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National News



(Austin, TX) - The proposed Marvin Nichols Dam in Northeast Texas received top billing in a National Wildlife Federation (NWF) report highlighting expensive and inappropriate state water projects. The NWF announced the list today in a report entitled "Down the Drain."

The NWF says the six highlighted projects, recommended in a draft State Water Plan the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) released recently for public comment would damage the environment, harm fish and wildlife resources and rural economies, and waste billions of taxpayer dollars. The featured projects and their estimated costs are:

- Marvin Nichols 1 Dam/Reservoir \$1.7 billion
- Lower Colorado River Pipeline \$800 million - \$1 billion
- Little River Dam/Reservoir \$361 million
- Carrizo-Wilcox Aquifer \$332 million
- Brownsville Weir \$81 million
- Gulf Coast Aquifer \$38 million

Total Taxpayer Dollars Down the Drain \$3.5 billion

"The State's population is expected to double in the next 50 years which means Texans clearly do face a water challenge," said Susan Kaderka, Director of the National Wildlife Federation's Gulf States office in Austin. "But we've got to find a way to supply water for human needs without drying up our streams and rivers and without wasting billions of dollars. That means looking at how we can use water more efficiently, and not just assuming we can pump or divert or capture all the water we might want," she said.

"Unfortunately, these projects illustrate that water planners are relying largely on outdated concrete-and-steel approaches to supplying water that threaten to send our hard-earned money and the natural heritage of Texas down the drain," continued Kaderka.

NWF Water Resources Scientist, Dr. Norman Johns, said rivers, streams and aquifers in Texas are already stressed. "We've got to get serious about conserving water," said Johns.

"For example, if the major cities in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area would bring their water usage down to the level of other major Texas cities, the so called 'need' for the Marvin Nichols dam would evaporate. State water planners are proposing to trade healthy rivers and coastal bays, along with the rural communities they help support, for the privilege of maintaining big green lawns even during a severe drought."

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Initiative to Prevent Blindness Kicks In

Preventative measures given to diabetes patients



Ammi Mathews of Lubbock, Texas added her name to the Novo Nordisk Pharmaceuticals, Inc. signature wall at this summer's American Association of Diabetes Educators (AADE) Annual Meeting in Louisville, KY.

(Austin, Texas) — Thousands of American seniors now have access to the eye care they need, thanks to an innovative diabetes eye exam initiative. This historic partnership between the public and private sector focuses on Medicare beneficiaries with diabetes and addresses the two major barriers to receiving eye care—cost and transportation. It also raises awareness of the connection between diabetes and blindness and the importance of an annual dilated eye exam.

The Foundation of American Academy of Ophthalmology (FAAO) and the American Optometric Association (AOA) have joined forces with the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) to create the "Intervention for Increasing Eye Exam Rates for Medicare Beneficiaries with Diabetes." Many other organizations and people have been mobilized at the national and local levels, including the Texas Medical Foundation (TMF) and the Texas Ophthalmological Association (TOA). The TMF is sending postcards and brochures directly to Medicare beneficiaries who qualify for the program, as well as addressing transportation issues through state and local

groups. The TOA is spreading the word about the initiative to the local press and media as well as working with the TMF on state specific outreach and public education programs. Additionally, celebrity spokespersons have contributed their names and support to the cause through a series of public service announcements.

"Diabetes is a major health epidemic that is increasing dramatically. The longer you have diabetes, the greater your chance of developing diabetic retinopathy or other eye diseases," warns George C. Thorne, MD, President, TOA. "Even people with normal vision may require proper monitoring and treatment to prevent eye complications due to diabetes. Unfortunately, many people with diabetes are unaware of the preventive measures and treatments available as well as the variety of programs available that cover the costs associated with treatment. That's why the Diabetes Eye Exam Initiative is so important."

Through the Diabetes Eye Exam Initiative, Medicare beneficiaries with diabetes may be matched with an ophthalmologist by calling EyeCare America National Eye Care Project® (NECP) at 800-222-EYES (3937). The

NECP matches seniors who have not had a medical eye exam in the past three years with a volunteer ophthalmologist here in Texas. The ophthalmologist will perform a dilated eye examination and provide one year of treatment for any condition diagnosed during the first exam at no out-of-pocket cost to the patient. The NECP volunteer ophthalmologists have agreed to accept Medicare or private insurance as payment in full.

