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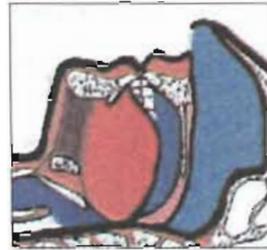


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Pastor celebrates 18 years, prepares for St. Mark's 122nd Anniversary

MCKINNEY - Designated as an historical landmark by the Texas Historical Commission in 1979 - settling in the Finch Park area in 1879, two men known only as the Revs. Dick White and B. T. Jones organized one of the gems of Collin County in a brush arbor, Saint Mark Missionary Baptist Church.

And the church's current pastor, the Rev. Charles S. Wattley, says the church has grown right along with the city of McKinney and it was moved from its 507 Titus Street address to 1308 Wilcox Street.

On Sunday, Wattley, who was born and raised in McKinney, celebrated his 18th anniversary with the Saint Mark's Church pastoral leadership. Two years before, he began his gospel ministry at the church.

"On Sept. 6, 1981, I preached my first sermon," Wattley said. "This is my home-church. I grew up in this church."

Prior to becoming pastor at Saint Mark Missionary Baptist Church, the Rev. B.T. Jones was

pastor from 1942 through 1972.

Wattley and his Saint Mark's members celebrated Sunday afternoon services and invited members, special guests and pastors from other area churches. The Rev. D. L. Wilson attended from the Sweethome Missionary Baptist Church in Garland and from the Dallas Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church; the Rev. Cecil Smith also attended.

"On Nov. 11, we will be celebrating Saint Mark's 122nd church anniversary," Wattley explained. "It's one of the oldest in Collin County."

The Texas Historical Commission designated the 2-story white-brick building and its annex as an historical landmark in 1979.



The church was known to have distinguished service in the district.

The Women's Missionary Society and the Brotherhood have continuously throughout the 120 years, served as a source of inspiration for the Saint Mark Missionary Baptist Church.

The Rev. Jones left a legacy that challenges us to maintain his dream of a church that not only serves as a spiritual beacon, but also encourages us to have faith in God, according to Gwen Harold, a historian for the church.

"In March of 1980, the unveiling and dedication service of the Texas Historical Marker were held at the church," Harold added. "We are a Christ-centered, biblical-based ministry motivated church who has committed itself to the Great Commission and daily growing together in Christ."

In 1985, Pastor Wattley renovated the Titus location, which

included sanctuary lighting, windows, ceiling fans, carpeting, painting, handicap restrooms and kitchen facilities.

According to the Rev. Wattley, Saint Mark's Baptist Church has held the designation 22 years. But he says he hasn't been on an agenda to pursue a listing with the National Registry.

The church has a lot to offer in the 2-story church. The annex building, Wattley explains, is used for education with Sunday School by Bethel's Children's Church and a nursery that is utilized on Sunday mornings.

The upper floor in Saint Mark's contains a library and a small computer lab where computer tutoring is open to the community.

"We've got many different reference books and periodicals and it's set up like a regular library for church members," Wattley said.

Wattley and Saint Mark's watched Plano and the entire

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On the Homefront:

Plano Repertory Theatre (PRT) presents the world premiere of a new adaptation of Homer's epic story of a great hero and his journey home from the Trojan War to his family, "The Odyssey," September 27-October 21, 2001. Local playwright Tim Hatcher and PRT's artistic director, Mark Fleisher, have collaborated for over two years to bring the magic and poetry of this age-old tale to modern audiences. For more information, call 972-422-7460.

Billie G. Meador, the Edward Jones investment representative in Plano, will host a financial workshop for Individual Investors. The workshop will begin on October 1 and continue through October 29. Classes will meet from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and will be held at the Courtyard Center Campus of Collin County Community College District. The enrollment fee for the workshop is \$69 per person, which includes all course materials. For more information or to reserve a seat, contact Meador at 972-208-5688.

"The Rimers of Eldritch and 'Songs For a New World' will be presented by Quad C Theatre of Collin County Community College in the Black Box Theatre, 2800 E. Spring Creek Parkway, in Plano October 4-14th. For tickets and show times, please call 972-881-5809. Matinees and group rates are available.

The Plano Chamber of Commerce will host its annual Mini Golf Tournament at Putt-Putt Golf and Games on Coit Rd October 12, 2001. The event will begin with a BBQ start at 7 p.m. For more information or to register for the tournament, call 972-424-7547.

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Telecom Electric Supply Company hosts meeting with international companies

By: Anthony Jones

Telecom Electric Supply Company, founded in 1985 by Fred N. Moses as a full-line electrical distributor based in Plano, met with a group of international businessmen last Thursday to strengthen their collaborations and to introduce and discuss a new set of objectives that includes broadband, telephony and coaxial connections.

The agenda for the meeting, according to William F. Hargraves III, marketing director for Telecom, "is to get us into a dialogue." Mir Juma, chairman of MEEM of Leicester, England, Mukesh Naker, president of LABA of Leicestershire, England, Kishor Tailor, regeneration director of LABA, and Thomas Wilkins, CEO of the Wilkins Group Inc., of Richardson, attended the meeting along with Carmen A. Chairez, a business development specialist for the U.S. Department of Commerce and Fred Moses, president of Telecom Electric Supply.

Hargraves explained Telecom's vision is to target industry suppliers by providing responsible and flexible services and the company's goal is to become a valuable solution-provider for the its customers, which include EDS, Texas Utilities, GTE, Verizon, J.C. Penney, GSA, and others.

As a customer-driven organization Telecom seeks long-term relationships by employing high ethical standards, coupled with superior service. Moses explained, the Texas corporation is a wholesale electrical supply



Thomas Wilkins, Wilkins Group Inc. CEO, from right, Kishor Tailor, LABA regeneration director, Mir Juma, MEEM chairman, Fred Moses, president and William F. Hargraves III, marketing director both of Telecom Electric Supply Company discuss overseas markets and minority business opportunities.

company that also focuses on maintenance.

"From my point of view it's different to work with sub-contractors," Moses told the group. "We want to work with the people who are writing the checks." Moses also told the group deregulation in Texas will assure there is no longer a risk of monopolies in the utilities market and projected that in three to four years will be serviced and supplied by 15 percent minority businesses.

"It will make it more open," he said. "They've become more interested in relationships with minority suppliers." A member of the group explained that in England, businesses are becoming more "denationalized" and asked, "how do we start the engagement process."

There is no question about the contribution, which the ethnic business community makes to the

economy of Leicester and to the region, Juma explained. Indeed it is very likely that the results of the census currently taking place will show that a significant proportion — perhaps more than half of the inhabitants of Leicester City — will be from an ethnic background. The government office is therefore active in building and developing relationships with the ethnic business community to understand its needs and concerns, he added.

Moses and his wife, Mazzie opened Telecom Electric Supply Company in 1986 with only one computer in a small 225 square foot office on Ave. G in Plano. They started as an inter-connect company, selling small key telephone systems.

Sixteen years later, the company is recognized as an industry leader, Hargraves explained. "We provide flexible customer solu-

tions and we have a commitment to our long-term strategic customers." In addition, Telecom Electric Supply Company is devoted to improving children's and senior citizens programs, according to Hargraves. Shortly after opening, the company began to expand their product line to include electrical supplies and accessories.

