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Clinton joins Selma march President Clinton will travel to Selma, Alabama March 5 to commemorate the 35th anniversary of "Bloody Sunday." On March 7, 1965 hundreds of civil rights protesters were assaulted by law enforcement as they attempted to cross a bridge over the Alabama River. U.S. rep. John Lewis, who was among the original protestors 35 years ago, will escort the president.

Atlas documents heart disease crisis among U.S. women-

According to new maps of heart dis-case death rates among U.S. women 35 and older, a woman's risk of dying from heart disease depends in part on where she lives. The book released by the CDC and West Virginia University show that women who live I parts of the rural South, including the Mississippi Delta and Appalachian regions have dramatically higher rates of heart disease death than women living in most parts of the western United States and upper Midwest

Reynolds Tobacco shares informa-tion on \$246 billion tobacco

settlement

At the National Newspaper Publishers Association Mid-Winter Workshop, corporate sponsor R.J. Reynolds summarized the landmark tobacco settlement, which was mached Nov. 23, 1998, between the U.S. tohacco companies, 46 states and a number of U.S. territories. The settlement calls for the industry to provide funding for youth nonsmoking programs, the cre-ation of an anti-smoking advertising and public-education campaign designed to reduce and prevent teen smoking. Reynolds Tobacco product line also, includes Winston, Camel, Salem and Doral.

Michael Suggs (center), sr. public affairs director at R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. stands with Indian Wells, CA Mayor Percy Byrd (left) and John Oliver, publishes of the Baltimore Afro-American and NNPA president, at the NNPA Mid-Winter Workshop In Palm Springs, CA



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MILESTONE MOMENTS

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03 1962 Jacqueline Joyner is born in East Saint Louis, III. Kersee becomes Olympic champion, winning two medais (silver in 1984 and gold in 1988) in the hep-tathion and another gold in the long jump at the 1988 Games

06 1957 Ghana becomes the first African nation to achieve freedom from rule when the Ashanti, Northern pro-tectorates, the Gold coast and the British Togoland declare their independence

07 1942 The first five cadets gradu-ate from Tuskegee Flying School: Captain Benjamin O. Davis, Jr. and Second Lieutenants Mac Ross, Charles Debow, LR. Curtis and George Roberts. They become the famous 99th Pursuit Squadron

10 1913 Harriet Tubman dies in Auburn, N. Y. An escaped slave Tubman was known to the Underground Railroad as Black Moses: for her heroic trips sonth to free hundreds of slaves

12 1932 Andrew Young is born in New Orleans, LA. Later becomes a minister, influ-ential leader in the civil rights movement, first African-American ambas-sador to the UN, and mayor of Atlanta.

March 11, 1958 "A Raisin in the Sun" opens on

Broadway. After devoting a full year to writ-ing the play, Lorraine Hansberry's dream came true. She became the first African-American woman to write a Broadway play. The play is based on the bleak social conditions that force a black family to defer their dreams until their own strength and pride help them struggle toward opportunity.

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The year 2000 will mark the first census of the new millennium. The Census has launched an all-out effort to ensure that every person is counted. But what happens after everyone is counted? What do the numbers mean for you and your community. MON's next issue takes a look at the Census and its beginnings and its purpose.



Everyone has heard about the basic food groups and the food pyramid, but over time they have both evolved. During the month of March, Nutrition Awareness Month, MON Wellness section addresses the traditional and not so traditional of fulling nutrition requirements.

The ones that have the opportunity ought to take advantage of it and to help those who don't have it.

John Hope Franklin

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Editorials

Keyes deserves fair hearing

When one considers the media barrage surrounding presidential candidates, most reasonable people would expect candidate coverage to be balanced.

Perhaps in an ideal world that notion might prevail. But the disturbing reality is that the media, particularly major media, are often selective in deciding who or what is news; as well as who is a viable candidate.

For example, if one were to scrutinize news coverage of the Republican presidential primaries, it would be easy to believe that there were only two candidates, Texas' Governor George W. Bush and Arizona Senator John McCain. Whether watching television, listening to radio or reading daily newspapers, the contest between the better candidate from the West dominates news.

Yet, the reality is there are three active Republican presidential candidates. Alan Keyes, a former UN ambassador and member of the Reagan Administration is that very rare political entity: an African-American Republican. Moreover, 2000 marks the second time Keyes has sought the GOP's nod for the White House.

From New Hampshire to South Carolina and on to Michigan, Keyes garnered votes in spite of the media ignoring his campaign. Consistently in single digits - four or five percent of the party's tally, Keyes appeals to the GOP's true conservative wing. Strongly moralistic, he opposes the U.S. Constitution's separation of church and state. He opposes national health care, favoring the individual's duty to choose and obtain their own private insurance. Staunchly pro-life, Keyes is also adamantly opposed to affirmative action and women's reproductive rights while advocating the National Rifle Association's stance on the right to bear arms.

And lest anyone believe that Keyes is a newcomer to conservative ideals,

MON encourages its readers to remember that Alan Keyes defended the Reagan Administration's refusal to impose economic sanctions against South Africa when its national leadership still had Nelson Mandela in jail and apartheid ruled.

With these public positions, it is little wonder then that African-Americans and other minorities have largely shunned the Keyes campaign.

Huge numbers of America's working poor people and their children are today uninsured. Caught between a strong work ethic and low pay scales, their meager earnings deny access to Medicaid while private insurance remains unaffordable. Many of America's small businesses do not offer employee group health plans to its workers. When one considers that it is the expansion of America's small businesses that create most of the new, permanent jobs, it should be no surprise that America's uninsured citizens are growing in number.

Other than University of California Regent Ward Connerly and U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas, it is difficult to identify other high-profile African-Americans opposed to affirmative action. Keyes insists that affirmative action imposes a double whammy on America demeaning the innate abilities of African-Americans while simultaneously discriminating against whites.

For Keyes and his supporters, the real question becomes why aren't conservative white Republicans supporting him? From their narrowly defined views, Keyes couldn't be more 'right' on the issues.

But Bob Jones University invited Governor George Bush to speak; not Alan Keyes.

Governor Bush may be apologizing to New York's Catholics for appearing at a conservative campus without chal-lenging its anti-Catholic stance; but

Letter to the Editor: Voter turnout

Ballot

March.

Voter turnout in recent national elections has been significantly low. I have pondered this problem and I think I know at least part of the reason. People participate in our political process when they believe that they can make a difference. All kinds of organizations do polling of potential voters and tell us the results on a minute-tominute basis. But this is not reflecting the desires of the general population. Polls are composed in a way that they can be manipulated to reflect the desires of the group making the poll.

The real method of people telling their candidates what they believe and what they want done is through the primary caucus and party platform building process. Those people who attend the caucuses and offer up party planks for debate in the convention s are ordinary folks who want to make the great American experiment work. However, many of our candidates are ignoring the party platforms that the people build through debate and consensus.

The citizens of the state of Texas will be going to vote in the primary election in March. After the polls close the precinct causes are held. This is the place where regular citizens get to help define the direction of the national party by presenting their beliefs in the form of a party plank. It is a wonderful and democratic exercise, however, many of our candidates haven't even read our party platforms. I suggest that the citizens of Texas offer up a specific party plank which will require all candidates of the party to at least read the platform and report back in writing which planks they agree with and which they oppose so that we have a real dialogue with our candidates.

I offer the following text, which citizens can take to their precinct caucus in

Janel Burrell

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our candidates; and

WHEREAS, These planks are the political views of the citizens, representing their beliefs to the party in an orderly and well debated format; and

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WHEREAS, The Platform is a statement

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the Party, vote in the primaries, attend

WHEREAS, It is understood that candidates may not agree with all plat-

form planks

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That all candidates be required to sign a copy of the party platform indicating that they have read the will of the members of their party presented in that party platform, and promise to substantially represent these views expressed in the platform, to report back to the party which planks they agree or disagree with, and that they promise to substantially represent these views if elected.

I urge all Texans who are registered to vote to go out and vote in the primary election, attend their precinct caucus after the polls close, and present this plank for approval at their precinct caucus. Then I urge all Texans to offer to be delegates to their various senatorial conventions. It only takes a day, but it is the best voice that can be heard in our representative form of government, and it is a real voice, not a fictitious poll conducted by a media outlet.

