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NEWS

Family Matters: Taking the Time to Talk About End-of-Life Care

By Karan A. Davis

During the upcoming holiday season when we gather with our families and friends, a harsh reality may hit some of us. Some of our loved ones may be more frail than they were the last time we saw them. We may begin to realize that our precious time together is limited.

Do we know how our parents or grandparents want to be cared for if they become ill and need end-of-life care? Our culture shies away from talking about death or planning for it. Our families plan for weddings, the birth of a child, going off to college, and retirement. Rarely, if ever, do we have conversations about how to plan for our final phase of life.

Death and dying - once taboo subjects - are becoming increasingly relevant for Baby Boomers, their parents, and their children. Americans are more likely to talk to their children about safe sex and drugs than to talk to their terminally-ill parents about end-of-life care options and preferences. However, it is vital that thoughtful, serious, personal conversations take place about the kinds of experiences we want for ourselves and for our loved ones as the inevitable end of life draws near.

The time to learn about the end-of-life care options available is before a life-threatening illness occurs or a crisis hits home. This will allow us to make educated decisions about end-of-life care that include the advice and input of loved ones.

One choice for quality, compassionate end-of-life care is hospice care. National research shows that most Americans are unaware of the services hospice programs provide to patients and families. Yet, the same research shows that Americans want exactly the kind of care that hospice offers.

Hospice care involves a team oriented approach to expert medical care, pain management, and emotional and spiritual support expressly tailored to the patient's needs and wishes. At its center is the belief that each person has the right to die pain-free and with dignity, and that families will receive the necessary support to allow them to do so. The focus is on caring, not curing. In most cases, care is provided in the patient's home with a loved one serving as the primary caregiver.

Along with physician services to attend to the patient's medical needs, hospice care also offers services to the patient and family such as:

- Regular home care visits by nurses to monitor the patient's condition
- Home health aide services
- Chaplain services and counseling services
- Medical equipment and medical supplies
- Drugs for symptom control and pain relief
- Physical, speech, and occupational therapy
- Volunteer support to assist loved ones with care giving

As always with medical care, financial considerations can play a role in a family's decision making. Medicare, private health insurance and Medicaid (in 43 states) cover the cost of hospice care for patients who meet eligibility criteria. The Medicare Hospice Benefit is designed to meet the unique needs of those who have a terminal illness, providing them and their loved ones with special support and services not otherwise covered under Medicare.

Decisions about how we want to spend our final phase of life need not be overwhelming or difficult. Through learning more about available end-of-life care options like hospice and by having thoughtful discussions with our loved ones, we can decide what kind of care is best for our aging parents, for ourselves and for our children.

To learn more about hospice care, visit www.hospiceinfo.org or phone the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization's Help-line at 1-800-656-8998. Karan A. Davis is President of the National Hospice Foundation and President of the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization.

Coca-Cola and UNCF (The College Fund) Partner to Launch Groundbreaking Internship Program



A corporate intern and scholarship program that links college students and the academic experience with the real world of work is being launched jointly by a partnership between The Coca-Cola Company and The College Fund. Announcing the new program are (from left) Charlene Cruseo Ingram, senior vice president, Organization and People Development, Coca-Cola North America; William H. Gray III, president and chief executive officer, United Negro College Fund; and Jack Stahl, president and chief executive officer, The Coca-Cola Company and board member, UNCF.

ATLANTA—A corporate intern and scholarship program that links college students and the classroom into the real world of work is being launched jointly through an enhanced partnership of The Coca-Cola Company and The College Fund.

Scheduled for a summer 2001 kick-off, the College Fund and Coca-Cola Corporate Intern Program will offer 50 minority college juniors summer internship and the opportunity to earn an academic scholarship. Students will participate in an eight-to-ten week summer internship, working at a Coca-Cola facility in Atlanta, Columbia, MD, Chicago, Dallas or Irvine, CA. Guided by a Coca-Cola manager and mentor, students will have the opportunity to work in seven areas of the Company: chemistry, engineering, finance, human resources, information

technology, marketing, and business management.

Each student will receive a \$5,000 internship stipend, \$2,000 housing allowance, transportation allowance and will be eligible for a \$10,000 scholarship. Upon successful completion of the internship, students may be invited to come back and participate in the program the following year.

"The Coca-Cola Corporate Intern Program builds on our long-time relationship with The College Fund," said Jack Stahl, president and chief operating officer of The Coca-Cola Company and board member, UNCF. "It is another way for The Coca-Cola Company to offer minority students more opportunities to achieve academic and career success. The Coca-Cola Company strives to be a role model for corporate diversity. This program helps us achieve that goal by

opening doors to our company and corporate America for the young people who are selected to participate."

The program is the first, company-wide internship program of its kind for The Coca-Cola Company.

"The Coca-Cola Company has been a major supporter of The College Fund and this new program is an opportunity to leverage our synergies," said William H. Gray III, president and chief executive officer, United Negro College Fund. "Together, and through the Coca-Cola Corporate Intern Program, we can work to ensure that minority students receive the financial assistance they need to attend college, and to achieve the valuable, real-life work experience they need to successfully enter the workforce."

The program is a strategic initiative for The Coca-Cola Company to recruit new employees from more universities and colleges where greater numbers of minorities attend. The Company has made a four-year/150 intern commitment to The College Fund and the program.

"The College Fund and Coca-Cola Corporate Intern Program is a unique initiative for the Company," said Charlene Cruseo-Ingram, senior vice president, Organization and People Development, Coca-Cola North America. "It expands our efforts to create a work environment reflective of the communities in which we do business. The program allows us to enhance our resource base of prospective minority employees and give students the opportunity to work for the world's leading beverage company."

The Coca-Cola Company has been a corporate partner to The College Fund for almost 15 years, contributing more than \$1.6 million to the organization and nearly \$275,000 annually.

How to Apply

The deadline to apply for the Summer 2001 Coca-Cola Corporate Intern Program is Feb. 16, 2001. To be eligible, each student must:

- Have a minimum 3.0 grade point average
- Be a sophomore majoring in chemistry, engineering, finance, human resources, information technology, marketing or business management
- Provide a nominating letter from a faculty member that details the student's talents, interests and aspirations
- Submit a one-page written personal statement of career interest
- Provide a current undergraduate transcript
- Attend a participating college or university (see application)
- Interview with The Coca-Cola Company

Completed applications, with all supporting documentation, must be received by Feb. 16, 2001. Submit application package to: The College Fund, c/o The College Fund and Coca-Cola Corporate Intern Program, 8260 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive, P.O. Box 10444, Fairfax, Va. 22031-4511, ATTN: Jamil Fletcher.

