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## Local Briefs

### Bush Dismisses Black America: As He Targets West African Oil

By Akbar Muhammad

Historically, slaves were considered "black gold". However, in modern times the new black gold is oil. Not just any oil, but the oil from the soil and shores of Africa. The Bush Administration has "aimed their guns" at Africa and begun firing. Many articles featured recently in international magazines and the New York Times have mentioned West Africa as an area chosen for strong consideration of America's oil supply.

The Bush Administration's focus on African oil may even extend beyond West Africa. They are looking for oil from Angola to Guinea Bissau, from Libya, Chad and The Sudan to the Central African Republic. The opening shots were fired when Secretary of State Colin Powell made visit to Angola and Gabon.

The first volley took place when Jonas Savimbi, the leader of the Unita movement was killed in Angola in a so-called "me fight". He had become useless to America and the West. I believe he was killed when he became a real headache. His position did not fit into the new American plans for oil rich country with a lot of land and only 1.2 million people. Omar Bongo, a Muslim, is the leader of this predominantly Christian nation.

We do not have to be an expert or specialist of international affairs to know that if President Bush turns a deaf ear on sound advice and goes ahead with his plans to attack Iraq and oust Saddam Hussein, this will interfere with the oil flow from the Middle East.

This administration fumbled the ball in Venezuela, which has long been an important oil supplier to the United States in the Western hemisphere. When the Bush Administration secretly supported a coup against Hugo Chavez, the legitimate President, they saw that his removal could cause a bloody civil war. The instability created by a civil war would have meant no oil at all for America. Venezuela is still the third largest supplier of oil for the United States. As a result, they are now making West Africa the focus of the new black gold.

### 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 #608 3rd Tuesday - 7:30
- Forgotten West Riders, First & Third Monday, 7:00 pm, T. J. Zamason Library
- East Lubbock Chapter AARP, Every 1st Thursday at 1 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center, Oak and 8th St.
- Lubbock Chapter of B. K. Alumni 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, T.H. Market Cent.

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

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Lubbock, Texas 79408  
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902 East 23rd Street

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## Senior Master Sergeant Benjamin A. Adams Retires

Senior Master Sergeant Benjamin A. Adams the son of Glenn and Bobbie Adams, of Lubbock, Texas, retired from the United States Air Force on March 4, 2003. He was born and raised in Lubbock and was a 1977 graduate of Estacado High School. Sergeant Adams faithfully serviced his country for 26 years.

Sergeant Adams served in Korea, Germany, Japan, and Philippines and various stateside locations. He entered the Air Force as an Aircraft Maintenance Specialist Jet Aircraft One and Two Engine. Sergeant Adams served in that career field for 15 years. In 1994 he changed career fields and became an Aircraft Control and Warning Radar Specialist. Sergeant Adams final assignment was Squadron Superintendent, 84th Radar Evaluation Squadron Hill Air Force Base, Utah.

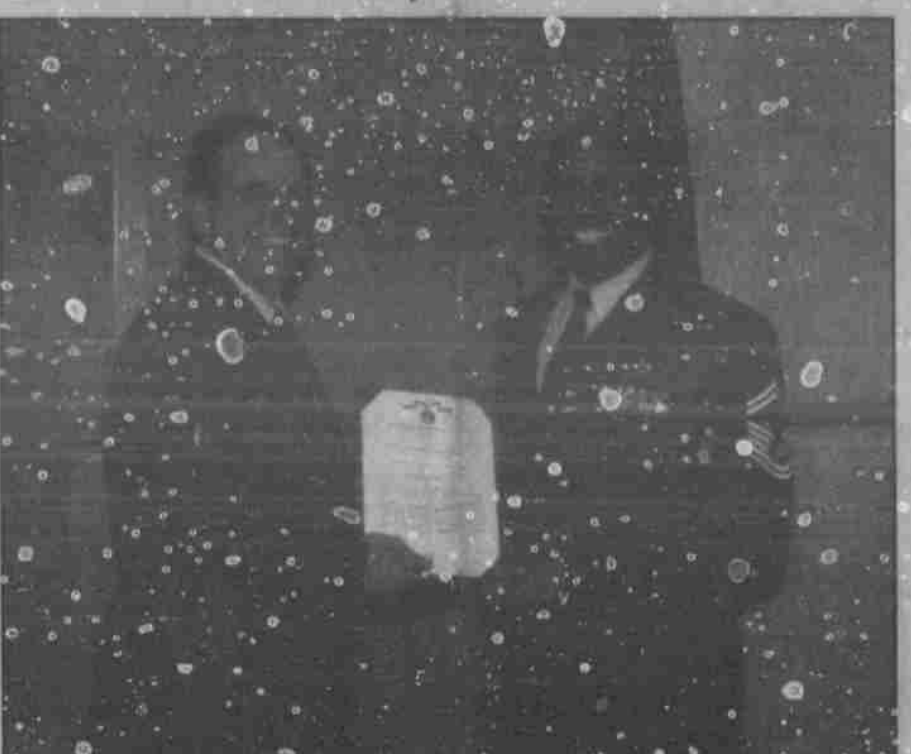
Senior Master Sergeant Adams's awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal with three devices, Air Force Commendation Medal with one device, Air Force Achievement Medal with three devices, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with five devices, Air Force Good Conduct Medal with seven devices, National Defense Service Medal with one device,

Humanitarian Service Medal, Air Force Overseas Short Tour Ribbon with four devices, Overseas Long Tour Ribbon with two devices, Air Force Longevity Service Award with Four devices, Air Force Professional Military Education Graduate Ribbon with two devices, and the Air Force Training Ribbon.

Senior Master Sergeant Adams completed his Bachelor of Science Degree in Management/ Computer Information from Park University

in 2003. He also has Associate degrees in Systems Technology and Aircraft System Maintenance Technology from the Community College of the Air Force.

Senior Master Sergeant Adams is married to the former Ms. Kim, Hye Yon. They have been married for 23 years and have two daughters Hye Leem (deceased) and 9 year-old Azelia. They are moving to University Place, Washington upon retirement.



## City Builds Fence to Ease Citizens Safety Concerns

When Lubbock citizens voiced a safety concern over children playing close to Loop 289 in a City park, the Parks and Recreation Department moved quickly to put up a fence to protect the youngsters.

Members of the West Texas Organizing Strategies group met with City Councilman T.J. Patterson on September 10 last year. They were concerned that children playing in Clayton Carter Park at North Globe and

Loop 289 were too close to the traffic on the Loop's access road that parallels the park's south border.

Parks Department work crews started erecting a temporary fence immediately, and by the next day, the fence was completed.

Plans were then made to build a permanent fence to replace the temporary structure. Installation on the permanent fence began in the middle of January. To make the fence as strong as possi-

ble, the poles were set in concrete. The poles and the chain link material were coated with a special green material to improve the appearance of the fence for neighbors living in the area.

The 4-foot tall fence is now complete, and kiddoes returning to the park with the warm spring weather can thank the concerned citizens in their neighborhood for the new safety feature.



## City's Government Access Channel Moves

Monday, March 17, was moving day for the City of Lubbock's government access channel. Currently residing on Cox Cable Channel 6, the City channel moved to Cox Cable Channel 2 on Monday.