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Community Pulse



The fight against Thomas gatekeepers Muhammad

sense of community. Racial integration, black peoples' long-standing objective, is the antithesis of group togetherness. Integration fragments blacks into even smaller groups and scatters them among the majority white society. This scattering has destroyed the cohesion of black communities. Upper and middle class blacks live in small enclaves, as powerless minorities, among white majorities all across the nation. They are isolated, without a bond to their racial roots and typically see themselves as disunited, weakened people, ... continued on page7

It was one of Malcolm X's most well-known quotes "Don't sell-out!" Malcolm was reminding us that as we go about the business of fighting against racial injustices in America, the gains we accomplish could well be lost, if we put all our trust into selfish, opportunistic Negroes. Such Negroes, many times, will do all they can to look out only for themselves and to heck with the rest of us! Many of you out there know exactly what Malcolm was talking about, because you've witnessed this too.

When community activists, locally and nationally, perform protest boycotts or make demands on corporations and said corporations give in to demands, in come opportunistic Negroes (gatekeepers) ready to market themselves, as the answer needed to challenge the system from the inside. And then there are some that sell-out through the back door by hawking the corporations to buy tables at their chicken eating banquets, all in the name of helping the company "clean up its image."

We have so many of these types of Negroes in our communities they're like a bunch of cockroaches running around a broken syrup jar. I remember some time ago in Dallas when community protesters would attend school board meetings with the intention of shutting the meetings down. After closing several meetings and gaining national news coverage the protests were dubbed as racial turmoil. The school board attempted to correct the problem by hiring a person who was supposed to teach the school trustees, parents and students how to be tolerant of other races. It is reported that the employee still has his high paying job, reportedly earning as much as \$90,000 a year and according to the media, the school district is still in racial turmoil.

Or let's take the issue that the national NAACP brought to the forefront. Under Kweisi Mfume's leadership (I sometimes call him Crazy Mfume) agreed to boycott a number of television programs, because they did not have any African-Americans in leading roles. Well, would you believe that several hundred gatekeepers faxed, e-mailed, drove, phoned, taxied or road horse back to get to the heads of these television stations and to try and take advantage of this opening?

Now don't get me wrong! I truly understand that somebody has to walk through doors after they have been kicked opened, however, the problem is that these people will only seek advantages for themselves or people in their "posse." And you know the game; if you are not a part of the posse you can't participate. That's worse than fighting racists any day. At least you can publicly (verbally) whip a racist! But, these gatekeepers travel under the community's radar like a stealth plane. And yes, I also know that this is not a new issue for our community. But, it still makes many of us on the front line very mad! In fact mad is an understatement! We are pissed off! And pissed off to the highest piss-sivity!

Our historical leaders identified the traits. There's only one way to stop this misusing of each other. We must begin to truly work in the name of Black unity. In his book "Black Labor. White Wealth," Dr. Claud Anderson explains the dilemma of our fate in this passage:" Another reason that blacks cannot emulate ethnics is their Jack of group unity or Member FDIC @2000 Back Cine Corp

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Capitol Watch

HUD reports on America's homeless

By Janel Burrell

With the first census of the new millennium just weeks away, the Census Bureau is doing its best to ensure that everyone completes their Census forms and gets counted. But what about the nation's thousands of homeless people? Who are they, and where are they, and most important-

ly, how did they get there? The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has attempted to answer some of these questions. HUD Secretary Andrew Cuomo released a report, which is said to be the most comprehensive study ever of homelessness in America. The report was titled The Forgotten American – Homelessness: Programs and the People They Serve. The report is filled with reveal-ing statistics that tell the story of people around the nation who have fallen through society's cracks into homelessness.

racks into homelessness. The study reported that most people who become homeless have suffered severe hardships – including physical and sexual abuse, childhood trauma, poverty, a poor education, disability and disease. The survey also found that 43 percent of homeless program clients are black and 32 per-cent are female. A third of the homeless men surveyed were found to be military veterans. And while on the street, 38 percent had bee robbed, 41 percent had been victims of theft, 22 percent were physically assaulted and 7 percent had been sexually assaulted since becoming homeless. But these people were found to be successful in escaping homelessness when they get help from federal programs and other programs. The report said that the top priority of homeless people was to get a job. Of the homeless peo-ple surveyed, 44 percent worked at least part-time during the past month. The report also said that when homeless people get housing assistance and other services, like health care, substance abuse treatment, mental health services, education and job training, 60 per-cent of them living alone move to an improved living situation after completing the program. "Homeless people are locked out of America's prosperity, but we have the key that can let them in," Cuomo said. "Assistance programs can replace the nightmare of homelessness with the American Dream of a better future."

American Dream of a better future

American Dream of a better future." The report follows on the heels of HUD's Continuum of Care Program winning the Harvard University Kennedy School of Government/Ford Foundation Innovations in American Government Award for its effective approach in addressing homelessness. The Continuum of Care Program helps homeless people throughout the country get housing and need services while assisting them in becoming self-sufficient. Communities submit plans for homeless programs to HUD that involve efforts to help by providing a range of housing and services. The Continuum of Care initiative was developed by Cuomo when he was HUD's assistant secretary. Since that time the program has helped more than 300,000 homeless people get housing and jobs to become self-sufficient self-sufficient.

The study was designed and funded by 12 federal agencies under the auspices of the Interagency Council on the Homeless, which is chaired by Cuomo. The report was compiled from interviews of 4,207 people, most homeless at the time and the others living in poverty who benefit from homeless assistance programs like soup kitchens. The interviews were held in 76 metropolitan areas, small cities and rural areas.

"This survey is important because it paints the most detailed picture we've ever had of America's homeless population," Cuomo said. "It gives us the information we need to improve our programs by tailoring them to the needs of homeless people." HUD has invested nearly \$5 billion in programs to help homeless people since Fresident Clinton took office. HUD's fiscal year 2000 budget provides for \$1.02 billion in funding for home-less programs, which is a \$45 million increase over 1999



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has an overture been planned for African-American leaders speaking to racial insensitivity? If low voter support determines who is invited to appear on network nightly news and Sunday morning television commentary, how is it that Pat Buchanan gets his share of appearances and Alan Keyes does not?

For the record — MON is not endorsing or supporting the candidacy of Alan Keyes. But we absolutely defend the man's right to be heard as other candidates are heard. One of the hallmarks of a truly free press is that all perspectives and serious candidates are acknowledged. Thus far, Keyes has gotten short shrift from the media.

This year may be the first election of the 21st century; but it seems to hearken back to a day and time when people of color were deemed less than worthy. Too bad a former ambassador could speak to the world; but has yet to be heard in his own country.

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Although it raises a great deal of emotional conflict, successful integrated blacks in variably find comfort and security in being white in most respects except color. There are few emotional bridges back in to the black communities, so they identify with and support the power and material resources of the white communities. Government and dominant white society have historically rewarded blacks that identified with the larger white community and placed their welfare above that of the black community. For selling out their own community, blacks were often rewarded with special positions, money, or meritorious manumission. There has been no similar legal or reward system to encourage members of Asian or Hispanic groups to turn against members of their own race. Contrarily, they have received rewards for maintaining a strong sense of community and ethnic identity. Cultural unity and community cohesiveness have been the key to their survival. They came with extended families intact. They came with the freedom to send back for loved ones they had left behind. They engaged in trade, moving goods and currency back and forth. They were generally free to practice their cultures in this country, guard their traditions, school their children in their own languages, practice their respective religions, and in every other way, live as free citizens, Not one of those freedoms was historically available to blacks, certainly not during slavery. Ethnic immigrants have good reasons to have a completely different frame of reference about America than do blacks; Ethnics enjoy the support-economic, social and otherwise-of the dominant white society. The government has been a great deliverer of jobs, wealth and relocation assistance to ethnic immigrants, to which the recent North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) with Mexico will attest. Contrary to the moral of the Horatio Alger story, that every individual have historically received government assistance.

In the Southwest illegal immigrants from Mexico, who never paid taxes, have no difficulty securing welfare, social security benefits, education, or medical care. More than 50 percent of the babies born in some hospitals in Southern California in 1993 were born to illegal Mexican aliens. Free access to public services and benefits without having to pay centuries of dues, shapes the way immigrants see America. Ethnics do not view discrimination in the same way black people do. An immigrant may be more willing than blacks to sweep the streets and polish doorknobs, because he would have little reason not to believe that his future will be better, if not for himself, then for his children. Blacks have not such optimism. They have spent centuries sweeping, walking and living on the streets and they realize that a brighter future for themselves and their children is questionable."

Having said that would you join with me now in shouting from every rooftop: "Gatekeepers stop selling out!"

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Texas Primary Candidate Overview

On March 14, the 2000 Primary elections will be held in the state of Texas. Offices up for election range from President of the United States to District Judges and County Commissioners. Winners of the Primary elections will go on to run in the General election November 7.