Approximately 300 colleges and universities are participating in the program. For more information, contact the Financial Aid Office, Career Placement Center or Department

Chair at one of the participating schools. Information is also available at www.coca-colacampus.com, or call The College Fund at 1-800-331-2244.

The College Fund

The College Fund is the nation's oldest and most successful African American higher education assistance organization. Their mission is to enhance the quality of education by providing financial assistance to deserving students, raising operating funds for 39 member colleges and universities, and increasing access to technology for students and faculty. The College Fund administers more than 450 scholarships and fellowships to an ethnically diverse group of students and faculty who attend member colleges and universities, other historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs) and majority institutions throughout the country. In its 56-year history, The College Fund has raised over \$1.6 billion to promote higher education achievement and has helped more than 300,000 students earn undergraduate and graduate degrees.

The Coca-Cola Company

The Coca-Cola Company is the world's largest beverage company and is the leading producer and marketer of soft drinks. Along with Coca-Cola, recognized as the world's best-known brand, the Company markets four of the world's top five soft drink brands: including diet Coke, Fanta, and Sprite. Through the world's largest distribution system, consumers in nearly 200 countries enjoy the Company's products at a rate of more than 1 billion servings each day.

Councilmember T.J. Patterson Named to Top NLC Policy Leadership Post

Councilmember T.J. Patterson of Lubbock, Tex., has been appointed chairman of the Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Policy Committee of the National League of Cities

(NLC) in 2001. Patterson's appointment was announced by NLC President Dennis Archer, mayor of Detroit, Mich. The committee is one of NLC's seven standing committees

that develop policy positions on national issues involving municipal governments.

"T.J. brings valuable insights and thoughtful guidance to this committee. It will be an honor

to work with him and to benefit from his experienced leadership in the coming year," Mayor Archer said. "Important local concerns involving pipeline safety, waste management, air and water quality are some of the key areas this committee will focus on this year."

Each NLC policy committee has a membership of approximately 200 officials from cities and towns throughout the nation. The committees will hold their first meeting March 10, 2001, during NLC's annual Congressional City Conference in Washington.

The full committee will identify specific policy issues to be addressed during the year. A smaller group, working as a steering committee, will hold two additional meetings to examine, develop positions and make recommendations on these issues.

The steering committee, made up of approximately 35 elected municipal officials, will submit its recommendations to the full committee for further consideration at the 2001 Congress of Cities, held in December. After review by the full committee, policy amendments are brought before the NLC membership at the annual business meeting. Once approved by the League's membership, the NLC National Municipal Policy serves as the basis for the League's advocacy on behalf of all local governments.



The League, headquartered in Washington, is the nation's oldest and largest municipal organization, with a membership of more than 1,700 cities and towns of all sizes. All of the nation's 49 state municipal associations also are members of NLC, making the League a national representative of more than 15,000 municipal governments throughout the United States.

Happy Birthday Mom & Wife! Mrs. Ruth Caraway



A belated birthday wish was extended to Mrs. Ruth Caraway on December 31, 2000. Pictured above are her family members who made the wish possible.

This special greeting comes from her husband, Charles Caraway; her three beautiful daughters: Kala and Stephanie, both of Sacramento, California and Turla of Lubbock. Also, her three wonderful grandkids: Kalia of Sacramento, California, and Ray and DeVoyce, both of Lubbock. God bless you! We love you!

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 In this Publication
 Please Consider
 That they are there
 for a Purpose.
 We publish
 something for
 everyone, and some
 people are
 always looking
 for MISTAKES!!!

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 looking for a church home, then you are always welcome at the New Hope Baptist Church. You will be glad you did come and visit. May God continue to bless each of you.

Services began last Sunday morning, the last Sunday of the year 2000, with Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. All officers and teachers were present. After thirty minutes of instruction, all reassembled to the main auditorium marching and singing.

High points of the morning lesson were given.

The morning devotional services were held at 11:45 a. m. with Brother R. J. Givens and Sister Joan Y. Ervin conducting, and assisted by the Praise Team.

The Senior Choir marched in the processional singing out of their hearts. What a lovely sight to see this last Sunday morning of the year. Pastor Moton offered the altar prayer. After a selection, scripture and a prayer, the responsive reading was done with the congregation standing.

The Senior Choir sang "I Still Have Love," Pastor Moton gave his pastoral observations. He always has something good to say for all of those present.

Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "Living A New Life In Jesus Christ." His scripture text was St. John 11:25-26. He preached a wonderful message.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in citizens. Among those reported to be ill are Sister Lucille Jackson and Sister Clara Colquitt.

John Chester Hunter of Odessa, Texas was funeralized here last Saturday morning at Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home. Let us remember his wife, Cecita Joyce Graves-Hunter, in your prayers.

John and Linda Henderson have returned home from a holiday trip. Thank God for a safe trip.

Pray for Sister Bernice Kelly. Also pray for Sister Joan Jones released from the hospital last Saturday.

Thank God for a good year! Happy New Year!

Drop-off Locations announced for Christmas Tree Recycling

Nine locations are now set up for Lubbock residents to drop off Christmas trees after the holidays for recycling into mulch. Not only does recycling your tree provide mulch for the public and for City parks, it also reduces the amount of space needed in the landfill.

The program, which is sponsored by the Solid Waste Department, grinds the trees into mulch that is used at city parks

and given away to the public at the recycling drop-off centers in the spring.

The following locations will accept trees from December 26 through January 14, 2001.

- 58th and Temple (vacant lot)
- 2300 Weber (Mae Simmon's Swimming Pool)
- Indiana Avenue and Clovis Road (across from General Steel)
- 4315 50th (Hollant Gardens)

- 79th Street and Iola Avenue (behind Cornerstone Bible Church)
- 8001 Upland (north of Heritage Church)
- Christmas trees also will be accepted at all City of Lubbock Recycling Drop-off Centers beginning December 26 through the month of January. The Recycling Drop-off Centers are located at:
- 1631 84 (84th and Ave. P)

324 Municipal Drive
• 2002 Elmwood

Trees should not be placed in dumpsters or in alleys. Please remove plastic coverings, bases and all decorations from trees before taking them to the Christmas tree drop-off locations.

For more information, contact the City of Lubbock Solid Waste Department at 775-2482.

Registration Deadline for next ACT Test is January 5 College-Bound Students can take the test February 10

College-bound high school students can take the ACT Assessment on February 10, 2001, the next nationwide test date. The registration postmarked deadline is January 5. Late registration postmarked deadline is January 19 (an

additional fee is required for late registration).

