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By Gene C. Johnson Jr. Special to THE BLACK VOICE NEWS

An ordinance recently passed by the City Council requiring every company doing business with the city to report whether it ever profited from slavery, may prove difficult to enforce.

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The Los Angeles ordinance is the second effort to pass legislation linking slavery to slavery-era prof-

In 2000, the state passed a law requiring insurance companies to find out whether they sold policies on slaves.

Today, there are computers that have computer programs that provide the names of 614 insured slaves.

"We’re not here to ask a company to go out of business," said Holden before the motion was passed. "We’re not here to sue. We’re here to let you know who you are.

Nevertheless, the ordinance makes it possible for the company to take steps to repair the damage.

"This is another step forward," said Holden. "We have to make something of this.

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Editorial
Another Police Officer
Shooting?

By Harry Brown

All of the facts are not in but the community is talking and waiting for the investigation of last week’s shooting that took the life of Lamont Volker Stokes. We have received many inquiries and Reverend Serrall has been called to start protesting the shooting. Stokes was the 31 year old Black man who was shot and killed by two Riverside Police Officers. It has been reported that four minutes after the officers arrived on the scene Stokes was shot. According to Felix Medina, Public Information Officer, the responding officers felt threatened when Stokes raised the knife he was holding in one hand and a screwdriver in the other and started toward them. Stokes reportedly kept advancing toward the officers in spite of the fact that they ordered him to stop. The two officers have been placed on paid administrative leave while the investigation continues.

We will not speculate on what the officers should or should not have done in this situation, however I still cannot believe a better way cannot be found to handle people. Many of the people I have talked with are concerned that something is lacking in police officer training. This was one of the areas highlighted in every investigative report found around the country in the Tysha Miller shooting.

The training component in Attorney General Bill Lockyer’s, common center, should be an area of improvement in the Riverside Police Department. We would suggest that Police Chief Leach, City Manager George Caravalho, and the city council make a status that includes the good, bad and ugly of the officers’ action.

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In 2002, only four out of ten African American families had internet access and several possible solutions of the internet by the African American community were 5%, as compared to 19 million whites.

But if Michael Powell, the chairman of the Federal Communications Commission puts his way, that possible trend will eventually divide into a digital divide.

That’s because Powell is listening to special-interest groups.

Recently, Powell tried to push through the new policy that would have reduced prices for phone and Internet services, and_mounted a systematic process to the one most likely to affect local African American Technology.

The 1996 Telecommunications Act was Payment, not仅仅 for $100 and $100 and a half but was also be for the benefit of those on the lower end of the market. In 2001, Powell is forcing the increase of internet usage to the African American community

The new good news is that the gap is narrowing because an increasingly competitive marketplace is bringing better services to African American communities at lower prices. Powell has taken the role of opening up the telecommunications market to local businesses.

The problem has been that the local businesses have not been able to perform because of the local monopoly telecoms. The lack of competition has been a barrier to consumers of all incomes.

This is no small deal.

In the inner cities, many of the problems of dirty old text books and under-funded classes are going to be solved through on line services. Powell has said that local businesses have been holding on to their customers.

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A New Generation Standing for Children

By Marian Wright Edelman

"Historically, it was a life-long struggle
To make it work for everyone.

The conference made us ask ourselves,
What can we do to effect change."

As Powell has always been there to support the movement, and there is no reason why he should not be for their continued fight.

Three were the kinds of comments that the Children’s Defense Fund heard from attendees at the conference held at the University of California.

The conference was one of the key events of the public’s awareness of the issues, and also included a large audience where one of the most powerful speakers was Maceo Torres Smiley, writer and professor of law. Smiley shared his story with the children.

There were many powerful speakers, including the Restless Generations, the R Core Movement, the National Urban League, and the National Education Association.

The conference, which filled the Marriott Hotel in Baltimore with nearly every community in the country, was a success. As well, the conference was a success. As well, the conference was a success. As well, the conference was a success.

Behind, visit www.childrensdefense.org

The European enslavers in Africa from 1475 to 1655 were motivated by the profits of the African slave trade. By the 17th century, African slave traders had established the slave trade on the African continent as a viable economic activity. Today, the slave trade is still going on.