"We're taking advantage of the move to change our ID to CNC-2," City News Channel 2," said Sandy Glass, Public Information Manager for the City. "We have a new logo, a new look and a new spot on the dial. It's a very exciting time for us."

The move was in response to a request from Ramar Communications that was approved by the City Council

in February. Ramar has its UPN station on cable channel six throughout the region, and wanted to make it uniform by moving UPN from Cox Cable Channel 15 to Channel 6.

The City's government access channel went on the air in 1988, and this change is the third time the channel has moved in 15 years. "We are fortunate to have a loyal audience," said Glass. "They follow us wherever we go. They know that the City channel is the only place they can see gavel coverage of Council meetings."

When not broadcasting City programming, the government access channel will

continue to air CSPAN-2. Also involved in the move is Telemundo, which will go from Cox Cable Channel 13 to Channel 15, and CSPAN, which will move from Cox Cable Channel 2 to Channel 13.

*If you find mistakes in this publication, please consider that they are there for a reason. We publish something for everyone, and some people are always looking for mistakes.*

## Local Trustee Meets with State Leaders

(AUSTIN) Lubbock ISD trustee Vernita Woods-Holmes was among 33 school board members from across the state that met with a state legislator and the Commissioner of Education during a leadership development workshop in Austin February 28 and March 1.

The trustees are all members of the Texas Association of School Boards' (TASB) 2003 Leadership TASB Class participating in the third of five training sessions with this session focusing on a theme of Making Connections in all Directions. The program is funded in part by SBC Foundation, Wal-Mart & SAM'S CLUB Associates, H-E-B, and Lineberger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP.

On Friday, February 28 at the Capitol, State Representative Rob Eissler, The Woodlands, discussed public education issues and provided an overview of current committee work and his experience as a freshman legislator. The session with Felipe Alanis, Ed.D., Commissioner of Education, afforded an opportunity for the leadership class to discuss a variety of educational issues facing Texas school districts. Peter DeLisle, President of Educet, provided an in-depth discussion of leadership and teamwork.

At the Saturday morning session, Arch Lustberg, president of Arch Lustberg Communications, gave participants pointers on responding to confrontation. The session closed Saturday with a focus on leadership and management skills through a discussion of the Abilene Paradox and the Anaclitic Depression Blues by Jerry Harvey, Ph.D., Professor of Management Science, George Washington University. Dr. Harvey's presentation provided insight into organizational behavior.

Participants continued to work on team projects, which are an essential part of the program's completion. These projects require working groups of trustees to tackle issues and tasks that directly impact school policy and practice in Texas.

TASB is a voluntary, nonprofit association established in 1949 to serve local Texas school districts. It includes 1,044 local school districts and county school boards, 45 junior colleges, 61 tax appraisal boards, 145 cooperatives, and the 20 Education Service Centers. School board members are the largest group of publicly elected officials in the state. Their combined annual expenditures total \$25 billion, and they employ more than 520,000 people.



## Councilman Patterson Reads to Head Start Students

City Councilman T.J. Patterson spent an hour recently reading to the young children in the Shapes New Beginning Head Start program Red Room at the center located at 5638 22nd Street. "We had a wonderful time," said Patterson.



## Fashion Fun

by Shirley Roberson

### BLACK AND WHITE CHECKS

Spring is rapidly checking in!

You're going to see lots and lots of checks, checks in many beautiful bright vibrant colors, but especially black and white checks.

Ladies don't go through the entire spring and summer season with out styling something in checks.

Your choices are exciting and amazingly plentiful

.....hand bags and matching



head bands, socks, jewelry, crock pants, blouses, shorts and skirts.

Jeans are also emerging in black and white checks, how great is that?

Remember a little checks, goes a long way, check it out. HAVE FUN

Tip. Always wear a smile Fashion, just for the fun of it

## It's The A-J's Make Kids Count

### \$10,000 Scholarship Giveaway

#### For Ages 4-8 Year-Olds

In 2003, The Avalanche Journal, as part of its Make Kids Count campaign, will again hold four - one each quarter - \$10,000 scholarship giveaways! Children of all ages will be able to participate during the course of the year. The second giveaway is open to 4-8-year-olds.

Enter using the coupon below. Follow all the rules and get your entry to us by March 26, 2003. This contest is open to children born between Jan. 1, 1995 and Dec. 31, 1999.

Give your child the chance to win a \$10,000 scholarship fund from The A-J.



MAKE KIDS COUNT 2003

#### SCHOLARSHIP GIVEAWAY RULES

- The Lubbock Avalanche Journal, as part of its Make Kids Count campaign, will present a \$10,000 U.S. Savings Bond to the winning child who meets all eligibility requirements as listed below.
- The contest is open to all children born between Jan. 1, 1995, and Dec. 31, 1999, in parents or parents who are U.S. citizens and residents of The Avalanche Journal's home newspaper delivery area, which includes counties in West Texas and Eastern New Mexico.
- Employees of The A-J and Morris Communications Corporation and their immediate families are not eligible to participate.
- No purchase is necessary.
- Official entry forms will appear regularly in The Avalanche Journal through March 26, 2003, or can be obtained at The A-J Information Center, 710 Ave. J, Lubbock, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- A copy of a legal birth certificate and a reproducible photograph of the child must accompany each entry form. Also, entry forms must be completed in their entirety. Only one entry per child will be accepted.
- Deadline for entry is 5 p.m. Friday, March 28. Entries received after March 28 will not be accepted. Entries can be mailed to MAKE KIDS COUNT SCHOLARSHIP GIVEAWAY, PO Box 491, Lubbock, 79408, or dropped off at The A-J Information Center.
- All contestants agree to allow their names, pertinent birth information and photographs to be published in The Avalanche Journal without further compensation.
- The Avalanche Journal is not responsible for stolen or entries that are forwarded, late, lost, misaddressed, damaged, illegible, incomplete or postage due.
- Contest winner will be determined through a series of random drawings. With the total number of entries, 64 names will be drawn at random. These 64 names will be listed (2, 16, 4, 4, 2, 1) weekly until the winner is announced on Monday, May 26, 2003.
- In addition to the \$10,000 U.S. Savings Bond awarded to the winner, The A-J will present a \$5,000 U.S. Savings Bond to the runner-up, \$1,000 U.S. Savings Bonds to the other two quarterfinalists, \$500 U.S. Savings Bonds to the other four entries who make the round of eight, and \$100 U.S. Savings Bonds to the other eight entries who make the round of 16. All Savings Bonds will be issued in the names of the winning children after verification of the contest.
- The Avalanche Journal's "Terms and Conditions" govern all aspects of the contest, including the procedures for choosing, shipping and supervising the awards.
- By entering, each contestant or their representative acknowledges acceptance of the rules and agrees to be bound to them.
- Decisions of the contest organizers are final.

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parents Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Date Of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone \_\_\_\_\_

Grandparents Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grandparents Name \_\_\_\_\_

**REMEMBER TO INCLUDE YOUR CHILD'S PICTURE AND A COPY OF BIRTH CERTIFICATE!** Birth certificate should be returned, include a self-addressed stamped envelope. All other photos will be thrown away.