ACT scores are accepted by virtually all colleges and universities in the nation. ACT scores are accepted at all Ivy League colleges. The test fee is \$23

(\$26 in Florida). Colleges use ACT scores, along with student's high school GPA and other information to help determine admission and the appropriate course placement for new students.

For more information

registration forms and test locations, contact your high school counselor or register online on ACT's web site — www.act.org. The web site also has helpful information, sample test and the opportunity to order test preparation materials.

Amnesty International USA Condemns Decision to Grant only a Temporary Stay in Federal Death Penalty Case

(Washington, DC) — Although welcoming the temporary stay of Juan Raul Garza's life, Amnesty International expressed grave disappointment and dismay at President Bill Clinton's decision yesterday to only offer Garza a temporary stay of execution — instead of clemency and a moratorium on all federal executions.

"This was a cynical attempt by President to shift the responsibility for this execution onto the next President," said Ajamu Baraka, Acting Director of AIUSA's National Program to Abolish the Death Penalty.

"Regardless of how they try to spin it, claims by President Clinton and Attorney General Janet Reno that they are concerned about racial and geographic disparities ring hollow," said Baraka. "This statistics they pretend to be concerned about are of their own making. They are playing games with the American public by feigning concern and then passing the buck."

"The positions taken by President Clinton and Attorney General Reno today are disturbing, to say the least," said Baraka. "For Attorney Reno to say that she has not

seen a basis for supporting a moratorium is disingenuous in the extreme."

"There have been enough studies offering overwhelming evidence of the flawed inner working of this system. From the 1990 General Accounting Office report to the Justice Department's own survey released on September 2000, it is clear that the process used to select people for execution is racist and profoundly unfair," said Baraka.

"For President Clinton to say that he needs to see more studies not only disingenuous but mis-leading and self-

serving." According to Amnesty International, the scheduled execution of Juan Raul Garza provided President Clinton with an opportunity to offer the US a genuine example of human rights leadership — which he forfeited by taking the easy way out — leaving this important issue for his successor.

"We only hope that the next President will bring the US into the community of 108 nations that already turned their backs on this outdated and morally indefensible punishment."

Iles Elementary School Letter to Parents

Dear Parents,

Iles Elementary will be sending home an Identification Care Kit for your child. This I.D. Kit allows parents to take and store their child's fingerprints in their own home. The card remains in the parents' possession. If ever needed, this card will give authorities vital information to assist them in their efforts to locate a missing child.

We would like for every child at Iles Elementary to benefit from this program. The I.D. Kits were distributed on, Wednesday, December 20, 2000.

Mr. Brian Yearwood
Iles Principal

SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR LUBBOCK, TEXAS AccuWeather.com

Thursday	Thursday Night	Friday	Saturday
Mostly sunny with a pleasant afternoon. 66	Clear. 36	Partly sunny with a breezy afternoon. 64/34	Cloudy. 58/28
RealFeel: 61	RealFeel: 32	RealFeel: 59	RealFeel: 51
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Rather cloudy. 56/24	Turning out sunny and cool. 52/22	Sun and some clouds. 54/28	Partly sunny. 58/34
RealFeel: 49	RealFeel: 47	RealFeel: 47	RealFeel: 53

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

Sunshine will be the rule with 6-9 hours of sunshine and warm days with afternoon temperatures well into the 60s.

FISHING REPORT

A good deal of sunshine will be seen Thursday and Friday with mild afternoons. Clouds will increase over the weekend.

TV INTER

Highest Thur. 4; Low Highest Fri. 3; Minimal Highest Sat. 2; Minimal Values indicate the exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays.

SUN & MOON DATA

Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
Sunrise: 7:01 a.m.	7:02 a.m.	7:00 a.m.
Sunset: 5:53 p.m.	5:54 p.m.	5:54 p.m.
Moonset: 1:51 p.m.	2:28 p.m.	3:10 p.m.
Moonrise: 2:11 a.m.	3:13 a.m.	4:18 a.m.

MOON PHASES

Full	Last	New	First
Jan 9	Jan 16	Jan 24	Feb 1

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	65/40	s	64/40	pc	56/34	c	52/30	c	54/26	s	54/24	pc	58/30	c
Albuquerque, NM	54/28	s	54/30	pc	50/28	c	48/24	pc	50/26	pc	46/24	pc	42/24	c
Ames, IA	56/30	s	55/30	c	54/32	c	50/30	pc	48/28	s	57/30	s	55/30	pc
Amarillo, TX	62/32	s	54/30	s	48/24	c	46/24	c	48/24	s	52/26	pc	56/30	s
Austin, TX	65/40	s	68/40	pc	68/40	c	56/36	c	56/30	s	54/28	s	52/30	pc
Branson, MO	50/29	s	55/30	pc	50/31	c	40/27	c	45/17	c	46/29	pc	47/31	c
Clarks, NM	65/38	s	63/30	pc	52/27	c	49/25	pc	50/21	c	53/28	pc	57/30	c
Dallas, TX	52/36	s	60/40	s	58/38	c	54/34	pc	52/28	s	54/34	c	54/38	c
Denver, CO	51/30	pc	59/28	pc	49/22	c	47/20	pc	48/22	pc	49/18	pc	43/22	c
El Paso, TX	58/32	s	60/38	c	60/36	pc	58/32	s	58/26	s	54/28	pc	56/32	pc
Fort Worth, TX	65/40	s	68/40	pc	69/35	c	53/30	pc	50/25	s	58/31	pc	54/30	c
Houston, TX	62/34	s	66/40	pc	68/48	c	62/40	c	58/28	s	54/30	c	54/38	c
Indianapolis, IN	48/50	s	50/55	c	44/24	pc	32/20	c	35/24	c	42/28	pc	46/30	c
Lake Texoma, TX	62/35	s	62/40	c	65/36	c	52/29	pc	49/25	c	52/35	s	53/40	c
Lubbock, TX	65/40	s	68/40	pc	68/40	c	64/40	c	58/32	s	54/30	pc	52/30	pc
Mesa, AZ	66/35	s	64/34	pc	58/28	c	56/24	c	52/22	s	54/28	pc	58/34	pc
Midland, TX	64/34	s	66/38	pc	60/28	c	52/28	c	54/22	s	54/28	pc	58/32	pc
Oklahoma City, OK	50/35	s	60/35	s	50/31	c	46/29	pc	45/27	c	53/35	s	55/35	pc
Phoenix, AZ	70/40	pc	74/40	pc	70/40	pc	70/40	pc	69/40	pc	69/40	pc	69/40	c
Rosewell, NM	63/35	s	63/37	c	58/32	pc	50/28	s	55/20	s	53/27	pc	58/35	s
Salt Lake City, UT	48/18	s	48/21	c	43/16	pc	31/13	s	39/10	s	38/10	pc	49/18	pc
San Antonio, TX	62/38	s	62/40	pc	64/42	c	60/36	c	58/28	s	54/34	pc	52/42	c
Springfield, IL	58/32	s	54/32	c	50/32	c	48/28	c	44/24	s	54/34	pc	54/40	pc
Tulsa, OK	61/35	s	56/36	s	53/33	c	41/27	pc	47/25	pc	51/35	pc	52/35	pc
Waco, TX	65/40	s	68/40	pc	68/40	c	56/36	c	56/30	s	54/30	pc	54/38	c
Wichita, KS	50/29	s	50/26	s	47/25	c	38/24	pc	43/26	pc	50/29	pc	50/29	pc
Wichita Falls, TX	64/38	s	64/38	s	58/32	c	50/28	c	48/28	s	54/34	pc	58/38	pc

