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Riverside has Changed in the Year Since Millinger Shooting

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Blak Women's Forum to Award Kwanzaa

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Cochran Calls SB Hiring of Bugar a "Slap in the Face"

By Kathleen Haley

As Attorney Johnny Cochran presented out the Dec. 21 community fellowship dinner in remembrance of Tyisha Millinger, the roughly 200 person turnout at the event was proof that one year later, Riverside community members remain united in their prowess of Millinger's death and other local social related violence.

"Few times I have seen a community come together like this community has come together after the death of Tyisha Millinger's family in a civil lawsuit against the officers who killed her," said Cochran.

The dinner was the last of a number of events commemorating Millinger's death one year ago. In the early hours of the day December 24, 1998, police officers who shot Millinger, stated from Penrod's office to the San Bernardino County Coroner's Office last Thursday. About 75 marchers joined a created march taking it just over the parking of the officer who was fired for developing the dangerous plan that led to the third's death.

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Call for Unity and Peace

Farrakhan Meets with Jewish Leaders

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Christians, Muslims, and Jews have participated in Ramadan, a month of fasting and prayer, and Jews concluded Hanukkah observances.

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Report Shows Wide Racial Disparities in School Suspension Rates

A new study by the Applied Research Center shows that the suspension rates in schools are much higher for students from non-white racial disparities, especially between White and African American students.

"Zero tolerance compounds the racial inequities in school discipline and locks kids of color out of school," said ARC Senior Research Associate Libero Della Piana.

The African American suspension rate is at least twice compared to their percentage of the student population in America, horrible events worldwide, 60 ongoing wars and fear of the Y2K computer crisis that engulfs the world.

"All of the people of the world can see that the world's problems are real," he said, noting medical disasters in America, horrific events worldwide, 60 ongoing wars and fear of the Y2K computer crisis that engulfs the world.

"This data reveals that racial disparities in disciplinary actions are widespread across the country," said Della Piana.

The data was collected by ARC's research staff and compared to their percentage of community-based organizations in a variety of cities across the country.

The suspension data is one part of a larger study being conducted by ARC which will be released in February.
In the beginning of 1999, 19-year-old Tyisha Miller was shot and killed by four White Riverside police officers. One of the officers, Paul Burgo, who is believed to have fired the first shot, was later terminated by joined Black carroll in Riverside. At the close of 1999, all we find San Bernardino Sheriff Gary Penrod, has hired this individual who is currently under investigation for hate crimes. They believe this to be the result of Penrod's decision and consider this a step in our face. This type of insensitivity by Penrod cannot be tolerated under any circumstance or under any cloak of fair employment. Penrod in an issued statement said that he does not allow discrimination... be on any race, sex, religion, national origin, handicap status or any other federal law. No one would want Penrod to discriminate especially those of us who have been discriminated against by people like Penrod for the last 400 years in America. When we look at the sheriff department's racial composition, we find under-representation of Blacks, Latinos, American Indians and Asians in all capacities. We say that Penrod should have used common sense in having Burgo the position of dispatcher which requires good judgment.

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Christian Muslim & Jewish Leaders Calls for Unity and Peace

Min. Farrakhan, adding that a near death experience gave him renewed insight into the "Nothing in this world is more important than our service to God and the unification, and the love that can be put in our own families," the Minister said. This is also a reason why the Nation of Islam sponsored for Oct. 15, 2000, the fifth anniversary of the Million Man March, is important to be added. Over the past 10 months, Min. Farrakhan has been on sabatical, recovering from complications from prostate cancer treatment. He was treated by doctors, and his family, in particular, daughter Fatima, who is a registered nurse, and son Joshua. According to Min. Farrakhan, doctors have found no trace of cancer in his body and he is 100 percent recovered. "Sometimes in the next year, I should be completely and completely recovered, by the grace of God," he said.

Our Bodies

As the third millennium down, we stand poised at the edge of the future. This is a special moment. It is not just the dawn of a New Year. It is not just the beginning of a new century. This is the arrival of a new day — the start of a brave new world. We all feel it. We know it. It's the future we've been waiting for. What a change! What have we learned from our successes? What more important, what have we learned from our mistakes? And most important of all, what can each one of us — as individuals — to make the world be a better place. What can we do to mend the wounds of the races, religions, and cultures? Good people can become active, with their deeds and by their example, our New World

A Brave New World

of Gitumbi. We unburden ourselves of our biggest sources of stress in modern times, trying to have it all. Having Charity instead of Env. Help it would be if we would begin to draw down to charity instead of envy. Having Charity instead of Sloth. Working and learning to keep ourselves physically and mentally healthy. Yes, it is hard to not to rest. Yes, it's hard to not to rest. But before being in history we have grown old as well.