Historical Background of Black English

Family Talk

Members of the National Newspaper Publishers Association

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African Americans are the ones who are being educated by the schoolsystem. African Americans have not been educated in the same way as other groups. This is because of the systemic racism that exists in the schoolsystem.

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The young people shared deeply with the Children's Defense Fund Representatives and Secretaries that the most valuable thing they learned was the importance of their involvement in the decision making process.

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The Children's Defense Fund is a national organization that works to improve the lives of children in the United States.
**Benton Captures Western Region Education Honor**

**California State University San Bernardino**

Denise Benton, director of the Upward Bound program at Cal State San Bernardino, has received the Steve Holeman Award from the Western Association of Educational Opportunity Personnel (WESP/OP).

**Continued dedication to the quality of education, concern for the development of students potential and professionalism in administering programs is what earned Benton the award.**

Benton began her career with CSUSB in 1985 and has been the first female director of Upward Bound in 1985. The federally funded college prep program serves the needs of selected high school students. A resident of San Bernardino, Benton is a former Upward Bound student herself. Upward Bound provides tutoring, academic advisement and career exploration for high school students who are the first in their families to consider going on to college. Provided your round, its services also include Saturday university sessions, a summer program and cultural events to help these students become college-bound. Eligibility criteria, as established by the U.S. Department of Education, to develop the skills and motivation necessary for success in college.

"**Raising Kids Who Don’t Smoke**"

According to the 2002 Monitoring the Future study, the number of teenagers who smoke cigarettes is on the decline. However, more than one in four high school seniors reported smoking in the past 30 days. If you think your child is too young to try smoking, think again. More than 30 percent of high school students report that they smoked a cigarette before age 13. Elementary school is not too early to talk to your child about not smoking or even have conversations on an ongoing basis. If your child is 12 and doesn’t smoke, the discussions shouldn’t stop she’s still at risk. If you prevent teens from smoking in high school, chances are greater that they won’t smoke in college. More than one-third of all kids who try smoking go on to smoke daily. And approximately 80 percent of adult smokers begin smoking before they turn 18.

Even though smoking numbers have dropped since the Surgeon General’s Report for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reported that in 2000; nearly 17 percent of 8th graders, nearly 18 percent of 10th graders had smoked a cigarette in the past 30 days. Your child is at risk. Here are some health consequences. More Americans die from cigarette-related illnesses than alcohol, car accidents, suicide, AIDS, homicide and illegal drugs combined. Almost 9 out of 10 lung cancer deaths are caused by smoking cigarettes. Among Blacks, the risk of death from smoking-related illnesses is twice that of whites. A person who smokes a pack or more of cigarettes each day lives, on average, seven years less than someone who never smoked. Smoking is the most preventable cause of premature death in the county. Talk to your child. Keep the communication lines open. Look for signs of poor progress. State your own values clearly. Practice what you preach. Focus on short term consequences. Do bad breath, smelly clothes, yellow teeth, and poor performance in school students. A resident of San Bernardino, Benton is a former Upward Bound student herself. Upward Bound provides tutoring, academic advisement and career exploration for high school students who are the first in their families to consider going on to college. Provided your round, its services also include Saturday university sessions, a summer program and cultural events to help these students become college-bound. Eligibility criteria, as established by the U.S. Department of Education, to develop the skills and motivation necessary for success in college.

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He said that getting information from the officers involved in past shootings under investigation by the commission has been a very difficult process. "We need more information from the officers but they are protected from this commission," Waid said. "The RPOA lawyer has made it clear they won't give us access to these officers."

In the past, the RPOA has used its legal muscle to accomplish that or least, according to reports.

According to one of the commission's first meetings, a lawyer representing the RPOA spoke at a closed session meeting regarding the "legal concern" involving some tapes which were coming up for review. As a result, the commission suspended case review for two months until the city attorney informed its members they could resume in January. One former commission said at that meeting he felt intimidated.

Captain Dave Dominguez, who heads investigations, spoke to the Commission releasing new details about the shooting of Victor Leonst Stokes, according to statements given by the officers and one civilian witness.

