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Initiative to Combat Gang Violence Proposed by Governor

The Black Voice News

CALIFORNIA

Governor Schwarzenegger proposed an anti-gang initiative to fight gang violence in California. The California Gang Reduction, Intervention and Prevention Program (CalGRIP) will target more than \$48 million in state and federal funding

toward local anti-gang efforts, including job training, education and intervention programs, and will give law enforcement the tools to closely track gang leaders both inside state prisons and when they are released on parole. CalGRIP combines funding from different programs and directs them toward inter-

vention, suppression and prevention. The Governor is also appointing a statewide gang coordinator, to coordinate all state programs and funding for anti-gang activities with local and federal agencies.

"A growing number of Californians are living a nightmare trapped inside their homes,

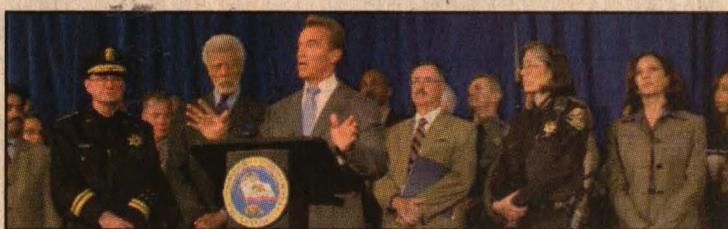


Photo by William Foster, Office of Governor Schwarzenegger
From left: Oakland Police Chief Wayne Tucker, Oakland Mayor Ron Dellums, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Secretary James Tilton, San Francisco Police Chief Heather Fong and San Francisco District Attorney Kamala Harris.

afraid to come out unless they absolutely have to. That's because in many of our cities, whole neighborhoods are terrorized and intimidated by street gangs. Kids are scared to go to school and parents are terrified for their safety," said Governor Schwarzenegger. "So today I am

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"OBAMANOMICS" ATTRACTING NON-DEMOCRATS

Young Inland Donors Shell Out Online

The Black Voice News

SAN BERNARDINO

By Chris Levister

Lisa, Kurt and Ehud have a lot in common, they're part of a growing multi-cultural group of young Inland academics, all of whom are Internet savvy and have impeccable neoclassical credentials. They voted for George W. Bush in 2000 and again in 2004. So why did they shell out \$500 respectively to the presidential primary campaign of U.S. Senator Barack Obama of Illinois, earlier this year?

"It's all about change," says Lisa. Obama offers an optimistic message of "political change". Lisa, Kurt and Ehud are not alone in voicing their opinion with their wallets.

Obama raised at least \$25 million for his presidential campaign in the first quarter of the year, nearly matching Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton's \$26 million record setting total.

Donors in Riverside and San Bernardino counties gave about \$432,000 to a dozen Republican and Democratic candidates for president, during the first three months of the year. During the

same time Californians statewide donated \$19.8 million to presidential candidates.

Inland donors gave Obama \$37,000. New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson raised nearly \$47,000 in Palm Desert alone outstripping contributions to front runner Clinton who collected a total of \$41,000. Former Sen. John Edwards raised \$24,000. The Democratic donations set a milestone for the GOP-leaning area, according to Federal Election Commission records.

"For the first quarter, we've exceeded all of our hopes and

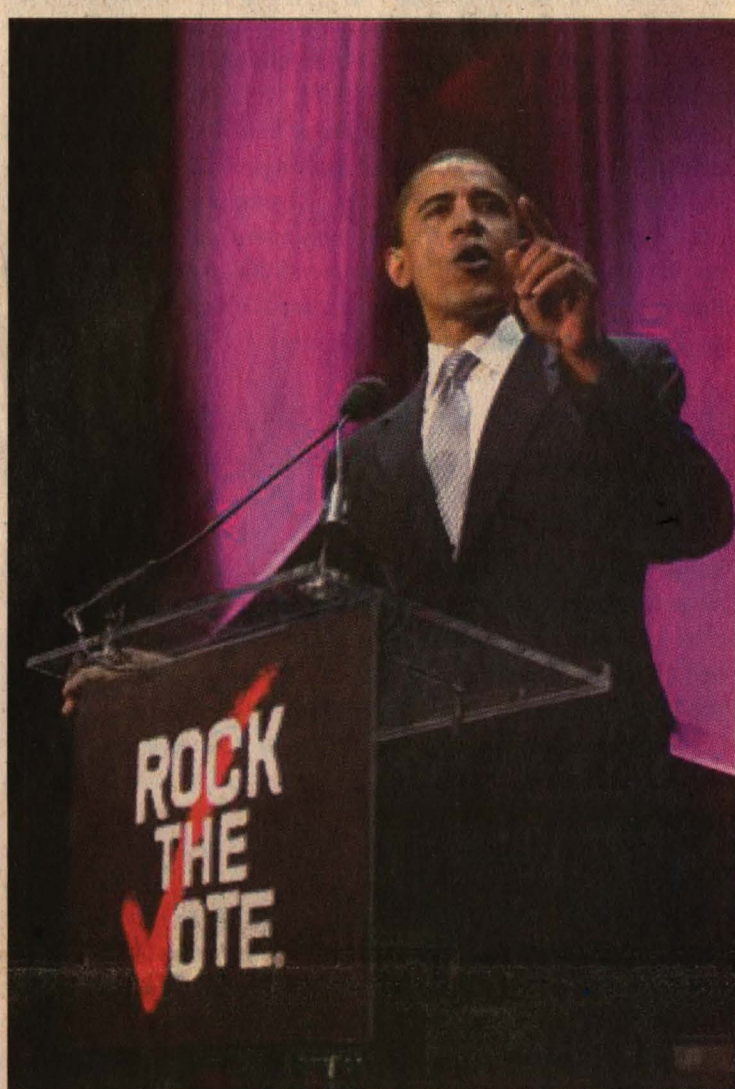
expectations," Obama said in an e-mail to supporters. He reported donations from 100,000 individuals, many of them non-Democrats, double the 50,000 people who gave to Clinton. More than half of those donors were 18-35 year-olds largely giving in small increments over the Internet. He raised \$6.9 million online, compared with Clinton's \$4.2 million.

The Inland Empire is a rock solid source of campaign donors for Republicans, said Deborah Freeman, who heads up Obama's Riverside campaign. "It's surprising that Democrats are doing so well. It's not a Democratic area. There is almost spontaneous outpouring from Democratic donors," said Freeman.

Election Commission reports show Obama attracting young educated Internet savvy voters from both Democratic and Republican camps. Democratic strategist Steve Elmendorf says, "I think it bodes well for our prospects. Donors are the leading edge of the opinion elite, and I think voters are going to follow."

Obama's donor website warns. "We don't take money from lobbyists or political action committees (PACs) and we're going to build a broad base of individual donors to ensure that this campaign answers to no one but the people."

Data suggests that Obama's online tactics and strategy of holding low dollar events in addition to big ticket galas has



Presidential candidate Sen. Barack Obama D-Ill. seen at a Rock the Vote event is drawing young non-Democrats willing to open their wallets.

succeeded. He held numerous events that cost \$25 or \$100 per ticket, in an effort to bring in younger, first time donors.

We can tap those donors for future donations because they have not reached the \$2,300 limit for contributions to an individual candidate in the primary,

says Freeman. She says local Democrats have waged a concerted campaign to build an online infrastructure.

Freeman says rallies on college campuses, churches and other free public events spark huge interest from the community.

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Riverside County Low-Income Residents Speak Out

The Black Voice News

RIVERSIDE

Community Action Partnership (CAP) of Riverside County invites you to participate in a community meeting to share and discuss the priority issues and concerns of low-income Riverside County residents. CAP Riverside will share the

results of the 2007 countywide community assessment survey of 4,759 low-income households and celebrate the successes of 52 Welfare-to-Work participants who conducted these face-to-face surveys.

The meetings are from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. free and open to the public. For more information contact CAP Riverside

Planning Division at 951-955-4900. The community meeting schedule is as follows:

June 4, 2007: Riverside Library, 3581 Mission Inn Avenue, Riverside 92501 (951-826-6201 for directions only)

June 5, 2007: Cesar E. Chavez Public Library, 163 San Jacinto,

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Councilman Rikke Van Johnson Announces Re-Election Bid

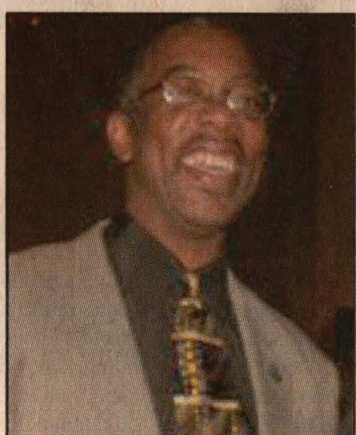
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SAN BERNARDINO

Calling a "strong sense of community" the critical link to San Bernardino's future growth and prosperity, Sixth Ward Councilman Rikke Van Johnson is scheduled today to announce his bid for re-election to the office of City Council.

"The Sixth Ward has faced difficult times over the years and it is my mission to continue to improve the quality of life for not only this ward, but the entire city of San Bernardino," Johnson said in a written release.

"This is why I look forward to serving another four years providing leadership and vision," he said. Johnson 43 says he has worked toward establishing the Sixth Ward as a strong, prosperous and safe



Rikke Van Johnson

place to raise a family.

