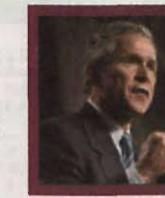


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in Historic Dickens Downtown Plano and Christmas Tree Lighting on Friday December 6 in Historic Downtown Plano. Browse the shops and join in the family activities. Call the Plano Parks & Recreation Department at 972-941-7250 for more information.

Plano's 30th Annual Christmas Parade and Pancake Breakfast, December 7 in downtown Plano. Parade starts at 9:00 a.m., breakfast begins earlier. Media coverage by NBC Channel 5. For more information call 972-424-1714.

Following the Christmas parade on December 7, The Interurban Museum on 15th Street, Plano, solutes the Centennial of the North Texas Interurban System and DART's arrival in Plano, with commemorative Postal ancellation Stamp, Available throughout the day.

On December 7, DART Rail celebrates the opening of two Plano Stations, with trains scheduled to start running on December 9. Festivities to celchrate the Downtown Plane and Parker Road Stations will be held in downtown Plans

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Welcomes 125th Charter

By: Monica Thornton

"A vision opens the door to new experiences. You must not be afraid of new ideas, you must be creative, take the initiative and be resourceful," said Soror Shirley Fisher in hcr challenge to the 26 members of the newest Chapter to be Chartered into Alpha Kappa Alpha (AKA) Sorority. Saturday's At

Chartering Luncheon at the Harvey Hotel in Plano, Mrs.

Fisher, the South Central Regional Director of AKA, welcomed The Pearls of Service not as an interest group, but as Interest Group as the 125th Chapter in her region, which covers Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas and New Mexico.

"You come here today



Mayor Pat Evans presenting the proclaimation to Alpha Kappa Alpha President Vanessa Johnson

Photo Credit Shauna Benoit part of a great sorority, and with

the skills of each one of you I hope you will bring your talents together to serve all mankind in the Plano community," Mrs.

Fisher continued.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority was formed in 1908, and was the first Black sorority. AKA is now present throughout the United States, the Virgin Islands, Japan and Germany.

The Pearls of Service Interest Group started forming approximately a year ago, when four women from Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in Plano realized they were all AKA sisters.

Vanessa Johnson, Mistress of Ceremonies and one of the four women, said they decided to host a tea to see if there was any interest in forming an Interest Group. They discovered that there were See Sorority page 5

Christ and Common Sense 'Open Forum' Teaches Young Women How To Live The Best Life They Can



Plano's Interurban Museum Spruces up in **Time for Downtown** Celebrations

By: Monica Thornton

With help from friends and sponsors, Maggie Sprague and Russ Kissick of the Interurban Museum in Downtown Plano, got busy on Saturday November 23 and repainted the interior walls of the museum, just in time for the many celebrations to be held in Plano on December 6th and 7th.

Sprague and Kissick, co-founders of the Plano Conservancy for Historic Preservation, said they were thankful to all the people who turned up to help them.

"We got started at 8:00 a.m., and had people coming in all day to help," said Sprague. "We're thrilled we've gotten it cleaned up."

At 2:30 in the afternoon, Livette and Russ Briley were doing the finishing touches in the clean up phase. Sprague said they put light switch plates back on the walls, and helped take all the tape off and cleaned up excess paint.

"They turned up just in time, just when we were running out of steam for the clean up," said Sprague Kissick said he is grateful to Sherwin Williams,

who provided the paint and equipment for the day at no charge. And he said Duane Peter and his wife, Bonnie, came along to help with the project. Peter is an archeologist with Plano-based Geo Marine, and has worked along side the Plano Conservancy on the Thornton House project. "Duane Peter is inter-

Annual Christmas Parade, Centennial of North Texas Interurban System, and DART's Arrival in Plano Will Share the Day

ested in getting on board with some projects here at the museum, and with his knowledge he can really help," said Kissick.

Sprague and Kissick agreed that this is an exciting time for them at the museum. On December 6th, Downtown Plano lights up sky with its Christmas tree lighting. Shop owners will once again get the annual out-pouring of Plano residents flooding through their shops, and the Interurban Museum will be See Downtown page 5

after the Christmas Parade.

Rudolph Run, December 7, at a.m., beginning at Allen Senior Center, 102 S. Allen Dr. 5K Rudolph Run \$20 for all ages; 1 mile Elf Run \$10 for children 10 & under; 1 mile Frosty Run/\$10 for senior rdults. Entry forms available a City Hall, Don Rodenbaugh Matatorium and Joe Farmer Elecreation Center. Children an visit with Santa after the rum. Prizes and special giveaways for participants. Call 972-727-0140 for more infermation.

The Plano Chamber of Commerce and SMU-in-'Power .egacy host Tuesday Verworking', December 10, 5:30- 7:30 p.m. Be prepared to give a oneminute "commercial" about your business at many tables. RSVP by December 9 at: waw.planocc.org, or call 927-124-7547, ext 230.

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Standing, from Jeft to right: Alexandria Rodgers, Darranica Cuffie, Precious Melancon. Seated, from left to right: Shelia Young, Tarisha Fluellen, Kimberly Jones. Photo Credit Deborah Kellogg

By: Monica Thornton

If you think talking to your teenage daughter about anything is hard, try talking with more than 20 teenage women at one meeting. That's exactly what Rev. Marilyn Giles did this last Saturday, November 23, 2002, at her women ages 13 and up.

Reverend Giles, an ordained minister since 1991, founded the Christian based business 'Christ and Common Sense' which is a Christian activities consulting service, specializing in seminars and

open forum "Let's Talk", for workshops. Saturday's forum was just one outreach area of her ministry and business, and was designed to promote communication with young adult females on how they can live and be their best at all times. Rev. Giles said that

there was a smaller attendance See Common Sense page 2

National Urban League Should **Break with Tradition**

By. George E. Curry

Eight years ago, the National Urban League took a chance by hiring Hugh B. Price, a person unknown in the national civil rights community, to be its new president. Price is stepping down and the league has a wonderful opportunity to again break with tradition-by hiring a woman to succeed Price.

I didn't say consider hiring a woman. I say do it. How many times have we seen African-Americans "considered" for a job opening or go through the phony job postings, only to later learn that the fix was already in?

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So, let's skip the charade and go directly to the point. Hiring a woman as head of the Urban League would represent a bold and refreshing change in civil rights leadership. I am not saying hire any woman. There are more than enough capable females who could run the National Urban League at least as well as the men running the NAACP, Rainbow/PUSH or the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. And that's on their bad days.

high-profile Black women who immediately come to mind for this opening. All of them should be considered, but the search

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shouldn't stop there. Fortunately, women run or have managed numerous professional groups, including the National Bar Association, the National Medical Association, the National Association of Black Journalists, the National Black MBA Association, the National Dental Association, the Association of Black Sociologists and the National Conference of Black Political Scientists.

However, it's a different I don't have to name all the story when it comes to sharing power in our civil rights organizations. In some respects, Black

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Rankin: 'Whatever it takes' Must Be Response to Lost World

By Mark Kelly

PLANO, Texas (BP)-Guts heart breaks for multitudes all over the world who are dving without ever hearing about abundant, etcrnal life in Christ, International Mission Board President Jerry Rankin told 95 new Southern Baptist missionaries during a Nov. 3 appointment service at Prestonwood Baptist Church in Plano, Texas.

And the only response a child of God can make is total abandonment - a "whatever it takes" commitment to take the gaspel to all the nations, he said.

"How is it that you are willing to give your life in a time of economic uncertainty, global tensions, rampant ethnic warfare and unprecedented suffering?" Rankin asked the new missionaries. "It's because you realize that Jesus is the answer, and that if the peoples of the world are ever going to know of God's love and his redemptive grace that can give them hope in the midst of darkness and despair, someone must go and tell."

Like the apostle Paul, who said, "I have made myself a slave to all, that I might win the more" (1 Corinthians 9:19), Christians are compelled by the need of a lost world to go wherever God calls. Rankin said.

The new missionaries - the second-largest group in the board's

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Plano,

157-year history - were appointed before a crowd of more than 4.000. Prestonwood's worship team, choir and orchestra set the tone for the evening with a multimedia performance titled "All the Nations."

