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Minister Muhammad Featured at Town Hall Meeting

The Black Voice News

MORENO VALLEY

The Nation of Islam Western Regional Minister, Tony Muhammad will be the featured speaker at a Townhall Meeting entitled, "Unity in the Community," on Saturday, September 25, 1999 beginning at 4:00 p.m.

Sponsored by the Moreno



Rev. Bernell Butler with Minister Tony Muhammad

File Photo

Valley Study Group, topics will include: unity; working together; sharing ideas; and bridging the gap.

Unity in the Community will be held at The Best Western, 24840 Elder Avenue, from Perris Blvd., one block north of Sunnymead Blvd. The Best Western phone number is (909) 924-4546.

For more information, call (909) 657-6982 or (909) 656-1416, or visit Moreno Valley

Study Group at www.blackmind.com/mvsg/23890.

Pre-trial Victory for Anchor

The Black Voice News

RANCHO CUCAMONGA

In her most important pre-trial ruling thus far, San Bernardino Superior Court Judge Mary L.

Fuller has dismissed two of the most serious charges facing former KCBS News Anchor Larry Carroll.

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Thursday, September 23, 1999

Byas To Head CJUSD as Interim Superintendent

The Black Voice News

COLTON

Dennis Byas, assistant superintendent of business, will head the Colton Joint Unified School District as interim superintendent, the Board of Education



Dennis Byas

voted August 19.

Byas replaces Nancy A. Norton, who retired this summer after serving as interim superintendent since January. Norton took over for former Superintendent Herbert R. Fischer, who was elected San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools last winter.

"I'm excited about this opportunity to serve in an interim capacity and am confident that the District will continue on its course of improvement. I know that with the hard work of our staff and parents, our students will achieve," Byas said.

The Board of Education will renew its search for a permanent superintendent in the future, but a date has not been set to initiate recruitment efforts. A search held last spring attracted 14 candidates; the Board, however, did not choose one of the 14 as superintendent.

Byas, 48, joined the school district in August 1997 as assistant superintendent of business. He formerly served as the assistant superintendent of business for the Duarte Unified School District since 1994. Previously he was the business manager for Bear Valley Unified for four years, for the Xerox Corporation as a senior financial administrator and Ford Aerospace as a financial analyst. Prior to that, he worked for Kaiser Steel Corporation for 12 years.

As interim superintendent, Byas will oversee 26 schools with close to 21,000 students and more than 2,000 employees. He will be responsible for carrying out the district's goals and objectives in the areas of student performance, personnel development, facilities/support services, budget planning, school safety/attendance and community relations/parent involvement.

Byas holds both a master of business administration and a master of arts in management from the Peter Drucker Management Center at Claremont Graduate School. He also earned a bachelor of arts degree in economics from California State University, San Bernardino and an associate of arts degree from San Bernardino Valley College.

Tensions Rise As Use Of Force Panel Makes Report

The Black Voice News

RIVERSIDE

By Hardy Brown

The Riverside City Council heard an update of the Police Use of Force Panel that was appointed June 1, 1999 after an ad hoc committee came back with specific recommendations, following the uproar over the police shooting of Tyisha Miller, 19 as she laid in medical distress, December 28, 1998. The four officers and their supervisor were later fired but not indicted in that shooting. That committee was lead by Jack Clarke, President of the Riverside Chamber of Commerce and son of the first Black City Councilman in Riverside.

The first quarterly report from the committee chaired by Councilwoman Maureen Kane, reported on the 12 recommendations from Clarke's committee. Kane's charge is to look at the implementation of the 12 recommendations.

Miller Rallies Continues

The Black Voice News

RIVERSIDE

By Cheryl Brown

The Tyisha Miller Steering Committee met as usual to rally in front of the Riverside City Hall on Monday. About 75 faithful follower attended the rally and march.

The topic of discussion was the Justice Department symposium. Butler told the crowd what he learned in Washington D.C. was how the Jasper, Texas group got healing and justice after the dragging death of James Byrd by three White racist. They are healing because they got due process of the law and the Sheriff himself was first to say whoever was responsible was going to pay for the heinous crime. "We are still pressing the feds to charge the officers so we can have closure. It is a hate crime," said Butler. "The District Attorney and the police department left out the Rene Rodriguez charges of racism when they cleared the officers of the crime," he said. He hopes the feds will find this is enough to reopen the case.

Butler also spoke about Officer Bill

Police Use of Force Panel Recommendations

- No. 1 Amend the written Use of Force Policy to reflect this community's commitment to cultural and racial sensitivity and to explicitly recognize the sanctity of human life.
- No. 2 Increase the number of minority and female police officers in the ranks of the Riverside Police Department, and obtain minority and female representation at the highest levels of command.
- No. 3 Increase the Department's diversity training.
- No. 4 Firmly commit to community policing and to the expansion of community policing.
- No. 5 Institute an improved form of citizen review.
- No. 6 Develop a means whereby the community can be assured that officers who act outside of the Use of Force Policy are subject to appropriate discipline.
- No. 7 Collect and distribute data concerning traffic stops broken down by racial and ethnic categories.
- No. 8 Determine the need to obtain additional less-than-lethal weapons for Use by Officers in the field, for additional training and for improved technology.
- No. 9 Determine the need for more officers in the City of Riverside
- No. 10 Review and, if need be, refine the "Early Warning System" within the Department to assist in identifying officers who begin to show a tendency to Use Excessive Force.
- No. 11 Implement policies to ensure experienced patrol officers are available on all watches and emphasis is placed on the supervisors in the field.
- No. 12 Do not allow budgetary constraints to be used as an Excuse for No Action.

One of the hot buttons agreed on by a diverse citizenry is that of a police review board. In Tuesday's meeting the committee reported they are investigating various types of panels that are working throughout the country.

Even though the report was unanimously received by the

Council there were a few moments of tension. That was when Councilman Alex Clifford concluded his remarks

that we must have the most qualified person hired. This prompted Councilman Ameal Moore, the only Black on the Council to respond forcefully that those remarks troubled him because of his race, the past, and they are only used when minorities are being considered, which implies that Black and Latinos are not qualified. Moore was referencing a general understanding in the Black community that the only time they hear about qualifications is when they are being considered for a position. This was brought to light in the Griggs VS Duke Power Supreme Court ruling in 1964 where they (Duke) wanted any Black hired to have a high

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WW II Veteran/Deacon Harris Dies

The Black Voice News

RIVERSIDE



Deacon Norman Harris, Jr.

By Cheryl Brown

Sadness prevails again in Rubidoux as another death at Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church was reported this week.

Deacon Norman Harris, Jr. "Bubba", a long time resident of Rubidoux died at Long Beach Veteran's Hospital.

Harris was born in Eufala, Oklahoma on February 13, 1922 and he died on August 13, 1999. His parents Norman Sr, and Vergie Dennis Harris preceded him in death. He was

one of 7 children.

Following high school graduation in 1943, he enlisted in the U.S. Army. He fought in WWII and served in France

and Germany. Before being honorably discharged as a sergeant in 1949 he married Ann Smith Harris and they had

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New Chief for Adopt-A-Bike

The Black Voice News

SAN BERNARDINO

Community philanthropist Charlie Seymour has named Charlotte Seymour Ellison as the new chief executive officer of Adopt-a-Bike and computer, a haven for children in San Bernardino.

"Charlotte will bring a new structure to our organization

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Charlotte Ellison

Corona Girl Condition Improves

The Black Voice News

LOMA LINDA

The 6-year-old girl found chained to her bed in Norco on Tuesday, September 7, has been upgraded to good condition. She is now receiving rehabilitation to help her reach developmental milestones, is more interactive with her caregivers, and responds to voice commands. She is also walking with more confidence

and her appetite has improved.

