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## NEWS

### SICKLE CELL DISEASE—A Cause for Community Concern at Burger King Corporation

Miami, FL. Vincent L. Berkeley, Senior Vice President Worldwide Diversity Resources, BURGER KING CORPORATION, is the company's eyes and ears when it comes to community concerns like Sickle Cell Disease. BURGER KING CORPORATION has an ongoing commitment, and a clear corporate objective, to focus community relations on youth, education and jobs. Serving the community and providing assistance to those worthy causes that affect the lives of employees and customers is a BURGER KING® standard.

As Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Sickle Cell Disease Association of America (SCDAA), Vince Berkeley has been a champion of this cause for nine years. "Of all the afflictions and infirmities in our world today, Sickle Cell Disease is one of the most misrepresented, misunderstood and ill-funded," says Mr. Berkeley. "And we must fix this through education, communication, co-operation, dedication and dollars."

Meeting in Greensboro, North Carolina, for its 28th National Convention, September 27th through 30th, the interactive conference was sponsored jointly by SCDAA and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine. More than 500 delegates, sponsors and guests participated in policy decisions, health care and research forums devoted to finding a universal cure for sickle cell disease and to improve the quality of life for individuals and families affected by this disease. The Sickle Cell Disease Association of America (SCDAA), under Berkeley's Board leadership, is directed by a team of seasoned professionals including Lynda K. Anderson, President-COO; Dr. Lennette J. Benjamin, Chief Medical Officer of SCDAA and Associate Professor of Medicine, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Clinical Director Comprehensive Sickle Cell Centers, Montefiore Hospital Center, Bronx, N.Y.; and many others at the national and local levels. Approximately 100 member organizations in thirty states and Canada are involved in national and local programs to meet the needs of the broader sickle cell community that will attract appropriate funding for future growth and research. One such achievement is the creation of a new web site [www.sicklecelldisease.org](http://www.sicklecelldisease.org) — and other member organization web sites, designed to keep lines of communication open to share information, medical research updates and regional resources. "Our focus is break the sickle cycle" says Berkeley. This sentiment is echoed throughout the membership that appears to be moving towards its current convention theme - Care and Cure In The 21st Century.

## Texas West Insurance Locates in Neighborhood



There is a new business in the neighborhood to serve you. Texas West Insurance has opened an office at 1702 Parkway Drive to serve the people of east Lubbock. This location will be known as Texas West Insurance-East. It is part of Texas West Insurance Agency, which has been in business for over 14 years and is located at 2138 19th St. It was organized in October 1986 by William L. "Bill" Deal. It has been located at 2138 19th St for the past 10 years.

Mr. Deal is a 39 year veteran of the insurance business. He began his insurance career in 1962. In October of 1986 he organized Texas West Insurance Agency and has operated it since. He is assisted in the management by R.D. Skelton who has been with Texas West for 11 years. For some time, Texas West has been considering opening an office in east Lubbock to serve the many customers they have who live in the 79403 and 79404 zip codes.

Then an opportunity recently came about that provided

another reason to open an office. Texas West Insurance Agency acquired the Titan/Quicksurance Insurance Agency which was located at 1711 34th St. Many of the customers of this agency also live in the 79403 and 79404 zip codes. Thus, it became a natural to move the Titan/Quicksurance Insurance Agency and change the name to Texas West Insurance-East.

The manager of Titan/Quicksurance was Martin Hernandez who is now the manager of Texas West Insurance-East. Martin is well known to his customers for the excellent service that he has provided in the past. He is a knowledgeable insurance person and is looking forward to continuing to serve his old customers and develop new ones. Martin is married to Lupe Hernandez and they have two children. He has been in the insurance business since 1993. He is joined the agency by 1991 Estacado graduate, Johnny "JJ" Johnson, III. JJ has spent the last four years in the automotive business at Gene Messer Ford.

When he found out that Texas West was locating in east Lubbock he decided that he wanted to be part of the team that serves the Cherry Point/Parkway community. JJ is married to Christina and they have four children.

Texas West Insurance-East is a full service insurance agency with the ability to handle all of your insurance needs, including your auto, home and commercial needs.

In order to encourage you to get to know Texas West Insurance-East they will be giving away a new 27 inch "picture in a picture" television set on January 31, 2001. All you have to do to register is bring in your current auto or home insurance policy to the 1702 Parkway Drive office, get a quote or let them make a copy for a future quote and complete a registration form. You may register for each policy you bring in. If you are a current customer of Texas West or Quicksurance you can register by coming to the Parkway office and filling out a registration form. You do not have to purchase anything in order to register.

## New Park and Recreation Manager Named

Randy Truesdell has been selected as the City of Lubbock Parks and Recreation Manager and will begin his duties on January 2, 2001. Mr. Truesdell comes to Lubbock from the City of Highland Village where he has served as the Parks and Recreation Director since June 1997.

According to Assistant City Manager Tommy Gonzalez, "Randy brings with him a wealth of experience in special events and grounds maintenance, as well as park planning and development. While he was with Highland Village, the department received the Texas Recreation and Parks Society's 1999 Gold Medal Award for excellence in Parks and Recreation Management."

Under Mr. Truesdell's guidance, the Highland Village department also received the Texas Parks and Recreation Society's Lone Star Programming award in 2000. In addition, he was instrumental in securing grant funds for the City of Highland Village from the Texas Forest Service, Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and Texas Parks and Wildlife.

One of Mr. Truesdell's bigger accomplishments was bringing in a \$1.5 million grant from TxDOT to help fund the city's Inland Trail. He is also familiar with the challenges that the West Texas climate poses to a park system. Prior to 1997, Mr. Truesdell was employed by the City of Odessa where he served as the Parks Superintendent from 1988-1992 and the Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation.

## Nothing has Changed



The Digest Addressed this issue in the December 7th issue. This rubbish is on the 900 block of East 66th and MLK Blvd. WHAT A SHAME!

## Weather delays start of work at 74th and MLK

Rain and snow since October has delayed the start of construction work at 74th Street and Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard. Barring any other weather delays, work is scheduled to begin on January 2, 2001.

This is a low area where water from rain and snow melt collects. The work that is contracted will raise the level of the road and enhance drainage. Once work begins, MLK will be closed from US 84 to 82nd Street. [endland/end](http://endland/end)

For more information, contact Rob Jetter, 775-2339.

## Evening Stroll



A few of the geese at Canyon Lake 6 takes an evening stroll crossing the street at their leisure ignoring all that is around them.

## The Fourth Annual Acaulco Black Film Festive Announces Nia Long, Master P and Melvin Van Peebles as Black Star Awards Honorees



YORK, NY When Hollywood's leading black film-makers, directors, actors, and executives convene in Acapulco June 5-10, they will celebrate the achievements of three peers whose contributions to the film industry warrant international acclaim. Each year, festival producers Byron Lewis (UniWorld Group, Inc.), Jeff Friday (UniWorld Films) and Warrington Hudlin (Black Filmmaker Foundation), the leaders of black cinema's annual extravaganza select the brightest among black stars and the most promising black film-making talent to receive the recognition often denied them by Hollywood.

The work long festival culminates in the Black Film Awards Show? a gala event hosted by writer/director Robert Townsend and featuring the presentation of the Black Star Awards and the Black Film Awards (to be announced at a later date). This year Nia Long will be named "Star of the Year." Master P will be honored with the "Film Trailblazer" award and the "Byron E. Lewis Entrepreneur" award will go to Melvin Van Peebles. "We must continue to highlight the milestones and achievements of talented individuals like this year's Black Star Awards honorees," said Jeff Friday. "Each of them represents the spirit of the Acapulco Black Film Festival and its goal of increasing the visibility and success of Black film-makers and actors."

ABFF acknowledges my hard work and accomplishments," she said. Master P, an example of the power and influence that can be created through independent film production and distribution, is the first to receive the newly created film entrepreneur award.

Each year, the "Byron E. Lewis Trailblazer" award goes to an established leader in the film industry who has laid the foundation for today's talent by paving the way for blacks in film and opening doors for others to follow. "Melvin Van Peebles is one of a handful of individuals whose work has become the model for independent film-makers," said Byron Lewis. "As a trailblazer, he has paved the way for other black directors, and we are very proud to spotlight his accomplishments."

Recognized as one of the leading festivals for Blacks internationally, the ABFF, in its fourth year has built a following that includes the who's who of the film industry.

