a for a home health aide. In "A Cure for Health Concerns," BE brings the basics of long-term health insurance into focus and provides the resources to make an informed decision before coverage is purchased.

> In the November business profile, "Anatomy of a Startup," BE outlines how top technology executive Ken Coleman developed a novel software product and used his business network to launch a revolutionary enterprise in Silicon Valley.

The November issue of BLACK ENTERPRISE is available on newsstands now.

ENTERPRISE BLACK provides essential business information and advice for

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Featuring

corporate executives, entrepreneurs, and licensed nurse and \$18 an hour decision makers. Monthly, the publication provides more than 3.6 million readers with information about financial management, entrepreneurship, and careers.

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also adding two Collection Clerks as part of that process." The Municipal Court is also implementing an imaging system, moving toward a

paperless court. "This process will make the Municipal Court even more efficient," says Assistant Director Paige Bobbitt.

"We're making the transition in deliberate steps and are about halfway through the process."

Garland's Municipal Court annually presides over tens of thousands of misdemeanor cases such as speeding, driving without a license, and no insurance citations. Texas State

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that we do it and promote them as if they belong to us and as if they actually will help our people. They may help you as an individual, but as for the Black collective, I don't think

I remember Brother Ken Bridges telling me that after reaching the highest level in a nationally-known multi-level organization he walked away from it. "Why would you do that?" Ken and his wife were friends and by asked associates.

Ken told me that after he discussed with top

records indicate that during fiscal Garland's 2003-04, vear Municipal court handled more than 51,650 new cases with revenues exceeding 5.9 million dollars.

Garland's Chief Judge, Robert Beasley was honored earlier this year as being the recipient for the Municipal Texas Court Association Judge of the Year Award. A celebration in his honor was held September 10, 2004 in Ft. Worth, Texas.

Garland's municipal court staff will be recognized during Municipal Courts Week with flying banners, daily activities, and luncheon for all court employees.

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businesses and pay more of our

premiums to them - to ourselves - we could build an

economic future for our

Beware of so-called Black

leaders who stand up and

promote Black support of

companies that require us to pay

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management the possibility of adding some component that would help empower Black folks, and being turned down, he left the organization.

He left because the policies they were selling had no positive, long term, collective economic effect on his brothers and sisters. Sure, Ken and his family were earning a tremendously good living, but he was concerned that there was no way the masses of Black consumers could truly benefit from what he was involved with.

He knew that ownership of income-producing assets such as distribution channels, manufacturing concerns, and businesses were other necessary for Black people to move forward collectively. Ken also knew, as Martin Delaney told us, that our economic prosperity had to come from the work of our own hands.

Ken Bridges was a rare brother, a Marcus Garvey-type brother, who put the welfare of his people before his own. I am not suggesting that every Black person will or even should do the same as he did.

What I am suggesting is that we consider the ways we are spending our money by taking a look at the "policies" we pay for very month, and start putting more of our money into policies that Black folks write.

Let's pay some premiums to ourselves for a change.

Just as we pay for our life insurance policies to pass something on to our families, especially our children, when we die, we should also be willing to pay on a collective

premiums on "insurance policies" sold by everyone else. Beware of them, especially if they do not also promote Blackowned companies that have the same kinds of "policies," "monthly "memberships," purchasing plans," etc.

You should at least question why they are advocating for non-Black businesses and not advocating for businesses owned by their brothers and sisters.

Black people must not repeat the mistakes of the past by paying monthly "insurance premiums" to everybody except ourseives. Monthly payments to Black businesses, through purchasing and memberships, and monthly payments to Black organizations via local investment and loan funds for OUR businesses will lead us to collective economic prosperity. Let's leave some paid-up "collectible insurance policies" for our children.

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He hosts the radio program, "Blackonomics," and has written several books, including: Economic Empowerment or Economic Enslavement - We have a Choice; Blackonomics; and the recently published Black-o-Knowledge-Stuff we need to know.

Clingman's books are available Web his site, at www.blackonomics.com. He can be contacted there or by telephone at 513/ 489-4132.