The year 2000, a time to work, a time to play, a time to live and a time to love. Let us all love one another, and let us all love planet Earth suffering through space and time. Let us just be aware of our own viewpoint unknown. Here's a healthy, happy and prosperous New Year.

Dr. Leavett welcomes readers to recall concerning their bodies, but regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters. Readers' letters will be incorporated into the column as space permits. You may direct your letters to Dr. Leavett in case of Voice News, P.O. Box 1584, Riverside, CA 92502.

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A three day service will culminate in a Watchnight service to be held at Kansas Avenue Seventh Day Adventist Church will involve Robidoux SDA, Pastor Mark Woodson, Perris, California, 5th Street SDA, Pastor Royal Harrison, and Pastor Jesse Wilson at Kansas Avenue SDA. The program will begin at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, and culminate with prayer at midnight.

LIFE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Praise & Worship Explosion 2000

The New Life Christian Church will be hosting "Praise & Worship Explosion 2000." The workshop is January 29, 2000 at 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Minister Dorine Younger of New Life Christian Church, Lakeland, Florida will be the guest facilitator. No registration fee will be charged for this workshop.

Also, New Life will be celebrating a special evening with "Alvin Slaughter" from Wayvick, New Jersey. Information is available from Pastor Vaughn D. Fabie. The master of ceremonies will be Pastor A.V. Johnson who will be a chief sleeping so far for at least three days. They will be playing for change in our community. Salvation Christian Ministries is located at 317 W. La Cadena Drive, Riverside, California (909) 682-2840.

The Miracle Deliverance Pentecostal Holiness Church will present Pastor Dennis M. Brown, in "The Voice of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr." On Sunday, January 9, 2000, at 3:00 p.m. Hear the famous speeches of Dr. Martin King Jr. The church is located at 2426 East 5th Street, San Bernardino, 1 block east of Waterman Avenue.

Missionary Baptist Church

For more information, call (909) 888-3002.

ALVIN SLAUGHTER of ceremony will be KSON's Good News Radio announcer Lee McHenry. The celebration will be held at the City of Etiwanda Precinct 6, 9460 Sierra Avenue, Fontana. Tickets are available for Christian singles and New Life Christian Church. For further information call the church or the workshop or information regarding the concert, please call (909) 885-7655. Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Information on the area churches is hosted services to mark beginning of Millennium.

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The Century's Top 75 African-American Athletes/Pioneers

Sporting Stein's Way

When a man does something or possesses something that is complementary to his character, it is certainly work for him to know what to do with it.

George Jackson

Beloved Brother: The Prison Letters

LOS ANGELES — The African-American experience in sports has been one of pioneering first and an awakening for second. The ability and power was always present in each of us when we were forced to rely on our environment for a living. All of the men and women listed in the Top 75 Black Athletes/Champions of all time, on the list of the Top 75 Black Athletes of all time, would have made it known that the Top 75 Black Athletes/Pioneers of all time is not a list to be taken lightly. These names and the accomplishments of these individuals have not only helped to propel African-Americans into the mainstream of society, but have also paved the way for future generations of African-Americans to follow.

The sport while nurturing three Olympic Gold medals, at 88 (1970), 313 (1971), and 246 (2001), and the only Black to win the Olympic Games, at 68 (1968), 319 (1970), and 246 (2001).

35 Evnin "Magic" Johnson, basketball great/Pioneer, he was one of the top 50 Black athletes of all time in the history of the game. As he retired he was the only Black to win the NBA's Most Valuable Player award, and his transition to professional basketball put him and his teammates to 5 NBA titles and Gold in the 1992 Olympics.

34 Jackie Joyner-Kersee, Olympic athlete, she is the greatest female athlete in the world, and the first Black American to win three Olympic Gold medals, at 41 (1984), 32 (1988), and 23 (1992). Her record of 235.85 meters in the long jump has stood for over 20 years.

33 Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, basketball great, an Olympic athlete, Gold medalist in 1980 (24 games); the first Black to win the NBA titles, and the first Black to win a NBA championship.

32 Frank Russell, basketball player, this all-star challenged basketball's restrictive reserve clause. "The law made it legal in the same year he won his first Olympic Gold medal, and in the 1992 Olympics, and the first Black to win a NBA championship. He is the first Black to win a NBA championship.

31 Larry Bird, gold medalist, basketball great, his offensive skills and basketball talent made him a force to be reckoned with in the NBA. His 11 points per game average in the 1992 Olympics, and the first Black to win a NBA championship. He is the first Black to win a NBA championship.

30 Elgin Baylor, Hall of Famer, basketball great, the first Black player to win the NBA titles, and the first Black to win a NBA championship.