This prompted a move to a larger office and in 1987 Telecom's first two outside salesmen were hired. Later the company started doing business with major companies like Southwestern Bell and Levi-Strauss. One year later, Telecom negotiated a \$5,000,000 contract with Southwestern Bell. Moses was named supplier of the year in 1989 by the Minority Business Development Center of the U.S. Department of Commerce and was featured in Black Enterprise

Magazine. During the meeting, Hargraves explained the company now supplies transducers, street light fixtures, lamps, utility poles, industrial gloves and other materials. We want to better our position in the market to include supplier consolidation and standards and specifications assistance.

The Wilkins Group Inc., recently showcased its information technology (IT) services at Information Technology Expositions and Conferences (ITEC) Expo in Dallas at the Infomart. At the Expo, Wilkins highlighted the benefits of their turn-key solutions including structured cabling, wireless services, system documentation, Internet solutions, data integration, and networking.

The company's CEO told the group being a minority business is both a "blessing and a curse."

Many companies, according to Wilkins, "will give us an opportunity because of who we are. But there are also the people who'll cut us off at the pass."

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In 1991, sales figures at Telecom Electric Supply Company hit the \$2 million dollar mark and J.C. Penney awarded the company the Supplier Development Award. Telecom

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Community Spotlight



Michael and Karen Parker, Ceremony Leaders

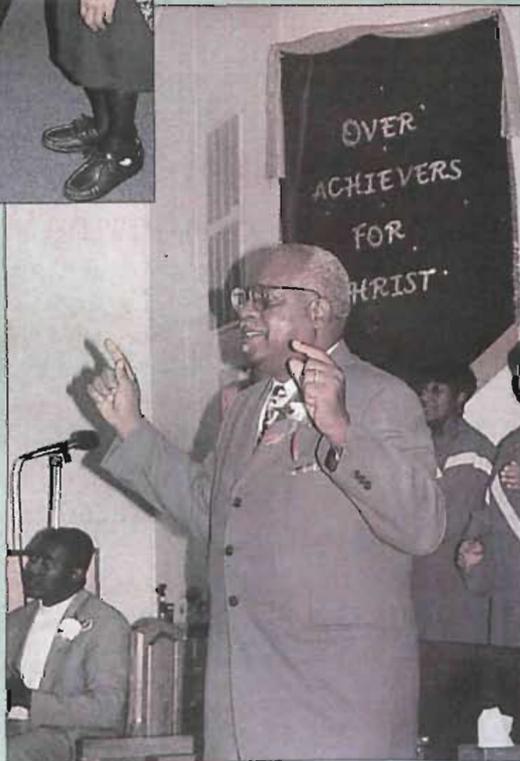


Rev. Clifford Jones holds the door.



R to L Ms. Mary Gray and Ms. Donna Henderson

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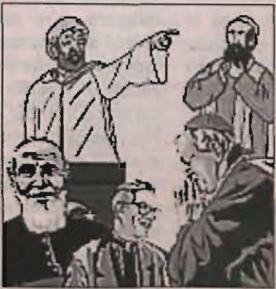
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Word Trade Center Disaster & Islam

By Michael R. Sears
Guest Editorial Writer
Is all the Islamic religion the enemy of the United States?
No, just the radical roots of it. However, it is still the roots of the same tree. The radical Muslim, raised from young children to hate "Americans" (or the infidels) are deceived when they think all Americans are for pornography, homosexuality, and immorality. Christians are against those things too. True Christians are not for the tolerance of Muslims; they are for the deliverance of Muslims, from this wicked philosophy of the devil, through which these tortured minds have been twisted to think that everyone that is not Muslim needs to be eliminated. It is a lie from hell, from which they have been programmed to hate from small children. It is in their doctrine, no matter what any of the "so called" peace loving Muslims say. God's word is stronger than false doctrine. Love is stronger than death, not hate. The sword of the Spirit of God and the Word of God is what destroys evil, not the sword of man and religion. America is

not the enemy. Israel is not the enemy. Iran is not the enemy. Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, or any other nation is not the enemy. Satan is the enemy and he is in all nations and works in the hearts of deceived men and women. The mystery of iniquity does work in this day, all according to the Scriptures of the Bible. This enemy is in the hearts of man. The weapons of our warfare are not carnal! The battle is not physical but spiritual. The enemies are evil ideas, philosophies, and doctrines from the minds of men. They are defeated by the Sword of the Spirit of God and the Word of God, through Jesus Christ the Lord of all humanity. Is all the Islamic religion the enemy of Christianity and the

gospel? Yes, it is the enemy of Christianity and the gospel, just like Buddhism, Catholicism, Mormonism, Hinduism, Humanism, Socialism, Totalitarianism, and many other "ism's". (Nationalism and patriotism can even be the enemy of the gospel, if it attempts to supersede the truths of the Gospel, the Bible, and Christ. That is why it is vitally important for us to know what these truths are, not by what religion tells us but by what God tells us and by our own diligent, daily study and prayer. My goodness, the mass media thinks that Christianity is Catholicism. How deceived can you be? Nothing could be further from the truth!) These "ism's" were contrived as opposing philosophies, theologies, and false gospels (like Catholicism, Mormonism, etc.) by the opposing forces of evil and the devil. There are many



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Peace In the Midst of...

Psalm 23:4



Ron Shaw

In the midst of all that has taken place lately, there are so many who need assurance of their safety. In a conversation I had with God a long time ago, I said to Him that as a Christian, if He could not protect me in this world, I did not want to be here. I refuse to live in fear or terror. Let me share a little on the force of fear with you. Medical science says that fear causes more physical dysfunction and impairment than any other invisible force. You can worry yourself to the point of inflicting bodily damage. The unseen force of fear can cause ulcers, high blood pressure, irregular heart activity and mal-adjusted brain activity.

in social settings all because of fear. The greatest weapon our adversary has is fear.

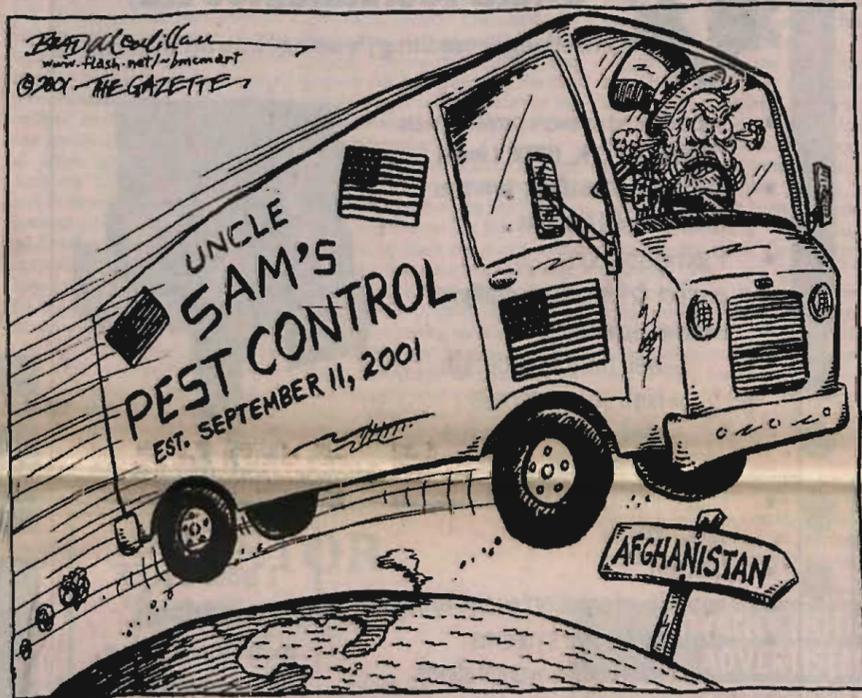
Intimidation is another form of fear. The Bible says Jesus came to destroy that. However, with that weapon being destroyed, we must renew our minds to that fact and become established in our confidence in God that the force of fear cannot penetrate our thoughts or emotions.