On May 27, at 1:32 p.m. Officers Tina Bandall and Adam Brown were dispatched to Casa Blanca to investigate a report of a "suspicious" man who had been sitting inside a vehicle since earlier that morning. Bandall arrived at 1:41 and Brown, at 1:42. When Bandall arrived, she observed the vehicle and began talking to Stokes. When Brown arrived, he said he saw Bandall engaged in "quick" conversation and that "her demeanor was on alert."

Suddenly, Brown entered back wards and Stokes exited the vehicle, armed with a knife and a screwdriver held partially extended from his chest, officers said. He initially walked towards Bandall with the blade of the knife pointing upwards, then towards Brown after Brown exited his vehicle. Brown yelled into his radio, "he has a knife" and both officers repeatedly told Stokes to drop the knife and other weapons. Stokes did not and was standing about 10 feet away, Brown fired 3-4 shots from his service weapon. Bandall, who fired an undisclosed number of shots from her weapon at Stokes. Stokes fell on the ground, then tried to get up. He dropped the knife, but still clenched the screwdriver in his fist as he struggled on the ground again. The officers handcuffed him, removed the knife from the immediate area, and removed the screwdriver out of his hand. They called for medical personnel which arrived at 1:00 p.m. Stokes died at 2:20 p.m.

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is like a chicken voting for Col. Sanders. Even though it was a bi-partisan group, the response was tepid. They could resume in a country with no Blacks in the Senate. "All political matters are out of control by an administration that wasn't even elected. This is a war against the Third World," he said.

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Juneteenth in North Fontana

The North Fontana Parade Committee and the City of Fontana are preparing for their annual Juneteenth Celebration to be held on June 14, 2003 at the Jesse Turner Center. The event starts at 10:00 a.m. and lasts until 5:00 p.m. The City of Fontana is proud of the fact that exists the Emancipation of the

Today Juneteenth commemorates African American freedom and emphasizes education and achievement. It will be an all day event with guests, speakers, music and fashion shows, pie-crust food booths, and entertainment. It will be a day for families of African American freedom and influence and overcome the resistance.

Black Chamber Collaborates With the AACSA to Present the Bay Area's 23rd Juneteenth Festival

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The Silicon Valley Black Chamber of Commerce announced their partnership with the African-American Community Service Agency (AACSA) to bring the 23rd Annual Bay Area Juneteenth Festival and Celebration to downtown San Jose, June 13-15. This festival, a Bay Area Juneteenth Festival, is the marquee event of the Chamber’s Juneteenth Week, June 6-15.

Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration of the ending of slavery. Dating back to 1865, it is on June 19th that the Union soldiers, led by Major General Gordon Granger, landed at Galveston, Texas with news that the war had ended and that the enslaved were now free. Hence the celebration two days later on June 19th, which is now celebrated today as Juneteenth.

Black Chamber President and CEO Aitoral Hopkins today announced that the Silicon Valley Juneteenth Festival will be held June 13-15 at the San Jose Convention Center. The festival is expected to draw over 100,000 people.

Later attempts to explain this two and a half year delay in the receipt of this important news have yielded several versions that have been handed down through the years. Often told is the story of a messenger who was staggered on his way to Texas with the news of freedom. Another, that the news was deliberately withheld by the masters to maintain the labor force on the plantations. Still another, that it fell below what was statutory.

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General Order Number 3

One of General Granger’s first orders of business was to read to the people of Texas, General Order Number 3 which began most significantly with:

“The people of Texas are informed that in accordance with a Proclamation from the Executive of the United States, all slaves are free. This involves an absolute equality of rights and of property between former masters and slaves, and the con- nection heretofore existing between them becomes that between employer and free labor.”

The reactions to this profound news ranged from pure shock to immediate jubilation. While many lin- ged to learn of this new employee to rela- tion, many left before these offers were com- pletely off the lips of their former ‘masters’ - attesting to the varying conditions on the plantations and the realization of freedom. Even with nowhere to go, many felt that leaving the plantation would be their first grasp of freedom. North was a logical destination and for many it represented true freedom, while the desire to reach family members in neighboring states drove the same into Louisiana, Arkansas and Oklahoma. Setting into these areas as free men and women brought on new realities and the chal- lenges of establishing a heretofore non-existent sta- tus for black people in America. Recounting the memories of that great day in June of 1865 and its festivities would serve as motivation as well as a release from the growing pressures encountered in their new territory. The celebration of June 19th was coined “Juneteenth” and grew with more participa- tion from descendants. The Juneteenth celebration was a time for reassurance each other, for praying and for gathering remaining family members. Juneteenth continued to be highly revered in Texas decades later, with many former slaves and descendants making an annual pilgrimage back to Galveston on this date.

