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# Community Outraged: Cop Ordered Back to Work

△ *One of Tyisha Miller's killers may return*

The Black Voice News

RIVERSIDE

By Mary Shelton and Cheryl Brown

A loud cry was heard from Riverside citizens when they learned that Wayne Stewart, one of the four officers who shot and killed Tyisha Miller as

she laid unconscious foaming at the mouth on December 28, 1998, will be able to come back to work on the Riverside Police Department. Last Friday Superior Court Judge Charles E. Stafford, JR located in the Indio Court handed down his decision. Reportedly the case was remanded there because so many of the judges had to recuse themselves in the main Riverside court. Response was swift. The family is wounded, calling for justice, the department still supporting the officers and the community is united in their indignation and vow

to never have Stewart return to the force.

There is a new NAACP President since the shooting and she said the organization is very disappointed with the ruling and the comments of two city council members, Ed Adkison and Frank Schiavone who reportedly support the judge's decision. The course of action the NAACP is recommending is that the citizens of Riverside should pack out the City Council on the night of May 6, to show their displeasure with the ruling and to make sure the city doesn't bring Stewart

back to work. Waudier Rucker Hughes said, "The Riverside Branch of the NAACP is outraged, deeply disturbed and troubled. It is our collective opinion that not only does Officer Stewart not deserve a return to the streets of our city as a policeman but also does not deserve to be rewarded for his part in the murder of Tyisha Miller."

Reggie Beamon, a member of the Tyisha Miller Steering Committee and now the President of the San Bernardino Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) said he was calling Martin

Luther King III because a light needed to be turned on the judge's blatant disregard for human life and the danger the judge has put the community under. "The whole effort was drawn out to let it (the protest) simmer down to the point there is a calmness. This is a slap in the face of the Black community and they do it because they think we are asleep. Stewart actually shot Tyisha in the back. I'm calling on clergy and Black civic leaders to let our voices be heard. We cannot allow the

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# Lack of Hiring Black Firefighters Angers Locals

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SAN BERNARDINO

By Cheryl Brown

Black firefighters are at a premium in San Bernardino. It is a fact that there has not been one Black hired in 10 years. This fact has James Tate, a local concerned citizen, seeing red. And has the fire chief very concerned that Proposition 209 has kept the city from specifically targeting a diverse population.

Tate sent Black Voice News a copy of the letter he sent to Fire Chief Larry Pitzer. It stated that he was tired of waiting and of watching all Whites hired while qualified Blacks were not. He told Black Voice News he was working with the late NAACP President Willie Clark on the issue and he died before they could finish the process.

"I have worked on this issue for two years with Willie Clark. He felt we should go slow and document what was happening," said Tate who is also the Founder/Chair of the Black Republican's Council. "I have had it. It makes me sick to look around and see how uneven the playing field is for Blacks. It is time to wake up."



Photo by Cheryl Brown / The Black Voice News  
Melanna Nash, 4, with Captain Vince Gates thinks maybe someday she will follow in his footsteps.

said Tate.

"There is a qualified candidate and they will not hire him because he is Black," said Tate. In an interview with Black Voice News Chief Pitzer said, "It is true we haven't hired a Black firefighter in 10 years, but I have only been here since 1997. We are working with the Black firefighters to reach out to the community. They were recruiting in the churches and on the Westside (the area of the highest concentration of minorities)."

The qualified candidate Tate was referring to is Patrick Majors. "Majors was not qualified for the position when the job announcement was posted in 2000 and his name wasn't placed on the civil service list," said Pitzer. Majors said he had only one thing missing but he had everything else. Not all agencies require the state approved academy certificate and the job announcement states the academy and physical can be done within 6 months of the hire date. After trying to get hired with the department for several years Majors was told he had to go to the state accredited academy because it is the only local

state fire marshal approved academy even though he had been working as a paid call firefighter with the CDC, has experience with the California Department of Forestry, has a host of certificates necessary for the job and completed much of his education in the field. The city keeps extending the eligibility list and it is 2003 and he still has no job. According to a Black Voice source, a White woman was hired from the same group and Majors finished the academy before she finished the required physical aptitude test. Majors has long

since finished the academy. He now finds out he doesn't need it because the next group of hires will be taken from an unapproved local academy. Tate feels Majors is being sent through hoops. "It is apparent to me that the non-accredited fire academy... is nothing more than a smokescreen and a sham," said Tate.

Chief Pitzer feels that Tate is comparing apples to oranges in this case. In three years things have changed, the chief and the Black firefighters organization understand the problems of not hiring Blacks and decided to

develop their own academy, taught by the same Crafton Hills academy teachers. Pitzer said there were about 200 people which included 4 African Americans." They did not make it for one reason or another and there were no Blacks in the academy that was developed by the Black firefighter's," said Pitzer. Candidates from this department academy will not have to go to Crafton because the changes will be listed on the new job announcement. The old eligibility list expires and

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## Sergeant Reaching Gangs In The Community

### Sheriff Profile

### Sergeant Keith Yoshimura



Sergeant Keith Yoshimura flanked by other Riverside County Sheriff's deputies.

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RIVERSIDE

After fifteen years in law enforcement, Sergeant Keith Yoshimura, remains passionate about reaching gangs in the community.

Born and raised in Hawaii, Keith had been in the restaurant business for 17 years before becoming a sheriff. After taking an aptitude test at Mount San Jacinto Jr. College, he applied for the Riverside and Orange County Sheriff Department.

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department hired him. He enjoyed the academy and finished 5th in his class, although he was next to the oldest student. In December 2000, Keith was promoted to detective.

One of Keith's most memorable experiences was a double gang homicide. He and his partner had just gotten off duty when they heard a call regarding the homicide. Upon investigation, they learned that a father and son had been killed and the girlfriends' throat had been cut. Although the

lead investigator had already interviewed the girlfriend, Keith and his partner interviewed her again. This time she mentioned a key name. Upon following a hunch and further investigation from relationships developed in the field, Keith and his partner helped solve the case.

One of Yoshimura's most unusual experiences was when a fellow officer who was a rather large older man, was wired as an undercover "john" in a sting operation with two prostitutes. The women were dancing for the undercover officer when Keith and the rest of the team busted in for the arrest. According to Sergeant Yoshimura, it was a hilarious moment for everyone to see the undercover officer in his underwear.

Sergeant Yoshimura says that although he has never experienced racism within the department, he has experienced rejection from the community.

Officer Yoshimura looks forward to being promoted to lieutenant.

In the meantime, he enjoys sharing his knowledge with deputies and youth in the community. One of Sergeant Yoshimura's most fulfilling goals is to help a gang member "jump out". He says that the only other way a gang member can get out is to 'get beat up'.

Keith has discovered that youth become gang members because they can be attached to others to receive the love they're lacking. Being a gang member also glamorizes getting money through illegal means. Another reason youth become gang members is because of their culture. Sergeant Yoshimura attempts to get youth out of gangs before they go to prison and become hard-core. He also tries to help them with getting employment.

According to Sergeant Yoshimura, there is no increase in gang activity, just different names. The most frequent crime is identity fraud, credit card fraud, and check fraud. Although technology makes these crimes possible

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## Former Dean's Dream Comes True

# Behavioral Science College Opens At CSUSB



Former Dean Aubrey Bonnett's dream has come true and he returned to campus to see the ribbon cutting ceremony. Dr. Albert Karnig thanks him for his vision.

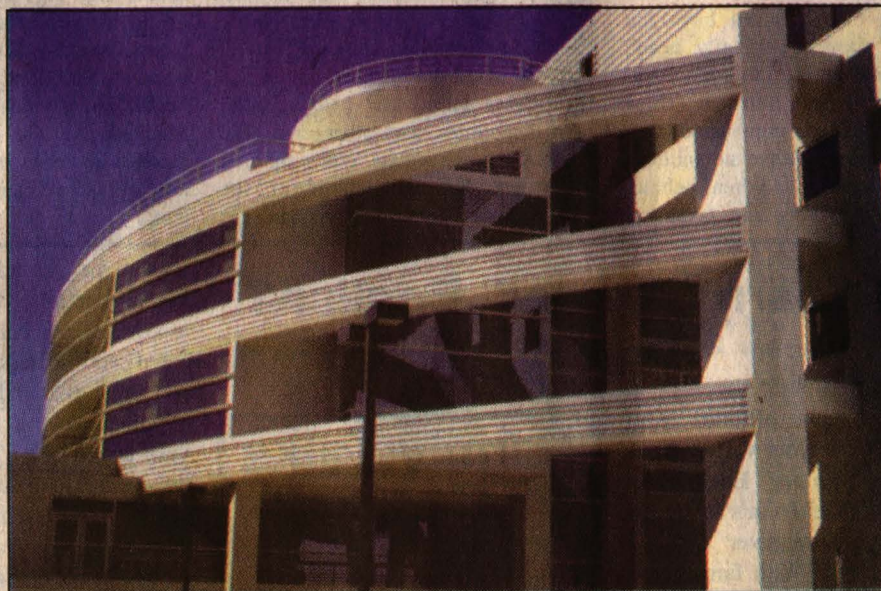
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SAN BERNARDINO

By Cheryl Brown

In 1990, years before Thurman, 9, and Tiffani Paul, 7, were even thought of, former President Dr. Tony Evans and former Dean Dr. Aubrey Bonnett had a dream. Their

dream was of a building to house the classrooms and staff and faculty offices of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences on the campus of California State University, San Bernardino. The two Paul children have grown up on the campus and they will be attending some day. Anita Higgins, their



The new College of Social and Behavioral Sciences building at CSUSB.

mother and a student in the Psychology department, has had her children beside her through her undergraduate classes and now her graduate level courses. These bright children are the future of the university and with all the exposure they have already had Thurman says he can't wait to attend college.

In September the doors were opened to the five story well designed 135,635 square foot building. On April 10 the ribbon was cut to celebrate the \$32.8 million home to the college's nine departments. For the first time, they will be housed in the same building.

Dr. Bonnett and his wife Dawn were present to see his dream come to fruition. He is presently on the faculty of the State University of New York, Old Westbury, where he also held the position of Vice President for Academic Affairs.

"The building will strengthen greatly the college's already outstanding teaching and research efforts. As the second largest building on campus, it will provide lecture and large meeting spaces for many kinds of university activities. For the first time, it will allow all of our social and behavioral science

faculty to have offices in the same facility," said Albert Karnig, President of the university.

"Having all of the departments of the college in one building pulls faculty together into a community where they have much more interaction in the natural flow of their daily work," says John Conley, dean of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences. "And that in the long run, will contribute to more natural development of collaboration across the disciplines."