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, bl-snow flurries, sn-snow, f-fog

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OBITUARIES

John Chester Hunter

Funeral services were held for John Chester Hunter at the Ossie Curry Funeral Home with Rev. J. J. Johnson, pastor of the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home. Another service was held at Martinez Funeral Home in Odessa, Texas on Friday morning, December 29, 2000, with Rev. L. C. Rhea officiating.

Mr. Hunter was born in Limestone County, Texas to Luther and Jessie Mae Ross Hunter on May 9, 1942. He attended public schools in Lubbock, Texas. He graduated from Mary & Mac Private School.

He confessed at an early age his Christian belief. He was married on July 22, 1975 to Cecille Joyce Graves.

They moved to Odessa, Texas in 1976. He studied welding at Odessa Junior College, and received his certification. He then founded Welding Service Company.

Mr. Hunter was an ordained Deacon at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church in Odessa, Texas, under the pastorage of Rev. L. C. Rhea.

Mr. Hunter departed this life on Monday, December 25, 2000, at 7:25 p. m. at his residence.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his devoted wife, Cecille of the home; two daughters, Anita Brooks and LaDonna Pendgraft, both of Lubbock, Texas; three sons: Tony Hunter of Austin, Texas, Henry Hunter of Lubbock, Texas, and Timothy Hunter of San Angelo, Texas; six sisters: Gladys Louis, Winnie Faye Taylor, Nora Mae Mooring,

Veia Lee Sims, and Betty Jean Turner, all of Lubbock, Texas, and Retha Mae Willis of Amarillo, Texas; one brother, Z. D. Parish of Lubbock, Texas; an uncle, Robert Anderson of Lubbock, Texas; nine nieces: Norma Faye Ashcraft of Hampton, Virginia, Latasha, Diedra, Jackie Moore, Princess Sneed and Debra Huey, all of Lubbock, Texas, Lola Faye Gilmore, Brenda Benson and Cecil Citizen; a devoted brother-in-law, Julius Caesar Graves, III of Odessa, Texas; other relatives, and many friends.

Suzette Bibbs

Funeral services were held for Suzette Bibbs on Tuesday afternoon, December 26, 2000, at the Agape State Temple Church of God in Christ with Bishop W. H. Watson, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Brock's South Plains Funeral Directors.

She passed away Wednesday, December 20, 2000, in Lubbock.

Ms. Bibbs was born February 15, 1961. She attended public schools at Roosevelt High School.

She is survived by her parents, James and Eloise Bibbs, three daughters: Isadore Bibbs of Austin, Texas, and Ashley and Octavia Bibbs, both of Lubbock, Texas; six brothers: James, Jr., Jackie, Johnny Lee, Richard Lee, Stephen and Rodney, all of Lubbock, Texas; six sisters: Ella Mae Webbs of Oxnard, California, Erma Beard of South Carolina, Dorothy Collins of Las Vegas, Nevada, Anita Kay Bibbs of Dallas, Texas and Doris Jean Collins and Wanda Faye Bibbs, both of Lubbock, Texas.

Webster's New World™ College Dictionary Launches Fiftieth Anniversary Revision

CLEVELAND - On the occasion of the 50th anniversary of Webster's New World, Hungry Minds, Inc., is pleased to announce the 50th ANNIVERSARY REVISION OF WEBSTER'S NEW WORLD COLLEGE DICTIONARY, FOURTH EDITION.

This Anniversary Revision includes new words that reflect cultural changes and a millennial explosion of technical terms. The update provides more than 150 new words, added since the fourth edition was published in 1999. The 1999 first printing included more than 163,000 entries and over 7,000 new words.

The Anniversary Revision marks a half-century of editorial excellence in the documenting of American English. The dictionary's first edition, in 1951, was hailed as a "dictionary that marks a great advance in American lexicography" by the Library Journal. The editorial team in Cleveland will be celebrating over the next year even as they continue to maintain that proud heritage.

New entries to the 50th Anniversary Revision include profiling, lap dancer, glam, eye candy, bricks-and-mortar, dot.com, and Viagra. Thabo Mbeki, and Vladimir Putin. Mike Agnes, editor-in-chief, leads the team that maintains a vast English language database, tracking word patterns and variations and specializing in American English. This daily language-monitoring program is the factual foundation for the dictionary's entry choices, definitions, pronunciation, etymologies, usage notes, synonyms, antonyms, illustrations, diagrams, and its presentations of how words change as the world changes.

The new entries make

the 50th Anniversary Revision the most comprehensive and up-to-date college dictionary available today. WEBSTER'S NEW WORLD COLLEGE DICTIONARY is distinguished in the field for its clarity, reliability and, easy-to-use style and because it celebrates the creativity and nuances of American English: it highlights more than 11,000 instances of words and individual meanings that qualify as Americanism.

"Scores of new words come into relatively common use every year, and nearly as many existing words acquire new meanings," explains Mike Agnes. "The dictionary has earned its reputation as a trusted reference tool for students, professionals, businesses, families—anyone who needs the right word at the right moment."

Key features of the 50th Anniversary Revision include:

- easy-to-understand definitions
- more Americanism identified than in any other dictionary
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YES, A BLACK MAN WAS CITY MANAGER! this n that advises that when the CITY MANAGER is out of the city in accordance with City Charter provisions he has to name an ACTING CITY MANAGER This was the case on Saturday and Sunday DECEMBER 30 & 31, 2000 when QUINCY WHITE served in that capacity CITY MANAGER for the City of Lubbock Yes, a Black Man served as City Manager!!