"I have worked to create economic growth in San Bernardino that offers a wide range of housing, recreation, education and cultural opportunities for all who come, live

and work in the city," said Johnson.

Johnson is the sole candidate seeking the 6th Ward seat. He retired from the U.S. Postal Service after 27 years of service. Johnson was elected to City Council in November 2003 and was sworn in on March 2004. His term expires in March 2008.

Johnson is a familiar face at civic and community events throughout the city. He currently serves on the city's Redevelopment Committee, Police Ad Hoc Committee and Inland Valley Development Committee. He has also served on the Legislative Review Committee.

A news conference is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Thursday, May 31, 2007 at Anne Shirrells Park. Mayor Patrick Morris, Supervisor Josie Gonzales and several other city leaders are expected to attend.

UC PRESIDENT TO STUDENTS: "GO TO COLLEGE"

Inland Visit Highlights Critical Academic Preparation Programs

The Black Voice News

SAN BERNARDINO

By Chris Levister

University of California President Robert Dynes knows the importance of academic preparation programs, he failed calculus during his freshman year in college but as he puts it, "got my head screwed on straight" to become a first generation college graduate, distinguished physicist and leader of a world class institution which boasts more than 209,000 students, more than 170,000 faculty and staff, with more than 1.4 million alumni living and working around the world.

So when he learned funding for several UC academic preparation programs is set to be cut from the 2007-08 state budget Dynes took his personal campaign to save them where cuts would hurt the most.

San Geronio High School in San Bernardino got dressed up for the Thursday Dynes visit,



University of California President Robert Dynes poses with San Geronio High School UC Riverside Edge Academy participants (l-r) Francisco Reveriano, Lauren Rogers, President Dynes and Brittany Christopher.

rolling out colorful welcoming banners and a reception attended by local education, business and UC Riverside alumni leaders.

The high school is the site of several academic preparation

programs operated by UC Riverside and where 65 percent of the students participate in the free lunch program, but with the assistance of UC academic

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Hundreds Pay Tribute to Yolanda King

By C. Miller

Hundreds gathered in Atlanta Thursday to remember Yolanda "Yoki" Denise King, the eldest daughter of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Coretta Scott King.

Dignitaries, family, friends and many who did not know her remembered the actress, producer and motivational speaker as a loving sister, one who gave of herself tirelessly one who carried the King legacy through her acting, art and activism.

"She allowed me to give myself permission to be me," said Yolanda's brother Dexter King.

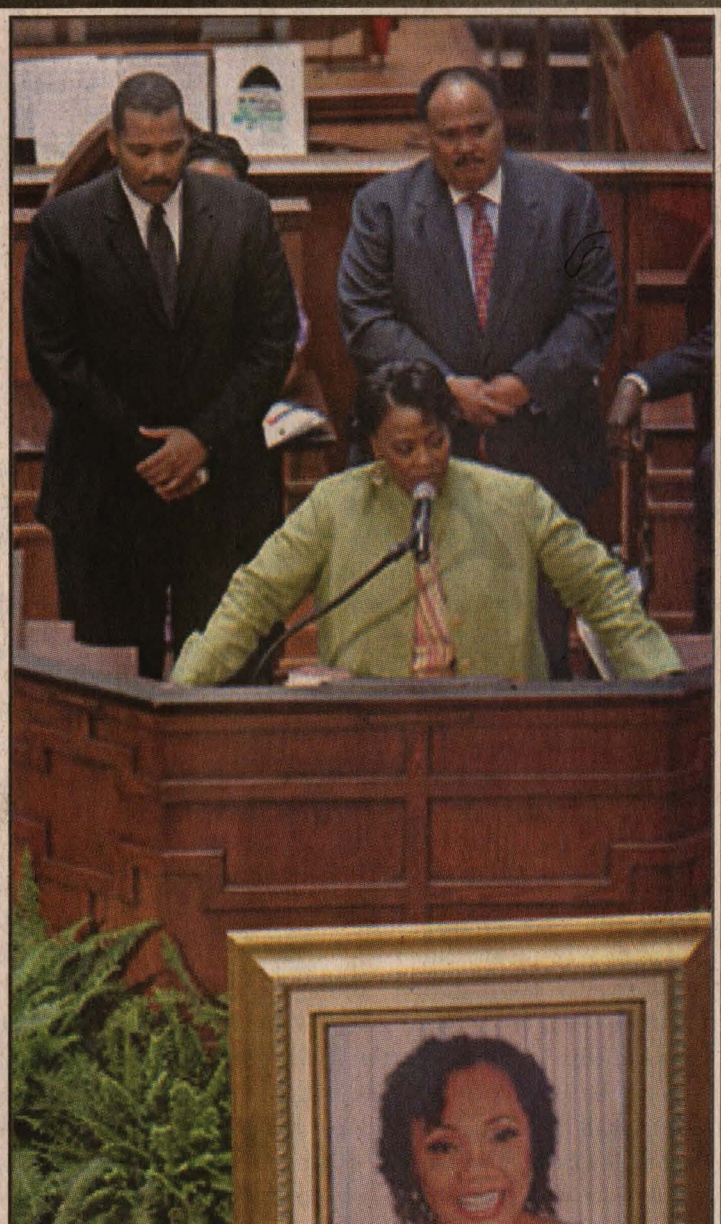
He was among nearly 30 people who told stories, sang songs, read poems and offered prayers. Dexter, his sister Bernice and brother, Martin each lit a candle in her memory. Several veterans of the civil rights struggle attended the nearly five-hour memorial service.

Before a packed sanctuary at Ebenezer Baptist Church Dexter recounted his sister's final moments and his futile efforts to revive her.

Realizing there was nothing he could do, King said he wondered if the sheer pace of her life had contributed to her death at age 51.

"She was over-programmed.

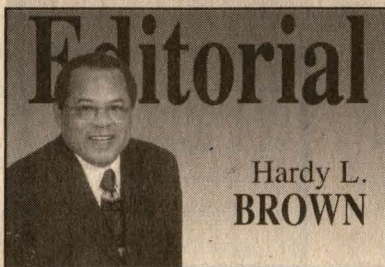
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The Rev. Bernice King, daughter of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., delivers an emotional eulogy during a memorial service for her sister Yolanda King in Atlanta. Her brothers Dexter King and Martin Luther King III remembered their sister as a "tireless comrade for peace".

Good Job SB Schools Classified Personnel Commission

I am happy to hear that the San Bernardino City Unified School District and Classified Personnel Commission were able to reach an agreement on next year's operating budget for the commission. The commission is a legal body established by state



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law for district's who vote to have them for all non-certificated employees. It has three commissioners that have independent authority to hire a director and staff to carry out their functions which is to ensure a fair an equitable classification system for classified employees of the district by conducting studies and keeping salaries commensurate with the prevailing wages in the area. They also make sure personnel policies and practices are current plus act as hearing officers when the need arises on behalf of employees.

A dispute occurred between the commission and the district when the new classified director requested to increase the commission budget from \$273,809 to \$4.3 million dollars. The budget increase would have done nothing to improve student performance or add to classified employee benefits in the district. It would have gone toward empire building of the classified commission and not to help the district. It is my understanding that the district did meet with the commissioners and agree to a modest 10% increase. I want to commend the commissioners and Board of Education for looking out for the best interest of taxpayers, students, and district employees.

Reporting on Crime in Our Neighborhoods

Just this past week in a Westside neighborhood in San Bernardino a lady got up before dawn to do her regular walking exercise in the park. To her surprise she came upon a dead male body lying on the cement walkway. She called the police and they in turn cornered off the area and went door to door to determine if anyone seen or heard anything. They did uncover that several neighbors did hear gunshots early in the morning but none called the police at the time of the shots. Now in this case, just like others, the police said "this park is well kept and we are not accustomed to coming out to this park and having this issue at all," as stated in the Sun newspaper.

This story is playing out in neighborhood after neighborhood throughout southern California, where bodies are found and someone heard or saw somethings but failed to report it. Now part of the many reasons are people don't want to get involved, some fear retaliation, police request too much information if you call. Whatever the reason, we, the public and police need to arrive at a procedure that is safe, workable, easily understood and can be used nationwide on how to report suspicious happenings in our neighborhoods. What should a citizen do when they hear gunshots in their neighborhood? What should a citizen do if their neighbors are always fighting and using profanity, which you know one day will escalate into a killing? What should neighbors do when your neighbor's kids are home alone, doing all kinds of things that you know will escalate into destructive activities in the neighborhood?

I would like to hear from the police chiefs in our various cities on how citizens are to report on crime especially in the Black neighborhoods. You can email me at hardybrown@blackvoiceneeds.com or send me a copy of your policies, better yet send me a op-ed piece for printing in the paper. I would love to hear from you on how we can assist you with these issues.

Miss USA A Class Act

This past week the Miss Universe Beauty Pageant was held in Mexico where some of the Mexican citizens booed Miss USA. Now I am sure that when the booing started it was not done because Miss America was Black but because she was an American. I am certain it was done because of the recent illegal immigration issue facing the American people. For one thing there is enough blame to go around on both sides of the border on this issue but it is the little people who have the greatest emotions tied to immigration.