Our text is short but potent. It says although we walk through the valley of the shadow of death, we should not fear evil. A shadow is harmless and has no power. However, fear of the shadow will cause you to self-destruct. The reason for us not to fear evil is because we have a shepherd who is with us and in his possession is the where-with-all to combat anything that may be in the valley. However, if we are not confident in his rod and staff and his ability to use them successfully to protect us, we'll run off from that protection into the waiting arms of an enemy.

Let me help you develop more confidence and faith in God than in fear. First, you will have to make a decision to change what you regularly hear and see. Fear comes through the ear and eye gate. If the you

spend the majority of your time feeding images of catastrophe, destruction and terror into your brain, then you will be feeding the possibility of fear. You must change what you see and what you hear. Fear is all around us so it's easy to take in those images. If you monitor the negative things you see and hear, you will have more time to put forth to a heart of faith and confidence in God.

Secondly, you must change your conversation. The words you speak are either promoting fear and death or faith and life. Phrases like, "that scared me to death", "I'm dying to go" and "I'm afraid I won't be able to make it", are all phrases that promote fear. Reprogram your heart and mind with positive words that come from the Bible. Words that speak of and describe His promises to you should be programmed into your consciousness instead. Peace produces security, assurance and comfort no matter where you are or what you're going through. If you become established in the fact that He is present with you, the peace of God will secure you when tragedy, calamity or a crisis hits. Then you can and should have peace in the midst of...whatever!



Retraction: In the September 15th edition of The Gazette, a picture of Marcus Garvey was mistakenly labeled as Frederick Douglass who is shown right.



Retraction: In the September 26th edition of The Gazette, the Plano Community Forum awards banquet story reported awards ranged from five hundred to fifteen thousand dollars. The scholarship range was actually from five hundred to fifteen hundred dollars. Also, Plano City Council will meet 2nd and 4th Monday not every Monday as previously stated

Wellness

New CDC Recommendations for Influenza Vaccination Now in Effect

SWIFTWATER, Pa.— New recommendations for the influenza vaccination issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) are now in effect, urging health care providers to prioritize vaccination of the elderly and chronically ill through the end of October. The recommendations state that anyone who does not fall into a high-risk category should wait until November to be immunized.

The CDC recommendations, published in the April 20, 2001, issue of

"Morbidity & Mortality Weekly Report," also prioritize vaccination of health care workers through October to prevent the

spread of influenza to their high-risk patients.

"It is important for the vaccine first be offered to people at high-risk of serious, life threatening complications from influenza and to those who care for these individuals," said William Schaffner, MD, Professor and Chairman of the Department of Preventive Medicine at Vanderbilt University School of Medicine in Nashville, Tennessee. "Physicians and other health care providers should begin vaccinating high-risk patients as soon as vaccine becomes available, ensuring that persons over 65 years of age, and children and adults at high-risk are protected this flu season."

CDC further stresses that health care providers continue offering influenza vaccine to high-risk patients throughout the influenza season. Individuals considered at high-risk are:

- * Persons 65 years of age and older
- * Persons with chronic medical conditions including asthma, diabetes, kidney dysfunction, or cardiovascular or pulmonary disease
- * Those with deficient immune systems (e.g. HIV or cancer patients)
- * Women who are in the second or third trimester of pregnancy during the flu season
- * Child or teenager requiring long-term aspirin therapy
- * All health care workers in hospitals, nursing homes, outpatient centers and homecare settings

CDC urges those not considered high-risk—healthy individuals—to postpone getting vaccinated until November, when the vaccine will be more plentiful.

Persons at lower risk for complications from influenza include healthy persons under age 65, household contacts of high-risk persons or anyone wishing to reduce the likelihood of an episode of influenza. CDC further recommends persons continue to get vaccinated after November, as they can still be protected as influenza season runs from November through April.

Aventis Pasteur has been working closely with the CDC to prepare for the 2001-2002 influenza season. This year, Aventis Pasteur made a corporate decision to change its shipping schedule to facilitate equitable distribution of influenza vaccine among customers, which includes public health, hospitals, nursing homes and physicians. The new shipping system was designed to ensure all of the company's direct customers received a portion of their influenza vaccine order in September to allow them to prioritize vaccination among the elderly and chronically ill, according to CDC recommendations. Historically, customers would receive their entire order at one time, arriving between August and November. The new shipping policy was enacted to help prioritize vaccination of high-risk individuals per CDC recommendations. The balance of the company's vaccine shipments will be delivered in October and November.

This week, Aventis Pasteur announced that it anticipates shipping influenza vaccine to all of its customers by the end of September, with smaller customers receiving their entire vaccine order. Larger customers, such as resellers and distributors, will receive about 25% of their order in September with the balance to be shipped in October and November.

Aventis Pasteur supplies more than half of the country's influenza vaccine. To help ensure a sufficient, steady supply of vaccine, Aventis Pasteur made a significant capital investment this year to expand the production of its influenza vaccine, Fluzone(R), Influenza Virus Vaccine USP.

For the 2001 influenza season, the company increased influenza vaccine production by 20 percent. Aventis Pasteur is also in the process of evaluating a still greater expansion within the next several years to meet growing demand.

While the influenza season can begin as early as

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Frisco kids show that they care

By Lakeisha Joe

The events of September 11th profoundly affected us in many different ways and left us wondering why—especially children.

All around the DFW Metroplex, parents, counselors, ministers, etc. have been talking to children in an attempt to help them understand why such a horrific act occurred.

Also around the DFW Metroplex and all over the United States, people are donating blood and collecting money to send to those affected by such terrible events.

In the city of Frisco, school children, who are not old enough to donate blood, were asking their school counselors what "they" could do to help.

"Kids were asking their school counselors what they could do to help the victims of

the terrorist attacks," said Pippa Couvillion, Solid Waste and Recycling Manager. "I thought, the children cannot give blood but they can give aluminum cans to raise money and I got permission from the recycling companies and the schools."

Frisco's "Kids Can Do", a campaign to raise money for victims of the terrorist attack, took place on Thursday, September 20. The campaign involved Frisco school children from 18 different schools (public school, private schools, and daycares) collecting soda cans to raise money to be donated to the victims of the terrorist attacks.

"The campaign was only one day because of the logistics," said Couvillion. "It's hard to do an aluminum can drive for more than one day."

Couvillion said that the

idea for the "Kids Can Do" campaign came to her while she was riding in her car, listening to Whitney Houston's song "Children are the Future."