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## Meals on Wheels Celebrates Annie Sanders

For the 14th consecutive year, Lubbock Meals on Wheels is benefiting from "Annie's Chat and Chew". This fundraiser was started by long time volunteer Annie Sanders and is being continued on her memory this year at the Mae Simmons Senior Center 2004 Oak Avenue, on Saturday March 29, 2003 from 11:00a.m. -1:00p.m. Guests can enjoy some great food while visiting with old friends and remembering a very special woman, Annie Sanders. Donations will be accepted at the door to help fund the purchase of meals for the homebound community served by Lubbock Meals on Wheels. Help us keep Annie's giving spirit alive by joining us at Annie's Chat and Chew. For more information, please call 792-7971.

## Parkway Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association

The Parkway Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association (PAC) will hold its next General Public Meeting on Tuesday, March 25, 2003 at 7:30 P.M. at the Parkway Neighborhood Center, located at 405 North M.L.K. Blvd. Everyone in the neighborhood is invited. We are planning to have Guest Speakers from the city there. Please plan to be there, it will be very informative for our neighborhood.

## Family Distinction!

During her speech at the T.J. Patterson Library in February, Mrs. Katie Parks, author and poet, presented her first Award of Distinction. Receiving the award this year was the Dr. Darron Hill, Jr. family.

The theme was "Determination Brings Prosperity." Mrs. Parks states that the objective of her award is to encourage and motivate young people to emulate her, family of distinction, and use them as their role model. She says, "If first one young person will use the Boy and Girl Scout motto: 'Be Prepared', excel to their highest level, reach for the moon, they will surely grab a star, then her effort will not be in vain."

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**WE CELEBRATE THE ARTS!**  
It's almost time for the 2003 annual Lubbock Arts Festival. The celebration runs from April 10th - 13th at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. You should be involved. There are opportunities to volunteer, perform, display and (of course) donate. Will you help? Just fill out this form and return to celebrate the arts in you.

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Donation Information

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## Local Students Learn to Save Lives

LUBBOCK - The American Heart Association (AHA) will be providing cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training for all sixth graders at Honey Elementary School, located at 3615 86th Street in Lubbock.

The training sessions will take place at Honey Elementary on Friday, March 14 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Certified trainers from the AHA's Emergency Cardiovascular Care Training Centers will be on hand to teach the basics of CPR and the importance of saving lives to the sixth graders.

In addition to learning CPR techniques, the students will be taught to recognize such life-threatening emergencies such as heart attack, stroke, cardiac arrest, and choking in both adults and children.

Killing more than 950,000 people each year, cardiovascular disease is the greatest cause of death in the United States. Even in Texas, as many as 40% of all deaths are attributable to cardiovascular disease. By learning tips for healthy living and simple CPR techniques, sixth graders at Honey Elementary will be provided with the necessary knowledge to save lives and reduce their risk for cardiovascular disease.

Honey Elementary School is the only elementary school in Lubbock to require all sixth graders to be trained in CPR prior to graduation.

## CHATMAN HILLS CORNER

by Clarissa Jay

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 for those who are looking for a church home. Come and visit, you will be glad you chose to do so.

Services at New Hope Baptist Church began with Sunday School beginning at 9:30 a.m. with all teachers present. After thirty minutes of instruction, all teachers and students marched to the main auditorium where high points of the morning lesson were given. Prayer was also given.

The morning devotion was led by Brother and Sister John Howard, and were assisted by the Praise Team. What a time!

The New Hope Choir marched in the morning procession singing out of their hearts. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Aubrey Brickey. After a selection from the choir, the morning scripture was read by Sister Marian Alien. Brother Johnnie Roberts gave the morning prayer. Another selection was sung by the choir, and the responsive reading was led by Sister Deloris Roberts with the congregation standing. The morning hymn was "We've Come This Far By Faith."

Pastor Moton gave his pastoral observation. The New Hope Choir sang another selection. Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "God's Message To An Over Tolerate Church." His scripture was Revelations 2:12-17. It was another inspirational sermon.

After invitation to discipleship was extended, announcements of the morning were read by Sister Jewel Pauley. Sister Elnora Dyer welcomed all visitors to the congregation.

Let us not forget those who are on the sick and shut in list. Among them are Sister Posie Reddie, Raymond Stovall, father of Sister Dorothy Stovall, Sister Magne Runnels, Sister Dorothy Diamond, Benny Johnson, cousin of Sister Perlean McDaniel and Sister Nicole Henderson.

The Women Missionary Society of New Hope Baptist Churches staff will meet Thursday, March 20, 2003, in the fellowship hall. All WMS presidents are asked to be present.

General Mission of New Hope will be held Monday, March 24, 2003, beginning at 6:00 p.m. All ladies are asked to attend. The Fifth Sunday will be held March 30, 2003. The theme will be "2003 Christian Women Armed & Dangerous." All ladies are asked to wear white and red.

The Easter Egg Hunt at New Hope will be held Saturday, April 12, 2003, from 3:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. in the Booker T. Washington Park, across the street from New Hope Baptist Church. The Children's program will be held during the Sunday School Hour on Easter Sunday morning, April 20, 2003.

This writer needs your help in advising of events which are occurring in the community. Let me hear from you. You may send the item to: Chatman Hill Corner, P. O. Box 2553, Lubbock, Texas 79408. Let us hear from you.

The Ma Jone Missionary Society had its 4th Annual program last Sunday afternoon at Bethel AME Church. Guest speaker was Rev. Erma Jean Melton of Tacoma, Washington where she pastors the Greater Works Ministries of Deliverance. Missionary Sisters from Greater St. Luke Baptist Church, Mount Vernon United Methodist Church, Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, Smith Temple Church, and New Hope Baptist Church were in attendance. A wonderful time was reported. Praise God!



# CHURCH DIRECTORY



WE THANK GOD FOR  
JESUS

"GOD BLESS AMERICA"

(PEOPLE ARE RUNNING AROUND SAYING GOD BLESS AMERICA, BUT TAKE THE B OUT, NOW THAT IS TRUE, OF AMERICA TODAY!!!)

ISAIAH 58:1, THE LORD SAID, CRY ALOUD, SHARE NOT LIE UP THY VOICE LIKE A TRUMPET, AND SHOW MY PEOPLE THEIR TRANSGRESSIONS.

LORD YOU DID BLESS AMERICA, SHE IS BIG, WITH ALL HER GREAT WEALTH, BUT SHE HAVEN GOTTEN HIGH MINDED, THINKING SHE DONE IT BY HERSELF.

DEUTERONOMY 7:7,8,10,11, THE LORD SAID, FOR THE LORD THY GOD BRINGETH THEE INTO A GOOD LAND, A LAND OF BROOKS AND WATER, OF FOUNTAINS AND DEPTHS THAT SPRING UP OF VALLEYS AND HILLS; A LAND OF WHEAT, AND BARLEY, AND VINES AND FIG TREES, AND POMEGRANATES, A LAND OF OIL OLIVE, AND HONEY. WHEN THOU HAST EATEN AND ART FULL, THEN THOU SHALT BLESS THE LORD THY GOD FOR THE GOOD LAND WHICH HE HATH GIVEN THEE. BEWARE THAT THOU FORGET NOT THE LORD THY GOD, IN NOT KEEPING HIS COMMANDMENTS, AND HIS JUDGMENTS, AND HIS STATUTES, WHICH I COMMAND THEE THIS DAY.

