Underpinned with Perseverance from Westside Gazette

Insurance companies are canceling the policies of blacks who were radicalized by arson. They are interrogating ministers and members as arson suspects and detaining their claims. The number of claims that are approved or denied has yet to be determined. Under the same insurance companies have professedly paid the ministrers of burned white churches, and more than the black churches in the entire state to repair the damage.

The black ministers and their membership say racism is making them victims many times over.

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Welfare Reform vs. Welfare Reality

There have been breathless reports that welfare recipients are hard at work earning their keep, discovering that they have a “work ethic.”

The White House has said that welfare recipients are being driven to work in droves. The American Enterprise Institute published an article by its director, Charles Murray, that welfare recipients are working. The Washington Times has published an article by Don Wilber that welfare recipients are working. welfare recipients are working.

But the numbers are not the only thing that these reports omit. The reports also omit the impact of welfare reform on the lives of recipients. How are recipients actually benefiting from welfare reform?

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In conclusion, welfare reform is a complex issue that requires careful consideration. While it is important to celebrate the progress that has been made, we must also be vigilant in ensuring that the benefits of welfare reform are being realized by all.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

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The Black Voice News

Youthfulness in a Jar: Testing Wrinkle Creams

BY JERRY JONES

There are many wrinkle creams on the market today. Some are expensive and promise to make you look younger, while others are cheaper and less effective. How do you know which one to choose?

To find out, we conducted a series of tests on several popular wrinkle creams. Here are the results of our testing:

- Lactic acid, a natural exfoliant, is effective at removing dead skin cells and improving skin texture.
- Hyaluronic acid, a natural polymer, helps to retain moisture in the skin and improve its elasticity.
- Retinol, a form of vitamin A, stimulates the production of new skin cells and helps to reduce the appearance of fine lines and wrinkles.
- Vitamin E, an antioxidant, helps to protect the skin from damage caused by free radicals.
- Sandalwood, a natural essential oil, has been shown to have anti-inflammatory and anti-bacterial properties, which can help to improve skin health.
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**Smoking: A Danger to the Black Community**

Riverside Neighborhood Health Center to Open

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### Stoglin's An Ugly Trend

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Cigars are tobacco just like cigarettes and cause the same health problems. "Cigar smoke contains potent carcinogens and specifically increases the risk of oral (mouth) cancer, even if the smoker never inhales," warns Mary W. DeStefano, M.D., Chief of the National Cancer Institute's Public Health Applications Branch. These "beautiful people" might be the ones exposing the cigar-smoking trend most adversely, but given the health risks involved, things could get ugly. In addition to the devastating health consequences - up to and including death - oral cancer can lead to horrible disfigurement. Cigar smokers, like cigarette smokers, are at a high risk of developing lung cancer because of the 4300 chemicals in their favorite cigar, as well as the chemical factory.

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A.M.E. Church Bicentennial Celebration

Kweisi Mfume, NAACP President/CEO, Keynote Speaker

WASHINGTON -- The A.M.E. Zion Church confirmed July 25th during the 45th Quadrennial Session of the A.M.E. Zion Church General Conference that President and Chief Executive Officer of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Kweisi Mfume will be the keynote speaker at an African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church (AMEZ) bicentennial celebration to be held in New York City October 10 - 13.

During the four-day, A.M.E. Zion Church Bicentennial Celebration, Zionites from around the world will reflect on their past accomplishments, reclaim their presence as a formidable Christian organization and world leader, renew their faith and commitment to people, progress and education; and rejoice in their Christianity.

Because of the alliance the A.M.E. Zion Church has held with the NAACP since its inception, Mr. Mfume will be the keynote speaker at the Freedom Heritage Gala Banquet to be held Friday, Nov. 11th at the New Hilton Hilton and Towers - Manhattan.

The two organizations not only are a similar mission committed to securing civil liberties, but the late Bishop Alexander Walters of the A.M.E. Zion Church was one of the founding members and organized the NAACP in 1895. "The union between two of America's historic freedom fighters celebrates, in part, the essence of what the A.M.E. Zion Church Bicentennial celebration is all about," exclaimed Bishop Clarence Carr. The A.M.E. Zion Church celebrates Zion Church Bicentennial of its establishment.

