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Local Briefs

Lubbock Area Host Families Needed Now

Foreign high school students are scheduled to arrive very soon for a academic semester and year program homestays, and the sponsoring organization needs a few more local host families.

According to Pacific Intercultural Exchange (P.I.E.) Executive Director, Joan Doty, the students are all between the ages of 15 and 18 years, are English-speaking, have their own pending money, carry accident and health insurance, and are anxious to share their cultural experiences with their new American families. P.I.E. currently has programs to match almost every family's needs, ranging in length from a semester to a full academic year, while the students attend local high schools.

P.I.E. area representatives match students with host families by finding common interests and lifestyles through an informal in-home meeting. Prospective host families are able to review student applications and select the perfect match. As there are no "typical" host families, P.I.E. can fit a student into just about any situation, whether it be a single parent, a childless couple, a retired couple or a large family.

Families who host for P.I.E. are also eligible to claim a \$59.00 per month charitable contribution deduction on their itemized tax returns for each month they host a sponsored student.

For the upcoming programs, P.I.E. has students from Spain, Germany, Latvia, the Former Soviet Union, Venezuela, Argentina, Brazil, Mexico, Mongolia, Italy, Paraguay, Australia, Sweden, Yugoslavia, China, Belgium, Vietnam and many other countries. P.I.E. has also been invited to participate in a special government-funded program to bring scholarship students from the Newly Independent States of the former Soviet Union to the United States. P.I.E. is a non-profit educational organization that has sponsored more than 18,000 students from 40 countries since its founding in 1975. The organization is designated by the United States Department of State and is listed by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET), certifying that the organization complies with the standards set forth in CSIET's Standards for International Educational Travel Programs.

Doty encourages families to contact the program immediately, as it will allow the proper time for the students and hosts to get to know one another before they actually meet for the first time.

Lubbock area families interested in learning more about student exchange or arranging for a meeting with a community representative may call P.I.E., toll-free, at 1-800-631-1818. The agency also has travel/study program opportunities available for American high school students as well as possibilities for community volunteers to assist and work with area host families, students and schools.

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Internationally Recognized Physician, Scholar Named President of Texas Tech Health Sciences Center

LUBBOCK M. Roy Wilson, M.D., M.S., was named the sole finalist for the position of president of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

Texas Tech University System Chancellor David R. Smithy M.D., named Wilson the only finalist after regents and system officials conducted a nationwide search. Wilson currently serves as dean of the school of medicine and vice president for health sciences for Creighton University in Omaha, Neb.

Texas law requires that finalists for the top job at Texas public universities and systems be announced to the public 21 days before the appointment is final. Smith said Wilson will begin his duties at Texas Tech in June.

Texas Tech University System Regent David Lopez of Austin, who chaired the regents search committee, said Wilson's academic and professional credentials as well as his commitment

to providing health care in rural communities, made him an outstanding candidate for the position.

Dr. Wilson wasn't on the market when we identified him as a potential candidate. All the feedback we received initially was that Dr. Wilson would make an excellent leader for our health sciences center. When we finally met Dr. Wilson, all of us involved with the search were impressed with his dedication to reaching out into



communities and providing access to health care," Lopez said.

"Without question Dr. Wilson will serve as an example to our students and help them appreciate the value and the human touch that is so necessary in medicine. He strongly believes that we have a responsibility to prepare students for real world health care," Lopez said.

Other members of the regent committee were Nancy Jones, Ph.D., of Abilene; and Robert Black of Horseshoe Bay.

Smith said Wilson is a "mission-oriented" health care practitioner. "Dr. Wilson has a strong sense of what the mission of health care is. He practices real world health care and believes we have a responsibility to resolve the disparities of health care. He is recognized internationally for his commitment to reaching out and providing health care to under-served areas," Smith said.

"Dr. Wilson is the type of health care practitioner that we want our students to become. He cares deeply about the patient and believes strongly in the humanity of health care provision," Smith said. "From the moment we met, I believed that he would be the perfect person to lead our health sciences center."

Wilson, an ophthalmologist earned his M.D. in 1980 from the Harvard Medical School, and his master of sciences in epidemiology in 1990 from the University of California at Los

Angeles. He completed his residency in ophthalmology at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary at the Harvard Medical School and an internship in internal medicine at the Harlem Hospital Center in New York City. He also completed a fellowship in glaucoma at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary.

He holds a certificate of executive management from the Andersen School of Management at UCLA and a certificate of executive development from the Marshall School of Business at the University of Southern California.

Wilson is internationally recognized for his research on glaucoma, and has received numerous national awards for his academic and research accomplishments.

He has published more than 150 peer-reviewed articles, chapters, editorials and abstracts. He serves on the editorial board of the Archives of Ophthalmology and as reviewer for a number of peer review journals. He has received

prestigious funding organizations such as the National Institutes of Health, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the National Eye Institute. He serves on multiple national committees and organizations.

Wilson will become the first African-American president of a health sciences center in Texas and is one of the few African-American leaders of health sciences centers in the country.

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center and its Schools of Allied Health, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy and the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, are the dependable mainstays of health care for a region of 108 counties and 2.5 million people. Campuses in Lubbock, Amarillo, Dallas/Fort Worth, El Paso and Midland/Odessa reach patients and students and provide employment opportunities in an area larger than the state of New York and all of New England combined.

First Lady's City Wide "Queen for a Day Luncheon" Set Here

The First Lady's City WIDE Queen For A Day Luncheon will be held Saturday afternoon, January 18, 2003, beginning at 1:30 p.m. at the Ashmore Inn South Loop 289. The theme is "Strength of a Godly Woman."

The speaker for the afternoon will be renowned Evangelist Yolanda Gamble of Frederick, Maryland.

Sponsoring this first year

event is Shirley Roberson who admits she is stepping out on Faith. She is asking for all of God's children to unite in love, respect and harmony while honoring God's First Ladies.

Donations for the event will be \$20.00, and there is limited seating. The public is cordially invited to attend.

For more information, contact Ms. Roberson at 773-6097.

First Annual Trailblazers Banquet Set Here January 17, 2003

The Martin Luther King Commemorative Council, Inc. will present its First Annual Trailblazer Banquet on Friday, January 17, 2003, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the McClure Center at the University Medical Center.

All proceeds from the banquet will benefit the completion of the Martin Luther King Memorial area located at the Dunbar Historical Lake site, east of Martin Luther King Blvd, just above the waterfall.

The memorial area will recognize trail blazers of Lubbock from so our community. It promises to be an evening of enjoyment, special presentations and a celebrity host.