Minority Opportunity News sent out a questionnaire to all the candidates in an effort to give each one equal opportunity to articulate their campaign platforms. MON choose to feature certain races of importance to its readers. Here are their comments.

Constable, Precinct 8

Joe Bagby, Democrat - Incumbent No response.

Jeffery Jacobs, Democrat



Jacobs is a former police officer with the Dallas Police Department. During his nine years on the force he earned

"Rookie of the Year" honors and did interactive community policing for 3 years and served on a drug task force for an additional 3 years. He has never run for any other office, but believes the position needs a constable who is accessible to the community with peace officer experience and the energy to serve the citizens of the community.

If elected his priorities for the office of Constable will be Peace Officer's training, professionalism and efficiency in all operations. Jacobs hopes to elevate Precinct 8 from its current ranking to at least the top 4 of all precincts. He plans to make this a reality by implementing a warrant division, a truancy program, a traffic division in school zones and timelier filing of legal documents.

Robert McIntyre, Democrat



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Robert McIntyre was a previous 1996 Constable candidate. This election year, his campaign platform

is focused on administrative changes, community police training and eliminating warrant and civil backlog. McIntyre is trained in both criminal and civil law and has taught law at the police academy. He is trained police supervisor, as well as a licensed social worker. McIntyre pledges to be heavily involved in school and community activities and events and establishing a working relationship with other agencies and departments, including Child Protective Services and Family Courts.

"I feel that bringing in my social work, civil law and criminal law training, as well as years, of volunteering, would supersede their (the citizens) expectations."

Dallas County Commissioner,

Precinct 1

Note: Only precincts 1 and 3 are up

Jim Jackson, Republican - Incumbent

Jim Jackson has served as County

Commissioner for 25 years in the

Dallas area. He is seeking reelection

to continue the work he has already

started such as promoting private

sector competition for government

services, promoting cooperation

between government entities and

increase government efficiency.

offices and using more technology to

He believes the job of Commissioner

should be filled by someone who can

get people working together to pro-

duce reasonable services at reason-

If elected, Jackson pledges to keep

Although this is his first campaign

bid, Robert Barrett brings 11 years

experience as a Juvenile Probation

Officer to the office. Barrett offers a

fresh approach to government and

wants to reform the administrative

structure of the Juvenile Justice and

Child Protective Services areas. In

addition, he is concerned with keep-

ing tax dollars in Dallas County and

setting up a county commission to

study ways to obtain federal grants

Barrett wants the formal distinction

Commissioners to make Dallas

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Robert Barrett, Republican

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of the commissioner office, as a passive approval and budget office, to become more proactive. He believes the citizens of Dallas County deserve a leader that looks to the future of our counties and the economic responsibility that the evolving governments will be passing back to county level.

Judge, 2nd Criminal District Court

Ed King, Republican – Incumbent No Response.

Cliff Stricklin, Republican



Cliff Stricklin is a newcomer to the campaign scene. He most recently served as a federal prosecutor investigating and prosecuting violent felons, child

pornographers and corrupt police officers. Stricklin believes Dallas citizens deserve a judge who will treat everyone fairly without regard to influential attorneys. "A judge should treat the court as a steward not an owner. The people of Dallas own the court."

To make this happen, Stricklin's platform is focused on bringing sound judgment to the court, making sure the law is equally applied to all people and bringing financial accountability to the court. He says that the 2nd Criminal District Court is currently the most expensive court in Dallas County because of the money being used to pay criminal defense attorneys, and he hopes to change that.

Stricklin also make some heavy campaign promises including, not to accept campaign contributions from attorneys who are likely to appear in his court and if his court continues to give the most money to private attorneys, he will not seek re-election.

Judge, 14th Judicial District Court

John Marshall, Republican – Incumbent



Judge Marshall has served this office for 19 years. Marshall want to cut costs to litigants, cut time to trial and continue to

provide high quality justice. As the incumbent, he believes that another term would allow him to improve current justice system.

Marshall says the citizens of Dallas deserve a judge with honesty and integrity that will produce a fair hearing and a fearless decision.

"I promise that, if elected, I will faithfully execute the duties of the office and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect and defend the Constitution."

Mary Murphy, Republican



Mary Murphy is a partner in a major law firm as well as her own firm. This race is her first run for public office, but she brings to the table 17 years of

civil law experience. Murphy believes that citizens deserve fair and impartial judges who follow the law and who strive to provide meaningful access to the courts I a timely manner, treat all litigants with respect and are accountable and committed to the position. She believes these qualities will help her fix the problems of appeals, reversals and expenditures in the civil court.

If elected, Murphy promises to encourage more communication among counsel, parties and the court. "I promise to be a judge the citizens of Dallas County will be proud of and that I will not seek reelection if I fail my judicial evaluation in two years."

Judge, 95th Civil District Court

Sally Montgomery, Republican – Incumbent



Sally Montgomery, this race's incumbent, seeks reelection to continue her work with court personnel and area attorneys

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You And Your Money



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Managed assets accounts provide more options

Progress often means more choices. Thanks to technology and software advances in the brokerage industry, today's investors have access to an ever-expanding menu of investment choices that were previously available to'a select few. A leading example of this progress is in the domain of managed assets accounts.

Managed assets accounts - which are also known as wrap fees' programs - have been around for years, but they were usually accessible only to those individuals with portfolios of \$1 million or more. However, as account technology has improved and costs correspondingly moved lower, more and more brokerages have been able to invite individuals with accounts totaling \$100,000 to participate. Most managed assets accounts typically work like this: The investor's financial advi-

Most managed assets accounts typically work like this: The investor's financial advisor asks a series of detailed questions aimed at establishing the investor's comfort level in terms of investment criteria. The advisor then consults with the firm to find the best match among the investing styles of its professional investment managers. Once an investor chooses a manager, the manager then actively manages the account, buying and selling securities for a set fee, usually around 3 percent of the total invested. Investors like the arrangement because the focus of the relationship is clearly on

Investors like the arrangement because the focus of the relationship is clearly on results. The fee completely covers all transaction costs, no matter how many are conducted. Also, the arrangement allows investors to take direct advantage of the firm's research and analysis capabilities.

Until recently, investors were limited to selecting one recommended investment manager to handle portfolios, regardless of size. In the spirit of progress, several firms are expanding the options offered through their managed assets accounts. For example, for clients who wish to invest \$300,000, Prudential Securities is offering access to a selection of three independent investment managers for the \$100,000 minimum. In addition, the firm offers a Consolidated Performance Monitor that provides in-depth analysis of every investment manager's performance on a quarterly basis combined with the performance of the mutual funds in their portfolios. Prudential Securities already offers its managed assets account investors the ability to review their portfolios on a daily basis through the Internet.

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Ethinic Notes

P.B.S. Pinchback: The first African-American Governor in Louisiana

By Jamila H. Thomas

Throughout history African-Americans have played an important part in the building of this country. Though a struggle has always been put before African-Americans to achieve success, they have continuously managed to overcome the discrimination that still exists today, especially in the area of politics. As African-Americans attempt to approach political success each election year, the air becomes filled with rumors of potential trouble. The same was the case long ago when P.B.S. Pinchback, the first African-American governor of Louisiana took office.

Pinckney Benton Stewart Pinchback was the son of William Pinchback, a white planter, and Eliza Stewart, his emancipated slave, who was of mixed blood. Pinchback was born free in Macon, Ga. After his father died, Pinchback and his brothers and sisters escaped north to Cincinnati. There he attended school at Gilmore High School. Because Pinchback was denied any part of his father's estate he was forced to work as a steward on a Mississippi riverboat.

In 1862 he

volunteered for the Union Army in New Orleans, serving with distinction in the famous Louisiana Native Guards. He was assigned to recruit for the Crops Afrique and a Calvary company where he protested the unequal treatment of African-American troops. His resignation from the Union Army came about because of discrimination and bias.

With his

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leadership experience, Pinchback became a leading organizer in Louisiana politics. He played an important role in establishing the Republican Party in Louisiana following the war, and wass elected to the state's 1867 Constitutional Convention. Pinchback held or claimed more offices (state senator, president, pro tempore of the senate and acting lieutenant governor de facto director of the New Orleans schools and police force; governor, U.S. representative and U.S. senator) than any other African-American man in American history. " I confess," he said once, " I like to be on the win-

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ning side." For approximately four years, Pinchback had been on the winning streak, serving as the "second man" to Governor Henry Clay Warmouth. Now that the issue was the making or unmaking of the governor, Pinchback assumed the treacherous posture that made him, in the opinion of a Democratic paper, " One of the best poker players in America." Pinchback was closely associated with Gov. Warmoth nevertheless he said he was not an admirer nor inferior " of that gentleman. " Pinchback considered himself an equal, if not a major partner in the Warmoth-Pinchback machine. He always acknowledged that Gov. Warmoth, "couldn't get along without me," Pinichback stated.