Of all the colleges at Cal

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# COMMENTARY

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## Editorial

### Taking a splinter out of your brother's eye with a 2x4 in yours

By Hardy Brown

Last week I saw a political cartoon that confirmed what I had been thinking about the raping of public and private funds. The cartoon showed an American couple watching television coverage of the looting going on in Iraq and the billions taken by Saddam Hussein. Then beside them it showed American corporations taking billions from citizens, and giving them to Halliburton, Bechtel, Parsons, and others to rebuild Iraq after the war. Then on Friday night on ABC's Nightline, Ted Koppel ran a segment on contracts issued to companies to rebuild Iraq without having to go through a bidding process. If that was not enough, Sunday night's 20/20 had a section of their program dedicated to the rebuilding of Iraq by Republican supported corporations without any scrutiny from congress. Dick Cheney formerly ran one of these companies before he became Vice President. He had no experience as a CEO. Even though he is not president of the company he earned over \$180,000.00 from them last year. These contracts are so confidential and classified that not even congress knows about them until they have been awarded and they cannot be reversed.

The point that gets me about all of this is that we are so busy pointing out the splinter in other's eyes while we have a 2x4 in ours. We holler that other governments or dictators are stealing their people blind. We holler that other governments do not allow for openness, when conducting business. We holler about other governments suppressing dissenting opinion. We holler about other governments not allowing their minority population to fully participate in decision-making opportunities.

Yet we look the other way when millions of dollars are given to corporations without going through a competitive bidding process. The same government people who says there is nothing wrong with that, are the same ones who say "set-aside" contracts for Blacks are unconstitutional. Those are the same ones who say it is wrong to give any kind of consideration to Blacks seeking access to public colleges and universities, while agreeing that Blacks have legally been denied access in the past. These are the same people who say it is all right for a company like Enron to steal from its employees and stockholders without government intervention. These are the same people who will keep Blacks out of colleges yet take them into the Army and send them off to fight in an unclear war. These are the same people who are saying you are a traitor to your country if you speak out against international policy. And everyone knows Black Americans are not supposed to interfere with foreign policy even though much of the world we are dealing with are people of color. This is the same mistake Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. made when he stuck his nose into the Viet Nam war issue. This is what exiled Eartha Kitt and Paul Robeson when they criticized the United States government.

We as Black taxpaying citizens must continue to voice our opinions on these issues because we clearly understand these double standards from our collective historical experience in this country.



Hardy L. Brown

By Milton J. Little, Jr.  
Interim President and CEO  
National Urban League

Amid the momentous developments in Iraq, and the media's focus on the war, there occurred last week in this country a seemingly mundane event—the release of a government report—that caught one's attention like the dull thud of bombs going off in the far distance.

The federal Bureau of Justice Statistics released its annual survey of prison statistics, and its hard numbers and their implications are staggering.

For the first time in America's history, the number of inmates in the nation's prisons and jails has surpassed two million people—a four-fold increase in the three decades since the mid-1970s.

"Imagine that," the Washington Post editorialized by way of a stunning comparison, "the United States locked up the populations of Wyoming, Vermont and North Dakota and then threw in the nation of Iceland for good measure."

This astonishing drive to mass incarceration—the development of "a nation of prisoners within American society," in the Post's words—has produced the highest incarceration rate in the world: seven times that of Canada, and four times that of the United Kingdom. The U.S. has 700 inmates for every

100,000 residents.

And the number of Americans incarcerated has continued to grow even though crime has noticeably declined in recent years and the rate of violent crime is now lower than it was in the mid-1970s. Just over 1 million Americans are in state penitentiaries, nearly 162,000 are in federal prisons, and another 800,000 are in local jails or community facilities.

It's not at all surprising, but it is deeply alarming that the most striking feature of America's prison profile is its color line: African Americans, 12 percent of the total U.S. population, are incarcerated in wildly disproportionate numbers.

Of the more than 1.8 million males in state or federal prisons and local jails, nearly 819,000—or 45 percent—are Black, 630,000 are white, and 342,000 are Latino.

Of the nearly 166,000 total women inmates, nearly 69,000 are white, nearly 66,000—or 40 percent—are Black, and 25,000 are Latino.

Roughly 12 percent of African-American males aged 20 to 34 are in jail or prison, compared to 1.6 percent of white men in the same age group.

America's incarceration frenzy of the past three decades has been pushed by several profoundly misguided factors—among them, the excessive "get-tough" response to the spike in crime that began in the

mid-1970s.

Drug infractions were a chief target of that posturing. As a result, now, nearly 60 percent of federal prisoners and more than 20 percent of state prisoners are in custody for drug offenses—in many cases, lower-level ones.

I hold no brief for being "soft" on crime. But the experience of America's recent past has shown clearly that being "tough" on crime isn't the same as being "smart" about dealing with crime.

The waste of "human capital" has been enormous and enormously costly to the society as a whole.

For one thing, in many states ex-offenders can't vote.

Think of the effect on our democracy of a growing pool of people who, despite having "paid their debt to society," are forever cut off from the fundamental right and privilege of citizenship.

The get-tough crowd also gutted the prisons' rehabilitation programs—turning them, in effect, into places where the only schooling available was in a life of crime.

How smart was that?

One need only look at the statistics about and the conditions in the communities where African-American and Latino-American inmates come from to understand how, not all, certainly, but many have been themselves victimized by a vicious cycle set up by joblessness,

poor housing, atrocious elementary and secondary schools, and a criminal justice system that is rife with inequities rooted in the class and racial facts of life.

It's easy to dismiss all of those incarcerated as having "chosen" to commit crime. But the fact is that some significant number is driven to it by lack of opportunity.

That truth was driven home by the national study of more than 300 metropolitan areas done in 1999 by the National Bureau of Economic Research, a Cambridge, Massachusetts think tank, which found that the long economic boom of the 1990s had, by the decade's end, finally begun significantly benefiting those at the bottom of the economic and occupational ladder. It opened up jobs for young, poor, and poorly-educated Black males.

The study found that Black males, age 16 to 24 with a high school education or less, were working in greater numbers and earning bigger paychecks than ever before—and that levels of reported crime had fallen most sharply in those metropolitan areas where declines in joblessness had been greatest.

Get the connection?

That's the truth we need to keep in mind if we're to have any chance of defusing the time bomb the Bureau of Justice Statistics report tells us we've planted in our midst.

## America's Domestic Time Bomb

## The Bush Administration's Budget War on Poor Children: Target—Medicaid

By Marian Wright Edelman

In a recent Child Watch column, I wrote about the Bush Administration's assault on Head Start in their 2004 Budget. But Head Start is just one front in this budget's war on poor children. Another of this budget's radical proposals gives states unprecedented latitude to scale back coverage of vital health care for children and to impose substantial cost-sharing requirements that could restrict children's access to needed health care. This proposal would put at risk one in three of the nearly 30 million children receiving health care through Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). This budget also fails to adequately address the health care needs of the 9.2 million children who still have no health insurance, and the proposals could actually add to the number of uninsured children if states ultimately decide to shift funds away from children or impose unaffordable cost-sharing on families. Finally, the Bush Administration fails to restore \$1.2 billion in CHIP funds that expired from the program at the end of the 2002 fiscal year—a decision that may force some states to drop coverage for some children because of inadequate CHIP resources in future years.

How could this happen? How could our wealthy nation choose to turn back the clock on the progress we have made in ensuring that children have the health care they so urgently need? These proposals reflect this administration's unjust budget priorities. Once again, those in power are championing policies that would leave no millionaire, but millions of children, behind. But if enough voters and taxpayers

stand up to say "No" and insist on different choices, we can stop them.

The Medicaid and CHIP proposal threatens to unravel a key element of the safety net that assures low-income children a healthy start in life. Medicaid provides eligible children with the healthy start they deserve. States are currently mandated to serve all poor children—a mandate that will continue—and are currently guaranteed federal help if they decide to extend health care to additional low-income children. This promise of early preventive investments and comprehensive health and mental health services for children with disabilities helps to prevent serious illnesses and the need for more costly care in the future.

The Bush Administration is using children to help solve a fiscal crisis that they did not cause. Although children's health care costs are far less than those of others on Medicaid, the proposed Bush block grant will include both a portion of Medicaid's dollars for children and the entire investment in the Children's Health Insurance Program. Millions of children will then be forced to compete with older people, those with disabilities, and other uninsured adults for scarce dollars. While children make up more than half of the Medicaid enrollees, they account for

less than a quarter of Medicaid spending. The average per child Medicaid cost of \$1,590 (which includes the costs of children who are severely disabled) is no more than one-sixth the average per person cost of Medicaid for older Americans (\$10,312) or persons who are disabled (\$9,732).

Many children will be at risk of losing comprehensive health and mental health services and basic protections, as dollars are spread to give less help to more children and adults. Medical services for children in Medicaid, and some CHIP children, must include well-child and well-baby care, immunizations, screenings for hearing and vision, and dental care, as well as all medically necessary treatment for any illnesses, injuries, or disabilities identified in children. Some children in CHIP receive a more limited package of benefits. Comprehensive quality services are essential for many children, especially those with disabilities and other special health or mental health needs. Cutting back on some to help more will place many children squarely in harm's way and will certainly end up costing more down the road.

New cost-sharing requirements could also make it more difficult for low-income families to afford continued coverage for their children. Although the Administration claims that it will continue to protect comprehensive health care for the poorest children, health insurance for children in low-income working families will be at risk. Nearly 1.5 million children with severe health care needs who qualify for Medicaid because of their significant medical expenses may also be in jeopardy of losing coverage of needed services.

In his recent State of the Union address, the President committed to "high quality, affordable health care for all Americans." But once again his promises and policies are at odds. Instead of offering a vision and the necessary funding to reduce the number of uninsured children in America, the President is setting their needs aside.

He makes no guarantees that his proposals will give more children quality health care. In fact, his proposals could jeopardize the quality care that millions of children are now receiving and may even result in more children being added to the rolls of the uninsured. By eliminating an assurance of comprehensive health care for many children and key protections to ensure access to care, the Bush proposal radically undermines gains made by Medicaid and CHIP that help reduce the number of uninsured children and provide affordable access to the health care they need.

The Children's Defense Fund is asking everyone in America who is concerned about children to call their U.S. Senators and Representatives to say "No" to the Bush Administration's tax and budget proposals. Call the U.S. Capitol switchboard at (202) 224-3121 and ask for your U.S. Senators and Representatives. We MUST speak up and say "no" to send a powerful and consistent message to those in power. Children need our voice.

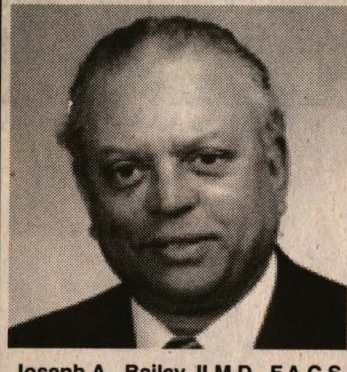
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## Why Learn "Proper" English? (Part I)

For you young athletes who decide to live life your way and bypass learning "proper" English, let us look at Michael Irvin's story -- a superstar wide receiver for the Dallas Cowboys. With fame came great troubles -- e.g. career ending addictions. "I used to think I could do everything myself. I didn't need to play anybody's game; I was going to do it my way." All of his legal, marital, and other troubles caused him to stop and think about what was going on within him and also in his life. "It's all about self-esteem. I lacked self-esteem, going all the way back to kindergarten. I couldn't read or write, but the White kids could. I thought, 'I'm just a dumb Black kid!' I didn't realize the White kids had been to preschool. That lack of self-esteem stays with you. You're always trying to prove to everybody how great you are; how perfect you are."