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Fireside Films Announces Dallas Premiere Of "A Killer Within"

Dallas-Dallas based production Fireside Films will present the local premiere of their feature film A Killer Within on Thursday, November 18th at 5 PM at the Magnolia Theatre located at 3699 McKinney Avenue in the West Village. The film stars C. Thomas Howell (The Outsiders, Gods & Generals), Sean Young (No Way Out,) and Giancarlo Esposito (School Daze, Do The Right Thing, Ali).

A Killer Within centers around the character TERRILL ADDISON (Howell), a Dallas attorney, who comes home one night to find his wife brutally murdered with the words "Now we're even" scrawled across the bedroom wall.

company her, and now ADDISON must race through the underside of Dallas to find the only other suspect. His

The cops suspect he killed they can overcome their together they might just differences, they'll be able to solve the case before anyone else gets hurt.

But sometimes the



(L to R) Brad Keller and Giancarlo Esposito

ally is a grudging ex-cop problem with crime is the (Esposito) who knows what deeper you dig, the darker it takes to deliver justice. If the secrets you unfold...and discover that there is a killer within us all. "We shot this film last year entirely in Dallas," says director Brad Keller, "and now we're very excited to premiere the film here locally where everyone involved with the production and movie fans can come out and see it."

The film will also screen at the American Film Market in Los Angeles this month, where Keller and Fireside hope to secure a theatrical release distribution deal. The movie has already been acquired by an international distribution company. There will be an additional screening of the film at the Magnolia Theatre at 9 PM.

Both screenings are free and open to the public.

Dallas Black Dance Theatre Celebrates Thanksgiving With Its Holiday Noontime Performance Series Sponsored by Nordstrom

DALLAS-In celebration of the Thanksgiving season, Dallas Black Dance Theatre (DBDT) presents its annual Holiday Noontime Performance Series November 22-24, 2004, from 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Nordstrom is a presenting sponsor of this performance event that helps DBDT accomplish its mission of bridging cultures through programs that reach diverse communities.

"The Dallas Black Dance Theatre is an incredible organization that celebrates diversity through performance and education," said Sally McDevitt, Nordstrom Dallas Galleria store manager.

NTJC Honor Graduates Page 1 gymnasium, recognized students who have completed career preparation, vocational

"We are proud to partner with such a talented group of performers and an organization that contributes so much to the community." Audiences will enjoy powerful the

dancers of Dallas Dance Black Theatre and DBDT 11, performing various works.

These outreach performances are in appreciation for the community's continuous support of Dallas' only professional dance company. This "Behind the Scenes" series offers the audience an

Ms. Denman was high on the list of potential speakers and was chosen because of her status as a positive role model opportunity to meet the call 214-871-2390. dancers personally, celebrate the holiday scason and preview ncw works to be performed at the February 2005 Cultural Awareness Series.

> Due to increased demand, performances

will now be held at the Plato Karayanis Opera Rehearsal Hall at 4301 Fitzhugh Gaisford (Fair Park). (AL Admission is FREE, but seating is limited. For reservations, please

16 to 24.

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- 7. Anthony Hamilton, Comin' From Where I'm From
- 8. Ray Charles, Genius Loves Company 9. Juvenile, The Greatest Hits
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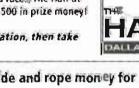
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for youth and her commitment and academic skills training at the McKinney campus. to giving back to the "Being that 2004 was the community."



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Presentation of colors by the Security Cadets

40th anniversary of the Job Corps program, we wanted to bring in a really special guest for our activities and Ms. Denman more than fits the bill," NTJCC Business and Community Liaison, Renaldo Williams said.

speaker, really puts an exclamation point on a really joyous occasion," Mr Williams said.