"Approximately ten percent of Medicare beneficiaries have diabetes and 600,000 of them have not had an eye exam in the past two years or more," explains Dr. Thorne. "I cannot stress enough the importance of getting a dilated eye exam immediately after being diagnosed with diabetes. If caught early on, changes in the retina caused by diabetes may be treated before they become severe."

The most common cause of decreased vision in people with diabetes is diabetic retinopathy, a swelling of the central retina, which affects 25 percent of people with diabetes. Some patients develop proliferative diabetic retinopathy. This is a serious condition where blood vessels form on the surface of the retina where they do not belong. Because these new blood vessels are very fragile, they may rupture and fill the cavity of the eye with blood, blocking vision. Resulting scar tissue may then cause retinal detachment.

Laser treatment may improve the vision of people with retinopathy. When it does not, hopefully it will help stabilize the condition. In addition to having regular dilated eye exams, people with diabetes should carefully control their blood sugar to help prevent retinopathy.



Vincent Berkeley, Jr. (second from left) Senior Vice President of Worldwide Diversity Resources, Burger King Corporation, enjoys a moment with the winners of the Best Circulation Promotion Award. First place went to The Philadelphia Tribune (second from right), second place to the Baltimore Afro-American (far left), and third to the Chicago Defender (far right). The awards were recently announced at the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) Meet Awards Gala, sponsored by Burger King. (Photo credit: Wade Nash)



Deborah Wahl (left), marketing communications manager for Lincoln Mercury, actor/producer Robert Townsend (center), celebrity agent Dolores Robinson (lower center), and film pioneer Suzanne de Passe (third from right), celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Acapulco Black Film Festival at the Lincoln VIP party at Les Bistras Bellevista Restaurant. The festival offered screenings, film competitions, actors' workshops, panel discussions and entertaining events, culminating in the Film Life Black Movie Awards Show, sponsored by Lincoln and hosted by Mr. Townsend. (Photo Credit: Kerika Fields)



Jeff Friday (left), president of UniWorld Films, and Nicole Corniff (right), multicultural marketing manager for Lincoln Mercury, greet writer/director John Singleton at Lincoln's VIP party at the Acapulco Black Film Festival (ABFF). Mr. Singleton, whose films have helped nurture the hottest talents in Hollywood, received the Career Achievement Award at the Film Life Black Movie Awards Show, sponsored by Lincoln. Corniff said, "Lincoln is committed to the spirit of independent filmmaking and dedicated to showcasing the best and the brightest in independent Black cinema." Friday said Lincoln's support was significant because "it encourages and empowers African Americans to make films that reflect the Black experience." Lincoln was also the exclusive automobile sponsor of ABFF. (Photo Credit: Kerika Fields)

Below: The O'Jay's (from left) Eric Grant, Walter Williams and Eddie Levert greeted fans at Keyspan Park in Brooklyn at a charity event benefiting the Tom Joyner Foundation.



Serious Support Needed for Passage of Proposition 15

The state of Texas is sorely lacking in funds for state highways as well as other multi-modal needs. Proposition 15 is one way to expedite projects by utilizing bond financing.

The state of Texas has one of the fastest growth rates of any state in the country, is now the second most populous State and is growing at twice the national average. Texas' population has doubled since 1960 and its growth rate will

likely result in 30-33 million people claiming Texas as their home by 2025.

70% of all NAFTA trade traffic travels through Texas, and this trade is conveyed by many modes including roadway, rail, maritime and aviation, all of which require adequate and appropriate surface transportation infrastructure to ensure the safe and efficient movement of people and goods. Since implementation of the North

American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), the State of Texas has experienced a significant increase in international trade that has diversified the economy and lowered susceptibility to domestic economic downturns. Texas' massive population growth and dramatic increase in international trade has significantly increased congestion levels and travel times on Texas' international trade corridors and throughout

mobility. Texas, creating dangerously overcrowded conditions while placing significantly increasing demands on the resources used to build and maintain highways throughout the state.

The Legislature and the Governor have seized the moment and have furthered our efforts regarding congestion by creating necessary and appropriate funding methods to make much needed resources available to mitigate congestion and enhance

mobility. NOW, it is up to the VOTERS of Texas to take advantage of this opportunity to create the Texas Mobility Fund at the general election on November 6th by voting in favor of Proposition 15. We feel it is necessary for all Texas Cities and Counties and indeed all regions of Texas to strongly support the Governor and the Legislature in the historic passage of Proposition 15.