BUT AMERICA BECAME LIKE ADAM, SHE NO LONGER WANTED TO OBEY THEE, LIKE ADAM, AMERICA WANTED HER RIGHTS, SHE WANTED TO BE FREE.

PROVERB 14:12, THERE IS A WAY WHICH SEEMETH RIGHT UNTO MAN, BUT THE END THEREOF ARE THE WAYS OF DEATH.

LORD, AMERICA WENT DOWN IN THE 60's, S. MANKIND WANTED TO BE FREE, THEY SAID, WE SHALL OVERCOME, AND FROM THEN WENT AWAY FROM THEE.

DEUTERONOMY 32, THE LORD SAID, THOU SHALT NOT HOW DOWN THYSELF UNTO THEM, NOR SERVE THEM, FOR THE LORD THY GOD AM A JEALOUS GOD, VISITING THE INIQUITY OF THE FATHERS UPON THE CHILDREN UNTO THE THIRD AND FOURTH GENERATION OF THEM THAT HATE ME.

THE CHURCHES AND ITS LEADERS EVEN FOLLOW THE MAN WITH THE DREAM, BUT IT WAS THE WORK OF THE DEVIL, IT WAS ONLY A SMOKE SCREEN!!!

PSALM 2:1-3, THE LORD SAID, WHY DO THE HEATHEN RAGE, AND THE PEOPLE IMAGINE A VAIN (FOOLISH) THING? THE KINGS OF THE EARTH SET THEMSELVES, AND THE RULERS TAKE COUNSEL TOGETHER, AGAINST THE LORD, AND HIS ANOINTED (JESUS) SAYING, LET US BREAK THEIR BANDS ASUNDER, AND CAST AWAY THEIR CARDS.

LORD, AMERICA ONLY WANT YOU LIKE 9/11, AND WHEN HER CHIPS ARE DOWN, LIKE NOVA (JUSTICE) TOTK TO WAR, AND SHE WANT YOU TO BE ARROUND.

HOSEA 11:7, THE LORD SAID, MY PEOPLE ARE BENT TO BACKSLIDING FROM ME, THOUGH THEY CALLED THEM TO THE MOST HIGH, NONE AT ALL WOULD EXALT HIM.

NOW AMERICA IS GODLESS, PEOPLES RIGHTS TO DO THEIR OWN THING, THEY ARE WRONG, AND IT IS OF THE DEVIL, SHAME, SHAME, SHAME!!!

JOHN 10:10, JESUS SAID, THE THIEF COMETH NOT BUT FOR TO STEAL, AND KILL, AND DESTROY, BUT I AM COME THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE LIFE, AND THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE IT MORE ABUNDANTLY.

LORD, CHILDREN ARE DYING, MOTHERS CRYING, THEIR CHILDREN ARE IN JAIL, THEY WERE HAVING FUN, DON'T KNOW JESUS, AND ON THEIR WAY TO HELL.

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

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



I am proud to be an American. I believe that as an American it is my

duty to support the person in charge who is elected from the people. I also believe that in times, such as these, one should watch what they say and do and let not one's action give the enemy solace in making our nation a nation of evil.

I have been disappointed with some of the leadership of our country in voting one way in support of a resolution to disarm Saddam Hussein and speaking out openly about the leadership of our great country in their effort to carry out the mandate.

I also have been disappointed with the people who take a very conservative stance politically who have tried to place the fault of ill-gain diplomacy at United Nations on the shoulders of Secretary of State Colin Powell. They humbling many over the idea that if he had not insisted on going to the United Nations, President Bush could have made war with Iraq on the resolu-

tion earlier requiring Iraq to disarm. These pieces of human material will not address the fact that Secretary Powell was protecting his boss from the statements made by their kind of the president being a "cowboy." It is now known by all because of Secretary Colin Powell, the world does not give a care about the United States. All of what these countries fill with pieces of human sublunary scrap wants from the United States is to prostitute its taxpayers for what they can get from them for their personal gain. It seems to be a Hosea and Gomer thing.

The general secretary of the National Council of Churches said a few days ago "My hope is that on Monday morning the administration will realize there are two superpowers in the world: the United States and world opinion." While hopefully, the good Reverend Bob Edgar means well, he should also realize that President Bush is going to disarm an evil man, an agent of Satan. He needs to understand that "Satan is an angel of light." He is full of

deception and works through humans such as Saddam Hussein, and will use the office of general secretary of the National Council of Churches to foster his Satanic ideology.

Didn't I hear someone once say, "Watch them dogs?"

The headlines read late Sunday, March 16, 2003, from Tokyo to Beirut, Paris to Washington, people were protesting by the hundred of thousands against any United States lead war on Iraq. Protests are said to have range from the release of pigeons into the skies over Bangkok as symbols of peace to the burning of effigies of President Bush in Calcutta and the Gaza Strip.

The master of evil design was quoted by state-run Iraqi media as telling a group of military officers, "When the enemy opens the war on a large scale it should realize that the battle between us will be waged wherever there is sky, earth and water anywhere in the world. Who appointed America the unjust judge of the world? It is the right of every person to ask them: who appointed

you a judge on us? I don't believe the world has seen this level of lying... as that coming from America and Britain."

How could millions of protesters be fooled by the two-edged tongue of Saddam Hussein? A lying tongue is a very dangerous thing. As Americans we should support our President in his effort to rid the world of this agent of Satan. When Saddam says "When the enemy opens war on a large scale, it should realize that the battle between us will be waged wherever there is sky, earth and water anywhere in the world" that includes Lubbock, Texas U.S.A.

We should be careful as to how we treat and what we say about President Bush and Secretary Colin Powell as they face the dark hour and burden of decision in the few days ahead. They are in some way carrying the burden of the world on their shoulders. Let us pray and ask the Supreme Being to guide them in making the decision that will affect all of us.

## The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

-Hour Of Power-  
-JUDGEMENT BELONGS TO GOD-

One of the biggest problems in dealing with others is our willingness to sit in judgement on others. The simple fact is that not one of us is capable of judging another. We are not capable for the simple reason that our knowledge and wisdom are so limited. We just don't know enough about human nature, about others or about ourselves to sit in any judgemental seat.

You may ask, how do we deal with people in society who filled with so much HATE and unfor-

giveness. How do we deal in a double dealing society? How do we trust people when so many seem so untrustworthy? Watch yourself, even in our questions. We are becoming judgmental. Our problem is centered in the fact we find it hard to distinguish between judgement and condemning for this reason, Jesus and the Holy Bible says leave judgement and condemning from this reason, Jews and the Holy Bible say, leave judgement alone. Leave it to God. Instead of judging our neighbor, forgive him or her. Of course, you wonder why he or she did this or that, but you better stop at that

point. The imagination is a strange thing. When you start wondering why one acts this or that way, and leave out the elements of forgiveness. It is no telling where you will stop. Your capacity to receive goodness from God is not measured by how accurately you can judge your fellowman, but rather by how much you can forgive him. Jesus said, for the measure you give, will be the measure you will get back.