Because of Irvin's pleasing personality, his friends in high places offered him a job as a television commentator for an Arena Football

## Family Talks



Joseph A. Bailey, II M.D., F.A.C.S.

League team -- a job immediately threatened by his poor use of "proper" English, diction, and grammar. Since he was not academically prepared to do anything else, Irvin put as much effort into improving his English (something he should have done in grade school when it was much, much easier) as he had put into perfecting his football skills. "I wanted to be the best in football, and now I want to be the best in broadcasting," he said. For that

reason, he started working with a voice specialist and was publicly recognized for being the most dedicated and disciplined student the specialist ever had. But he continually had trouble using the correct verb tense. **The Tenses of a Verb** are the various forms that indicate primarily different relationships of events in time. For example, in the **Active Verb Tense** category are: (1) present - I ask; (2) past - I asked; (3) future - I shall (will) ask; (4) perfect - I have asked; (5) past perfect - I had asked; and (6) future perfect - I shall (will) have asked. In the **Active Progressive Verb Tense** are: (1) present - I am asking; (2) past - I was asking; (3) future - I shall be asking; (4) perfect - I have been asking; (5) past perfect - I had been asking; and (6) I shall have been asking. The **Passive Verb Tenses**: (1) perfect - I am asked; (2) past - I was asked; (3) future - I shall (will) be asked; (4) perfect - I have been asked; (5) past perfect - I had been asked; and (6) future perfect - I shall (will) have been asked.

Incidentally, one way of losing a job over the telephone (because it labels you as a "Black" person) or during an interview is to pronounce "ask" as "axed." Irvin was also

taught by his vocal instructor to start reading more widely. "He has got me reading the front page of the newspaper for the first time in my life. I used to only read the sports section. (Want is the improper English in those two statements?) At this point in his progress, Irvin was falsely accused of a crime. Although the charges were eventually dropped, so much damage had been done from simply being accused that the network fired him. But then influential White friends gave him great character references and he was rehired. Meanwhile, he made a commitment to God and to his wife to stop all self-defeating habits, including using offensive language. He started attending church and regularly made powerful speeches in church and to other public audiences. He worked hard on keeping his promises because, as his wife pointed out, to break your promises is to be out of control. Young athletes, the lesson to learn from Irvin's life is to make the most of a good education and learn "proper" English while it is available to you. Both will be keys to your success in the marketplace.

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# Head of Teacher Education at UC Riverside Appointed to State Commission on Teacher Credentialing

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**RIVERSIDE**

Athena Waite, the director of teacher education at the University of California, Riverside, has been named to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, the public body charged with the preparation and certification of the state's teachers.

Waite was named to one of four ex-officio, or non-voting, seats on the 19-member commission in February. Waite represents the Regents of the University of California on the commission. Her term will be open ended. The commission

certifies and regulates teacher credentialing, develops teacher preparation and performance standards, proposes policies on teacher credentialing, conducts research and oversees disciplinary procedures involving the state's public school teachers.

"This is a mark of confidence and a recognition of Athena's depth of knowledge," said Robert Calfee, dean of the Graduate School of Education at UC Riverside. Waite's appointment speaks well for the campus, which has one of the largest and most dynamic teacher preparation programs in the UC

System, according to Calfee.

Directors and deans at UC's graduate schools of education must first nominate the candidate to the president of the university, who makes the appointment.

Positions on the commission require a combination of the technical knowledge of teacher credentialing with the political know-how of a state politician, Calfee said.

To UC Riverside's advantage, Waite has served on a variety of the commission's review panels and committees including one that developed plans for the reor-

ganization of multiple and single subject teaching credentials under State Senate Bill 2042; another that reviewed the requirements for teachers to become reading specialists; and she served as a special education expert in focus groups for the Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment Program (BTSA).

Waite said the commission's work has taken on greater significance after the passage of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act, commonly known as the "No Child Left Behind" act, which mandates a "highly qualified"



Athena Waite

## Uninsured African Americans

chronic, life threatening illness, can't afford health insurance.

While the Bush Administration focuses on war in Iraq, the cost of medical bills continues to soar. At least forty-three million Americans don't have health insurance coverage -- that's almost one in every seven people -- and the number is growing. An almost equal number are underinsured. In addition, more than 30 million Americans live in medically underserved communities. With the weak economy, even more Americans are likely to join the ranks of the uninsured as workers and employers increasingly are unable to afford medical coverage.

Not having health insurance has even more serious consequences for African-Americans, however with nearly one in five being uninsured. When African-Americans lack health insurance, they delay needed care, live with serious illness and die younger. In a study of more than 28,000 Florida patients,

those without health insurance were more likely to be diagnosed with diabetes, heart disease, stroke, cancer, and AIDS, at a later, more dangerous stage than those with insurance. All of these major health concerns can be detected early through regular screening - an option usually unavailable to the uninsured.

In January, Louis W. Sullivan, MD, Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services from 1989 to 1993 told a gathering at Cedar-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, a growing body of research shows a direct correlation between the uninsured and disparities in health care services and delivery. Sullivan and former Presidents Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter are helping to raise awareness about the plight of the uninsured and to encourage Americans to find solutions. The American Medical Association, The National Medical Association, major insurers, and organizers,

including The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and a diverse group of national organizers, are hosting a year-long series of health fairs, town hall meetings, campus discussions, interfaith events and more to help people learn about the issue, find local resources and share their stories.

While the nation's leaders are focusing on war in Iraq, the health insurance crisis sits on the back burner. There is however, a wealth of information available online about how to make health insurance more affordable through group plans, and higher deductibles. The brochure, called "Coping With Medical Bills," has information about medical sharing plans in which members share most of the medical costs, and rules governing collection agencies. A free copy of the brochure can be downloaded at [www.myvesta.org](http://www.myvesta.org). Just click on the "Health Related" area. For a printed copy, you can call (800) 680-3328, Ext. 143, for a \$5 fee.

teacher in each classroom.

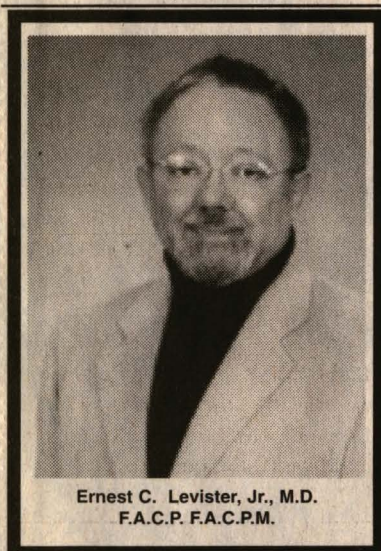
"The commission determines what it takes to be certified as highly qualified," said Waite, who noted that about 600 teachers in the state are working outside of their subject area because of shortages in certain subjects such as mathematics and science.

UC Riverside has been active in developing innovative teacher education programs that strive to meet the need for teachers with the quality preparation required by the University of California and federal mandates. Teacher education initiatives include integrated special education masters and credential programs, a combined masters and credential program for single and multiple subject teachers, and the blended program of undergraduate teacher preparation. The blended program includes partnerships with area community colleges and the UC Riverside

College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences to better prepare students early for careers in education. As director of teacher education, Waite has been in the forefront of developing such programs.

Waite's education career began in 1964 after receiving an elementary teaching credential from UC Berkeley. She taught elementary school and special education in the Oakland Unified School District for 13 years. She then taught graduate equivalent degree classes in Thailand for the U.S. Army and Air Force, tutored children with special education needs in Maryland and taught special education in Watertown, NY.

Waite arrived at UC Riverside in 1989 to pursue a graduate degree in special education then became director of specialist and dual credential programs in 1993. In 1999, she became director of teacher education.



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"For those that are uninsured, many of the uninsured are able-bodied, capable people capable of buying insurance but choose not to do so." George W. Bush, New York Times, November 10, 1999.

Such was Mr. Bush's compassionate response to a mother who had asked him how he planned to deal with cases like her own: single parent, works 50 hours a week, earns minimum wage, son with

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# FIREFIGHTERS

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a new one has to be established in about 60 days depending on the city budget. In 2000 a job announcement requesting candidates for a lateral transfer was posted. According to the 2000 job announcement some qualifications could be substituted until up to six months after the hire to be approved by the Fire Chief. He didn't qualify again and the chance to diversify was lost. Tate's concern is Majors is qualified and still not in. "According to their current procedures, Patrick has always been qualified. They told him that he needed a certificate from an accredited fire academy, but now they're hiring from a non-accredited academy. It's a bunch of bull," said Tate. Majors hasn't given up.

Majors' situation is daunting but Xente Baker just gave up and is now a firefighter in Corona. For as long as he can remember he wanted to be a fireman. "I would see Jimmy Jews and Vincent Gates on the fire truck at the Black History parade every year. My family had a friend who was a fireman. I always wanted to be one and to work for the city of San Bernardino," said Baker. One day after he came back from completing two years of college and after being laid off from the post office as a temporary worker he decided to go see if he could be a volunteer fireman. "I went in and met Rita Kent who said there are other jobs in the department," said Baker. She mentored him for two years. When the job came opened and he interviewed he was a very close second. According to Kent, a Fire Prevention Officer, he should have been hired. "Baker volunteered for two years and only missed one day. I was training him so he would be ready when the position opened," said Kent. Kent says the interview is only one part of the equation. Her recommendation should have carried a lot of weight. Chief Pitzer's assessment of the situation is a little different. He says the panel that Kent was a part of ranked Baker second and the other person first. He said it was that ranking that created the problem. "The interview is not the only thing hiring is based on," said Kent. The other candidate was hired and as soon as he could transfer he did. The person was promoted to firefighter and the position was again open. Pitzer said, "We then tried to get Xente back. He came in, talked with me and the Deputy Marshal

Preciado, and we offered him the job. He wanted to be able to go in as an Inspector and lateral over into suppression. We wanted him to get some more experience in Inspection. However, he felt he owed the Corona Department because they extended a part time position to fulltime and he could become a firefighter more quickly. We waited two and a half weeks for him to make a decision," said Pitzer.

Baker said his only dream in life was to become a firefighter in the city of San Bernardino. Two things were important to his future. "I asked them about my education and what opportunities and support I'd have to continue in the field. They said they didn't have much money and anyway I'd be too busy to go to school. They also wanted me to stay in prevention work and not become a fireman. I felt I'd be limited there. Already in Corona, they sent me to the National Fire Academy for two weeks and I am now a firefighter. It was the hardest decision I ever had to make," said Baker.