Among those who attend the festival are Debbie Allen, Taye Diggs, Morgan Freeman, Lisa Raye, Samuel L. Jackson, Denzel Washington, Halle Berry, Laurence Fishburne, Regina King, Mekhi Phifer, Bill Duke, Pam Grier, Hill Harper, John Singleton, Salli Richardson, Reginald Hudlin, and Carl Franklin. These major film industry guilds participate: Director's Guild of America (DGA), the Writer's Guild of America (WGA), and the Screen Actor's Guild (SAG).

In addition to the Black Film Awards Show, festival participants enjoy a full week of activities including daily panels and workshops designed to educate, inform and offer resources for black writers, directors, actors, and producers. Film screenings and competitions highlight new independent films from black film-makers around the world and nights are filled with partying at Acapulco's hottest nightclubs. Individuals interested in attending the festival can contact Friendly Holidays at 1-

800-544-8370 for discounted air and hotel packages and 1-800-559-3898 for registration information or visit [www.abff.com](http://www.abff.com)

This year's festival is presented by HBO and sponsored by Nielsen Media Research, Upscale magazine, Lincoln Jaguar, African Heritage Network, The Walt Disney Company, Bank of America, Wetmore, Sister 2 Sister magazine, Meridian Theaters, Urban Box Office, Volume.com, Nickelodeon, Filmmaker magazine, Blockbuster Entertainment, CineStars, Theaters, Imhotep, Tanqueray, The Daily Blossom, Magic Johnson Theaters, and Textra Media Group, Inc.





## Ruby Jay's Corner



The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. Billy R. Moton is the proud pastor. If you are visiting in the City of Lubbock during the Christmas Holidays, then come by and visit with us. You will be glad you did so. Also, bring your family with you.

Services began last Sunday morning with Sunday School beginning at 9:30 a. m. Assistant Superintendent Henry High presided over the Sunday School. All teachers were present and on time. It was another wonderful lesson. After thirty minutes of instruction, all reassembled to the main auditorium marching and singing "Silent Night."

High points of the morning lesson were given by Brother J. Quigley.

Prayer was given by Brother J. Quigley. High points of the morning lesson were given by Sister Brenda Gipson's Senior Class. They gave a demonstration. It was very well done.

Secretary's Report: Adult Department: Adult Class No. 1 received the Offering Banner. Adult Class No. 2 received the Attendance Banner.

Brother and Sister John Howard led the devotional period with the assistance of the Praise Team. What a glorious time.

The Senior Choir marched in the processional. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Jeff Brown. After a selection by the Senior Choir, scripture was read by Sister C. Hatcher who read Psalms 103. Prayer was given by Sister Dorothy Jenkins. After another selection the Senior Choir, the responsive reading was done with congregation standing and led by Sister Laverne Williams.

Brother Earnest Swain thanked the church for sending him to delegated to Nashville, Tennessee last week. He brought back a very good report.

Pastoral observations were given by Pastor Moton who always has something good to say.

Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "Hallelujah Any How!" Part II. His scripture text was Psalms 34:11-22. All souls were blessed.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in citizens. Among those reported to be ill at this report are: Sister Lucille Jackson, Sister Vicky Reed who is an out patient person, and Sister Callie Howard's brother. Please don't forget Sister Bernice Kelly.

The Christmas program at New Hope Baptist Church was very nice this year.

This wishing each of you a blessed Merry Christmas. God bless each of you is my prayer.

## Symposium for African-American Mid-Level Managers Offers Strategies for Success in the Corporate Workplace



WASHINGTON, DC — More than 500 African American corporate managers gained insight into the success and survival strategies needed to navigate the corporate workplace at the Executive Leadership Council (ELC) and Foundation's 6th Annual Mid-Level Managers Symposium. The Symposium was held at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel the day following ELC's 12th Annual Recognition Dinner honoring African-American leaders and corporations for their achievements and efforts in advancing racial diversity.

Managers from various corporations nationwide received information and insights about "The African American Corporate Perspective: Cracking the Corporate Code." CEOs and high-level executives participated as panelists. They included Shell Oil Company President and CEO Steven L. Miller; PepsiCo, Inc. President and CEO designate Steve S. Reinemund; Paula A. Banks, Vice President, Global Social Investment, bp; and Gaurdie E. Banister, President, Shell Services International, Inc. The Symposium was sponsored by the PepsiCo Foundation,

Pepsi-Cola Company, Frito-Lay, Inc., and Tropicana Products, Inc.

The interactive, career development event designed to arm corporate managers with the professional and psychological skills needed to understand and excel in the corporate arena, focused on four major topics: Leadership and Team Building, Taking Risks; The Role of E-Commerce; and Work and Life Balance. The daylong event was moderated by Dr. Price M. Cobbs, who co-authored "Cracking the Corporate Code: From Survival to Mastery" with Judith L. Turnock.

"This has been exceptional," said Kedrin Edgerson, a traffic manager with FritoLay, Inc. in Jonesboro, Ark. "You can count on one hand opportunities like this that are afforded mid-level managers. This is a pivotal point for many of us who have to decide if we want to go out on our own or stick it out in corporate America."

Issues discussed included strategies for setting career and personal goals, assessing personal strengths and weaknesses, acquiring mentors, recognizing and seizing opportunities, facing and addressing race issues, understanding various corporate cultures and values, grasping unwritten rules and understanding the acquisition and use of power. In addition to hearing presentations and questioning panelists, managers participated in small breakout groups led by an

ELC management coach who addressed each topic in detail.

"As ELC members we want to find ways to transfer our knowledge and expertise to the up-and coming managers," explained Ira Hall, ELC chairman and treasurer of Texaco, Inc. "This is an excellent way of doing that. We want to talk about the issues that make individuals successful in corporate America."

Edward Adams of Exelon (formerly Commonwealth Edison) in Chicago was a first-time attendee. "This is a very positive experience," he said. "I come from a company that does not have a lot of diversity. It is enlightening and inspiring to see this many African-American executives and have them pass on tips and wisdom. This is exactly what I was looking for."

Not all panelists were African American, but all shared valuable insights and had the mid-level managers jotting notes and asking questions. Steven Miller of Shell offered tips on leadership. He said leaders should have clarity of command; a teachable point of view; the desire to keep learning and admit that they do not have all the answers. "When you stop learning, you stop leading," Miller said.

Reinemund presented what he called his four "P's" of leadership: passio\* perseverance, performance and principle. While Edward T. Howard, President, West Region, JC Penney, expounded on his belief that a

great leader must have integrity, be innovative, build positive morale, and set good examples. "You also have to have a sense of urgency," he said. "Tomorrow is too late."

The night before the Mid-level Manager's Symposium, CEOs and other business leaders from across the nation convened for the Executive Leadership Council and Foundation's 12th Annual Recognition Dinner. The dinner's theme was "Forging New Frontiers" and Dr. Mae Jemison, the first woman of color to go into space, served as emcee. The dinner honored African-American senior-level executives who have broken new ground in corporate America and defined business success from an African-American corporate perspective. It also recognized students participating in ELC Foundation programs that are building the next generation of African American executives.

Honoree at the dinner included:

- The Achievement Award - Ann M. Fudge, Executive Vice President for Kraft Foods, Inc. Fudge is the first African American to run a billion dollar business.
- The Alvaro Martins Heritage Award - William H. Gray III, President and CEO of the United Negro College Fund. Gray recently acquired corporate sponsorship worth \$130 million for programs aimed at bridging the digital divide.
- American Express Corporation, breaking new ground in workplace diversity.

The Executive Leadership Council and Foundation is a network of African-American entrepreneurs and senior-level executive in Fortune 500 companies globally. Their mission is to add perspective and direction to the achievement of business excellence and economic and public policies for the African-American community, corporations, and the community at large.

### SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR LUBBOCK, TEXAS

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Thursday	Thursday Night	Friday	Saturday
Cold with bright sunshine, a breezy afternoon. 40	Clear and very cold. 16	Sunny, but cool; breezy later in the day. 46/22	Sunshine and just a couple of clouds. 54/26
RealFeel: 29	RealFeel: 9	RealFeel: 36	RealFeel: 46
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
A good deal of sun. 56/28	Clouds and sun. 58/34	Rather cloudy. 52/30	Cloudy with rain; very windy and cold. 44/30
RealFeel: 48	RealFeel: 55	RealFeel: 42	RealFeel: 28

The RealFeel Temperature™ is a composite of the effects of temperature, wind, humidity, sunshine intensity, cloudiness, precipitation, pressure and elevation on the human body. The number is the highest for the day and the lowest for the night.