On September 20, children brought soda cans to their perspective schools to be recycled. Children from 18 different schools brought 32,000 individual cans and raised \$410.24. The City of Frisco and Community Waste Disposal (CWD) will recycle the cans for cash and write a check for the amount of the money raised. The check will be presented to the American Red Cross on behalf of the children of Frisco.

"Children are our future," said Couvillion. "Kids really can make a difference by teaching them to help others, they give us something to hope for - a world that cares."



John Dudley

You're free to switch your investment choices as often as you want. But should you make a change? Answering that question isn't always easy. While only you can decide the best strategies to use, here are some general reasons you might consider switching investment portfolios.

Changes in Your Personal Life

If you experience a significant change in your life, such as marriage, a new child, divorce, or the death of a loved one, your investment goals may also change significantly. If so, you may want to alter your asset mix to reflect your current goals and risk tolerance. As you near retirement, your investment strategy may become more conservative, and you may want to move some of your money from stock portfolios into less volatile investments.

Changes in the Economy

Making the Switch Between Investment Choices

If the economy experiences a significant change, such as inflation or a recession, you should make sure the portfolios that you are invested in have the potential to perform well in the current economic environment. For example, if your money is in a small-cap growth portfolio during an economic expansion, you may want to consider making a switch if the economy slows down. However, you probably won't want to make any major changes if you think the economy is just experiencing a temporary blip. For example, a one-day drop in the stock market generally isn't enough reason to dump all your stock investments.

Changes in the Portfolio

If you notice significant changes in a portfolio you own, you may want to consider making a switch. For example, if the investment performance of a mutual fund has taken a long-

term turn for the worse, ask your Financial Advisor to take a good look at the portfolio and (if it's a sector fund) at its sector. You may want to switch not only out of that fund, but also out of its entire sector. If a portfolio has a new manager, watch the portfolio to see if there are any significant alterations. If the portfolio's investment strategy has changed—become more aggressive, more conservative, or less diversified, for example—it may no longer match your personal investment strategy, and you and your Financial Advisor may decide to switch to a new portfolio.

Reasons Not to Switch

As a long-term investor, you should be cautious about switching investment portfolios. Changing investments at the wrong time could result in your missing out on future gains. If

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Christian preachers today, since the World Trade Center disaster, saying that there are many peace loving Muslims that are our friends and should be embraced as our brothers. Can this happen? Can Islam embrace Christianity in peace and unity? Can water and fire embrace each other in peace and unity?

While our Christian faith cannot embrace an evil doctrine or false gospel, we, as Christians, should embrace all men and women passionately, no matter what their state of morality, religion, ethnicity, or nationality. Out of mercy we should give them the life saving, life giving Gospel of Christ, for only in this is there true deliverance and salvation. The devil does not like this, for on a level playing field where there is freedom of speech, he absolutely cannot win against God, i.e., Christianity against any other philosophy, i.e., truth against evil. That is why the preaching of Christianity is against the law, punishable by death in many places, especially in the Islamic world. If Islam is so strong and right and true, then why is it so afraid of the gospel? Can its philosophy not win against the Christian philosophy when on an equal playing field of ideas?

One of the favorite words of this New World Order is "Tolerance", just like it is one of the favorite words of the homosexual and other perverted groups. We should never tolerate wickedness for one minute, but rather rebuke it with the Word and by the Spirit of God and Jesus Christ our Lord! This corner stone of "Tolerance" and "Inclusion" is one of the pillars of this New World Order and will, in the end, come against Christianity and condemn it for not being tolerant of other religions. It will tolerate and include everything except Christianity.

Christianity is an absolutely restrictive, anti-inclusive, and non-tolerant religion because truth is singular and is absolute. There are not many paths to

heaven, but only ONE, and that is Christ as the Savior of the World by His death and resurrection for the sins of the whole world.

I am mostly concerned about what Christians and Christian "leaders" are doing today, for this will determine the fate of our nation by exponential factors greater than what anyone else is doing. (If MY people who are called by MY name will humble themselves and pray and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and heal their land). It is not the worldly leaders and government who has failed, it is the people of God and their "leaders" who have failed.

We now live in the last era of the church called Laodicea which is characterized by saying we are rich and increased with goods and have need of nothing, not even realizing that it is wretched and miserable and poor and blind and naked and Christ is outside its doors knocking to get in.

I am direly disappointed in the, supposedly Christian, preachers today, who should be proclaiming these things boldly, publicly, and without wavering or apology. The ones I have heard, so far, are not. None will publicly decry Catholicism, to its beastly face, even though it is one of the biggest false gospels against Christ and is a whore, if not the whore called Babylon.

One preacher, the other day, said that the hand of God's protection has been partially removed due to all the abortion, homosexuality, and other things allowed by today's society. He was later pressured to retract this true statement from God. We need to be willing to take a stand to the death for these things and not back down for anything or anyone. Our enemies have that resolve by the conviction of fallacy. Can we Christians not have it by the conviction of The Truth? Those "christian" preachers are in the public light. They are responsible and answerable to God, who will take them out of their place, if they cave in to this New World Order mindset. Many worry that

they might lose their great edifices of "truth" that they have built to God and for God, and do not realize that they have lost them already! Many great works will suffer great falls, if they are not of God and are built on sand.

This New World Order and this global "false" unity is coming together for one purpose, and one purpose only, which is spoken of in Revelation: "And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them; and power was given him over all kindred's, and tongues, and nations." This is the true World War III. All the present events and the history we see being made today, in the name of whatever, is for the sole and only and singular purpose; for the devil to make war with the saints of God in these last days.

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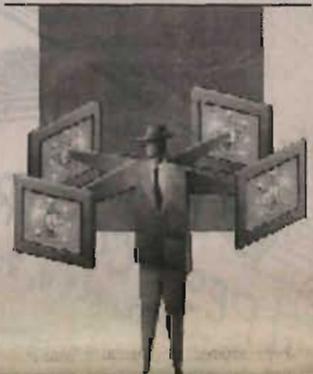
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Looking back at Marcus Garvey PART 3

By Russell D. Shockley

At the peak of the movement, nightly meetings were held in Liberty Hall and capacity audiences gathered to listen to the compelling words and audacious ideas of the little man from Jamaica.

However, the work of the Universal Negro Improvement Association was more than speeches and meetings. Early in 1919, Marcus Garvey projected the idea of an all black steamship company that would link the colored peoples of the world in commercial and industrial intercourse. The bold bid to enter the white-dominated maritime industry quickly caught hold of the collaborative African-American imagination and for several months money was collected at U.N.I.A. meetings to purchase ships for this promised "Black Star Line."

News of this activity soon reached the ears of Edwin P. Kilroe, assistant district attorney of New York, and on June 16, 1919, he called Garvey in and warned him not to attempt to sell stock unless the Black Star Line was a legitimate business enterprise. In compliance, ten days later, Garvey formally launched the Black Star Line by securing a broad charter of incorporation from the state of Delaware, whose friendly laws had long attracted businessmen and industrial entrepreneurs. Under its charter, the Black Star Line was explicitly authorized to own, charter, operate and navigate ships of various types in any part of the world, and carry passengers, freight and mails. And in case any provisions had been inadvertently omitted from the detailed permissive articles of the charter, a general article granted the company authority "to do any and all things and to exercise any and all powers necessary or advisable to accomplish one or more purposes of the corporation or which shall at any time appear to be conducive to, or for the benefit of, said corporation in connection therewith."