CHURCH DIRECTORY



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith
Believe in Jesus

IN JESUS NAME "THE SIGNS OF TIMES"

Matthew 24:32,33. Jesus said, Now learn a parable of the fig tree; when his branch is yet tender, and puts forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh: so likewise, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors.

As we see death come, its near and in the foreign lands, death must come to everyone. Yours and mine is now at hand.

Mark 13:32, Jesus said, but of the day and that hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the son, but the Father.

As the 21st century has been the bloodiest, and now we're at war; it's just the sign of the times. Your day and mine is not far!

Matthew 24:42, 43, 44a, Jesus said watch therefore, for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. But know this, that if the good man of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched and would not have suffered his house to be broken up. Therefore, be ready!

As we know, man can go to the moon, do heart transplants, clone a man. These are some of yours and my signs that our last day is at hand.

Daniel 12:4b, 10, the Lord said even to the time of the end, many shall run to and from, and knowledge shall be increased. Many shall be purified and made white and tried; but the wickedly and none of the wicked shall understand. But the wise shall understand.

We have parents killing their children and children the same. America has lost its love. America has gone totally insane!!

Matthew 24:12, 13 Jesus said because iniquity (sin) shall abound, the love of many shall grow cold. But he that shall endure into the end, the same shall be saved.

It don't matter how you die. It's only when you take your last breath, you're on your way to heaven or hell and only one has rest.

When God calls your name you must be ready. Those Christians that died in the Trade Center killings, it was their time. Yours and mine may be in a car, drive by shooting, got hit by a car, job accident, or cancer. Be ye ready when it is your Omega day.

Revelation 22:12, 13 Jesus said, Behold, I come quickly and my reward is with me. To give every man according as his work should be. I am alpha and omega, the beginning and the end.

And we see all the signs of the time. It means yours and my last day tomorrow is not promised to a Christian, but keep the faith!

I'm just a nobody trying to tell everybody about Jesus' body dying for the sins of everybody.

Phillipians 3:20, for our conversation in heaven, from whence also we look for the saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ.

God is not through with us yet. So, let's pray for one another always.

Written by Evangelist Billy "B.J." Morrison, III, your brother in Christ



When Jesus came to the region of Caesare Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah, and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets," "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." — Matthew 16:13-16, NIV

Several days ago, I was reading the story of a man who grew up not knowing who he was or where he was going with his life. He begins his story with his forlorn childhood: "As a child I was shy, living in my own world—a world not many could enter. In fact, I don't remember anyone who tried. In my teen years, alcohol and a group of 'friends' became my escape from my emptiness. I was empty and did not know why I was empty. My parents had no idea what was going on in my life until one night they had to pick me up from the police station for being drunk and disorderly. I was fifteen and they responded to my behavior by putting me down and comparing me to others who had

failed in life and finally sent me off to live with relatives in another city.

Amazingly, I graduated from high school, but then I saw what I thought was that special love of my life. We fell in love, married with the thought of spending the rest of our lives together. Both of us were young, and neither of us had the benefits of a good role model to help us know how to relate to each other. Consequently, this marriage ended in failure on the rocks.

After the loss of my love, I felt alienated and alone. At age twenty-five, I decided to go through the doors of the community church near my home. The pastor invited me to come again. Later, he made a visit to my home and told me how I could get to know Jesus. That very day, something strange happened in my life. That day, I was moved and I accepted Christ in my life.

I'm in my forties now, and for me, knowing who Jesus is is the difference between being lost and being confident about where I'm going each day and into eternity.

Many of us hear and read about people who have come to know this Jesus that we have known for a long time. We have seen their lives transformed and watch them moved with heavenly assurance. However the

question of many who doubt today is "Who is this man called Jesus?" "Who is this miracle worker?" "Who is this man that can change hearts and lives?"

Knowing who Jesus is means knowing who He is not. He is not merely a religious teacher like Buddha. He is not a mere philosopher like Lao Zi who believes that the universe is kept in balance by the opposing forces of yin and yang that operate in dynamic tension between themselves. He is not just a writer and philosopher like Confucius who believes that the Superior Man was the ideal human and filial piety was the chief virtue. He is not just a prophet like Muhammad who founded the religion of Islam.

The apostle Peter saw who Jesus really was: the Messiah; the Son of God. After Pentecost, Peter's life changed dramatically. Instead of being a big talker with no actions to back up his words, he became a doer whose words were made powerful by the reality of

what he had become in Christ Jesus.