### GARDENING FORECAST

Sunny days will be followed by very cold nights with hard freezes. Milder air will work in later this week with a chance of rain late in the period.

### FISHING REPORT

Dry but chilly weather will be the rule for Thursday, Friday and Saturday will be sunny, but not as brisk.

### TV INDEX

Highest Thur. 4; Low 45  
Highest Fri. 4; Low 67  
Highest Sat. 4; Low 89  
Values indicate the exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays.

### RISE & MOON DATA

Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
Sunrise: 7:40 a.m.	Sunrise: 7:40 a.m.	Sunrise: 7:40 a.m.
Sunset: 5:43 p.m.	Sunset: 5:44 p.m.	Sunset: 5:44 p.m.
Moonset: 3:13 p.m.	Moonset: 3:48 p.m.	Moonset: 4:28 p.m.

### MOON PHASES

New	First	Full	Last
Dec 25	Jan 2	Jan 9	Jan 16

### REGIONAL CITIES

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City	Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday	
	H/L	W	H/L	W	H/L	W	H/L	W	H/L	W	H/L	W	H/L	W
Abilene, TX	43/16	pc	46/20	s	46/22	s	48/26	pc	46/22	pc	42/22	c	38/24	af
Albuquerque, NM	49/16	pc	46/20	s	46/22	s	48/26	pc	46/22	pc	42/22	c	38/24	af
Aliso, CA	58/18	af	58/20	s	58/22	s	60/26	pc	58/22	pc	54/22	sh	50/24	c
Amarillo, TX	30/12	af	38/10	s	48/22	s	54/24	c	54/24	c	38/22	sh	35/24	c
Atlanta, GA	58/18	af	58/20	s	58/22	s	60/26	pc	58/22	pc	54/22	sh	50/24	c
Branson, MO	28/10	pc	27/12	s	36/21	s	44/28	pc	47/35	c	44/32	r	39/24	c
Butte, MT	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s
Dallas, TX	44/18	pc	42/20	pc	52/34	pc	56/34	s	60/48	c	56/42	sh	48/40	c
Denver, CO	24/8	pc	28/14	pc	32/18	pc	36/22	pc	38/22	pc	38/22	pc	38/22	pc
El Paso, TX	54/24	s	56/26	s	58/32	s	68/34	s	68/30	pc	60/28	af	54/34	pc
El Paso, NM	42/22	s	42/22	s	42/22	s	42/22	s	42/22	s	42/22	s	42/22	s
Houston, TX	50/30	pc	48/26	pc	54/26	pc	60/34	c	62/38	c	64/40	c	62/42	c
Kansas City, MO	42/22	pc	42/22	pc	42/22	pc	42/22	pc	42/22	pc	42/22	pc	42/22	pc
Lake Texoma, TX	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s
Lubbock, TX	40/18	s	48/22	s	54/26	s	58/28	s	58/34	pc	52/30	c	44/30	r
Memphis, TN	58/18	af	58/20	s	58/22	s	60/26	pc	58/22	pc	54/22	sh	50/24	c
Oklahoma City, OK	31/12	s	34/19	s	47/29	s	51/32	af	51/38	sh	46/34	r	38/31	sh
Phoenix, AZ	70/44	af	70/44	af	70/44	af	70/44	af	70/44	af	70/44	af	70/44	af
Roswell, NM	51/20	s	53/27	s	58/30	s	58/30	s	58/26	pc	58/24	s	45/30	c
San Antonio, TX	48/22	s	48/26	s	56/30	s	62/42	pc	60/42	c	58/48	c	58/48	c
San Diego, CA	62/42	af	62/42	af	62/42	af	62/42	af	62/42	af	62/42	af	62/42	af
Tulsa, OK	39/14	af	31/17	af	42/29	af	47/31	pc	52/38	sh	46/34	r	40/30	sh
Waco, TX	48/18	s	48/22	s	54/26	s	58/28	s	58/34	pc	52/30	c	44/30	r
Wichita, KS	25/8	s	25/13	s	38/21	s	38/24	s	46/32	r	38/22	c	36/23	pc
Wichita Falls, TX	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s	38/18	s

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, f-thunderstorms, r-rain, af-snow flurries, af-snow, f-ice.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

You may now purchase Insurance for your Auto and Home in the Cherry Point/ Parkway Neighborhood.



Texas West Insurance - East  
1702 Parkway Drive  
Lubbock, TX 79403  
806-763-3313

We are now open and able to serve all of your Auto, Home, Commercial and other Insurance needs from this location. You do not have to go west of Ave A anymore. You can purchase all of your Auto, Home and Commercial Insurance needs right here in the Cherry Point/Parkway Community.

Ready to serve you is Martin Hernandez, formerly with Quicksurance & Estacado graduate Johnny "JJ" Johnson, III.

## WIN A 27 INCH TV

Visit us at our new location and register to win a 27 inch TV, with Picture in a Picture, to be given away January 31, 2001. All you need to do to register is bring in your auto, home or other insurance policy for a free quote. You can register once for each policy you bring in. If you are currently a customer of Texas West or Quicksurance you may register by simply visiting the Parkway office.

PLEASE COME SEE US. WE VALUE YOUR BUSINESS.

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**OBITUARY**

**BENNIE FREEMAN**



Funeral services for Bennie Freeman Saturday afternoon, December 9, 2000, at the St. Matthew Baptist Church with Rev. Edward Canady, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in the Amherst Cemetery in Amherst, Texas under the direction of Brock's South Plains Funeral Directors.

Mr. Freeman was born November 8, 1920, in Milam County, Texas. He worked as a farmer in his younger years. After moving to Lubbock, Texas, he worked at Globe, and retired from South Plains Mall as a custodian.

He married Rosie Lee Males. He was a longtime member of the St. Matthew Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Rosie Lee Freeman; and a brother, Thurley Freeman of Marlin, Texas.

**South Plains College Certified Bookkeepers Preparatory Course Set**

South Plains College is the first college in Texas to offer a new continuing education course designed to prepare bookkeeping students for the national Certified Bookkeeper exam given at Sylvan testing centers.

The Certified Bookkeeper preparatory course begins Jan. 29 at the SPC Reese Center campus in Lubbock and will meet 6-10pm Mondays for 10 weeks. Cost is \$330 for the course fees and textbooks.

Test fee for the national exam is \$265.

Prerequisite for the course is one year of financial accounting or the equivalent.

Instructor will be Dianne Bridges, SPC professor of office technology.

"The new course puts SPC in the forefront of institutions of higher education preparing their students for certification," said Jim Walker, dean of continuing and distance education at SPC.

The course prepare students to take the three-part national exam, which covers accruals, deferral, adjusted trial balance, correction of accounting errors and the bank reconciliation, payroll, depreciation and inventory.

Interested students must pre-register by contacting Dianne Bridges at 806-894-9611, ext. 2256.

**Former Civil Rights and NAACP Leader to be Honored on 2001 Black Heritage Series Commemorative Stamp**  
**NAACP Officers Bond and Mfume to Unveil Stamp During National Convention**



American activists, theorists, writers, educators and leaders. Other notable Americans in the series include: Harriet Tubman, Martin Luther King, Jr., Benjamin Banneker, Jackie Robinson, Carter G. Woodson, Mary McLeod Bethune, W.E.B. Du Bois, Bessie Coleman, Ernest E. Just, Benjamin O. Davis, Sr., Madam C.J. Walker, Malcolm X (El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz) and Patricia Roberts Harris who was honored in January 2000.

Born in St. Louis, Mo., on Aug. 30, 1901, Wilkins was raised in the home of an aunt and uncle living in St. Paul, Minn. He graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1923, receiving a B.A. in Sociology with a minor in journalism. On Sept. 8, 1981, Wilkins died in New York City at the age of 80.

Wilkins joined the NMCP in 1931 as assistant executive secretary. He led the NMCP from 1955 to 1977 as executive secretary and executive director. In 1934, Wilkins put his editorial talent to work for the NMCP, succeeding W.E.B. Du Bois as editor of The "Crisis" magazine, holding that position for 15 years.

Wilkins advocated nonviolent means and the use of the legal system to achieve racial equality and to advance the rights of African Americans. Under his leadership, the NMCP campaigned for the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Voting Rights Act of 1965, and the Fair Housing Act of 1968. Along with other civil rights leaders, Wilkins helped organize the August 1963 "March on Washington for Jobs and m." during which he also delivered a speech.