The B.S.L. was capitalized at \$500,000, composed of 100,000 shares of stock with par value of five dollars each. Garvey and four of his associates were each listed as holding forty shares of capital stock, so that the company com-

menced business with a stated capital of one thousand dollars.

Drawn from Booker T. Washington's philosophy that African-Americans must become independent of white capital and operate their own business activities, the Black Star Line was a supremely bold move that aroused the greatest excitement in the black world. Here was an enterprise belonging to blacks, operated by and for them, that gave even the poorest black the chance to become a stockholder in a big business enterprise. Not only could the investor feel that he was working for the betterment of his race, he was also offered the speculative opportunity of making money in exactly the same way as such famous financial wizards as J. Pierpont Morgan. Garvey's stock circulars boldly declared: "Now is the time for the (African-American) to invest in the Black Star Line so that in the near future he may exert the same influence upon the world as the white man does today."

Sale of Black Star stock was limited to members of the African-American race and no individual could purchase more than two hundred shares. Garvey's Negro World carried full-page advertisements exhorting its readers to take a hand in guiding their destiny through "a direct line of steamships, owned, controlled and manned by (African-Americans) to reach the (African-American) peoples of the world." Ostensibly, the Black Star Line was established as a strictly commercial venture, and Garvey did not intend that the line would merely be the vehicle for the transportation of all blacks to their African homeland.

At first, many blacks laughed at the scheme as another attempt to exhort money from the black masses. Garvey's vision of a fleet of ships manned by black crews and flying the Black Star Line flag made little impression on Harlem business circles. Skeptics pointed out the great difficulty of raising sufficient capital to float one ship, let alone a whole fleet of merchant vessels plying the African trade routes in competition with established white firms.

Therefore, the critics were struck into amazed silence when, in mid-September, a B.S.L. circular

proudly announced that the first ship of the new line could be

viewed at her berth at West 135th Street and the North River, proclaiming, "The ship will fly the Black Star Line Flag."

Two days after this announcement, Garvey was once again called to the office of Assistant District Attorney Kilroe, who had discovered that the Black Star Line was as yet only negotiating for the ship Garvey had indicated could be seen flying the company's flag. This time, Kilroe warned Garvey that if any B.S.L. stock had been sold as a direct result of this misleading circular, he and the corporation could be prosecuted for commercial fraud. The next day, on September 17, 1919, Garvey and the other directors of the Black Star Line closed the deal on the purchase of the company's first ship, the U.S.S. Yarmouth.

In addition to the Black Star Line, in 1919, Garvey also established another business enterprise, the Negro Factories Corporation. Among the businesses developed by the corporation were a chain of cooperative grocery stores, a restaurant, a steam laundry, a tailor and dressmaking shop and millinery. By 1920, the Universal Millinery Store was offering "a variety of styles in chic summer hats manufactured by expert Negro designers," while the Universal Steam Laundry promised to help harassed housewives "keep cool" by doing the scrubbing and scrubbing in a modern sanitary laundry, managed and operated by Negroes.

From his headquarters in Harlem early in 1920, Garvey issued a call for a mammoth international convention of delegates representing the entire black race

to be held in New York during the month of August 1920. In banner

headlines the Negro World proclaimed that the "gathering would be the largest of its kind in the history of the race." The convention would seek to consolidate the constructive work of the U.N.I.A. throughout the colored world and would furnish a spotlighted forum where delegates could report on

black conditions in their local areas. Garvey announced that one of the important projects to be undertaken by the assembly would be the drawing up of "Negro Declaration Rights," which would then be presented to the governments of the world.

In August, while whites had their attention fixed on the newly born League of Nations in Geneva, Switzerland, the eyes of the African-Americans focused on Liberty Hall in New York City, where thousands of delegates from each of the United States, the West Indies, Central and South America and even Africa began to arrive for meetings. Judged by the standards, the 1920 convention of the Universal Negro Improvement Association was a magnificent affair. Even Harlem, long accustomed to the spectacular, found it an extravaganza not soon to be forgotten, and, for the first time, White America began to take notice of Marcus Garvey. Harlem streets rang with stirring martial airs and the measured tramp of smartly uniformed marching bands. The hoarse cries of little black newsboys hawking special editions of the Negro World added to the furor produced by cheering delegates from twenty-five countries. Garvey became literally the man of the hour. Enterprising Harlem tobacco shops offered special "Marcus Garvey" cigars, com-

plete with a photograph of the Jamaican race leader imprinted on the band. The magic of Garvey's spell and the power of his organizational ability were never better demonstrated than at this first international convention. Throughout the world, blacks were stirred to a new sense of their power and destiny by fierce nationalism that pervaded every activity at the gathering.

From now on, the white man need expect no more black bloodshed on his behalf. "The first dying that is to be done by the black man in the future," Garvey warned, "will be done to make himself free." And when this was accomplished, he continued, "If we have charity to bestow, we may die for the white man. But as for me, I think I have stopped dying for him." This speech was sufficiently frightening to the white legislators in New York to be cited in the Lusk report on radicalism and sedition in that state.

The "Declaration of the rights of the Negro Peoples of the World," was adopted by the convention on August 13, 1920. As background for the declaration, the convention had listened to each delegate's recital of the grievances existing among African-American residents of his community. These were then compiled into a powerful "protest against the wrongs and injustices" that blacks were suffering "at the hands of their white brethren." The declaration went on to "demand and insist" upon certain basic rights "in order to encourage our race all over the world and to stimulate it to a higher and grander destiny." The enumerated black rights were embodied in a series of fifty-four articles covering such topics as political and judicial equality, complete racial self-determination, and free Africa under a black government. "Article 45" went so far as to declare the League of Nations "null and void as far as the Negro is concerned, in that it seeks to deprive Negroes of their liberty." There was also a demand that the word "Negro" be spelled with a capital "N" in keeping with the dignity and self-respect of the New Negro. Over the next decade this campaign to

capitalize "Negro" was generated successful, at least in the United States. In 1929, the New York State Board of Education ordered that all New York schools must teach the spelling of "Negro" with a capital "N" and the next year the New York Times followed suit.

Despite these massive accomplishments, Marcus Garvey was the hapless victim of white justice and this tended to enhance his prestige both in the United States and abroad.

From the first a good part of Garvey's legal difficulties stemmed from his failure to choose his associates with care.

Unfortunately for the movement, Garvey's court battles of 1919 were only a mild harbinger of later developments; for as the pugnacious Jamaican increased the number of his American enemies, the financial health of his enterprises suffered. Garvey never bothered to draw a very sharp line between the promotional and the business aspects of his enterprises. Lawsuits poured in like water into one of the foundering ships of his Black Star Line.

Early in January 1922, Garvey was arrested on a charge of using mails to defraud. Postal authorities charged that Garvey and the Black Star Line had knowingly used "fraudulent representations" and "deceptive artifices" in the sale of stock through mails and had advertised and sold space on a mythical vessel.