During this time Pinchback established a newspaper, New Orleans Lousisianian, which remained in exis-tence from 1870 until 1881.

In 1871 he was president of the state senate, and served as lieutenant governor after the death of Oscar J. Dunn. Gov. Warmoth was impeached on counts of high crimes and misde-meanors in office. On the same day of Warmoths' impeachment Gov.

Pinchback surrounded" reporters said, " by crowd of well wishand adherents, walked passed the office of the secreof state and signed the outh of office as governor in place of

1872 to the inauguration of the new Republican governor on January 13. There was backing for Pinchback's own nomination for governor, but he with-drew in favor of W.P. Kellog. When the election of P.B.S. Pinchback to the U.S. Senate from Louisiana was contested, Senator Blanche K. Bruce spoke in his favor, but Pinchback was still denied a seat. Similarly, Bruce condemned the fellow Republicans for not seating Pinchback, the former black lieutenant governor of Louisiana, who claimed victory after the contested senatorial election. Pinchback

delivered a farewell address summing up his executive duties.

"Holding my position only for a few weeks and under circumstances embarrassing in the extreme, it was neithe ther possible nor desirable for me intentionally and for my own purposes or otherwise to do-either unwise or unjust or ungenerous things toward the people of Louisiana. My time of service and admintakes and whatever of to impress upon it is now before the coun-

try and I am content that the people irrespective of party, and when the passions of the hour have passed, shall render the verdict upon my official acts"

Under Governor F.T. Nicholls, Pinchback was appointed to the State Board of Education, where he was

instrumental in founding Southern University of New Orleans (The main campus has since moved to Baton Rouge, La.). Pinchback was a keen businessman, who made hid money in the cotton industry, and eventually foundedmmm the Mississippi River Packet Company. And in 1866, he was admitted to the bar.

He later moved to New York City, then to Washington D.C. in 1897, where he resumed his political career, supporting Booker T. Washington. Pinchback became leader of the city's skinned light

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social elite. He went on to marry Hawthorne and had six children. He was appointed his last office in 1882 as surveyor of customs in New Orleans. Pinchback was an advocate of universal suffrage, rights, the legal suppression of discrimination, and tax-supported education. istration with its mis- DAMID-S HASKING Through the tri-als of discrimina-The story of Pinchback and his

good I have been able many accomplishments is captured tion during the in James Haskins' biography. post-Civil era, Pinchback

never gave up his quest to be a Louisiana politician. In a speech defending his senate election, he stated, "If I cannot enter the Senate with bated breathe and on bended knees, I prefer not to enter at all."

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Warmouth. In 1872, he was elected to Congress, but his democratic opponent contested the election and won the seat. Pinchback became governor of Louisiana and was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1873.

There were some raised eyebrows and several condemned this election, calling Pinchback an "audacious Negro intruder." White senators said he was not cooperative," and they refused to let him take his place. He was refused the seat aimed charges and countercharges of fraud and election irregularities.

For 36 days Pinchback held the position of governor, from December 9,



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Inspiration

Don't Let Go!

Romans 12:9

Ron Shaw

A few weeks ago after our Sunday service, I was coming out of the building. As usual, a lot of the kids like to come up and talk with me and we sort of play a little bit and I ask them how their lives are going. The babies also want the same kind of attention. One sweetheart who is four years old grabbed my neck and after a long hug 1 proceeded to put her down. She refused to let go. 1 started to twirl her around and she still refused to let go. I bent over to let her down and she still wouldn't let go. By now, all the kids who were around us kept encouraging her to hold on. They shouted, "Don't let go!" Finally after awhile 1 convinced her mom to come get her. Her mom replied, "she knows a good thing when she sees it". In other words she knew that her mom was not going to pick her up and carry her to her destination. I thought about that this week. How many times do we let go of good things in our lives? I understand that life is a journey and on that journey we make certain trade offs. In fact, I have a lesson on life's tradeoffs

We constantly have to let go of one thing in order to lay hold on something else. We let go of the single lifestyle in order to lay hold on a successful marriage. We must let go of one job in order to lay hold on another one. Every automobile I've owned has been a good one. I've never owned a bad one. I've owned a variety of makes and models. None of them have ever been lemons. However, in order to get the next one, I had to decide to let one go. I've given away several cars in my life. I gave away one last year that I really liked. Nevertheless, because I believe in the principle of sowing and reaping, if I'm going to continue to have cars given to me, I must continue giving no matter how much I like them. Therefore, I understand the trade-offs that we must make in life. In your relationships, there are trade offs that must be made.

However, there are those things in our lives that we should and must never let go of. Our text says to love without hypocrisy, hate what is evil, and cling to what is good. Another scripture (1 Thess. 5:21) says don't let go of good things. Still another tells us not to let go of the confidence we have in God. The Christian virtues that we learn must never be traded. Don't let go of good "home training". We must hold on to the kindness and gentleness that we learned at home when it comes to how we treat people. The church I grew up in taught and trained me to be faithful and committed in my service to God and man. I was taught to treat people right and have self-respect and respect for others. I was taught that there were just certain things men didn't do to women. Friends that are proven should be cherished for a lifetime. These are all basic virtues that I grew up with and determined to never let go of. When you give your word to someone, you do the best you can to keep it no matter what it may cost you.

I've learned many additional truths since I've grown up. The church that I pastor, the circles I travel in, the places I'm privileged to go have all afforded me the opportunity to learn new truths, meet many new wonderful people, and see many more gorgeous places. Nevertheless, the good things I learned from the Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church in far north Dallas, the instructors and friends I met there, the things they taught me, I never forget or let go of. Always keep and covet the good things God has added to your life. The lessons learned, the people you learned them from, never let go of, because in the final analysis, they are what God has and will use to get you to where He has destined you to be.

Finally, failure to hold on to faith and a clear conscience could cost you dearly according to scripture (1Tim.1: 19). There really are some things in life you must never, never, never let go of!





Cover Story



Ambassador Alan Keyes Year 2000 Campaign:

Conservatism's gatekeeper or peoples champion? African-American Presidential Candidate Says, "It's the Principle that Counts"

By Glenda Goodson

The African-American presidential candidate Ambassador Alan Keyes, a 50year-old native New Yorker, just refuses to go away into oblivion and has taken his campaign to Michigan. Keyes, who currently resides in Maryland is a former Reagan Administration official and has long been a leader in the conservative movement, formerly serving as U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Social and Economic Council.

He has been married since 1981 to Jocelyn Marcel and is the father of three. His list of accomplishments include serving the country as a Republican leader, diplomat, speaker, citizen activist, author (Our Character, Our Future, 1996 and Masters of the Dream, 1995), educator (Interim President of Alabama A&M University) and has earned a Ph.D. in Government from Harvard University.

He has been called a preacher, a negative man, self-righteous and controversial among other things. He makes no apology for being a Black Roman Catholic Conservative. But who is he really and what does his campaign mean? While some senators such as U.S. Representative Tom Coburn (R-OK) have endorsed Keyes many black leaders are silent. When asked what Dr. Keyes' candidacy meant to the black community, Niger Innis, son of Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) founder Roy Innis (who personally endorsed him) says "...We are still er slaved today and Alan Keyes is the man with the vision and the universal message that's not black, that's not white. His is the message which will lead all of us, black and white, off the plantation of victimization and self-reliance."

On the eve of the Michigan primary, Ambassidor Alan Keyes (after finishing with 5 percent of the vote in South Carolina) will need all the support he can get with the tough challenges in his bid for President of the United States. Consider:

E His campaign offer, which only recently broke the \$2 million mark, com-

petes with the \$60-million-plus war chest of front-runner, Governor George Bush of Texas.

 In a vitriolic of accusations, Keyes and allies also claim media blackout when he is not invited to many strategic media events that other candidates have access to voice their opinions.

• Attorney's for Keyes' campaign believe that the Voting Rights Act of 1965 may have been violated in South Carolina. South Carolina should investigate why twenty-one polling sites in the predominantly black area of Greenville, South Carolina were not opened for the primary. (According to State Republican officials Greenville County GOP Chairman Warren Mowry, a Bush campaign supporter responsible for the decision not to open, confirmed that the closing only occurred as a result of a string of "odd coincidences").