We live in a world today where in many circles there is a great confusion about whom Jesus really is. We who are Christians need to respect others religions, however, we must let them know there is only One Jesus. We need to let them know He is greater than the Old Testament prophets and all others because He is not a mere man passing along messages from God, or a god, He is God's one and only Son, the exact representation of God's character. He is equal with God the Father; they are two in person yet one in essence.

It would do us good to tell this confused world of the 21st Century that because Jesus, in obedience with God, has provided us a source of cleansing from our sin by His death and resurrection—He being the Source.

He holds heaven's highest position of honor, even above the angels.

Yes, I believe in Jesus. He is my...

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

Lord send the spirit of prayer upon this city to pray for our Pastors as well as our leaders, especially the President of the United States of America.

"Let's Pray"

Lord, give our President of the United States of America the spirit of prayer to seek your face, for an answer in these troubling times. Help him to realize you can't fight the devil with his own fire. Lord, give our Pastors favor with their peers. Keep them from comparing themselves with other Pastors, Preachers, and Churches, salary packages, guard their hearts from competition and unhealthy ambitions. Give them deep convictions and morals that stand to reflect their holiness. May they not compromise the truth, but spread truth in love to address all social injustices and prejudices of any kind.

Bless our Pastors with rich study time. May our Preachers let their preaching be in the energy of the Holy Spirits. May they (Pastors) be presented to you, Father, holy and blameless. Let your anointing be strong and powerful to convert the lost and conic convict the sinful.

As our Pastors speak the Word, let signs and wonder flow confirming it.

Thank you for your calls and gifts. We praise you for sending such shepherds for our souls. Oh,

Lord, to you be the glory and honor for creating all things and by your will.

They, our ministers and preachers, were created. Let the cross be their reason for ministry, AMEN.

DO YOU KNOW HIM???

JESUS!"

Thoughts for the Week: "I never saw anybody choke to death from swallowing their pride."

"We can't meet spiritual needs with carnal efforts."

"The enemy will set you up and make you think you're doing something good when it's evil."

Pray Church, we're not fighting against flesh and blood, but against rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of the devil in this dark world, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

For all of you who are sick in their body, as well as the bereaved families, Read II Chronicles 7:14 and Mark 11:22-26. God will wipe away all tears, and give you peace. Keep doing those drive by prayers. They are working in our city, Saints.

Pray all the way to your jobs. Pray for your boss when you get there. Thanks so kindly for reading. Do you know Jesus???

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burlington, vice president; and Sister Elnora Jones, acting secretary.

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Crosbyton, Texas — The members of the Greater Mount Zion Baptist Church will celebrate its 88th Church Anniversary Sunday, October 28th through November 4, 2001, The church is located at 411 North Front Street, Rev. H. H. Phillips is pastor.

Opening services will begin Sunday afternoon, October 28, 2001, beginning at 3:00 p.m. Services are set for October 31 through November 1, 2001, beginning at 8:00 p.m.

A banquet will be held Saturday evening, November 3, 2001, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the church fellowship hall. Guest speaker will be Mrs. Bobbie Patterson of Lubbock, Texas. Closing services will be held Sunday afternoon, November 4, 2001 beginning at 4:00 p.m. The theme for the celebration is "Called To Stand Firm." St. Matthew 16:18. The public is invited to attend.

Come! join us as we sing for joy to the Lord; help us shout aloud to the rock of our salvation.



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Democrats Should Fight for Fundamental Rights

By Rep.

Jesse L. Jackson Jr.



those who are fighting for what they consider fundamental rights are more deeply committed, politically involved and influential than those who are merely fighting for an incremental legislative program.

At the 1948 Democratic Convention, Hubert Humphrey said: "The time has arrived in America for the Democratic Party to get out of the shadows of states' rights and to walk forthrightly into the bright sunshine of human rights." I agree, but we must go further. We must fight to codify human rights in our Constitution. A human right is superior to a political ideology, beyond political programs and above partisan politics.

Here's one example: the human right to vote. In Bush vs. Gore, Supreme Court Justices Antonin Scalia and William Rehnquist told us that the American people have no fundamental right to vote in the Constitution.

The 15th, 19th and 26th Amendments outlaw discrimination in voting on the basis of race, sex and age. But these amendments did not create a fundamental constitutional right to vote. Therefore, I believe Americans must fight to add such a fundamental right into our Constitution because voting rights are protective of all other rights.