Would you take this "question" from our leaders. This whole nation needs to fall on our faces and repent. Throw down our

stones. Pick up our Holy Bibles and study. You will find out the answer for most of the problems is forgiveness. This goes for the Black man, White man, Brown man and all colors in between. God will heal this land only when we humble ourselves, and pray, seek the face of our Lord.

Keep praying. People of God! Our Lord is calling for a few good men. Answer that call!

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president; and Sister Joyce Rose, secretary.

The Women's Ministry of St. John Baptist Church cordially invites you to our Women's Conference

Saturday, March 29, 2003 at 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Theme: "How To Be A Godly Woman"

Proverbs 14:1



Topics of Discussion:

"Single Parents Raising Children Alone" Sister Virginia Jones

"Stress at the Workplace" Sister Brenda Davis

"Married, But Need Help" Rev. Gerald Jackson

Keynote Speaker: Sister Margaret Moton  
New Hope Baptist Church

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"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 March 28, 2003.



Erline Belton, board chair, The Balm In Gilead, Dr. Bobby Jones, Pernessa Seale, founder and CEO, The Balm In Gilead, and Mary Mary kicked off The Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS (March 2-8, 2003), a week of education and AIDS awareness that highlights the role that churches are playing in addressing the AIDS crisis. Each year, a growing number of Black congregations are developing AIDS prevention outreach programs; supporting and caring for persons living with HIV/AIDS. In addition to the Gospel artists, this year's Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS national partnerships include: The Masons and 100 Black Men.

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Man Our Brother"  
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## In Remembrance...



**Jimmie Fauld**

Funeral services for Jimmie Ray Fauld were held last Friday morning, March 14, 2003, at the City of Lubbock Cemetery with the Rev. Charles Thomas officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Mr. Fauld died Saturday, March 8, 2003.

He was born December 31, 1958, in Lubbock. He married Bertha Woods on August 3, 1987, in Lubbock. He was a member of Victory Church of God in Christ, and worked in Lubbock.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Bertha Fauld; two brothers, L. V. and Roy Lee, Jr., both of Lubbock, Texas; and two sisters, Virginia Brooks of Victorville, California and Mae Helen White of Lubbock, Texas.



**Edmarie Steels**

Post, Texas — Funeral services for Edmarie Steels were held last Thursday afternoon, March 13, 2003, at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Arthur Kelly officiating.

Burial was held in Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Jamison Funeral Home of Lubbock.

She died Saturday, March 8, 2003.

She was born November 7, 1929, in Bremond, Texas. She moved to Lubbock, Texas from Post three years ago. She was a member of Pleasant Home Baptist Church of Post, and served as one of the church ushers.

She is survived by two brothers, Justice of Fort Worth, Texas and Alton Ray of Midland, Texas; and three sisters: Ella Mae Neal of Waco, Texas, Dorothy Faye Nedd of Dallas, Texas and Emma Lee Harper of Lubbock, Texas.



**Lloyd C. Woods**

### PLAINVIEW'S LLOYD C. WOODS SUCCUMBS

Plainview, Texas — Mayor Lloyd C. Woods funeralized Saturday morning, March 8, 2003, at the First Baptist Church with Pastor Travis Hart officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home in Plainview.

He was died Wednesday, March 5, 2003.

Mayor Woods was born June 14, 1920, in Rogers, Ark. and served in the U.S. Army from 1940 to 1945.

He completed his tour of duty as a first lieutenant with the 827th Tank Destroyer Battalion.

He was in combat duty in France and Germany.

After attending the University of Arkansas for two years, he then moved to Plainview in 1947.

Woods was in the insurance business for 43 years in Plainview until his retirement in 1990.

He served on ten Plainview City Council from 1976 to 1984. He won the mayor's job in 1994 in a race against incumbent E.V. "Gene" Riddlehuber, who had served as mayor for 12 years, and Councilman Tom Aday.

He is survived by his wife, Madge, for 55 years; a son, Lloyd Clay Woods of McCally, Idaho; a daughter, Rhonda Cummings of Reno, Nevada; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

City Councilman T. J. Patterson, who worked with Mayor Woods for several years, said: "Mayor Woods will be missed for all he has done for Plainview and the South Plains of Texas."

# Strength for Today hope for Tomorrow

By Gerald Jackson

**Question:** Are we headed for Armageddon?

**Answer:** With the specter of war looming large between the United States and Iraq this question is being asked more frequently. The

guarantee of salvation. After the scare was over they went back to the same lifestyles. This is the "hot so" comical part of the problem.

Why play with God? For those who are in Christ, judgment day does not intimidate us, it offers us the final platform for graduation to heaven. "There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." (Romans 8:1). For those who are straddling the fence about whether or not to become a Christian let

me encourage you to make a decision now for Jesus.

So why do so many people fear the judgment. You don't have to be afraid of the Living God if He is your Father. He wants to save you, but He will not drag you into heaven kicking and screaming, you must willingly obey and come to Him. Back in the day when I was a much younger jock we would talk trash to each other on the court. When we believed we were better than another athlete would say, "If you are scared, join church." If I had only known the power and blessing of being in the church at that time I would have encouraged everyone to get there. Certainly in the church you can receive strength for today and hope for tomorrow.

...knowing the time, this is already the hour for you to awaken from sleep; for now salvation is nearer to us than when we believed.

...knowing the time, that it is already the hour for you to awaken from sleep; for now salvation is nearer to us than when we believed." (Romans 13:11).

If the subject of the end times were not so serious it would be comical! when you hear people talking about the final conflict and judgment day. I guess the comical side is the fact that many people who are not ready for judgment day try to do everything to avoid having to get ready. This brings to mind the scare at the turn of the century. Many people were afraid that it was going to be the end of the world. All sorts of prophets of gloom and doom were predicting the end of the world. People were trying to make bargains with God, Buddha, Mohammed, Buddy Holly or anyone else who would grant them a

me encourage you to make a decision now for Jesus.

Firstly, those who are in Christ will not face the judgment. We are considered to be righteous because we have trusted and obeyed Jesus. "He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." (John 3:18).

Secondly, we have the benefit of knowing that God will work all things for our good if we love Him (Romans 8:28). How good can it get! Jehovah takes care of us through this life and then he saves us and takes us to heaven. It doesn't get any better than this.

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### SOUL SISTERS SOCIAL CLUB

The Soul Sisters Social Club of Lubbock will be hosting the Stokes-Parker District's 53 Annual Convention in Lubbock this year. The Convention will be held at the Holiday Inn on April 25, 26, and 27, 2003.

On April 25 we will have a short welcome program for our club sisters that will travel from other cities to the convention. We would like to extend this invitation to you to help us welcome our guest. The opening ceremony will be held at Mac Cummins Community Center, located 2004 Oak Ave. at 8:00 p.m.

The members of the Soul Sisters Club would appreciate it greatly if you would give us a few minutes of your time. Also if you know of any other person in the community who would like to give a greeting or even attend, please feel free to invite them. The public is also invited to come to our luncheon and the award banquet is on April 26 at the Holiday Inn. The ticket for the luncheon is \$10 and banquet is \$20. We would appreciate your participation.

