First Came Fire, Now Flooding in S.B.

A firefighter walks past a child's shoe encased in mud at Camp Saint Sophia in Waterman Canyon.

Celebrating the First Black Republic in History: A Moral Obligation

By Jose E. Perez

In Spartacus, Kirk Douglas played a Roman slave that led an epic struggle for freedom. For countless moviegoers, this motion picture was awesome and, still evokes the spirit of freedom. But don't tell this to the dean of international relations who is facing trial on January 20, 2004, for murder in the West Indies where Spartacus failed in ancient Rome.

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Reflections of Year 2003

As we travel down the road called life, we are constantly encountering intersections that cause us to reflect on the roads we have traveled as we gather strength for the uncharted roads ahead. As we celebrate the intersection for the year 2003 and 2004 we are on the past and make preparations for the future. We saw and heard war stories everyday in the year 2003 but could not escape the unequal way in which two female soldiers were treated by the Army and media. Shoshana Johnson, the first Black woman prisoner of the Iraqi War was treated like a second class citizen as compared to Jessica Lynch, a White female soldier also held captive by Iraqi soldiers.

We saw Senator Strom Thurmond, a vowed racist, pass away only for it to be revealed over 60 years after he had fathered a child with a Black young woman employed by his parents.

We witnessed fires burn our mountains and engulf hundreds of homes with many of them owned by local Black citizens.

We witnessed a historic reelection as Gray Davis was removed from office and Arnold Schwarzenegger was elected governor of the state.

We witnessed the Riverside NAACP honor Robert Byrd, the first Black to be appointed a Superior Court Judge in Riverside County, delivered the keynote remarks.

In San Bernardino the RACP honored first Black female judge of San Bernardino County while retired Judge Paul Eddy delivered the keynote on the historic desegregation of our schools in San Bernardino County.

We witnessed the small remembrance of Tyson Miller by some of Tyson Miller’s family members and community activists who sought justice from that horrible shooting over five years ago.

We also witnessed action by new Riverside County Sheriff Bob Doyle who says he truly believes in community involvement. He has committed resources to recruit more Black and Hispanic officers into the department while increasing the training and hiring of all officers on beating the growing budget of already paid dividends by the selection of several new recruits that have received the vigorous screening, testing, and physical examination and now function as deputies. Doyle is a new breed of leadership in law enforcement.

We also had some losses on the national as well as local scene that made a difference in our lives: Gregory Blanks, Maynard Jackson, John Hobbs, Willie Garrett, Verna Casa, Barry White, Rev. Marlin Brown, Mary Anderson, Fred “President” Carter, Jr., and others.

Life, Love, Fontana received its first Black city councilman and San Bernardino saw its first Latino elected school board member.

A lot more has happened this past year but we have even more to look forward to in 2004. From the Black Voice News and to our readers, we encourage you, as the advertisers who support us, to our contributors who have helped us, we hope you have given back to our community this past year. Now we give you our thanks for a wonderful year and a half.

Have a Happy New Year 2004

Mystical African Dances

What I know about the histories of African dance is about as much as I know about a subject that I am constructing a building by poking through a fence. Never before will I get a true interpretation of Kiaras Anatomical Motion in Analyzing African Dance (African Culture & Society, July/August 2003). What I learned is that African dance is a very advanced culture that made ancient Africans such brilliant and creative thinkers in music and dance. Notice in her description of the reverence and respect for the earth and what attention is paid to all of the universal laws present in the dance. The dance is an art form that captures and controls the earth’s power and energy and ultimately is something that gives the dancer power.

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says, U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary, Tommy G. Thompson. "Patient-friendly sites will go a long way toward closing the knowledge gap while empowering patients to assume more control when it comes to their health. Access some of the most popular sites created for you and about you. However, before you log-on, there are some tips to keep in mind. Not everything you find on the Internet is the gospel. Search sites linked to official organizations and agencies such as Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Information Network (NPIN). Information on these sites is usually peer-reviewed to ensure reliability of content. Remember your physician or health care provider is still your health expert. Do not start medical treatment or take medications recommended over the Internet until you have discussed your findings with your doctor.

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Black Health Care.com, Browsing, the "Medical Directors" section of this interactive site to find a physician. Use the "Disease Center" section to learn more about illnesses prevalent among Blacks.