I also believe there is more security in having a right to a public education of equal quality than any right to bear arms. I believe Americans should fight for this right.

I believe that health care, affordable housing, a clean, safe, and sustainable environment, and equal opportunity for women are all human rights that should be codified in our Constitution as amendments. These concerns, taken together, can make real the American dream a reality.

Too often today, Democrats and progressives appear to be defensive, just trying to get something, passed in order to hold on to what we've got, that we don't have an offensive strategy. We've lost our progressive idealism, our pursuit of dreams, and our spirit of positive, aggressive activism. We must move to offense.

We need a positive Democratic agenda to be for, not just a negative Republican one to be against. Our agenda is a patriotic one: to make America better for every single person in this country.

Both Democrats and Progressives around the country should take the time to re-examine their political agendas.

Republicans keep their political base by fighting to maintain or insert what they believe to be fundamental rights into the Constitution. The other side needs to start doing the same.

In a May 17 letter to the National Rifle Association, Attorney General John Ashcroft wrote, "Let me state unequivocally my view that the text and the original intent of the Second Amendment clearly protect the right of individuals to keep and bear firearms."

This letter illustrates a conservative Republican strategy of organizing around constitutional rights. Conservative Republicans introduced nearly 75 constitutional amendments in the 106th Congress. These included amendments that would institute a balanced budget, term limits, a right to life, a prohibition against flag desecration, a voluntary school

prayer, a line-item veto, English as the country's official language, protections for the rights of crime victims and the abolition of personal income, estate and gift taxes.

By contrast, Democrats offered not a single right they considered fundamental enough to put in the Constitution as an amendment. Not a single one!

Democrats say they are the "party of the people." Well, constitutional amendments require approval of two-thirds of the Congress and three-quarters of state legislatures—precisely the kind of mass involvement Democrats say they want and represent. Yet Democratic leaders try to mobilize their base around only a limited legislative agenda — for example, a patients' bill of rights or the inclusion of prescription drugs in Medicare.

Don't get me wrong. I'm a strong supporter of these items. But I'll guarantee you that

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Largest Outreach Ever Geared to African American & Hispanic Parents; Research on Parents, Recent Test Scores Underscore Campaign's Urgency

WASHINGTON - Backed by studies showing that parents are perhaps the single greatest factor in their children's educational success, People For the American Way Foundation (PFAWF) and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) joined Eastman Kodak Company and the Advertising Council today to announce next month's launch of the most extensive nationwide media and grassroots organizing campaign ever aimed at encouraging Black and Latino parents to become more deeply involved in their children's education.

The unprecedented three-year campaign will carry the theme of "Success in School Equals Success in Life." Public service advertisements on television and radio—complemented by ads in newspapers and on billboards, kiosks and mass transit facilities—began in September. The broadcast and display ads, created by UniWorld, Inc., will reach at least 25,000 media outlets across the country. The average Ad Council campaign receives \$39 million per year in donated media time and space.

In addition to using the national ad campaign to raise awareness about the role of parents, the four partners in this effort are planning regional and local activities to inform and mobilize both parents and communities to strengthen their public schools.

For PFAWF and the NAACP, the campaign builds on a relationship that was enhanced in 1997 when the two organizations formed Partners for Public Education. Partners for Public Education serves as a vehicle to energize citizens and communities to strengthen and improve public schools.

"From our earliest days as an organization, we've tried to break down barriers and work to ensure that all Americans have an equal opportunity in life. When you talk about opportunity, all roads lead to education," said PFAWF President Ralph G. Neas. "Through our Partners for Public Education activities, we saw how inequities in the quality of education were reflected in many urban public schools. We also saw the genuine desire of these parents to improve the kind of education their children receive. Our challenge is to show parents what they can do to make a real difference in their children's future."

"Equality in the American public education system is a cornerstone issue for the NAACP," said NAACP President and CEO Kweisi Mfume. "As vanguards of equal opportunity, the NAACP believes that one of the steps toward attaining equality in this country is to achieve success in school. By getting more parents involved in their children's education, this new ad campaign shows that success is attainable both in school and life."

The campaign's ads will offer parents a toll-free number (1-800-281-1313) to call for more information. The four campaign partners also have designed a Web site to help support the goals of the media campaign and will add resources and new links to the site, as well as update information over the course of the three-year effort. The Web site is: www.SchoolSuccessInfo.org.