Those interested in making donations to the trust fund that has been established for the Topper girl can make checks payable to "Trust Account for Topper child" and send them to: Social Services Administration Building, Attn: Alida Marchioni, 4060 County Circle Drive, Riverside, CA 92503.

EEE to Dissolve and Donate Assets to Educational Technology

The Black Voice News

SAN BERNARDINO

The Enterprise for Economic Excellence (EEE) Executive Committee will dissolve its non-profit organization and donate its assets to support educational technology programs in San Bernardino County.

Understanding the need to provide students with the opportunities to prepare them for the growing demand of high-tech jobs, the EEE Executive Committee has decided to donate funds and equipment to support a

networking academy currently offered at six high schools within the county, managed by the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools (SBCSS). The academy is an innovative partnership with Cisco Systems and is a four-semester, hands-on program designed to provide technical skills for entry into the workplace upon graduation and a solid foundation for further study at the college level.

"I am pleased that the Executive Committee has made the decision to dedicate the assets of EEE to further

educational opportunities for our county's students. Through this donation, more students will be able to take advantage of advanced technical training and be better prepared for careers in the 21st Century," said Herbert Fischer, San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools.

In addition, upon dissolution, EEE will donate all of its remaining assets to the Technology Access Partnership (TAP) Foundation, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization established to provide access to technology and training

programs for underprivileged youth within the Inland Empire.

On July 16, 1999, ULTIMATE Internet Access (UIA), Inc., acquired the Internet Services portion of EEE. The Internet Services portion was created shortly after the establishment of the organization in 1995 to provide affordable internet-related services, including local dialup access, web page development, systems applications, and training programs to San Bernardino County's business, government, and educational

entities. As a complement to the Internet Services component, EEE established the Eight Percent Rebate Program to raise funds for technology in local schools. This program returned a total of \$166,377 to schools within San Bernardino County. "This is a wonderful way for EEE to wind-up the organization. Our commitment has always been to promote the use of technology in support of education," said Larry Sharp, vice chairman, EEE.

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SERVING THE COMMUNITY FOR OVER 27 YEARS

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The Social-Lites of San Bernardino will begin preparation for the 1999-2000 Beautillion season. Briefing for this event is scheduled to place on Saturday, September 25, 1999 and again on Saturday, October 2, 1999. Participants and their parents are invited to attend this informative meeting which will be held at the Public Enterprise/Dorothy Ingram Library located at 1505 West Highland Avenue in San Bernardino. For more information, contact (909) 854-7730

Charges Facing Fomer KCBS News Anchor

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Fuller dismissed charges that Carroll sold securities without qualification and that he engaged in a conspiracy to sell unqualified securities.

In her ruling, Fuller stated that Deputy District Attorney Gordon Isen had brought the charges without probable cause, in direct violation of protective federal law.

Carroll attorneys view the

ruling as a major victory since the remaining charges require the prosecution to prove that a man well known for his honesty, philanthropy and community service intended to commit crime when he provided a celebrity endorsement of a complex international investment program.

Trial proceedings are set to begin October 4th in Rancho Cucamonga.

New Chief for Adopt-A-Bike

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and continue strengthening the foundation for our future expansion." Seymour explained.

"I know all of our programs for youngsters will benefit with Charlotte's expert touch.

"I'm still speechless!"

exclaimed Ellison after the early morning announcement.

Ellison is reminding the mentors and volunteer staff at Adopt-A-Bike and computer of a favorite quotation: "Remember how good it felt to have someone you can count on."

WW II Veteran/Deacon Harris Dies

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two children. Last year they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Eleven years ago he moved his membership to the newly formed Olivet Institutional Baptist Church in Ontario, CA.

Listed among the things he enjoyed were dominoes. Because of his warm personality

people immediately took a liking to him.

He is survived by, wife, Ann; sons Keven and Kenneth, daughter-in-law Debra; siblings, Eulis Harris, Allene Jordan, Lillian Neal and Marion Ward; his sister-in-law Mary Harris; 4 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren and over 100 nieces and nephews.

CIVIL LIBERTIES DAY CELEBRATION

will be held at

Arrowhead Elks Lodge #896

1073 Mount Vernon Avenue

San Bernardino, CA

on Saturday, September 25, 1999

10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

This event is sponsored by Tri-Cities Civil Liberties League #254.

Speakers will address the Voting Rights Act, the Census Bureau, Transitional Living for young men between the ages of 18 and 21 years, and the difference of reporting minority issues by the media.

Bar-B-Que & Brisket dinners sold all day. 6th Regiment Antler Guard Team will perform. Drill Team Competition. Vendor spaces are available (No Food). Call (626) 794-5235, Pasadena; (909) 986-6856, Pomona; and (880-9468 or 862-1104, San Bernardino for more information.

EDWIDGE DANTICAT

Talented novelist Edwidge Danticat appears at the California African American Museum on September 25, 1999 from 3-5 p.m. Danticat, author of three books will read and sign her latest book "The Farming of Bones". The event is free and open to the public. Location for this event is: Exposition Park - 600 Sate Drive in L.A. For more information, call (213) 744-7432.

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Tensions Rise As Use Of Force Panel Makes Report

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school diploma but 85% of the White folks didn't have a diploma. Moore was reacting to best qualified because a job has its own qualifications and more qualified tends to say a person who meets the qualifications requested is not good enough.

Rev. Bernell Butler, Miller family spokesman, accused some council members of not wanting to implement the recommended changes and pointed out comments made by a council member that Police have a right to stop people for driving while criminal. That prompted Clifford to say, he did not appreciate being mis-quoted in the statement several weeks ago, where he supposedly said

Blacks were stopped while driving while criminal. During that Council meeting reported in Black Voice, Moore reacted forcefully in rebuking him because he said Clifford's remarks implied that all Blacks were criminal and therefore the Police would be justified in stopping them. Clifford angry about the report denied he said driving while criminal. Since that Council meeting Black police officer Rene Rodriguez filed a complaint that he was taught how to stop Blacks and Latinos giving credence to the saying "driving while Black or Brown."

Clarke remarked at the meeting there is some concern by the Police

Use of Force Review Panel, because they cannot bring up issues unless they are on the agenda because of the Brown Act. This he said seems to frustrate community people.

Mayor Loveridge said he was concerned that this committee's work is not being disseminated to the community and instructed City Manager John Holmes to devise a plan to make this information available.

Another concern brewing in the community is the Riverside Police Association's stranglehold over the assignment of police officers. The report says you need to put more experienced officers on night shifts, and the Riverside Police Officer's Association

wants to use this as a bargaining chip and not allow the Chief to staff his own department for the best interest of the community. The Chief is meeting with the RPOA on the matter. The City Council has approved creation of two new Lieutenant positions and eight Special Agent positions to allow the more senior officers to be assigned to graveyard.

Jesse Wilson, President of the Steering Committee told the Council this is an historic moment for the city of Riverside to implement change and they should take this window of opportunity to make change so Riverside can be a better and safer community.

BVN Readers: What's On Your Mind?

WE WON'T DO IT!

I believe the Republicans had a psychological profile made of Bill Clinton before the 92 election and used this political subversive intelligence to block legislation of tremendous importance to we the people. Healthcare, political campaign reform, preserving social security education improvements, childcare and medicare. All blocked by Republican schemes to prevent President Clinton from submitting these to the Congress so the people would not recognize Republican guilt for this obstruction.

This was purpose of six years of useless investigations and irresponsible stalling.

Al Gore should be supported from the rage for these violations of our political body. This was a rape! We the people took a political raping from those Republican roaches.

We must not give them an even better chance to do it again. The propagandists that people want a change of this presidential team is malicious. It is not in our best interest.

Some people will be stupid enough to vote Republican in 2000. The rest are too smart.