In 1964, he was awarded the NAACP's "Spingarn Medal," an annual award honoring outstanding achievement by an African American. Some other awards he received include the Freedom House Award, Theodore Roosevelt Distinguished Service Medal, Presidential Medal of Freedom, Zale Award and the Russwurm Award of the National Newspaper Publishers Association. A Roy Wilkins Memorial was constructed in 1995

BALTIMORE, Md. - National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) National Convention attendees will get a sneak preview of the 2001 honoree in the U. S. Postal Service's Black Heritage commemorative stamp series tonight during the opening session of the convention.

Roy Wilkins, former NMCP executive secretary and executive director and civil rights leader, will become the 24th American honored in the long-running series. The stamp will be issued in January 2001.

Julian Bond, NMCP Chairman, Board of Directors, and Kweisi Mfume, NMCP President and Chief Executive Officer, will join presidentially appointed Postal Service Governor, LeGree S. Daniels to unveil the stamp at 7:30 p.m. (EST) during the opening public meeting of the 91st NMCP Convention.

In addition to Daniels, Bond and Mfume will be Rep. Elijah Cummings (D-MD) and Roger Wilkins, nephew and only surviving relative of Roy Wilkins.

"It is a tremendous pleasure and honor for the Postal Service to pay homage to Roy Wilkins, one of the most important and remarkable men of our time," said Daniels. "For in doing so, we honor not only a great African-American, but yet another great American."

"Roy Wilkins did as much to advance the cause of civil rights as anyone, but his quiet demeanor and self-less personality has made history overlook him," said Bond. "This stamp is an opportunity for all Americans to learn more about this gentle giant."

Wilkins joins 23 other honorees in the Postal Service's Black Heritage series, which salutes outstanding African-

in St. Paul, Minn. The stamp was designed by Richard Sheaff of Scottsdale, Ariz., and is the sixth in the Black Heritage series to feature a photograph. The black-and-white photograph, taken in the 1940s, was furnished by Morgan and Marvin

Smith, twin brothers who documented the achievements of African Americans.

The Postal Service continues its commitment to honoring the historical achievements and contributions of African Americans. The Black Heritage

stamp series is very popular, and given its significant educational importance, it will continue in the future.

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## THIS N THAT

"HE FORGIVES ALL OF US!" THIS N THAT would like to remind each of you that there is a POWER greater than you and I who can turn the tide and calm an angry sea HE knows where the rainbow ends He only can see what's beyond the bend He can touch a tree and turn the leaves to gold Perhaps it makes him sad to see the things we do but HE WILL ALWAYS SAY I FORGIVE So, don't you think as we celebrate this CHRISTMAS SEASON that we should keep Him in Christmas As a people we've been through a great deal but HE as always been there So as you celebrate this glorious season don't forget the REASON FOR THE SEASON May you continue to have good health and don't forget HE FORGIVES ALL OF US!" BOB KNIGHT STOOD TALL! THIS N THAT who reminds us of the visit by BOB KNIGHT who was the president of the National League of Cities and spend a couple of days in our city talking about his effort "UNDOING RACISM" As he excited his position in Boston, Ma last Saturday afternoon he reminded all in attendance that "RACIAL TOLERANCE CREEPS INTO THE BODY POLITIC WHICH THE SAME AS TO A PHYSICALLY POWERFUL ATHLETE WHO IS DYING OF CANCER AND DOESN'T KNOW IT" Knight stood tall with this initiative Hopefully those who heard him last summer in Lubbock have taken note to what this UNDOING RACISM" is all about

PENNY HASTINGS SAYS: "May each of YOU and your family have a most MERRY CHRISTMAS and a joyous NEW YEAR!" THE REAL COACHES! THIS N THAT along with the delegates attending the National League of Cities (NLC) convention in Boston, Ma last week had an opportunity to meet the TWO COACHES who were the reason behind a movie "REMEMBER THE TITANS" The movie is about a high school football coach in Alexandria, Va who is given the task of molding the T. C. WILLIAMS SCHOOL multiracial football team into state champions COACH HERMEN BOONE A Black coach replaces the White head coach WILL PATTON who has several years seniority Both BOONE and PATTON spoke to the body THIS N THAT was most appreciative to hearing from these two personalities BOONE who is acted by DENZEL WASHINGTON remarked "I'M BETTER LOOKING THAN DENZEL!" Also present at the noon session were young people from T.C. WILLIAMS HIGH SCHOOL. Boone told the young people to NEVER GIVE UP!"

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR! THIS N THAT would like to take this opportunity and wish each of you a MERRY CHRISTMAS & a happy new year! May you continue to do what is right life even if you may have to stand by yourself Be thankful for what you have and get along with your fellowman Isn't that what this time of the year is all about

### This Way For Black Empowerment



## It's a Moral, not a Constitutional Crisis

What has been revealed in the Florida situation, not created but revealed, is the extent to which two partyism has come to define what is moral, to define what is fair. We are not in a Constitutional crisis. It's much deeper than that. We are in a moral crisis.

We live in a very moral country. Americans have a very deep felt sense of morality. I'm not talking about what Joe Lieberman or Jerry Falwell or Louis Farrakhan mean by morality. The American people have a profound and abiding sense of fairness. What's happened is that the definition of fairness itself has come to mean fairness to the two parties. Fairness to the winners.

But fairness as a moral concept is fairness for everyone. That concept, that framework, has been completely undermined by two-partyism. That's what we see in Florida. Every institution - from the county election boards to the secretary of State, from the judiciary to the legislature - are partisanized. The game is partisan, but more significantly, the rules of the game are partisan. This is something that political independents know about quite well. What's extraordinary right now is that everyone in the country can get a look at it.

If you compare this situation to the world of sports, you can see how serious the problem in our political life is. Take baseball, for instance. All teams play under the same rules. There isn't one set of rules for the poorer teams, or the teams that had a worse record season. No matter how wealthy a team owner might be, no matter how many games a team might have lost - last season, when the teams come onto the field, it's a level field. There's one set of rules, one set of umpire, one set of criteria for winning a game, a division championship and the World Series.

That's not the case in American politics, however. The playing field is not level at all. The laws which govern ballot access favor the Republican Party and the Democratic Party. The laws which govern campaign finance - and many of the plans to reform those laws - favor the Democratic Party and the Republican Party. The institution which oversees all federal elections the Federal Election Commission - is made up of three

Democrats and three Republicans. The Boards of Elections in the 50 states are partisan appointees. The committee structure and the seniority structure in Congress are organized along partisan lines. Indeed, the parties themselves have an institutional identity in Congress - the Democratic Caucus and the Republican Caucus as if they were a part of a structure that the Constitution created. The Constitution created no such structure. Judges are either political appointees or elected with partisan designations. The Commission on Presidential Debates is co-chaired by the former head of the Democratic National Committee and the former head of the Republican National Committee. The Electoral College is partisan. Thus the very notion of fairness itself has come to mean fairness for the two parties, adjudicated by institutions controlled or permeated by the two parties, in the context of a political culture that validates and is validated by the two parties and by two partyism.

I was watching Meet The Press on Sunday. Tim Russert had E. J. Dionne of the Washington Post and Bill Kristol of the Weekly Standard on to discuss the Florida situation. At one point, E.J. Dionne said - What needs to happen is that Bush and Gore have to agree on how this thing is going to get resolved. Bill Kristol, who I rarely agree with, responded with some considerable passion - Wait a second. Bush and Gore don't

need to come to an agreement - who are they to come an agreement? They're just the candidates. There's supposed to be a process, a framework, that they are subject to!

I agree! But the problem is that there isn't. It doesn't exist because the whole process is entirely in the hands of the two parties. I've been raising this issue for years and years. My two independent runs for the presidency were about this. I have litigated in dozens and dozens of forums on the debates, on ballot access, on the fairness doctrine in broadcast, on campaign finance. This is the fundamental moral crisis in America. Fairness has become fairness for the Democrats and Republicans in the context of a political game where they battle one another for control. The game has been rigged - not to fix the outcome - but to "fix" the competition. That violates every fundamental principle of fairness that I know of

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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor

Ha ha ha. We at People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) are cracking up over Texas state representative Barry Telford's proposed state constitutional amendment protecting hunters' and fishers' rights from big bad vegetarians like us.