SOMETHING GOOD WILL HAPPEN SOON! this n that believes there will be something VERY GOOD happening on the Martin Luther King, Blvd. during the new year If one BELIEVES and HOPES for the very best SO MEETING GOOD WILL HAPPEN So THIS N THAT has always believed but there will be something happening The GOOD FEELING is there! DO YOU BELIEVE?? GET INVOLVED IN MLK CELEBRATION! THIS N THAT want to remind you of the upcoming MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION set for January, 2001 Give a call to its president of the Annual Event MS. JOAN Y. ERVIN 763-0853 GET INVOLVED WITH MLK CELEBRATION!

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: sacrifice is a must if you want to SUCCEED IN LIFE." A GOOD RESOLUTION FOR 2001! THIS N THAT would like to SUGGEST a very good NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION Why not VISIT a public school more in the ne d year Why not let our young people see more of us visiting their hallways You know this may serve as a very positive catalyst for them VISIT OUR SCHOOLS MORE IN 2001!

WHAT HAPPEN TO DEBUTANTE BALL? THIS N THAT remembers when the annual DEBUTANTE BALL sponsored by the Eta Delta Omega Chapter of ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA WOR-RITY, INC was a well attended event and much talked about in the community Why not get back in that same posture It will make a terrific difference for young AFRICAN AMERICAN SISTERS It can be done!

WISHING OUR FRIEND THE VERY BEST! THIS N THAT wants to wish one of our friends BIDAL AGUERO publisher of El Editor the very best Over the holidays he has been hospitalized THIS N THAT is wishing him the VERY BEST with good health in 2001 Hang in there BIDAL!

Mayor Speaks out on Spreme Court Decision

(MIAMI) - receive it, suffered a rights which a white Mayor Wellington E. tremendous blow on Saturday ... when the National Conference of the Supreme Court, which Black Mayors, Inc. up to now has consis- (NCBM) and mayor of tently championed Denver, Colorado, states rights, made a complete reversal by addressed a rally, orga- nized by the NMCP, in interfering with the long-established right of a state Supreme Court to be the final interpreter Of its own laws." In Mayor Webb's statement, he likened the Supreme Court's decision to stop the counting of votes in Florida to the Dred Scott case in 1857 that a "black man has no

He observed that "democracy, as we per-



"If I"

By Eddie P. Richardson

If I could wave a magic wand and make all parts of Lubbock equal to south and southwest Lubbock, I would.

If I could make all parts of Lubbock competitive self sustaining market places, I would, but I can't. Wish I could. If I could utilize land in the eastern one third of the city, the under utilized land, I would also develop the undeveloped areas of the eastern one third of the city. I would also do the same for downtown Lubbock and the Overton area as well as north and northeast Lubbock, and see the differences in the appearance, development at different points of Lubbock and try to

figure out why the differences. One area where land is running out and other areas with vast amounts of vacant land. It makes one wonder why the potential is not being fulfilled equitably across the city. The eastern shores of Lubbock has the prettiest natural terrian and natural beauty. What a shame to go to waste. But life is like that. These are the changes we must go through, and if you do not understand, my friends, I am sorry for you. It is really a shame when the total city can not participate equitably on a tax paying basis and not be able to compete at the market place with its goods and services. For Lubbock to totally be Lubbock for all of its citizens, it has to be Lubbock for all of its citizens across the board with access to all of its resources for all of its citizens. We cannot play racial games for Lubbock to truly move ahead. It will have to move into the future collectively

working together for the good of all of us.

The city as a whole is a body and when one part of the body is not well, the total body is not well. The depressed areas need help from the non-depressed. Help, not leadership; help such as any necessary resource, guidance, advice, support, in general. Hands not handouts. That's the problem now. We need to stop addressing the symptoms and get to the causes and start rectifying them together. We can make it happen. Rich, poor, Black, Brown, White and others working together for the betterment of the total city, not part or parts, but the total city.

If I could wave a magic wand, I would wave it over Lubbock and create a perfect total city, but I can't so I'll have to do the best I can. With the help of God and concerned citizens in Lubbock, it can be accomplished.

Letter to the Editor

December 15, 2000

Greetings to: Mr. Eddie Richardson

As I begin preparing for the challenges of the presidency, I want to congratulate and thank you for your service to the State of Texas. You have unselfishly given of your time, energy and expertise to make our state a better place for all Texans. I know that you have made personal sacrifices to serve, and you have done a great job.

I also want to encourage you to keep up the good work. The Lone Star State needs dedicated Texans to provide efficient and effective government and opportunity for all.

I appreciate what you have helped accomplish during these past six years. Together we have made a difference. Texas is the beacon state we said we wanted. We can be very proud.

I will not forget you and all you have done for Texas. God bless you.

Sincerely,

GEORGE W. BUSH

In Cinque



by Renetta W. Howard

Finally, the United States Supreme Court has decided who will be the President of these United States for the next four years. Approximately one-half of the voters of the United States do not agree with the decision, but 'tis the season to be jolly! Jolly we must being the ultimate law of the land has spoken. It is our duty as citizens to uphold

and respect the law. It would be so great if during this jolly season if we could all remember the 'reason for the season,' the birth of the Christ child, whom Christians all over the world made a decision, somewhere along the path of life to uphold and respect the teachings of the Son of God, Jesus Christ. Christians learn about the teachings of Jesus which are not too different from the teachings of

the other leaders of world religions. Beliefs vary from country to country, but when one analyzes the basic teachings, they all boil down to treating other people with respect, kindness, helpfulness and love for mankind and all of the creatures of the world.

Though all the people of the world do not celebrate Christmas, most have some kind of festival or celebration to end this year showing thoughtfulness and care to family, friends and other loved-ones. This time is also a time of worship and togetherness that helps us to bring this year to an end and commence the new year on a positive note. It is time for us to get 'in cinque' and remember the 'reason for the season' and keep Christ in Christmas by showing love and care for our fellow man, which is worth more than all of the expensive gives that we purchase this the most profitable season of the year for retail merchants. Let us make it the most profitable season for showing love and caring for our families, friends and neighbors, thus making for a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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Warning to Aspiring African-American Authors and Poets

Every year literary con artists mislead aspiring authors and poets through publishing scams. My name is Richard O. Jones and I've written nine published books, six of which were self-published. The literary vast courtship of black poets began in 1992 immediately after Maya Angelou recited her poem, 'On The Pulse of Morning' at President Clinton's inauguration.