Also, please be aware of the Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration 2003 will be January 17 through 20, 2003, and this banquet is the kick-off of this year's celebration.

Tickets are \$20.00 each and may be purchased from any Martin Luther King Council member or they are available at Cavalier Pharmacy, 1719 Avenue A, Talk of the Town Salon, or S. L. x L Salon.

For further information concerning the banquet, you may contact Doug Hensley, banquet committee chair, at the Lubbock AJ at (806) 762-8844 or Gwen Titus at (806) 771-3415 or Joan Y. Ervin at (806) 763-0853.



In celebration of the Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday holiday, Central City Productions presents "The Eighteenth Annual Stellar Gospel Music Awards," a two-hour television tribute and awards show honoring contributions from the African-American Gospel music industry. (Clockwise) Ten times Stellar Awards nominee, Richard Smallwood; Stellar Awards nominee, Dorinda Clark-Cole; Stellar Awards nominee, Donald Lawrence. (Bottom row) gospel songstress, Karen Clark Sheard; actor on *The District*, Sean Patrick Thomas; *Girlfriends* cast members, Golden Brooks and Tracee Ellis Ross. The "Stellar Awards" airs in syndication January 18 through February 16, 2003. Check your local listings for date and station in your area.



Remembering Martin Luther King, Jr.

The T.J. Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive, will honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with a program called "Do You Remember Martin?" on Monday, January 13 at 7 p.m. Dr. J.C. Clark, Pastor of Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church, will share his personal reminiscences of Dr. King.

Martin Luther King Celebration at the National Museum of American History

The annual Martin Luther King Day program, "Of Songs, Peace and Struggle," is set for Saturday, Jan. 18 at 1 p.m. in the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History. (The Martin Luther King national holiday is Monday, Jan. 20.) Admission is free and audience participation is encouraged.

"Of Songs, Peace and Struggle" features a lecture and discussion, a lively song performance, and guided tours of objects and exhibitions related to the history of African-American social change in America. Civil rights pioneer the Rev. James (Jim) Lawson Jr., architect of the nonviolent direct action strategy of the movement, will be the keynote speaker.

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Fashion Fun

by Shirley Roberson

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ning, try one on and experience the depth of beauty and comfort.

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NEXT ISSUE... A FASHION, NO NO

Tip... Always wear a smile

FASHION, JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT

City Pets Will Sport New Look in New Year

On January 2, 2003, the City of Lubbock's Pet License Tag will take out the "old look" and bring in the "new look." The new tag is a Texas-snaped brass pet license tag that:

- Provides 24 hour Lost and Found Service.
- Has a Lost and Found Pet "Hotline" number
- Gives website for posting Lost and Found pets.
- Doesn't have to be replaced

- each year.
- Can be renewed yearly by mail.
- Gives free registration of your pet's microchip.
- Gives your pet a free ride home, if an Animal Services Officer finds your pet and you are at home when they call.

Pet Owners can purchase the "new" tag with all services listed for \$2.50 at Lubbock Animal Services and local

veterinary clinics. Pet owners will have to provide proof that their pet is current on its rabies vaccination before purchasing the "new" City pet license tag.

The City of Lubbock Ordinance does require that all pet owners register their pets with the City each year. Frequently ask questions about the City Pet License can be found at Lubbock Animal Services website: www.ark4pets.com

Poems by Eli Siegel About Martin Luther King and America

By Alice Bernstein

As we celebrate the life of Martin Luther King and his courageous opposition to racism and economic injustice, how can we most valuably honor him? I feel the answer is in two poems by Eli Siegel, the great

American poet and founder of the philosophy Aesthetic Realism, from his second volume of poetry *Hail, American Development* (Definition Press, NY). With enormous respect for Martin Luther King, Mr. Siegel expresses what America and every person in our troubled world is hoping for.

1. *Something Else Should Die: A Poem with Rhymes*

By Eli Siegel
In April 1865
Abraham Lincoln died.
In April 1968
Martin Luther King died.
Their purpose was to have us say, some day:
Injustice died.

The stark facts with their power and meaning, stated so simply and carefully, make for large emotion. Mr. Siegel shows two men of different races, separated by 100 years, akin in the deepest way, united forever against injustice, and his poetic music has us feel they are alive, warm, near.

Abraham Lincoln, a beloved President, wanted the murderous injustice of slavery to end and America to be united. He wrote *The Emancipation Proclamation* in his own handwriting, and considered it "the central act of my administration and the great event of the 19th century."

Martin Luther King is loved for his bravery, sincerity and enormous energy in fighting for the social and economic rights of people of all races. He spoke out early and steadily against America's vicious, unjust war in Vietnam, saying:

"This business of burning human beings with napalm, of filling our nation's homes with orphans and widows, ... cannot be reconciled with wisdom, justice, and love. A nation that continues year after year to spend

more money on military defense than on programs of social uplift is approaching spiritual death."

He led the Poor People's Campaign to end poverty, and was killed in Memphis while speaking in behalf of the livelihood and dignity of striking sanitation workers.

In 1968, just hours after Martin Luther King's assassination became known, Mr. Siegel, in an Aesthetic Realism class, read "Something Else Should Die." I had the immense privilege of seeing in that class, and Mr. Siegel's emotion as he read it and spoke of King's large meaning is unforgettable.

Eli Siegel's love for justice and his passion against injustice is the most beautiful thing I know in this world. He explained that contempt—"the addition to self through the lessening of something else" is the source of all injustice: from slavery, racism, war, to profit economics based on using the lives of many people for the personal gain of a few.

What would it mean for injustice to die? I think it would mean every person - world leaders and private citizens - honestly answering this question Mr. Siegel asked: "What does a person deserve by being a person?" Martin Luther King, Abraham Lincoln and John Brown - who is in the next poem - answered it in a way history sees as true, beautiful, immortal.

John Brown felt slavery was inhuman and had to end, he was executed for forming an army to liberate every slave. Aesthetic Realism teaches that when we see the feelings of others as real as our own, we won't want to be unjust to them; in fact, we'll see justice as the way of really taking care of ourselves.

In the international periodical, *The Right of Aesthetic Realism to Be Known*, Ellen Reiss, Class Chairman of Aesthetic Realism explains what poetry, and every art, does:

"In all real poetry, justice to the outside world is the same as the writer's being himself or her-

self—richly, freely, thoroughly. That is what humanity needs desperately to see, because people don't feel they'll be themselves, care for themselves, by being just to something else."

Eli Siegel had this justice in his life and poetry. William Carlos Williams, wrote that his poems cause "great pleasure to the beholder, a deeper taking of the breath, a feeling of cleanliness which is the sign of the truly new" (*Something to Say, New Directions*).