• South Carolinian media powerhouse Rev. R.C. Lilliston charges that the failure of minority leadership, such as Rev. C.C. Currington who took the reigns after Rev. Henry Lyons tenure of the National Baptist Convention, Operation Push Rev. Jesse Jackson and other national leaders who are from South Carolina, to give Keyes an audience during the three weeks he campaigned in the state was very unfortunate and lacked basic Southern hospitality.

 After garnering 5% of the vote in South Carolina arryway, a recent Newsweek conventional wisdom column suggested that the presidential candidate should just go home and "hit the lecture circuit."

Keyes' supporters do not doubt his will, and his determination to stay in the race may be found in his lowa announcement speech when he again told the world he would run for president (his first bid was in 1996). In it Keyes stated that he and his supporters are "engaged in a life or death struggle for the soul of the United States. What we are fighting for in the Republican Party right now, we are

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fighting for the priority that must be given to these moral concerns."

He says that he is trying to bring the healing

influence of the real grass, roots to a cadre of leadership that has lost its way in the confusions of ambition and power and is carrying a message of integrity to the voters. Keyes further states that he is dismayed that "there is not a single candidate in this race who has not chosen from time to time to step back from the clear platform of priortime as if it is possible to go

ity, as if it is possible to go before a group that has economic or agricultural or other concerns and leave at the door one's understanding of the real challenges that face us all as Americans."

Comparing his fight with the Biblical thinning out of the army of Israelites where God kept thinning them out until He got down to the gleaming core of integrity and decision. Keyes states that the time has come to become evangelists for this nation's moral renewal. To him and his supporters the first order of business would include - restoring respect for the national sovereignty of this country (he disagrees with America's entry into the World Trade Organization stating "We gave away a portion of our sovereignty that we should never have surrendered.") - the rights of the unborn (if elected President, he will ban partial birth abortions) - a ban on social experimentation to garner political favor (he will re-institute the ban on homosexuals serving in the military. However, he has a problem with

sodomy laws because "any laws that can't be without enforced destroying privacy...What is going on in private between consenting adults -even if I believe it is deeply immoral - if it does not have consequences that affect the public will (e.g., homodemanding sexuals marriage), then think...interrupting people's privacy to

enforce these laws against what they do...is a danger to liberty.)- abolishing the income tax (says he would work to abolish the income tax - under the original Constitution, government was funded with tariffs, duties and excise and sales taxes)- Standing with integrity against religious bigotry ("There's no mention of separation of church and state in the Constitution - the First Amendment was written to keep the federal government from being able to impose any kind of uniform religious code or belief on the states... The challenge we face right now is our challenge as a people to renew our allegiance to our principles, and to get away from those which reject the fundamental moral principle of the country that our rights come from God and must be exercised with respect for the authority of God.") - Standing against racial bigotry Spokeswoman Connie Hair

says that the Keyes straight-talking, grass roots message is an unpopular but imperative one that the media should not continue to discount. They claim

that before the South Carolina primary McCain was invited to "Good Morning America" and Bush had an hour-long interview with "Meet the Press". US News and World Report Editor Jodie Allen said, "If he were white, I don't think he'd get any attention at all." In a later statement Allen accused Keyes of playing the race card, stating "You criticize his proposals and he calls you a

racist. People tend not to take him on the facts because they don't want to be labeled a racist." But Hal Stevenson, South Carolina state volunteer chairman of the Keyes Campaign disagrees and told MON that "this guy has a message...who happens to be black. We asked (folks) to give him the respect he deserves." Keyes further states that the broadcast media has

Keyes further states that the broadcast media has excluded him from debates because most blacks in America watch the broadcast media. Going into Detroit with the campaign he appeared February 20 on CNN's "Late Edition with Wolf Blitzer" and stated "These racists (in the media) don't want black people to know that the most capable (Presidential) candidate has black skin, because that might excite some folks in the black community." Stating that good hearted, decent people are willing to evaluate what he says on merits he blasts "the racist media that refuses to allow 'black' and 'conservative' to

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Rev. R. C. Lilliston "As Southerners we should have at least given him an audi-

ence and opportunity to meet and speak with black leaders and black people. It was my concern that we were not being hospitable because he is a Black Republican. Black Republicans do not have the inroad into the black leadership of the South which for the most part comes from the religious institutions and most of your black leaders from the South are Democrats."

Lilliston says that Keyes, a black Catholic "says the things that many of the black leadership that come out of the South subscribe to from the pulpit...but when he came neither of the five black private, religious institutions invited him to speak. South Carolina State, the only black state institution, invited him (he did speak at Bob Jones University where interacial dating is forbidden). It was ironic...and black Southerners (must) come to the conclu-

sion and act upon...that the white Democratic leadership of the South too often takes the black vote for granted. At least fake the Democrats."

Some might not think the message of black cohesiveness so simple given the direction Keyes travels as he runs to the far right. When asked during the South Carolina debate about racial profiling, a touchstone to many Black Americans, Keyes responded: "I know everybody thinks that (stopping racial profiling) is doing some favor to a racial group, but if our

police and enforcement people have the experience that a given crime is d is proportiona t e 1 y b e i n g commit-

ted by folks from a given ethnic group, we are now going to pass a law that says you can't notice the characteristics of individuals who commit crimes and develop profiles to help folks pursue the solving of

crimes based on our experience...If there are black folks out there disproportionately committing certain kinds of crimes, my parents raised me to know that I represent the race in everything I do."

Although Ambassador Alan Keyes will not lock up the nomination for the general election, supporters say much of what he says does not run counter to concerns among a majority of Black Americans. Keyesites have vowed to press on, as a matter of principle, and Keyes will continue to add his voice to the national debate in the next primary state of Michigan. Should he run again? Some supporters think not but South Cambinian Lillicton are "We have

Carolinian Lilliston says, "We have to have a willingness to entertain blacks from other parties...and America is better because he has run."

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Sickle Cell: Marrying for love can result in disease

By Delmetria L. Millener

When choosing a partner for marriage, thoughts that usually come to mind are blissful memories, financial security and beautiful, healthy children. The last thought is a definite issue to consider if you are among many African Americans who knowingly or unknowingly carry the trait for Sickle Cell Disease or SCD. When two parents carry the trait they will likely pass the disease to their children.

Sickle Cell Disease is an inherited blood disorder caused by an abnormality in the red blood cells. Complications of the disease can be traced to changes in the makeup of the red blood cell causing it to assume a "sickle" shape, making it unusually fragile, extremely rigid and clogs in the blood vessels. The clogging can lead to pain and organ and tissue damage. "In a child with sickle cell disease, the spleen ruptures by 12 or 13 years of age," says Sandra Iddeen, the mother of a 13- year-old child who has a form of sickle cell.

Sickle Cell is a specific genetic factor usually found in the African American population. However, the notion that SCD is a "Black" disease is a myth. The disease is also commonly found among Mediterranean, South and Central Caribbean, American, East Indian, and Arabian populations.

Currently, there is no cure for this painful and sometimes fatal disease. Unlike HIV, testing for Sickle Cell Disease is not mandatory prior to marriage. Therefore, unless it is requested by one of the two people involved, testing for the sickle cell trait will go undetected. Additionally, there are no physical signs to indicate if someone has the trait. Nevertheless, early detection and treatment are essential. "We can eradicate this disease through education. If you are consciously aware of who you marry, you can prevent growing the disease," says Iddeen. Iddeen and her husband both carried the sickle cell trait, but did not realize it until their daughter was born and tested positive for a form of the disease.

Will society allow a disease to dictate with whom we'll spend the rest of

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our lives? Catherine Nnaji gives a tear jerking account of the two times her 8year-old son has suffered a stroke, the numerous, painful transfusions he's

endured, and the surgery that resulted in paralysis on the left side of his body.

When getting married, we only think about ourselves, not the two halves that will make our childrenuntil they get here and you discover that you gave them this disease," said "l have Nnaji. blamed myself, I

have wished could take the disease back and I've handled the guilt

when my son asked where he got the disease. It hurt me so

bad when he asked, 'why did you and Daddy give this to me?" What is being done to prevent SCD

from spreading? National programs like the Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, Inc. (SCDAA), provides assistance to network affiliate members. These members include local chapters such as the Dallas Chapter of the Sickle Cell Association and the Sickle Cell Foundation who provide education, advocacy, and other initiatives to promote awareness. There are programs such as Camp Jubilee and the Make A Wish Foundation that affords sickle cell sufferers the chance to enhance their quality of life.