George Bush is one of those elite who cares nothing of the lower 80% of we the people. He has been proven several times not to keep his word on issues important to the people who most need to trust leaders. You and I.

We have a plan. Here it is. Vote Al and Tipper Gore into White House of representatives with liberals.

This will save social security, bring political campaign reform, improve education, preserve women's right of choice, bring health care to more people.

Successful smart people recognize a good plan and stick to it. We are not led astray by a will-o-the-whisp.

Vote for George Bush!

H*ll no we won't do it! We got a plan and we'll stick to it.

We see a need and it's arouse! Al and Tipper in two thousand!

Kyle R. Dickson
Hemet

BUILDING A MOSQUE

Even though I didn't meet Malcolm X, I had the good fortune to met and have extensive conversations with Alex Haley and Minster Louis Farrakhan. Albeit not both at

the same time. As everyone knows, eagles don't flock -- you have to visit with them one at a time. I conversed with Minister Louis Farrakhan in 1972 at Jim Brown's Hollywood hills home. Fourteen years later, I ran into Alex Haley at a coffee shop across from Warner Bros. in Burbank.

Therefore, with some wise insight into both icons, it brings me happiness that Minister Farrakahn completed the vision of Malcolm X and Alex Haley to build a mosque in the small Muslim village of Juffuren, Gambia.

The building of a mosque in Ghana, helps to add more understanding to the depth of Malcolm X. It was in Accra that he had dinner with Maya Angelou before returning to the United States. Shortly after, Malcolm X was assassinated. According to Dr. James Farmer, who was, also, in Ghana, "it was as if the handwriting was on the slave walls -- about Malcolm's

death."

A leader is a dealer in hope. Minister Farrakhan is such a leader. Thank goodness for his wisdom of getting us motivated to build in Mother Africa -- something we are convinced should be done for our children.

Carol Speed
Georgia

TAKING THE FIRST STEP

Not only did Rialto voters approve a much needed school bond for a new high school, middle school and elementary school, they did so in an overwhelming manner. With 77 percent voting "yes," the large margin of victory was a wonderful surprise. It tells me how much our community members care for our children and of their willingness to invest in the future of young lives.

Besides those who voted, there were more than a hundred volunteers who gave freely of

their time making phone calls, walking door to door, helping with mailers or doing whatever job was necessary. Many individuals and organizations contributed financially or donated services. A core group of volunteers met regularly for three months running to coordinate the outreach endeavor. To the many people who dedicated countless hours on this worthwhile effort, you are to be commended.

We need better, safer schools for our students; taking this first step toward reducing the overcrowded conditions on our existing campuses is critically important. Thank you Rialto voters for making that possible for our children. Thank you for supporting Measure H.

Dennis W. Mobley
Rialto

Family Talks



Joseph A. Bailey, II, M.D.

Southern slaves had better opportunities to learn trades than did the Northern free Negro because masters found it acceptable to keep their slaves employed throughout the year. Many engaged in railroad construction and road building, blacksmith, carpenter, anchor-makers, machinists, bricks layers, brick makers, distillers, hammermen, refiners, shoe makers, tailors, tanners, and boatmen on the rivers. Southern Whites objected strenuously to the competition of Negro artisans which resulted from the practice of the masters in hiring out their slave mechanics at lower rates. Complaining Whites forced restrictive legislation on the grounds that teaching a slave a trade made him "restless and unhappy!!!"

Northern ante-bellum Negroes were primarily domestic servants. In addition, men were employed chiefly as barbers, waiters, butlers, coachmen, janitors, porters, and stablemen;

Early Occupation for Negroes

women as laundresses, maids, cooks, seamstresses, nursemaids, hairdressers, or day laborers. Exclusion from industry and the trades was due partly to racial prejudice, and partly to the greater skill of White foreigners.

During the Civil War, large numbers of slaves were used in the war industries for the South -- foundries, machine shops, munition plants, textiles mills, mines, shipyards, and railroads. Negroes were often given wages -- a new experience for them. Their involvement resulted from White laborers being needed in the Army, and the federal blockade effectively reducing the importation of manufactured goods from abroad. Slaves received valuable training which would have put them a long way ahead had not the end of the war largely terminated these industries. Unfortunately, **Bad Attitudes of Many Workers Clouded Their Common Sense.** Certain of the slave artisans renounced their trades, looking upon such vocations as badges of servitude (they preferred politics). Others left the rural districts for the towns where they were unable to find work at their trades.

After the war, the Negro became his own contractor and consequently suffered a disadvantage in competition with the Whites. He could not

receive fair wages in most cases. Furthermore, he was forced to face his former masters and other Whites upon whom he had to depend for employment. The training he received in slavery, moreover, did not fit him for the expert technique of modern carpentry, railroad building or the successful repairing of factory machinery. Besides these disadvantages, many Negroes, freed from the supervision of their masters, became careless, indifferent, and unreliable. In the North and West the hostility of the trade union and the refusal of the Whites to work with Blacks kept the numbers of Negro artisans small. Second only to agriculture were domestic and personal services over the next 65 years. This constantly high percentage of employment in these occupations indicated that other avenues of employment were not opening very rapidly for them. Even more meaningful than being Black was the exclusion of Afro-American men from non-agricultural occupations while providing job opportunities for Negro women. Lacking money and subordinating themselves to their women was extremely damaging to male self-esteem.

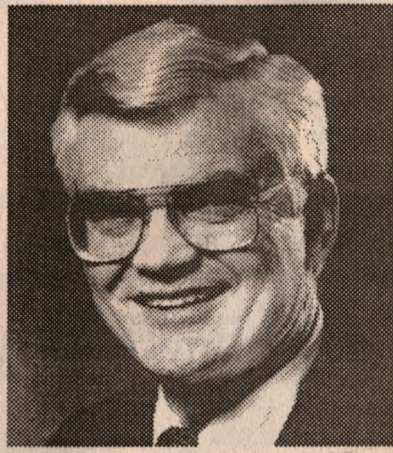
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Blueprint for Volunteer Diversity Seeks Leadership in Riverside

The Black Voice News

RIVERSIDE

Mayor Ronald O. Loveridge and United Way of the Inland Valleys are collaborating again for the fifth year to encourage diversity on public sector commissions and boards of community service non-profit organizations through the Blueprint for Volunteer Diversity Program. According to Mayor Loveridge, "Part of Riverside's greatness is the diversity of its citizens. Our commitment must be to provide the opportunity for all citizens to be involved in the governance of their community."



Mayor Ron Loveridge

Blueprint for Volunteer Diversity is accepting applications for the 2000 leadership development

program. Residents of Greater Riverside and Moreno Valley are invited to apply for the eight-week training that begins on Saturday, January 29, 2000 and concludes with a graduation ceremony on March 22, 2000.

"The purpose of the program is two-fold: 1) identify, train, and support members of underrepresented groups to become effective, knowledgeable members of nonprofit boards and public sector commissions; and 2) prepare organizations to involve these newly trained volunteers.

"Blueprint has proven to be an

important vehicle to ensure that all voices are heard and opinions valued as we pursue inclusive input to the decision-making process," states Eliza Daniely-Woolfolk, Chair of the Planning Committee. "We are recruiting people who have a commitment to volunteer service, have leadership capabilities and would be responsible and dependable members of a nonprofit board and/or public sector committee."

A 1998 graduate of the program, Emilio Ramirez is a new member of several local boards including Treasurer of

Arlington Temporary Social Services and People Reaching Out. He credits Blueprint for his community involvement. "The program provided me the instruction, training and guidance I needed to better serve these organizations and my community."

Joining Mayor Loveridge and United Way again this year are Best, Best & Krieger LLP,

Kaiser Permanente, Pacific Bell, Riverside County's Credit Union, The Gas Company and Uptown Kiwanis. Blueprint welcomes other business partners.