That single nationally renowned event gave rise to poets everywhere. Movies with a poetry theme were being produced, Poetic Justice, Love Jones, and Slam, for instance. Today poets are being tipped-off through prepay poetry contest and prepay anthology publications.

Until the overwhelming success of Terry McMillian's

blockbuster novel, adapted for the big screen, "Waiting to Exhale," in 1995, the publishing industry practically ignored African-American writers. Today they realize there's a huge market of interested readers of so-called 'Black Books'. To this end, hundreds of subsidiary literary companies and thousands of 'pay-me-up front' literary agents has sprung up.

There are many stories today of aspiring authors and poets spending their life savings with literary companies and receive an unmarketable product in return. Respectable bookstores won't carry the book and the savvy readers seldom purchase it. Conventional publishing companies refuse to recognize your work as creditable when you are the

product of a subsidiary company. Tips to remember: 1) never pay a company to read your work; 2) never retain an agent, publicist, or manager who requires payment in advance; 3) beware of congratulations letters of your

good work that are followed by a request for money.

You may receive free advice online regarding writing and publishing your work. Log in a www.richardojonesauthor.com

Government Help is Available to help Pay Energy Bills

WASHINGTON, DC— Is your heating bill too expensive for your budget? If so, information in a new booklet might help.

The Financial Assistance Network in Washington, DC has just published a booklet, "How To Get Government Help to Pay Your Energy Bills". The booklet gives information on how and where

to get government help to pay your heating bills.

"The federal government has budgeted over one billion dollars to help people who are struggling to pay their heating bills. Many people do not know that this money is available or how to get it," says Edmund Billings, a researcher at Financial Assistance Network. "We've published a booklet that

explains the program and tells consumers where to apply for assistance in their area. The booklet also has a special section for homeowners to get up to \$25,000 of government money to help reduce their energy bills, even if they have no equity in their home."

Consumers can receive a copy by sending \$5 to cover the cost of printing, postage and

Energy Bills

handling to: Financial Assistance Network, Government Help for Energy Bills Dept GHEB-1208, P.O. Box 60848, Washington, DC 20039-0848. Consumers can also get information by calling 202-595-1027 or by visiting Financial Assistance Network's Internet web site: www.FinancialAssistanceNetwork.org.

Bet Movie Signs Actress Lisaraye as Featured Guest Host



Englewood, Colo., BET Movies, a Starz Encore channel, announced that dynamic, young, rising star Lisaraye (Player's Club, The Wood) has signed as the channel's on-air host for third quarter 2000.

Lisaraye will introduce programming and provide viewers with interesting movie trivia and informative film commentary.

Lisaraye's acting career has been growing steadily since her breakthrough role as Diamond in rapper Ice Cube's directorial debut, The Player's Club. Most recently, she co-starred in The Wood with Taye Diggs and Omar Epps. Lisaraye's other film credits include Cheapest Movie Ever Made and Reasons. Her television credits include guest stints on

"Martin," "In the House," "The American Way," and an appearance in the television movie, "The Father Clements Story."

Recent guests and special programming hosts for Starz Encore's BET Movies, include Hill Harper, Debbi Morgan, Stanley Clarke, Yolanda King, Richard Roundtree, Melvin Van Peebles, Loretta Devine, CCH Pounder, Tom Wright, Alfre Woodard, Shari Belafonte, Robert Townsend and Regina King.

BET Movies is the first and only movie channel created exclusively to meet the unique entertainment choices of viewers with African-American interests and sensibilities. The channel, launched in 1997, is a joint venture between Starz Encore Group LLC and BET Holdings, Inc., and features new hit movies, exclusive premieres, original productions, classic movies, independent movies and films for the African Diaspora.

BET Holdings II, Inc. is the first African-American owned and operated media and entertainment company to provide quality television programming, entertainment products, publishing and internet services

specifically designed to appeal to African-American interests. It is the holding company of Black Entertainment Television (BET), the nation's leading cable network targeting African Americans, which currently reaches more than 58.3 million households nationwide according to Nielsen research.

Starz Encore Group LLC (Starz Encore) is the largest provider of cable and satellite-delivered premium movie channels in the United States. Starz Encore owns 13 domestic channels and currently counts approximately 62 million pay units. Starz Encore offers up to 12 channels of the Starz Encore Super Pak, which comprises STARZ!, the New Encore, Action, Mystery, BET Movies, Westerns, STARZ! Family, Love Stories, True Stories, STARZ! Theater, WAM! and STARZ! Cinema. Additionally, Starz Encore also was the only low priced movie pak for price-sensitive consumers, the Encore Movie Pak, featuring up to seven theme channels. Find programming information on the Web at www.starzenco.com. Starz Encore is a wholly owned subsidiary of Liberty Media Group (NYSE: LMGa and LMGb).

Army & Air Force Hometown News

Army National Guard Pvt. Travis B. Rhea has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Knox, Ky. During the training, the trainee received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history and traditions. Rhea is the son of Reginald T. and JoAnn Rhea of 6908 Elmwood Ave., Lubbock, Texas. The private is a 1999 graduate of Coronado Senior High School, Lubbock.

Army Pvt. Samuel E. Soto has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Knox, Ky. During the training, the trainee received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history and traditions. He is the son of Sandy M. Soto of Lubbock, Texas. Soto is a 2000 graduate of Lubbock Estacado High School, Texas.

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Bay Tree is a beautiful home in the heart of Lubbock, specifically on Toledo Avenue and 34th Street — a major thoroughfare. The community is located in a prime area with easy access to shopping, dining, and recreation. The property includes a large swimming pool and is beautifully landscaped with lawn and trees.

Gatewood 2701 44th Street 795-5514
Gatewood is a beautiful home in the heart of Lubbock, specifically on 44th Street and 27th Street. The property is located in a prime area with easy access to shopping, dining, and recreation. The property includes a large swimming pool and is beautifully landscaped with lawn and trees.