2. *They Look at Us*
By Eli Siegel
Martin Luther King
is with John Brown.
Look up; you'll see them both
Looking down.
Deep and so wide
At us.

This is deep, musical justice to men cherishing in American history for feeling others deserved fairness from the world and from them. I love the way heaven and earth, high and low, depth and width, then and now, near and far are lovingly, effortlessly made one.

"Injustice will die." Mr. Siegel wrote, "only when an individual no longer can feel that individuality is more served by injustice than by justice; by ugliness rather than non-ugliness."

Eli Siegel gave humanity the means of seeing justice as real in every aspect of life. It is urgent that people study Aesthetic Realism so that the justice that King, Lincoln, Brown and others died for is a reality at last!

To learn more - including about poetry and the answer to racism - contact the not-for-profit Aesthetic Realism Foundation, 212-777-4490, www.AestheticRealism.org
Note: Alice Bernstein is an Aesthetic Realism Associate and writer whose articles on Aesthetic Realism appear in her regular column "Alice Bernstein and Friends" in *La Vida Nueva*, *The Black Voice of Ft Worth* and *Arlington, Texas* and other newspapers.



JAY'S CORNER

(Editors Note: As we have said in the past issues of the Southwest Digest, we will continue this column which was written by the late Ruby Jay. Although the name of the column will continue, the writer will be Clarissa Jay, a daughter of the late Ruby Jay. She will continue to report what her mother reported, and she invites you to submit articles of local news to her. Let us turn to her, and not on her. She'll do well.)

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. Billy R. Moton is pastor. The doors of New Hope are always open to those who are looking for a place to worship. Come and visit at any time.

Services began last Sunday morning at New Hope Baptist Church with Sunday School beginning at 9:30 a.m. with all teachers at their post of duty. All students received thirty minutes of instruction. At 10:15 a.m. all teachers and students marched to the main auditorium singing God's praises. There was prayer and high points of the morning lesson were given.

The morning devotion was led by Brother J. C. Quigley and Brother Henry High and was assisted by the Praise team. What a time!

The Male Chorus marched in the morning professional singing out of their hearts and souls. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Charles Wilson. After the singing of a selection, the morning scripture was read by Brother Orse Matthews. Prayer was given by Brother Harry Stokley. The Male Chorus sang another selection. The responsive reading was done with the congregation standing and led by Brother Joe Heczford. The morning hymn was "Victory In Jesus."

Pastoral observation was given by Pastor Moton. He began the New Year with encouraging all members to do their very best in 2003. The Male Chorus sang another selection. Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "Unbelief Could Rob You Of The Blessing God Has For You." His scripture text was II Kings 7:1-2; 17:20. What a splendid message. After an invitation to discipleship was extended by Pastor Moton, the morning announcements were read by Brother Napoleon Cooper. Brother Hardin Barrow welcomed all visitors to the morning services.

The House Of Prayer, a one hour "Fresh Start" prayer vigil, will be held Saturday evening, January 11, 2003, from 7:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. All prayer partners, intercessors, and others interested in praying victory in Jesus in 2003 are encouraged to come. There is fulfillment in what we year for in prayer. Sister Cooper is Prayer Coordinator.

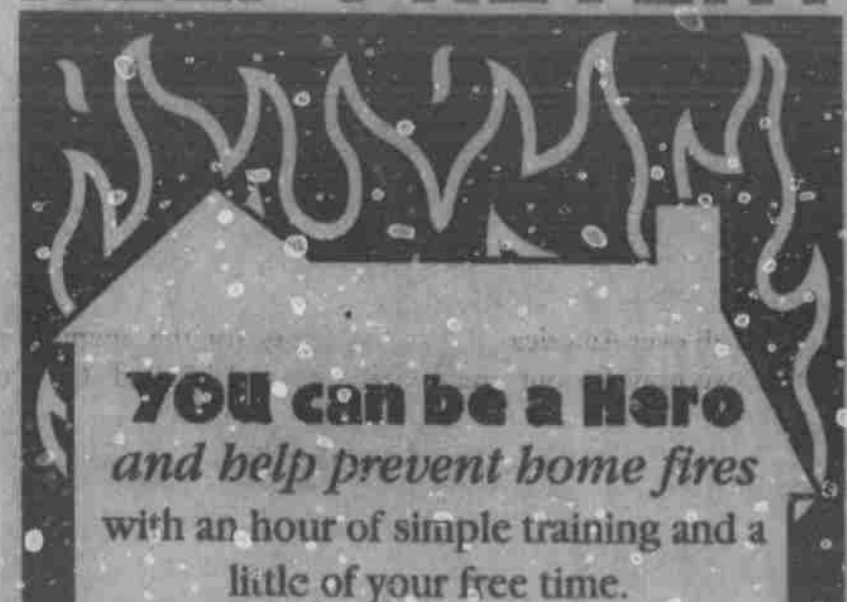
An Officer Training Workshop will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday—January 14, 15 & 16, 2003, from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at the New Hope Baptist Church. Rev. Nathan Johnson of Antioch Baptist Church of Houston, Texas will be the Clinician.

This week's special prayer requests are for the following: Sister Rosie Reddie, Raymond Stovall who was released from the hospital several weeks ago and father of Sister Dorothy Stovall, Sister Marion Alien, Sister Margie Rannels, Sister Dorothy Diamond, and Benny Johnson, a cousin of Sister Pearlean McDaniel.

Let us remember the following families who hosted loved ones: Brother Virgil Johnson, Brother Robert Cook, Brother Michael Brock and Sister Joan Y. Ervin.

An upcoming "Hats Style Show" will be held at Bethel AME Church the first Sunday in February. More on this next week. Should be interesting to see all the ladies in their favorite hats.

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LUKY 4:18, JESUS SAID, THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE HATH ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR. HE HATH SENT ME TO HEAL THE BROKENHEARTED, TO PREACH DELIVERANCE TO THE CAPTIVES, AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET AT LIBERTY THEM THAT ARE BOUND.

NOW THAT CHRISTMAS IS OVER, LIGHTS OUT, AND BACK IN THE BOX, JESUS THE LIGHT THAT NEVER GOES OUT, YOU CAN BELIEVE IT OR NOT.

JOHN 1:9-11, THAT WAS THE TRUE LIGHT (JESUS) WHICH LIGHTETH EVERY MAN THAT COMETH INTO THE WORLD. (JESUS) WAS IN THE WORLD, AND THE WORLD WAS MADE BY HIM, AND THE WORLD KNEW HIM NOT. HE CAME UNTO HIS OWN, AND HIS OWN RECEIVED HIM NOT.