However, many suffers of Sickle Cell, parents of sickle cell sufferers, doctors and other professionals do not feel that the Sickle Cell Foundation does enough in their efforts, and all agree that adequate funding is not being allocated towards researching the disease.

Arnold Hyder, director of the SIckle Cell Disease Association of America-Dallas Chapter, Inc., countered these accusations wit information that each year an annual benefit was

held to raise money for research funding. However, since the event dissolved, additional funds no longer exist for research. Instead, other support programs include

counseling and tutorial services, education, screening, holiday and sporting events, and providing social workers to assist patients obtaining with employment and benefits. insurance The association vows that a goal for 2000 is to reassess funding for research, reinstate the annual benefit, and continue existing support programs.

Many are taking action to fight the disease without help from the Sickle Cell Foundation. Pat Imah, motivational speaker

and mother of a 13-year-old daughter who suffers from sickle cell is an example of the disease victims.

I have lived with this disease all my life and I'm sick of it! I am tired! I hate it, I hate it! Living with someone who has the disease, you never can tell what's going to happen." The slogan for the SCDAA, "Break the sickle cycle" is the effort that Imah is trying to make. "It is important that we spread the word about the disease, get tested, know where to get tested so we can inform others, and support those with the disease and families of those with the disease." Imah has used print,

radio and broadcast media to spread the word about the disease, educate and provide encouragement for others, like her daughter, who live with the disease everyday.

Celebrity spokesperson for the Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, Inc. and disease suffer, Tionne "T-Boz" Watkins of the musical group, TLC said, "I have learned to smile when I wasn't happy, to sing when I didn't feel like it, and to do things just to please my fans. My attitude was . . . OK, you're just going to have to face what you've got. Now, suck it up and try to make the best of it," said Watkins. "Recently I've learned there was a larger stage than I could ever imagine. A stage that would enable me to take my message to those who needed it most. People like me. People with sickle cell disease."

Although presently, studies reveal there is a 90% chance that children with sickle cell disease will reach adulthood, there is still a lot to be done to totally wipe out the disease. Awareness and education is a way to get a head start towards prevention. Imah urges the community, "spread the word, be tested, know where to be tested and support." For more information about testing and the Sickle Cell Disease, contact the Texas Department of Health at 214-670-3696, the local Sickle Cell Foundation at 214-942-1262, the Sickle Cell Disease Association of American, Inc. online www.sicklecelldisease.org., or Patricia Imah Imadomwanyi at www.fightscd.com or patriciaimah@yahoo.com.



Children's Dreams Sickle Cell activists Zackee Ideen and Pat Imadomwanyi educate the and anger I felt public about the hereditary disease.

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for other methods of improving the courts and continuing to provide fair and efficient justice. While in office, Montgomery believes she has made the 95th District Court "on of the most respected and highly regarded courts".

This year her main focus is centered on keeping integrity in the courts, providing an efficient, fair and honest court, and practicing judicial restraint. She believes the citizens of Dallas County deserve a judge with integrity, willing to work hard and possessing impeccable knowledge of the law. Montgomery promises to continue utilizing the innovative methods used during her first term and continue improving the judicial system, expedite justice and run her courtroom like a business.

Karen Johnson, Republican



bring diversity to the judicial system. Johnson is an Asian American running for public office for the first

Karen Johnson wants to

time. "There are no Asian-American elected official in all of North Texas, including no full-time Asian American' judges, a disappointing statistic...I am proud of my heritage, and I would like to give back to this country that has been so good to me and my family."

Johnson wants to improve the overall quality of this office by maintaining a fair and impartial court, running a hardworking and efficient court, and using her extensive legal background to work for Dallas County through sound decisions and judgment.

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experience and practice in Texas courts. Although this is his first bid

for public office, he has served as a vis-



"The rule of law will be applied equally to all members of the public. Each case is different and I am committed to 'Justice, One Case at a Time.'"

Luis Daniel Sepulveda, Democrat

No response.

Joel David Vera, Democrat

No response.

In addition to voting for candidates, a referendum will be voted on by members of the Republican Party.

Referendum: Shall student initiated prayer be allowed at school sporting events?





Strategy

Dallas Plan elects new chair

By Lakeesha Joe

The Dallas Plan (Dallas City Plan, Inc.) is a non-profit private corporation created to work with the City of Dallas and the Dallas



Community to develop and implement a long range plan for the city. The Dallas Plan was adopted by the Dallas City County in 1994 to guide the growth and development of Dallas through the year 2025. The City Council also adapts short term action agendas to implement this plan

Elwin Skiles, Jr.

through a process of open community workshops and public input coordinated The Dallas plan organization. These action projects are carried out by the city, The Dallas Plan organization and many partner organizations throughout the community.

In addition to being involved with The Dallas Plan, Skiles is also Senior Vice President of Texas Instruments Incorporated where he as worked for the past 23 years. At Texas Instruments, Skiles is responsible for the company's government and public relations, community affairs, and philanthropic activities.

Skiles serves on the Board of Directors of the Greater Dallas Chamber of Commerce, the Dallas Museum of Art, The Dallas Opera, the Texas Taxpayers and Research Association and the Texas Instruments Foundation. He is also director of the Zale Lipshy University Medical Center, Inc., the John G. Tower Center for Political Studies and Southern Methodist University and the Dallas Council on World Affairs.

Allstate employee honored with award

Allstate employee Yolanda Davis was honored with her company's 2000 From Whence We Came Award during Black History Month. Davis earned the award through her volunteerism and community involvement.



Davis is the founder of

"NetXchange", a mentoring program, which provides tutoring and etiquette training to high school students. The program helps the students in the areas of reading, writing and

mathematics, as well as provides seminars on diversity and money management. The program also includes college and historical field trips.

The From Whence We Came award is Allstate's salute to Black History Month. The award celebrates Allstate's urban roots by honoring individuals throughout the country who help build stronger, safer communities.

"Allstate has a long and proud tradition of volunteerism," said Al Olsson, Allstate vice president. "We are very proud to have employees like Yolanda Davis who are wiling to go the extra mile to give back to their community."



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Around The Town

Links, Inc. will sponsor the 42nd Ebony Fashion Fair on Sunday at the Bronco Bowl Theater, 2600 Fort Worth Avenue at 5:00 p.m. Ticket prices are \$20 and include a year's subscription to Ebony or a sixmonth subscription to Jet magazines. For ticket information, call 214-467-4255 or 1-888-597-7827.

On-going

Filing has begun for anyone interested in becoming a Dallas School Board Trustee for the three open positions. The filing deadline is Wednesday, March 22 at 5 p.m. Trustee elections will be held May 6. If interested in filing, contact Suzanne Davidson at 972-925-3720 for a filing packet.

The Dallas Chapter of the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants is accepting applications for the 2000 ACCUMATION Accounting Career Education Program. If you are currently a high school junior and are exploring career options, see you high school counselor or business teacher for more details or call the Dallas Chapter Office at 972-960-8311. Application deadline is April 21, 2000.

Miracle on Wheels has made available power wheelchairs to non-ambulatory senior citizens usually at no out-of-pocket expense if they qualify. This service may also be available to the permanently disabled of any age. Please call 1-800-749-8778 for more information.

March 4

Eric Farrington Companies is hosting a one-day seminar titled "The Power to Create Your Own Destiny". The seminar will teach success techniques and strategies to bring your dreams to reality, create a successful future and how to control your financial destiny. The workshop will be held at the Downtown Hyatt Regency Hotel, 300 Reunion Blvd., Dallas, from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Reservation fee is \$49.99 per person. For more details, call 972-264-2632.

The Dallas Urban League and Pepsi will be holding an entry-level Job Fair from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Urban League Office, 4315 South Lancaster Road. Contact Ed Stanworth of Pepsi-Cola Human Resources at 214-324-8668 for more information.

The South Oak Cliff High School, Class of '75 is planning their 25-year reunion cruise. For additional information, please call the SOC Reunion Hotline at 972-279-1540. The next meeting is Saturday, March 4 at Concord Baptist Church, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

March 6

The Exchange Club Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse of DFW, Inc. (EXCAP) is sponsoring an orientation to their Parent Aide program from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Parent Aides are needed to work with families referred to EXCAP by Protective Services for alleged abuse and neglect. Parent aides are also needed to visit homes of referred families. Volunteers are required to have a criminal records check and to attend 10 hours of training. Bilingual volunteers are especially needed. For additional information call EXCAP at 214-370-9810.