“I Will Not Apologize”

by Attorney Joe C. Hopkins

For over 13 years, Attorney Joe C. Hopkins has been the publisher of the Pasadena Journal, and resident of that community have benefited from his insights about the area and behavior of Black youth, the cognitive impact of the media, and how best to secure economic empowerment for the future of Black youth. Now, finally, with the publication of “I Will Not Apologize” Attorney Joe C. Hopkins, will reach a national audience. “I Will Not Apologize” concerns the very future of Blacks in America–socially, politically, and economically. “I Will Not Apologize” will help you take your first step.

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St. Anthony's Hosts Fiesta 2003

St. Anthony's Church of San Bernardino will be having their annual "Fiesta 2003" on Saturday, June 7, from 12:00 noon to 10:00 p.m. and Sunday, June 8, from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Admission is $5.00 and 15 years and under are free. The Fiesta will feature live entertainment, game booths, raffles, Fiesta Queen contest, a diversity of delicious foods, and much more.

For more information or directions contact (909) 887-3810.

Michigan's MUSLIM journalist Jesse Wallace

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While listening to the words of support expressed from his family and friends I reflected back through the years as I journeyed and worked with Minister Farrakhan. There have been many occasions where we have traveled together and have experienced glory.

After I returned to America from Africa at the end of April 2003, I found myself a few days later back on a plane going to the island of Jamaica. As my plane landed in Montego Bay, my mind reflected back 32 years ago when I made my first trip to this most beautiful island. The occasion for that trip was to make arrangements for Minister Louis Farrakhan to take a long loved and well-deserving nation--Honorable Elijah Muhammad--to a place where he could get the best for a contented lifestyle. The Honorable Elijah Muhammad suggested meeting in Jamaica, Minister Farrakhan was sure that he would be permitted to land and stay in Jamaica because in a few years the Jamaican government would have to wind up. However, the Minister Hugh Shearer rejected the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and his delegation after their plane landed in Jamaica. Under this particular government the nation had meetings and meetings and "Mooples wybous" was handed. However, in spite of this, Minister Farrakhan was assured to enter the country, the land of his father's birth. In 1972, when Michael Manley was elected Prime Minister of Jamaica, he signed a written agreement to the Nation of Islam, our newspaper and the leader. Perhaps Farrakhan needed to make a trip to St. Paul Hosts First Golf Tournament

St. Paul AME Church is hosting its first Golf Tournament on June 14, 2003 beginning at 12:30 p.m. at the Palm Meadows Golf Course, 1964 E. Palm Meadows Dr., San Bernardino.

The fee for this event is $55.00 per person which includes green fees, car, cart, and lunch. For pre-registration and to secure your place, please contact Minister Karl V. Vaught at (909) 887-1718.

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Michigan's MUSLIM journalist Jesse Wallace

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Let's get started.

Refinance

Let me make a few quick points before I begin to discuss refinancing student and subprime loans. First, it is important to know where we stand on the scale of Riverside and San Bernardino County's economic income equality. These income indicators, such as "median income" are based on several factors including economic development, inflation, and job stability. The median income for Riverside and San Bernardino County is $35,000. Upper income is defined as earning more than 120% of the median income. Middle income is defined as earning between 80-119% of the median income. Lower income is defined as earning between 50-79% of the median income, and Low income is defined as earning less than 50% of the median income. After doing a little calculation, you can determine exactly where you fall in terms of what median income is. Want to see a similar map for your county? Check out Family Fun's website at www.familyfun.com.

Secondly, I need to make this perfectly clear: A subprime loan is not a bad product if it is the right product for you. Sub-prime lenders do not lend to individuals and families so get households in which they probably would not have

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SB County's Brightest Young Artists Honored

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The arts community of San Bernardino County, in conjunction with the California State Summer School for the Arts (CSSSA) and others from around the state, presented its annual recognition ceremony to the area's most talented young artists.