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All Nations UMC Dr. Clara Reed, Pastor 3415 East 14th Street Plano, TX 75074 972-424-8500

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November 7 - 21, 7:00 pm Revival celebration with the following pastors: Rev. Douglas Brown, Great Commission MBC in Ft. Worth, TX; Rev. Jimmy Baldwin, Shiloh Christian Community Church in Baltimore, MD; Dr. Denny Davis, St. John MBC in Grand Prairie, TX; Rev. Bryan Carter, Concord MBC in Dallas, TX; and the host pastor, Dr. Karry Wesley, Antioch Fellowship BC in Dallas, TX.

For more information, contact the church @

Antioch Fellowship MBC Dr. Karry D. Wesley, Pastor 7550 S. Hampton Road Dallas, TX 75232 972-228-2420

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COALITION OF CHURCHES IN PRISON MINISTRY November 13, 9:15 am

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For more information, please call Ms. Carolyn Johnson @ 972-235-6432

Coalition of Churches in **Prison Ministry** Rev. Isaac Johnson, Coordinator P. O. Box 225863 Dallas, TX 75222-5863 972-235-6432 or 214-632-6519

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Men's Year End Review For more information, contact the church @ 972-

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This Saturday, November 5, 2004 Annual Thanksgiving Harvest Food Drive; the deadline for submissions or requests is tomorrow, November 5th. For more information, contact church office @ 972-735-8077.

Keller Springs BC **Rev. Larry Sanders, Pastor** 3227 Keller Springs Road Carrollton, TX 75006 972-735-8077

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Car Review

2005 **Chevy** Tahoe

By: E. Dewayne Gibson Jr.

Chevy returns with new, improved modification and enhancements to it's top selling full-size SUV, the Tahoe. The 2005 Chevy Tahoe is available in LS, Z71,

and LT models. The LS comes with a standard Vortec 4800 V8 engine. The LT model has a Vortec 5300 V8 engine. The LS model is roomy enough to seat up to 9 people.

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· Tahoe LT Models come standard with a Bose

speaker system with nine customarranged speakers, a subwoofer, a six-disc in-dash CD changer and high-powered amplifier.

On the exterior, 17-inch on-/off-road tires, skid plates, locking rear

differential and luggage rack, two new exterior colors are offered for the LS and LT: Sandstone Metallic and Bermuda Blue Metallic. The full sized SUV has improved fuel efficiency by at least one mpg: 15 city/19 highway. The estimated annual fuel cost is \$1688.

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November 13,

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Little Flock Baptist Church Rev. Louis Laurent, Pastor 704 East Aimee Street Forney, TX 75126 214-325-7021

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METROPLITAN BAPTIST CHURCH Tonight & Tomorrow,

November 4 - 5, 7:30 pm Fall Interdenominational Revival featuring Dr. Jerome E. McNeil of Temple of Faith Christian Chapel CME Church; Elder Michael Clerkley of Lighthouse Church of God Christ; and Dr. Curtis Wallace of Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church. The public is invited.

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> MT. PISGAH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

December 5, 10:00 am

Mt. Pisgah MBC will host a Retirement Celebration Service to honor Rev. Cecil Smith for 32 years of service.

For more information, contact Ms. Rachel Charity @ 214-621-6719

Mt. Pisgah MBC Rev. Cecil Smith, Pastor 11611 Webb Chapel Road Dallas, TX 75229 972-241-5151

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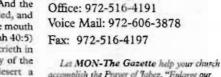
BAPTIST CHURCH November 8 - 19, 6:30 pm

V & B Ministries, Inc. Conference at the church. Special guest evangelist is Dr. Frank E. Ray, Sr., Pastor of New Salem MBC in Memphis, TN and Dr. James W.E. Dixon, II pastor of Community of Faith Church in Houston will be the guest General Assembly instructor.

For more information, contact Sarah Bell @ 214-637-1019

New Pilgrim Rest MBC Dr. Billy L. Bell Sr., Pastor 1930 Gailagher Street Dallas, TX 75212 214-637-1019

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accomplish the Prayer of Jabez, "Enlarge our territory to expand opportunities that may impact in such a may that we touch more lives for God's glory. Let us do more for Him."

in the land of Juda, art not the least among

then that we have a great high priest

that is passed into the heavens, Jesus

the Son of God; let us hold fast our

HEAD OF THE CHURCH:

HOLY ONE: Bot ye denied the

Holy One and the Just, and desired a

murderer to be granted unto you.

HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL: Fear

HOLY ONE OF GOD: Saying

people Israel, (Matthew 2:6)

GREAT HIGH PRIEST:

profession. (Hebrews 4:14)



As I promised here are some more names and titles of Christ. Pick some to help you get through your trials and tribulations. This week I am doing the C's through the H's. CAPTAIN OF SALVATION: For

it became him, for who are all things, and by whom are all things, in bring many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation . .. (Hebrews 2:10) CHIEF SHEPHERD: And

when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away. (1 Peter

CHRIST OF GOD: He said unto them, But who say ye that I am? Peter answering said, The Christ of God. (Luke 9:20) OF

CONSOLATION ISRAEL: And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel Luke 2:25)

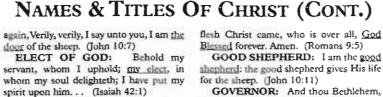
which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner, (Psalm 118:22)

COUNSELLOR: For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be opon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, <u>Counsellor</u> . . . (Isaiah 9:6) CREATOR: All things were made by him; and without Him was not

anything that was made. (John 1:3) DAYSPRING: Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us. (Luke 1:78)

DELIVERER: And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Zion the <u>Deliverer</u> . . . (Romans 11:26)

DESIRE OF THE NATIONS: And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, said the LORD of hosts. (Haggai 2:7) DOOR: Then said Jesus unto them



EVERLASTING FATHER: The everlasting Father," (Isaiah 9:6) FAITHFUL WITNESS: And from the princess of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my

Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness . . (Revelation 1:5)



Let us alone; what have we to do with Sister Tarpley, Religious Editor, MON-The thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? Art thou Gazette at the unveiling of the historical come to destroy us? I know thee who Sickle Cell Stamp in Dallas. thou art, the Holy One of God. (Mark 1:24)

FIRST AND LAST: "... And He laid His right hand upon me, saying unto me. Fear not: I am the first and the last; (Revelation 1:17)

FIRST BEGOTTEN: And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten ... (Revelation 1:5) FORERUNNER: Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus,

made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec. (Hebrews 6:20) GLORY OF THE LORD: And the

glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it. (Isaiah 40:5) GOD: The voice of him that crieth in

the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. (Isaiah 40:3) GOD BLESSED: Whose are the

fathers and of whom as concerning the

not, thou worm Jacob, and ye men of Israel; I will help thee, said the LORD, and thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel. HORN OF SALVATION: And hath raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of His servant David . . . (Luke

after 11:00 am service.

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And hath put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be the head over all things to the church, (Ephesians 1:22) HEIR OF ALL THINGS: Hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son, whom He hath appointed heir of all things ... (Hebrews 1:2) HOLY CHILD: For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus . . . (Acts

4:27)

Acts 3:14)

(Isaiah 41:14)

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SBC leaders: Moral Values were Hopeful Sign on Election Day

By Art Toalston

NASHVILLE, Tenn.-Many politicians and reporters hadn't placed much emphasis on moral values in recent months, but they found reason to rethink their negligence once the nation's Nov. 2 votes began rolling in.

"For the sake of the soul of our land, it was appropriate that moral values bubbled up ... at the polls yesterday - and there was an incredible contrast in the choice voters had on that issue," Robert E. (Bob) Reccord, president of the Southern Baptist North American Mission Board, said in a Nov. 3 statement to Baptist Press.

"With easily the largest voter turnout in U.S. history," Reccord added, "this election was a tremendous testament to the fact that in our nation every vote truly does count and that we should view it not only as a privilege but also a responsibility to participate."

There were several Southern Baptist leaders who joined Reccord in issuing comments to the Baptist Press.

"I am elated and grateful for the record number of Americans who took seriously their civic responsibility and voted in the national elections yesterday," said Morris H. Chapman, president of the SBC Executive Committee.