Kent said the Blacks in the department were very disappointed and upset about the loss of such a good candidate. Captain Vincent Gates, a 25-year veteran, agreed and said that is one of the reasons the Black firefighters will not participate on the fire truck for the Black History Parade. "We don't want to give the false sense that the department is hiring and promoting Blacks or other minorities. It hasn't worked that way. It is our silent protest," said Gates. Not all the Black firefighters are boycotting the parade even though the result is that they are not there. Howard Bennett says he has just been out of town the last couple of years.

Gates said it was he who pulled together all of the Black firefighters to find a solution to the problem. He was the one to get everyone together to do something. He said the department recently tried to rectify the problem at least on the surface. It turned out that all of the candidates in the department academy who walked across the stage at the culmination of a department non-certified academy were White. "Not true," said Pitzer. "There were several minorities." Gates said the idea was to get minorities from the community in the department. Since the city is a majority of people of color there would be a good applicant pool. Unfortunately it didn't work that way. Gates said he wants to mentor some young people who would be interested in the department. He feels

it is the best way to insure minorities are included. "The academy was set up to get more people from the community to come into the department. Not one made it and even though it was expressly set up to get diversity the goal was not achieved," said Gates. Pitzer says Gates was not an intricate part of the academy. "Vincent is a wonderful guy. But he didn't take an active hand in the academy," said Pitzer. "No I didn't because I know what would happen and it did. It failed to get any Blacks in the process," he said.

Kent was not only upset with her mentee being rejected she tells the story about her own case. She has been doing the same job for 27 years, four years ago she was given a White male to train. She was his supervisor. Before she knew it he was promoted to Fire Marshal. "I never had an idea that the job would become available to a civilian employee," she said. Everything she found out was through rumor. "I was told that the Fire Marshal would be recruited from another city then I heard the rumor about it being in-house," said Kent. Pitzer admits to the historic change. "I dusted off the Fire Marshal, before, the only person who could apply was a battalion chief," said Pitzer. The rules were changed. "I changed the rules on that because I wanted to open it up to other candidates department-wide. There is no question she (Kent) was the senior but he (Fire Marshal Doug Dupree) had 18 years experience before he was hired in the department and he had a degree," said Pitzer. Kent was hurt by the way they handled the situation. "It is a woman vs. man thing," she said. "Doug Dupree, is finishing up his BA degree, the education requirement has been consistently applied," said Pitzer.

"They change the rules" was continually voiced throughout our interviews but Retired Captain Jimmy Jews said, "all of these departments keep changing the rules to suit themselves. As long as the brothers are new in the department and have no seniority then seniority is what they use. Everytime a big group of Blacks get seniority then seniority is out and merit is in. Merit is very subjective," he said. "One of my concerns is the rules changes," confirmed Bennett.

Jews said the job description for firefighters should be re-written to reflect the education that is needed before anyone walks in the door. "It is giving brothers a false sense of what it takes to be a firefighter. At least two years of college is

needed along with a lot of preparation and work. Many want to get out of high school and jump right into a job. The job description doesn't say you have to do this (have college)," said Jews.

Howard Bennett, a battalion chief says that is why the Black firefighters started the academy. "There has not been a Black hired in the city for 10 years. I told Tony Dupre (S.B. School Board President) of my concerns and he set up a meeting to work with Adult Ed. We recruited and accepted applications. We started with 158 applicants. They were given a 10th grade LVN test. Sixty-five

people passed at 75%. Forty-five were selected for the first academy. There were 13 Hispanics and 5 Blacks in the group, the rest were White. I went by the SOP and 27 graduated. All of the Blacks fell away, we don't know why," said Bennett.

Pitzer explained, "we are trying to do the right thing. A new San Bernardino City Schools program that takes students from 9-12 grades placing them in a service related academy should yield some candidates in the future. We are trying to do what we can to correct the problem. I am passionate about it. I rise and fall, live

and breathe on the facts," said Pitzer. It is a fact says Tate, that no qualified Black has been hired in the San Bernardino Fire Department for 10 years. "He will have to address the issues surrounding the fact that no Blacks have been hired in 10 years. What is his action plan to address this problem," asked Tate.

He will have a long way to go to repair some of the hurt and sour feelings that exist in the department and with Tate who started the ball rolling on this issue. Pitzer said he has never had a problem with any Black person in his department. Those we spoke to do not agree.

# CSUSB

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State, the disciplines housed in this college tend to have more of a direct bearing on daily life. Disciplines include: anthropology, criminal justice, economics, geography, history, political science, psychology, social work and sociology.

As it provides a vehicle for faculty to collaborate across department lines, the college now can provide students with more up-to-date and concentrated research opportunities, not just in the classrooms with their instructors, but also in the college's various research laboratories.

"This provides students with more hands-on experience, sharpens their critical thinking skills, shapes their ability to question, experiment and test," Conley said. "And it doesn't matter what discipline you're in. These are the kinds of skills you need to have to succeed in the larger society."

Associate Dean Jenny Zorn oversaw the building process and move-in for the college and served as the liaison with the other departments and construction teams on the project. "All of our classrooms have been wired to take advantage of the Internet and other digital technology," said Zorn.

The money for the building came from the 1998 voter-approved education bond issue. It has offices for 102 faculty and 21 staff. It features a large auditorium, two lecture halls, nine small classrooms, and six conference rooms. It will also house a museum for anthropology exhibits and Geographical Information Systems laboratory with cutting-edge technology. Other features include a Psychology Community Counseling Center, a Child Development Center and a Political Science Debate Room.

The building was designed by A.J. Lumsden in 1992, and was updated to meet new seismic building codes.



It won't be long until Tiffani and her brother Thurman Paul are attending Cal State San Bernardino. Dean John Conley welcomes them at the ribbon cutting ceremony.

CSUSB has over 16,000 students majoring in over 42 baccalaureate degrees and 22 master's degrees, 48 certificates, 26 Credential programs and 6 Pre-professional programs.

It is a Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) but there is no single majority ethnic group among students on campus.

When the Paul children get ready to attend Cal State there will be even more

state of the art equipment as well as a new set of professors. Zorn, Karnig, and Conley will have retired, but these children will be further ahead because they know the history of the college and the university. They will have the mentorship of the great men and women who were responsible for the lasting building that formally opened on April 10.

# MILLER

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City of Riverside to re-instate him," said Beamon.

Rose Mayes, Executive Director of the Fair Housing Council, and member of the Mayor's Use of Force Task force said the ruling disturbed her. She joined others. "It is a slap in the face against everything we worked so hard for during the past four years. It is a step backward for the city," she said. She said she hoped that other people would speak out against this and this is not the time to sit back and accept it.

She added that the authorities should realize the impact that such a reinstatement would have on the community and consider the community's input when making that decision. "The department should have recognized the problems that could occur in the community if Stewart returns to duty," she said.

The Riverside Police Officers Association doesn't agree. Patrick McCarthy, President of RPOA, said the Association supports their members. "We have always stood by them. They were wrongfully terminated. We respect the judge's decision," said McCarthy.

"He (Stewart) was what was wrong in the first place," said Mayes. "His pattern

of behavior and that of the department cannot change in only three years."

Mayor Loveridge said he wants to hear the alternatives before he speaks about his position. "There are different choices. The judge's order is strong and rather clear," he told Black Voice News.

Tyisha Miller family spokesman, Rev. Bernell Butler, the only one to be punished by going to jail for protesting the killing, is somewhat embittered by the response to the issue. He said if the family hadn't been talked into settling by the attorneys and if people hadn't given up on justice for Tyisha then the judge could not have made the decision. "If the truth could have come out in a trial there would have been a different outcome. Our family is suffering and this is like pouring salt on the wound. Where are the ministers? Where are the community members? We must remember they shot an unconscious person in the back fearing for their life. Where is the justice?" he asked.

Bill Howe, a steering committee member and member of the Community Police Review Commission which was set in place by a Consent Decree, said that he firmly believes that none of the officers involved with the shooting should ever return to the police force.

"People haven't forgotten what happened on that night of December 28,

1998," he said. He added that through his work with the Eastside's Community Action Network, he talks to parents and children who still fear the police department, certain officers and the way they are treated. There are many good officers but the few bad ones make things difficult for them," he said.

Howe knows police work. He is the retired Chief of Police for the University of California Riverside and the City of Corona. He strongly objected to the behavior exhibited by the four officers after the tragic shooting.

"We don't need officers like that who go around celebrating and making jokes after shooting people," he said. He believes that Preece especially shouldn't be allowed to return to duty because of his behavior after the shooting where he made offensive comments and condoned other officers' bad behavior at the scene.

He is referring to what happened after the shooting. The officers gave each other high fives and made racial comments about the grieving family. Then Sgt. Gregory Preece who came after they put together an ill-fated plan said in roll call, "In LA they treat you like a King but in Riverside it's Miller Time."

Community and national leaders converged on Riverside and a faithful group of people marched every Monday for two years. Most of the protesters were

targeted and most got 6 months suspended sentences and community service. Butler's situation is worse and he has already done four months in jail, his family is separated and it seems to him that the officers are being rewarded for bad behavior. "I know that God is in this plan and I can't give up," he said.

His regrets about the family settling are the same as Rev. Jerry Louder, President of the U.S. Pastor's Society and pastor of New Jerusalem Christian Church, "we should have never settled the case. We should have gone to trial. If we had, all of this never would have happened. The family settled, Johnnie Cochran settled and we are all living with the residue of the case. If it had gone to trial, this would have never happened. I hope the city will follow through in dismissing him (Stewart)."

"However, no one has come out and talked about the fact that there was a policy in place at the PD in situations where a person was inside a car and unresponsive. If there was evidence of drinking alcohol or inebriation, then the officers are supposed to back off the situation.

They didn't do that and that would have resulted in their dismissal. Johnnie Cochran never dealt with that policy, only with the settlement and getting what he could out of the family," said Louder.

Rucker-Hughes commented: "It is our belief that the shooting of young Tyisha, as well as, the lack of training and forethought evidenced by these officers' actions on that fateful night continue to shed valuable light on a grave situation involving abuse of Blacks and Latinos by some Riverside police officers.

"We echo the sentiments of Pastor Mumford and Councilman Moore in their condemnation of this misguided and unconscionable effort to reinstate Officer Stewart to our police force. We view the attitude and comments of Councilmen Atkison and Schiavone as being insensitive and reflective of the kind of "hide your head in the sand indifference", "duck for cover callousness" and "circle the wagons defense" that is all too familiar and predictable and we call upon the Council, inclusive of Ed and Frank, to do the "right thing", by appealing this decision allowing

Officer Stewart to return and by insisting that there be no whitewash of justice for Tyisha.

"We recognize that not all police are "out to get" African Americans, but when those who are sworn to "protect and serve" us end up blowing away our children heads, anger and outrage is the inevitable fall out. That is because one more attack on the Black community, already under a constant state of siege, one more atrocity, naturally just adds fuel to an already burning fire.

"In conclusion, let the record show that the Riverside Branch of the NAACP opposes this mis-carriage of justice by the courts to allow the reinstatement of Officer Stewart to the Riverside police department. We will be in attendance at the May 6, 2003 Council meeting to monitor what happens in this case."