Pastor Jack Graham told the crowd, "We are here to do exactly what the Psalmist said in Psalm 2:8 'Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance.' We are praying tonight that God will give us the nations."

The desperation of people living in spiritual darkness compels God's children to obey his call to missions, several of the new missionaries said

"As J watched a woman crawl on her bleeding knees to bow before an idol, I committed my life to bringing Christ's good news to the 24 million people of Mexico City," said Greta Nelson of DeWitt, Va.

Another new worker, whose identity cannot be revealed because of security concerns, said he surrendered to God's call when a child with muscuhar dystrophy crawled half a mile across rocky ground to ask him for e 1 P

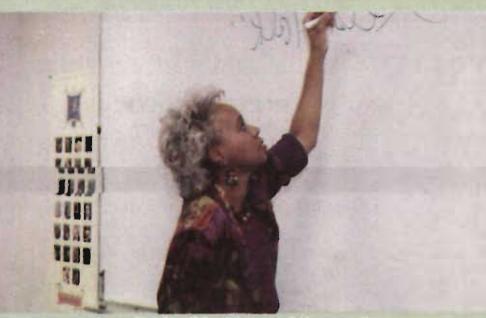
We are confronted by the challenge of sharing the gospel with people who are demon-possessed. They worship evil spirits, suffer from evil cuse and are in spiritual bondage," said Seng Herr of Kansas City, Kan.

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Right to Left : Kimberly, Jones, Tarisha Fluellen, and Flora Kynard. "Debt Free & Properous Living"



Marilyn Giles, Christ and Common Sense



Ms. Giles connects with "Future Productive Citizens"

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than usual, but it helped to create an intimate atmosphere, which, she said helped the young women open up and participate in the discussion time.

Kimberly Jones, a member of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, said she chaperoned some young women from the church to the forum. Jones said she didn't think the forum would be applicable to her as she is not a teenager, but was pleasantly surprised by the topics covered.

"I thought it was bene-

tionship, as someone usually ends up getting hurt. And she also cautioned the women to be careful not to tell everybody their business.

"True friendship is a healthy spiritual, mental and emotional relationship. My friends want the best for me," said Rev. Giles.

Courtship and dating came next. In true courtship, she said, there is no sex. Rather, you are taking the time to look at the other person and see if this is truly someone you can spend the rest of you life with. And to communicate effectively,

ipant. "I spent time with the Lord and went through some common sense ideas for marriage," said Rev. Giles.

First, she said you must be committed to your marriage 110%, and remember that it is never 50/50.

"Be sure you can, before you say I do," she added.

And learn to delight in the differences between you, Rev. Giles said. Married people were raised with differences, in different homes with different ways, and marriage should be a journey of discovering the person you married.



Marilyn Giles, and the young women at the forum discuss the morning's topics.

think it would be, but Reverend Giles covered topics for all ages."

once the participants were relaxed and felt a level of trust, they comfortably took part in the open forum.

The first topic covered relationships, which was encompassed acquaintances, associates and friends. Rev. Giles encouraged the women to develop healthy relationships, with a solid level of trust. She warned against becoming too connected too soon in any rela-

ficial," Jones said. "I didn't Rev. Giles told the women not to settle for going to a club, the movies, or for dinner.

> "You can't talk at a club Rev. Giles said that or the movies, and you can't talk with your mouth full of food," she added. "Go to the arboretum, or the zoo, so you can talk and communicate."

> > Rev. Giles said that many couples split up after years of marriage complaining about a lack of communication, but she said if they are honest, there never was any communication.

And 25 hints for a healthier and happier marriage were handed out to each partic-

Rev. Giles said it is important to try and establish and maintain familial relationships, and to talk and listen to what your family members are really saying.

And she said the main key to what she does is Christ. He has shown her that the key to a better life is personal responsibility. Rev. Giles said, "It comes down to asking yourself 'what can I do'. You're either part of your problem, or part of your solution."

To contact Reverend Marilyn Giles you can log onto her website at: www.marilyngiles.com

On-going

Nature Stories at Heard and Wildlife Sanctuary, every

7:00 p.m. Show begins at 8:00 p.m. 213 E. Louisiana St., down-Natural Science Museum town. Admission: \$12 adults and \$10 senior citizens and children

ceptions about bats. One Nature McKinney. Place, Call 972.562.5566, visit Or

Around The Town

Federation-Dallas Alumni Chapter is selling tickets to the Bayou Classic (Southern

December 4 - 7 City of Frisco Gingerbread House Contest, deadline for tures taken with Santa from 10 entries is December 3, at the a.m. until 1 p.m., parents can Chamber of Commerce, 6843 Main Street, next to City Hall, Entry Fee is \$5 per house. Explore your culinary and creative talents and build the house of your dreams. Gingerbread houses will be displayed at the Frisco Chamber December 4 - 7, with judging on December 5. There's a contest for everyone individuals, groups, amateurs and professionals.

XTreme Teens will host a bake sale. Children can have pic-

by the Heard Nature Store www.mckinneysquaremeal.com. staff, and incorporate music, nature crafts and nature walks. Free with general admission. For topics and details тоге call 972.562.5566.

Come' and see the Belgian draft horses, the mascot hitch team for Owens Country Sausage and the farming museum in Richardson. Petting zoo featuring pygmy goats, lambs, turkeys and pot-bellied pigs. 401 E. Lookout Drive, off Plano Road, Richardson. Open daily, 9 am to 4 pm. Call 972-235-0192.

Barnyard Buddies, at Fairview Farms, 3316 N. Central Expwy, at Parker Road, next to Hoffbrau. Country activities with a Western theme for kids. Visit the petting zoo, take a hayride or pony ride. Picnic tables on site. Available for birthday parties. Call 972-633-9779. Open 7 days a week.

Through December 20

McKinney Dinner Theatre at McKinney Square Meal present, "All Scrooged Up," Friday and Saturday evenings through December 20. Doors open at

Saturday at 11:00 am., and under 12 years. For more infor-2:00 p.m. Stories are hosted mation: 972-548-6900 or visit

Through December 31

The International Library of Poetry is inviting poets from the Plano area to submit their entries to try and win their share of over 250 prizes. Deadline for the contest is December 31, and is free. To enter, send ONE original poem, any subject and any style to: The International Library of Poetry, Suite 19915, 1 Poetry Plaza, Owings Mills, MD 21117. The poem should be 20 lines or less, and the poet's name and address should appear on the top of the page. Entries must be postmarked or sent via the Internet by December 31, 2002. You may also enter online at www.poetry.com.

Through January 5, 2003

Secrets of Aging at the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History. Featuring four major themes: Body, Mind, Society and Longevity. \$7 adults, \$6 seniors, \$5 children 3-12. For more information and operating hours, call 817-255-9300, or visit www.fortworthmuseum.org.

Through January 6, 2003

Masters of the Night: The True Story of Bats, at the Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary. A 2,500 sq.ft exhibit, to dispel popular misconwww.heardmuseum.org.

Through January 6

Santa vs. The Snowman, the first-ever IMAX animated holiday feature film, at the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History, 1501 Montgomery Street, Fort Worth. A heart warming story of a lonely snowman swept away by the wonders of Santa's Village, then becomes jealous and wages war on Santa, but after a high spirited and wacky feud friendship reigns. For show times and information call 817-255-9300, or go to www.fortworthmuseum.org.

Through January 12

The new Roger Moore Photography Exhibit at the Heard Natural Science Museum and Wildlife Sanctuary in McKinney unveils the richness and beauty of nature through photographic art. Including scenes from Big Bend National Park. Free with regular admission to the Heard Museum.

November 29

Child Drop-Off and Shop Event, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the Don Rodenbaugh Natatorium, 110 E. Rivercrest. \$10 for natatorium members/\$15 for non-members. Advanced registration recommended. For more information call 972-747-4150.

November 30

The Southern University

University vs. Grambling State University) to be held November 30. Tickets are quadrant seating located on the Superdome's lodge level for \$50. For more information and an order form, contact the Dallas Chapter at 972-480-(5247), JAGS or SUAFDal@aol.com.

The Ballet Foundation for the XXI Century presents the Christian interpretation of "The Nutcracker Opera-Ballet", 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., at the Performing Arts Center, 300 North Fifth. Call 972-931-5755 for tickets and information.