Late in February 1922, Garvey and three of his Black Star Line associates, Elie Garcia, George Tobias and Orlando M. Thompson, were indicted on twelve counts of mail fraud. Trial was postponed and the defendants were released on bail pending a complete federal investigation of the case.

Garvey's opponents were jubilant over this blow to his racial improvement movement. "Garvey's Bunk Exposed!" screamed a headline in an extra edition of Cyril Briggs' abusive Crusader: "Faker, who defrauded Negroes with worthless stocks and fake tickets on fake steamships, now poses as 'martyr.'"



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Collin County area grow and develop from a rural small town setting to a more urban upscale area.

"In 1972, there were 15,000 to 16,000 people in McKinney," Wattlely said, "and now the population of McKinney is 60,000."

Likewise his church that had 25 to 30 active members in 1983 has blossomed into a membership of and about 300.

"We probably have members in this church from 11 or 12 different cities." The Rev. Wattlely explained Saint Mark's membership reaches to Cedar Hill, Rowlett, Garland, Plano, Princeton, and Frisco.

Located at 1308 Wilcox in McKinney, the Rev. Wattlely says his church should give back to the community.

"Each ministry in our church has a community service," he said. "On the second Saturday of each month we have a double-nickel luncheon for senior citizens."

And at the Newsome Place senior citizen community, a McKinney Housing Authority property on Amscot Circle, which is about two blocks from the church, Wattlely explained church members provide lunches.

"We also feature different speakers who come in to talk about topics like health and wellness," Wattlely said. "We have police and fire officials talk about those issues (and) we even had an arm chair aerobics expert. Each month we have a different speaker."

Saint Mark's members serve anywhere from 25 to 30 lunches each month and they also cater out to residents of Newsome Place. "We serve about 80 meals that day," he added.

For the last three years Wattlely and members of the Saint Mark's Baptist Church have provided Christmas dinner for the Samaritan Inn, McKinney's homeless shelter.

"We provide Christmas dinner and serve the residents there (Samaritan Inn)," the Rev. Wattlely added. "And here at the church on Christmas Day we have a community luncheon."

New ministries were added for the edification of the body as well as community projects performed by the ministries. Those include:

- Community Vacation Bible School
- Bethel Children's Church
- Committee 2000
- Double-Nickel Luncheon, for not only senior citizens but also for those in our community.
- Christian Care Ministry
- Nurses Guild
- The MVP - The MVP Christian Men with a vision and principles
- Singles Ministry
- Outreach Ministry
- Recovery Ministry
- Project Reclaim - A city-wide revival
- Community Food Pantry
- Praise Team
- Library and Computer Lab

"The years that Pastor Wattlely has been with Saint Marks," Harold said, "have been unique in the history of our church. Once again we find ourselves at the threshold of the wonders that God has in store for us as a people and as a church."

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The construction contract consists of approximately 7,700 feet of light rail transit roadbed, construction of five (5) new LRT and railroad bridges, rehabilitation of an existing railroad bridge, construction of four (4) at-grade station platforms and pedestrian walkway to serve the American Airlines Center.

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Don't Lose Sleep Because You Snore, Reminds the Academy of General Dentistry

CHICAGO, Sept. 26 /PRNewswire/ — Sleep disorders don't just affect marriages, they harm the quality of a good night's rest and can cause some serious health risks. Now dentists are playing a key role in the treatment of certain sleep disorders, including snoring and sleep apnea, according to a recent report in General Dentistry, the peer-reviewed journal of the Academy of General Dentistry, an organization of general dentists dedicated to continuing education.

"Your dentist should be able to complete an initial consultation to determine the problem, such as how you are feeling upon waking or if you wake up in the middle of the night," said T. Bob Davis, DMD, spokesperson for the Academy. Once the initial con-

sultation is completed, your dentist might consult with a physician or a sleep clinic to determine a diagnosis.

Snoring is caused by vibration, and dental appliances help to minimize or eliminate the problem. "The diagnosis is key because snoring alone doesn't automatically signify a serious problem. For basic snorers, a 'snoreguard' (a plastic bite plate) can provide relief because it repositions the jaw and muscles, tissue and tongue. The apparatus helps breathing become less labored giving a person more room to breath quietly," said Dr. Davis.

For those with sleep apnea, a much more serious condition, Dr. Davis refers patients to a sleep clinic to make the diagnosis. People with sleep apnea cannot get enough oxy-

gen, and breathing actually stops for a short period of time, predisposing them to a collapsed airway and other health problems.

Most dentists can help if you snore or refer you to a physician to determine if there is an underlying medical problem. If you want to try to reduce the symptoms of snoring yourself, Dr. Davis recommends losing weight and reducing alcohol consumption when appropriate.

Think you might have a sleeping disorder problem? Check for these symptoms:

- * Are you always tired?
- * While asleep, do you jump or jerk?
- * Do you snore loudly or erratically?

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your decision to switch is based on changes in the portfolio or the economy, be sure that those are long-term changes and not temporary conditions.

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Kerr Named Plano Fire Marshal

On August 6th, Plano Fire Chief, William Peterson announced the selection of David Kerr as the Plano Fire Marshal. A 5th generation native to the Plano area, David said,

"I am proud to serve and be a part of the community that has given so much to me." He's been with the Plano Fire Department as the Fire Protection Engineer since 1983.

David is a graduate of the University of Texas at Dallas with a B.S. in Public Administration. He holds an Associates degree in Fire Protection and Safety Technology from Oklahoma State University. His certifications include: Master Fire Inspector, Certified Peace Officer, Certified Fire/Arson Investigator, Certified Fire Fighter NICET Certified in Fire Sprinklers, and NFPA

Nationally Certified Fire Inspector. David also serves as an adjunct instructor at the Fire Science Department at Collin County Community College.



Prior to coming to Plano, he served as Lieutenant Fire Marshal for the Farmers Branch Fire Department, and before that as a Deputy Fire Chief for

the Allen Fire Department. Since 1990 David has served as an adjunct instructor for the course, "Community Fire Protection Master Planning," for the National Fire Academy, of the National Emergency Training Center.

From April 1998 to March 1999, David was the Acting Fire Marshal for Plano. As such, he recognized the Division to provide a new service for the testing and inspection of existing building fire

protection systems. He began the design of a computer-based fire inspection program and development guideline booklets for the installation of fire sprinkler and alarm systems. He also placed all code amendments on the city's web site for quick access and reference for all citizens, builders, developers, and contractors.

As the Fire Protection Engineer David spearheaded the fire departments 20 year Fire Protection Master Plan. He served as the development coordinator for the department, working at all levels of the organization to meet the needs of the developers, builders and contractors. David served on the Governors committee to study statewide building and fire codes. He has served an active member of the National Fire Alarm code developing nation wide standards since 1984. He also serves as the Chair of the North Texas Council of Governments regional fire code advisory board, where he has been a member since 1985.

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established a computer network in 1992, and moved its headquarters into a multi-functional facility at 1304 Capital Ave., in Plano. It also received the Dallas 100 Award from the CEO Institute.

According to Hargraves, the company implemented EDI (Electronic Data Information) in 1993, and Texas Utilities was the first customer to use it. That same year, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority awarded



William E Hargraves, Telecom Electric Supply Company's marketing director explains Telecom's vision to Kishor Taylor, LABA regeneration director, and Mir Juma, Meem, chairman. To Hargraves' left, Fred Moses, Telecom's president discussed partnerships and strategic alliances that would benefit international businesses.