THE PIMPS, DOPE DEALERS AND PREACHERS, ALL X-MAS TREES WERE THE SAME, ALL THREE WAS MOCKING GOD, ALL THREE OF THEM WAS PLAYING THE GAME.

1 CORINTHIANS 6:14-16, BE YE NOT UNWISLY YOKED TOGETHER WITH UNBELIEVERS. FOR WHAT FELLOWSHIP HATH RIGHTEOUSNESS WITH UNRIGHTEOUSNESS? AND WHAT COMMUNION HATH LIGHT (CHRISTIANS) WITH DARKNESS (UNSAVED)? AND WHAT CONCORD, GREENEY, HATH CHRIST WITH BELIEVAL? OR WHAT PART HATH HE THAT BELIEVETH WITH AN INFIDEL (UNSAVED)? AND WHAT AGREEMENT HATH THE TEMPLE OF GOD WITH IDOL?

THE GIFTS COST MONEY, AND YOU CAN SPEND IT TILL IT'S ALL GONE, BUT JESUS IS THE GIFT OF LIFE TO EVERYONE, IT'S GONE OR AND ON AND ON!!!

ROMANS 5:18, THEREFORE AS BY THE OFFENCE OF ONE JUDGMENT CAME UPON ALL MEN TO CONDEMNATION, EVEN SO BY THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF ONE THE FREE GIFT CAME (JESUS) UPON ALL MEN UNTO JUSTIFICATION OF LIFE.

MANY ENTER THE STORES, HAVING NO MONEY FOR THE X-MAS SEASON, THEY STOLE A GIFT, AND TO SAY THAT LOVE IS THE REASON.

ROMANS 6:23, FOR THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH, BUT THE GIFT OF GOD IS ETERNAL LIFE THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD.

MANY X-MAS REASON WAS TO COMMIT FORNICATION AND ADULTERY, MANY NEGLECTED THEIR HOUSEHOLD, TO HELP THEIR MISTRESS AND HER FAMILY.

***** CHRISTMAS BOB THE CAUSE *****

MATTHEW 24:12, JESUS SAID, BECAUSE INIQUITY (SIN) SHALL ABOUND, THE LOVE OF MANY SHALL WAX (GROW) COLD.

DID YOU TAKE THE CHILDREN TO THE CALL TO HEAR A LYING SANTA CLAUS? OR DID YOU TAKE THEM TO CHURCH TO HEAR ABOUT THE GREATEST GIFT OF ALL!!!

MATTHEW 23:37-39, JESUS SAID, O JERUSALEM (CHURCH), JERUSALEM, THOU THAT KILLEST THE PROPHETS, AND STONEST THEM WHICH ARE SENT UNTO THEE, HOW OFTEN WOULD I HAVE GATHERED THY CHILDREN TOGETHER, EVEN AS A HEN GATHERETH HER CHICKENS UNDER HER WINGS, AND YOU WOULD NOT BEHOLD, YOUR HOUSE IS LEFT DESOLATE. FOR I SAY UNTO YOU, YE SHALL NOT SEE ME HENCEFORTH, TILL YE SHALL SAY, BLESSED IS HE THAT COMETH IN THE NAME OF THE LORD.

WAS YOUR X-MAS A BERUN, OF WHAT YOU DID ON THANKSGIVING DAY WATCHING FOOTBALL, WITH PLENTY OF FOOD, AND DIDN'T HOW TO SAY GRACE.

PSALM 105:1, PRAISE YE THE LORD, O GIVE THANKS UNTO THE LORD.

FOR HE IS GOOD, FOR HIS MERCY ENDURETH FOR EVER.

DID YOU TRY TO BUY THE MOST EXPENSIVE, FOR YOUR LOVE ONES AND GIRLS AND BOYS TRYING TO SHOW LOVE, THAT YOU DON'T HAVE, WITH THINGS AND TOYS.

2 CORINTHIANS 9:15, THANKS BE UNTO GOD FOR HIS UNSPEAKABLE (PRICELESS) GIFT (JESUS).

WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY B.J. MORRISON, III, YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST JESUS.



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith "Don't Play Americans for Fools."

It appears that Satan is "foot loose and fancy free," so to speak. Satan, the Author or Father of Evil appears to have stealthily stepped up his attacks on that what is for the good of humankind around the world.

It looks as if all of humanity is burdened with the Evil! One at this point in time. Case in point: President Bush has declared North Korea as one of the "axis of evil" on planet earth. In addition the United Nations energy agency head Mohamed ElBaradei has accused North Korea of playing a game of "nuclear brinkmanship." ElBaradei said of North Korea that it is "moving toward restarting its nuclear facilities without appropriate safeguards and toward produc-

ing plutonium raises serious non-proliferation concerns and is tantamount to nuclear brinkmanship."

The two words that are of great concern in Mr. ElBaradei's statement are "non-proliferation" and "brinkmanship." Non proliferation means "a limiting of the increase in number and spread of something." Brinkmanship means "the art or practice of following a dangerous policy as far as is safely possible before stopping."

North Korea is reported to have moved in the range of 1000 fuel rods into a reactor building so as to start their nuclear reactor at their convenience. The reactor produces plutonium (Plutonium is a chemical element it is radioactive and is used especially in nuclear weapons and as a fuel in nuclear power stations). Officials say that North Korea has the capacity to

make several nuclear bombs and is suspected of already having at least one atomic bomb.

North Korea is said to be upset with President Bush's labeling and the halting of oil shipments as punishment for their making known that they had moved forward with a second nuclear weapon program that used enriched uranium. Uranium is a chemical element and is a heavy grey radioactive metal used especially as a source of nuclear energy. In 1994, North Korea iced its plutonium-based nuclear program in exchange for foreign energy supplies. The Prince of Evil would use and lead the leaders of North Korea and the free world on a path to destruction. If North Korea is allowed to continue its present course and produce enough nuclear weapons or weapons of

mass destruction, soon Planet Earth will not be known as we know it today. The presently known fire power and chemical weapons of Saddam Hussein are nothing to compare with a long-range missile equipped with a nuclear warhead that could explode in ANYWHERE USA.

The North Korean has expelled international nuclear inspectors after having said that the United States was rushing toward conflict. The North Korean and the Prince of demons must understand that because we as Americans scrap among ourselves politically, ethnically, and socially, that we can "come together" in a twinkle of an eye for the preservation of humanity. The American government does not take the threat of nuclear weapons in the hands of a dictator or a fool likely.