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AFRICANA TRIVIA

- Across**
1. Above ____ (1994 movie about a high school basketball player trying to make it to the NBA)
 5. ____ Ranks, (dancehall reggae artist that had the 1992 hit *Mr. Loverman*)
 10. Boxer with the nickname "The Real Deal" but Tyson may have thought they meant "The Real Meal"
 11. *I Know Why The Caged Bird Sings* is part of this authors autobiography
 12. Former Nation of Islam leader
 15. Taste
 16. African country bordered by Angola and South Africa
 17. Gail Fisher is the only Black actress to receive this award given by the Lee Strasberg Actors Studio
 18. One ____ (vitamin brand)
 19. Popular African-American magazine
 20. Behind
 22. ____ Webb, (vertically challenged former NBA player)
 25. 1992 movie comedy starring Damon and Marion Wayans
 27. ____ Brown, (jazz guitarist)
 28. James T. ____ (elected in 1873, he was one of the first Black congressmen for the state of Alabama)
 31. Gangster movie (1997) starring Laurence Fishburne and Tim Roth
 32. Franklin ____ (one of the four students that staged the first Civil Rights sit-in movement at F.W. Woolworth's in 1960)
 33. *How to be a ____* (comedy starring Bill Bellamy)
 34. Gale ____ (star running back for the Chicago Bears in the 1960's)
- Down**
2. Brand New ____ (British band that blends soul with a jazz/funk twist)
 3. Joshua ____ (saxophonist that cut the 1956 album *Freedom in the Groove*)
 4. ____ Wells, (had the hit song *My Guy* in 1964)
 5. He cut the hit song *Kiss of a Rose* (from the *Batman* soundtrack)
 6. Singer Bofill or activist Davis
 7. Toni Morrison novel about a runaway slave mother who kills her children rather than to allow them to continue in slavery
 8. Title of a Bob Marley compilation album released in 1984
 9. Donald Gaines ____ (in 1935 he was denied entry into the Univ of Maryland law school, but the NAACP fought and got him admitted)
 13. Lionel ____ (legendary jazz vibraphone player)
 14. Name given to the old segregation laws in America
 15. Cecil ____ (Major League Baseball giant that hit 51 HR's for Detroit in 1990)
 20. Ralph ____ (received Nobel Peace Prize in 1980 for peace negotiations in Middle East)
 21. In 1968, she became the first Black woman to have a weekly T.V. series; *Diahann ____*
 23. Starred in 1961 classic *A Raisin in the Sun*
 24. Tommy and Jimmy ____ (jazz band leaders during the 1920's)
 25. Ziggy ____ (one of Bob's sons)
 26. Jimmy and Mauma ____ (husband and wife boogie woogie blues team from the 1930's)
 29. ____ Hammer, (British soul singer who cut the 1991 album *There Nothing Like This*)
 30. ____ and Andrew, (comedy starring Samuel L. Jackson and Nicolas Cage)

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IN JESUS NAME "COLD HEARTED AMERICA"

1 JOHN 5:1. WHOEVER BELIEVETH THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST IS BORN OF GOD; AND EVERYONE THAT LOVETH HIM THAT BEGET LOVETH HIM ALSO THAT IS BEGOTTEN OF HIM.

SIX PEOPLE WAS TRAPPED IN A MOUNTAIN CABIN, IN THE BITTER COLD; EACH HAD A LOG OF WOOD. THIS IS WHAT I M TOLD.

THERE FIRE WAS DYING; FOR THE NEED OF ONE'S PRECIOUS WOOD; EACH HAD WHAT IT TOOK TO STAY ALIVE; ONLY IF HE OR SHE WOULD!

ACTS 20:35b, REMEMBER THE WORDS OF THE LORD JESUS, HOW HE SAID, IT IS MORE BLESSED TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE.

THERE WAS THIS PREACHER; WHO HELD ON TO HIS LOG OF BIRCH; HE SAID: WHY SHOULD I? THEY'RE NOT MEMBER OF MY CHURCH!

MATTHEW 5:16, JESUS SAID. LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE BEFORE MEN, THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR GOOD WORKS, AND GLORIFY YOUR FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN.

THEN THERE WAS THIS BLACK MAN; HIS JAWS CLENCHED VERY VERY TIGHT; SAYING WITHIN HIMSELF: ITS A GOOD TIME TO GET EVEN WITH THE WHITES!!!

LUKE 6:27, JESUS SAID, I SAY UNTO YOU WHICH HEAR, LOVE YOUR ENEMIES, DO GOOD TO THEM WHICH HATE YOU.

(BEHOLD, AMERICA ON 12-26-00, 7PEOPLE WAS KILLED IN THE WORK PLACE, THEY WERE WHITE; THE T.V. NEWS KEEP IT ON FOR 3 DAYS, FEW LATER 7 BLACKS WAS KILLED IN A DOPE HOUSE; HEARD OF IT 2 TIMES, DIDN'T HEAR FROM THE PREACHER OF THAT CITY, DIDN'T HEAR FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE, THE MAYOR, NOR THE PARENTS OF THE DEAD, BUT LIKE I SAID: THOSE IN THE DRUG HOUSE WAS BLACKS!!! WHICH ONES DID GOD LOVE?)

***** IS AMERICA ROBBING GOD????*****
EZEKIEL 18:4a, THE LORD SAID, BEHOLD(LOOK), ALL SOULS ARE MINE; AS THE SOUL OF THE FATHER, SO ALSO THE SOUL OF THE SON IS MINE, IN THE CABIN WAS A RICH MAN; HIS LOG AND HIS RICHES; HE DID ADORE, SAYING WITHIN HIMSELF: WHY SHOULD I WARM THE GOD FOR NOTHING POOR

1 TIMOTHY 6:10a, FOR THE LOVE OF MONEY IS THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL; WHICH WHILE SOME COVETED AFTER, AND THE POOR MAN SITTING THERE, OWNING NOTHING BUT THE HICKORY STICK; IN HIS HARD HEART HARDEN; SAYING: WHY SHOULD I WARM THE MIGHTY RICH?

JOHN 15:13, JESUS SAID, GREATER LOVE HATH NO MAN THAN THIS, THAT A MAN LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIENDS.

AND THERE WAS THIS WHITE WOMAN; SHE HELD HER PRECIOUS LOG BACK; BECAUSE SHE LOOKED INTO THE FACES AT THE FIRE; AND ONE WAS BLACK!!!

1 JOHN 4:20a, IF ANY MAN SAY, I LOVE GOD, AND HATETH HIS BROTHER, HE(OR SHE) IS A LIAR.

AND THERE WAS A SPANISH MAN; THINKING OF HIMSELF; HIS LOG HE CLANGED; I GIVE ONLY TO MY PEOPLE; THIS IS HOW HE PLAYED THE HATE GAME.

GALATIANS 6:10a, AS WE HAVE THEREFORE OPPORTUNITY, LET US DO GOOD UNTO ALL MEN.

AND WHEN THE MORNING CAME; EACH HAD DIED; OF THEIR HATEFUL SIN; THEY DIDN'T DIE FROM THE OUTSIDE COLD; BUT THE COLD HEART FROM WITHIN!!!