On the USA side, we have big business wanting cheap labor and exploiting the people who do the work. On the Mexico side, they have a government that will not demand their businesses pay decent wages nor provide safe working conditions. The Mexican government in turn wants to keep the estimated \$12 billion dollars earned by the illegal immigrants working in the USA but sending dollars back to Mexico. Now there are many issues but the crux of the issue is big government and big business playing games with little people. Which brings me back to the booing of Miss USA.

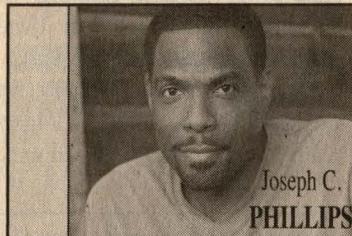
This booing of Miss Universe has not sit well with many Blacks who have called and voiced outrage against the booing as well as the illegal immigration issue currently before congress. Some have expressed opinions like if that is the way some feel then we should finish the "Berlin Wall" on the Mexico border. Some have said if they feel this way about Black people now what do you think they will feel once they become a citizen. Some expressed reservations that many Black have expressed in the past and that is many Mexicans want to vote and only for their own. Some voiced concerns over the fact that many of the Black elected officials have remained silent on this issue and believe Blacks will suffer greatly from this legalization of between 12 and 20 million illegal citizens.

If you have an opinion on this illegal immigration issue, please write, email or call me with your concerns. If you would like to let the public know your opinion I will print some and place others on our website www.blackvoiceneeds.com that is read by over 1 million readers each month around the world. Let me conclude by complimenting Miss USA on the way she conducted herself after the fall and booing. She responded to the crowd in Spanish and with a smile. What class.

Prices: The True Friend of The Environment

Given the current concern about man-made global warming, I fully expected that the rising price of gasoline would be greeted with celebration. Environmentalists and politicians currying their favor have warned us of the need to reduce our carbon footprint. Higher gasoline prices will curb the use of gasoline, encourage consumers to purchase more fuel efficient automobiles, car pool and use mass transit. In short, higher gas prices will lead to the exact behavior environmentalists want Americans to engage in. However, as gas prices near all time highs nationally, the increase has been greeted not with applause, but with shouts of indignation and calls from Democrats like Senator Chuck Schumer (D-NY) for yet another investigation into oil company price fixing.

Over the last 12 years, there have been 20 hearings investigating the same question and not one of them has concluded that there has been any such gouging of prices. Still, Schumer charges -- with no evidence -- that oil companies are in collusion, holding back production of oil in order to drive up prices. No doubt, oil companies are also responsible for the violence and sabotage of pipelines in Nigeria, the



Joseph C. PHILLIPS

fires on oil platforms off the coast of Congo, and they no doubt manufactured Hurricane Katrina that took out 15% of American refining capacity. A couple questions for the senator: Who was on the grassy knoll? Is Elvis dead or alive? Just checking.

Schumer's public indignation is actually political sleight of hand. He points the finger at oil companies to distract from the fact that government -- in the form of federal, state and local taxes -- makes almost twice as much "profit" as oil companies do. In some jurisdictions, that "profit" approaches 50 cents per gallon. Schumer is clearly not opposed to profit so long as those profits fall into the coffers of big government instead of big business.

I suspect Schumer and others wistfully look southward and see Hugo Chavez, of Venezuela, nationalizing the oil industry and think "why not here?" It was no slip of

the tongue when candidate Hillary Clinton proposed to "take" the profits of big oil and invest them in federal research into alternative energy. Comrades Clinton and Schumer have clearly forgotten the primary economic lesson of the 20th century to wit: the free market is far more efficient in directing scarce resources than is a market directed centrally. And one way in which a free market achieves its efficiency is through prices.

The rising price of gasoline will spur automakers to meet the consumers increased demand for more fuel efficient automobiles and spur municipalities to improve mass transit systems as citizens begin driving less, all of which will begin to redirect investment capital towards more cost effective alternative sources of energy -- the source of energy that best meets the needs of the consumers, which may or may not meet the needs of the geniuses in Washington. The environment will benefit as will our national security by easing our reliance on foreign oil.

True friends of the environment should be asking, "are gas prices high enough?"

The answer is not nearly high enough -- not if we are truly interested in changing the habits of

American consumers. The fact is that adjusted for inflation and costs relative to income gas prices in the United States are still relatively low, which is why as much as Americans complain about the price of gas we have not significantly altered our behavior.

Rather than point the finger at greedy oil companies, Chuck Schumer and our other political leaders that talk the environmental talk should be offering the public straight-talk about the role prices can play in actually achieving our environmental policy goals.

Unfortunately, Schumer is more an opponent of big business than he is a friend of the environment and as such, he is concerned more with wielding power than he is with actual results, and populist rhetoric about "big oil" gouging poor consumers is good for his political business. So Schumer sticks to the script: Oil companies are evil, government is good. High gas prices are bad, government confiscation of corporate profits is good. What are real policy solutions when you are doing the work of God?

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Reality Check

By A. Peter Bailey
NNPA Columnist

In 1991, the now-defunct Richmond Afro-American Newspaper published an editorial in response to a survey on integration done by Dr. Howard Shuman, a professor of sociology at the University of Michigan. According to the editorial, Dr. Shuman found that "White Americans think of integration as meaning one Black in a group of 15 Whites where the Whites are in complete control. Black Americans, on the other hand, think of integration as meaning a ratio of 50 to 50 where either a Black or White person could be dominant." That says it all and explains why focusing too much on integration as the goal of the Movement has proven to be a treacherous trap, harmful to the true empowerment of our people in this country.

It has been reported in The Washington Post that in August

2007, the United States will open "The biggest U.S. embassy on earth" in Baghdad. Anyone wondering why should note a letter-to-the-editor in the newspaper, The Politico, which stated that "...we the U.S." are building extensive military bases in Iraq because that was a primary objective from the start. The projection of U.S. power in the Middle East was spelled out in the document, Rebuilding America's Defenses, produced by The Project for the New American Century. PNAC signatories include Dick Cheney, Scooter Libby, Donald Rumsfeld, Paul Wolfowitz and other Bush policy makers... The war in Iraq is not about WMD, terrorism or empowering Islamic populations with real democracy. It is about wealth, power, strategic resources and the ambitious agenda of the Bush neoconservatives...."

If there is to be any serious counter attack against the cultural and psychological poison given to our children by what the late C.

DeLores Tucker called "the unholy coalition of gangstas from the streets and gangstas from the suites," we must clearly analyze what we are dealing with. Comments attributed to three young Black males in an article in The Chronicle of Charleston, SC clearly demonstrates how successful the poisoners have been in polluting the minds and souls of too many of our young people. They said as follows: "I love rap music. It's degrading and it's nasty but I love it."

"It's disgusting, the videos, the songs but it's the music I listen to. It's what's popular."

"I know it's degrading and I don't necessarily agree with what is said but it's still good music and I like to jam to it."

It makes you wanna holler! One of the most potent weapons used by the Eurocentric conservative talk show propagandists and their allies in the journalistic, academic and political arenas is to accuse one of being politically cor-

rect (PC). For instance, if you say that Columbus didn't "discover the new world," accusations of political correctness are hurled by the Eurocentric propagandists. My response is that it is better to be (PC) than HI (historically incorrect).

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Black Construction: Its Legacy and Future

By Harry C. Alford
NNPA Columnist

One of the richest legacies of African descendants is construction. From the pyramids of Egypt to the building of America, Blacks have been involved in this industry that will survive the times. We will always build. Even when we demolish existing structures it is because we are about to build something new to replace it.

Yes, construction has a certain future. It is a producer of many jobs and can provide not only a living for the laborers in the business but wealth for entrepreneurs to be handed down generation by generation.

African slaves were brought to this continent in the early 1500's to build New York (New Amsterdam at the time), Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, DC and the entire Southeastern territories. The craftsmanship that was learned through this action gave freed slaves an advantage as we slowly approached the Industrial Revolution. America relied on the crafts learned by Blacks during slavery and passed along to offspring from generation to generation. Even "Chicken George's" son in the Roots documentary owned a lumber yard to sell supplies to the local Black craftsmen who were the builders of the community.

As I grew up in Ventura County, Calif., it was marvelous to admire the parents of my friends. The Gastons, from east Texas, were masters at drywall. The Draytons, from Louisiana, could lay masonry like no one else. The Gordons, from Georgia, were expert hod carriers. No one could build a spiral staircase like Frank Williams, from Louisiana. He was so good that the wealthy would fly him to Australia, Japan, etc. to build spiral staircases for custom designed mansions. He spent most of his local time doing it for homes in Hollywood and Beverly Hills. He raised 18 children from the profits of his craft. There were many more transplanted craftsmen in my Southern California home and they were

barely literate and uneducated but they mastered their crafts.

Due to the Jim Crow laws of the South, there were many Black southern craftsmen who would travel to perform their skills. Many would go to places like New York, Philadelphia, Detroit, etc. and would out compete local White contractors who could not perform as well as they did and could not settle for their affordable pricing. It was because of this, that construction unions in the North were formed to block out Black crews from coming into communities and providing a better service for a cheaper price. Soon after the unions were formed they set in motion the Davis-Bacon Act (named for two New York congressmen). This act set up arbitrary labor wage scales so that Black craftsmen could no longer under price their White counter parts. They all had to pay a certain price, prevailing wage, at a minimum and competition became no more. With the price competition out of the way, the Whites moved in through political favor and blatant racism. This would be followed with Project Labor Agreements which meant some projects would be declared "Union Only". With the construction unions discriminating against Blacks, PLO's would also mean "Whites Only".