CITY WIDE USHERS WILL BE INSTALLED SATURDAY EVENING, JANUARY 11, 2003

The members of the City Wide Ushers will meet Saturday evening, January 11, 2003, at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 2202 Southeast Drive, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Rev. Danny Poe is host pastor.

The remaining officers for the year will be selected. All officers will be installed for 2003.

Lyons Chapel Baptist Church and Rising Star Baptist Church, we really have missed each of you. Also, Rev. Homer Avery, we miss you. All hands are really needed, First Progressive Baptist Church.

Sister Sara Bunton, president; and Sister Minnie Darthard, reporter.

Revival Banquet in Petersburg

Rev. O. W. Gentry Ministry Foundation Revival Hopewell Baptist Church, Petersburg TX Jan 13-Jan 14, 2003
Rev. Harold D. Gentry, Evangelist

Revival Banquet Monday, Jan 13 at 7:30 P.M. Petersburg Community Center 1906 Ave E Petersburg, TX

Semi Formal

Tickets: \$10.00/single \$15.00/couple

The Rev. Manson Johnson of Houston TX will be the speaker

Please come to the beginning Foundation Contact: Rev. John M. Gentry, 806.632.9447

A Cail for Poems

Write a poem and win the \$1,000.00 grand prize! Hollywood's Famous Poets Society is sponsoring a new poetry contest, open to everyone. There is no entry fee.

To enter send one poem of 21 lines or less:

Free Poetry Contest, 1626 N Wilcox Ave #126, Hollywood, CA 90028. Or enter on-line at www.famouspoets.com. A winner's list will be sent to all entrants.

"This is our big contest of the year," says Executive Director Mark Schramm. "We trust our prizes will encourage new poets to share their talent." The deadline for entering is January 17, 2003.

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

"AMERICA, LET'S PRAY"

Lord, forgive us of our sins. Heal our land. Help America recover her loss, and restore our Nation unto You. We join together in prayer for those who govern and serve in our great land. We pray for President Bush, his Cabinet, Congress and their family members. Give them divine protection and favor with all nations and the courage of a champion to prevail by overcoming evil with good good all over America.

Father, we pray for our great State of Texas. Father, we pray for the Governor and the Government Agencies, the Staff, Newsmedia, Fire Fighters, Policemen, Rescue Workers, and all their families. Give them the mind of Christ, and wisdom to govern in the days of uncertainty, divine courage and protection.

"PRAYER FOR VICTIMS AND FAMILIES"

Father, as a Nation, we pray for the families who were victims of the terrorist attack on America and for those who risked their lives to save others. Comfort them as they recover. Anoint them with joy and praise to lift their heavy burdens, restore their souls and meet their needs.

"WE PRAY FOR THE MILITARY AND U.S. ALLIES"

Strengthen our Military and all our Allies who joined forces to protect our country and other countries from attacks. We ask for you to deploy your heavenly host to camp about them as a shield of protection. Cause this world to triumph over evil and glorify your name.

We pray for communities, missionaries and ministers. Father, unite believers in the communities and churches for your name sake. Protect them from every- deadly and evil act of the enemy, and every attempt

to commit harm. Confirm your word among the true Christian community and show the world that you're the true and living God. Help our Ministers and Missionaries to realize they have Mission fields sitting in their congregations. Give them divine favour and protection. Forewarn them of any impending dangers and direct their steps. Allow our servants of God to rule in the midst of their adversaries for the sake of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

We pray for the enemies of this city and beyond. Give us the grace to forgive our enemies as you forgive us. Vengeance belongs to you alone. Lord. Unite us in prayer to stand. Touch the heart of every evil individual, and pour out your Holy Spirit in this world.

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*** The Outreach Breakfast meeting scheduled for last Saturday morning, January 4, 2003, was postponed because of death in the family of our vice president. Sister Christene Burleson.

Keep those prayers going for our fair city. Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president; and Sister Joyce Ross, secretary.

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In Remembrance...



Larry Burleson

Funeral services were held for Larry Donerl Burleson last Saturday morning, January 4, 2003, at the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church with Rev. Leon Armstead officiating. Rev. Wendell Davis is pastor.

Arrangements were under the direction of Brock's South Plains Funeral Directors in Lubbock.

Mr. Burleson died here Monday, December 30, 2002.

He was born August 21, 1957, in Lubbock, Texas.

He is survived by his mother, Ms. Christine Burleson of Lubbock, Texas; two brothers, Emmitt Earl Gibbs and Ricky Burleson, both of Lubbock, Texas; five sisters: Bobbie Neil Gibbs, Linda Jean Burleson, Earnestine Fraizer, Diane "Trudy" Burleson and Shelia Burleson, all of Lubbock, Texas.



Luther Burns

Funeral services for Luther Dickerson Burns were held Monday, January 6, 2003, at the Ossie Curry Chapel with Minister George Jackson officiating.

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

Mr. Burns died Wednesday, January 1, 2003.

He was born June 2, 1920, in Marshall, Texas. He attended public schools in Marshall and was a member of the U.S. Army in 1942. After serving in the U.S. Army, he moved to Lubbock where he married Julian Mae on May 16, 1961.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Julian Mae Burns; two daughters, Mary Francis Mathis of Pampa, Texas and Letha Mae Burns of McKinney, Texas; seventeen grandchildren and thirty-four great-grandchildren.



SCORES OF CITIZENS SAY GOODBYE TO IDA DELOIS DAVIS-JOHNSON LAST WEEK

Scores of family and friends paid their last respect to a former educator in the Lubbock Independent School District, Ida Delois Davis-Johnson at the New Hope Baptist Church last Friday morning, January 3, 2002, with Rev. Wendell Davis, pastor of Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, delivering the eulogy sermon. Presiding officer was Rev. Billy R. Moton, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church.

Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Pallbearers were Dr. Charles Henry, Dr. Carroll "Butch" Thomas, R.J. Giveas, Curtis Gipson, Jim Broome, and T.J. Patterson.

Sorors of the Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. were flower bearers.

Mrs. Johnson died Sunday, December 29, 2002.

She was born February 4, 1927, in Marshall, Texas where she married Virgil Lewis Johnson on March 28, 1959. She moved to Lubbock, Texas forty-one years ago from Marshall.

Mrs. Johnson attended Pemberton High School in Marshall, and graduated from Bishop College in Marshall with a degree in English in 1958. She received her master's degree from Texas Tech University in 1971 and became a licensed professional counselor in 1983.