PETA sprout-eaters aren't the ones to fear. The Wall Street Journal recently reported that hunting has declined 20 percent in the past decade, because it has developed a stigma. In short, society now recognizes hunters as men attempting to compensate for their insecurity about their masculinity.

As actress Pamela Anderson Lee put it, "Men hunt because they have something wrong with their own equipment, and they need something else to shoot."

Fishermen are, by and large, a greater lot, who are learning that fish do, indeed, feel pain, and turning to boating, snorkeling, hiking and other cruelty-free sports.

The proposed amendment is a joke, what next? An amendment guaranteeing the right to dress up like a bush?

Sincerely,

Carla Bennett  
PETA Senior Writer & author of Living in Harmony with Animals  
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### Ask A.G.

## Helping Victims of Crime

by John Cornyn, Attorney General of Texas

Q: My brother was recently murdered, and your Crime Victims' Compensation Program helped us pay funeral expenses. This allowed us to have a nice funeral for him, which I am grateful for. I don't understand why the taxpayers have to support this program instead of the criminals.

A: This is a common misperception about the Crime Victims' Compensation Program, which the Office of the Attorney General Administers on behalf of the State of Texas. In fact money for the program comes from the State's Crime Victim's Compensation Fund, which is supported primarily by convicted offenders.

The Crime Victims' Compensation Program helps victims of violent crime and their families pay for out-of-pocket expenses incurred as the result of violent crime. No tax dollars are used to run the program or to fund awards.

Criminals contribute to the Fund through fines that are assessed by the courts based on the level of the conviction. These fines are assessed in both state and federal courts.

In state court, criminals pay the following fees: \$45 for felony convictions, \$35 for Class A and B misdemeanors and certain municipal ordinance convictions, and \$15 for Class C misdemeanors and certain municipal ordinance convictions. During the 1998-1999 Fiscal Year, more than \$68 million was deposited in the Fund through state court fees.

The federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), passed in 1984, allows for the collection of fines, fees, and forfeitures in federal convictions. During the 1998-1999 Fiscal Year, the Fund received more than \$8 million through VOCA grants.

Offenders who are on parole for crimes that occurred after September 1, 1993, pay \$8 per month to the Fund. These fees contributed more than \$1 million during the 1998-1999 fiscal year.

Other sources of funding includes restitution and donations. Some offered may be order to reimburse the Fund for monies the program paid to their victims. As of January 1, 1996, all jurors in Texas are provided with information on the Fund and are given the option of donating their daily pay to the program. I am pleased to report that nearly \$200,000 came from jurors who contributed to his worthwhile program.

Q: I was recently the victim of a carjacking. The Crime Victims' Compensation Program helped pay for my medical bills, but not for my car, which was totaled. I also was not awarded any money for pain and suffering. Why not?

A: Reimbursement guidelines for the Crime Victims' Compensation Program are set by the Texas Legislature. It is important to remember that the goal of the program is to reimburse victims of violent crimes and their families for out-of-pocket expenses that are incurred as the result of a crime.

The Fund does not allow for the replacement of material possessions, such as stolen items or crashed cars, unless the item has been seized by law enforcement officials as evidence. In many cases, victims can use other sources such as car or homeowner's insurance to cover these costs.

Since the program can reimburse victims and their families for out-of-pocket expenses only, there is no compensation for pain and suffering.

Expenses that are covered include:

- Medical bills
- Counseling bills
- Lost wages
- Lost support
- Certain travel expenses
- Funeral and burial costs

Additional expenses are covered for victims who suffer catastrophic injuries. These include:

- Alterations to a home or vehicle to make it accessible
- Job training and vocational rehabilitation
- Home health care

For more information on the Crime Victims' Compensation Program, visit the Office of the Attorney General Web site at [www.oag.state.tx.us](http://www.oag.state.tx.us). Applications for compensation are available on-line and by calling the Crime Victim Services Division at (800) 983-9933.

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# The Meaning of the 2000 Election

By Ruth Oron

Before the Presidential Election I wrote an article titled: "The American People Are Looking For Ethics in the Upcoming Election." In it, I quoted Ellen Reiss, Class Chairman of Aesthetic Realism describing the American people's state of mind in the international periodical, *The Right of Aesthetic Realism to Be Known*. And since the questioning of the election continues with even greater intensity, I would like to people to know what Ms. Reiss explains further about the meaning of the 2000 election, in a recent issue of the same journal. Aesthetic Realism, the education founded by Eli Siegel, is the study of ethics. It is not political, yet it shows with beautiful logic that ethics is present in every political choice—in fact it is present in

every aspect of our lives—in love, in our attitude to work, in how we talk to a family member, in our quiet thoughts. And ethics as a force has been showing its power now despite the great determination on the part of some people, to come to conclusions fast! In her commentary to *The Right of Aesthetic Realism to Be Known*, # 1443 Ellen Reiss writes: "There is much to say about this election; but for now I comment on the matter of recounting votes in Florida, in relation to the following sentences by Eli Siegel:

"Our desire to have our way is always accompanied by what the facts are... Having one's way... is equivalent often to having contempt for the facts not consonant with having one's way. [TRO 148]"

The study of contempt, "the lessening of what is dif-

ferent from oneself as a means of self increase as one sees it" is a large part of the study of ethics. "Ethics" Mr. Siegel explains, "begins with the human obligation to see everything, living and not living, as well as one can. Where we get away from this obligation or don't see it, or diminish its meaning, it is rather clear that contempt is showing its strength, indeed, is winning" (Self and World, Definition Press). Ellen Reiss continues:

"I am not praising either candidate. I think that both Mr. Gore and Mr. Bush have a rift, as others have had, between what they see as making themselves important and what's true; between their way" and the facts. Meanwhile, with all the clearness about ballots in Florida on Election Day, one camp's intense opposition to recounting them stands for the feeling in people, "If the facts are going to interfere with my way—I'll ignore the facts, get rid of them, make them not exist!"

The statement by the other candidate, Mr. Gore, that it's "important that every vote is counted and counted accurately, (New York Times, 14 Nov. 2000)" sounds good. So, for example, in the US

The facts and Mr. Gore's notion of "his way" happen to coincide in this instance, so it does 't cost his ego much to be for the facts. Would he be as interested in ascertaining the truth about Florida vote if he did 't think the results could give him "his way"?

## What an Election

An election is a way of getting and making powerful those facts which are the feelings of people, the thoughts of people, the preferences of people. The history of elections is long and various; some of it is beautiful; a good deal of it is sleazy and cried. It takes in all the continents. It takes in who should be able to vote: need one own property to vote?; be an aristocrat?; be white?; be male?; It takes in ballots forged, and stolen; and it takes in killing. When elections have been unjust, it has been because some people's notion of "Their way" has been consonant with having [their] way." Persons who have felt the wealth and ruling of a land should belong to themselves and their buddies have wanted to wipe out those facts which are the true expression, the rights, of other human beings. So, for example, in the US

South, there was a making sure that Black people could not vote (and some of that, it seems, continues).

## Justice for People or, Profit for Corporations?

In the article I wrote before the election I quoted these sentences by Ms. Reiss:

"The hopefulness is in the fact that Americans feel, with more clarity than they ever felt, that neither principal candidate represents them....Millions of Americans feel these politicians' chief concern is that corporate owners make money. And never were Americans clearer that interest in profit and interest in having people's lives fare well are opposed! [TRO 1428]

Eli Siegel showed beginning in 1970 that economics based on contempt, on using human beings for profit, no longer works. I believe Ellen Reiss is explaining the best thing in America as she writes:

"I think it is beautiful that the 2000 election could not be smooth. What Americans truly want is what Mr. Siegel has described: that the ownership of America, that "economics itself; the making of money, the having of jobs, [become] ethical, [be] based

on good will rather than on the ill will which has been predominant for centuries "Goodbye Profit System: Update (Definition Press, 198V. "Ethics," Mr. Siegel showed, "is a force." And as the 21 century begins, ethics as force has declared; it this presidential election does not represent the deep hope of the American people, at least the election will not be permitted to go smoothly; at least falsity will not be allowed to proceed with the old slickness; at least there will be, in some form, a continental tumult about whether the people in America are truly represented.

So, long live the America of Thomas Paine and Abraham Lincoln and Martin Luther King—and of Eli Siegel, who was honest all the time and explained what honestly is."

With all the confusion about the election, as a representative American I feel grateful to know that there is something beautifully ethical working in people and our country.