Application deadline is Friday, October 1, 1999. For information about the program, please call Frances Vasquez at (909) 697-4719 or Mary Ann Stalder at (909) 697-4700.

'99 Library Community Challenge Campaign

The Black Voice News

RIVERSIDE

The Riverside Public Library Foundation's '99 Campaign has raised more than \$68,000 to date from more than 1000 generous public supporters. According to Bob Fitch, Chairman of the Foundation, "There are still pledges pending and the final accounting to be done, but it is clear that Riversiders are generous and devoted to their library. Although the challenge part of the campaign officially ended on August 31, 1999 with the community easily meeting the Committee of Ten's two-for-one challenge, donations are still being received."

Thanks to the Campaign's success, foundation directors Bob Fitch, Chairman, Paul E. Fick, Vice-Chairman, John Brown, Henry Coil, Sandra Fillion Foster, Ph.D., Leo J. Giroir, Jr., Dr. Daniel Hays, Phil Savage, IV, Wendel W. Tucker, Ph.D., and Norton Younglove, voted to appropriate \$50,000

from that drive to the Library as a Special Grant to purchase circulating books. The remainder of the campaign proceeds will go to the Library Foundation Endowment and ongoing fund development. Judith Auth, Library Director explained that, "the Board of Library Trustees who are appointed by the City Council to set Library policy, reviewed several staff proposals for

funding augmentation. The purchase of circulating books for all ages was the most compelling proposal as it was supported by library customer responses to the 1998/1999 materials survey and the direct mail inquiry made by the Foundation. Therefore, the Trustees requested that the Foundation consider book acquisition as the Special Grant allocation for 1999."

Two Health Superheroes Teamed for Route 66

The Black Voice News

SAN BERNARDINO

For the first time, two nationally acclaimed healthcare superheroes joined forces to launch a crusade to protect Inland Empire kids.

The American Medical Association (AMA) sent its anti-smoking superhero, The Extinguisher, to team with Inland Empire Health Plan's (IEHP) bicycle safety superhero, Rad Rider - Safety Cyclist.

Co-sponsoring this unique healthcare event were the

Riverside County Medical Association, the San Bernardino County Medical Society, the AMA, and Inland Empire Health Plan.

The Extinguisher and Rad Rider were at the Route 66 Rendezvous in the IEHP Fun Zone this past weekend.

The Extinguisher enlisted young "buddies" (up to age 10) to help him fight "Big Tobacco." Rad Rider reminded kids to always wear a helmet and always obey safety laws when riding their bikes.

Counties' Residents Urgently Needed to Donate

The Black Voice News

SAN BERNARDINO

Officials at the Community Blood Centers of Southern Florida made an emergency plea for blood in response to Florida's Natural Disaster. The Blood Bank of San Bernardino and Riverside Counties responded immediately by sending 100 pints of blood. Blood donors are urgently needed to donate blood at one of the Blood Bank's donor centers located in San Bernardino, Riverside, Ontario, Upland and Hesperia.

In any type of emergency situation, blood must be donated, tested and ready when the need arises. Community donors who have rolled up their sleeves to give the gift of life over the past few weeks have made it possible for local patients as well as people in Florida to receive blood.

For more information, call 1-800-879-4484.

Engagement Announcement

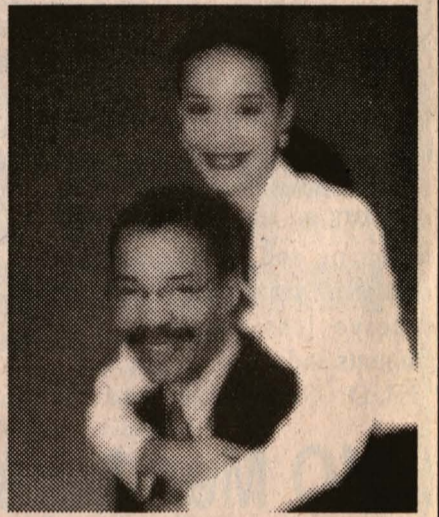
Judge and Mrs. Paul L. Brady of Atlanta and Dr. Mary Lee Brady of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, announce the engagement of their daughter, Dr. Laura K. Brady to Dr. Paul J. Sullivan. Dr. Sullivan is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Louis W. Sullivan, of Atlanta.

Dr. Louis Sullivan is President of Morehouse School of Medicine and former Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

The bride elect received her B.S. Degree from Michigan State University and the Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Mercer University. She is presently employed as a drug analyst at the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists in Bethesda, Maryland.

The groom elect received his B.S. Degree from Morehouse College and his M.D. degree from Howard University College of medicine. Following an internship at D.C. General Hospital in Washington, D.C., Dr. Sullivan completed a residency in Radiology at the Albert Einstein and Affiliated Hospitals in New York. He completed further training at Hahnemann University Hospital in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and Emory University Hospital in Atlanta. He currently is an Atlanta Radiologist.

A December wedding is planned.



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Treating Hepatitis C

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New Reports Document Discrimination

Δ Mortgage Lending Institutions Discriminate against minorities

The Black Voice News

WASHINGTON

Minorities trying to buy homes continue to face discrimination from mortgage lending institutions, according to a new report prepared by the Urban Institute for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The Urban Institute report issued says that "not all Americans enjoy equal access to the benefits of home ownership, to part because of unequal access to capital." It also says that "minorities are less likely than Whites to obtain mortgage financing and, if successful in obtaining a mortgage, tend to receive less generous loan amounts and terms."

HUD Secretary Andrew



Cuomo released the Urban Institute report at a news conference with members of Congress and leaders of the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN). ACORN released its own study at the same time demonstrating continuing racial disparities in the national home purchase, mortgage and refinancing markets. Congress Members James Clyburn of South Carolina, Eleanor Holmes Norton of the District of Columbia, and Loretta Sanchez and Xavier Becerra of California also attended.

"These reports confirm the sad

truth that discrimination remains a scar on the nation's soul that has yet to heal," Cuomo said. "The reports also show that HUD needs added funds that President Clinton has requested to intensify our fight against all forms of housing discrimination so we can make the American Dream of homeownership a reality for more families."

The ACORN report found that Black and Latino applicants for conventional home mortgages are rejected much more frequently than White applicants, and that those ratios have steadily been increasing. The ACORN report said that in 1998 African Americans were denied mortgages 217% as often as Whites, up from 206% in 1995 and 209% in 1997. Latino applicants were rejected 183% as often as Whites for conventional mortgages in 1998, up from 169% in 1995 and 181% in 1997.

HUD's work to combat

lending discrimination is led by the Department's Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity. The Office enforces the Fair Housing Act, which bars housing discrimination on account of race, color, religion, sex, disability, family status and national origin. The Act covers the sale, rental, financing and

advertising of almost all housing.

The federal budget President Clinton submitted to Congress sought an increase in funding for the Office of Fair Housing and Equality Opportunity to \$47 million in Fiscal Year 2000 -- up from \$40 million this year. However, the House has voted

to cut funding for the office to \$37 million in 2000 -- \$10 million less than President Clinton requested. The HUD budget is now before the Senate.

"Now is the time for this country to do more -- not less -- to end all forms of housing discrimination," Cuomo said.

UNCF To Administer \$1 Billion Grant from the Gates

The Black Voice News

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The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation announced the largest private gift to higher education in U.S. history -- a historic \$1 billion grant over 20 years, to establish the Gates Millennium Scholars Program. The United Negro College Fund will administer the program.

The Gates Millennium Scholars Program is a unique collaboration designed to reduce financial barriers and increase the number of African

American, Hispanic, Native-American, and Asian American students enrolling in and completing undergraduate and graduate degree programs.