Pastor Jesse Wilson, president of the Tyisha Miller Steering Committee said, "This ruling has dredged up painful memories and I believe will strain the relationship between law enforcement and the eastside community. It is a lose/lose situation."

# YOSHIMURA

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ble, non-severe punishment is not discouraging to criminals.

Yoshimura contributes a lot of his success to his partner who not

only taught him everything, but also became like family to him. He is also grateful for the support of his wife and children.

Sergeant Yoshimura, affectionately called "Yosh," believes that if parents were able to show their

children more love, it may help cause a decrease in new gang members. In the meantime, he continues to reach the gangs and make a difference in their lives.

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# Playboy Jazz Festival Continues Tradition of Free Jazz

The Black Voice News

The Playboy Jazz Festival sizzles with free swinging sets in Beverly Hills, Watts, Los Angeles and Pasadena to launch its silver anniversary celebration.

The 2003 community concerts could be designated as double silver since the Playboy Jazz Festival's 1979 West Coast premiere also commemorated the magazine's silver anniversary. The magazine celebrates its golden 50th birthday this year. Playboy Enterprises additionally commemorates the 25th silver presentation of jazz at the Hollywood Bowl with paid performances June 14 and 15.

The free concerts will be held May 4 at the Beverly Hills Civic Center, May 9 inside Phoenix Hall of the Bradley Senior Citizen Center in Watts, May 18 at the Conga Room in Los Angeles and May 24, 25 and 26 over the Memorial Day weekend at the Old Pasadena Summer Fest. The free events conclude June 12 with the screening of archivist Mark Cantor's "Jazz on Film" at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art.



Violinist Susie Hansen

Electric violinist Susie Hansen and her 9-piece Latin jazz band will headline the 3 p.m. show in Beverly Hills this Sunday, May 4. Also appearing will be Frank Marocco, the most recorded

accordionist in America, and his quartet.

Hansen combines elements of jazz and Latin music to create an eclectic signature sound. She uses traditional Cuban charanga,

a predecessor of salsa; driving Afro-Cuban rhythms and the compelling harmonies of straight-ahead jazz for an infectious, high-voltage style to get the audience on its feet.

Marocco is a veteran of hundreds of recording dates. He has performed on numerous movie soundtracks, television scores, record albums and commercial jingles. He has recorded and performed with Brian Wilson, Madonna, Pink Floyd, Luciano Pavarotti and composer John Williams. He has twice received the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences' Most Valuable Player Award and has been nominated for the award for eight consecutive years.

The Los Angeles Multi-School Alumni Jazz Band will be the primary performers at the 11 a.m. May 9 concert in Watts. The ten instrumentalists and director Reggie Andrews will present a medley of classics composed and made classics by such jazz legends as Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Ella Fitzgerald and others.

The Los Angeles alumni band includes graduates of Locke, Los

Alamos, Lynchwood and Washington Preparatory high schools, Hamilton High School Academy of Music and Los Angeles County High School for the Arts. This concert is sponsored by the Thelonious Monk Institute of Jazz.

The Conga Room artist will be announced at a later date.

Playboy Jazz Festival at the Old Pasadena Summer Fest will feature three days of music in the city's Central Park over Memorial Day weekend.

The May 24 lineup includes the Mindi Abair, Jose Rizo's Jazz on the Latin Side All Stars, Victor Fields, Brian Hughes, Rayford

Griffin and Rebirth of the Cool and Baba Alade.

Euge Groove, Louie Cruz Beltran Latin Jazz Orchestra, Christy Baron, Jon Mayer and Ernie Watts Project, Elnora and Sumpthin's Cookin' and L.A. Mambo Combo Latin Jazz Ensemble will play on May 25.

The May 26 performers include Greg Adams, Pasadena Jazz Orchestra, Spanky Wilson, Cal Bennett, Sal Cracchiolo and Melanie Jackson, and Buddy Reed.

Additional information on the Playboy Jazz Festival at the Hollywood Bowl or the free concerts: (310) 449-4070.

## Black & White Descendants of the UGRR Reunite From All Over North America

The Black Voice News

PHILADELPHIA

The William Still Underground Railroad Foundation Inc. along with the National Park Service, Camden Waterfront, Loews Hotel of Philadelphia, and the Philadelphia Multi-Culture Congress announced the first

annual National Underground Railroad Family Reunion festival to take place in Camden, New Jersey, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania June 27-29, 2003. The three-day celebration, a first of its kind, will reunite descendants of conductors, abolitionists, stationmasters, freedom seekers, and all of those persons whose ancestors were associated

with the underground railroad in a public area.

This event offers to the public activities designed to appeal to all ages, genders, cultures, and descendants, as well as UGRR history buffs, and others who are intrigued about underground railroad history; a forum to educate, network and share the world via books, art, music,

song, exhibits, and re-enactments. One of the major attractions of the celebration is a Gospel Folk Concert featuring national recording artists to be announced. For more information about the National Underground Railroad Family Reunion Festival, please contact Eye Elder at (513) 853-0297 or (513) 542-2489.

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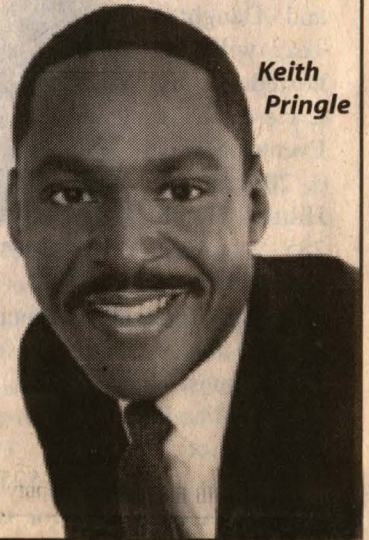
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# Attention Riverside County Property Owners & Residents

## Western Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

BEFORE THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGARDING THE PROPOSED ADOPTION OF THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY MULTIPLE SPECIES HABITAT CONSERVATION PLAN (MSHCP) AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO CERTIFY THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT/ ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE MSHCP

PUBLIC HEARINGS have been scheduled for May 5, 6 and 8 before the Riverside County Board of Supervisors regarding the proposed approval of the Western Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP). A list of the times and subject matter to be considered during each day of the hearings is provided in this notice. The County of Riverside (County), in cooperation with the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and participating local governments, prepared a joint Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) for the proposed Western Riverside County MSHCP. The County is serving as the lead agency for the EIR and the USFWS is acting as the lead agency under NEPA for purposes of the EIS. On November 15, 2002, copies of the draft MSHCP, EIR/EIS and the Implementing Agreement were provided to local libraries listed in Attachment A of this notice. These documents are also available on the RCIP internet website at [www.rcip.org](http://www.rcip.org).

The proposed MSHCP is a comprehensive, multiple jurisdictional planning program designed to create, manage, and monitor a system of habitat reserves in Western Riverside County. With the proposed MSHCP, the Wildlife Agencies will grant authorization for otherwise lawful actions, such as public and private development that may incidentally take or harm individual species or their habitats outside of the MSHCP Conservation Area, in exchange for the assembly and management of a coordinated MSHCP Conservation Area. In addition to the preservation of species and associated habitats, the proposed MSHCP Conservation Area would provide open space and recreational opportunities, which would enhance the quality of life in Riverside County.

The EIR/EIS addresses the potential impacts of urban growth, natural habitat loss, and "take" of plant and animal species. The EIR/EIS concluded that with implementation of the MSHCP there would be significant, unavoidable adverse environmental effects to biological resources (sensitive habitats such as chaparral, coastal sage scrub, desert scrub, grasslands, Riversidean alluvial fan sage scrub, and non-covered species) and population and housing. Impacts to mineral resources, agricultural, transportation and circulation, parks and recreation, and fire services were analyzed and determined to be less than significant.

The Board of Supervisors will consider the EIR in conjunction with its consideration of the proposed MSHCP at the public hearings referenced herein. Any person wishing to testify in support of, or in opposition to the proposed Western Riverside County MSHCP, may do so in writing prior to the public hearings, or may appear and be heard at the location and times stated in the notice. All comments received prior to the public hearings will be submitted to the Board of Supervisors, and the Board of Supervisors will consider such comments, in addition to any oral testimony, before taking an action on the MSHCP. If you challenge the MSHCP or the associated EIR in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearings described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Board of Supervisors at, or prior to, the public hearings. Please send all written correspondence to the following address: RCIP/MSHCP, Riverside County Transportation and Land Management Agency, P.O. Box 1605, Riverside, CA 92502.

Be advised that, as a result of the public hearings and comments, the Board of Supervisors may amend, in whole or in part, the proposed MSHCP and/or the environmental documents associated therewith. Additionally, County staff may recommend changes to the MSHCP prior to, or at, the public hearings referenced above. (Accordingly, the Western Riverside County MSHCP may change so that it is different than what is proposed.)

The MSHCP is one component of the Riverside County Integrated Project (RCIP), an integrated planning process that also includes a proposed new General Plan and a proposed transportation corridor plan—Community and Environmental Transportation Acceptability Process (CETAP) for Western Riverside County. The General Plan and CETAP plans will not be considered at the public hearings that are the subject of this notice. Public hearings for the General Plan were previously held in March 2003, and public hearings for CETAP were held in December 2002 and January 2003.

Location of all hearings:  
Riverside County Administration Center  
4080 Lemon St., First Floor Board Chambers,  
Riverside, CA 92501

### SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

#### 1 Monday, May 5, 2003

- 8:30 a.m.: Exhibits of Draft MSHCP Plan, Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) / Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), and Response to Comments available in lobby for public review and questions / answers.
- 9:30 a.m.: Overview of the Riverside County Integrated Project (RCIP) Draft Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) Opportunity for City representatives to comment on any aspect of the MSHCP.
- 10:30 a.m.: Hearing on the following area plan: The Pass
- 11:00 a.m.: Lunch break; Exhibits of Draft MSHCP Plan, Draft EIR / EIS, and Response to Comments available in lobby for public review and questions / answers.
- 12:00 Noon: Hearing on the following area plans: Lake Mathews / Woodcrest, Mead Valley.
- 1:30 p.m.: Hearing on the following area plans: Elsinore, Temescal Canyon.
- 3:00 p.m.: Dinner break.
- 5:00 p.m.: Hearing on the following area plans: Eastvale, Juniper.
- 6:00 p.m.:

#### 2 Tuesday, May 6, 2003

- 12:30 p.m.: Exhibits of Draft MSHCP Plan, Draft EIR / EIS, and Response to Comments available in lobby for public review and questions / answers.
- 1:30 p.m.: Hearing on the following area plans: Southwest, REMAP.
- 3:00 p.m.: Hearing on the following area plans: Sun City / Menifee Valley.
- 5:00 p.m.: Dinner break.
- 6:00 p.m.: Hearing on the following area plans: Highgrove, Lakeview / Nuevo.