Telecom the Image Award. In 1994, Telecom Electric Supply was awarded its first Texas Utilities Gold Star Supplier

Award and during its 10th Anniversary Celebration in 1995, sales hit the \$4 million dollar mark and the company was awarded the North Texas Commission Mentoring Award.

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December, typically influenza activity peaks between January and early March. After vaccination, it takes approximately two weeks for the body to develop protective antibodies against influenza. According to CDC estimates, influenza is associated with more than 20,000 deaths and more than 100,000 hospitalizations each year in the United States.

Influenza vaccine is safe and effective. The most common side effect is soreness at the vaccination site that can last up to two days. Some people may have mild fever or feel tired for a day or two after receiving the influenza vaccine. Among people who do become sick with influenza, the illness is milder in vaccine recipients

than those who are unvaccinated. Influenza vaccine is made from killed strains of the viruses predicted to be the main causes of influenza in the coming season. Because the viruses are killed, it is impossible to get influenza from the vaccine. Last year's vaccine will not offer protection in this year's influenza season. The vaccine changes every year to match the prevalent strains, which is why annual vaccination is necessary.

The 2001-2002 influenza vaccine protects against A/Moscow (H3N2)-like, A/New Caledonia (H1N1)-like, and B/Sichuan-like strains. The only people who should not receive influenza vaccine are those who have had previ-

ous reactions to the vaccine or people who are allergic to eggs (the viruses used in the vaccine are grown in eggs). Adults with a fever should wait until their symptoms disappear or consult their health care provider about receiving influenza vaccination. However, vaccines may be given in the presence of minor illnesses with or without fever, particularly among children with mild respiratory tract infections or allergic rhinitis.

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The mission of the Auction is threefold: It serves as a contest, as a learning experience and as an exercise in discipline and responsibility.

At last year's State Fair, Bank of Texas paid a record-breaking \$73,000 for the grand champion market steer, a 1,300-pound animal raised by Jared Birkhead of Rockdale. The reserve grand champion, owned by Martin County's Samantha Yates, was purchased by a group of State Fair Food Concessionaires for \$26,000. Tom Thumb Food & Pharmacy paid top dollar for the grand champions in four categories: market swine, market lamb, meat goat and market broilers. Total sales of auction and floor animals topped \$700,000.

In addition to the money, which goes directly to the young exhibitors, bids exceeding the pre-established caps for champions generate funds for the State Fair Scholarship Fund. For the 2001-2002 school year, the State Fair of Texas has awarded \$1,000 scholarships to 143 students who will attend Texas colleges and universities. Since the program was established in 1992, the State Fair of Texas has funded more than \$1,000,000 in scholarship aid.



Calendar of Events for the week of October 4-10

Thursday, October 4
Guess What's Cooking Contest
Lambs, Swine, Steer & Broiler Shows
Senior Citizens Day

Friday, October 5
Candy Contest
Youth Livestock Auction of Champions

Saturday, October 6
Brownie Bake Contest
Texas v. OU in the Cotton Bowl
Billy Gillman
Jessica Andrews & Trisha Yearwood Concerts

Sunday, October 7
Ice Cream Contest
Beef Heifer Shows

Monday, October 8
Hormel Recipe Challenge
Beef Heifer Shows
Honky Tonk Tailgate Party Concert

Tuesday, October 9
Best Chocolate Cake Contest

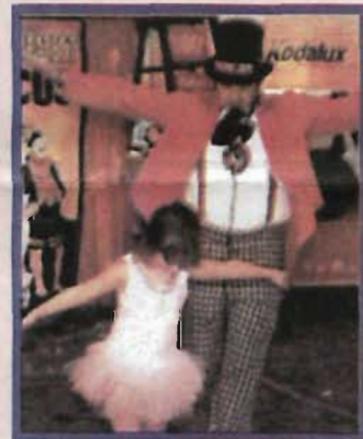
Wednesday, October 10
Pie Contest

Tots on a Tightrope" and More in the Backyard Circus

The trunks will open, the customers and props will appear and little imaginations will soar when the family-oriented Backyard Circus 'rolls' into the State Fair of Texas.

It's a magical, 'action-packed' throwback to a more innocent time when the traveling circus was an eagerly anticipated event in small-town America. The animals, the circus wagons and the performers brought a temporary world of excitement and derring-do with them.

The Backyard Circus provides all of this and more, but in the realm of the mind. Ringmaster Bill Carpenter gently guides his performers through an imaginary show 'under the big top.' Children



form the audience are chosen—and dressed—for their particular roles. Wanda the Tightrope Walker prepares to climb her imaginary ladder! Marco the Lion Tamer struggles with his lively lions and tigers! The crowd grows apprehensive as Ahab the Strong (usually a dad form the audience) casts a doubtful eye on his 10,000-ton weight.

The red and yellow tent is a familiar site on the Hall of State's side lawn at Grand and Nimitz. Show times are

1, 3, 4:30 and 6:30 p.m., with additional shows at 11 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The Backyard Circus, sponsored by Nabisco, is presented free of charge to State Fair visitors.

State Fair Theme Promises "Food & Fun: 2001"



Zweifel, the model contains faithful reproductions of the private rooms, offices and grounds. The tiny television sets work; the clocks tick; the phones ring. The exhibit also incorporates settings of White House china, gowns worn by some of the First Ladies and other presidential memorabilia.

"Kabash," an imaginative, all-new free show, spotlights an international cast of riders and trainers working with some of the world's finest horses including magnificent Arabians, rarely-seen Akhal Tekes, Portuguese Lusitanos and Spanish Andalusians. Miniature horses, Cossack riders, Moroccan acrobats and even a genie will make appearances in these colorful spectacles.

Five new midway rides, unusual entertainers from faraway places and a couple of off-the-wall new contests ("Wild & Crazy Hats" and "Ugliest Decorated Cake") underscore the emphasis on fun at the 2001 State Fair of Texas.

Food, glorious food, and fun in every shape and guise will be the focus of this year's State Fair of Texas, Sept. 28-Oct. 21.

For the first time ever at a state fair, Southern Living will present "Recipes & More" from the magazine's popular cooking school. Experts from the editorial staff and test kitchens will prepare favorite recipes and host four 30-minute shows daily, each designed around a different theme. Fairgoers will be admitted free with seating limited to 350 for each session.

Another attraction planned for the 2001 Fair has been enthusiastically received wherever it has toured. "The White House in Miniature" is a remarkable 20'x60' replica of the president's home. Created on a 1-inch-to-1-foot scale by acclaimed miniaturist John



Ford Reveals 2002 Explorer at the Texas State Fair

D A L - LAS, Sept. 27, 2001 - Ford Division reinforces its commitment to the truck and SUV



market at the 2001 Texas State Fair. Visitors to the fair will be able to view a variety of concept and production vehicles, many which have never been seen before.

"Ford Division loves Texas and the Southwest," said Al Giombetti, Ford Division Truck and SUV group marketing manager. "There is no better place to show our new 2002 product packages and concept vehicles than in the heart of truck country."