"By all accounts, as an issue, moral values topped even concerns about the economy and security, for those who voted. Importantly, the turnout by people of faith was a decisive factor in passing the 11 state initiatives. to protect the definition of marriage as the union between one man and one woman."

"I look forward to four more years of leadership by a United States president who openly confesses his belief in

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Chapman concerning the reelection of President Bush.

"The election is past. Americans have made their decision. Our duty now is to pray for President Bush and '... for all those who are in authority so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity' (1 Timothy 2:2), said James T. Draper Jr., president of LifeWay Christian Resources.

"The good news is that record numbers of Americans voted. It is clear that America, despite the massive attacks on biblical values, is still a nation of moral and spiritual conviction and commitment. I thank God that we have once again demonstrated the strength of our faith and depth of our patriousm."

"This election was not about candidates or political parties. It was a referendum on marriage and on runaway judicial activism. It says that the vast majority of the American people recognize the intrinsic value of the home for a stable society," said Paige Patterson, president of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas.

"They also recognize that who wish indges to deconstruct the Constitution of the United States have done enough harm, and we need to go back to those who are strict constructionists."

"The concern that I have coming out of the election is for the 'blue states.' They represent a kind of thinking which, if it cannot be reversed, would eventually reduce us to the effeminate indecisiveness of European nations shell as France. & pray that we will be able to do something to help the people of those states understand the nature of the American republic."

"I think there's no doubt that

the Lord Jesus Christ," said America spoke on values issues yesterday," said Albert Mohler Jr., president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

> "These issues are at the very top because we are actually dealing with where we live," Mohler said.

> "When we talk about an issue like marriage, we're not talking about something abstract and even something as remote as economic, fiscal and tax policy."

> "We're talking about who marries whom. And that relates to every family. There's a deep commitment to marriage."

> "What happens when we have a great election day like yesterday is that you really find out where the nation is," Mohler said.

> Reccord, in his comments to the Baptist Press, also took note of the unseating of Democratic minority leader in the Senate, Tom Daschle, by Republican challenger John Thune.

> Mohler, in in his Crosswalk.com weblog, took note of the vote in California to endorse \$3 billion in bonds for embryonic stem cell research.

"So, citizens of the nation's most populous state will now be involved in the systematic creation and destruction of human embryos, all in the name of medical science," Mohler commented.

"For that state, November 2 is a day that will live in moral infamy."



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Saint Mark MBC Rev. Charles Wattiey, Pastor 1308 Wilcox Street McKinney, TX 75069 972-542-6178

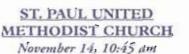
ST. LUKE "COMMUNITY" UMC November 11 - 13, 2004

St. Luke will host a leadership institute. Our 214-922-0000 theme: "Building an Effective Church Through Effective Leadership." Scheduled presenters and preachers include Pastor Gordon along with Bishop Gregory Palmer, UMC Iowa Conference; Pastor Kirby John Caldwell, Windsor Village UMC; Pastor Alfreda Wiggins, John Wesley UMC in Baltimore, MD; Pastor Richard Willis, Christ UMC in Fort Lauderdale, FL; and Pastor Frederick Haynes III, Fellowship West Baptist Church in Dallas, TX. The public is invited.

For more information, contact Marsha Gordon, Coordinator @ 214-821-2970 or Angela Woodson (a) 214-796-8562.

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Men's Day with guest speaker, Brother Ron Kirk, former Dallas mayor. The theme is "Men Being Transformed into the Image of Christ."

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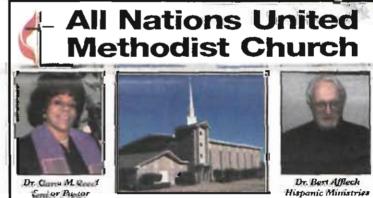
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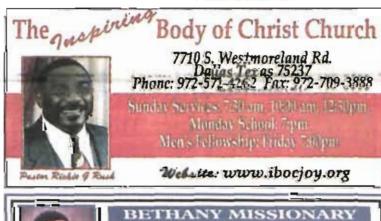
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