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Therefore, he upheld the motto “L’union fait la force” (in English “there is strength in unity”) is to join in the cause of liberty and freedom. This is because to celebrate January 1st, 2004, in Chicago, “until [Haiti],” said, no Christian nation had abandoned slavery or even given legitimate debate to the thought. Not because of Haiti’s proud male and female warriors, but because of the Haitian’s spirit when the African slave trade and the Western Hemisphere did not, it also directly impacted the freedom of millions of blacks in the Americas.

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These shoes were found 46 yards from the crash caused by a drunk driver. Carissa Deason was thrown 30 yards and not even her father, a doctor, could save her.

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A Pioneer in Gospel's Praise & Worship Movement Is Coming To Churches Everywhere

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It's no longer a rumor! Award-winning gospel artist, Fred Hammond and promoter, Al Wash are bringing the Worship Alive Tour to a local church near you this February.

This is huge. When these two talents teamed up for the Tour of Life back in 1997 it became the most successful tour in gospel music history. That tour was on stage. They decided to take this one to the church and Wash says that's because, "We've been able to reach millions of people in huge theaters but we want to show churchgoers who may not have seen what we've been doing, how we're using God's music to spread the gospel in a big way."

The church world is all about who and no matter how much the industry grows, it's always important to go back home," adds Hammond.

With more than 18 years in the industry, Hammond has one of the most recognizable voices in gospel music. He and his group, Radical for God, have headlined over 400 concert dates nationwide. This talented vocalist is also a gifted musical arranger, songwriter, producer and the founder and CEO of Pace to Face Productions Corporation. Assembling groups like American Idol winner, Rikah Stashard, look to him. The two recently collaborated on a hot song and fans could not wait. There were over 1 million orders for the CD it's on before it was even released.

Wash is no stranger to the industry either. In the business for more than 15 years, his company, ALW Entertainment is considered one of the most reputable promotions companies in the world. Having mounted eight gospel tours over the past six years and with a clientele that includes Kirk Franklin, Yolanda Adams, CeCe Winans and Fred Hammond & Radical For God, many feel he has contributed to the current growth in gospel music.

No matter how much the industry grows and how far they continue to go in their careers, these two heavyweights vow to share the talent and the vision God has blessed them with inside the greatest venues ever - the Church. The Worship Alive Tour comes to a church near you in early 2004.

 Roulette Speaks to Youth

Jesse Roulette, an elder at Bright Hope Evangelistic Center recently brought the message in Youth Sunday at St. Paul AME. Church. The unwavering of the new youth choir also took place and 60 youth gave their lives to the Lord.

Elder Roulette prepared a message from John 1:1-6 but as he was preparing to speak he said the Lord spoke to him and told him the message was to the youth. He began to tell the adults how pleased God is that the youth are in church and engaged in it. They could have chosen to be anywhere, he said, but they were there in church. Speaking from experience, he said as a young person he was out on the corner deeply involved in sin and that the answer to all problems is Jesus. He gave credit to the Lord for using his wife Charis to change his life. Before he finished he called the youth to the altar to speak to them personally about the music they have in their lives. He said it may not be bad words but carnel music gives an opening for Satan to come in. He said there is society music and that Christian music comes in all forms that they would want. The message is positive. When he finished 60 youth prayed and prayed of salvation, they gave their lives to the Lord or rededicated their lives to Him.

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NAACP Honors Five Pioneers

The San Bernardino Branch of the NAACP held their annual Pioneer Dinner recently. The guest speaker was Judge Paul Egly, the judge who gave the order to desegregate the San Bernardino Unified School District schools in the 70's. The program opened with Rev. Anthony Hughes giving the invocation and Clifford Young, Jr. leading the National Negro Anthem before the introduction of the emcees. Kathy Ervin, Cal State Theater Professor and actor Bill Cobbs by UCR Playwright and Assistant Professor Rickerby Hinds and Cheryl Brown, Publisher of The Black Voice News. The emcees introduced the program with the theme "Having Our Say," the title of a book made famous by the Delany Sisters who lived to be 107 and 109.

Following their introduction, Dr. Albert Karnig welcomed the audience and commenting on the book said, "the reason they were so successful is because they never got married." The audience laughed. He said, "seriously everyone should read the book," and entailed the virtues of the campus and how important it is for the community to be involved.