Construction unions have made it rough for Black laborers and downright lethal for Black-owned construction companies. However, some of the best have made it through the years. Almost all of the longstanding Black construction companies have Southern roots. Let's look at three of the largest. Powers & Sons, SR Smoot and Russell began their businesses in Mississippi, West Virginia and Georgia respectively. The founders stressed education on their children and today the second generation is bearing the fruits of that education (Purdue, Michigan St. and Tuskegee respectively) and yielding great dividends. The third generation is settling in and they aren't just getting college degrees in engineering. The degrees are coupled with

Construction Management, Architecture, Law, MBA, etc.

It is not just craftsmanship any longer. It is construction management, program management, urban development, design and build to order, etc. The construction industry demands political clout and the arrival of Black political power is right on time as city councils, school boards and mayoral offices have courageous leaders who happen to be of the same background as our Black contractors. The new generation in construction is something we can all be proud of. A new

and better era is about to fully evolve.

Of course, racism still exists as well as conspiring unions and anti-affirmative action zealots who believe it is the destiny of Blacks to fail at business and not be considered a part of this economy. We will defeat them. In fact, we love to fight them at every corner as we have a rising inventory of great entrepreneurs who have derived from the craftsmanship that actually built this nation and empires from Timbuktu to Ramses II. A family tradition continues!

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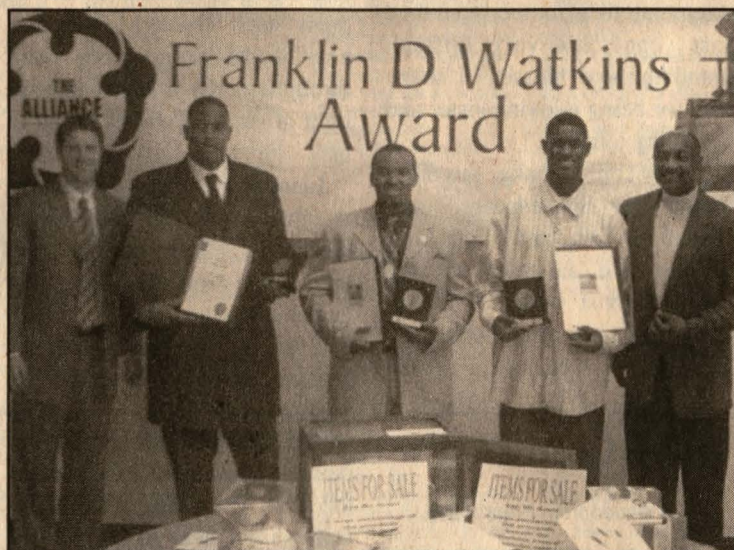
American Sports University hosts Synergy Conference

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By Gary Montgomery
BVN Staff

The National Alliance of African American Athletes held its 2007 Synergy Conference last Saturday at the newly founded American Sports University in downtown San Bernardino. The Alliance is a national organization dedicated solely to the empowerment of young African-American males through athletics, education and public programs. Since 1992 the Alliance has vetted the nation's top high school senior athletes selecting a small elite group to be honored with the title "Premiere African-American Male Scholar Athlete" in the nation. The top scholar-athlete from that group is awarded the increasingly prestigious Franklin D. Watkins Memorial Trophy Award. The alliance's foundation expands its national success through regional activities such as its very popular Synergy Conference.

The goal of the Alliance's Synergy Conferences is to facilitate the development of African-



Ryan Tollner, Sports Agent, Porter Hill, Winner for Life Award recipient, Brandon Thomas and Charles Grays III 2007 Regional Awardees-Inland Empire Regional Winners and Gary Montgomery, Sports Editor Black Voice News.

American Men and Boys in American Society. The idea is to expose young males to prominent role models in an informal setting to encourage discussion and an interchange of information.

Saturday's panel featured an array of high profile and highly successful individuals from different areas of the sports industry and related professions. Each speaker shared their personal stories answered questions and

generally shared their combined life experiences with the attendees.

The alliance also selected several outstanding young men to be honored during the conference. Porter Hill of Compton High School was awarded the Life Award. Brandon Thomas of Moreno Valley Canyon Springs and Charles Grays III from Arroyo Valley High School were each recipients of the 2007 Regional Awards. Each of these



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seniors exemplifies the commitment to academics, athletics and community championed by the Alliance. The honorees received proclamations from their respective Mayor's offices and a plaque.

The American Sports University is a newly founded 4-

year college dedicated to sports management. ASU is located in the heart of downtown San Bernardino and is the only 4-year sports only college in the country. ASU offers undergraduate degree programs that lead to the Bachelor of Science Degree in Sports Education. The many

disciplines include Sports management, Sports Coaching, Sports Marketing, Sports Health, Sports Training and Fitness, Sports & Special Education and Sports Recreation Management.

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Ducks in Stanley Cup Finals

They take game one 3-2 in late surge over Ottawa

The Black Voice News
ANAHEIM

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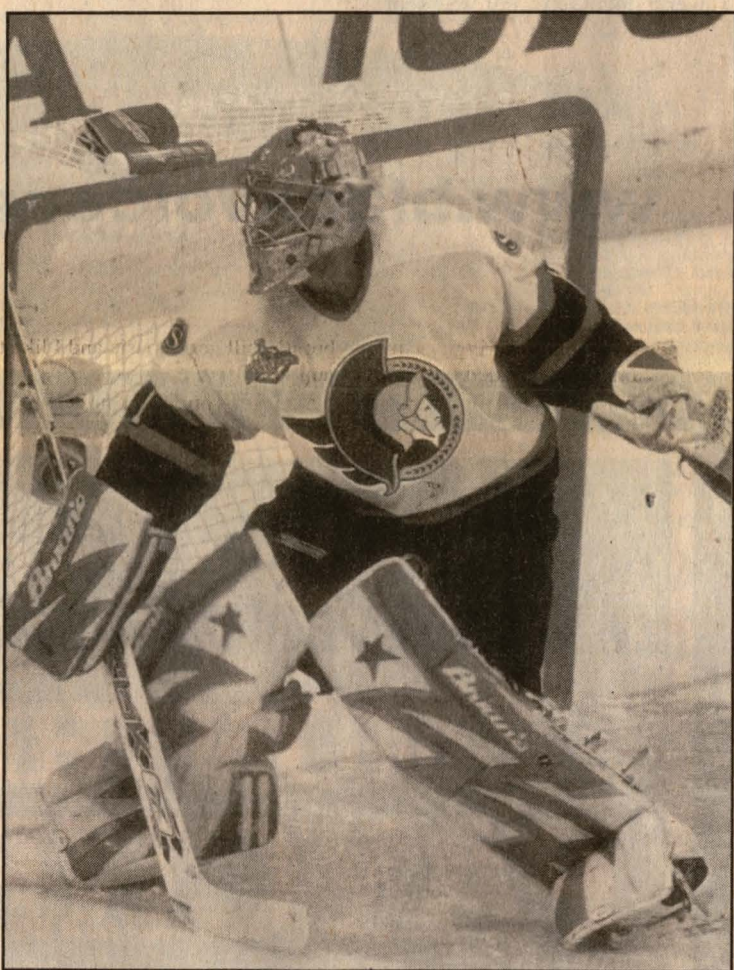
Just like the Los Angeles Kings wanted to win the cup for Wayne Gretzky, the Ducks would love to give one to Teemu Selanne. With 48 goals this year and 540 all time, Selanne remains the epitome of class. At 36, he could have hung up his skates several years ago. Local fans are fortunate that he decided to hang around to chase the cup for Anaheim.

The Ducks eliminated the perennial powerhouse Detroit Red Wings in six games, last week. It is Selanne's first trip to a cup final. He is determined to make the most of it as his teammates bring a surge of passion to the ice. Selanne's 36 year old knees have been featured on Fox Sports as Teemu painfully rehabilitates them in the off season. He may be Hockey's current Micky Mantle and the sport surely needs one.