"It is critical to America's future that we draw from the full range of talent and ability to develop the next generation of leaders," said Bill Gates, co-founder of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. "The Millennium Scholars Program is intended to ensure that we build a stronger America through improved educational opportunities."

"We are very excited to work with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation in establishing this distinctive scholarship program," said William H. Gray, III, President and CEO of the United Negro College Fund. "Bill and Melinda Gates recognize the challenges many minorities face and understand that our nation's future is critically dependent upon producing diverse and well-trained individuals."

The United Negro College Fund will administer the

program and will collaborate with the Hispanic Scholarship Fund and the American Indian College Fund. The program will target minorities who have academic promise, unmet financial need, and demonstrated leadership.

The awards will be available in the fall of 2000 and will be offered to high school seniors who are about to enroll in college, and to undergraduate and graduate students. Scholarships will be available every year throughout the duration of the student's undergraduate degree program, and awards will be renewed annually as long as Scholars maintain a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0 or better. In addition, Scholars pursuing advanced degrees in mathematics, science, engineering, education, or library sciences are eligible for additional financial support.

Founded in 1944, the United Negro College Fund is the nation's oldest and most successful minority higher education assistance organization.

HMO Members Elect Own Representatives to Govern

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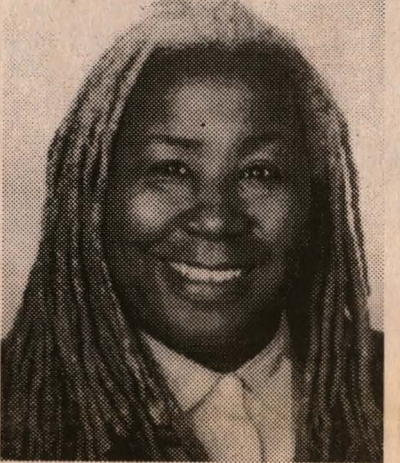
Health plan members of L.A. Care Health Plan have elected two individuals - Madi Reeves, a resident of Inglewood, and Carrie Broadus, a resident of Los Angeles - to represent them on L.A. Care's Board of Governors. Ms. Reeves and Ms. Broadus will represent over 600,000 health plan members.

Few managed care organizations, public or private, have governing boards that include consumer representatives with voting privileges. Even fewer hold elections - most boards appoint their consumer representatives. This marks Reeves' second term as the consumer representative on the board. She is currently working as a parent liaison with the Los Angeles Unified School District.

"I'm honored by the confidence that the health plan members of L.A. Care have shown me," said Reeves. "Several issues I plan to pursue include the Patients' Bill of Rights, and quality and access to care."



Madi Reeves



Carrie Broadus

Broadus has 20 years of experience with community affairs under her belt, working 10 years for the health education department at Minority AIDS Project (MAP) in South Central Los Angeles.

"My goal is to help increase the voice of the consumers, especially with the politicians who represent them. I believe politicians all too often talk with lobbyists, but not enough with the people they represent," said Broadus. She also

stated that she would take the time to listen, and not just hear, the problems and concerns of her constituents.

Both Reeves and Broadus promised to meet with every one of L.A. Care's 11 community advisory committees, whose membership includes health plan members, advocates and medical providers.

Reeves and Broadus were elected by health plan members who participate in L.A. Care's Regional

Community Advisory Committees (RCACs).

L.A. Care Health Plan is non-profit, local health plan serving Los Angeles County, with over 614,000 members who receive coverage through the Medi-Cal or Healthy Families programs. L.A. Care is governed by 13 board members who represent medical and health care professionals, consumer advocates and Medi-Cal consumers. It is one of California's largest health plans and the nation's largest publicly-governed health plan.

RCIP Committee Appoints Chair and Co-Chair

The Black Voice News

RIVERSIDE

The Public Advisory Committee for the Community and Environmental Transportation Acceptability Process (CETAP) of the Riverside County Integrated Project (RCIP), recently appointed Robin Lowe, Mayor Pro-Tem of the City of Hemet and Helga Wolf, an appointed public member, as Chairperson and Co-Chairperson respectively.

As the transportation related component of the RCIP, CETAP will identify future transportation corridors and integrate those capacities with the overall conservation and land use planning processes of the RCIP over the next twenty years.

Riverside County's population will double by 2020. Current transportation options, primarily freeways, are already running above capacity, and future projections indicate demands increasing by up to 200%. "We must ensure that the County has the transportation capacities to meet the commuting needs of citizens and employers," stated Mayor Pro-Tem Robin Lowe. "This diverse committee was appointed to make recommendations for the future, and most importantly, to guarantee that the public has the opportunity to provide input throughout this vital process."

The CETAP Public Advisory Committee consists of over twenty-five members representing Federal, State, and local public agencies, environmental

organizations, builders, and the general public.

"This is one of many opportunities for the public to participate in and guide this effort," said Helga Wolf. "I encourage concerned citizens to attend and provide the committee with their comments and opinions

on the many transportation options we are considering for the future of Riverside County."

Meetings are open to the public and begin at 9:00 a.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the County Registrar of Voters Office, 2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside.

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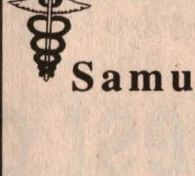
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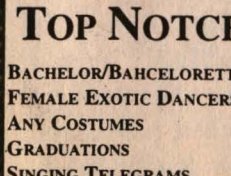
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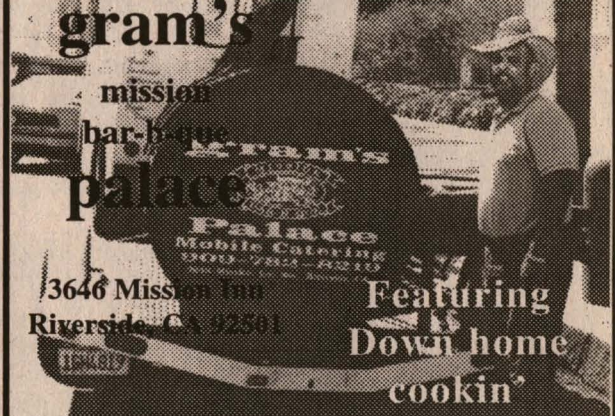
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Conference for Religious Leaders Focus on Family Violence

The Black Voice News

CORONA

The Corona Police Department and Alternatives to Domestic Violence, a nonprofit agency

...serving victims of domestic violence and their families, will present the First Annual Stop Family Violence: A Conference for

Religious Leaders on Tuesday, October 5, 1999 from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Corona Public Library, 650 South Main St., Corona.

The conference, the first of its kind offered in the region, is for clergy, religious leaders, responders to domestic violence, service

providers and others who would like to learn more about how the religious community can assist families in dealing with family violence issues, including domestic violence and child abuse.

A planning committee made up of religious leaders in the Corona/Norco area is advisory to the coordination of the event.

The cost of the day-long event is

\$5 per person. This includes a full catered breakfast, lunch, and program materials. The conference is being offered at a low-cost because of the generous donations of local individuals and businesses.

For more information or to register for the conference, please call the Alternatives to Domestic Violence Corona Outreach Office at (909) 737-8410.

Adams Looks to Be the Best on Elektra

The Black Voice News

For Gospel legend Yolanda Adams, her stirring Elektra debut Mountain High...Valley Low was an opportunity to bring both her inspirational vision and her wide range of influences to an audience hungry for spiritual fruit. Since her 1988 debut, the acclaimed and uplifting Just As I Am, Yolanda has been wowing gospel audiences all over the world. Now in 1999, four studio albums and one live album later (the Grammy nominated Yolanda...Live In Washington), the Houston, Texas native is ready to extend her magnificent reach without watering down the message. "I'm not one of those singers who wants to expand my audience at the expense of the people who already know my music," she says determinedly. "And I've grown both vocally and spiritually since my first album, through each phase of my career. So choosing Elektra was just another step of growth. Gospel music has stepped up and gathered a myriad of influences jazz, hip hop, R&B. I need to be in a place where my message can be heard by everyone. I understand my purpose. I understand what I was put here for. I take that on every day of my life."