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December 4

The Plano Chamber of Commerce hosts its Quarterly Membership Luncheon, featuring Mayor Pat Evans' State of the City Address and 2002 Athena Award Presentation, at 11:30 a.m. at the Plano Centre, 2000 E. Spring Creek Parkway. Reservations on a first-come, first-pay basis, no tickets sold at the door. Replies required by Wednesday, November 27.

December 5 - 7

Come see Westlake Park, Mesquite, transformed into a winter wonderland, at the 15th Annual Christmas in the Park, from 6:00-9:00pm each night. Santa's workshop and much more. For more information call the Parks and Recreation Department at 972-216-6260.

December 6

City of Allen Tree Lighting with Santa 7 p.m. at City Hall, 305 Century Parkway. Santa will be available to take pictures with children of all ages. Enjoy the sounds of a local choir and warm up with season goodies. Hosted in conjunction with Home for the Holidays sponsored by the Allen Chamber of Commerce.

December 7

Allen Christmas Bazaar and Craft Fair, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Joe Farmer Recreation Center, 1201 E. Bethany Drive. Shop for unique gifts and home decor. The

take the picture or Parks and Recreation staff will take the picture for \$2. For more information call 972- 727-0152.

12th Annual Merry Main Street, downtown Frisco, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. Celebrate the holidays and mark the end of Frisco's Centennial year with the Christmas Tree Lighting and festival. Student choirs and local talent will perform. Festival also features face painting, a mini train ride, live reindeer and Santa. Children can shop for grownups in the Kid's Holidaystore; nothing priced over \$5 bucks.

Holiday movie at the Mesquite Public Library, 300 West Grubb Drive, 12 noon. Come and enjoy hot chocolate!

December 9 - 12

Mesquite Community Theatre auditions "Eat Your Heart Out", each evening at 7 p.m. Call 972-216-8126 for more information.

December 10

Seasonal preschool story time for ages 3-5 year olds at the Mesquite Public Library, 300 West Grubb Drive at 10:30 a.m. Be there for Christmas stories, a short movie and some goodies!

Community Calendar Sponsored by Southwestern Bell Telephone



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Editorial

THE TRUTH CLINIC **Homeland Security-Black Insecurity**

In the short span of thirteen months the Bush Administration has steamrolled two bills through congress, The USA Patriot Act and the Homeland Security Act. This potentially lethal combination should put every American on high alert. The bills promise much but do little to increase our safety. However, they do much to undermine our constitutional liberties and right to privacy.

All Americans share in the desire to increase homeland security. There is no doubt that Al Qaeda is a dangerous terrorist network. They will do whatever they can, even destroy themselves, in order to disrupt and destroy America. But the Patriot Act and the Homeland Security Act contain provisions that are an insult to the democratic ideals that are the foundation of our Constitution.

It is particularly disturbing that many Americans have no idea what these laws are, or what they contain, let alone an understanding of how the laws adversely impact them.

Under these Acts, investigators can obtain information ranging from personal e-mail, phone data, wiretaps, personal records, educational records, and personal banking transactions, all without your knowledge or permission. All that is required is a certification by a federal investigator that the information is necessary for an investigation. There is no opportunity for judicial review since the information is obtained in secret and the Acts provide that the person or entity providing the information is immune from civil liability.

It is interesting how power crazed leaders resurrect history's worst dregs. There is an

eerie similarity between the new anti-terrorism Acts and the monstrous Alien and Sedition Acts of 1798. Both were enacted after attacks on Americans during times of fear and hysteria. The Alien & Sedition Acts not only failed to protect Americans but ended up causing extreme violations of American's civil rights.

The Acts stated purpose was to protect against dangerous aliens. But they were used to keep qualified candidates who had recently become U.S. citizens out of congress and to arrest, prosecute, and jail citizens who dared to oppose the Administration.

Now Attorney General Ashcroft can essentially throw anyone in jail. All he has to do is label a suspect as a "terrorist," or "threat to national security," and the suspect can be detained. He can do this without explanation based on "evidence" he never reveals, even if the evidence is mere hearsay.

And Blacks need to be aware of the real possibility that the law will be applied to any other citizen that causes the Administration real or perceived concern. Patriot and Homeland allow the FBI to spy on Americans whom no court has determined to have done anything wrong.

Yet with such imminent grave danger, there is no national outcry, demonstrations or protests from white or Black leaders against the most outrageous assault on the Constitution in 200 years.

Americans would do well to consider the warning issued by Senator Edward Livingston during the debates on the Alien and Sedition Acts in 1798.

"If we are ready to violate the Constitution, will the people submit to our unauthorized acts? Sir, they ought not to submit; they would deserve the chains that these measures are

forging for them. The country will swarm with informers, spies, delators, and all the odious reptile tribe that breed in the sunshine of despotic power ... The hours of the most unsuspected confidence, the intimacies of friendship, or the recesses of domestic retirement, afford no security. The companion whom you trust, the friend in whom you must confide, are all tempted to betray your unguarded follies; to misrepresent your words; to convey them, distorted by calumny, to the secret tribunal where jealousy presides - where fear officiates as accuser, and suspicion is the only evidence that is heard ... Do not let us be told that we are to excite a fervor against a foreign aggression only to establish a tyranny at home ... and that we are absurd enough to call ourselves free and enlightened while we advocate principles that would have disgraced the age of Gothic barbarity."

It stands to reason that if the American public remains complacent and Congressional opposition remains quiescent, the executive branch will become so accustomed to their despotic powers they will not want to relinquish them even when the threat is gone. That should not be allowed to happen, and only a vigilant and informed American public can prevent it.

A free and open society is the true answer to terrorism. This neither requires naive selfexposure to danger nor creating. a dictatorial police state.

James W. Breedlove Comments or opinions may be sent to the writer jaydubub@swbell.net

On Letting Go by : Unknown

Inspiration

To "let go" does not mean to stop caring, it means I can't do it for someone else. To "let go" is not to cut myself off, it's the realization I can't control another. To "let go" is not to enable, but to allow learning from natural consequences. To "let go" is to admit powerlessness, which means the outcome is not in may hands.

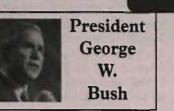
- To "let go" is not to try to change or blame another, it's to make the most of myself.
- To "let go" is not to care for, but to care about.
- To "let go" is not to fix, but to be supportive.
- To "let go" is not to judge, but to allow another to be a human being.
- To "let go" is not to be in the middle arranging all the outcomes, but to allow others to effect their destinies.
- To "let go" is not to be protective, it's to permit another to face reality.

To "let go" is not to deny, but to accept.

- To "let go" is not to nag, scold, or argue, but instead to search out my own shortcomings and correct them.
- To "let go" is not to adjust everything to my desires, but to take each day as it comes, and cherish myself in it.
- To "let go" is not to criticize and regulate anybody, but to try to become what I dream I can be.
- To "let go" is not to regret the past, but to grow and live for the future.

To "let go" is to fear less, and love more.

Capitol Watch



Remarks by the President at the Signing of H.R. 5005 the Homeland Security Act of 2002 The East Room 1:30 P.M. EST

THE PRESIDENT: Thanks for coming. Thanks for the warm welcome, and welcome to the White House

Today, we are taking historic action to defend the United States and protect our citizens against the dangers of a new era. With my signature, this act of Congress will create a new Department of Homeland Security, ensuring that our efforts to defend this country are comprehensive and united.

The new department will analyze threats, will guard our borders and airports, protect our critical infrastructure, and coordinate the response of our nation for future emergencies. The Departmento Homeland Security will focus the full resources of the American government on the safety of the American people. This essential reform was carefully considered by Congress and enacted with strong bipartisan majorities.