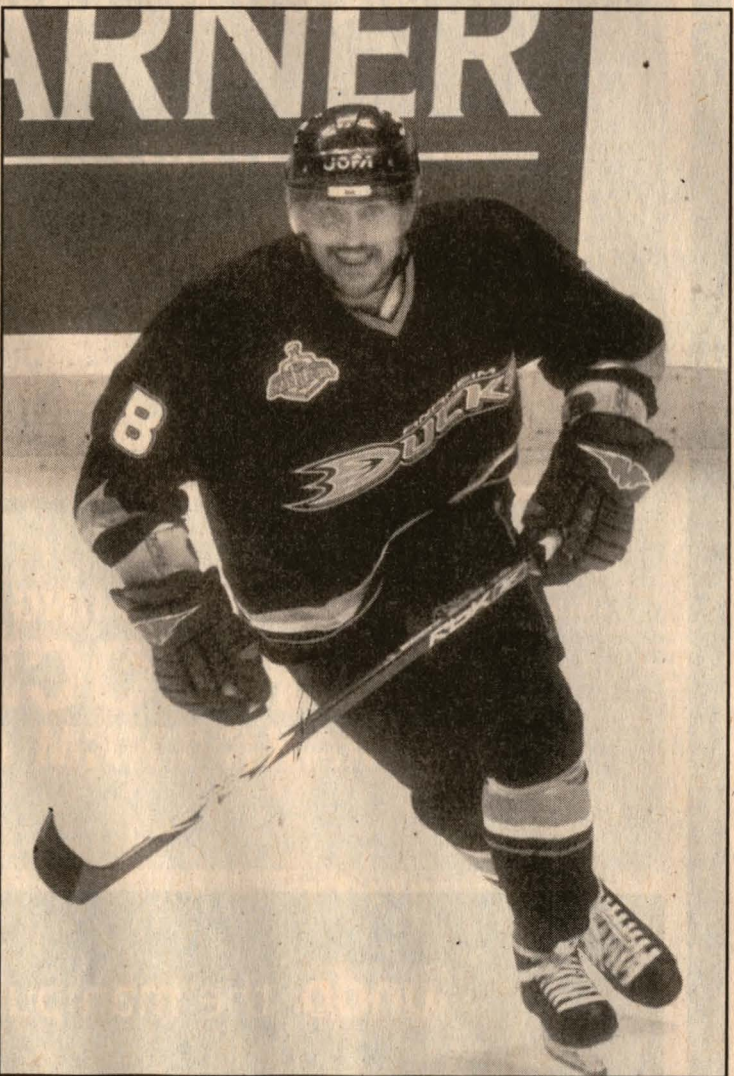
On Monday night, the Ducks found themselves in an all too familiar place, behind by at least one goal. This has been their pattern for over half of their 13 playoff games this year. Opponents have taken note, this is when the real Ducks start swinging. Like a derby horse behind by 15 lengths, the Ducks will surge, tie the game and then beat you with a stick raised a crescendo!

For those who do not watch much hockey, it only takes a period or two to get behind a team skating with passion. The Anaheim crowd had grown mysteriously quiet until six minutes into the final period when Ryan Getzlaf was able to wrist a shot that just eluded Ottawa goalie Ray Emery. The orange towels were out and the decibels were up. That tied the game at 2. Most fans would stand throughout the remainder of the game. Yes, hockey can get that exciting. The Ducks went a man down twice during the final minutes as their big line killed off penalties well.

The hero of game 1 came in the form of Travis Moen. With 2:55 remaining in regulation, Moen skated in front of the net while Rob Niedermayer fed him a crisp pass from behind the net. The rest was reflexes and raised



ON SOLID ICE - Ray Emery, one of only a handful of Black professional hockey players starts in the net for Ottawa.



SUPER STAR CHASES CUP - Teemu Selanne, at 36 skates like a 20-year-old in pursuit of Stanley Cup.

sticks as the Anaheim Ducks take game one, enroute to their first Stanley Cup.

Unfortunately for hockey fans,

the networks have chosen not to cover these games in prime time. Local cable companies offer the games on "Versus" an add on

service. For local fans willing to drive to Anaheim, go to "Top of the Line Tickets" located just across the street from the Pond. They can be reached at 1-800-SEAT YOU. For those who just want to take part in a rare Stanley Cup quest by an expansion team like the Ducks, you won't be disappointed. Get into the game.



GAME 1 TO ANAHEIM- Travis Moen is surrounded by fellow Ducks as he scored to win first game 3-2 over Ottawa.

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UC PRESIDENT

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preparation in place 73 percent of graduates go on to secondary education.

At San Geronio, UCR's P-20 Alliance is operating several programs, including the Edge Academy (a summer algebra academy) Mathematics Engineering Science Achievement, Early Academic Outreach Program and the California Science and Mathematics Teacher Initiative. All of the programs operate in collaboration with the San Bernardino County Schools, other partners in K-14 and area businesses.

In the school auditorium Dynes heard testimony from teachers, parents and several past and present program participants.

"These programs are a life blood for many of our students, said principal Sandy Robbins. "Academic preparation programs aimed at equipping students for college impact virtually every aspect of life on our campus. We cannot allow them to be compromised."

San G. Senior Brittany Christopher, told Dynes UCR's

Women in Mathematics and Science Conference helped shape her pathway to attend the Riverside campus as a biomedical sciences major.

"The conference was an eye opening experience. I now recognize the contributions of and need for more women in health and science and the importance of exposing young women like me to the unlimited possibilities. Hearing from so many accomplished women including our charismatic lecturer Dr. Clute, ignited my passion for biology and desire to become a medical doctor," said Christopher.

California State Summer School for Math & Science (COSMOS) attendee Francisco Reveriano said the hands-on interactive UC Irvine program opened intellectual doors many students only dream of. "The experiences took me on a wild ride from many very late nights at the UCI observatory to complicated projects of calculating, proving and running computer simulations of dark matter."

"It is amazing to me how much good can come from working together to help young people particularly young women. When we knock down the societal and cultural barriers surrounding science and math

students find a surprising world of potential waiting," said UCR's Pam Clute, assistant vice provost of academic preparation partnerships and executive director of the Academy of Learning through Partnerships for Higher Achievement (ALPHA). "San Geronio High is a great example of how critical these program are," said Clute.

"If you keep your head screwed on straight the world is yours," Dynes told the students, many of them from low income families. "A college education will take you where you want to go. If you can't go to a UC go somewhere for goodness sake. You'll discover that people will pay you to do stuff that you like to do as opposed to just paying you to work."

Dynes huddled with students and posed for photographs after his talk. His manner was as laid back as ever, his presidential game plan is anything but.

He told the students in parting, UC Student Academic Preparation and Education Programs (SAPEP) are critical to providing the pathways to college. He said emphatically, "Be assured we will aggressively seek continuation of state funding for them."

KING

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She was tired. She was always trying to accommodate everyone." King said.

Bernice King described her loss as one of the most difficult she has ever experienced, more even than their mother who died last year. "It's very difficult standing here blessed. I thank you for being a loving sister and for being a friend."

"She could make anything sound like Shakespeare," said Elizabeth Omilami, actresses, activist and daughter of civil rights activist Hosea Williams. "She was more than an actress. She was an actress on a mis-

sion."

Poet Maya Angelou wrote a tribute that was read at the memorial service.

"Yolanda proved daily that it was possible to smile when wreathed in sadness," Angelou wrote. In fact, she proved that the smile was more powerful and sweeter because it had to press itself through mournfulness to be seen, force itself through cruelty to show that the light of survival shines for all of us."

Juandalynn R. Abernathy, daughter of Ralph and Juanita Abernathy, called King her oldest friend - meeting each other as babies in the crib.

"I though we would grow old together. It's very strange to be

here today without your smiling face," said Abernathy.

King died May 15 in Santa Monica. She had lived in California, most recently Culver City, for more than a decade. A private autopsy was conducted and preliminary results indicated congestive heart failure, Dexter King said at a news conference following the service.

Like her mother Coretta, Yolanda's remains were prepared for memorial and burial by Tillman Mortuary in Riverside. The body was flown to Atlanta by private jet.

In 1999 King joined Inland leaders and members of the community for the dedication of the Martin Luther King stature in front of Riverside City Hall.

OBAMA

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ty, and these people are going home and donating online. He is resonating with millions of young people who have for the most part been politically turned off, tuned out and kicked to the curb.

Lisa who is African-American says regrettably some media conservatives, Black voters and even members of the Black political establishment suggest Obama's Harvard education, his white mother, successful Kenyan father and his privileged background separate him from the experiences of mainstream African-Americans.

She says popular Internet sites such as MySpace and YouTube have become the new weaponry for educating voters. "The Internet allows voters to see past the hype. Obama's family, bi-racial roots, political and

personal views including his shortcomings are in plain view to debate and chew on - "like me, he's trying to quit smoking." Lisa says she became a donor during an Obama led podcast in which the candidate stated 'there is no Black America or white America, only the United States of America.'

First time voter Kurt thinks Obama has the best potential to change America's image around the world. The twenty-something Asian-American commodities trader, said he first heard Obama during a rally at USC last year.

"He's a trailblazer, fresh, honest and energetic and he voted against the war in Iraq. Still Kurt insists he's not ready to fall for Obamanomics just yet. "I like his fierce opposition to the war, however, his economic and foreign policies are hard to pigeon hole."

"What makes Obama a trailblazer is that the 45-year-old is

the first member of the post-baby boom generation to seek the White House," says Freeman. "His message of change and hope resonates with young people who have long met the challenges of changing their country for the better," says Freeman.

"Obama's candidacy is more about age than race," says Hans Reimer, political director of the non partisan youth voter group Rock the Vote. "Young people are looking for someone who can connect with all Americans and step one is to usher in a new generation of leaders."

"Obama and I disagree on several issues," said Ehud a young Riverside Republican. "I just believe he is genuine and that's an attribute that I really admire." Scotland naïve Ehud says America's image around the world has been tarnished. "Obama wants America to feel good about itself again."

GANG

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announcing a coordinated, multi-faceted, anti-gang initiative that focuses on the three strategies everyone agrees work best: suppression, intervention and prevention."

For the past several months the Governor has met with mayors, law enforcement, faith-based and community organizations, local officials and legislators to discuss how communities across the state are fighting gangs and what resources they need to strengthen their success.