Kodak, the exclusive corporate sponsor of the campaign, has generously provided a \$1.2 million grant to cover the costs of production and distribution of the campaign's broadcast and print ads. "Kodak has a long history of supporting education and diversity," said Daniel A. Carp, Kodak's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "In today's global marketplace, it is critical that all of us encourage the development of a workforce that is ready to compete. Parents can play an integral role in helping address this issue."

The "Success in School Equals Success in Life" campaign was developed largely because of the research that has consistently demonstrated the critical role that parents perform in helping their children succeed in school. The campaign is made more urgent by national math scores released earlier this month by the National Assessment for Educational Progress (NAEP). Student scores on NAEP math tests have shown overall improvement among all racial and ethnic groups. However, since 1990, the achievement gap between Hispanic and white students either increased or remained the same for all three grade levels measured (fourth, eighth and 12th grades). The math achievement gap between African American and white students also rose or held steady in all three grade levels.

This achievement gap adds to concerns that Black and Latino parents have about the quality of education their children are receiving. Many of the public schools that African American and Hispanic children attend are among the most challenged due to aging schools and other infrastructure problems, limited resources, and overcrowded classrooms—factors that heighten the need for parents to be actively involved.

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Water Utilities & Solid Waste Services

Ask the A.G.



by Attorney General John Cornyn

Historically Underutilized Business Program

Q: I own a small business and heard the state has a program for businesses owned by minorities and women. How does it work?

A: This is called the Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) program. The goal of the HUB program is to foster participation in state purchasing and contracting by businesses that have traditionally not participated in the process.

HUBs are businesses that are at least 51 percent owned by minorities and/or women. The owners must show active participation in the control operation and management of the affairs of the firm. A HUB must have its principal place

of business in Texas and must be a for-profit concern.

My agency is an active participant in the HUB program. In Fiscal Year 2000, we purchased more than \$ 11 million in goods and services from HUB vendors, which accounts for more than 28 percent of all agency expenditures. In some instances, the HUB vendor was a subcontractor on a purchase made by this agency.

Q: How do I sign up for the program?

A: All businesses that want to participate in the HUB program must be certified by the Texas General Services Commission (GSC), the agency that oversees most purchasing for the state.

There is no fee to become certified as a HUB vendor, and all certified businesses are listed in a database that is accessible to all state agencies. For more information on becoming certified as a HUB; contact GSC at 1711 San Jacinto, Austin, Texas 78711 or call (888) 472-0500. You can also find information on the program at GSC's Web site at www.gsc.state.tx.us.

For more information about the Attorney General's HUB program, write to us at HUB Coordinator, Office of the Attorney General;

Q: Can you send someone to discuss the HUB program with our business group?

A: Yes. We have an active outreach program to assist businesses in joining the HUB program. Our HUB coordinator works on a daily basis with current and potential

HUB vendors to ensure their access to the program.

We also have a mentor-protégé program for HUBs. This program seeks to build long-term relationships between primary agency contractors and historically underutilized businesses to increase the ability of HUBs to win state contracts or participate as subcontractors. Contact our HUB coordinator for more information on both of these initiatives.

My agency takes part in HUB forums around the state on a regular basis. These forums serve both to educate potential HUB vendors about doing business with the state and to offer opportunities to network with other vendors. In some cases, contract awards are made to vendors at these forums. A schedule of upcoming HUB forums can be found on the General Services Commission Web site.

The Office of the Attorney General also has an active outreach program covering a wide range of other topics. We can provide your group or organization with speakers on matters such as consumer protection, crime victims, compensation, child support enforcement, and the Texas Exile crime-control program.

Outreach representatives also conduct workshops for the public and staff booths at conventions and conferences around the state.

For more information or to schedule a speaker, contact Kevin O'Keefe, Director of Outreach, (512) 936-1870 or e-mail him at Kevin.OKeefe@oag.state.tx.us.

Remembrances...



COLUMBUS BOGUS

Funeral services were held for Mr. Columbus Bogus last Saturday morning, October 20, 2001, at the Community Baptist Church with Rev. Larry Larry Brooks, pastor, officiating.

Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Brooks South Plains Funeral Directors of Lubbock.

Active pallbearers were Randy Griffin, Cleveland Parson Jr., Gregory Parson, Frankie Baucham, Shzun Cade and Rodney Collins.

Honorary pallbearers were Deacons of Community Baptist Church.

Mr. Bogus, who was also known as "Chris" was born November 9, 1927, the fifth child of ten children to Daniel and Josephine Bogus.

His parents, three brothers, and one sister preceded him in death.