I want to thank Tom Ridge, the Homeland Security Advisor, for his hard work on this initiative. I want to thank all the members of niv Cabinet who are here for their work. I want to thank the members of Congress who are with us today, particularly those members of Congress who were essential to the passage, many of Dallas, Texas 753070-0596 whom stand up here on the stage with me. One member not with us is our mutual friend from Texas, Phil Gramm. I appreciate his hard work, I thank the work of Senator Fred Thompson and Senator Joe Lieberman. I appreciate Zell Miller and Don Nickles' hard work as well. We've got a lot of members from the House here and I want to thank you all for coming. I particularly want to pay homage to Dick Armey, who shepherded the bill to the floor of the House of

President Bush Signs Homeland Security Act

I appreciate Kay James of Office of Personnel Management who worked so hard to make sure this effort was understood by everybody in our government, and I want to thank the other administration officials who are here, many of whom are going to be responsible for seeing to it this new department functions well.



i want to thank all the local and tate officials who are bere with us today. I see governors and county judges, mayors for coming. My own mayor - the Mayor of Washington, D.C., I appreciate you coming, Mr. Mayor.

I want to thank the local and state law enforcement officials who are here, the chiefs of police and fire chiefs who are with us

activity, we're freezing terrorist finances, we're disrupting terrorist plots, we're shutting down terrorist camps, we're on the hunt one person at a time. Many terrorists are now being interrogated. Many terrorists have been killed. We've liberated a country.

We recognize our greatest security is found in the relentless pursuit of these cold-blooded killers. Yet, because terrorists are targeting America, the front of the new war is here in America. Our life changed and changed in dramatic fashion on September the 11th, 2001.

In the last 14 months, every level of our government has taken steps to be better prepared against a terrorist attack. We understand the nature of the enemy. We understand they hate us because of what we love. We're doing everything we can to enhance security at our airports and prever plants and bardet crossings. We've deelour detection equipment to look weapons of mass destruction. We've given law enforcement better tools to detect and disrupt terrorist cells which might be hiding in our own country.

And through separate legislation I signed earlier today, we will strengthen security at our nation's 361 scaports, adding port

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Bayou Classic Tickets on Sale

Alumni Superdome lodge level for Federation-Dallas Chapter \$50 plus your perferred is selling tickets to the method of return mailing:

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or mail payment to:

P.O. Box 700596

SUFA Dallas Chapter

Attn: Bayou Classic

Bayou Classic (Southern University Vs Grambling State University) on a first purchase first sell basis. The Bayou classic will be on November 30th.

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University

Priority mail: \$3.85 Overnight mail: \$3.65 Postal Insurance \$1.50 per ticket.

For more information The tickets are quad- including an order form,



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

While you ponder that thought we would like to announce that Minority Opportunity News, Inc., formerly a Dallas based renaissance community tabloid, founded in 1991, has relocated to Plano, Texas,

and changebour name to MON-The Gazette. In addition to 1 noring our offices's "Plano, our editorial coverage has also st ifted to encompass D'allar' Northern Corristor. The Northern Contidor is clearly the fasted growing region in Texas, if not in America. MON-The Bazefit believes that the engine to continue this growth is the airport expansion in McKinney, which is the largest and most visible of nnanyarea opportunities. As always, and true



to tradition, MON-The Gazette will be there carving a world of opportunity for those seeking to provide quality services. Should you dare to expand your quest for economic parody outside the southern region or just want to know what is going on up north-

Think of MON-The Gazette as your paper of opportunity!

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

Representatives. I'll miss him -I'm not so sure everybody will. (Laughter and applause.) I thank Tom DeLay for making sure the bill got passed. I thank

Rob Portman for his hard work. And I want to thank Ellen Tauscher as well for her leadership on this issue,

today. I see the chief of my city now is here as well. Thank you, Mr. Chief, for coming.

I want to thank the union representatives who are here. We look forward to working with you to make sure that your people are treated fairly in this new department. I want to thank the federal workers who are here. You're charged with being on the front line of protecting America. I understand your job, we look forward to working with you to make sure vou get your job done. I want to thank the President's Homeland Security Advisory Council as well. And thank you all for coming.

From the morning of September the 11th, 2001, to this hour, America has been engaged in an unprecedented effort to defend our freedom and our security. We're fighting a war against terror with all our resources, and we're determined to win.

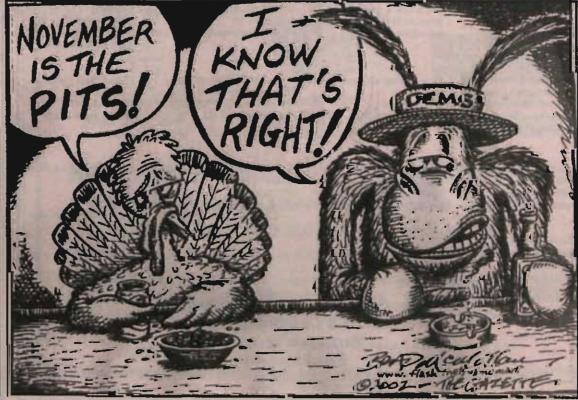
With the help of many nations, with the help of 90 nations, we're tracking terrorist

security agents, requiring ships to provide more information about the cargo, crew and passengers they carry. And I want to thank the members of Congress for working hard on this important piece of legislation as well.

The Homeland Security Act of 2002 takes the next critical steps in defending our courtry. The continuing threat of terrorism, the threat of mass murder on our own soil will be met with a unified, effective response.

Dozens of agencies charged with homeland security will now be located within one Cabinet department with the mandate and legal authority to protect our people. America will be better able to respond to any future attacks, to reduce our vulnerability and, most important, prevent the terrorists from taking innocent American lives

The Department of Homeland Security will have nearly 170,000 employees, dedicated See Bush on page 7



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men don't treat Black women any better than Whites treat them.

In its 92-year history, the National Urban League has never had a Black woman as its head. The NAACP, a year older, has had Black women serve as president (Rupert Richardson) and board chair (Margaret Bush Wilson), but has never had a woman serve as it chief spokesperson, a position that was called executive director until Kweisi Mfume assumed his present position as president and CEO

Rev. Willie Barrow has served as board chair of Jesse Jackson's Rainbow/PUSH Coalition. Although he is listed as president, Jackson remains firmly in charge of the organization he founded. If the civil rights community refuses to have women as the head of their organizations, they will only be postponing the inevitable. Visit any college campus and you will see that there are more Black women on campus than African-American men. Attend most of our professional conventions, such as the Black MBAs, and observe the paucity of men.

hasn't happened already-that when a person of our race is selected solely on merit, in many instances, that will be a sister. Not because of any gender superiority, but because they have applied themselves. And it's going to get worse if we don't divert more of our young men from the growing prisonindustrial complex. As lethargic as some of our recent leaders have been, we should welcome new faces and new ideas. As Hugh Price demonstrated during his tenure, the solution to every problem facing us can't be effectively addressed by calling a press conference or organizing a march. And on some issues, such as academic achievement, the work must be done away from the glare of television

Women have always been a part of struggle. Among them: Harriett Tubman, Sojourner Truth, Mary McLeod Bethune, Ida B. Wells-Barnett, Ella Baker, Fannie Lou Hammer and Angela Davis. It's an inspiration to see Dorothy Height of the National Council on Negro Women still on the scene today. No one can argue about the success of Elaine Jones at the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, the work of Ramona H. Edelin when she headed the

cameras

It's only a matter of time-if it National Urban Coalition.

Women also have proven themselves in the corporate world, including Cathy Hughes, chair and founder of Radio One; Ann Fudge, former head of Kraft's Maxwell House and Post cereal divisions; Ingrid Saunders Jones, senior vice president of the Coca-Cola Co. and president of the Coca-Cola Foundation; and Pamela Thomas-Graham, president and CEO of CNBC television network.

Mary Frances Berry, chair of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, and Eleanor Holmes Norton, the District of Columbia's delegate to Congress, have brilliant minds and have a long history of fighting for our causes. They also have remained in the background as they have supported some national civil rights leaders, lending their support out of public view.

It's no longer acceptable for our women leaders to remain in the background or suppress their leadership skills. This is not a matter of emasculating men. It's a matter of seeking the best talent available, regardless of where it may be. If a woman is a better leader than a man, then so be it. We all stand to benefit.

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30th ANNUAL PLANO CHRISTMAS PARADE. "AN OLD FASHION CHRISTMAS"

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Saturday, December 7, 2002, at 9:00am floats, bands, drill teams, cars with lots of kids, and Santa Claus will wind their way through historic downtown Plano for the Annual Christmas Parade! Parade Route starts at 19th St at Ave M(Church parking lot), West to Ave K, South to 15th St, East on 15th St to Ave P and North on Ave P to 18th St -(Williams High School) NBC. 5 will be broadcasting the Parade live.