At every meeting the Governor heard about the same problems: lack of coordination between state and local agencies and programs, lack of funding, and lack of a comprehensive approach to anti-gang efforts. "Everywhere I went, local law enforcement

would say the problem is just being pushed from one city to the next. They say gang leaders come out of state prisons and go right back to terrorizing their communities - law enforcement finds out they have gang leaders back in their communities when gang-related violence spikes. Prosecutors say they need more tools to protect witnesses. Community leaders say they can get kids out of gangs but they need help with job training and education. The State spends hundreds and hundreds of millions of dollars on education, job training and substance abuse treatment every year - with no focused coordination on gang activities. We need a comprehensive approach to gang violence that provides a statewide framework with long-term solutions," Governor Schwarzenegger said.

LOW INCOME

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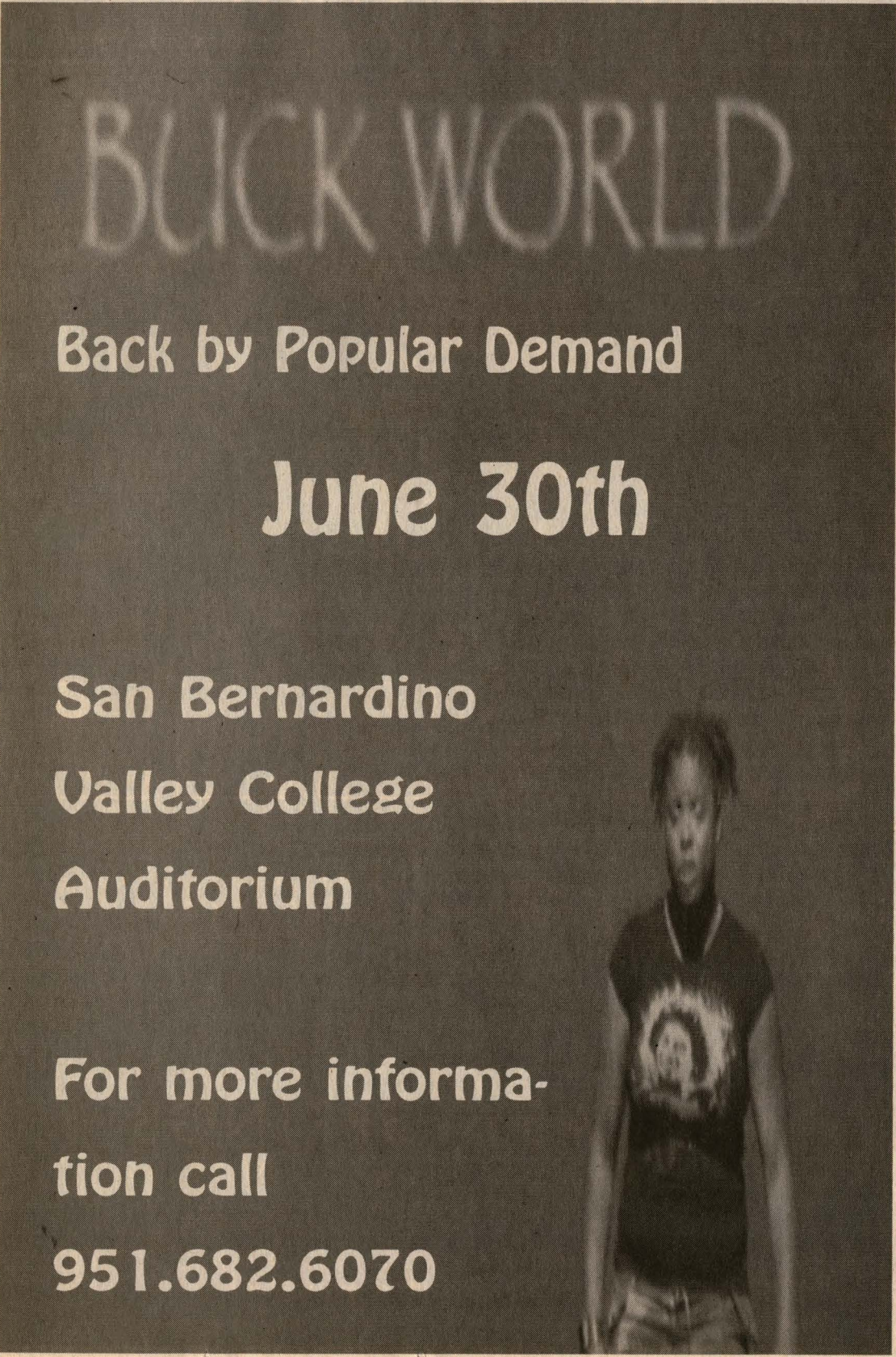
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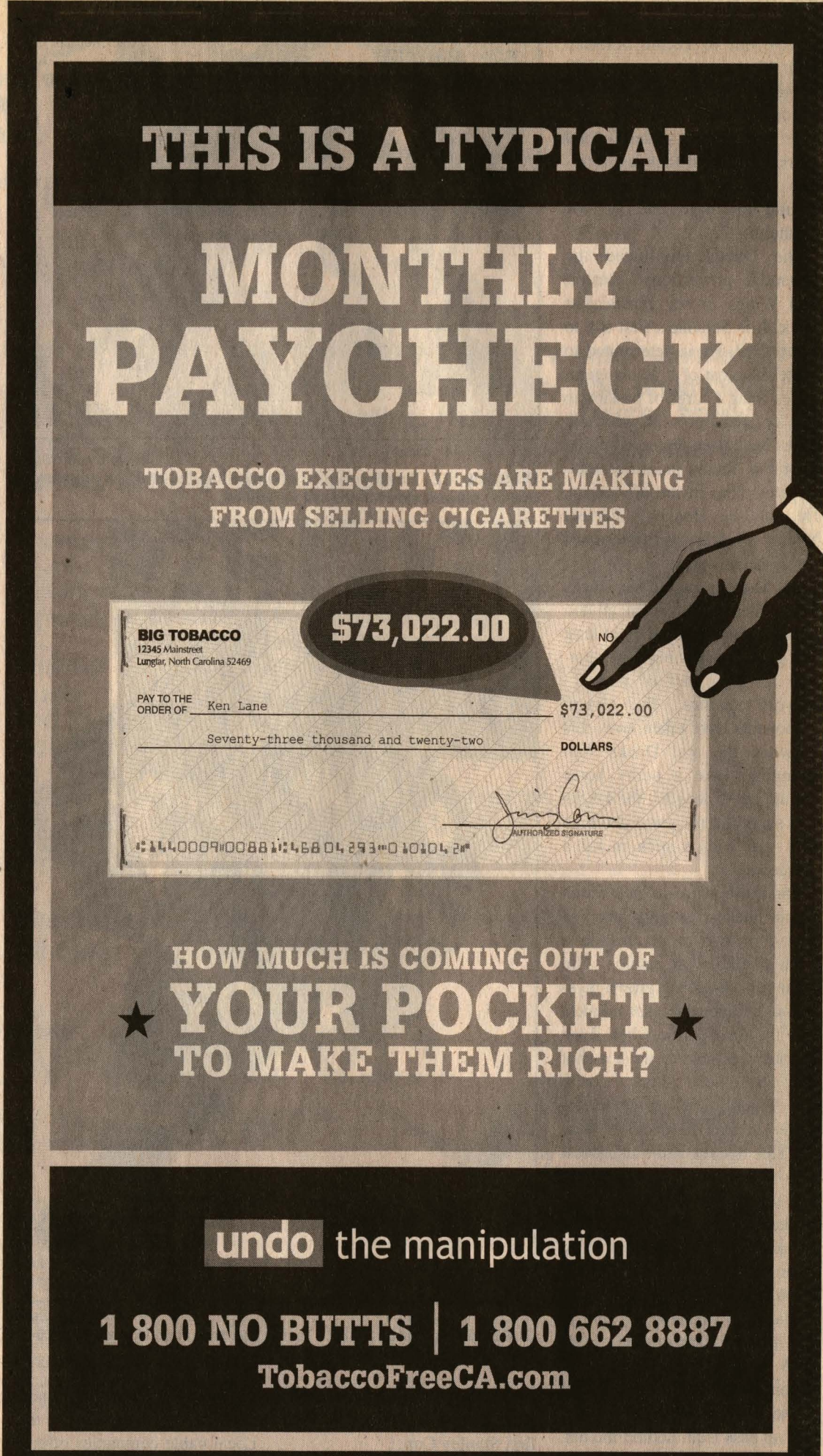
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Take some time to reflect on these questions. Your answers should give you some insight into what's occurring in your body, some of what's expected of you and whether you are ready to become a parent.

Family Talks

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The most beautiful poetry is the most beautiful language used in the most beautiful way. Perhaps poetry began from a desire to put the action of life into rhythmic and beautiful words; or, perhaps with the recognition of one's mortality—i.e. that nothing on earth lasts forever; or with a sense of the dreaminess of time—i.e. that life is like a dream and that one is floating down the eternal river of Nun—and getting on and off at certain points. Because humans are born with developed feelings and emotions and because one's reasoning intellect and common sense do not develop until sometime after birth and because poetry concerns imagination and verbal creativity and because Africans, the first humans on earth, orchestrated their progress mainly by right brain usage, poetry was the earliest language of humanity.