At the time of her death, she was a faithful member of the New Hope Baptist Church, where she served, or had served the choir, the scholarship committee, Sunday School, and Vacation Bible School.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Julius and Lorene Davis, her brothers, Vernon and James, her sisters, Dorothy Tomkies and Ruth Edwards; her nephew, Hawley

Williams, Jr.; and her brothers-in-law, Hawley Williams and George Tomkies.

To celebrate her life and cherish her memory is her only child, Patrick Dean Johnson; her husband, Virgil Lewis Johnson; her sisters, Bertha Davis, Beverly Hanon, and Geneva Williams; her brothers, Earl Davis and Robert Davis; and her brother-in-law, Walter Edwards.

The Old Testament scripture was read by Rev. Henry Crawford while the New Testament was read by Rev. Solomon Fields. Words of Comfort were given by Brother Earnest Swain. Two selections were sung by Debbie Tisdale, a cousin of Virgil Johnson, who sang "Through It All" and "His Eye Is On The Sparrow."

A special presentation was given by City Councilman T.J. Patterson. A Selection of Promise, "The Lord's Prayer", was sung by Virgil Johnson.



Garnell Oliver, Sr.

Cleveland, Ohio — Funeral services for Garnell Sowell Oliver, Sr. were held at the Philippi Missionary Baptist Church with the Revs. General E. Martin and Larry Oliver officiating. Burial was held in Cleveland Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Highland Hills, Ohio.

Mr. Oliver died Tuesday, December 31, 2002.

He was born March 16, 1951, and attended public schools in Cleveland. He graduated from East High School in 1969. He participated in the Work Experience in Banking programs which launched his employment career with the Federal Reserve Bank.

He enlisted in the U. S. Air Force and was stationed in London, England. He later moved to Lubbock, Texas where he worked for MCI Communications. He was a Christian.

He is survived by his mother, Celestine Blalock; two sons, Garnell, Jr. and Robert; three brothers: Jimmy Wayne, Kenneth and Conway, and four sisters; Darlene Oliver Morris, Theresa Dunham, Stephanie Walton and Gwendolyn Ferguson.

The national tragedy has provoked a series of attacks against immigrants of all nationalities. Hundreds of Middle Easterners, Muslims and Sikhs throughout the country have been reportedly harassed and beaten since Sept. 11. Four people have been murdered.

Other minorities are also at risk. In Lancaster, Calif., two white men attacked a Latino man because they thought he was of Middle Eastern descent. Gerald Pimental, 47, was followed home before being beaten by the men.

Immigrants — whether undocumented or legal residents — should not necessarily be equated with terrorists. Hundreds of immigrants were among the victims of the attack on the World Trade Center.

Punishing innocent immigrants is counterproductive and it gives into the campaign of terror.

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Strength for Today hope for Tomorrow
by Gerald Jackson

Question: How do you handle the death of a loved one?

Answer: I am not sure that I can give an answer that is satisfactory or adequate for this question. I will do my very best to give an answer that will encourage your faith in Jesus.

Look at Jesus, responses to human suffering. "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28). Consider His promise for the future. "Let not your hearts be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. For in My father's house are many mansions: if it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go to prepare a place for you I will come again and receive you unto myself; that where I am you may be also." (John 14:1-3).

Secondly in order to handle death, life should have some significance. Every person needs to make their life count for something. Each of us needs to make the world a better place because we lived. If we don't, then death seems to be a greater tragedy than it really is. All of us have a date with death if the Lord Jesus does not return beforehand. Make sure that when your time comes to die that you have made a life that was worth living. "I have fought the good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord the righteous

judge, shall give me at the day." (2 Timothy 4:7,8)

The only real solution to death is eternal life. Eternal life only comes to those who trust in Jesus as their savior and obey His will. The words of Paul give us encouragement on this matter. He teaches us that those who trust in Jesus have hope ever after the grave. Even if we loose loved ones who are in Christ we will see them again (see 1 Thessalonians 4:13,14). Therefore we do not grieve as those who have not hope. May these truths bring you strength for today and hope for tomorrow.

It is appointed unto man once to die. After death comes the judgment.

It doesn't matter when death comes, we are never quite prepared. The process of dying may be lengthy or sudden. It still seems to find us unprepared or unwilling to accept the reality of its coming. The first thing I would encourage you to do is to accept the reality of death. "It is appointed unto man once to die. After death comes the judgment." (Hebrews 9:27). There is no getting around dying. We must accept the reality of death and find ways of coping.

In an attempt to discredit religion and spiritual things, Carl Marx, the father of modern communism said, "Religion is the opiate of the people." His meaning is that people use religion to deaden to the pain of life's experiences. In his attempt to discredit God he actually gives more credibility to the Great I Am. God invites us to put our troubles on Him.



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Twin Oaks is a 20-unit community located west of Texas Tech University in west Lubbock — specifically on Franklin Avenue and 22nd Street. This property is located a block off of 19th Street a major thoroughfare. The community is located in proximity to shopping and dining, high schools and a library within walking distance of community retail services. This apartment complex has an appointment to see, rent, show and tour. Call today to see it or to view the words of Jesus: "I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

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Anti-Immigrant Backlash is not Justified

By Bernardo Ruiz

As the United States wages war abroad, we must be careful not to wage war at home.

In the wake of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, hundreds of immigrants have been detained for questioning. Though President Bush should be commended for clarifying that the enemy is not a specific ethnic group or religion, his administration is pushing for a tightening of immigration laws, which would not provide significant new protections against terrorism.

Before the attacks, the Bush administration was moving toward granting legal residency to millions of illegal immigrants from Mexico and perhaps other countries. But since the attacks, both the White House and Congress are moving rapidly toward tightening immigration laws out of fear of more terrorist attacks.

The sweeping anti-terrorism bill, which passed in both the House and Senate with most of the powers sought by Attorney General John Ashcroft, and which is expected to be signed into law by Bush, could separate families and curtail civil liber-

ties. The measure would allow the attorney general to lock up legal immigrants who have lived for years in the United States if they are suspected of terrorist activity. These immigrants could be deported without ever getting to make their case to a judge.

Tighter immigration laws are not the answer. After the federal building in Oklahoma City was bombed, the 1996 Republican-led Congress passed a series of anti-terrorism immigration statutes, even though Timothy McVeigh was a homegrown terrorist.

Since then, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) has detained, on average, more than 20,000 immigrants per day, according to the Miami Herald. The laws did nothing to prevent the terrible attacks of last month.