• July 6th - Aug. 21st, Carter Memorial C.O.G.I.C. has a computer training for children at the "Power Place" 1993 Medical Center Dr. S.B., one block south of Best Food. John & Associates are the conductors and Rev. Handy Johnson is pastor. Classes are held Tues., Wed., Thurs., July 6th to August 21st, 12:30 p.m. - 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. There is a $20.00/week or $70.00/month. For the second child $10.00 Off. Limited schools and scholarships are available. Free lunch is offered 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. For more info call (909) 683-7033.

• Aug. 6th, The Western Baptist State Conv. meets at Calvary Baptist, Santa Monica. Brother Rev. John Motley is pastor. Chairperson of the W.B. State Conv. Dea. Willie Lavette and W.B. Western Dea. Pastor, Myrtle Ross will be giving their annual address. Please call (909) 887-2526 for more info.

• Aug. 11th, Gleeyard Baptist of 1480 Rider St. Perris, CA, 92570, where Rev. B. Harper is pastor, presents the Occidental Inspirational Voices in song directed by Shedrick George Wiss Jr. Come out Sun. Aug. 11th at 5 p.m. Be prepared for a worshipful, soul-stirring, spiritual experience. Please bring a freewill offering.

• Seed Time and Harvest Outreach invites you to their Annual Women's Retreat, to be held at Arrowhead Springs Conference Center, S.B. Thurs. - Sat., Aug. 15th - 17th. Guest speakers include Evangelist, Angela Barksdale and Pastor, "Barn" Crawford. For reservations/info, please call (909) 630-7033.

• Aug. 19th - Aug. 24th and August 26th 8pm a youth in the Basic Life Principles Seminar, 5 days, Friday - Monday. Also 24th or 25th, Rev. Paul White of Power Place 1093 Stratton Center, 1103 Stratton Center, Perris, CA., 92570, where Rev. Roy Aragon of heritage International Ministries, Anaheim, CA, is pastor. "Basic Life Principles" is a workshop that will show you how to break up the spirit that keeps you from living a meaningful, abundant life. For more info. please call Sis. S. Kelly at (909) 793-6653 or Temple M.B. at (909) 888-2588.

• Aug. 18th 4 p.m. New Life M.B.C. at 1322 N. Medical Center Dr., B.B celebrates Choir Day, with several guest choirs performing. Minister Irene Jackson, of Ecclesia Christian Fellowship Center will be speaking. Come and enjoy De Elijah Solomon Singletary is pastor.

• Aug. 18th, 6 p.m. The Temple M.B.C Drama Ministry under the direction of Sis. Margaret Spencer presents a "Prize Concert," Sun. Aug. 18th at 6 p.m. Don’t miss this opportunity to praise the Lord. Please call (909) 863-9512 for further info.
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Kellogg Names Senior Vice President

The W.K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek, Michigan, announced today the appointment of Anne C. Petersen as its Senior Vice President for programs. She will assume her new role at the Kellogg Foundation on September 16, 1996.

Petersen is currently the deputy director of the National Science Foundation (NSF) in Arlington, Virginia. Dr. Petersen is the first woman to serve as the deputy director of the NSF in the agency's 43-year history. She was recently described by Science Magazine as "one of the most visible scientists in the nation."

As a senior member of the Kellogg Foundation's executive staff, she will be responsible for providing overall leadership for programming. Specifically, she will oversee the development of effective programming strategies; foster teamwork, and develop and monitor policies, philosophies, and organization-wide systems to accomplish the programmatic mission of the Foundation. She also will be responsible for coordinating human and financial resources and for planning and reviewing all program areas.

"We are delighted to have Dr. Petersen as a senior member of our executive team," said Dr. William C. Richardson, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Kellogg Foundation. "She is widely respected in the nonprofit community and brings with her a breadth of knowledge and administrative experience in a variety of areas related to the Foundation's programming. She will be a tremendous asset to our organization and we look forward to working with her."

For the past two years, Petersen has been chief operating officer, responsible for the Science Foundation, a $5.2 billion federal research agency with 1,300 employees. She worked closely with the National Science Board, the National Science and Technology Council, White House officials, and senior NSF management on national policy science. NSF is the only federal agency responsible for supporting non-medical research in all fields of science and engineering, through grants to more than 2,000 institutions nationwide.