After dinner Judge Egly said that he didn't know how his rulings affected so many people. Francis Grice, one of the original parents involved in the lawsuit, said before his ruling there were few Black or Hispanic teachers and no Black administrators. The school district was also going through turmoil. The operative word was "bussing." But it was the Black students who were being bussed. Schools on the Westside in the Black and Brown community were totally segregated. The district however came up with an outstanding plan that works to this day and is attributed to changing the face of education.

Each of the honorees were presented awards and responded by thanking the Branch for the honor and the beautiful awards fashioned by Bernard Edmonds. The honorees were: Dr. Robert Fairley, Pastor New Hope Baptist Church; Dr. Laura Young, Associate Professor, Cal State University; Beverly Jones Wright, Health Educator; Chuck McNay, Businessman/owner of Fireway Lincoln Mercury, and Judge Katrina West, first African American female judge in the 150 year history of the county.

Every year the President selects a person to award. This year Walter Jarman presented The President's Award to Cheryl Brown, membership chair and dinner committee member. Following their introduction, Dr. Albert Karnig welcomed NAACP attendees and extolled the values of Cal State University San Bernardino.

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How to Host a Super Bowl Party

By Lillian Vernon

When Super Bowl XXXVI is broadcast live from Houston’s Reliant Stadium on Sunday, February 1, 2004, millions of football fans worldwide will eagerly tune in for an afternoon of exciting pre-game fun followed by an evening of great football, refreshments, and friendly rivalry. For those not lucky enough to have a ticket to America’s favorite sporting event, it’s a premier Couch Potato day.

To maximize the fun, I’ve collected practical tips to make your Super Bowl party memorable.

Kicking off the preparations

• Decide on a guest list. Do you want a small or large crowd? Do you want to include children?
• Keep a list ready for when guests ask what they can write.

Tackling food and drink

• Plan the menu in advance. This is one party where you do not want to have to get up and down to serve guests or prepare and warm food. Select a menu that allows for lots of conversation.
• Use paper or plastic serving pieces and utensils. Have lots of napkins personalized with a Super Bowl-related slogan or the teams’ names.
• Serving trays are useful for shuttling food between the kitchen and TV room.
• Place food far enough away from the TV to avoid blocking anyone’s view.
• For chips and dips, get bowls that combine the two, so there are fewer items to refill, knock over, and carry.
• Serve other snack foods, like pretzels, in a football helmet. Be sure to line it with foil and a napkin.
• Popcorn in individual, movie-style popcorn servers is a great idea. If you choose to make it plain with butter on the side, serve interesting spices and condiments to sprinkle over it, especially for those who are salt or diet-conscious.
• Let younger partygoers make their own popcorn or get a corn-candy maker.
• Stock plenty of ice and keep an ice crusher handy. Fill an ice chest or a large metal bucket with your drinks and keep it within guests’ reach.
• Get everyone a personalized can or glass holder/cooler.
• These containers have insulated foam liners that keep beverages cool for hours. Their solid bases also help prevent spills.
• If you are serving hard liquor, use a vodka set that keeps individual shot glasses chilled in ice with the vodka carafe in the center. Also, buy large beer steins or handsome Pilsner glasses.
• Prepare pre-made foot of food that can feed an army of visitors. Chili is an all-time favorite—use condiments can gently simmer all night. Or, get a warming tray for finger foods, like Swedish meatballs. Make football-style pennants to use as grabbers, using construction paper or felt pennants and whistles for calling penalties. If there’s not enough seating, set up TVs down to serve guests or pre-qualifications in just minutes.