March 9

The National Association of Black Journalists-Magnificent Region VII will hold its annual regional conference in Oklahoma City, March 9-12 at the Westin Hotel. Registration forms and fees must be turned in by Feb. 25 or paid on-site. For more information, contact Cheryl Smith at 214-376-9525.

The University of Texas at Arlington will present the first of seven two-day courses in its Certified Public Manager series March 9-10. The first course will cover personnel administration and will be presented at the South Arlington Customer Services Center on SW Green Oaks Blvd. For more information, contact David Tees at 817-272-3304 or tees@uta.edu.

March 10

The St. Luke "Community" United Methodist Church AIDS Ministry is sponsoring an AIDS Educational Seminar titled "Engaging the African-American Church in the Continuum of Care for Persons Living with HIV/AIDS". The seminar is two day and the seminar facilitator will be Dr. Mackey Norris a national health care consultant from Hobbs, New Mexico. The seminar will be held at the St. Luke UMC, 5710 East R.L. Thornton Freeway. Admission is free. There will be a reception on Friday and lunch on Saturday. For more information contact DeWan Perry at 214-456-6198. Dallas Reads is sponsoring a luncheon celebrating literacy at the Wyndham Anatole Hotel, Stemmons & Market Center, at 12:00 p.m. There will also be an awards ceremony honoring literacy successes. RSVP by March 1 at 214-821-READ.

The Dallas/Ft. Worth Chaper of Florida A&M University will be holding their annual Student/Parent Reception at 6:30 p.m. at the GTE Corporate Headquarters, in the Auditorium, 700 Hidden Ridge Dr., Irving,TX. FAMU president Dr. Frederick Humphries will present 4 full scholarships to area high school seniors. For more information contact the DFW FAMU Hotline at 972-669-5792 or e-mail DFW_FAMU_NAA@ hotmail.com.

March 11

LaFuente's annual Job Fair Expo 2000 will take place Saturday at the Grand Place Building in Fair Park from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Admission and parking are free. The Expo will provide opportunities for applicants to meet over 100 corporations in various industries. Positions range from entry level to professional. Some corporations will provide on-site interviews. For booth or employment information, call 214-977-7936.

Faith Temple Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 825 W. Pentagon Pkwy, Dallas, will host an oratorical competition at 6:30 p.m. Area youth will be judges by distinguished community guests. For more information contact DiAnna Terrell-Akins at 972-505-8919 or 214-781-5216.

March 14

The Operation Relief Community Development Corporation is sponsoring a Community Health Fair 2000 at 1825 South Blvd. from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Healthcare providers and services include the MLK Clinic and Dental Service, Baylor Healthcare System and Childrens Medical Center. For more information call W.L. McCall at 214-421-5363.

March 15

Sun Microsystems is hosting the Sun .Com Summit at the Dallas Marriott Quorum from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. The seminar agenda includes information on the .com age, how to .com your business and breakout sessions. For more information or to register call 888-844-2239.

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March 5

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October 1999 because he noticed a need for theater space and promotional packages for small, independent theatre companies. Since inception, GO Entertainment has evolved into much more. "GO Entertainment will serve as a spring-

board into success for all who dare to dream,

said Golden. "I first want to promote African-American theatre in our communities through quality live stage performances and give it a competitive edge in the arena with larger theatre companies that are more fund-ed. And, eventually, GO Entertainment will

... continued on page 22

The Western Women's Reader

Edited by Lillian Schlissel and Catherine Lavender

(HarperPerennial, \$18.00, Paperback) By Delmetria L. Millener

The Western Women's Reader is a composition of sto-



ries, memoirs, photography and art from women of the American West. With writings from the Great Plains, Alaska and the Pacific Northwest, Hawaii, the Rocky Mountains, the American Southwest, and the Far West, The Western Women's Reader is edited by noted scholars Lillian Schlissel and Catherine Lavender and provides not only storytelling, but a glimpse of writing styles of Western women. Many of the stories are inter-

esting and reacquaint readers with Western "sheros" from the

past, such as Calamity Jane, however the stories' tales have already been told in the section of high school English class reserved for folklore. The authors are quite wordy in their introduction, and it is difficult to follow or keep up with what's being read. The acknowledgements are lengthy, as the editors thanked associations, people and literary institutions, when a simple "thanks to all who helped with this book" and maybe a few personal endearments for family members and close friends would have sufficed.

The authors virtually cram stories of grandmothers, lovers, and daughters into this cumbersome anthology that is more of a lesson in Western culture. With selections of fiction, memoir, history, testimony, and poetry, The Western Women's Reader should be a classroom, textbook style reading that educates about the rich and diverse traditions of life in the West, as seen through the eyes of the women who share a passion for this rugged region. It is not a work that would likely be chosen as a fireplace snuggler for reading enjoyment

Nonprofit production company seeks local artists, funds dreams

By Correspondent Latrina George

It's long been a known fact that friends of people in the arts are valuable, especially those financiers who pour money into artistic projects of every kind to ensure that the art lives on. But, when financial backers are few and finding funding is about as easy as searching for that needle in the haystack, many artists are left with mere dreams that are never realized. However, all of that is about to change to change.

A nonprofit theatre production company, Golden Opportunity Education and Entertainment Corporation, also known as GO Entertainment, seeks to help local artists realize some of their most desired dreams. Anthony J. Golden, Executive/Artistic Director of GO Entertainment, says he and his wife started GO Entertainment in

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American Beauty This comedy-drama deplores the single-minded pursuit of the American Dream and the dysfunctional state of many families. The film stars Kevin Spacey and Annette Bening.

The Beach This film tells the story of haw an island paradise turns into a nightmare. Leonardo DiCaprio returns to the water, as he leads a cast to a remote location meant to escape the harsh realities of the world.

Scream 3 As the end of the "Scream" trilogy, this movie finally reveals the killer. Neve Campbell is back as the main character, Sidney. But this time the setting of the movie is in Hollywood, and anything can happen.

The Tigger Movie This new Disney film offers a fascinating look at how our vision of childhood has changed over the years. The film focuses on the destructive Tigger instead of the gentle Poon.



Japanese want to be millionaires Faji Television has bought the rights for the Japanese version of the ABC game show "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?" The show will at 26 episodes each Thursday beginning in April Each episode will follow the hour-long format of the American version. But instead of winning \$1 million, the top prize in Japan will only be about \$90,000.

Darryl Strawberry suspended 1 year New York Yankees pitcher Darry Strawberry was suspended a duid time. from baseball. The cocaine-related suspension is set for one year. Strawberry, who turns 38 next month and is an eight-time All-Star had been expected to be the prime designated hitter for the Yankees this season.

PV families suc Ford Motors Families of the Prairie View A&M University students involved in the recent automobile accident sued Ford Motor Company in relation to their 15-passenger van. The lawsuit claims that Fond's van was a rollower hazard.

Italian Artist Showcased at **Kimball**

The Kimball Art Museum begins its series of exhibi-tions on artist or themes that have not previously been treated in depth in the United States with 16thcentury Italian painter Giovanni Battista Moroni. The exhibition is titled Giovanni Battista Moroni: Renaissance Portraitist.. Although Moroni has been the subject of retrospec-tives in Italy and London, there has been no equiva-lent representation of his achievement in this country.



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Kimball is bringing his revolutionary portraits of together 12 of his finest and the professional classes. The most innovative works exhibit includes a portrait of from throughout his career. Moroni's wife Isotta Brembati. Particular attention will be A symposium schedule and paid to the naturalism with speakers will be announced. which he portrays his sit- For more information contact ters, both in formal por- the Kimball Art Museum at traits of the nobility and in 817-332-8451.



Dr. Rosie Sorrells is one of the featured experts in KERA's "Ready for Life". Sorrells offers her expertise on children, parents and their behavior.

KERA airs special about Texas families

KERA 13 takes a look at the lives of six Texas children and their families' struggle to provide an emotionally healthy foundation for their children. "Ready for Life" is the first one-hour special in their multi-year media initiative "First Impressions." "Ready for Life airs Wednesday, March 15 at 11:00 are on KERA, Channel 13. The program includes real-life footage of children and their families with observations by carly childhood development experts. Dr. Rosie Sorrells, Secretary of Texas State Board of Education and Vice Char of its Instructional Committee of Education and Dr. Bruce Perry, Chief of Psychiatry at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston are the gauss experts. The program will be narrated by actions Ruby Dec. the guest experts. The program will be narrated by actress Ruby Dee.