Previously, Petersen served as the vice president for research and dean of the Graduate School at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis/St. Paul, where she oversaw the University's research policies and practices, including academic integrity, university-wide research centers, and university-industry collaborations. As dean of the Graduate School, she oversees 175 university-wide graduate programs, including allocation of internal funds for research, graduate fellowships, and graduate programs. At the University of Minnesota, she held the rank of professor of adolescent development and pediatrics.

From 1987-92, she was dean of the College of Health and Human Development at The Pennsylvania State University, University Park. The W.K. Kellogg Foundation was established in 1930 to "help people help themselves through the practical application of knowledge and resources to improve their quality of life and that of future generations," its programming activities center on the quality of life and that of future generations. Its programming activities center around the common visions of a world in which each person has a sense of worth, accepts responsibility for self, family, community, and societal well-being; and has the capacity to be productive, and to help create nurturing families, responsible institutions, and healthy communities.

To achieve the greatest impact, the Foundation targets its grants toward specific focal points or areas. These include: health; food systems and rural development; youth; education; and higher education; philanthropy and voluntarism. While women throughout these areas, funding also is provided for leadership, information systems/technology; efforts to capitalize on diversity; and family, neighborhood, and community development programs. Grants are concentrated in the United States, Latin America and the Caribbean, and South Africa.

CHARLOTTE, NC -- More than 1,000 spectators enjoyed the sounds of the legendary Ramsey Lewis and his group during a gala concert benefiting the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). Co-sponsored by Miller Brewing Company, a longtime supporter of the NAACP, the event was a forum of activities held during this organization's week-long annual conference. Picturesque background prior to the concert were: Virginia Talley, Miller's Senior Vice President, worldwide operations; Ramsey Lewis (center), and NAACP president and CEO Kwesi Mfinye.

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Livin’ The Blues At the Monterey Blues Festival

By Peggy Shirrells-Howard
Black Voice News

The moment you enter the Monterey fairgrounds you hear the sounds of music, the blues. You smell the aroma of soulful cooking of fried fish with potato salad, pancakes and sausage, and Jim’s finger-lin’ BBQ ribs and chicken. But that’s just the beginning of the tantalizing menu which included short ribs, greens, red beans and rice, spicy Cajun sausage, crawfish, Jamaican chicken on a stick, jambalaya, fried alligator meat, and an assortment of cakes, pies and fruit.

You know you’ve arrived at the 11th Annual Monterey Bay Blue’s Festival which will last for the next two days with a lineup for packed with such artists as Patti Labelle, the Blind Boys from Alabama, Bobby Blue Bland, Koko Taylor, Queen Ida, Buddy Guy and Kenny Neal: a new artist to the roster.

Artists, clubs and schedule subject to change.

A generation of artists who had to struggle to get the world and their music to the people without the assistance of festivals such as this. They shared their experiences of having to sleep in cars earning only enough money to just get by. They donated their lives to the heritage and legend of the blues.

I had the opportunity to speak with some of the artists that appeared such as Johnny Adams who started recording in 1952. This cool, slim smiling gentleman thrilled us all with his music.

Bobby Blue Bland came on stage and glided in donin’s memory lane. For a moment there I thought Buddy Guy was in the pulpit with his music.

You smell the aroma of soulful cooking of fried fish with potato salad, red beans and rice, spicy Cajun sausage, crawfish, Jamaican chicken on a stick, jambalaya, fried alligator meat, and an assortment of cakes, pies and fruit.

Koko Taylor was at times soft and simply summed it up by saying he was living the legend of the Blues.

All as she expressed her personal feelings of being a blues artist.

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The hottest tour of the year? These great artists will perform live at Los Angeles' top music clubs—July 15th through August 17th. For more information on your ticket to hot nights and cool music see listings below:

Raven-Symone Making History

Glover, Lisa Minnelli, Robin Leach and many others.

As a result of the magnificent success of “Good News with Raven-Symone,” Passport Productions Ltd. is currently developing an interactive reality based program, “Kidnapped by Raven-Symone,” featuring interviews with celebrities from around the world in fun and unexpected locations. The program will be co-produced with Lanch Media, creator of “Peeples Place.” A spokesperson for Passport Productions Ltd. commented, “The interviews are informative and sincere and always maintain an ever-changing twist. No matter the topic or locale, the content standards, journalistic integrity and contemporary shooting style will stay consistent.”