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## Business "Angel" from Houston Due for April Landing in Lubbock

Local and regional business leaders are making plans to have breakfast with an "angel" this spring. He may not fit the traditional image of a heavenly being with wings—but he's expected to offer good ideas on how to make new enterprises take off and fly.

Rick Holdren will be keynote speaker in April for a

breakfast meeting of the Lubbock Regional Bioscience Initiative, a program of Market Lubbock, Inc. Holdren is a member of the Houston Angel Network, an exclusive organization of high-net-worth individuals who make early-stage "seed" investments in start-up companies. Topic of his talk will be "A Valuation

Template: How to Value the Worth of Your Product to Attract and Close Funding". Holdren is co-founder of Equivision, which is publicly traded on NASDAQ.

Theme of the breakfast, a joint meeting with the West Texas Venture Capital Forum, will be "Venture Capital and Intellectual Property Valuation". It's scheduled for

7:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 3, in the McInturff Conference Center at University Medical Center. Ticket reservations may be made by calling Brandie Longoria at Market Lubbock, 723-8241. The \$12.50 price induces breakfast, the keynote speech, and an optional breakout session called "Highlights and Opportunities

for Commercialization of Technology Developed Within the Texas Tech University System". Lance Armstrong, Texas Tech's Director of Technology Transfer and Intellectual Property, will outline the most promising patents and technologies being generated within the University system. Mission of the Bioscience

Initiative is to promote regional economic development, support established companies, and foster entrepreneurship within the bioscience industries.

# COOKING CORNER

## Eating "Heart Healthy"

(NAPS)—Many health-conscious Americans are waking-up to the following fact: Eating heart-healthy snacks and meals may help increase life span, energy levels and overall well-beings.

One of the easiest—and tastiest—ways to cut the fat in your diet is to eat natural foods that are rich in vitamins and minerals. For example, rice is cholesterol-free, contains only a trace of fat and is enriched with thiamin, niacin, and iron. Beans are also a delicious low-fat choice, they are high in fiber and folic acid and are a great source of protein. In fact, as part of a low-fat diet combined with regular exercise, beans are recognized in helping prevent cancer, heart disease and obesity.

Fortunately, consumers striving for a healthier lifestyle don't have to miss out on great taste and rich flavor. There are a variety of dishes to choose from. For example:

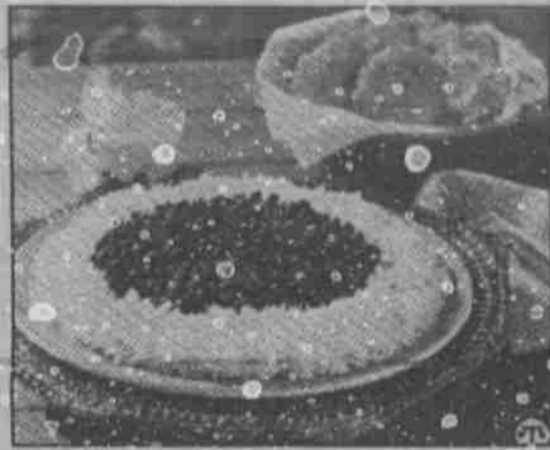
**Classic Black Beans And Rice**  
 2 tsp. Goya Olive Oil  
 1/2 cup onion, finely chopped  
 1/4 cup green pepper, finely chopped  
 2 tsp. Minced Garlic  
 1 can Goya Black Beans, undrained  
 1 tsp. oregano

3/4 cup water  
 1 packet Goya Sazon without Annatto  
 1 tbsp. White Cooking Wine or cider vinegar  
 2 cups cooked white rice  
 Heat oil in saucepan over medium heat. Stir in onion, pepper, and garlic; cook until tender, about 5-10 minutes.  
 Stir in remaining ingredients. Bring to boil. Reduce heat, simmer 10 minutes. Serve over white rice.

### North Of The Border Bean Salsa

1 package (10 oz.) frozen corn  
 1 can Goya Black Beans, rinsed and drained  
 1 can Goya Small White Beans, rinsed and drained  
 1 cup onion, diced  
 3/4 cup red bell pepper, diced  
 1 jalapeno chile, seeded and diced  
 1 tomato, seeded and diced  
 2 tsp. Minced Garlic  
 3 tsp. fresh cilantro, minced  
 3 tsp. fresh lime juice  
 3 tsp. Goya Olive Oil  
 1 tsp. chili powder  
 2 tsp. ground cumin  
 Salt and pepper to taste

In a large bowl, combine all ingredients.



## Guacamole With a Holiday Twist

(NAPS)—This year, add a twist on traditional festivities by including one of the season's best party foods, avocados. They evoke a casual sense of elegance that elevates the quality of a dish and makes guests feel special, whether they are gathered around the holiday table or toasting the New Year.

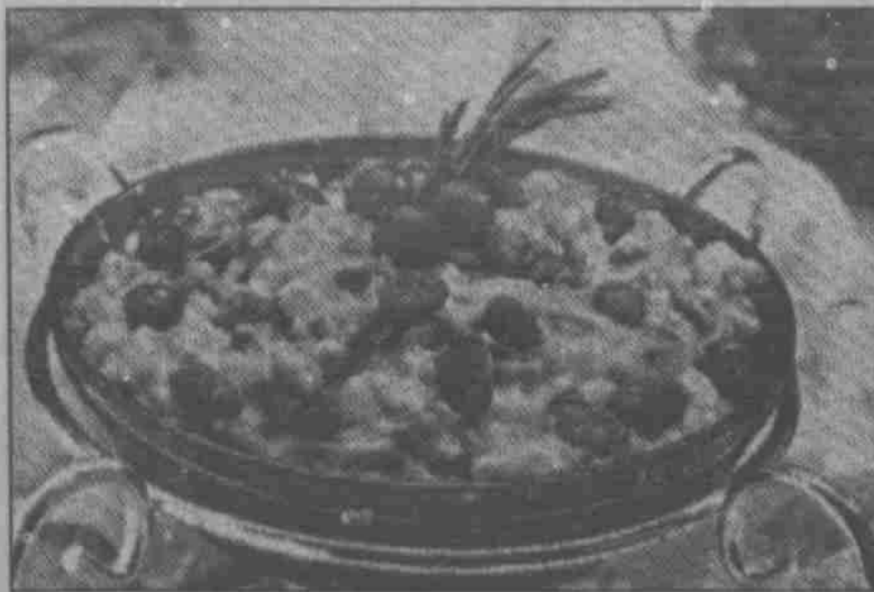
Avocados are a guaranteed hit at holiday parties, playing the starring role in guacamole and hors d'oeuvres. Avocados are available year-round, assuring consistent quality and convenience—important during the season of hustle and bustle.

Not only are avocados a delicious part of the season, they may also help de-stress the holidays. There is an ancient belief that avocados are mood enhancers, perhaps because of their energy producing magnesium and healing vitamin E, among other vitamins and nutrients. Additionally, avocados require little preparation and are perceived as satisfying com-

fort food. Most recipes simply call for fresh diced or sliced avocado and just a few seasonings. Delight your guests throughout the season with fresh avocados. Not only will they be impressed by your take on tradition, but you'll also help create a joyful party for all.