Ed Nalley, Parade Chairperson, said this is part of our community service. He is expecting over 200 entries in the Parade. The theme for 2002 is "AN OLD FASHION CHRISTMAS". Last year over 70% of the people in the parade were youth and kids. The largest groups were the YMCA Guides and Princesses with over 100 entries. There were Girl and Boy Scout groups, many churches, sports groups and civic organizations. Plano ISD has already committed to having all nine high school bands, cheerleaders,-ROTC and drill teams in the parade. Girl Scouts will be pulling red wagons to collect canned goods from parade

watchers for the Plano Food Pantry.

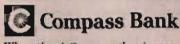
The First United Methodist Men will be cooking an "All U Can Eat Pancake Breakfast" from 6:30 - 11 AM. Proceeds go to the Plano Food Pantry. Pancake Breakfast Location: First United Methodist Church, 1111 19th Street, in the Gym.

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Area News

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North Central Medical Center Purchases Latest in MRI Technology

North Central Medical Center in McKinney, TX has purchased the latest in MRI technology from GE Medical Systems. The new system makes North Central Medical Center one of the first few sites in the area to feature the new system from GE.

"This open MRI system strengthens our commument to providing the most advanced patient care with cost-effective technology, " says Dr. David Res. Chief of Medical Staff at North Central Medical Center. "In simple terms. GE has married the look and feel of open MR1 systems with the performance of an advance high-field system. It's the only wide-open, high-field MRI system on the market that

The Garland Police

Department has completed an

application for CALEA accred-

itation. This is a very important

step in the history of the depart-

the Accreditation of Law

Enforcement Agencies) was

created in 1979 by the

International Association of

Chiefs of Police, the National

Sheriff's Association, the

National Organization of Black

Law Enforcement Executives,

and the Police Executive

Research Forum. Since that

time, CALEA has provided

internationally recognized stan-

dards to be met by law enforce-

ment agencies throughout the

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does not compromise clinical performance."

"The new wide open system provides a more patient-friendly scanning environment. In addition, technologists and doctors have better access to patients during an exam," says David Rex. M.D. " The design will also allow us to expand the clinical use of an MRI system into areas such as interventional, cardiac and neurology."

Physician specialists, known as Radiologists, read all MRI results. North Central Medical Center based radiologists, Dr. David Rex and Dr. George Graham, have joined forces with Texas Radiology Associates, a group of over 40 radiologists. Specialty training for

Garland Police Department Seeks Accreditation Status Citizen Input Requested

program is to improve delivery

of law enforcement service by

offering a body of standards,

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practizioners, covering a wide

range of up-to-date law enforce-

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143 established CALEA stan-

dards. After a period of self-

examination, (the department's

goal is 18-24 months) CALEA

will send a team of nation-wide

assessors to verify that the

Garland Police Department has

in fact met all applicable

CALEA standards. After prov-

The Police Department

applicable standards.

Commission's

accreditation

this group includes advanced education. in MRI, Interventional Radiology, NeuroRadiology, Women's Imaging and Pediatric Radiology.

North Central Medical Center provides a full range of medical imaging procedures at several locations, with approximately 60,000 procedures annually. Imaging services are provided at the main hospital campus, North Central Women's Center, Wysong campus, Senior Health Center, and Frisco Healthcare complex. North Central Medical Center, located in McKinney, east of Highway 75 - exit 38, continues to provide the most advanced technology available for diagnosis and treatment.

compliance with all the applica-

ble standards, the department

will be granted the status of

being a nationally accredited law

enforcement agency. This will

assure our citizens that the

Garland Police Department is

operating at the highest possible

level of professionalistn in the

the accreditation program

Successful completion of

law enforcement profession.



Alpha Kappa Alpha source Charte Members

many more AKA sisters at the Church, and soon they formed the Pearls of Service Interest Group

Johnson said that since coming together, the group has been involved with the Juneteenth Celebrations at the Douglass Community Center,

to come together. We are bound to each other by our pludge of service."

More than 100 people attended the luncheon, including Mayor of Plano, Pat Evans, who said it was an honor to be present on behalf of the City of Plano, Mayor Evans congratu-



spending time tutoring students, teaching vacation Bible School, helping at Hopes Door, and has hosted a scholarship reception for high school students.

Mrs. Fisher visited with

Vanessa Johnson - President being presented with the charter by Mrs. Shirley Fisher lated the Charter members on their achievements and hard WOrk.

> Other people in attendance were Pastor Isaah Joshua of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, Associate Minister, Daniel Shaw, of Shiloh, and church members including husbands of the Sorority Sisters, who were each presented with a rose by their WITCS

Mrs. Fisher encouraged the Chaster Members in their service to help, not hinder; encourage, not oppose; to lift, not put down; to walk to. not away hom.

"I want you to be endowed with the power to fultill your pledge to the community, which will produce pictures of our service to mankind," said Mrs. Fisher,

All 26 members were introduced at the lancheon, and presented with the proclamation of their Charter.

Mrs. Lisher has been with the sorority for 38 years. and is in her second term as Regional Director.

"It takes a lot of energy to keep up with my traveling schedule, but with Chapters in four States, I have to travel," said Mrs. Fisher, "But if a Chapter calls, I go That's a commitment I made when 1 was elected."

Soror, and Shiloh Church member, Tavari Floyd. said she has been in AKA for seven years, joining a graduate Chapter in Syracuse, New York, in 1905.

"I poined begause I south the service programs they ende doing in the community," Playe spint.

Visiting from Houston was Sorer Keysha Thomas. Thomay said she was invited to the luncheon by one of the Charter members who pledged with her two years ago. She saul that her mother, aunts and cousins are in AKA, and she grew tip seeing them involved in service projects. Thomas said the positive impact of that prompted her into joining. Sile also added that no matter where you go, you always have long of family in Alpha Kappa Alpha.

encourages and requires commitment from all levels of the police organization. An important part of the accreditation process will provide the citizens of Garland an opportunity to participate in the development and operations of the department. The CALEA assessors will

be visiting with involved citizens across the community for input

> for this," said Mrs. Fisher, "We are a service chapter. AKA was created to be an action group. Now it's time for all 26 of you

The overall purpose of the ling the Police Department is in and opinions. The Newest City Sources For Garland Residents

child safety programs to helpful

www.garlandtracelemnto.co m And Channel 81 are the newest City sources for restdents to obtain information regarding transportation projects and their impacts, such as road and lane closures in the Garland area.

Both outlets feature a description of major construc-

transportation changes, a picture of the work site, and information about the duration of the project.

Project maps are available. on the web site for those interested in viewing each project's lumits. Web surfers can also find a lank to the Transportation department's home page, where tion projects causing mathic or indomnation is given on several topics of interest, ranging from

telephone numbers. The television counterpart to www.garlandmayelerinfo.com, Channel 81 on Garland AT&T

Cable, gives viewers brief information about major traffic and transportation happenings in the Garland area. It contains abbreviated versions of the web site information, minus the project maps.

celebrations on December 7th

to recognize the rail opening of



the group and encouraged them to become a Chapter. "It was evident when I visited with you, and from the documents and proposal you submitted that you were ready

open for visitors to get a flavor of Phano's history. Many nameties for the family are planned to high off the Christonia sea-SOD.

And on the mouning of December 7th set up early and tom the pancake breakfast and Plano's annual Christmas parade. The breakfast begans with a motif depicting the old around 6:30 a.m., and if the temperatures are low; in max nist be what you need to made through the day's destriction. The parade this year has to take a slight diversion due to the presence of the DART and system. NBC Channel 5 will be out and about filming the event, with one stationary camera, and one roving cantura.

"You have to bring your kids here, everyone will be here on Friday and Separatay," said Sprague

And after the parade, the Interurban Museum begins us contennial celebrations with congratulatory speeches by Mayor Patt Evans, Plano's new Post Master Jenry Long, and Robert Pope, Chairman of the Board for DART.

Standing outside the museum is a train carning that not only provided public transportation, ibar was also a mail delivery service counting through Plano from 1902 antil 10.18. when cans becama more populue. For its part in recognizing the compensat of the train in Plano, dar 'internibari Museum has had a special stamp cancel-Lation created. And on Desember: 7th was can take any mult to the transcare as get this. stamp carreefficient.