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According to the AAP, par-

ents should be aware of warning signs of ear infections in their children, including:

- Pain, Older children are able to tell parents when they are in pain. Younger children may appear irritable, cry, rub their ears and have a loss of appetite;
- Fever ranging from 100 to 104 degrees Fahrenheit;
- Ear drainage, such as a yellow or white fluid, coming from the child's

ear; and

- Difficulty hearing. Fluid behind the eardrum may get in the way of sound transmission. A Child may have difficulty hearing for several weeks during and after an ear infection.

"Although some children develop an ear infection after every time they catch a cold, little babies have more ear infections than older children because the Eustachian tubes, which drain fluids from the

middle ear to the throat, do not function as well in smaller children as in older children," said Steven Stripling, M.D., a pediatrician on staff at Covenant Children's Hospital.

When the Eustachian tube is blocked, fluids in the ear may become infected and result in an ear infection.

According to the AAP, children who are male, have a family history of ear infections, are bottle-fed, have allergies or breathe in second-hand smoke have a higher incidence of middle ear infections than other children.

"If a parent notices any sign of an ear infection, or if a child is in pain, is not eating as well as usual, or is lethargic and not responding well to the mother, a physician should be consulted immediately," Dr. Stripling said.

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## AFRICANA TRIVIA

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### Across

1. Vanessa \_\_\_\_, (jazz singer)
4. \_\_ Jones, (kung fu action flick (1974) about a self-defense school in Watts combating the Mafia)
9. J.B. \_\_\_\_, (in 1949 he bought and operated the first Black radio station in Atlanta)
10. \_\_ Shaw, (he was the first Black anchor on CNN)
11. Charlie \_\_\_\_, (he played tenor sax in the Thelonius Monk Quartet)
13. Homerun king
15. Morris \_\_\_\_, (former member of the band, The Time)
16. Style of Jamaican music
17. Jesse \_\_\_\_, (he won four gold medals in track & field at the 1936 Olympics)
19. Destroys by fire
21. The \_\_ Professor, (E. Murphy role)
23. Norwood \_\_\_\_, (some thought he was past his prime but he still won three medals at the 1948 Olympics)
24. The \_\_\_\_, (Snipes & De Niro movie)
25. Anthony William \_\_\_\_, (first Black to earn a European Medical Doctorate)
26. Count \_\_\_\_, (famed pianist, band leader during the big band/ swing era of the 1930's and 40's)
28. J. Terry \_\_\_\_, (in 1953 he became the first Black bishop in Tennessee)
29. Sugar Ray \_\_\_\_, (former boxing champ)
31. The \_\_ Man, (Keenan Ivory Wiggins and Steven Seagal starred in this 1996 action-thriller)
33. Franklin \_\_\_\_, (former U.S. Pres.)
34. Ted \_\_\_\_, (Love Boat cast member)

### Down

1. Basketball Legend known as "The Big O"
2. 1972 Blaxploitation vampire movie set in modern day Los Angeles
3. \_\_ Turner, (led one of the most famous slave uprisings)
4. Jesse \_\_\_\_, (founded the first Black bank-owned bank in Chicago)
5. Punk band that had the 1975 hit *Cut the Cake*, (unit)
6. Sacred writings of Islam
7. boxer AKA "The Real Deal"
8. \_\_ Riley, (one of the creators of the New Jack Swing style of music)
12. John H. Johnson publication
14. \_\_ Perez, (she co-starred in the movie *White Men Can't Jump*)
18. Medgar \_\_\_\_, (Civil Rights activist assassinated in front of his home)
19. Won six NBA titles in the 1990's
20. David \_\_\_\_, (had the Grammy winning album *Voyeur* in 1981)
22. *One Down* \_\_\_\_, (low budget 1983 movie starring E. Williamson, Jim Brown and R. Roundtree)
24. He starred in *Kiss The Girls and The Shawshank Redemption*
25. Albert \_\_\_\_, (1936-1970), (pre-bop jazz saxophonist that used shrieks and wide register leaps to express his emotional style)
26. Eubie \_\_\_\_, (legendary pianist and composer)
27. Number of Grammy's M. Jackson won for his album *Thriller*
30. Ruby \_\_\_\_, (had a lead role in the classic film *A Raisin in the Sun*)
32. Sick

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JESUS SAID TO PREACH THE GOOD NEWS, ITS A COMMANDED TO ME AND YOU, BUT CHRISTIANS STARTED GIVING JESUS A BIRTHDAY, WHO TOLD YOU TOO???

JOHN 10:46,5, JESUS SAID, HE GOETH BEFORE THEM (HIS SHEEP), AND THE SHEEP FOLLOW HIM: FOR THEY KNOW HIS VOICE, AND S STRANGER (SANTA) WILL THEY NOT FOLLOW, BUT WILL FLEE FROM HIM: FOR THEY KNOW NOT THE VOICE OF STRANGERS.

JESUS WAS BORN INTO THE WORLD, GOD GAVE HIM FOR ONE REASON, AND IT WAS NOT FOR SANTA, TREES, LIGHTS, PARTIES, NOR GIFT GIVING SEASON.

JOHN 3:17, JESUS SAID, FOR GOD SENT NOT HIS SON INTO THE WORLD TO CONDEMN THE WORLD; BUT THAT THE WORLD THROUGH HIM MIGHT BE SAVED.

GOD LOVE THE WORLD; AND THE BEST THAT HE HAD; HE DID GIVE; THE WORLD WANTS TO SHOW THEY'RE GOOD; GOD WAS SO WE COULD LIVE.

MARK 10:18, JESUS SAID, WHY CALLEST THOU ME GOOD? THERE IS NONE GOOD BUT ONE, THAT IS GOD.

(WHEN YOU KNOW ITS NOT OF GOD; THE WORLD WANTS IN ON IT, NOT ONLY WITH LYING SANTA, AND FLYING RAIN-DEERS, BUT ALSO EASTER, AND THAT LIE: RABBITS LAYING EGGS. THE WORLD WANTED IN ON A MARCH CALLED: WE SHALL OVERCOME: IT WAS REBELLING AGAINST THE LAW; THE WORLD WANTS IN ON THAT, THE GAMBLERS, PROSTITUTES, FORNICATION, SORCERERS, WHORE MONGERS, MURDERS, RAPERS AND IDOLATERS: THEY LOVE TO BREAK THE LAW, AND WILL FOLLOW ONE ANOTHER!!!)

\*\*\*\*\*WILL THE UN-GODLY ROB GOD????\*\*\*\*\*

MATTHEW 22:21, JESUS SAID, RENDER THEREFORE UNTO CAESAR (THE LAW) THE THINGS WHICH ARE CAESAR'S (RESPECT) AND UNTO GOD THE THINGS THAT ARE GOD'S (RESPECT).

THE UN-GODLY WILL CELEBRATE X-MAS; WITH NOTHING OF GOD ON HIS LIST: DRINKING, DRUGS, TREES, DANCING, AND CURSING; SO WHO IS THE MAIN GUEST? 1

CORINTHIANS 2:14a, THE NATURAL MAN (UN-GODLY) RECEIVETH NOT THE THINGS OF GOD; FOR THE ARE FOLLY-SHNESS UNTO HIM; NEITHER CAN HE KNOW THEM, BECAUSE THEY ARE SPIRITUALLY DISCERNED.

CAN YOU TELL THE DIFFERENCE: IN THE UN-GODLY'S TREES AND LIGHTS? WHICH IS WORSHIPPING GOD? WHICH LIGHTS ARE BLINKING FOR RIGHT???

JOHN 15:19, JESUS SAID, IF YOU WERE OF THE WORLD, THE WORLD WOULD HIS OWN; BUT BECAUSE YE ARE NOT OF THE WORLD, BUT I HAVE CHOSEN YOU OUT OF THE WORLD, THEREFORE THE WORLD HATETH YOU.

TO MAKE PEOPLE FEEL GOOD: THEY GIVE AND RECEIVE A GIFT; BUT IT WAS GOD'S GIFT HE GAVE; AND HIM WE'RE SUPPOSE TO LIFT!!!

JOHN 12:32, JESUS SAID, AND I, IF I BE LIFTED UP FROM THE EARTH (FROM THE RESURRECTION), WILL DRAW ALL MEN UNTO ME.

BUT THE CHURCHES ARE FOLLOWING THE WORLD; ITS DOING THE WRONG THING, JESUS CALLED IT: BLIND LEADING THE BLIND; SHAME, SHAME, SHAME!!!