Nevertheless, deemed the most refined and profound form of communication, poetry is separated from the rest of language. **Good poetry** fashions surprise clarity, stimulates remembrances of the forgotten, and feeds and waters the passions. This is done through the imagination or dreams or feelings or the over-all rhythm rather than through description. Poems stimulating admiration have beauty and power of language as well as beauty and depth of sentiment that touch the heart. To possess a **poetic mind** is to see and feel things in life in a harmonious way; to have the ability to explore hidden recesses for greater awareness and for deeper, wider, higher, longer, and more varied meanings; to understand the unity spirit of God's creatures and creations; and to respectfully flow with nature and her moods. Perhaps the Persians fashioned poetry the best.

Black American parents who teach their children uplifting poetry discover many benefits—benefits which contribute to a solid foundation for dealing with life in a manner that generates productivity and happiness. First, it establishes a connection

with their Primitive (the first) African ancestors (who originated poetry) and with their Ancient African ancestors (who used it to help establish good relations with and behaviors towards fellow humans). Second, poetry molds one's mind for thinking on higher and more pleasant planes of existence than is present in the chronically angry and destructive mind. Third, that higher functioning mindset level serves as a magnetic attraction for greater thoughts (which may lead to visions). Fourth, poetry serves as a matrix (womb) for creative ideas to appear, bed, grow, bud, flower, and fruit. If you turn the pages of any collection of great poems, notice the many different patterns formed by the lines and stanzas. Some patterns of verse have proved to be so well suited to the expression of certain kinds of ideas that they have come to be standard verse forms. Almost all poets use them at one time or another.

As with all paintings and all art, all poetry is based upon two elements—the **scene** (i.e. the big picture) and the **sentiment** (i.e. the mood given to it by the poet). The picture may be particularly

beautiful—as of a sunset or a full moon. This idea of "picture" is highly subjective, and borrows its charm from human thoughts and sentiments. One form of sentiment is a call to action, as with the poem I learned in the fourth grade: "Somebody said it couldn't be done/But he with a chuckle replied/Maybe he couldn't but he

would be one/Who wouldn't say so 'til he'd tried/ So he buckled right in with a trace of a grin/He took off his coat and went to it/ He started to sing as he tackled the thing/That couldn't be done and he did it." (E.A. Guest).

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The High Cost of Being a Poor Youth in a Material World

Salvage Our Children

Richard O.
JONES

The hip-hop culture is not responsible to find a cure to all social ills in the urban communities but at least they could stop accentuating, glorifying, and provoking it. However the hip-hop and gangster rap culture is only a lug on the wheel that drives many black and Latino youth to ruin their lives or end up in an early grave. The fuel that drives the engine of a corrupt mentality in urban youth is poverty, envy, and the lack of self-control. This envy stems from the visual messages from most African-American hip-hop artists and athletes via the media and commercials that paint the illusion of happiness through materialism. Although the foul language, immoral behavior, and frequent arrests of rap artists and athletes are horrendous and sets a poor moral example, the greater damage is the mindset that leads to murder. The hip-hop music videos are laced with the appearance of wealth in teens and young adults with an excessive amount of jewelry, lavish homes, expensive cars, private planes, and yachts. The designer hip-hop clothes are expensive but are a must-have item for the visionary urban youth, who is primarily the target customer. Even the tennis shoes are of the \$150 to \$250 variety. Dangling this type of happiness and prominence illusion in the face poverty-stricken urban youth is dangerous and demeaning. As a result thousands of youth are killed each year for their tennis shoes,

leather jackets, cheap flashy jewelry, and fancy cars, which in some instances are already stolen at the time of the carjacking.

Not many athletes or other entertainers endorse shoes or other clothing items that is within the budget of the urban single mother who is responsible for purchasing clothing for her family. However, two conscientious basketball players are making an effort to make affordable tennis shoes (\$14.98) acceptable to youth, which will cut down on the number of kids murdered each year for their over-priced name brand star-endorsed shoes. Stephon Marbury of the New York Knicks started it and Ben Wallace of the Chicago Bulls has joined the cause.

"Kids don't really understand what it takes to go out and buy a pair of \$300 pair of shoes," Wallace said at a recent news conference. "We don't understand the pressure we put on our parents when we're growing up. This is one of the things where I think the parents will appreciate it a lot more than the kids right now because it eliminates so much stress from the parents. All parents want to see their kids have nice things."

While violent assaults and even murder among youth have been linked to theft of certain dress items in schools, official records about these incidents nationally by law enforcement officials or school officials are often not reported or reported inconsistently (National School Safety Center, 2001). Celebrities and artists flaunting expensive clothing and jewelry in videos and movies targeted at urban youth, which leads to the death of many or the breaking of the law to obtain the prestigious illusions of happiness, should follow the lead of Marbury and Wallace and encourage sensible priced wear. It's as if a demon

spirit approached certain artists and said, "I will give you great wealth, cars, jewelry, and great fame if you flaunt my materialistic fantasies to urban youth. It will cause them to rob, steal, and even kill to obtain your image. Is it a deal?" The artist thinks about it a moment and replies, "Sure, what's the catch?"

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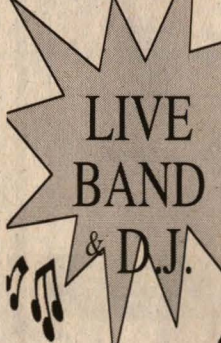
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12 Months - \$1,600	60 Months - \$3,200
24 Months - \$3,200	

\$16,000 Total

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24 Months - \$2,000	

\$10,000 Total

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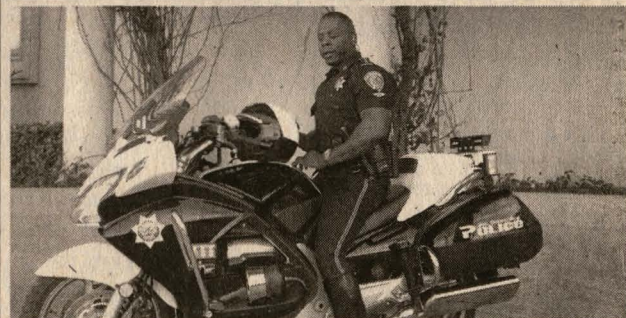
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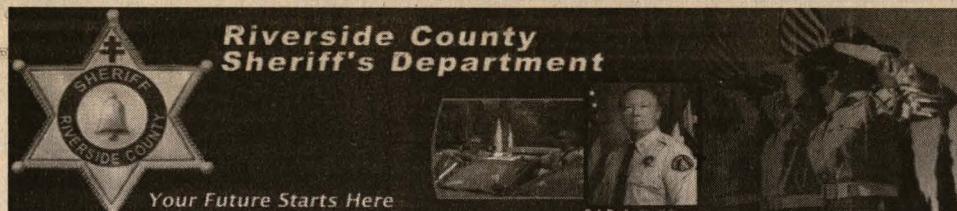
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2500 Limonite Ave., Ste. G
Riverside, CA 92509

Showtime Xpress, LLC
7491 Pheasant Run Rd.
Riverside, CA 92509
CALIFORNIA

This business is conducted by Limited Liability Company. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name(s) listed above. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) s/ Jerold Stovall, Director The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (sec. 1440 et. seq. b & p code) Statement filed with the County of

Riverside on 5/01/07. I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the Office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (See Section 14411, Et Seq., Business and Professions Code). LARRY W. WARD, County Clerk FILE NO. R-2007-06316 p. 5/10, 5/17, 5/24, 5/31

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
BAC STAGE RESTAURANT
3597 Main St.
Riverside, CA 92501
4501 Ceraty Ct.
Riverside, CA 92505

Musrd Entertainment, Inc.
4501 Ceraty Ct.
Riverside, CA 92505

This business is conducted by Corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 4/20/07. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) s/ Harry Michael Wheeler, CEO The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (sec. 1440 et. seq. b & p code) Statement filed with the County of Riverside on 5/04/07. I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the Office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
ELITE JANITORIAL
16780 Calle Pinata
Moreno Valley, CA 92551

Darren Dots Relford
16780 Calle Pinata
Moreno Valley, CA 92551

This business is conducted by Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name(s) listed above. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) s/ Darren Relford The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (See Section 14411, Et Seq., Business and Professions Code). LARRY W. WARD, County Clerk FILE NO. R-2007-06325 p. 5/10, 5/17, 5/24, 5/31

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charleneamaya@lagrant.com

After June 4, 2007
Keisha N. Brown, Senior Vice President & General Manager
keishabrown@lagrant.com

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CLASSIFICATION: Entry level
RESPONSIBILITIES: Responsibilities include answering multi-line phones, typing, filing, ordering office supplies, photocopying, opening/sorting daily mail, other general office duties and assisting staff when necessary. In addition, the office manager is accountable for accounts payable, accounts receivable and producing monthly accounting reports.