"This is a collectible, and some collectors really like to get special cancellations" Sand September

Postal employees will be at the museum on 15th Street or Decimber 7th to help with the cancellation and to sell stamps, but Sprague said you can also bring your mail almostly stamped. She added that the muscuum has created a cachet, which is an envelope rail car anal the new DART rail. These will also be in specially created folders, available for \$7,045

two Plano stations on Monday, December 9th. The downtown and the Parker Road stations are getting ready to change the fives of Plano residents with rail access to downtown Dallas and many metroplex attractions. To help the trains glide into the stations and familiarize passengers with their rail system, DART will provide information and free rides on trains And DART has its own on December 7th,

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If You Can't Beat 'Em, Buy 'Em

By: James Clingman

Since the mid-1980's, that has been the mantra of big corporations. We witnessed the buyout of many companies by the giants of industry and saw when even the threat of a buyout would cause the wealth of people like T. Boone Pickens and Ross Perot to increase exponentially. We saw the same thing with Rupert Murdock, Carl Icahn, and others who made a killing not only by buying out their competitors, but by purchasing other business plums that instantly made them billionaires. During that period in the eighties you may also remember the infamous comments of Revlon executive, Irving Bottner, who stated that Black owned hair care companies would soon be bought by majority companies. (Eerie, isn't it?)

Nearly twenty years later as we look back at all of those companies, all of those millionaires turned billionaires, and all of those tens of thousands of laid off employees, the trend for future takeovers is quite evident. An analysis and understanding of this trend are vital to the survival of Black owned business in this country.

I'm sure you have heard the saying, "Draw your enemies close to you." You have also heard the tried and true saying, "If you can't beat 'em, join 'em." These two maxims are the drumbeat of the so-called new economy, except the latter saying has been changed; instead of joining them, the trend is now to buy them. Although this particular scenario has taken place across the color line, we are concerned about the obvious trend by larger companies to gobbleup major Black owned business-CS.

A friend once told me that a skeptic is someone who reads the handwriting on the wall and thinks it's a forgery. That adage expresses our current economic situation, in which Black companies are being bought and sold like never before. While I understand the practicality of starting and building a business to the point or which it becomes so attractive that others want to buy it, my ambivalence about these deals is disconcerting. On one hand, it has to be difficult to turn down hundreds of millions of dollars - something I will never relate to - but are those millions worth the lost of viable Black owned businesses? A better question is: Are Black businesses being bought by white companies because they are so good or because those Black businesses are capturing too much of what many are now calling the "arban market" and the "emerging Market"? Are white companies pulling their enemies closer or are they coming to the realization that they cannot beat these Black businesses so they had better buy them? Back in the 1970's and 1980's the very mention of a Black owned business being bought by a white owned company or any other company would be met with anger and resistance. But soon the handwriting on the wall became clearer and clearer, with the purchase of Johnson Products and subsequently with the fall of other Black hair care companes, nagazines, radio stations, functal homes, gracesy stores, and the latest plum, the oriente crème, de la Black Finter minimum Television, I ask again. Whee My commention is that business drye opment armong Black people is a very threatening prospect to some. I contend that what is projected to be more abam \$1 million in summal income by 2010, among Black people, a the very reason for uniari of the buying frenzy we ane witnessing; today. It's one thing by Blacks uphave millions in disposable incomes, the east majority of which is spent with relier folks! businesses. But it is amentically different ballgrank to have those same consumers owning major businesses through which more and more of that income could flow. Consumerismuis one thing; control is another. As Intimated earlier, I have absolutely no idea of what i's like to be armillionaire - or even

a hundred thousand-naire, and I am not about to suggest that those Black business men and women who sold their companies should not have done so; I just wish Black people had businesses can never the stated. If those among are affluent would value

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back, as always, to the issue of cooperative economics. The value of Black owned businesses can never be overstated. If those among us who are affluent would value business ownership as much as they Please understand what is happening, my brothers and sisters. They cannot beat us if we work together for economic empowerment; they cannot beat us if we continue to build and grow Black owned businesses; they cannot beat us if we redirect a greater portion of

our consumption spending toward one another; and they cannot beat us if we begin to exchange our businesses among our people instead of selling them to others.

Brothers and sisters, they cannot beat us - so they are buying us.



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Life Is All About Relationships

Life is all about relationships, and the way you relate to yourself will be reflected in your thoughts, actions, attitude and image. Life is not your enemy, but the way you think and speak could be. Many individuals do not have a clue about what they want out of life, but they know that something is missing. I have found through my own experiences that it does not matter how young or old, rich or poor, educated or uneducated you are. If you are not making the connection with the mind, body, soul and spirit to bring balance into your life-you will have a void from within. This type of void will lead you to seek out your desires through relationships, work, friends, pride, arrogance and many more, then sending you on a rampage looking for a quick fix to get over a stumbling block, only to learn that a quick fix is just that-quick and easy, but no healing. Healing from the inside out will require you to get in touch with your spiritual self and be willing to make a change.

God has given you everything that you need. He has given

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professionals who will wake up each morning with the overriding duty of protecting their fellow citizens. As federal workers, they have rights, and those rights will be fully protected. And I'm grateful that the Congress listened to my concerns and retained the authority of the President to put the right people in the right place at the right time in the defense of our country.

I've great confidence in the men and women who will serve in this department and in the man I've asked to lead it. As I prepare to sign this bill into law, I am pleased to announce that I will nominate Governor Tom Ridge as our nation's first Secretary of Homeland Security. (Applause.)

Americans know Tom as an experienced public servant and as the leader of our homeland security efforts since last year. Tom accepted that assignment in union chromosomers, resigning as the governor of Peansylvania to organize the White House Office of Homeland Security and to develop a comprehensive strategy to protect the American people. He's done a superb job. He's the right man for this new and great responsibility. (Applause.)

We're going to put together a fine team to work with Tom. The Secretary of the Navy, Gordon England, will be nominated for the post of Deputy Secretary. (Applause.) And Asa Hutchinson of Arkansas, now the Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration, will be nominated to serve as Under Secretary for Border and Transportation Security. (Applause.) The Sccretary-designate and his team have an immense task ahead of them. Setting up the Department of Homeland Security will involve the most extensive reorganization of the federal government since Harry Truman signed the National Security Act. To succeed in their mission, leaders of the new department must change the culture of many diverse agencies --directing all of them toward the principal objective of protecting the American people. The effort will take time, and focus, and steady resolve. It will also require full support from both the administration and the Congress. Adjustments will be needed along the way. Yet this is pressing business, and the hard work of building a new department begins today. When the Department of Homeland Security is fully operational, it will enhance the safety of our people in very practical ways. First, this new department will analyze intelligence information on terror threats collected by the CIA, the FBI, the National Security Agency and others. The department will match this intelligence against the nation's vulnerabilities - and work with other agencies, and the private sector, and state and local governments to harden America's defenses against terror. Second, the department will gather and focus all our efforts to face the rhall enge of cyberterrorism, and the even worse danger of nuclear, chemical, and bio logical tenorism. This department will be charged with encouraging rescarch on new technologies

that can detect these threats in time to prevent an attack.

Third, state and local governments will be able to turn for help and information to one federal domestic security agency, instead of more than 20 agencies that currently divide these responsibilities. This will help our local governments work in concert with the federal government for the sake of all the people of America.

Fourth, the new department will bring together the agencies responsible for border, coastline, and transportation security. There will be a coordinated effort to safeguard our transportation systems and to secure the border so that we're better able to protect our citizens and welcome our friends.

Fifth, the department will work with state and local officials to prepare our response to any future terrorist attack that may come. We have found that the first hours and even the first minutes after the attack can be crucial in saving lives, and our first respondes need the carefully planned and drilled instegies that will make their work effective.

The Department of Homeland Security will also end a great deal of

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duplication and overlapping responsibilities. Our objective is to spend less on administrators in offices and more on working agents in the field — less on overhead and more on protecting our neighborhoods and borders and waters and skies from terrorists.

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and through all, and in you all."