Arts and Letters Live continues their programs with "Bloomsbury in Sussex: The Golden Age of Charleston" at 7:30 p.m. at the Dallas Mu eum of Art. 1717 N. Harwood

March 4-5

Performers from Australia, the United States, England and Canada will present the performance Tap Dogs by Australian choreographer Dein Perry at the Bass Performance Hall, 4th & Calhoun streets in downtown FL Worth. The performance is 90 minutes. The show is presented by Casa Manana. For more information and ticket prices call 817-467-ARTS or 214-631-ARTS.

March 6

The Fort Worth Museum of Science and History presents its newest show. "Dolphins" at the Onni Theater, 1501 Montgomery Street, Ft. Worth. The show is narrated by James Bond actor, Pierce Bronson, with music provided by Sting. The snow provides audience members the feeting of swimming alongside the dolphins in the waters of the Bahamas.

March 13-21

The Black Academy of Arts and Letters presents a dance workshop with choreographers Djely Moussa Diabate and Dereque Whiturs. The instructors will teach and demonstrate innovations of dance created by African and African-American masters Instruction culminates with a dance concert choreographed by Diabate and Whiturs.

The Dallas International Organ

Competition will hold a competition for the world's most promising young organists (aged 30 and (under) at the Morton [4. Meyerson Symphony Cemer. The organists will compete for a total of \$50,000 in prize noney as well as the chance to perform as a soloist with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra. For more information contact Kim Gifford at the Dallas Symphony Orchestra at 214-871-4029.

March 14

The Phack Academy of Arts and Letters presents the National Touring Production Be Careful What You Pray For, the musical comedy about 17-year old Samantha Stuar, a gospel singing phenomenon, or a quest to find love and a better life outside ner Christian family upbringing. The production stars David Peaston and Shirley Murdock. For more information call 21.4-743-2440.

March 17 - April 9

The Plano Repertory rheatre continues its 3000 Season with the Charles Dickens classic Great Expectations adapted by Barbara Field. Filled with extraordinary characters - an escaped convict a wealth bat embattered old woman and a secret guardian - this rags to riches story is sure to delight young and old alike.

Attention Writers

Writers Needed For Womens Antholgy

Submissions of poetry, short fiction and non-fiction stories/essays, artwork and black & white photography are wanted for an anthology that focuses on the Black woman's experience in America.

Possible topics may include your experiences, and/or thoughts, feelings and perspectives on race, politics, sexuality, oppression, images of beauty, family relationships, love relationships, violence, crime, identity, work, community, the nation, education, youth problems and childhood---as you can see, what you write about IS limitless.

Both published and non-published writers are encouraged to



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INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Housing Authority of the City of Dallas, Texas (DHA) will receive bids for the construction of a new 152-unit apartment complex, Lakewest 152, until 3:30 p.m., on Monday, April 10, 2000 at 3939 N. Hampton Road, Suite #350, Dallas, Texas 75212, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. A pre-bid conference has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 15, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. at the DHA's Centreal Office, 3939 N. Hampton Road, third Floor Dale Kessler Boardroom, Dallas, Texas 75212

Bid Documents, including Plans and Specifications, May be acquired at DHA'S Centeral Office, 3939 N. Hampton Road, Suite 350, Dallas, Texas 75212 Beginning on Monday March 6, 2000. Office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A \$100.00 NON-refundable fee is required for each set of plans and specifications.

DHA reserves the right to reject any and all abids or to waive aany informalities in the bidding. the housing Authority of the city of Dallas, Texas will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or age. Equal Housing Opportunity.





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By Janel Burrell

The University of North Texas System Center, Dallas' newest higher education facility opened its doors for

education facility opened its doors for classes for the Spring 2000 semester. State Senator Royce West was on hand to register the first students at the new college. The registering students fulfilled a commitment made by Senator West to bring a state-supported institution of higher learning to Dallas. "It's coming to fruition, but this is just the beginning,"

just the beginning," said Senator West "On the site, you see the beginning of what will ultimately be the University of North Texas at Dallas," added Senator West at the groundbreaking ceremony held in September.

The new UNT Center is located at 8915 South Hampton

Road, a few blocks south of Interstate 20. The facility is 78,000 square feet and was approved by lawmakers last January when the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board granted UNT the approval to establish a system center in southern Dallas. The UNT Center was created to create a new uni-

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tion," said Peete

Last Spring the legislature approved \$4.2 million to fund the UNT Center for the first two years. Private investors, including the Hillcrest Foundation, Methodist Hospitals and The Dallas Foundation, then came to the rescue and raised and additional

versity that would serve both southern

Dallas and northern Ellis County and

the center also offers easy access to degree programs from the University of North Texas to students in the area.

Jennifer Peete, marketing specialist for the UNT Center and University of

North Texas graduate, will market the center to the southern Dallas communi-

ty. She said the UNT Center wants to reach all of the potential students in the area and make it know that it is their

\$2.6 million for equipment, outreach activities and scholarships for the Center. The University of North Texas beat out Texas

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A&M and Texas Tech universities to be educational partner schools with the new Center. Classes were started in the fall on the campuses of Cedar Valley and Mountain View Colleges and also at Duncanville High School until the new facility built. So far, uni-

was The University of North Texas System Center at and talk to current stu-Dallas is located just blocks south of I-20 on S. dents. UNT administra-Hampton

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istrators report that more than 250 students have enrolled at the UNT Center for the 1999-2000 academic year. Degree programs are offered in the Bachelor's, Master's and Certificate areas. The Bachelor's Degree Program includes 6 programs, including Computer Science and Criminal Justice. The Master's Degree Program

has 2 current options, Information Science and Library Science. Diversity in Schools and Teacher Certification-

Music Education are among the 4 degrees offered in the Certificate Program. All degree categories are expected to provide additional programs beginning Fall 2000. The UNT System Center will offer courses during the May Mini-mester and for 2 summer terms

An official grand open-ing for the UNT System Center will be held March 29. Attendees will have an opportuni-ty to tour the new facility, meet faculty and staff

tors and city and state officials will be on site participating in the ribbon cutting cere-

mony. Students interested in registering for classes at the UNT System Center can call 1-877-868-3257 or 1-800-868-8211 for undergraduate admission and 1-888-868-4723 for graduate admission.

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Interval and the page 18 and the scale of the provide all minority theatre companies. "Golden adds that he and his carefully picked board of directors have developed individual programs to ensure that community involvement remains a critical link in GO Entertainment's focus. The mission of GO Entertainment is to provide a theatre haven for youth and adults alike that will offer an opportunity to expand education through entertainment, promote self-worth and instill self-confidence through creativity in the arts and participation in cultural activities. The company has already produced a play, "The Corporate Plantation", in conjunction with Blacken Blues Theater. GO Entertainment is partnering with local communities paving an avenue for students and anyone desiring a career in the entertainment industry. As any connoisseur or novice in the entertainment industry knows, endeavors that hone skills birector, Anthony Golden (left) performs in Entertainment goes directly into the communities and solicits those artists who need that exposure." There are classes to take and workshops to attend. But Golden and GO Entertainment is providing the exposure new artists need and desire for but have been unable to afford. "GO Bolden (left) performs in Entertainment goes directly into the communities and solicits those artists who need that exposure." There are classes to take and according to Golden, this play is just the beginning. "GO Entertainment will provide quality entertainment all year long and continuous opportunities for people to realize their dreams."



FIREFIGHTER/ PARAMEDIC

The City of Desoto is currently accepting applications for Firefighter/Paramedic through April 14, 2000. Civil Service Test Date is Saturday, April 22,2000 at 8:00 A.M. at the Desoto Recreation Center, Bluebonnet Rooms, 211 E. Pleasant Run Rd., Desoto, TX. Minimum qualifications include: must be 18 years of age or older, may not have reached 36th birthday; High School Diploma or GED; valid drivers license with acceptable driving record. Beginning Salary \$2,712 monthly plus benefits.

To request an application please contact: Human Resources Office, Town Center 211 E. Pleasant Run Rd. Desoto, TX 75115 (972) 230-9601 or JOBLINE (972) 230-9690 EOF



APPLICATION DEADLINE RENTAL HOUSING PRESERVATION PROGRAM

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Interested individuals should submit a resume/application, salary history, and three (3) proressional references by March 17, 2000 to:



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submit entries. There is not an entry fee or limit on the number

of submissions. The deadline for submissions is April 15, 2000. Please include your full name, age, stage, and daytime or evening phone number with each entry. For more information please contact Chaz Foster-Kyser by e-mail or at 512-754-9028 between 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Mon-fri.

Please e-mail entries to anthology1@hotmail.com and/or send a copy and the work on an IBM formatted disk or Mac disk saved as a text file to:





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