It's precisely that kind of conviction that has caused critics to refer to Yolanda as one of gospel's "seminal" voices. It has also empowered her to venture out of gospel's more sanctimonious confinements, and hook up with some of pop's most formidable

producers, such as Keith Thomas, Jimmy Jam and Terry Lewis. Yolanda stresses, however, that it was the process of "sharing" talents that made the unique collaborations such a great success. Thomas produced and wrote "The Things We Do."

Religious audiences have been validating Yolanda for well over a decade. She was employed as an elementary teacher in Houston when she first began to garner recognition for her stunning performances. "I taught second and third grades. I would go on the road during weekends to sing. Pretty soon the demand started growing. I realized I might be able to make it my career."

The eldest of six siblings, her pioneering spirit and boundless optimism soon became her trademark. Her solid church background and love of all kinds of music which she says: "was inspired by family-everything from Stevie Wonder to Beethoven," left her with a respect for traditional musical hues, as well as a desire for more contemporary interpretation. "Too many times we're put in a box by musical labels," she says.

It was while she served as a lead singer with the Southeast Inspirational Choir that Yolanda caught the eye of the prolific composer/producer Thomas Whitfield. He guided her first album, "Just As I Am" for Sound of Gospel Records. Yolanda went on to sing for the Tribute label in 1990, and was soon hailed as the most versatile contemporary



Yolanda Adams

Photo by Kate Garner

gospel singer since Aretha Franklin. If there's one track on the LP that combines Yolanda's musicality with her indomitable spirit it's the buoyant "Yeah." Spiritually infectious, yet tinged with a streetwise kind of soul, the song was written and produced by Warren Campbell. "I've always been a fan of Nancy Wilson, and no matter how much she was into her music, she would always articulate vocally. For me, a simple expression like 'Yeah,' can connote the power I feel about God, and what it feels like to be alive."

Yolanda also touches hearts with a more reflective song, the tender "Fragile Heart." "That one is a personal story," she says. "It's kind of a recovery song for me. I lost my road manager, who was a dear friend. I wanted to express in a song that the thing to remember is that we're not put on this earth to remain forever. Someday we are all going to have to leave. So, how you live does make a difference. How you lived will be remembered long after you're gone." Yolanda's core fans will also enjoy the steadfast "In The Midst Of It All." "That one is for the mothers of the church. For the people who have gone through a lot of negative situations in their lives, and didn't dwell in it, but instead, they chose to rejoice. It says to us, 'Hey, I know you are going through a hard time, but don't give up because I made it out.'"

By Charles C. Haynes, Ph.D.

Americans love lists. The closer we get to the end of the century -- and the millennium -- the more we'll be listing the "best," "worst," and "most influential."

One of the most irresistible lists was just released by the Newseum in Arlington, VA., where a panel of 67 journalists and scholars identified the 100 top "Stories of the Century." In first place was the United States' dropping of atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki and the subsequent surrender of Japan to end World War II. Neil Armstrong's walk on the moon was No. 2. (For the roster, see the Newseum's Web site: www.newseum.org/century/.)

One of the most striking things about this list -- at least to someone who follows religious developments -- is that religion barely makes the cut. One seven of the 100 stories have anything remotely to do with religious people or convictions.

Two of those involve the Holocaust: the "Kristallnacht" attack against German Jews by the Nazis in 1938 and the exposure of the concentration camps in 1945. Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream" speech in 1963 and his assassination in 1968 account for two more.

The other three are: Gandhi's launch of the nonviolent movement for change in India in 1920; the 1925 trial of Tennessee teacher John Scopes for teaching evolution; and the establishment of the state of Israel in 1948.

While all seven of these stories involve religion in some way, none qualifies as one of the century's significant religious developments. So where's religion? I'm guessing that religion stories didn't make the list for at least four reasons:

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a particular religious group may have little impact on others. Two quick examples: Episcopalians might put the 1976 vote to ordain women on their list, while Christian Scientists would surely note the death of founder Mary Baker Eddy in 1910. By contrast, most events on the Newseum list have had a profound impact on humanity across religious and ethnic lines. The discovery of penicillin, the creation of the atomic bomb and the debut of television area few examples.

• An American list tends to focus on what's most significant to Americans. Religious developments often have greater impact in other parts of the world. The Newseum list, for example, cites Nixon's resignation and Jackie Robinson breaking the color barrier in baseball. But you won't find such events as the exile of the Dalai Lama from Tibet, the Muslim-Hindu clashes in India, the Ayatollah Khomeini and the Iranian revolution, or the liberation-theology movement in Latin America.

• Religion isn't on the radar screen of most U.S. journalists and scholars. Although deeply important to many Americans, religion is under-reported and viewed with suspicion in much of higher education.

• For most of history, the governing world views of civilization have been religious. But in recent centuries, especially in the West, modern science has come to provide civilization's dominant world view. Max Planck, Albert Einstein, and Sigmund Freud all make the list, but not Mother Teresa, Billy Graham or Pope John Paul II. Religion has lost its pre-eminence in the modern era.

Even though religion doesn't

make the Newseum list, that doesn't mean it isn't important. For better and for worse, religion has played a significant role in shaping lives of millions of people in the 20th century. For example, the Second Vatican Council (1962-65) surely qualifies as one of the most significant stories of the century -- indeed, of the last several centuries. Of course, the impact has been most profound among Roman Catholics. But the council also has influenced, the Catholic view of religious liberty and has affected relations among religions throughout the world.

What else should be on the list? Babe Ruth and the Beatles make the Newseum list because of their enormous impact on popular culture. But what about the two Billys, Sunday and Graham, the most popular evangelists of their day?

Rachel Carson (the environmental movement) and Betty Friedan (the modern women's rights movement) are on the list. But what about the Social Gospel movement in the United States in the early part of the century? The rise of Christian and Islamic fundamentalism? The election of Pope John Paul II? Religious conflicts in Northern Ireland, India, Sri Lanka or elsewhere?

Now for the fun part: Send me your nominations for the 100 religious developments of the past 100 years that have had the most impact on America and the world. In coming weeks, I'll make another list -- and then give you a chance to tell me where I went wrong.

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Leadership Workshop Scheduled for Weekend

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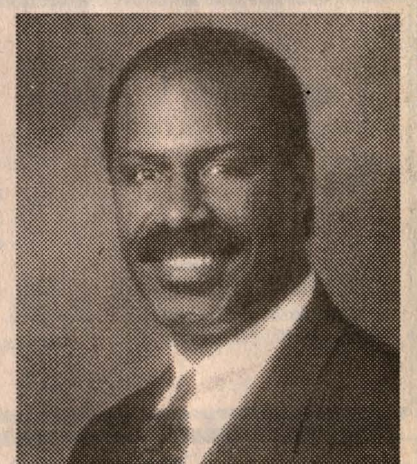
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Reverend Doctor Gregory G.M. Ingram, Pastor of Oak Grove African Methodist Episcopal Church located in Detroit, MI will be holding an "Equipping the Saints/Master's Men Workshop," on Thursday and Friday, September 23rd and 24th from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. The event will be held at the Hilton Hotel on Hospitality Lane in San Bernardino.

The topics will include: LEAP (Leaders Expectations, Actions and Principles; The Seven S's for Saints; and Officers and Leaders in the Local Church.