#### 3 Thursday, May 8, 2003

- 8:30 a.m.: Exhibits of Draft MSHCP Plan, Draft EIR / EIS, and Response to Comments available in lobby for public review and questions / answers.
- 9:00 a.m.: Hearing on the following area plans: San Jacinto Valley, Harvest Valley / Winchester.
- 11:00 a.m.: Hearing on the following area plans: Roche Canyon / Badlands.
- 12:00 Noon: Lunch break; Exhibits of Draft MSHCP Plan, Draft EIR / EIS, and Response to Comments available in lobby for public review and questions / answers.
- 1:30 p.m.: Opportunity for Wildlife Agencies to comment on any aspect of the MSHCP.
- 2:00 p.m.: Presentation and public comments on the Draft EIR/EIS and on other MSHCP matters.

Additional hearings are possible. If they are scheduled, they will be noticed in area newspapers.

**BLUEPRINT for TOMORROW**

For additional information, please visit [www.rcip.org](http://www.rcip.org) or call 1-877-735-7247

The Draft MSHCP, EIR/EIS and Implementing Agreement may be viewed at the following public libraries.

Riverside County Library Arzo Branch 57430 Mitchell Road Arzo, CA 92539	Riverside County Library Narco Branch 3954 Old Hammer Road Narco, CA 92860	Riverside County Library Woodcrest Branch 17024-C Van Buren Blvd. Riverside, CA 92504
Riverside County Library Calimesa Branch 974 Calimesa Blvd. Calimesa, CA 92320	Riverside County Library Nuevo Branch 29990 Lakeview Avenue Nuevo, CA 92567	Riverside County Library City of Riverside 3581 Mission Inn Ave. Riverside, CA 92502
Riverside County Library Canyon Lake Branch 31516 Railroad Canyon Road Canyon Lake, CA 92587	Riverside County Library Penis Branch 163 E. San Jacinto Perris, CA 92570	City of Moreno Valley Moreno Valley Library 25480 Alessandro Blvd. Moreno Valley, CA 92553
Riverside County Library Glen Avon Branch 9244 Galena Riverside, CA 92509	Riverside County Library Rubidoux Branch 5673 Tifton St. Riverside, CA 92509	City of Banning Banning Public Library 21 W. Nicolai St. Banning, CA 92220
Riverside County Library Highgrove Branch 690 W. Center Street Riverside, CA 92507	Riverside County Library San Jacinto Branch 500 Idylwild Drive San Jacinto, CA 92583	City of Beaumont Beaumont Library District 125 E. Eighth St. Beaumont, CA 92223
Riverside County Library Idylwild Branch 54185 Pinecrest Idylwild, CA 92549	Riverside County Library Sun City Branch 26982 Cherry Hills Blvd. Sun City, CA 92586	City of Corona Corona Public Library 650 South Main St. Corona, CA 92882-3417
Riverside County Library Lake Elsinore Branch 600 W. Graham Lake Elsinore, CA 92530	Riverside County Library Termeclula Branch 41000 County Center Termeclula, CA 92591	City of Murrietta Murrietta Public Library 39589 Las Alamos Road Murrietta, CA 92563
Riverside County Library Mission Trail Branch 34303 Mission Trail Wildomar, CA 92595	Riverside County Library Hemet Branch 25757 Fairview Avenue Hemet, CA 92544	University of California, Riverside Tomas Rivera Library 900 University Ave. Riverside, CA 92521-5900

You can also view hard copies of the Draft MSHCP, EIR/EIS and Implementing Agreement at the Riverside County Planning Department at 4080 Lemon Street, Ninth Floor, Riverside, CA 92501.

For additional information about the proposed Western Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) and Associated Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement, and other components of the RCIP, please consult the RCIP internet website at [www.rcip.org](http://www.rcip.org), where you can view text, maps, and a Conservation Summary Report Generator. You can also contact the RCIP information phone line at 1-877-735-7247 from Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Pacific Standard Time, for further information concerning this project.



# Trinity Baptist Breaks Ground on New Facility

*The Black Voice News*  
MORENO VALLEY

On the first Sunday of the new year, under a cloudless sky at 2:00 p.m. in the afternoon Trinity Baptist Church of Moreno Valley had their groundbreaking ceremony initiating the four phase development of what will be one of the largest Worship/Education facilities in Moreno Valley.

The ceremony was held on the building site which is located near the corner of Ironwood and Redlands just North of the 60 freeway in Moreno Valley. The 18.8 acre site will eventually become a self-contained campus that provides worship, education, recreation, and living facilities. Under the 4-phase development, Trinity will build a 800-seat sanctuary as phase I, construct a 500-seat fellowship facility as Phase II, expand the sanctuary to seat 1300 as Phase III and build an educational facility complete with gymnasium as Phase IV. The fellowship facility will house a pre-



**L-R: Charles White, Mayor of Moreno Valley; Dr. Joseph L. Gueste, Senior Pastor of Trinity Baptist Church; Dr. Dale Saleco, Executive Ministers of American Baptist Churches of the Pacific Southwest; Dr. John Hopkins, Church Resource Minister of American Baptist Churches of the Pacific Southwest; and Rich Hall, Senior Pastor of Crosswinds Church of Moreno Valley.**

school and the educational facility will contain grades 1 through 12.

Over 300 members and invited guests attended the ceremony including the Honorable Charles White, Mayor of Moreno Valley, Dr. Dale Saleco and Dr. John Hopkins from the American Baptist Churches of The Pacific South West and Pastor Rick Hall from Crosswinds Church which is adjacent to the Trinity site. Some former members came from as far away as Las Vegas to attend this historic event. Actual construction will begin the second quarter of the year as soon as final plans are signed

off by the city. The first phase is expected to be completed by the first quarter of 2004 and the next phase will commence before the end of 2004.

According to Ken Johnson, one of the church trustees and head of the building committee, the construction project will try to use as many qualified minority subcontractors as it can find based on successful competitive bid selection. The trustee board and the contractor are currently recruiting licensed minority contractors in all disciplines who may want to bid on the project. All inquiries should

be sent to: Trinity Baptist Church, 22612 Alessandro Blvd., Moreno Valley, CA 92553. Attention: Ken Johnson. The project's architect is Ray Martinez and Associates in Yucaipa and the general contractor is Roy Thomas of Builders Design Concepts in Rancho Cucamonga.

The pastor of the church Dr. Joseph Gueste, says that when completed the facility will provide membership growth and the physical structure needed to implement the church's vision of providing a complete nurturing environment that

encompasses all of the members, that meets their physical, social and spiritual needs and it will also give Trinity the opportunity to expand its current programs and activities. Trinity's current membership of over 1300 makes it the largest predominately African American church in Moreno Valley and one of the largest in the Inland Empire. The church is only 18 years old and has experienced phenomenal growth which is expected to continue at a greater rate when the new facilities are completed.

Trinity is currently worshipping at 22612 Alessandro Blvd. (Alessandro at Elsworth) in Moreno Valley where it has been housed for the past 10 years. The church currently has 24 ministries and auxiliaries and the new facility will allow the addition of many more. Pastor Gueste states the church will continue to have two Sunday services even after the facilities are completed.

## Religious Briefs

### Mother and Daughter Tea

A Mother and Daughter Tea will be hosted by Creative Events on May 3, 2003 at the Hilton Hotel, 285 East Hospitality Lane, San Bernardino beginning at 11:00 a.m.



Pastor Ilean Jones

The guest speaker for the event will be Pastor Ilean Jones, Book of Acts.

The cost of the event is \$25.00 per person or \$48.00 for two. For more information contact Doris Abernathy at (909) 883-7399.

### Morning Glory Baptist Hosts Gospel Concert

Morning Glory Baptist Church presents Harrison Crump, Bass Baritone singer in a second concert on Saturday, May 17, 2003 beginning at 5:00 p.m.

The concert will be held at the church located at 3006 Macy Street in San Bernardino.

For concert information contact (909) 987-6869 or (909) 633-7178.

### Revival at Grace Bethel Missionary

Grace Bethel Missionary Baptist Church is hosting a revival on May 21, 22, and 23 beginning at 7:00 p.m. each evening. The theme for this year's revival is "God's Drawing Power," taken from the text of Jeremiah 31:3.

The guest speaker for this event will be Pastor Jon S. Harris, Senior Pastor of Castle Rock Christian Fellowship Baptist Church in San Bernardino.

For more information on the revival, contact the church at (909) 352-1688.

### Church Celebrates Pastor Reginald Woods

The men of Life Changing Ministries will be celebrating their pastor, Dr. Reginald Woods at the Castaways Restaurant on May 10th from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. The guest speaker will be Pastor Vernon Lambert of Living Faith Ministries International, Inc. The deadline for tickets is May 2nd and can be obtained by calling (909) 882-3277.

## LARRAINIA GOODLOE

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19510 Van Buren Bl F-3 #199  
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Fax: 909-653-0063

### Mount Carmel Missionary Baptist Church

6200 Pegasus Dr., Ste. 10  
Riverside, CA 92503  
(909) 785-6198 - Church  
(909) 785-6198 - Fax

#### Weekly Services

Sunday School 9:30 am  
Morning Worship 11:00 am  
Tuesday Bible Study 7:00 pm  
WEDNESDAY  
Noon day Prayer & Bible Study 12:00



Pastor Donald R. and Beatrice Samuel

### Salvation Christian Ministries, Inc.

317 W. La Cadena Drive  
Riverside, CA 92501  
(909) 683-2840

#### Order of Services

9:30 a.m. Sun. School  
11:00 a.m. Sunday Service  
6:45 p.m. Wed. Bible Study  
7 - 8:00 p.m. Friday Prayer  
8 - 9:00 p.m. Fri. Sabbath Worship



Pastor A.V. Johnson

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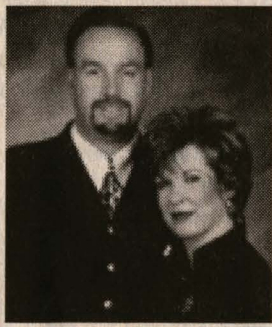
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### The Second Baptist Church of Redlands

420 East Stuart Avenue, Redlands, CA 92373  
secondbaptistchurchredlands@yahoo.com



Pastor Anthony W. Green

#### Service Time:

Sun. 9:00 a.m.  
Early Prayer 9:00 a.m.  
Church School 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

(909) 793-1074

### Imani Temple Christian Fellowship

510 West Monterey Ave., Pomona, CA 91768  
(909) 620-9161 • FAX (909) 620-9981  
E-Mail: Imanitc@gte.net

Masterlife Institute  
Worship Service  
Imani Village  
Childrens Church  
Man4mation/Women  
Seeking Christ Study  
Bible Study

#### Service Schedule

Sunday 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.  
Sunday 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday 10 a.m.  
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.  
Thursday 7:00 p.m.