(Ephesians 4:5-6; New King

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With a vast nation to defend, we can neither predict nor prevent every conceivable attack. And in a free and open society, no department of government can completely guarantee our safety against ruthless killers, who move and plot in shadows. Yet our government will take every possible measure to safeguard our country and our people.

We're fighting a new kind of war against determined enemies. And public servants long into the future will bear the responsibility to defend Americans against terror. This administration and this Congress have the duty of putting that system into place. We will fulfill that duty. With the Homeland Security Act, we're doing everything, we can to protect America. We're showing the resolve of this great nation to defend our freedom, our security and our way of life.

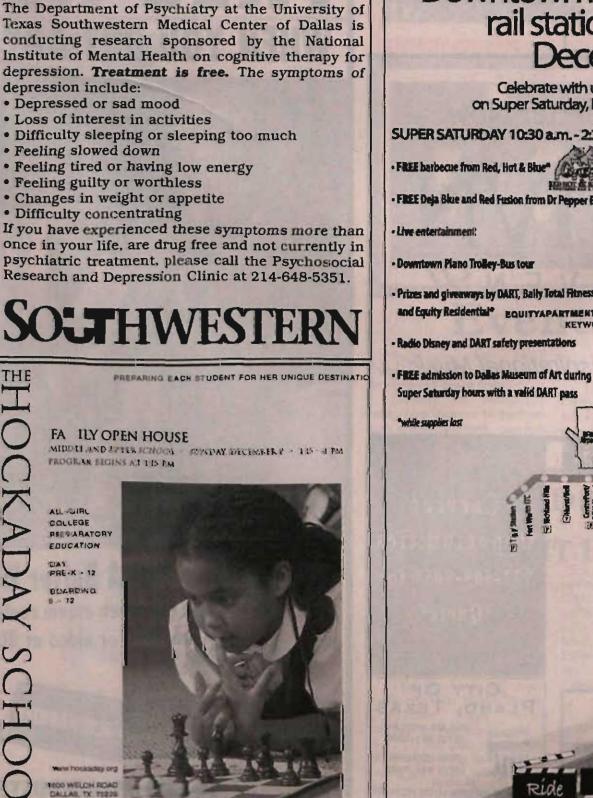
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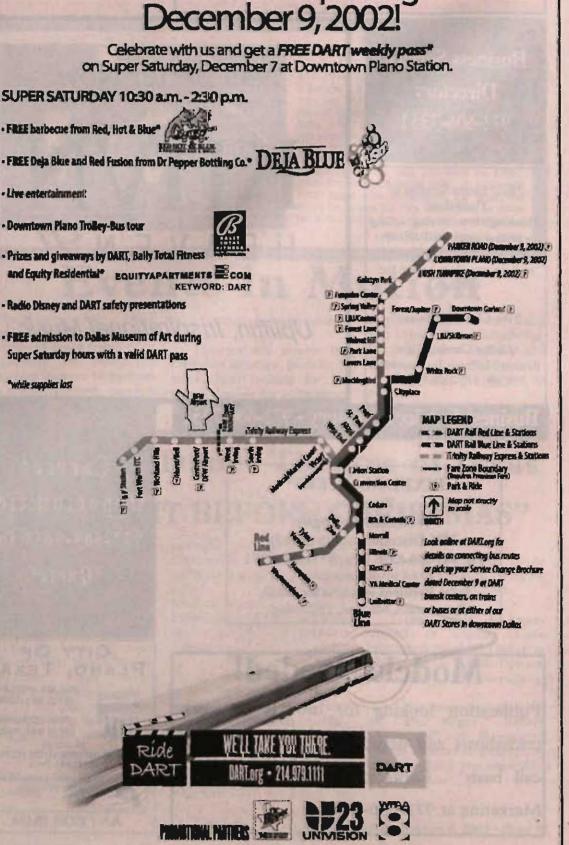
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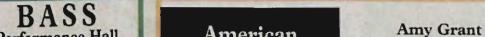
Phillip Hamilton Presented by Titas

PHILIP HAMILTON A substantial vocal talent. Downbeat Magazine

DECEMBER 7, 2002

PHILIP HAMILTON QUINTET Sat., Dec. 7, 2002 at 8pm McFarlin Aud.

The New York Times calls vocalist Philip Hamilton's style "contemporary and cutting edge." This New York-based performer has been creating a stir on the international music scene with his innovative singing and composing style. A blend of jazz and acoustic soul, his music is influenced by rhythms and sounds from around the world. He recently completed a world tour with the Pat Metheny Group, and has recorded and performed with the likes of Gilberto Gil, Donald Fagan, Bill Evans, and Ronnie Jordan. This past year, Hamilton created the music for Ronald K. Brown/EVIDENCE's Walking Out the Dark piece. Now he brings his quintet to TITAS for an evening of joyous, ethereal and infectious sounds that defy categorization.



Biography: Philip Hamilton

MA, Philip Hamilton has known since childhood that music was his passion. After Middlebury attending College, from which he graduated with a BA in Political Science and Performance Studies, he studied at Berklee College of Music and Longy School of Music. He now teaches workshops at various arts programs, including Bates Dance Festival, The Kitchen, Dance Theater Workshop, and Columbia University/Barnard College Department of Dance.

As a musician, Philip Hamilton has been a part of many pioneering projects and groups. He was a founder and member of the highly successful fusion band Full Circle, which took the music world by storm in the late 1980s, releasing three recordings on Columbia/Sony Records. The group also won numerous awards, including "Best Jazz Group" at the San Sebastian Jazz Festival, and two "Best Group Album/Major Label" awards at the Boston Music Awards. Of his work with Full Circle, a Buffalo News reviewer wrote, "Bravo especially to singer and drummer Philip Hamilton. His solo. . . drew the loudest cheers of the

Born in West Medford, night, and proved that with Gyra, and Gilberto Gil. He whisper."

> From this vigorous entrance into the eye of the music world, Hamilton continued to push forward. His collaborations with other musicians cover a vast array of styles and artists. He is widely known for his extensive work as part of the Pat Metheny Group, to which he was termed "vital" and "a perfect addition." The full list of projects and



appearances, however, reaches beyond this recent collaboration, and beyond jazz. Among numerous artists, Hamilton has worked with John Cage, Special EFX, Phoebe Snow, Ottmar Liebert, the Duke Ellington Orchestra, Donald Fagan (Steely Dan), Spryo

sheer creativity, you can performs at many of the conquer the world with a world's most exciting festiincluding vals, the Montreaux, Newport, San Sebastian, and Montreal Jazz Festivals, Brazil's Globo-FM Music Festivals, and Japan's NHK Music Series.

> Vocalscapes is an eveninglength collection of individual created/composed by Hamilton. Each section Hamilton's extraordinary and innovative vocal and musical talent with the work of other artists, including musicians, choreographers, and filmmakers. Within each selection music, narrative, and emotion of the vocal composition is manifested in the work of the collaborating artist, resulting in brilliant examples of the power harnessed by artists working with each other.

> Hamilton's music has also been featured in musical theater and film productions. He was the composer for the musical How the World Got Wisdom, based on African folk tales. Hamilton composed the theme to the Emmy-award winning PBS television series Say Brother, and was the featured vocalist on the movie soundtrack for Harriet the Spy.



Solaris

This remake of the 1972 adaptation (Russian director Andrei Tarkovsky's Solaris) of Stanislaw Lem's novel takes place sometime in the future and is about psychologist and cosmonaut Dr. Kris Kelvin (George Clooney), who is sent to investigate a space station that has lost all communication with Earth. He discovers that the commander has committed suicide and the two remaining survivors are haunted by visions of their expe-riences on the planet Solaris, where Kelvin finds his dead wife (Natascha McElhone) alive. Steven Soderbergh has described his version as 2001: A Space Odyssey meets The Last Tango in Paris.

Starts November 27th

Performance Hall November 2002 Events HOME FOR THE HOLIDYS Friday November 29, 2002 -8-00 pm Saturday November 30, 2002 -2-00 & 8:00 pm

AN EVENIN AT THE BASS WITH RUDI GIULIANI Monday December 2, 2002 -8:00 pm

THE NUTCRACKER Friday December 6, 2002 - 8:00 pm Saturday December 7, 2002 - 2:00 & 8:00 pm Sunday December 8, 2002 -8:00 pm

CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT Sunday December 8, 2002 -8:00 pt

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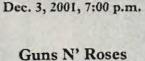
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Equilibrium

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Starts December 6, 2002

Events in Motion

Auditions for MKV Dancers, Events in Motion's promotional dance team .