2 ripe avocados, seeded, peeled and coarsely mashed  
 1/2 cup salsa Verde  
 3 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro or parsley leaves  
 1 jalapeno, seeded and deveined, finely chopped  
 1 teaspoon coarse garlic salt  
 2/3 cup dried cranberries soaked in hot water, drained and squeezed dry

Coarsely mash avocados. Fold in remaining ingredients. Guacamole is best made as close to serving as possible. For short-term storage, seal in an airtight container with a piece of plastic wrap against the surface of the guacamole.



If you would like to submit a recipe of your own, please mail it to the Southwest Digest, P.O. Box 2553, Lubbock, Texas 79408 or bring it by the Southwest Digest office at 902 East 23rd Street. If you would like, you may also send a picture of yourself or a picture of the prepared dish.

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# Editorials • Comments • Opinions



## Let's Stop, Look and Listen at What We are Saying!

By Eddie R. Richardson

black, but he is the President of the United States of America, and we and we should respect him as President of the United States of America, and not as a dictator.

Our President, George W. Bush, says no child should be left behind, and it appears as though Lubbock is abandoning its Youth Council which was set up by T.J. Patterson when he was president of the Texas Municipal League (TML). He said, "I just recently attended the fourth annual Youth Summit held in Killeen, Texas where more than 225 young people from twenty-two cities were in attendance. It was our idea, and there was no one from Lubbock in attendance."

Let's take life as it really is and stop playing games to ourselves and others and accept the fact life is what it is with or without us. Nothing we can do about it.

No Natalie Maines, speak your piece. We are an American. Free it or to free it each. You have the right to your opinion, no matter

who agrees or disagrees with your opinion. You are an American! That gives you the right to your opinion. Thank God for America!

We have around and look at the Juneteenth Historical and Historical Commission with yours truly being the only Commissioner from West Texas. We will have a meeting on Thursday evening, March 27, 2003, beginning at 7:00 p. m. at the T.J. Patterson Library. Let's kick off having a great Emancipation Celebration on June 19th.

When is America to everyone when America never our to some American is America to none.

God Bless America! Love it or improve it.

PE. We must keep our Youth Commission going as it is our responsibility to our young people.

Ne! Sod! WHY Not?

We look around and what do we see? Things come from every angle. Let's just take a step back. Recently, Bill Clinton was the national joke by our president, George W. Bush. But when the Luis Chicks, especially Natalie Maines, made her American comment. What the hell? Clinton was and is free game, but why not George W. Bush? Is America for some and not America for others. It was her American right if she agreed or not. This is the way America is. That is why we are the greatest country in the entire world.

George W. Bush, really is the American president, appointed by the U.S. Supreme Court. Not



## In Cinque

by Renetta W. Howard

Just as we need to make decisions and plan for our last rites, we need to also plan for the distribution of our property, both personal and real. Too often, we make 'word of mouth' decisions which do not stand up in a court of law. These verbal decisions and requests are often the source of family disputes, hard feelings and the destruction and division of families. Some families never heal following the death of a loved one. Most of the confusion could be avoided with something as simple as a will.

One does not have to own extensive personal or real property to have a will. It can be ever so simple, but yet an instrument for keeping the peace. Even when someone is unhappy because of it,

they will know that this was your choice, and your choice to make. Then, the only person to be angry with, would be you, their dear departed loved one; in that case, anger would be futile.

To eliminate futility, at any point in one's life is the time to make a will. As possessions are accumulated or removed, wills can be changed as long as you have complete control of your mental faculties. That is why there is usually a passage about 'being of sound mind' included in the description of one who makes a will. If one does not need or desire to change an original will, a codicil can be added to the original will. If changes are drastic enough, another will can be made to take the place of the original will. The date usually attests to the will being the 'last will and testament.'

In your will, you specify exactly what you want done with your property or to whom you want to have certain items. This can be done even when you have only one child if you do not want that child to have all of your possessions.

However, in most states, real estate is inherited by one's children if there is no will. Money in the bank is another issue. If you fail to set your accounts up to be inherited by some designated person, 'payable at your death,' then the state will decide what happens to your money. Some of it may go to whomever you wish and it may not. It will depend on the laws in your state.

One does not need a lawyer to make a will. If you cannot afford a lawyer, there are forms for wills which allow a fill-in process that may be used. Computer savvy individuals can secure legal forms computer programs to guide them through the process. When it is all said and done, plain paper with your desires on it can be used for your last will and testament. Just remember to have witnesses and have it notarized. It will stand up in court. Therefore, if you have anything which you want a certain person or persons to have after you have crossed over into glory, it is time for you to get 'in cinque' and make a will.

## LETTER to the EDITOR

February 14, 2003

Dear Editor,

Thank you for encouraging community members to visit our public schools. One of your readers, Ms. Annie Day, recently visited Wheatley Elementary She sat in on some classes and she visited with the principal concerning our mission at Wheatley.

We strongly believe that we have a wonderful school where students are learning and teachers are teaching. We were delighted to share our school with Mother Day. Our only regret is that she could not stay at Wheatley for a longer period of time.

Thank you for encouraging community members to find out for themselves how their tax dollars are being spent. Our doors are always open at Wheatley, and we welcome visitors at any time. If a visit is not possible, then we solicit your prayers.

Sincerely,

Wheatley Elementary School  
Margaret Randle, Principal  
Severe Alvarado, Instructional Specialist  
Robert Hastings, PTA President

## Do African Americans Need Affirmative Action?

by Dr. Jawanza Kunjufu

In the next few months, the U.S. Supreme Court will decide the case between Gratz vs Bollinger. This involves the University of Michigan and its law school and whether they have the right to allow race as a factor in their desire to provide a diverse student body. The plaintiff and their followers argue that they have experienced reverse discrimination. They are correct that students of color who had lower GPAs and test scores were admitted while they were denied.

There are numerous factors related to this legal issue. Superficially, one could surmise people of color and particularly African Americans and Hispanics are genetically inferior. This is further exacerbated when the public assumes that between 1954 (Brown vs. Topeka) and the present, that a level playing field was created. There has been much discussion about dismantling affirmative action on college campuses, but little has been said about White preference, kindergarten-12th grade.

In middle and upper class

school districts, the school per-pupil expenditure is between \$10,000-\$33,000 depending upon the district. The student-teacher ratio is smaller, a large percentage of the experienced staff possess graduate degrees, advanced placement is offered in almost every course, and there is enough equipment to restock Best Buy or Wal-Mart.

In contrast, in the inner city, the school per pupil expenditure is less than \$7,000, the student-teacher ratio normally exceeds 30 students, very few staff possess graduate degrees, staff turnover is 40 percent within five years, and many teach math or science classes without qualifications and failed the state exam. There are few if any advanced placement courses and very little equipment is available even to remove lead paint and outdated heating units.

How does America believe it's a level playing field under these conditions? I commend the University of Texas which considered the above and allows the top ten percent from all Texas high schools to be admitted. When African Americans are given the opportuni-

ty to compete, most in spite SAT scores 200 points below their White peers, outperformed them on college GPAs.