The workshop is inclusive of all officers, church leaders or potential leaders that have a desire to have their gift cultivated. It is for all men, women and youth that desire to attend.

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Rev. Dr. Gregory G.M. Ingram

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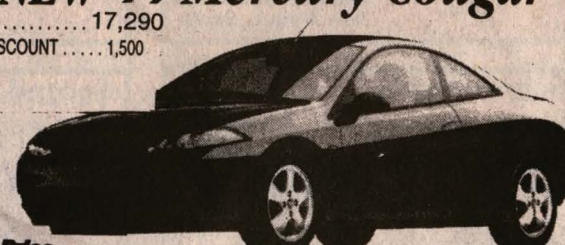
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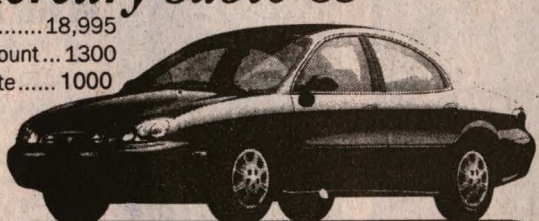
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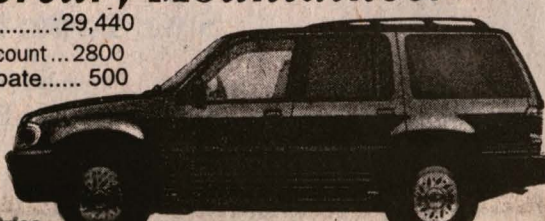
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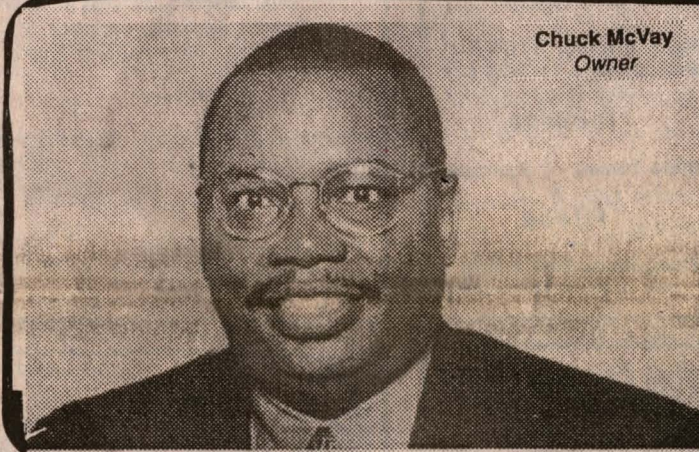
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MONTEREY

By Taylor Jordan

Determining the best, near best and most exciting ensemble at the 42nd annual Monterey Jazz Festival Presented by MCI WorldCom was all a simple matter of personal taste.

Packing the Monterey County fairgrounds with six stages of entertainment Sept. 17-19, general manager Tim Jackson and directors of the world's oldest continuously running jazz festival assured all patrons would find something to satisfy their musical palates.

It was difficult to assess actual numbers, accuracy and even estimation made virtually impossible by the swell of grounds-only ticketholders who enjoyed free entertainment on five stages and the number of arena fans who also frequented the grounds' stages to catch additional performances by Jimmy Lyons Stage headliners.

There was a connective tissue in the musical and spiritual veins of artists, the masters who motivated them to do more, mentors who taught them by example how to relate to the passion of music and creativity and the devotees who have never bought into the misconception that jazz is, or ever was, dead.

Such capillarity could be found in the fact Toshiko Akiyoshi, who discovered jazz in Tokyo 51 years ago via Ellington recordings, was chosen to write the 1999 MJF commissioned salute to the Duke Ellington centenary. And that trumpeter/composer Terence Blanchard, the man behind the melodic soundtracks in Spike Lee's movies, was a co-artist-in-residence with the legendary Clark Terry.

Blanchard represented the younger generation of powerhouse horn players while Terry served as a maestro and icon in the generation that inspired such bold brassy trendsetters as Miles Davis and Quincy Jones. Oh, Blanchard's film scoring gave him a relationship with Clint Eastwood, the producer/director who has most made jazz an intricate part of movies.

Eastwood, an intense jazz fan who has devoted his time, talents and dollars to the Monterey Jazz Festival for many years, garners such respect that fans crowd him even before he introduces favorite MJF artists in the awesome "Eastwood At Monterey" salute musically directed by his old Army buddy, saxophonist Lennie Niehaus. Every artist selected, alone, makes your heart pump faster. Kenny Barron, Jimmy Heath, Jack Nimitz, Blanchard, Terry, Ray Drummond, Lew Tabackin (who also shines in his wife Akiyoshi's, Ellington masterpiece presentation), Russell Malone, Ben Riley, Chris Potter, Regina Carter, Kyle



Jazz vocalist Jackie Ryan belts out a song as guest on Clark Terry and Swing Fever set at Garden Stage.



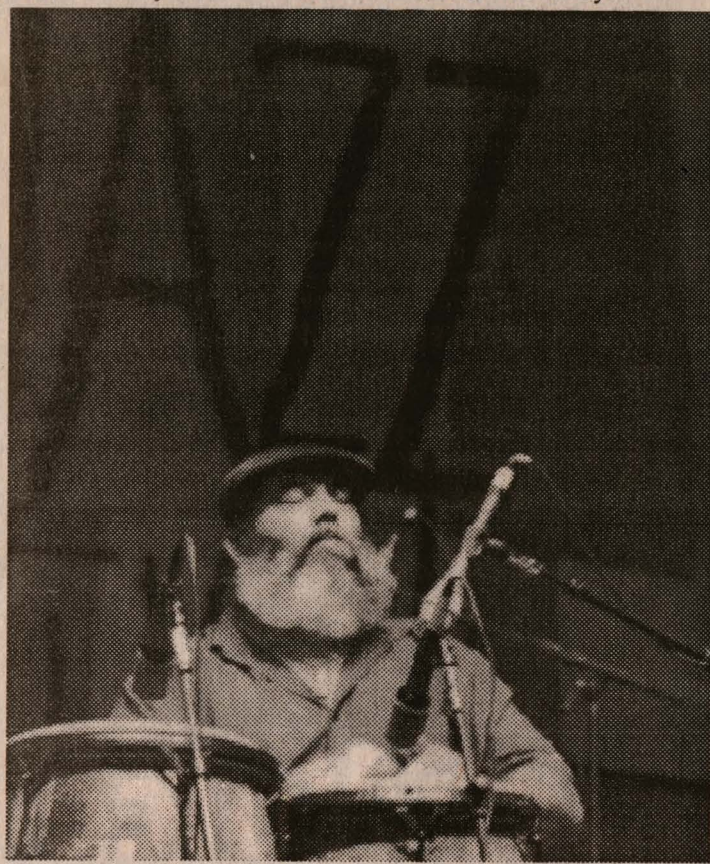
The legendary Clark Terry commanded love and respect of Monterey Jazz Festival fans and artists.

Eastwood, together, are the stuff of dreams.

And Eastwood is always accommodating and wonderful with fans, even those who repeatedly interrupted his long strides toward the garden stage for an earlier set by his bassist son Kyle.

It was a good thing there was no roof on the arena because Los Van Van's Friday finale would

have blown it off. The Latin Night opened with Cuban pianist/Trakere co-founder Jesus "Chucho" Valdes and he set excitement into musical motion. Percussionist Poncho Sanchez and his no-holds-barred aggregation imbued the Latin, Afro-Cuban mix with salsa, soul and rhythm and blues. By the time, Los Van Van hit the stage, the crowd was ready.



Percussionist Poncho Sanchez thrills crowds as the opening Latin Nights at Monterey Jazz Festival Friday.