The event was held at the Brawley Union High School Performing Arts Center in Brawley, where the students were honored and present to receive their awards and to see their classmates also being honored. They were to enter the State Summer School for the Arts (CSSSA) for its leadership in advancing the arts.

The recognition ceremony, hosted by the Arts Commission of San Bernardino County, a private, non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation, is a State-Local Partner of the California Arts Council, a state agency.

We believe that, in a diverse community, the arts provide a language that can communicate and open doors. The arts offer a path to our cultural heritage and to the future. The art stream lives and are a unique source of enjoyment and delight.

All persons have the fundamental right of access to the arts, as both a producer and consumer. The Arts Commission for San Bernardino County works to improve the lives of people through the arts.

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I: Excellent is sponsoring a fashion show at Sierra Lake Golf Club, The Hollywood Bowl box office, or salinas@jazzminegroup.com. Tickets can be purchased through Ticketmaster, or by phone (310) 449-4070. "Project will present The California Women’s Missionary Society will be held at the St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church’s Missionary Society will be held at the St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church. For more information contact (909) 888-8319 (leave message) or email: cherylbrown@blackvoicenews.com.

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Foundation Grants $55,002 to Riverside County Agencies

The Community Foundation serving Riverside and San Bernardino Counties approved $55,002 in new grants in April 2003. Of that total, $55,002 will directly fund programs in Riverside County, the area in which it operates.

"These grants represent our donors' wishes to 'give back' to the communities in Riverside and San Bernardino Counties," said Sheryl Alexander, President of the Community Foundation.

The first grant is a $3,955 from The Black Voice News to purchase an Accessible Reading Textbook that will benefit disabled students.

The second grant is a $6,764 from The Community Foundation's Jordan Tucker Fund, which benefits those who are dependent on wheelchairs for mobility in Riverside. The grant was made to YMCA of Riverside City and County to provide ADA upgrades for the facility's new daycare/after-school program in the Arlanza area of Riverside. The facility is a collaborative project with the Queen of Angels Church and Elementary School.

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Performance Riverside is set to open the highly anticipated Island Empire professional premiere of the Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty musical "Once on This Island" for a three weekend run beginning June 6 at Landis Auditorium. Featuring an all African-American cast, the show is a Caribbean retelling of Hans Christian Andersen's The Little Mermaid, centering around Ti Moune, the Black peasant girl who rescues, nurses and falls in love with Daniel, a mutant from a wealthy family. When Daniel is returned to his people, the gods who rule the island guide Ti Moune on a quest to test the strength of her love against the powerful forces of prejudice, hatred and death. "Once on This Island" was the first Broadway show by the prolific composer-lyricist team of Ahrens and Flaherty, whose other work has included such hits as "Ragtime," "Anastasia" and "Seussical," currently on National Tour starring Cathy Rigby.

The cast includes Darlesia Cearcy, who starred as Sarah in Broadway's Ragtime, in the role of Ti Moune. Her other credits include principal roles in "The Goodbye Girl" on Broadway and the National and International tours of "The Who's Tommy." Miles Wesley will be returning to Performance Riverside as Daniel after wowing audiences earlier this year as Camelot in "Children of Eden." Wesley starred as Simba in the Los Angeles engagement of "The Lion King" at the Pantages Theatre, a role he is also playing on the show's National Tour.

In addition, Regina LeVert, who starred in the national tour of "Fame" and in the World Premiere of "Dorcan" at the Denver Center, will appear as Asaka, Mother of the Earth. Audience favorite Vonetta Misson returns to the Performance Riverside stage as Mother after such celebrated roles as Alice in "Big River," Miss Jones in "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," a storyteller in "Children of Eden," and part of the quintet which made up "Ain't Misbehavin'" nearly four years ago.

Glaudini emphasizes that the show is not "about race." "It's message of tolerance is universal," he says. "This is a show which will speak to everyone with its themes of acceptance and love."

"Once on This Island" runs June 6, 7, 13, 14, 20 and 21 at 8:00 p.m., and June 8, 14 and 22 at 2:00 p.m. at Landis Auditorium, located on the Riverside Community College campus at 4800 Magnolia Avenue in Riverside. Tickets are $21, $24 and $28. For reservations or more information, call the Performance Riverside box office at (909) 222-8100 or visit them on the web at www.performanceriver­side.org.

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