My first desire is to level the playing field, kindergarten-12th grade. In my book, Black Students: Middle Class Teachers, I share research from Education Trust, that the most important factor determining educational achievement is not race, income, or marital status, but the effectiveness of the teacher. Unfortunately, kindergarten-12th grade, most African American students are not being taught by our best educators. If America is unwilling to abolish affirmative action kindergarten-12th grade, the University of Michigan should continue to be allowed to value diversity and give students of color the opportunity to compete against their privileged White peers, which they have fared very well.

Dr. Kunjufu is the author of Black College Student Survival Guide & Black Students: Middle Class Teachers. He can be reached at African American Images.com.

## THIS N THAT

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Washington, D.C.-U.S. Rep. Larry Combest (R-TX) announced that fire departments in the 19th congressional district of Texas may now apply for a federal grant program under the Federal Management Agency (FEMA), and encourages district fire departments to apply.

The Firefighter Investment and Response Enhancement (FIRE) Act provides increased federal assistance to over 32,000 fire departments that respond to some 17 million emergency calls each year. In 2002 alone, FEMA distributed more than \$334 million through 5,316 grants to help America's firefighters become better prepared, trained and equipped to effectively respond to fires and other disasters. Funding for this program has doubled from FY 2002 to FY 2003.

The programs, and associated activities, eligible in this year's grant program are as follows:

**Fire Operations and Firefighter Safety Program:** Eligible activities under this function are limited to training, wellness and fitness, fire-fighting equipment, personal protective equipment, and modifications to fire stations and facilities.

**Fire Prevention Program:** Eligible activities under this function include, but are not limited to, public education and awareness activities, fire codes enforcement activities, fire inspector certifications, purchase and installation of smoke alarms and fire suppression systems, wildland mitigation, and arson prevention and detection activities.

**Emergency Medical Services Program:** Eligible

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**Firefighting Vehicles Acquisition Program:** Eligible apparatus under this program include, but are not limited to, pumpers, brush trucks, tankers, rescue, ambulances, quints, aerials, foam units, and fireboats. You may apply for only one vehicle per year.

As of March 1, FEMA became part of the Department of Homeland Security. Interested fire departments should begin their application process immediately. The application deadline is April 11, 2003. Information about the program is available online at: [www.usfa.fema.gov/](http://www.usfa.fema.gov/).

## Betenbough Lectures to Bring in Duffy Robbins

LUBBOCK, TX—March 6, 2003—A brand new program is coming to LCU on March 26-27—the Betenbough Lectures—featuring nationally known youth worker, Duffy Robbins. The lectures open Wednesday, March 26 at 7 p.m. in the Baker Conference Center on LCU campus. The conference resumes Thursday morning at 8 a.m., concluding by noon. All faiths are being invited to come. This will provide an opportunity for all faith groups to interact and perhaps share insights into youth ministry in the 21st Century.

Duffy Robbins, Chairman of the Department of Youth Ministry at Eastern University located in St. Davids,

Pennsylvania, is a twenty-two year veteran of youth ministry. He is a well respected author and speaker in the area of youth and family ministry. He has written many books on the topic of youth ministry and excels in this area of service. He will be the featured speaker for both days. Duffy has spoken across the country at youth retreats and conventions, conferences and workshops for youth workers, and at major Christian music festivals like Creation, Cornerstone, ICHTHUS, and Blackstamp (Sydney, Australia). His international ministry has ranged from youth conventions and training conferences in Australia, New Zealand, Europe and all

over North America to a national pastor's conference in Port au Prince, Haiti.

As an Associate Staff member of Youth Specialties, Duffy works throughout the year in training events for youthworkers, appearing each spring in about fifteen cities coast to coast as a part of the National Youthworker Resource Seminar and at the National Youthworkers Conventions each fall. Duffy's speaking schedule also takes him each year to several different college campuses as part of the Saley Distinguished Christian Scholars Lectureship.

The Betenbough Lectures at LCU are free. This is made possible by a generous donation from the Betenbough Foundation. The Lectures will give full-time, part-time, volunteers and the student leaders in each group an opportunity to attend together. For more information call Melody at 806-720-7651.

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## EEOC Lawsuit Targets Radically Hostile Workplace at Consolidated Freight Ways

Suit Says African-American Workers Subjected to Hangman's Nooses and Racial Graffiti

CHICAGO - The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) filed suit in federal court in Chicago today challenging a racially hostile work environment at Consolidated Freightways Corporation. Consolidated has been one of the world's largest less-than-truckload freight carriers with up to 22,000 employees worldwide.

The EEOC's suit under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 contends that African-American employees working at Consolidated's facilities in Bridgeview, Bedford Park, and Des Plaines, Illinois, were harassed and required to work in an environment marked by racist graffiti and hangman's nooses. The company is currently in Chapter 11 liquidation proceedings in federal Bankruptcy Court in Riverside, California.

John Rowe, Director of the EEOC's Chicago District Office, said that the agency fully recognized that the liquidation proceedings sharply reduced any prospects for monetary relief in the case. "On the other hand," Rowe said, "if trucking operations are continued by successors from these facilities, it will be important to have a court order in place which bars repetition of what has gone on before."

The EEOC lawsuit follows its administrative investigation of Charges of Discrimination filed by 14 African-American

Consolidated employees. After the investigation, Director Rowe issued a Determination finding "reasonable cause" to believe there had been a violation of Title VII. The EEOC's attempts to resolve the matter through voluntary conciliation before filing suit proved unsuccessful.

The EEOC Regional Attorney in Chicago, John Hendrickson, said, "What was going on at these Consolidated facilities was totally unacceptable. No employer should think it can permit graffiti like we saw here and nooses hanging around the workplace without drawing the attention of the EEOC. If it is at all possible, we want there to be good jobs available at these facilities after Consolidated's liquidation - but the racially hostile work environments cannot be brought back."

The EEOC is seeking, principally, injunctive relief in the case, and compensatory and punitive damages, to the extent they may be available. The litigation was filed in the Eastern Division of the US District Court for the Northern District of Illinois in Chicago under the caption EEOC v. Consolidated Freightways Corporation, and designated Civil Action No. 03 C 1714. The case has been assigned to District Judge Andersen.

Lauren Dreilinger, EEOC Chicago Trial Attorney, said, "The types and frequency of harassment endured by the

African-Americans at Consolidated illustrate how far some workplaces need to move in order to achieve compliance with federal law. Our objective is to assure that, for these, it happens right here, right now."

Racial harassment, a sub-category of race discrimination, is the most frequently cited form of harassment in EEOC charge filings. In Fiscal Year 2002, the EEOC received 6,685 racial harassment charge filings against private sector employers.

EEOC enforces Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits employment discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex (including sexual harassment or pregnancy) or national origin and protects employees who complain about such offenses from retaliation; the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, which protects workers age 40 and older from discrimination based on age; the Equal Pay Act of 1963; the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which prohibits employment discrimination against people with disabilities in the federal sector; Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibits employment discrimination against people with disabilities in the private sector and state and local governments; and sections of the Civil Rights Act of 1991. Further information about the Commission is available on the agency's web site at [www.eeoc.gov](http://www.eeoc.gov).

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