COLD HEARTED AMERICA; HOW BLESSED WE COULD ALL BE; IF WE WOULD ALL SAY, HERE TAKE MY LOG; NO CHARGE, BECAUSE ITS FREE.

GIVE THAT HUG, HANDSHAKE, AND GIVE THAT SMILE; THEY'RE FREE, AND THE LOVE OF GOD; WILL GO AROUND THE WORLD, AND BACK TO YOU AND ME.

JOHN 13:35, JESUS SAID, BY THIS SHALL ALL MEN KNOW THAT YE ARE MY DISCIPLES, IF YE HAVE LOVE ONE FOR ANOTHER.

GOD IS NOT THROUGH WITH US YET, SO LETS PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER ALWAYS, WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY B.J. MORRISON, III, YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST JESUS.

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members and friends of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast are focusing on our boys and girls behind bars in prison.

Talking about the thug, the thief, and the thankful man. If you're reading today Which one are you?? Would you agree many of our boys and girls coming out of prison today need a change of life? Once out and they try on their own power to change. Man's power and efforts always proves to be short lived, and are unable to produce a real change. For it

to work, it must be a God thing.

If you out there have never sincerely accepted Christ's forgiveness of your sins through His death on the cross, and invited him to make you totally new. Perhaps today is the day. You will never be the same. Talk to Jesus by using your own words or something like the following:

"Lord, I'm at the end of myself, I want to be the thankful 'thankful man' saved by Grace. Forgive my many sins and come into my

heart. I want to be a follower of you. I don't know much about the Bible or Christianity. So please send me wise friends who will help me in my new walk with you. Thank you for saving me. I'm completely yours. In Jesus' name, I pray. AMEN."

May this New Year bring you a new life is our humble prayer. Brother Patterson and Brother Richardson and staff thanks for all you have done for us and thanks for being concerned about our children.

Thought of the week: "God is

about to hand us a new sheet. What does the one He gave you last year look like?" Just wondering!

Having problems? If so, read your Bible and believe what you read. Some scriptures to ponder: II Chronicles 7:14, Mark 11:22-26, and Mark 16:15-17.

Keep praying for those you don't know as well as all the others you may not know.

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



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

"Wayside Seeds"

And when he sowed, some seeds fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up. -Matthew 13:4

Jesus walked outside the house where he had warned His critics neither to blaspheme the Holy Spirit nor to

ignore the signs of visitation and had sat down by the sea. There were such a great number of people, he decided to get into a boat in order to teach them.

Jesus teaching in parables seemed to be a new phase in His ministry after being rejected by the religious leaders. Now He used nlliar situations to illustrate abstract truths. With parables He could prick people's consciences. Therefore, He begins with the arble of the sower.

The sower of the seed is a farmer. At the appropriate time of year, he would sow his seed to grow a crop. As he scattered his eed, they would fall in various kinds of soil.

Some of the seed of this sower fell by the wayside, or on the gardened ground. The ground had been hardened from people and imal passing across the fields. The seeds scattered simply lay on op of the ground until hungry birds ate them.

Theoretically, it could be said that these birds devoured the truth we neglect to cover. If this is a spiritual truth, then let us give a pirutal analysis of these birds from the standpoint of being carnivous and unclean, and Biblically falling into the class of forbidden food.

The frist of our feathered freind we observe is the heron. this

"16th Annual Stellar Gospel Music Awards" Honors the Memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with a Salute to Gospel Music Excellence

Atlanta, GA—The "16th Annual Stellar Gospel Music Awards," will be held, for the third consecutive year, at the Atlanta Civic Center on January 13, 2001. Honoring the life and achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., this year's two hour stellar salute to Gospel music excellence will air in national syndication from January 14 through February 4, 2001!

The theme for 2001 is the New Gospel Sound, featuring unforgettable performances and exciting presenters from a congregation of talented celebrities in the music, television and film industries. The "16th Annual Stellar Gospel Music Awards" will be co-hosted by gospel diva Vicki Winans and gospel music legend Dr. Bobby Jones, Bishop T.D. Jakes and MTV host Ananda



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presenters to grace the stage this year's exciting ceremony will include Malcolm Jamal Warner ("Malcolm and Eddie"), Shaun Robinson ("Access Hollywood"), singer Howard Hewitt, comedian Jonathan Slocumb, gospel singers Trini-tee 5:7, gospel group Virtue, DeLeon Richards and Mary Mary. The Most Notable Achievement Award will be presented to superstar Brady this year. Legendary gospel group The Williams Brothers will be honored with the prestigious James Cleveland Award.

The "16th Annual Stellar Gospel Awards" is executive produced by Don Jackson, produced by Barbara Wilson and directed by Alan Carter for Central City Productions. Founded in 1970 by Don Jackson, Chicago-based Central City Productions is a distributor of original programming to television and cable networks. Other television specials presented by Central City Productions include "Celebrate the Soul of American Music," MBR: The Minority Business Reports," "Road to Success," Family Night," "Know Your Heritage" and the NAACP ACT:SO Awards."

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Dispute Resolution Process

(1) The dispute resolution process provides for in Chapter 2260 of the Government Code shall be used, as further described herein, by Texas Tech University and the contractor to attempt to resolve any claim for breach of contract made by the contractor.

(A) A contractor's claims for breach of this contract that the parties cannot resolve in the ordinary course of business shall be submitted to the negotiation process provided in Chapter 2260 subchapter B, of the Government Code. To initiate the process, the contractor shall submit written notice, as required by subchapter B, to Director of Purchasing/Payables. Said notice shall specifically state that the provisions of Ch. 2260, subchapter B are being invoked. A copy of the notice shall also be given to all other representatives of Texas Tech University and the contractor otherwise entitled to notice under the parties' contract. Compliance by the contractor with subchapter B is a condition precedent to the filing of a contested case proceeding under Chapter 2260, subchapter C, of the Government Code.

(B) The contested case process provided in Chapter 2260, subchapter C, of the Government Code is the contractor's sole and exclusive process for seeking a remedy for any and all alleged breaches of contract by Texas Tech University if the parties are unable to resolve their disputes under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph.

(C) Compliance with the contested case process provides in subchapter C is a condition precedent to seeking consent to sue from Legislature under Chapter 107 of the Civil Practice and Remedies Code. Neither the execution of this contract by Texas Tech University nor any other conduct of any representative of Texas Tech University relating to the contract shall be considered a waiver of sovereign immunity to suit.

(2) The submission, processing, and resolution of the contractor's claim is governed by the published rules adopted by the Texas Attorney General's Office pursuant to Chapter 2260, as currently effective, hereafter enacted or subsequently amended.

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