Rev. Jelani Kafela

### GRACE CHAPEL OF TEMECULA VALLEY

African Methodist Episcopal Church  
28073 Diaz Road, Suites J/K, Temecula, CA 92590  
(909) 406-2425 • Fax (909) 506-2426  
Website: graceoftemeculavallyamechurch.org

Whosoever will, let him come!  
"All are Welcome"  
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Night Live Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

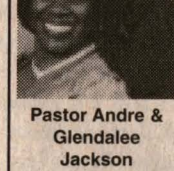
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Rev. Larry E. Campbell  
Pastor

### Straight From The Bible Ministries

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Sunday Worship Service 9:30 am  
Wednesday Intercessory Prayer 7:00 pm  
Wednesday Praise & Worship 7:15 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm



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- New Gethsemane Unity Mass Choir
- Eagle Gospel Rap
- Chosen Vessels
- God's Secret Weapon

#### Hosts:

Edna Tatum  
(from Gospel Classics KPFK Radio Station)

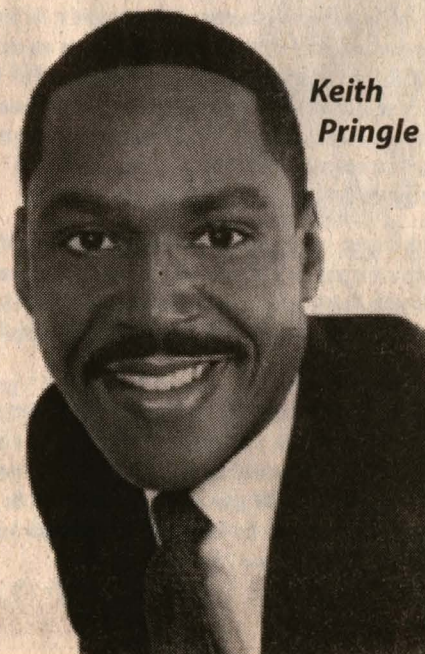
Bishop Sam Williams  
(from New York City)

Saturday, May 3, 2003

6 p.m.  
New Gethsemane C.O.G.I.C.  
177 W. Monterey Ave.  
Pomona, CA 91768

For more information:  
909-620-8137 or  
909-591-2212

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**Valley Fellowship Seventh Day Adventist Church**  
 275 East Grove Street  
 Rialto, CA 92376  
 (909) 874-5851 - Church  
 (909) 874-5152 - Fax

**Weekly Service**

**SATURDAY**  
 Fellowship, Prayer & Bible Study 9:30 am  
 Praise Service & Divine Worship 11:00 am  
 Youth Service 5:00 pm

**WEDNESDAY**  
 Feeding Program 5:00 pm  
 Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 pm




Dr. Clyde and Barbara Cassimy

**Second Baptist Church**  
 2911 Ninth St., Riverside, CA 92507  
 P.O. Box 303, Riverside, CA 92502  
 Office: (909) 684-7532 • FAX: (909) 684-1564  
 www.secondbaptistriverside.org  
 E-MAIL: SecBaptist@Earthlink.net

**Sunday Services**  
 Early Morning Worship 7:30 am  
 Sunday School 9:00 am  
 Mid-Morning Worship 10:15 am  
 Nursery Open 10:15 am

**Wednesday Services**  
 Prayer Services 7:00 pm  
 Bible Study 7:45 pm

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Pastor T. Ellsworth Gantt, II


**Rainbow Community Praise Center Int'l**  
 15854 Carter Street • Fontana, CA 92336  
 (909) 355-RCPC - RainbowCPC@aol.com

**Mailing Address**  
 P.O. Box 1119, Fontana, CA 92334

**Services**  
 Bible School Sat. 9:30 am  
 Children's Sabbath School Sat 9:30 am  
 Praise & Worship Service Sat 11:00 am

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 Senior Apostle

**Wind of the Spirit Worship Center Foursquare Church**  
 6476 Streeter Avenue, Riverside, CA  
 (909) 359-0203

**Weekly Services**  
 Sunday School (all ages) 9:00 a.m.  
 Christian Life Development (Adults only) 9:00 a.m.  
 Classes 9:00 a.m.  
 Worship 10:00 a.m.  
 Children's Church (Available) 11:30 a.m.  
 Tues. Bible Studies 11:30 a.m.  
 Thurs. Bible Studies 7:00 p.m.




Pastor & Mrs. Michael Edwards

**St. Timothy Community Church**  
 3100 N. State Street / PO Box 7067  
 San Bernardino, CA 92510

**SERVICE TIMES**  
 Sunday School 9:00 am  
 Morning Worship Service 10:15 am

**Bible Study**  
 Every 3rd Tues. (Focus on the Family) 7:00 pm  
 Every 2nd Tues. 7:00 pm  
 Wed. Night 7:00 pm  
 Bible Study Pastor's Teaching

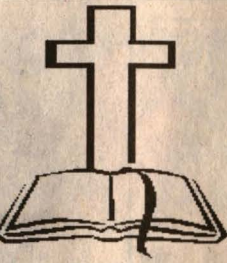
St. John 14:6 "The way, the truth, the life."



Pastor Eullas J. James

**New Century Baptist Church**  
 5413 34th Street  
 Riverside, CA 92509  
 (909) 686-5171

**Weekly Services**  
 Sunday School 9:30 am  
 Morning Worship 11:00 am  
 Wednesday 11:00 am  
 Midweek Meditation & Bible Study 7:15 pm



Pastor Christopher W. & Joyce McShan

**Higher Ground Church & Ministries Int'l.**  
 4135 Chicago Avenue  
 Riverside, CA 92507  
 (909) 848-0008

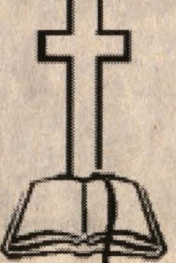
**Weekly Services**  
 Sunday School 10:30 am  
 Sunday Morning Worship 11:45 am  
 Wed. Bible Study 5:30 am  
 Fri. family Fun Night 5:30 pm



Pastor Eldred M. Smith, Sr.

**March Field Christian Church**  
 15801 Harmon Street  
 (Services at Arnold High School)  
 Riverside, CA  
 (909) 682-9960

**Weekly Services**  
 Church School 9:00 a.m.  
 Worship 10:00 a.m.



Pastor William & Jamelza Carter

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 Superintendent/Pastor Carlton Anderson  
 Administrator Hazel Anderson  
 1518 Williams Street • Banning, CA 92220

**Weekly Services**  
 9:30 am Sunday School (1st Lady Teaches)  
 11:00 am Praise & Worship  
 6:30 pm Evening Services  
 7:00 pm Wednesday Night Bible Study  
 7:30 pm Young adult & Youth Prayer Tuesday night

Every 1st Sunday Communion after 11:00 am service  
 Monday, Wednesday, and Friday Prayer @ 9 am - 10 am  
 Thursday Night Choir Rehearsal

**Corona Community A.M.E. Church**  
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 2313 South Main Street  
 Corona, CA 92882

**Sunday Worship 8:00 am**  
 (1/2 Block South of Ontario Ave.)  
 (909) 864-1181 or 730-9325  
 www.coronacomame.org

**Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm**  
 Location TBA



The Rev. Noella Austin Buchanan  
 Pastor

**Mt. Rubidoux SDA Church**  
 2625 Avalon Street  
 Rubidoux, CA 92509  
 (909) 276-8374

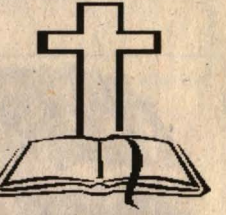
**Weekly Services**  
 Saturday Service Sabbath 9:15 am  
 Early Morning Service 9:15 am  
 Church Service 11:00 am  
 Youth Special Service 4:30 pm



Marc K. Woodson  
 Senior Pastor

**Light of the World Church of God in Christ**  
 (909) 686-1757

**Weekly Services**  
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
 YPWW 6:00 p.m.  
 Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.  
 Monday-Friday 11:00 a.m.  
 Noonday Prayer 12:00 p.m.

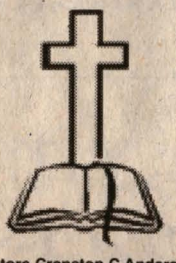


Pastor Elder Lawrence C. and Olivia Ash

5595 Molino Way  
 Riverside, CA 92509

**Alpha & Associates Christian Center**  
 Services inside Holiday Inn Select  
 14940 Perris Blvd. Ste E&F  
 Moreno Valley, CA 92553  
 (909) 243-5147  
 (909) 247-4877-Fax

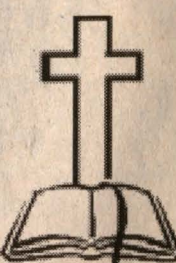
**Weekly Services**  
**SUNDAY**  
 Bible Study 9:45 am  
 Worship Service 11:00 am  
**WED. & THURS.**  
 Prayer Line 7:00 pm



Pastors Cranston C Anderson & Earnestine Poole-Anderson

**Moreno Valley Mission CME Church**  
 10800 Hole Ave. Ste. 3&4  
 Riverside, CA 92505  
 (909) 812-3509

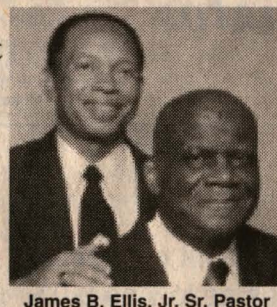
**Weekly Services**  
 Meeting Unity Christian Center  
 12 pm Service  
 2 pm Sunday School



Rev. John Seniguar

**New Beginnings Community Baptist Church**  
 5970 Limonite Avenue  
 Riverside, CA 92509  
 (909) 682-4407

**Weekly Services**  
 Sunday School 10:00 am  
 Morning Worship 11:00 am  
 Tuesday Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 7:00 pm



James B. Ellis, Jr. Sr. Pastor  
 Albert Riley, Assistant Pastor

**Tree of Life Tabernacle Church of God in Christ**  
 214 N. Palm Ave., Room 101  
 Rialto, CA 92376  
 (909) 874-5469  
 TreeofLifeCOGIC@aol.com

**Service Time**  
 Sunday Worship 11:0 a.m.



Pastor Derrick E. Callicutt  
 Founder  
 Mrs. LaNetta Callicutt  
 First Lady

**Good News Community Church**  
 3431 Mt. Vernon Avenue  
 Riverside, CA 92506  
 (909) 780-4829

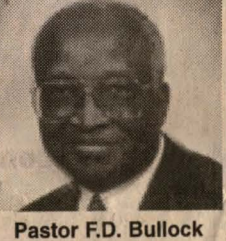
**Weekly Services**  
 Morning Worship 11:30 am  
 Bible Study (Tues.) 7:00 pm  
 Choir Rehearsal (Thurs.) 7:00 pm



Pastor & Mrs. Levonzo Gray, Sr.