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Patti Labelle

Come Sunday morning, we started off having church with the Webb Sister’s and the Five Blind Boys of Alabama. They have been pilgrims of the gospel highway for nearly 60 years. In my interview with Clarence Fountain of the five Blind Boys, he simply summed it up by saying he was the hum of thousands. She glided smoothly across until center stage, melodically singing. As the song built, Paty removed her coat, twirling it over her head and flung it into her orchestra exposing a shimmering gown with a fountain of the five Blind Boys, he not only maintained an ever-changing twist. No matter the comment, “The interviews are informative and sincere and always maintain an ever-changing twist. No matter the topic or locale, the content standards, journalistic integrity and contemporary shooting style will stay consistent.”

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Robeson Centennial Celebration U.S. Postage Stamp Campaign

A U.S. postage stamp featuring a portrait of the late Paul Robeson (1898-1976) is the goal of a committee of actors and educators formed in Chicago. Robeson was an African American scholar, actor, singer, and athlete who blazed a trail of accomplishment across American art, letters and sports in the first half of the 20th Century.

During the anticommunist witch hunts of the 1950s, Robeson was bound by the House Un-American Activities Committee, and driven into virtual exile and silence for his outspoken stand against racism and for peace.

The committee has targeted Robeson’s centennial birthday on April 9, 1998 for publication of the commemorative stamp by the U.S. Postal Service. The committee is comprised, in part, by the circulation of a letter from folk singer Pete Seeger proposing the stamp last March.

Robeson was widely recognized for his scholarship and skill in every field he touched. He won 13 letters in four sports at Rutgers University and was one of the first African Americans to graduate from Columbia University Law School.

Robeson’s centennial birthday is due to be released during the middle of August 1996.

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RACE FOR THE TAPE.

- Dennis Schatzman, a long time journalist for a number of black-owned newspapers and a former district court judge in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, has accepted a position as an adjunct professor of criminal justice at the California State University at Fullerton.

- Since 1981, he has served as the Saturday morning talk show host for the Los Angeles CBS Radio Network, and regularly represents the interests of African American organizations in the media.

- Schatzman has been a journalist for over 20 years with black-owned newspapers. He has worked on numerous freelance projects for The Baltimore Afro-American, the New Pittsburgh Courier, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and the Washington Post.

- Schatzman has written articles and books on a wide range of topics, including race, politics, and social justice. He is a contributing writer for the Los Angeles Daily Journal and the Los Angeles Sentinel.

- He is also a member of the Tuskegee Airmen, a noted group of African American pilots who served in World War II.

- In addition to his writing and speaking engagements, Schatzman is an active member of the community, serving on numerous boards and committees.

- His speeches and articles are widely read and respected, and he is often sought after as a speaker at conferences and events.

- Schatzman is an endorsee of the Real History Black History Video Offer. For just $5.99 you and your family can get your own VHS copy of "Real History: Black History Video Offer." This is an exclusive video presentation saluting African American Olympic athletes. For more information, call (909) 682-8600.

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African-American social and economic advancement if we strengthen the educational, cultural, and economic empowerment of African-American people. The mission statement of the Pasadena City College Association of Black Employers and Shakespeare Festiva/LA presents "Othello". Jason Bernard featured in special performances, and students with student I.D. Tickets are available by calling the Shakespeare Festival/LA box office at (323) 464-3871. Paula Dowson at (818) 367-7343, or Sherry Hassan (318) 185-7219. Parking is free. Patrons are invited to arrive early and picnic by the Mirror Pools on the evening of the performance. A Midsummer Night's Magic is the title of the College Fund/UNCF, and students 15-18 or seniors (with student I.D.) for admission price. For information call 800/773-6240. Cedar's-Sinai, Official Medical Sponsor of L.A. Marathon roadrunkers. Please call 384-5233 for further information. August 19th - 21st Los Angeles Black Deaf Advocates, Inc. present their 14th Annual National Black Deaf Advocates "Taking Charge: Empowerment, Leadership and Motivation". The event will be held at the Four Seasons Hotel, Los Angeles Airport, 5400 West Century Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90045. For information call (909) 384-5233. Though it's mission, the National Park Service at (909) 733-2921 first, then given (909) 784-9709. For information the National Park Service, Inc., is to preserve the well-being, cultural empowerment of African-American persons who are deaf and hard of hearing. Though its mission, mission, aims to strengthen the social and economic advancement of deaf and hard-of-hearing African-Americans.

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