\*\*\*\*\*WILL THE CHURCHES ROB GOD????\*\*\*\*\*

1 JOHN 2:15,16, LOVE NOT THE WORLD, NEITHER THE THINGS THAT ARE IN THE WORLD, IF ANY MAN LOVE THE WORLD, THE LOVE OF THE FATHER IS NOT IN HIM. FOR ALL THAT IS IN THE WORLD, THE LUST OF THE FLESH, AND THE LUST OF THE EYES, AND THE PRIDE OF LIFE, IS NOT OF THE FATHER, BUT IS OF THE WORLD.

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## The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The friends and members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast are asking the questions today. What about God's plan? One must hear the word of God. Men have been trying to devise and offer their own plan of salvation since the beginning time.

Nicodemus undoubtedly had a plan of his own until he had an encounter with Christ, and it was then that God's plan was revealed to him. Paul, before his conversion, surely had a plan of his own, and it was only after the word knocked him from his beast and blinded him. This was when Paul finally realized God's plan. Man's plan of salvation at any age has always resulted in his disobedience of God's command and disobedience is nothing, but another word of sin. The end result of sin is death. Romans 6:23. Trying to pay one's sins away. It's not in God's plan of salvation.

Having your name on someone's church roll is not the total answer. Some men feel by abiding by some philosophy of living a morally good life on earth will ensure them of a place in heaven. What a tragic mistake. My friend, let us face this one fact: Men with all of the knowledge and intelligent can't save himself. No, not even in this scientifically advanced, but spiritually decaying world. Here is God's plan of salvation as revealed by the Holy

Scripture: One must hear the Word of God. Romans 10:14. Believe in Jesus Christ as the Son of God. St. John 3:16-18. Repent of your sins. In other words, turn from your wicked ways, and turn to God. Experience a change of mind, heart and direction. St. Mark 1:15 and St. Luke 24:47.

Thought of the Week: "What about God's plan, people?? Stand up for Jesus if you have to stand alone, and with Jesus, who can stand against you."

Christmas is the birthday of our Lord and Saviour. Don't forget to honor him with your best gift. Give Him your best in life. Did any good come out of Nazareth???

God bless you for reading this article. Please read your Bible. It will make a believer out of you. II Chronicles 7:14; Mark 11:22-26.

Keep praying for the Supreme Court who did rule. But don't forget about the Supreme Judge who is heaven ready to rule

Thanks to Brother Patterson and Brother Richardson and staff for all you've done through the years for us. Thanks again and again!

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president; and Sister Elnora Jones, acting secretary. May God continue to bless you during this Christmas Holiday Season.



## from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

### MARY: God's VIP

Bruce Chilton, an Episcopal priest, a professor New York's Bard College and a specialist in Targums, ancient Jews' fold interpretations of the Bible in the Aramaic language, has a problem with Jesus being the Son of God.

In Chilton's book, "Rabbi Jesus: An Intimate Biography" (Doubleday, \$25), he asserts Jesus was someone who "never claimed he was unique" and was unwisely exalted into a heavenly ruler by later Christians.

To make his point, Chilton considers as laced with legend the Bible's report that Mary was a virgin when Jesus was born. He agrees with the Bible that Mary became pregnant before she was living with Joseph as his wife, but assumes that Joseph was the biological father.

Chilton explains that Jews of the time would have seen Jesus' conception as illicit. That made him a "mamzer," a term often translated as "bastard" although Chilton says that's incorrect.

A mamzer was not a child born out of wedlock in the modern sense. Rather, parenthood was uncertain. In other words, no one knew who the father was. The result from such a liaison was prohibited under religious law.

In a sense, Chilton is saying that Jesus was less than a bastard. It allegedly appears that he is saying that the mother of our Lord is a promiscuous or immoral woman, a floozy.

Glory is to God, in that there are those of us who have been "born again," who think differently of the Mother of our Lord.

Mary was humble. God often chooses the meek and humble to serve Him in great ways. We develop humility by reminding ourselves of what we

really are: miserable sinners saved only by the grace of God.

Mary was devout: that is, she was truly devoted to the Lord and to His kingdom. She was a pure virgin, and doubtless she was righteous, though not perfect, in all areas of life. God can always use a person who loves Him with their whole heart and who keeps him or herself from the corruption of the world. We become devout by spending time with the Lord and growing to love Him by coming to know Him intimately. We become righteous by obeying His will, growing to love the good and hate evil.

Someone has said, "Mary was submissive to the point of being self-sacrificing." Mary must have known she would be scorned and put down for becoming pregnant before she was married, yet she did not hesitate. Any person who would follow Jesus and serve Him must be willing to leave family and friends if need be. We learn to be submissive by submitting, by deliberately putting God's will above our own.

We sing, "I will trust in the Lord." However, Mary trusted the Lord. She started down a road the end of which she could not even imagine. Nevertheless, she trusted the Lord. She was sure He would not call her to a road that she could not walk without His help. God does not always show us the end of a matter, sometimes He only invites us to begin. If we would serve Him, we must trust Him to see us through to the end.

Mary was blessed in an exceptional way, but the blessing cost her something. Do we miss some blessings because we are not willing to pay the cost?

Those who have never given sacrificially, have never know the blessing of having God meet their needs in extraordinary and wonderful ways. Those who never clothe the naked, feed the hungry, or serve the Lord in other ways will never know the blessing of hearing the Lord say "Well done, good and faithful servant."

## HOLIDAY REVIVAL SET AT FORD MEMORIAL COGIC

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## New Hope Baptist Church Christmas Pageant

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## MLK Rehearsal Set at Bethel on Saturday Night

Well, it's about that time of the year when practice begins for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Choir. Practice will begin on Saturday night, December 23, 2000, at Bethel A. M. E. Church, 2202 Southeast Drive, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

According to Brother Samuel Curtis, director, this is the first rehearsal for the 29th Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration which is set for January, 2001. Sister Equilla Tyson is assisting.

For more information about the celebration, you may contact Ms. Joan Y. Ervin, president, at 763-0853.

## The Concerned Citizen

In March 2000, Clarence and Gwen Denson invited a group to their home to discuss citywide concerns. Since March, the group has been meeting at individual homes to discuss issues. School Board Member Vernita Woods-Holmes and Estacado High School Principal Wendell Brown have met with the group.

According to Clarence, "most of us do not have the time to keep abreast of issues, or talk about them with others. While getting involved and doing something about those issues, well, it's just not happening." As early as August, our group was already discussing what we could do to increase Estacado High School enrollment and it's overall presence within the community. At that time, nothing was being said about closing or consolidating East Lubbock School., Clarence added.

Another member, Bennie Sims stated, "there are many areas within our community that needs help and support. There are kids going to school with clothes not suitable for the weather, needy families, and people that just need help of some sorts". "I am not rich and I don't have much free time, but I can do somethings to help others."

The first project of the Concerned Citizens was giving two families "food baskets" on December 9th. One family was a single mother with four children and the other family was comprised of ten people. The group approved this project to show that we are sincerely concerned.

Members of the group are: Clarence & Gwen Denson, Bennie Sims, William and Clarissa Burrell, Dwight Pierce, Joe and Betty Middleton, Joan and Arthur Jones, Grace Pierce, Dwanya Pierce and Reba & Phillip Alexander. If you are interested in being apart of the Concerned Citizens, contact Clarence Denson, 744-4290.

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# KNOW YOUR CITY GOVERNMENT

by Eddie P. Richardson

## Meet Mayor Windy Sitton



This is a series of stories which will give the citizens a close look at their city government, namely, its origin, function, every department, and other important matters.

This information was supplied by the Texas Municipal League (TML) Tony Pruitt, Lubbock Public Information officer.

Then Mayor presides over City Council meetings, evaluates recommendations and pass on recommendations from city boards and commissions along with the council. The position is ceremonial to a great extent. The Lubbock Mayor can vote but can not make a motion or a second motion.

Windy Sitton began her political career in 1994 as Councilwoman for District 3. Making history in January 1997, Windy became Lubbock's first female Mayor, and she was subsequently reelected for two additional terms. As Mayor of the City of Lubbock, Windy has enhanced the community's quality of life and supported new opportunities for Lubbock's citizens. Her priorities have included improved public safety, increased economic development and support for education and the arts. Other accomplishments and initiatives include:

Windy has provided vision and foresight for Lubbock through uncertain economic times. The unfortunate loss of Reese Air Force Base, the closing of Texas Instruments, and a troublesome agriculture industry had the potential to create an economic crisis. Windy fostered a spirit of cooperation among diverse leaders in the fields of business, education, and government, which enabled Lubbock to maintain its economic stability despite these down turns.