**The Living Word Baptist Church**  
 9191 Colorado Ave., Riverside, CA  
 (909) 788-9218  
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**Weekly Services**  
 Sunday Worship 8:30 am  
 Sermon Talk-Back 10:15 am  
 Sunday School 10:15 am  
 Wed. "Bible Alive" 7:00 pm




Pastor F.D. Bullock


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 Rialto, CA 92376  
 (909) 874-8676

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 Harvest of Praise  
 KPRO 1570 AM  
 Sunday @ 7:00 PM  
 Wednesday @ 6:00 PM



Craig W. Johnson, Th.D.  
 Senior Pastor & Visionary



**Family Ministry Night**  
 Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.  
**The Tabernacle**  
 1521 S. Riverside Ave.  
 Rialto, CA 92376

**The Tent**  
 2591 Rubidoux Blvd  
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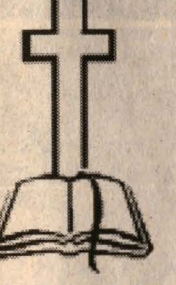
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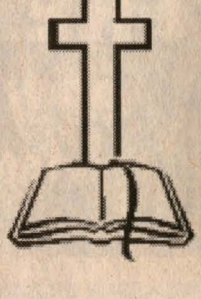
**Weekly Services**  
 Sunday School 9:15 a.m.  
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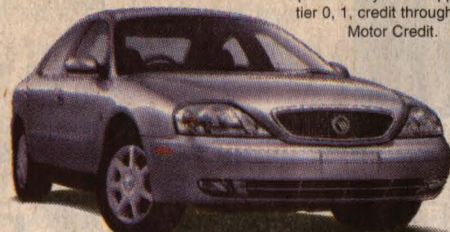
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# CALENDAR

**MAY**

**May 2, 6:30 to 10:30 p.m.**, Doug's Headers Cruise, a u-turn into the past in downtown Riverside part of Show and Go, classic cars and motorcycles.

**May 3, 11:00 a.m.**, The Foothill Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will host their Community Awards Luncheon at the Holiday Inn Monrovia. For more information contact (800) 566-5730.

**May 3, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**, the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council will host What Riverside Has To Offer Teens Expo at the University of California, Riverside Bell Tower. For infor-

mation contact Teresa McAllister at (909) 358-2709 or Dvonne Pitruzzello at (909) 826-5776.

**May 3, 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.**, Hot rods, classic cars, muscle cars and more will line Market Street in downtown Riverside as part of the 5th Annual Show and Go Car Show and Street Races.

**May 11, 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**, Saint Paul AME Church Lay Organization will host their 2nd Annual Mother's Day Buffet at Cal State University in the Upper Commons Room. A donation of \$15.00 is asked. For more information contact (909) 887-1718

**May 12, 8:00 p.m.**, West African Drum Ensemble with Steven

Biondo, director and special guests Raynor Carroll's Ensemble KuKu will be held at the University of La Verne, Founders Auditorium. For more information contact (909) 593-3511, ext. 4917.

**May 14, 11:00 a.m.**, the Family Service Association will host their 14th Annual Celebrate the Family fundraiser at the Riverside Convention Center. For more information contact Dom Betro at (909) 686-1096.

**May 17, 6:00 p.m.**, Solid-Rocq Productions and Christ Centered

Ministries will present Choose Ye This Day at the Sturges Center for Fine Arts. Tickets are \$5.00 per person. For more information contact (909) 206-7140.

**JUNE**

**June 7, 12 noon to 6:00 p.m.** The Riverside Juneteenth Celebration committee in conjunction with the Stratton Community Center/Riverside will be presenting its third annual Juneteenth Celebration at Stratton Center/Bordwell Park, 2008 Martin Luther King Blvd. For more information contact (909)

788-4959.

**SERVICES**

Family Services Association of Western Riverside County will provide reduced or no cost child-care services in the Moreno Valley and surrounding areas. To receive an enrollment packet, please contact (909) 779-9784 or (909) 786-3623.

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**REUNIONS**

Cajon High School 70's Cruise. All graduating classes in the 1970's from Cajon High School are invited to join them on a cruise beginning October 17, 2003. For more information contact Charlene at (909) 913-0831 or Esther at Riverside Travel (909) 684-1838.



## Ronald McDonald Breaks Ground

Los Angeles Laker Kobe Bryant, Bob Foster of Southern California Edison and other community leaders wore hardhats and carried shovels as they recently broke ground on expansion of the Los Angeles Ronald McDonald House®. When complete, the new facilities will be the largest "home-away-from-home" in the world for families of children undergoing treatment for cancer and other serious illnesses. The towering lighthouse will remain lit at night, so that children staying at Childrens Hospital Los Angeles can see where their families are staying while they undergo treatment. The House's \$13-million capital and endowment campaign will add 52 rooms and apartment units to its existing 35-room facility and enhance the comprehensive array of services for families of children with cancer and other serious illnesses. "We are very excited about this opportunity to be part of a campaign that will allow us to serve more families who need the temporary housing and services our House provides," said Foster. Pictured (L to R) are Bob Foster, general campaign chair and president of Southern California Edison; Xavier Becerra, representative, U.S. Congress, 31st District; Los Angeles City Councilman Eric Garcetti; Bryant; Dick Hale, president, The Hale Corporation and president of the Los Angeles Ronald McDonald House® board of trustees; and William A. Holland, vice president, Hilton Hotels Corp. and Campaign Cabinet Chair.

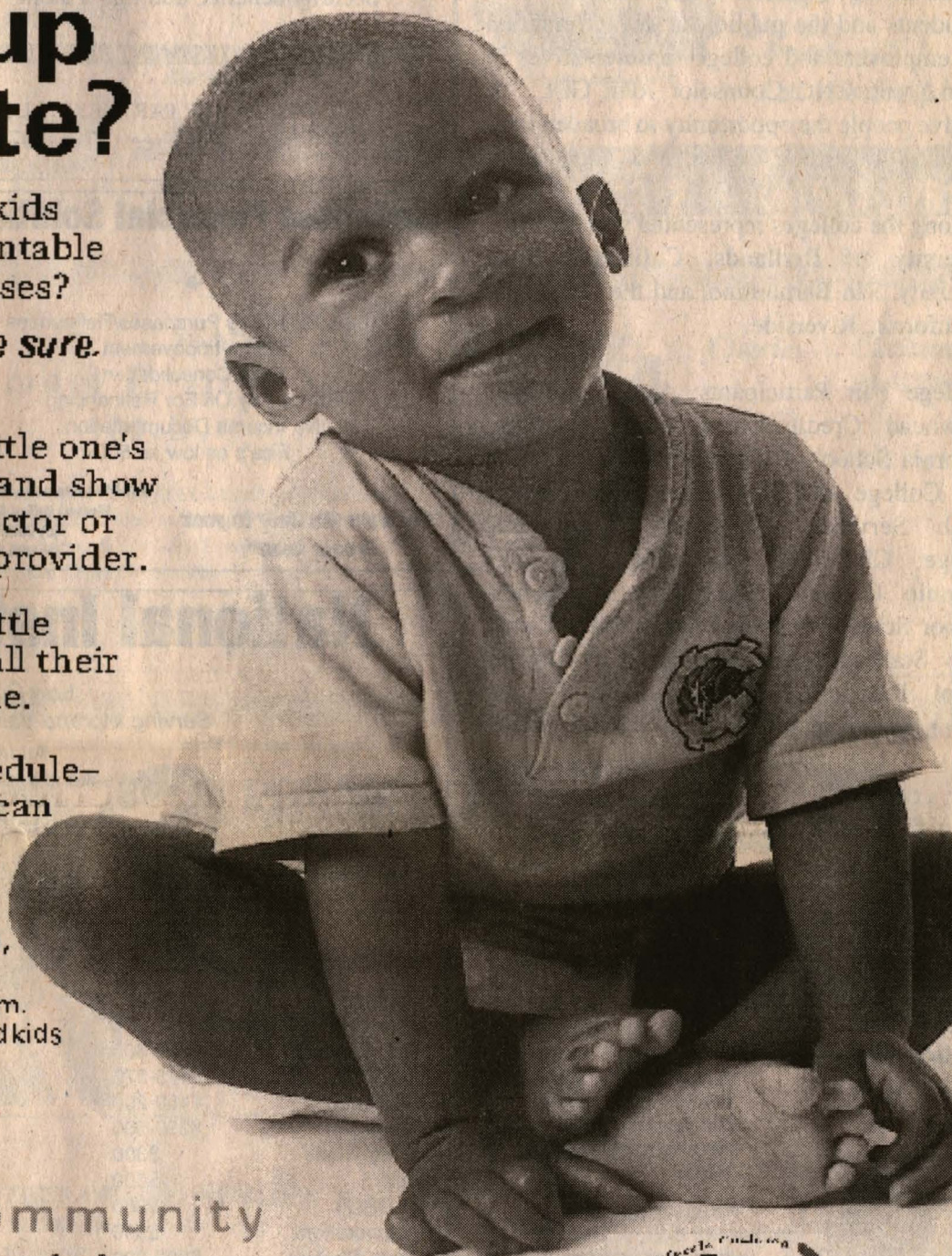
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# CHC'S Career/College Fair Day Scheduled for May 7

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Representatives from government, private industry, and various colleges will provide information about careers and educational opportunities at the Crafton Hills College (CHC) annual Career and College Fair on Wednesday, May 7, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., at the CHC campus quadrangle. The public is invited and admission is free.

**Students and the public can get information from employers and college representatives in person," said CHC Counselor John Gist.**

Every May, the CHC Counseling and Career Center and the CHC Student Senate sponsor the Career and College Fair, which features more than 50 participants providing career information and college admissions information.

"Students and the public can get information from employers and college representatives in person," said CHC Counselor John Gist. "It will give people the opportunity to broaden their awareness regarding career and educational goals."

Among the colleges represented will be CHC, University of Redlands, California State University, San Bernardino, and the University of California, Riverside.

College Fair Participants: Adelphia; AMR; Arrowhead Credit Union 66ers Stadium; California School of Court Reporting; Crafton Hills College EOPS; Crafton Hills College Health Services; Cleveland Chiropractic College; CRY-ROP; Girl Scouts of San Geronio Council; Mary Kay Cosmetics; Outdoor Science School; Pilgrim Pines Camp; Arrow Staffing; San Bernardino City Unified School District; San Bernardino County Environmental Health Services; San Bernardino County Probation; Thomas Staffing; United Postal Service; US Navy Recruiting; Yucaipa Fire Station #2; Crafton Hills College Paramedic / EMT; County of San Bernardino Probation

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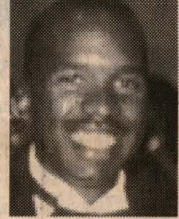
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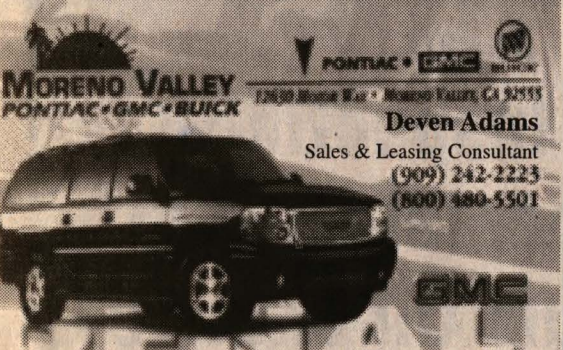
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