Enforcing existing laws might have. Some of the hijackers appear to have stayed here with expired visas or came here under false pretenses. Alert FBI work might have helped also. The arrest of the suspected terrorist in Minnesota who wanted to learn how to steer a plane but not how to take off or land, and threats of attacks on the United States were on the radar well before Sept. 11.



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In Cinque

by Renetta W. Howard

We have seen the old year, 2002 pass away and welcomed the new year, 2003. It has not come in with the same bang that we witnessed a few years ago as we ushered in the new millennium, but we have experienced the evolution of the high tech at a much swifter pace than we did prior to the beginning of the new millennium. In a few years, we have gone from the 8 millimeter movie film, to the videos and now to digital technology on a disc. The same is true for cameras.

Cameras have come a long way from the old Brownie Kodak and black and white Polaroid to instant color Polaroid to digital and computer cameras. Many of us just got used to the regular 35 millimeter camera and some of us

have no desire to use the digital kind. There are those of us who are equally comfortable with the regular videos and have no need for the DVD. Our VCRs afford all that we need to see and record. If we decide to purchase a DVD player, that will entail throwing out the old VCR and the videos and then purchasing the DVDs to play on the new machine. There are many things that we need to throw out of our lives to begin a new year, but they do not entail machines. We need to get some of the clutter out of our lives.

For the past year, some of us have been in limbo trying to sort out the things that clutter our lives on a daily basis. We all want to live clean and wholesome lives and do the things that help to make us better persons. Yet there are those things, many of them material in nature, but some are not, which we find cluttering up our lives.

Some of us have 'friends' and relatives who seem to set out to make our lives miserable. We need to recognize that anyone

who interferes with our health and happiness, does not deserve to be a part of our daily activities and need to be on the short list or avoided. We need to keep close to us those persons whom help to lift us up and make our lives more meaningful and enjoyable. Enjoyment should be a large part of our daily lives. Life is to be enjoyed, everyday. One does not have to be a millionaire to enjoy life. Often, just being in the company of someone who really lifts your spirit and respects you as a person, can be enjoyable. Knowing that you are appreciated can be enjoyable. Positive experiences can make life enjoyable.

Experiences can be enjoyable if they are positive, regardless to whether you are making the experience or on the receiving end of it. It goes both ways. We often find, however, that the experience is more gratifying when we make it positive. It is time for us to get 'in cinque' and make our daily lives more positive.

Reading Scores and Prison Growth

by Dr. Jawanza Kunjufu

Governors review fourth grade reading scores to determine prison growth. What strange bed fellows. This has become an epidemic in the African American community where 63 percent of its fourth-grade students are below grade level. If governments were genuine about balancing the budget, are they not cognizant that HeadStart, Title I, and Pell Grants are cost-effective? Prison recidivism hovers near 85 percent. Why would America spend \$18-38,000 depending on the state with only a 15 percent efficacy? Why do most prison guards earn greater than most teachers? Rehabilitation and educational opportunities have been drastically reduced and in some prisons actual-

ly eliminated. If the major precursor to prison growth is reading scores, would it not be cheaper to funnel monies and develop educational strategies to correct this acute problem? Why are African American reading scores abysmal? Why is it atrocious for African American males? In my book, State of Emergency: We Must Save African American Males, I indicate that African Americans only study four hours per week, while watching 30 hours of television, listening to 18 hours of rap music, talking on the telephone 11 hours, and playing outside over nine hours. When I speak to students, I share with them the secret to success: whatever you do most will be what you do best.

In 1980, there were less than

100,000 African American males, incarcerated. In 2002, that number swelled to 1.5 million. The African American community must marshal every available resource to enhance literacy among African American youth and particularly African American males. Every African American adult should volunteer a minimum of two hours per week as a tutor and mentor. How could a child stay in a school five years (kindergarten-fourth grade) and remain illiterate? How could African American parents not be cognizant that their children are having severe reading and math problems? How could Homeland Security be more concerned about the Middle East when its greatest security challenge is its illiterate citizenry?

THIS N THAT

SONIC CHRISTMAS PRESENT ALMOST HERE! THIS N THAT has been looking for the SONIC DRIVE-IN CHRISTMAS PRESENT and it appears to be almost here as of last week when word was received for the PLANS OF THE SONIC were reviewed last Friday January 3, 2003 These plans were one of two which were reviewed as the other one is that of a WIENEFSCHNITZEL to be located at 76th and University Avenue on the east side. The location of the SONIC will be at THE NORTH EAST CORNER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING BLVD AND IDALOU ROAD. This is good. NEWS and should serve as a catalyst for much more activity in the EAST LUBBOCK COMMUNITY. THIS N THAT was always told that if you HAVE PATIENCE things will happen So it is just good to see SONIC DRIVE-IN CHRISTMAS PRESENT is on its way to the tree and all of this is from DEVELOPMENT OF FAST LUBBOCK and because of that the entire City of Lubbock will benefit.

VERY GOOD DECISION FOR HSC! THIS N THAT is happy to hear the announcement made by TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY CHANCELLOR DAVID SMITH of the hiring of the FIRST BLACK PRESIDENT OF THE TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER. He is DR. M. ROY WILSON who will come here from CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY as dean of the School of Medicine and vice president for health sciences. Creighton University is located in Omaha, Nebraska. THIS N THAT as well as many others in the community is happy over what is taking place and we say CONGRATS for a job well done. It has been learned with this hire that he will become the first Black in Texas to hold such a position. THIS N THAT knows things are looking up for the better.

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: "If someone KNOCKS you down on Friday you don't have to stay down until MONDAY GET UP!"

IDA DELOIS DAVIS-JOHNSON WILL BE MISSED! THIS N THAT who attended Bishop College where a young lady attended. She was IDA DELOIS DAVIS-JOHNSON. She passed here last week and was funeralized here last Friday morning. A RETIRED EDUCATOR AND COUNSELOR no doubt will be missed as she was very active in her church the New Hope Baptist Church. SISTER IDA DELOIS DAVIS-JOHNSON was a dedicated member of the LUBBOCK ALUMNAE CHAPTER OF DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC. SHE was always concerned about scholarship for young people worked to that end for the betterment of our community. No doubt about it. SISTER IDA DELOIS DAVIS-JOHNSON will be missed. A worthy note about the funeral services last week as there were many FORMER EDUCATORS FROM AROUND THE COUNTRY who worked with her. Not only was it a funeral but it looked like a SCHOOL REUNION. Thanks for all you did IDA DELOIS DAVIS-JOHNSON.

LET'S VISIT A PUBLIC SCHOOL THIS WEEK! THIS N THAT is still asking for as many of us who are concerned about our young people to VISIT A PUBLIC SCHOOL THIS WEEK. If enough of us go by the various schools these young people will get the message ALL OF US ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THEM! So let's go by one this week.