Windy proved her commitment to finding solutions to complex community issues with the formation of the Community Relations Commission and the Youth Commission. Both City Commissions provide open forums for community dialogues to address these important and relevant issues.

With the opening of the Buddy Holly Center in September 1999, Windy's desire to support the arts, preserve Lubbock's heritage and enhance Lubbock's tourism industry has come to fruition.

The ability to move goods and services is a vital part of any community's commerce. Windy will continue to be active in the Ports-to-Plains efforts to bring an International Trade Corridor through Lubbock. In addition, Windy was instrumental in the naming of the East/West Freeway after Lady Raider Coach Marsha Sharp.

As political decisions become more critical to Lubbock and West Texas, Windy has encouraged a greater involvement in legislative matters. It is Windy's opinion that having a strong voice in Washington and Austin is vital to Lubbock's future growth and prosperity.

In the coming year, work-force development and job creation are primary goals for Windy. She will continue to be an advocate for increasing opportunities to keep the talented young people from West Texas in Lubbock after graduation.

### Personal

Windy has been married to Frank Sitton for 36 years. They have one son, John Sitton, a daughter-in-law, Chris, and two grandchildren, Annie Marie, who will be two in March and Pete born on October 5, 2000. Frank and Windy are members of First Baptist Church. Their faith has been a cornerstone for them both as they have faced the challenge of Windy's surgery and successful treatment for cancer. Windy subscribes to the belief that success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out. She believes that public service is an honor, and she works hard to achieve all goals in the spirit of unity and cooperation.

Windy earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Education, specializing in English and History, from North Texas State University in 1966. She obtained a Master of Art degree in Counseling, specializing in Psychology, from Texas Women's University in 1971. Windy received the prestigious "Distinguished Alumni" award from Texas Women's University in 1997. Windy knows and advocates the value of a good educational system for our young people and our future. With this in mind, she is a lifetime member of the Parents and Teachers Organization.

Windy is deeply interested in helping more women enter the political arena and take advantage of community service opportunities. In 1996, Windy was selected to participate in the Leadership Texas Session Foundation for Women's Resources. In 1997, she was the first inductee into the Leadership Texas Hall of Fame earning the "Woman of Distinction" award.

Windy owns and manages Sitton's Selections Company, a firm specializing in restoration, renovation and remodeling of interiors and exteriors of homes. Founded five years ago on the philosophy that "new is not necessarily better," Sitton's Selections has successfully established itself in Lubbock. In 1996 and 1997, Windy was nominated for "Woman Entrepreneur of the Year." In 2000, she was awarded the Best Business Leader Award by the Lubbock Avalanche Journal. Windy personally supervises her company's projects, and she has renovated, restored, and remodeled many houses in older neighborhoods throughout Lubbock. A resident in the Tech Terrace/UNIT neighborhood, Windy's personal and business efforts have been an integral part of the renovation and revitalization of this neighborhood.

Before moving to Lubbock, Windy owned and managed an Employee Imaging Company in Dallas where she taught seminars and provided consultation services to area corporations, including Texas Instruments. Prior to this, Windy taught high school English for ten years, and she was a high school counselor for over seven years. Adding to her diverse interests and talents, Windy holds a Texas Real Estate license, and she is a member of the West Texas Home Builders Association.

Windy has served and been an active supporter of community and non-profit organizations including: Chancellor's Council, Texas Tech University Red Raider Club Greater Lubbock Chamber of Commerce Paul Harris Fellow Award from Rotary International 2000 Best Business Leader, Lubbock Avalanche Journal Distinguished Alumni Award, Texas Women's University 1997-1999 "Woman of Distinction" Award, Leadership Texas Hall of Fame Lubbock Area Foundation Advisory Committee, Junior League of Lubbock 20/2000 Advisory Committee, Lubbock Habitat for Humanity Chair, Texas Municipal League Policy Committee on Utilities and Environment Board of Directors, South Plains Association of Governments Regional Director, Leadership Texas Alumnae Association (Lubbock) Finance Chair, Lubbock and South Plains Region for Governor George W. Bush's Presidential Exploratory Committee Vice President, Symphony Guild Ways and Means Committee 1996 Capital Campaign, Women's Protective Services and YWCA Nominated for "Women Entrepreneur of the Year" in 1996 and 1997.

An avid fan of Texas Tech University, Windy especially appreciates the Lady Raiders and their success. She also enjoys volunteering, antiquing, golfing, reading, listening and collecting.

## Saving Money on Holiday Gifts Doesn't have to be Boring

Rockville, Md.- If you're out of inexpensive ideas for holiday gifts, try this one. Create your own books on tape for friends and family. That's what the Anderson family of Brighton, Colo. does. They check out children's books from the public library and assign a part or sound effect to each family member. Their only expense is the cost of the cassette tape.

The Andersons are the grand prize winners of the Savviest Scrooge™ Contest held by Myvesta.org, a nonprofit financial services organization dedicated to helping people deal with money troubles.

"What a great idea," said Myvesta.org President Steve Rhode. "Finding a way to get the whole family involved in creating personal gifts adds long-lasting meaning and memories to the holiday. Clearly, you don't have to go into debt to have a wonderful holiday." A recent Myvesta.org survey found that holiday shoppers will spend \$1,220 this year, up 45 percent from last year's \$841.

Other thrifty suggestions ranged from creative to slightly odd, but it was clear that people were trying to find every possible way to

save money.

George from California took the "Scrooge" part of the contest very seriously with his suggestion to trim down holiday card lists by not responding to cards this year. He says that way, next fewer people will bother to write. He'll save even more by reusing the cards he receives next year. George plans to write his holiday greetings on the same card and then send it back. (If it works for him, who are we to judge.)

Debra from Virginia is recreating an old tradition. She is giving silhouettes of her three children to their grandparents, but doesn't want to spend the required \$400 to \$600. Instead, she takes profile photographs of her kids holding books or other cherished items. Then she clips black paper to the back of the photo and cut along the profile with a utility knife. The silhouettes are mounted on white paper and framed. Her total cost is less \$10 each.

Lynne from Ontario, Canada gathers seeds from flowers in her garden. She uses construction paper to make personalized packets, which she puts inside holiday cards. Her friends and family remember her all summer long when the flower

blooms.

Debby from Maine makes survival kits for her fishing buddies filled with adhesive bandages, beef jerky, candy, inexpensive sunglasses, steel leaders hooks, bobbers and matches.

It might sound like Rose from California is joking, but she really does give friends and family rocks. She finds just the right boulder and paints it with the family's house number. She says that people truly use them and she loves seeing them as she drives up to their homes.

Doris from Virginia frames photographs that she's taken of friends' homes during different seasons. She reports that people love the gift.

Finally, the winner Anderson family's second idea was pretty good, too. They create books for their children using inexpensive scrapbook and photos from old magazines. They make up stories as they read through the books or just share quite time looking at the pictures.

For more information on past Savviest Scrooge entries or the Myvesta.org Holiday Survey call 1-800-680-3328 or visit Myvesta.org on the Web.

## B-CC Honors Fallen Alum, Civil Rights Hero



B-CC President Oswald Perry Bronson, SI, honored the late Harry T. Moore, BCC alumnus and humanitarian, with the college's Pinnacle Award during pregame festivities at the Florida Classic on November 18, 2000 when Mr. Moore would have turned 95 years old.

President Bronson presented the prestigious award to Ms. Juanita Evangeline Moore, daughter of Mr. Moore at midfield of the Citrus Bowl in Orlando. Ms. Moore, like her parents and late sister Annie Rosalea Moore Hampton, is a graduate of Bethune-Cookman College.

Mr. Moore was recognized for his bravery, perseverance, integrity, and dedication to the fight for equality in Florida.

Bethune-Cookman alumnus Harry T. Moore founded the Brevard County Chapter of the NAACP in 1934 and, later, the

Florida Conference for NAACP Chapters in 1941. He fought tirelessly and courageously for the rights of Florida's oppressed populace during a challenging time in our state's history. Mr. Moore was a true pioneer, bravely blazing a trail of freedom in the heart of Dixie. He also became the "first martyr" in the struggle for freedom in 20th century America when a bomb exploded under his and his wife's bed on Christmas morning, 1951.

His wife, Harriette, was mortally wounded that morning.

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