These three acts, particularly Los Van Van, did what no others have ever done in 42 years of Monterey. They got the weary feet and sorry behinds up dancing on a Friday night. The usual routine on previous Fridays is to arrive slowly, sit still and settle into seats for the first evening of the five-concert weekend. Folks are working off the edges of stress from long flights, drives and extra work required to acquire three days for Monterey Jazz. Sizzling singers Pedro Calvo, Roberto Hernandez and Mario Rivera, bassist/founder Juan Formell and 11 multi-instrumentalists forged fierce rhythm combinations. Everyone danced. Every corner of the arena moved. Folks on the promenade and in nearby vendor booths bounced to Los Van Van.

"I didn't have a coat, so I layered clothes to stay warm," said violinist Regina Carter's percussionist Myra Casals, a

Cuban. "I got to dancing and took off one layer. Don't need that. Then I took off a second layer. Don't need that. It was so hot I was about to get naked!"

The heat meter repeatedly climbed on stages, offsetting the nip in the Monterey air. The winners of the Show-Must-Go-On Awards were unequivocally guitarist Russell Malone and pianist Kenny Barron. Rumors had it their flights were delayed 18 hours before they finally arrived in Monterey. They hit the fairgrounds running, never

complained, made no prima-donna demands and dazzled Dizzy's Den patrons with extraordinary sets.

"Russell Malone and Kenny Barron tore the place up," said a breathless Bernard Spaulding of Calabasas. "Their performance alone was worth the price for the entire weekend. They were tight, just magical."

Spaulding and his bebop buddies Odell Graham, Fred Todd, Don Stewart and James Benson also enjoyed Ellington

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Photos by Taylor Jordan



Bassist Kyle Eastwood, son of actor/producer/director, Clint, leads his own group on The Garden Stage. He later plays in the "Eastwood at Monterey" salute in the main arena.

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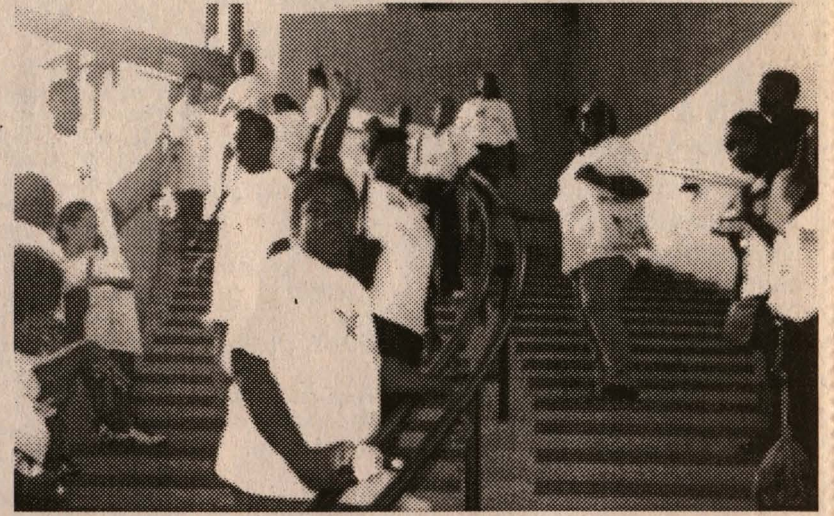
By Ruth M. Baylis

With help from AllState, Parkview Community Hospital, Del Taco, Little Caesars Pizza, Heritage House and other contributions, Summer Camp '99 at Hope and Help, Inc. was a huge success.

We started the week off with our councilman Ameal Moore, who came and spoke to the children on holding on to their dreams and that "whatever they wanted to achieve, no matter how they start off in life, they could do it." Billy Mitchell of AllState presented Hope and Help with a \$5,000 check to pay for the camp. In addition, Jennifer Blakely received a plaque for the \$5,000 check Parkview gave in June for the Celebrity Basketball game in honor of the late Rev. Johnny D. Harris, the founder of Hope & Help, Inc., along with his



Ameal Moore (third from right, back row) and Billy Mitchell (far right) present check to Hope & Help, Inc.



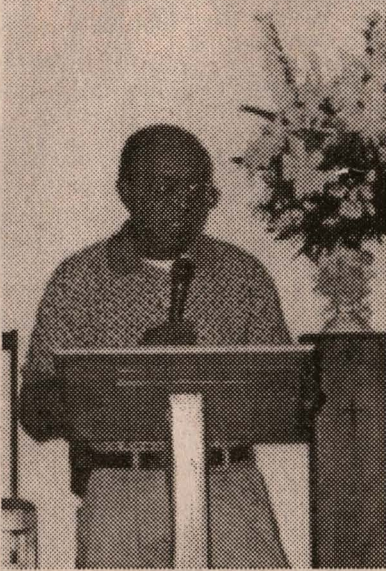
Metro-Link Trip to Union Station.



Metro-Link Trip to Union Station.



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Ameal Moore gives speech to youth.



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wife Bridget Harris, who is working in another area of the organization.

Del Taco on University and Little Caesar's on Chicago supported the cause with great

deals on everything.

Activities during this year's summer camp included swimming, a joint bar-b-que with Stratton Center and PRO (People Reaching Out), taking

the Metro-link to Union Station and walked around some old spanish homes, visiting the Heritage House in Riverside, and the last trip of summer camp, a trip to Newport Beach.



Last day beach trip to Newport. Parents enjoying a little sun.

Monterey's Musical Best Depends on Who's Talking

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elegance with Toshiko Akiyoshi and re-visited Regina Carter's violin virtuoso performance in Dizzy's Den. Going to see Terry again, this time on the garden stage with Swing Fever, they got a surprise treat from vocalist Jackie Ryan's moving "Do Nothing Til You Hear It From Me."

The blues day is usually the blow-out day, the afternoon of frenetic fun. But the only performer to get the crowds stirred up was Shemekia Copeland.

It was hard to believe the daughter of the late, great Texas guitarist Johnny Clyde Copeland was only 20. Her daddy fittingly predicted at her birth she was born a blues singer. He was right.

Her big, booming blues voice, sensuous, sassy moves and powerful command of both the



Master Clark Terry and young lion Terence Blanchard perform "I Didn't Know What Time It Was" in the Eastwood salute. The two trumpeters served as MJF's 1999 artists-in-residence.



Shemekia Copeland, blues Artist of the Year in 1998, proves to be the most powerful vocalist at Monterey. This princess of the blues will someday be queen.



Bassist Juan Formera, founder of Los Van Van, dances and plays in a sizzling set that gets everybody dancing.



Concord designer Sabrina N'Diaye dances with daughter Amina to music of Los Van Van.

Garden Stage and audience went way past incredible. Copeland's amazing voice didn't need a microphone as she demonstrated when she laid it down on the emotionally charged "Ghetto Girl." Her mikeless voice still soared and drew promenade passersby to the stage to witness the musical phenomenon. KoKo Taylor and Etta James needn't worry about the future of the blues. This princess will be queen someday.

The Reverence Award, in appreciation for his huge talent, inspiration for other artists and gracious humility with all fans, goes to Clark Terry. The love others feel for him was best evidenced in the face of trumpeter/orchestra leader/jazz educator Gerald Wilson. A giant himself, Wilson's face was

awash with love and excitement as he watched Terry.

Trumpeter Doc Severinsen said in years past on the Tonight Show that whenever he hits a truly hot note, he stole it from Clark Terry. Despite advancing age, Terry still blows a mean horn. And he's a genuinely nice human being, too.

It would take a book to write everything exhilarating about Monterey Jazz. Matter of fact, somebody should start now on the sequel to "Monterey Jazz Festival: Forty Legendary Years."

The last festival of the 20th century was filled with fodder for the new pages. It'll be musically challenging to see what's in store for the 21st century.