PASTOR SOLOMON FIELDS NAMED SPEAKER! THIS N THAT has learned the speaker for the ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION which will be held January 17th thru January 20th will be PASTOR SOLOMON E. FIELDS pastor of the St. John Baptist Church. He will speak on the theme STEP BY STEP, WE'VE MADE THE JOURNEY. The FIRST ANNUAL BANQUET OF HONOR - FOOT PRINT OF HISTORY HONOREES will be held Friday night January 17th at the University Medical Center McInturf Conference Center beginning at 7:00 p. m.

THANK YOU, EHS BAND FOR A JOB WELL DONE! THIS N THAT wants to say CONGRATS to the ESTACADO HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND for a job well done at the SUGAR BOWL in New Orleans, La. THIS N THAT and so many others appreciate what each of you have done. Also CONGRATS on your SECOND PLACE FINISH!

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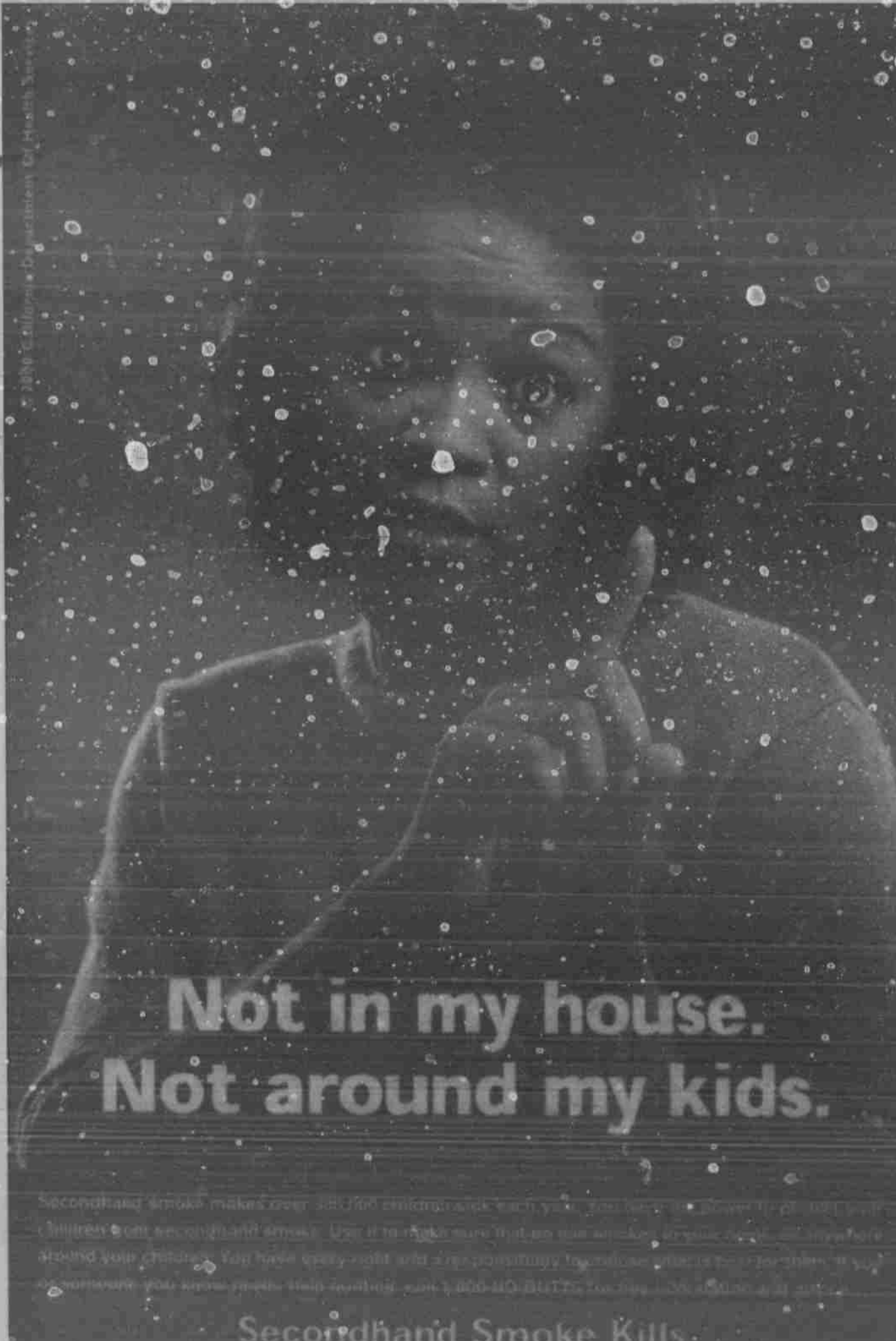
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Guest speaker: Dr. J.C. Clark (Pastor of Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church Lubbock, Texas) He will present to us eyewitness accounts of the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

When: Monday, January 13, 2002
 7:00 pm

Where: T.J. Patterson Branch Library (Community Room)

If physical death is the price that I must pay to free my white brothers and sisters from a permanent death of the spirit, then nothing can be more redemptive.
On learning of threats on his life, June 5, 1964



AOIP is an organization engaged in an overall community-building approach to addressing the root cause of all ills among Black and similarly-situated minorities. AOIP's overall objective, via this interorganization coalition, is to begin immediately to transform the discrete communities within Black America, through pride-installing "togetherness," into a Shining Oasis of hope that all therein will not only be motivated to learn and become productive parts of our wonderful communities, but also there will be less desire to abandon support for Black-led organizations that have opened economic and other doors for Black-owned businesses, professional entities, Black churches, etc. By inordinately integrating the communities and social and other institutions developed by (and for) other ethnic groups, AOIP has a redemptive mission of completing the "unfinished work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr." The information listed below about your organization should, as best possible, be focused on what your group is doing to help completed that "unfinished work."

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Lubbock Area Client Council Second Saturday • 1:00 pm • Mae Simmons Community Center • Hub City Kiwanis, Every Tuesday Night, 7:00pm, 1708 Avenue G. • Dunbar Alumni Association 2nd Saturday 4pm • Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 2nd Tuesday- 7:30 • Forgotten West Riders First & Third Monday, 7:00 pm, T. J. Patterson Library East Lubbock Chapter AARP, Every 1st Thursday at 1 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center, Oak and 8th St.

We would like to publish your monthly meetings. If you would like for an announcement to appear in this column, please get it to us in writing by mailing it to:

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