29 Frederick "Fredi" Poehl, football pioneer, he was the first Black American to win the Heisman Trophy, and the first Black American to win a NCAA title.

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27 Jack Johnson, boxer/Olympian, she brought style and grace to the sport and became the first Black American to win a Olympic Gold medal, in 1896 (1986), 31 (1988), and 23 (1992).

26 Jesse Owens, black athlete, basketball great, the first Black American to win a Olympic Gold medal, in 1930 (1930), 21 (1932), and 11 (1936).


24 Sugar Ray Robinson, boxing champion, the first Black American to win a Olympic Gold medal, in 1952 (1952), 33 (1954), and 25 (1956).


21 Bill Russell, basketball player, basketball great, the first Black American to win a Olympic Gold medal, in 1956 (1956), 24 (1960), and 16 (1964).


18 Jim Brown, football player, the first Black American to win a Olympic Gold medal, in 1948 (1948), 39 (1952), and 31 (1956).

17 Jack Johnson, boxer/Olympian, the first Black American to win a Olympic Gold medal, in 1930 (1930), 21 (1932), and 11 (1936).


15 Walter Payton, running back, the first Black American to win a Olympic Gold medal, in 1960 (1960), 39 (1964), and 31 (1968).

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In 1965 President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Voting Rights Act that removed barriers for Blacks to vote in the South.

The Ku Klux Klan terrorized the Blacks especially in the south. Law enforcement, judges, everyone with power were members. Lynching was the scariest tactic used to keep Blacks in line.

Black were not allowed to sit in the front of the bus and as the bus filled up, they were made to stand up and give a White man or woman their seat. Rosa Parks was tired and she refused to give up her seat. The boycott ran the bus company into bankruptcy. The Supreme Court ruled the segregation unconstitutional a year later.

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One year later: Miller Commemorative Dinner Draws 200

Penrod addresses the crowd.

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Williams, Bellows, Carroll, Keach Star in Lifetime Television Original Movie "The Courage to Love"

Vanessa Williams ("The Odyssey, "Dance With Me"), actress and Grammy-nominated singer, executive produces her first television film and stars in the Lifetime Television Original Movie Event, "The Courage to Love." Inspired by the life story of Henrietta Dillèle, the film details one woman's rebellion against tradition and her battle against racism. The Lifetime Original Movie premieres on Monday, January 24 from 9-11 p.m. ET/PT.

GILL BELLOW ("Ally McBeal"), Diahann Carroll ("Having My Say") and Stacy Keach ("Mike Hammer") co-star.

"The Courage to Love" depicts tumultuous times in American history, an era before the Civil War in New Orleans when the French outnumbered the Americans, and when free people of color enjoyed many privileges of White society. During a lavish gala called the "Quadroon Ball," a truly French and Spanish mingled with young women from multi-racial backgrounds. Although the inter-racial couple entered into a socially accepted courtship and raised families together, they were forbidden to marry.

Set in 19th century New Orleans during a period of racial and political unrest, "The Courage to Love" tells the heroic life story of Henrietta Dillèle (Vanessa Williams), a woman of color who defies the hypocrisy of class, race and tradition.

At racial and political tensions from the North and South infiltrate the isolated New Orleans community, Henriette's mother, Pouspua (Diahann Carroll), worries about her daughter and assigns her to a convent. Pouspua urges her to participate in the "Quadroon Ball" to ensure that she will be provided for financially in the uncertain future. Instead, Henriette turns to the Church to teach and to care for the poor and needy. She becomes one of the first women of color to take an active part in day-to-day activities; however, she feels frustrated by the politics and racism from both the Church's hierarchy and the wealthy patrons of the parishes.

In the film, Henriette is drawn to a wealthy White French doctor, Gerard Gaudet (Gill Bellows), an artist who is visiting New Orleans from France where they can marry in peace. Confronted with adversity, she must choose between the powerful love of one man and a divine calling to serve the Sisters of the Holy Family, an international order of nuns dedicated to serving the poor and elderly. Her devotion and life's work continues to provide inspiration. In 1980 she became the first woman of African American descent in the United States whose cause for canonization has been officially recognized by the Roman Catholic Church.

"The Courage to Love" is produced by Motion International and distributed by New Star Television for LIFETIME Television. Vanessa Williams, Emily Gerson Saines, Ron Ziskin ("Future Sport"), Jacques Méthé, and Gord Haines are the executive producers. Kari Skogland (USA Network series "Les Miserables") is the director. Toni Ann Johnson ("Ruby Bridges") is the Co-Executive Producer. LIFETIME Television is dedicated to providing the highest quality entertainment and informational programming for all ages.