He attended public school in Marlin, Texas. He later moved to Lubbock, Texas where he and Mildred Riley of Marlin were married March 31, 1951. He was a member of Community Baptist Church, and a retired truck driver and forklift operator.

He is survived by his wife, Mildred; a daughter, Carolyn Bogus Isaac of Lubbock, Texas; two sons, Raymond Bogus of Lubbock, Texas and Paul Hereford of DeSoto, Texas; four sisters: Margie Castilow of Salem, Oregon, Vivian English of LaPuente, California, Laverne Sikes of Lubbock, Texas and Doris Vaughn of Marlin, Texas; a brother, Edward Bogus of Lubbock, Texas; three grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, a host of relatives and friends.



LILLIE SMITH

Funeral services for Mrs. Lillie Smith were held last Saturday afternoon, October 20, 2001, at the Ivory Street Church of Christ in Slaton with Leander Johnson officiating.

Burial was held in the Englewood Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Mrs. Smith died Saturday, October 13, 2001.

She was born April 17, 1918, in Mangura, Oklahoma.

She moved to Slaton, Texas from Hobbs, New Mexico in 1954. She married Clyde Smith in 1962 in Abilene, Texas. He preceded her in death in 1982. She was a member of the Ivory Street Church of Christ in Slaton.

Survivors include: two daughters: Nell Nedd and Beatrice Warren, both of Slaton, Texas; one grandchild, one great-grandchild and three great-great-grandchildren.

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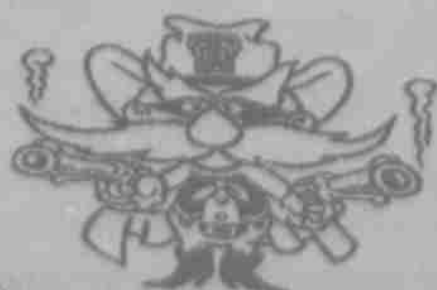
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What a Difference! Time Changes Things!

by Eddie P. Richardson



This writer saw a recent interview with firefighters and police from New York City. They were talking about how a few months ago when they drove the down streets with their red lights flashing, they received anger and road

rage when people had to yield or pull over for the emergency vehicles.

Things changed since September 11th when they travel down the streets of New York City. Now people wave, salute, applaud and stand at attention.

In this writer's opinion, Osama bin Laden should be captured, jailed, and become convicted and possibly receive no less than life in prison or the death sentence. That way, his popularity will diminish. If he is killed, he becomes a martyr. His cause will grow stronger among his admitted followers including the ones in other parts of the world.

Even our president, just like wild west posters — "Wanted Dead or Alive." They (posters) are posted in businesses and on vehicles. Killing this punk will only strengthen his cause, enrapturing and convicting him will show he is not infallible, but human — just a person. What has made him as strong as he is, is his keeping one step away from being captured. His mobility has allowed him to gain most of his following.

In our rage over Osama bin Laden, let's not take it out on all Muslims, because all Muslims are not fanatics. Just like all Americans are not Timothy McVeigh, members of the KKK, Ruby Ridgers, Skin Heads, Arian Nations, Nazis and others. People are people — merely human beings — who are all different. Some are good; some are bad; some with morals; some with no morals. The list goes on and on across the board.

Germ warfare is not new. It has been around for a long time. America has been richly blessed over the years even with major catastrophes as on September 11th. Even with the results and the sadness of most of the world, in general, over the years America has been blessed and has much to be thankful for.

After all is said and done, the Bible is still a great reference book for us to cope with what has recently happened. Read the Book of Revelation and Amos to help one better cope. The Holy Bible is always a good source of refuge in times like these.

Nuf Sed! Why Not?



In Cinque

by Renetta W. Howard

Years ago, before I entered elementary school World War II began, and as a small child sitting on my family's porch, I witnessed mainly men in the back of pick-up trucks, riding down the streets of this small Mississippi town, shouting "Remember Pearl Harbor!" I wondered who Pearl Harbor was? I supposed that it was some lady. Little did I know that it was the target of a Japanese bomb attack.

It was years later when I knew what was significant about Pearl Harbor, though I soon realized when I entered school that a war was taking place which involved the United States. Not knowing geography yet, I was certain that there was fighting very close to where I was. This certainly became even clearer when I enrolled in school.