Making the house football-themed

• Place a football-themed rug right inside the door that you can make from foam board. A football-themed rug right inside the door will help keep dirt out of the house. Make felt pennants to hang around the house.
• Ask guests to dress in team jerseys and colors. Wear a referee-style shirt.
• Put thematic props around the room, such as mega-phones, miniature footballs, and whistles for calling penalties.
• Settle in for a long day of television with comfortable, football-themed beanbag chairs. Have plenty of cushions, footrests, and a cozy Afghan or blanket for the couch potatoes.
• Make sure everyone can see the TV. You don’t want anyone squinting or straining to see the action. If there’s not enough seating, set up TVs elsewhere to handle the overflow.
• Play Super Bowl trivia and award football-themed prizes.
• Enjoy a game of touch football before kickoff and during halftime.
• Don’t leave anyone on the sidelines. If children are attending, make sure there are lots of toys and activities to keep them busy. Set up an area for them to decorate their own T-shirts during the pre-game, with iron-on transfers or tube paints.
• Get out the ever-popular fondue set to dip bread into cheese or fruits into chocolate, or make s’mores, roasting the marshmallows over the flame.
• Post-game wrap-up
• At the end of the festivities, serve coffee so everyone can drive home refreshed.
• Make clean-up easy with a supply of large trash bags. By following these Super Bowl party tips, you can rest assured that long after the final football has been snapped, everyone will remember not only the touchdowns that clinched the game, but also the fabulous job you did hosting the party. For more information, visit www.lillianvernonproducts.com.

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Turner Broadcasting Announces 2004 Trumpet Award Honorees

Trumpet Awards since 1993, The Trumpet Awards honor African American achievers in fields as diverse as law, politics and entertainment. Xernona Clayton, the creative force behind the Trumpet Awards since 1993, will once again serve as executive producer for the event. Also returning for the second year as executive producers are Grovanni Brewer and Jeff Fischgrund (Soul Train Music Awards, World Music Awards) and Russell Simmons (Grammy Awards, 2002 Winter Olympic Medals Plaza and Ceremonies) will direct the event, which will feature production design by Emmy-winning designer Steve Bass (2001 Winter Olympics Medals Plaza and Ceremonies).

The Trumpet Awards is Turner Broadcasting System, Inc.'s flagship entertainment network. TBS Supervision will celebrate Black History Month by presenting coverage of the event Saturday, February 1, at 7:00 p.m. (ET)/8:00 p.m. (PT). Turner Broadcasting System, Inc., a unit of Time Warner, is the basic cable industry's #2 network among adults 18-34 in total day, TBS Superstation is home to the Non-Stop Comedy Block, featuring hot contemporary comedies like Seinfeld and Friends; high-profile original series, such as Ripley's Believe It or Not! and the reality-competition series House Rules; blockbuster movies; hosted movie showcases; and thrilling sports from the worlds of Major League Baseball and Pac 10 and Big 12 college football.

Turner Broadcasting System, Inc., a AOL Time Warner company, is a major producer of news and entertainment products around the world and the leading provider of programming for the basic cable industry.

Trumpet Awards Honorees:
- Nelson Mandela: Former South African President
- Angela Bassett: Actress
- Russell Simmons: Elektra Records music label executive, founder of hip-hop legend and business tycoon Russell Simmons
- Isaac Hayes: Musician, songwriter, actor and entrepreneur
- Xernona Clayton: Program creator, entrepreneur, and social activist
- Angela Bassett
- Russell Simmons
- Don Barden: Businessman
- Isaac Hayes
- Judge Della Reese
- Angie Stone: Musician
- Lisa Borders: Chairwoman and CEO of Turner Broadcasting System
- Donald S. Lee: President of Turner Broadcasting System, Inc.
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The University of California, Riverside will host a candlelight vigil and a variety of activities on Wednesday, Jan. 14, marking the birth of slain civil rights leader, the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The event will feature a keynote address by Dr. Yolanda Moses, special assistant for Excellence and Diversity at UC Riverside, who received her doctorate from UC Riverside. The celebration is free and open to the public.

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Riverside is hosting the event to encourage the hiring and retention of a more diverse faculty and a more representative graduate student body. Her writing, research and lecturing have taken her to New Zealand, Japan, India, Eastern Europe and South Africa.

Maps and directions to the event are available at UCR information kiosks at the University Avenue and the Canyon 1000 Recital Hall. Sponsors are African Student Programs, Associated Students Program Board, the Department of Ethnic Studies, African Americans United in Science, African Student Alliance, the National Society of Black Engineers, PATH and AAI. More information can be obtained by calling African Student Programs at (909) 787-4376.

Dr. Moses served three years as president of the American Association for Higher Education, and before that, was president of The City College of New York/CUNY from 1993 to 1999. She arrived at UC Riverside this past August, where she is working to encourage the hiring and retention of a more diverse faculty and a more representative graduate student body. Her writing, research and lecturing have taken her to New Zealand, Japan, India, Eastern Europe and South Africa.

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