Showcased vehicles included the Ford Explorer XLT Sport: Building on more than 10 years of SUV sales leadership, Ford Division introduces a sporty new package on Explorer's most popular model - the XLT. The 2002 Explorer's XLT Sport Package features high-gloss platinum painted exterior trim and accessories including a side step bar, side moldings, bumpers, and wheel lip moldings. The all-new Explorer XLT Sport also features all-new 17-inch wheels - the first time ever on an Explorer.

Ford Division continues to offer customers the most comprehensive truck and SUV lineup in the industry. Ford's No Boundaries SUV lineup includes the Escape, Explorer Sport, Explorer Sport Trac, four-door Explorer, Expedition and Excursion. Ford's Built Ford Tough trucks, with the strength to get any job done, include Ranger, F-150, F-150 SuperCrew, F-Series Super Duty (F-250-750) and E-Series van and wagon models.

Around The Town

October 4-29

Billie G. Meador, the Edward Jones investment representative in Plano, will host a financial workshop for Individual Investors. The workshop will begin on October 1 and continue through October 29. Classes will meet from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and will be held at the Courtyard Center Campus of Collin County Community College District. The enrollment fee for the workshop is \$69 per person, which includes all course materials. For more information or to reserve a seat, contact Meador at 972-208-5688.

Keep your eye on the ball and join Golf Pro Kathy Whitworth, Honorary Tournament Chairs Jen Olsen and the Honorable Lois Finkelman for the Norma Lea Beasley/Women's Museum Annual Golf Tournament. The tournament will be held October 1st at Brookhaven Country Club. The tournament begins with a shotgun start at 10 a.m. Prior to the tournament, Kathy Whitworth, LPGA champion and Hall of Famer, will hold a special clinic for tournament players to offer tips and get you started on a great day of golf. For more information, contact Melanie Enderle at 214-915-0894.

October 4-14

"The Rimers of Eldritch and Songs For a New World" will be presented by Quad C Theatre of Collin County Community College in the Black Box Theatre, 2800 E. Spring Creek Parkway, in Plano. For tickets and show times, please call 972-881-5809. Matinees and group rates are available.

October 4th

Susanne Mosier, director of women's business for the Greater Dallas Chamber of Commerce, is inviting you to the Women's Business Conference on October 4th, 2001. For more information, please contact Carolyn Hollien at 972-424-7547.

Frisco Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Get on Track at 8 Networking Session at the Chamber Office located on 6843 Main Street. For more information, please call 972-335-9522.

Experience the swing craze at Frisco's Alumni Hall aerobics room first popularized in the 1940s. Learn swank moves to take over the dance floor, including fancy footwork, turns, aerials, dips, tricks and much more. Experienced and beginner dancers are welcome. The session is from October 4th-November 8th. Please call 972-377-1752 for times and class fees.

October 5th

The Legislative Issues Committee of McKinney Chamber,

in partnership with the City of McKinney, is planning a Legislative Series for 7:30 a.m. with State Representative Mary Denny. The Series will be held in the commons area of Collin County Community College-Central Park Campus, 2200 W. University Drive in McKinney. Light breakfast fare will be served. For more information, call 972-542-0163.

Companies across the country will participate in Lee National Denim Day by allowing their employees to wear denim to work in exchange for a \$5 donation to the Komen Foundation. To participate, call 1-800-8508 or 214-750-7223 ext. 21.

October 6th

The American Red Cross is having its annual car hop fundraiser at the Sonic at Chase Oaks on October 6th from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Ronnie Morrison of Plano Chamber of Commerce, will be among the celebrity car hoppers dressed in 1960s attire. All tips are tax deductible and benefit the American Red Cross. For more information, please call 972-424-7547.

The Health and Wellness Outreach Ministry of Hamilton Park United Methodist Church invites you to take advantage of the many free

health services provided during the annual health fair. Everything from dental screening and sickle cell to podiatry service, HIV education, cholesterol screening, vision testing and prostate screening will be available and more. For more information, please call 972-235-4633 and press option 7.

The Cottonwood Arts Festival will be held October 6th and 7th at Cottonwood Park in Richardson. For more information, please call 972-231-4798.

Andrew Litton, the Dallas Symphony Orchestra and the Dallas Symphony Chorus present a concert benefiting the American Red Cross to help the victims of recent terrorist attacks on the U.S. The concert will be held Saturday, October 6, 2001, at 2:30 p.m. at the Morton H. Meyerson Center. The performance will be free and open to the public and concertgoers are encouraged to make a donation to the American Red Cross at the concert. Donations will be taken before and after the concert. For more information, call 214-693-0203 or log on to www.dallasymphony.com.

October 6-November 11

The debut of Dallas Blooms Autumn will spotlight the city's ethnic

diversity with a wide array of multicultural music, dance and artisan performances. Visitors will see the 66-acre botanical garden's transformation into a showplace of autumn colors highlighted by more than 20,000 chrysanthemums complementing fall-blooming annuals and perennials. Dallas Arboretum will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. located at 8525 Garland Rd. on the eastern shore of White Rock Lake. For more information, call 972-398-1378.

October 7th

Quad C Theatre of Collin County Community College is having open call auditions October 7th from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. for "Beau Jest," a comedy for anyone who has ever tried to please their parents. For requirements and additional information, please call 972-881-5679.

The Dallas Mavericks will host their free annual event, Dallas Mavericks Fan Jam, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the American Airlines Center. The Mavericks Dancers, Mavs Man and the Mavericks players will sign autographs in addition to fun filled scheduled events. For more information, call 214-658-7170 or visit www.dallasmavericks.com.

October 9

The Dallas network of Career Women will host their monthly luncheon at City Club on the 69th floor of the Bank of America building at 11:30 a.m. The speaker for the luncheon is Mary Poss, Mayor Pro Tem District 9. To make reservations and get additional information, call 214-855-1509 or visit www.dallascareerwomen.org.

October 11

Frisco Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Get on Track at 8 Networking Session at the Chamber Office located on 6843 Main Street. For more information, please call 972-335-9522.

"Aging Well in Collin County," a county wide symposium on issues concerning senior citizens, will be held at the Plano Centre at 9 a.m. For more information, call 972-335-9522.

October 12-November 4

Three terrifying tales of horror and suspense—Poe's The Tell-Tale Heart, Bierce's An Occurrence at Owl Creek Bridge, Jacob's The Monkey's Paw congregate to haunt audiences not once, not twice, but three times.

These performances are full of thrills and chills for audience members 10 years and older. Performances will be held at the Crescent Theater, 2215 Cedar Springs Rd., across from the Crescent Court Hotel. Call the Box Office at 214-978-0110 for reservations and ticket information.

The Plano Chamber of Commerce will host its annual Mini Golf Tournament at Putt-Putt Golf and Games on Coit Rd. The event will begin with a BB gun start at 1 p.m. For more information or to register for the tournament, call 972-424-7547.

October 13-14

The first annual Dallas Whole Bead Show will be held at the Radisson Hotel Central Dallas, 6060 North Central Expressway, Four Seasons Ballroom. This show hosts bead makers, merchants and traders from all over the world exhibiting beads made of glass, stone, metal, etc. and trade beads, findings, buttons, charms, tools, books and beaded jewelry. Admission is \$5 and the show is from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. For more information, call 1-800-292-2577.

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