School was the real daily reminder of the fact that a war was going on. When you are busy trying to learn how to read, write and do arithmetic, the efforts of war on your mind are not the best thoughts to enable

you, especially if a part of your day is spent under a table because of an air raid drill and never knowing when it was the real thing. It did not help any either, every time you heard a sound in the sky, to see airplanes flying in formation and wondering if they were the enemy; coming to drop a bomb on you. Then you would give a sigh of relief when you saw the big star on the airplanes and the letters USA. The very thought still brings tears to my eyes. The weekly ritual of flattening food cans and packing them to school every Friday and going out into the neighborhoods on Thursday afternoon to collect metal for the war effort still lingers.

Evenings at home, with kerosene lamps for light. There were still the "black outs," the nights when families had to have their lights out and the street lights were out so as to appear that nothing existed here during the night. Some people had green window shades which prevented the light from inside being seen outside. They burned their lights without detection.

There was no television or videos and news came through the radio, if you were fortunate enough to own one. The newspaper or magazines and word of mouth directly or by telephone, once again if you were fortunate enough to have one. News was always foreboding. It told of the number of American personnel killed and wounded in action; the places where bombs were dropped or artillery shelling was taking place or land mines exploded.

Often local people in service were listed if their conditions were known. Gabriel Heater and H.B. Countinbome were the main news reporters on the radio. It came to a point where I could not bear to hear the news. It was unbearable. It still is.

Every war has its hawks and doves. I am a dove. How are we protecting our children? It is past time to get "in cinque" and help our children to understand this war so as to leave minimum of harmful effects on those who survive.

THIS N THAT

Yes, bring prayer back into public schools. This N That read the other day that Governor Rick Perry is considering bringing prayer back into public schools. This N That encourages any kind of an effort because the problems with our young people did not exist as they do today when prayer was allowed in public schools. Some will argue that certain groups have this opportunity today, before school begins each day. This N That, however, remembers the days when most classes were begun with prayer. Why not bring it back? As it should be. It would be better for the United States of America. Governor Perry, you are on the right track!

Martin Luther King Commemorative Committee has good proposal! This N That salutes the members of the Martin Luther King Commemorative Committee for their efforts to bring about a Hero's Circle to be constructed in the area. This project, costing more than \$200,000.000 has already collected more than \$50,000.00 with many more contributions on the way. This is going to really help this area of the city and it proves that with a lot of hard work, things will happen.

Softball field named in honor of Dr. Heenan Johnson, Jr. This N That attended ceremonies last week naming the Dr. Heenan Johnson, Jr. Softball Field, located at Avenue L and 35th Street. This is good and hopefully, when next year's season begins, Dr. Heenan Johnson Jr. will be present to pitch the first pitch in uniform. Congrats, Dr.!

Black Engineering Students involved! This N That was glad to see a large turnout of Black Engineering Students from Texas Tech involved in the City Wide Clean-up "Bag Your Trash" program last Saturday morning. Because of their efforts, they received the First Place prize which was a check for \$600.00. It just goes to show that when you are involved, things will happen for you. These young people collected 172 bags of trash. Congrats to these young men and women. The theme for this event was "Getting Ready for the Vatican Museums Exhibit" coming to Lubbock next summer.

Penny Hastings, the barber says: "Many are saying 'God Bless America,' but shouldn't we also be saying, 'America Bless God?'"

Still waiting to see! This N That, like many of you, are driving by the corner of E. 19th St. and MLK asking "When will it happen?" It will happen in the near future and it goes to show that when you don't give up on anything, good things will always happen. So keep driving by this area and wait for something good to happen.

There will be some programming! This N That reminds you that the Southwest Digest will celebrate its 25th Anniversary come next September 2002. Hopefully there will be some positive programming during the celebrating. One thing's for sure... there will be involvement from our young people. When this newspaper began in 1977 there were those who said "It won't last long!" But thank God the Southwest Digest has been able to prevail. Keep watching for upcoming developments on this 25th Anniversary!

Have you visited a public school this year? This N That is still encouraging all of you to visit our public schools. If you do so, our young people will know you care and they will be proud to see you on their campuses. Why not visit a public school this week?

Good job Matadors! This N That salutes those mighty Estacado Matadors for the job they are doing this year. Keep on doing what you are doing. It's not over yet, so hang in there!

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by Eddie P. Richardson

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(EDITOR'S NOTE: We began this series by defining home-rule state and the city manager form of government. The mayor and city council functions and responsibilities, and all of the city departments heads. Now this series gives the departments and their functions so you may be advised more of what is going on in city government.)

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