Looking for technically competent dancers to perform high energy jazz/funk routines at local events. Purpose of team is to promote cosmetic product corporate/studio dance team, line.

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also 18yrs.+. Styles include ballet, jazz, modern, hip hop and theme.

Call 972-255-7348 for an audition.

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Repertory Dance Theatre of Texas "THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS"

"THE NIGHT **BEFORE CHRISTMAS**" - a holiday ballet presented by: Repertory Dance Theatre of Dianne Cole Texas -Johnson, Artistic Director.

The enchanting story ballet of "The Night Before Christmas" has been enjoyed by audiences ages 3 to 93 for the past nine years. After a party in her home, a young girl falls asleep reading

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chased at Dianne Cole Johnson School of Dance at Frankford & Old Denton December 7 at 2:30 pm Road, Suite 125, Carrollton. & 6:30 pm and December 8 at 2:30 pm Hebron High

For more information on "The Night Before Christmas" or Repertory Dance Theatre of Texas, call Advanced reserved seat 972-446-2220 or www.dcj-

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Church Happenings

ALL NATIONS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Tuesday, December 3, 17

Children's video series starring Saint Bernard led by Rev. Marianna Acton, the Children and Youth Minister.

Tuesday, December 10 Youth activities! Come out to join in on all of the fun! These activities are free and open to the

public.

Sign up for a four-week Advent study, entitled, "Won't You Let Him In" Class will be offered on

Thursdays 11 a.m.-12 Noon or 7 p.m.-8 p.m.

All Nations United Methodist Church Dr. Clara Reed, Pastor 3415 E. 14th St. Plano, TX 75074

ETERNITY COMMUNITY CHURCH December 9-13, 7:00 p.m. Church Revival! Guest Speaker- Evangelist Jacqueline Page

For more information concerning the revival, call 972-542-9556

Eternity Community Church

Kenneth Diggs, Pastor 309 N. Chestnut St. McKinney, TX 75069

GRACE OUTREACH CEN-TER Saturday, December 7, 8:30

a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Job Seeker Workshop! The Grace Outreach Center Employment Network will hold a workshop in the church chapel of the administration building. Topics include: resume building, search management, mastering the interview, and more!

There is no fee, and the workshop is open to the public. For reservations, call 972-985-1112, by December 5.

Grace Outreach Center Gerald Brooks, Pastor 3301 Preston Rd. Plano, TX 75093

KELLER SPRINGS BAP-TIST CHURCH

Saturday, December 14, 7:00 p.m. Keller Springs Singles Ministry will be celebrating the Christmas Season with a Holiday Extravaganza at the Renaissance Hotel Dallas North Hotel (635&Midway). Theme- "Standing on His Promise" Special Guest

December 10

Special Guest Speaker- Rudy V., KRNB 105.7 Quiet Storm Musical Guest- Golden Bells of Joy, bell choir of First United Methodist Church of Hamilton Park Tickets- \$35 per person/\$65 per couple Registration Deadline-

For more information, contact Lisa Bryant at 972-998-6282 or e-mail <u>lbryant@kellersprings-</u> bc.org

Keller Springs Baptist Church Larry J. Sanders, Pastor 3227 Keller Springs Rd. Carrollton, TX 75006

MACEDONIA BAPTIST

CHURCH Saturday, December 7, 6:00 p.m. Holiday Musical Guest choir, Véssels, will perform Guest Soloist, (TBA)

For more information, call 972-436-2011

Macedonia Baptist Church T.J. Denson, Pastor 702 S. Mill St. Lewisville, TX MT. HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, December 1, 11:30 a.m. Scholarship Committee will sponsor a trip for the youth to see Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" Tickets: \$10 Wednesday, Thursday, December 6-7, 5:30 p.m. Lock-In, for Kindergartner – 6th graders-Will attend the Nutcracker at the Dallas Convention Center. The youth

will return to the church at 10:30 p.m. for a praise and worship service with arts, crafts, stories and food. **Sunday, December 15,** 7:00p.m. – 11:00 p.m. Second Annual Winter Ball, sponsored by Mt. Hebron's Young Adult Ministry Renaissance Hotel North, 4099 Valley View Lane, Dallas, TX Music by Freddie Jones Cost- \$30

For more information, call 972-276-5218.

Mt. Hebron Baptist Church Leonard Leach, Pastor 901 Dairy Rd. Garland, TX 7504

MT. CALVARY MISSION-ARY BAPTIST CHURCH Saturday, December 7, Noon to 3:00 p.m. Reaching Out to Help Others to Look UP! Sponsored by the Outreach Ministry We need volunteers! Free food & gifts!

For more information, contact Pasty Jones at 972-784-7197 or 469-682-6324.

Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church Paul R. Mack, Pastor 508 S. Hamilton St. Farmersville, tX 75442

NEW OUTREACH C.O.G.I.C. Friday, November, 29, 7:30 p.m.

11th Year Chutch Anniversary, Guest Speaker Rev. Coy Tarver **Sunday, December 1**, 4:30 p.m. Continued Celebration!

For more information, call 972-548-0097 New Outreach C.O.G.I.C. Eddie Seals, Pastor 506 Wilcox McKinney, TX 75069

NORTH DALLAS COM-MUNITY BIBLE FELLOW-SHIP

Friday, December 6, 7:30 p.m-11:00 p.m. Christmas Extravaganza! Join us for a "Night Under the Stars" JP Morgan Chase Rotunda, Downtown Dallas

For more information, call 972-437-3493 North Dallas Community Bible Fellowship Leslie W. Smith, Senior Pastor 302 Centennial Blvd. Richardson TX 75081-5057

SHILOH C.O.G.I.C.

Thursday, November 28, 10:00 a.m. Join us for our Thanksgiving Morning Service!

Sunday, December 22, 2:00 p.m.

Join us for a mouth-watering Christmas dinner while fellowshipping and remembering the birth of Christ!

Please call 972-562-4135, for more information.

Shiloh C.O.G.I.C. Elder Paul Jackson 600 Lindsey St. McKinney, TX 75069

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COMPUTER EDUCATION HOLDS OPEN HOUSE AT COURTYARD CENTER

Collin County Community College District's Division of Continuing Education is holding an Open House for Computer Education from 7 – 9 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 12 at the Courtyard Center for Economic and Professional Development, 4800 Preston Park Blvd, in Plano.

This open house is for anyone who is considering taking computer classes but is not sure where to start. There will be five free informative sessions about CCCCD's computer offerings including Getting Started, a session about introductory computer classes; Internet Technologies, a session about our web designer certificate; Java/Oracle

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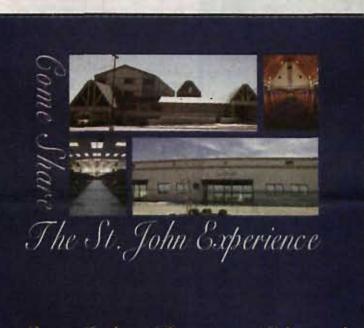
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Programming, a session about learning to program with Java and Oracle software; Microsoft IT Academy Certifications, a session about the requirements and benefits of Microsoft certification; and Engineering and Technology, a session about CISCO and Net Security.

While you are here, visit our new Mac lab in room A214 and talk to one of our Mac graphics instructors. It is equipped with the latest G.4 processors and 19" flat screens!

Light refreshments will be served. The event is free, but space is limited! To register, call 972-985-3711 or visit the web site at www.ccccd.edu/ce.

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The greatest barrier keeping the gospel from all peoples is not false religion or oppressive government, Rankin said. ples of all the nations. Many people "have subconsciously drawn a bottom line beyond which they are unwilling to go," Rankin said. "That will hinder getting the gospel to all people. You can hinder the gospel by succumbing to fear or limiting how far you are willing to go in a sacrificial lifestyle.

"But the consecration that influences others to the gospel is one that is willing to endure all things. "Go with a servant heart," Rankin told the new missionaries. "Love the people and give yourself to them no matter what the cost."

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