DESERT UNITED POOL & SPA SERVICE
80579 Tinsley Ave.
Indio, CA 92203

Cesar Bender Da Motta
80579 Tinsley Ave.
Indio, CA 92203

Salvador Alejandro Guzman
80579 Tinsley Ave.
Indio, CA 92203

common law (See Section 14411, Et Seq., Business and Professions Code). LARRY W. WARD, County Clerk FILE NO. R-2007-01485 p. 5/10, 5/17, 5/24, 5/31

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
SUNFLOWER REALTY
25920 Iris Ave., Ste. 13A-144
Moreno Valley, CA 92551

Andra Antonette King
15974 La Costa Alta Dr.
Moreno Valley, CA 92555

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
VAL'S COURIER SERVICE
2837 Don Goodwin Drive
Riverside, CA 92507

Perival Balad Kuizon
2837 Don Goodwin Drive
Riverside, CA 92507

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
SWEET & SEXY CLUBWARE
10248 Indiana Ave.
Riverside, CA 92503-5357
8273 Yearling Way
Riverside, CA 92509

Daniel Ray Newcomer
8273 Yearling Way
Riverside, CA 92509

This business is conducted by Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 4/10/07. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) s/ Sunshine M. Vayo The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (sec. 1440 et. seq. b & p code) Statement filed with the County of Riverside on 4/30/07. I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the Office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be

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Calendar

Calendar compiled by Vanessa Brown IE Community Calendar

Tiffany by Design Exhibition 6/1/2007 12:00 am Location: Riverside Metropolitan Museum, 3580 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside, CA 92501. Contact: (951) 826-5273, or visit the website at www.riversideca.gov/museum.

Spring into Toastmasters (a public speaking organization) 6/1/2007 7:00 am To enhance your public speaking skills, enjoy opportunities for networking, feel free to join us. Location: Grand Terrace Library. For more information, contact Melinda Sewer Muganzo, ATM-B, CL, President at (909) 370-3660!

Upcoming Deal Review! Learn the Do's and Don'ts of presenting to investors. 6/1/2007 9:00 am Location: University Research Park, 525 Technology Court, Suite 101, Riverside, CA 92507. Cost: \$60 if pre-register by 05/25 for all three \$90 after \$25 for each workshop. Lunch included. Contact: TriTech SBDC - Angela Boland at 951-571-6480 or angela.boland@rcc.edu.

Southern California Franchise Showcase 6/1/2007 9:00 am Location: Embassy Suites Hotel, Anaheim South, 11767 Harbor Blvd., Garden Grove, CA 92840. Cost: Free. Contact: The Entrepreneur's Source at 877-449-3420 or www.esourceocal.com

For You Network Monthly Meeting - San Bernardino Chapter 6/1/2007 12:00 pm. Location: The Clarion Hotel (formerly the Radisson), 295 North E Street, SPENCER's Restaurant, San Bernardino CA 92401. Meeting Cost: Members RSVP \$16, Non-Members RSVP \$18 - Door \$20. RSVP: Ernestine Branch, Director, Phone 909-633-6043. Email blesstone2@aol.com

Alternatives to Bootstrapping. If you ever wanted to look into the mind of a seasoned investor, this is your opportunity. 6/1/2007 12:30 pm. Location: University Research Park, 525 Technology Court, Suite 101, Riverside, CA 92507. Cost: \$60 if pre-register by 05/25 for all three; \$90 after \$25 for each workshop. Lunch included. Contact:

TriTech SBDC, Angela Boland at 951-571-6480 or angela.boland@rcc.edu

Upscale Fridays at Twins Jazz Club 6/1/2007 9:00 pm. For the Grown and Sexy. Location: Twins, 10134 Foothill Blvd., Rancho Cucamonga, CA. Tel: Henry Andrada - 951/662-1382, Tim - 951/538-8122, Cha Cha - 951/453-4228

"ABC's of Starting Your Own Business 6/2/2007 9:00 am. Location: I.E.C.E. Business Resource Center, 202 East Airport Drive, Suite 155, San Bernardino, CA 92408. Cost: \$15 if pre-register online by 06/01; \$20 at the door. Contact: Inland Empire Women's Business Center - Nicole Kinney at 909-890-1242 or www.iewbc.org

World Ventures meeting and training 6/2/2007 9:30 am. Location: Wealth Building Institute, 9233 Charles Smith Dr, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730. Tel: 1 877 4 WEALTH. "Make a Living...LIVING! More Info: www.thewealthbuildinginstitute.ws

Victor Valley African American Chamber of Commerce 3rd Annual Scholarship Luncheon 6/2/2007 11:00 am. Location: Quality Inn on Green Tree Blvd., Victorville. Cost: \$35.00. Tel: (760) 952-9152

7th Annual Juneteenth Celebration 6/2/2007 12:00 pm. Location: Stratton Community Center - Bordwell Park, 2008 Martin Luther King Blvd., Riverside, California 92507. For information call: (877) 752-1619. www.riversidejuneteenth.org. Sponsored by: Riverside Juneteenth Committee

Ladies of David & Margaret to Model Summer Fashions 6/2/2007 12:00 pm. Location: David & Margaret Youth and Family Services, 11350 Third Street in La

Verne, with the theme of "Jumping With Joy", this year's event will feature fashions provided by Dress Barn of San Dimas and modeled by Auxiliary members and several of the teenage girls who live at the Home. To purchase tickets, please call event coordinator Gwen Leonard at (909) 596-1478.

3rd Annual "Dancing in Design" 6/2/2007 3:00 pm. The Head to Toe Praise Dance Ministry of Temple Missionary Baptist Church. Location: T-Hughes Community Outreach Center, 1777 W. Baseline Street, San Bernardino, CA 92411. Donation requested - \$8.00

Gospel Vision Live 6/2/2007 7:30 pm. A time of praise, worship, & Word...featuring guest gospel artists in song, dance, mimes, clean comedy, poetry, short dramas, and so much more. Location: Calvary Faith Center, 8301 Elm Avenue, Rancho Cucamonga, CA. Tel: (951) 538-4555

Turn That Mic Up, the Inland Empire's Only Spoken Word/Open Mic 6/2/2007 9:00 pm. Location:

Gallery by DZine, 119 West Transt Street #3, Ontario, CA 91762. There is a minimum \$3 donation required at the door. Contact info: Jesi, 909-559-4955 or email turnthatmicup@yahoo.com. More Info: <http://myspace.com/turnthatmicup>

Eve Listening Party 6/3/2007 12:00 am. Location: Gotham, 354 South 7th Street, Colton, CA. Info: (909) 843-5673.

Gospel Vision Sunday Service 6/3/2007 11:00 am. Location: Inside Word in Motion, 4803 N. Haven Ave. Rancho Cucamonga, CA. Tel: (951) 538-4555 or www.gospelvisionlive.com.

Worship Services, Unity Fellowship of Christ Church Riverside 6/3/2007 11:15 am. Location: Unity Fellowship of Christ Church Riverside, 4055 Jurupa Avenue (E.A. Thompson Chapel @ First Christian Church). For more information please call 951-848-6070.

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The Rowell Foster Children's Positive Plan High Tea at Noon



Photo by Lea Michelle Cash
Victoria Rowell with Congresswoman Maxine Waters and fans.

The Black Voice News

BEVERLY HILLS

By Lea Michelle Cash

According to the statistics reported by the National Foster Parent Association there are 513,000 American children in foster care. To raise money every year for the Rowell Foster Children's Positive Plan (RFCPP), the organization that she founded, Victoria Rowell, a

versatile actress and best selling author, child advocate and spokesperson for foster care, holds a very special afternoon event.

This event reflects Hollywood and all of its glitter with some of Hollywood's hottest film and television stars stepping out wearing fashionable hats to celebrate motherhood and to support the efforts of RFCPP. This year the special event was held at the world renown Beverly Hills Hotel

and the ballroom was filled to capacity with celebrities such as Anthony Anderson, Taraji Henson, Holly Robinson-Peete, and Dennis Haysbert. Cookie Johnson, wife of Magic Johnson and Pauletta Washington, wife of

Denzel Washington, were also present along with a host of politicians.

NBC4 co-anchor and general assignment reporter, Chris Schauble was Master of Ceremonies. Oscar nominated actress, Angela Basset received the 1st annual Agatha Award (named after Rowell's foster mother). A live action featuring a painting by famed-collagist, Phoebe Beasley and a pearl necklace by Tiffany were a few of the items that raised thousands of dollars.

Entertainment was provided by Comedian Jonathan Slocumb and the awarding winning singer, Patti Austin. Entertainment also featured that afternoon was by Johnell Holbert, an African American musical genius who RFCPP helped develop his talents. He recently graduated from Dominican University in San Rafael, California with a Bachelor's in Music with an emphasis in Classical music. He is planning to pursue a master's degree in the near future. Tap dancing talent was provided by Ar

Vejon Jones, Dar Vejon Jones and Jakita Robertson who are currently members of the Kennedy Tap Company. All three have been assisted by Rowell's program since its inception in 1990 and have benefited tremendously towards increased self-esteem, increased school participation, increased interest in the arts, and having a better outlook on life as children in the foster care system. All three African American teens are exceptional high school students and active members of Fox Studios Journey to Excellence Program. Dar Vejon Jones is scheduled to attend San Francisco State University and he excels in Japanese, Environmental Science and Pre-Calculus. He said, "I am

very thankful for the RFCPP organization because of the things they have allowed me to do."

May is National Foster Care Month, a time to raise the public's awareness of the need for more people to make a difference in the lives of children and youth living in foster care in the United States. Rowell was a child who grew up in the foster care system, from the time she was born until the age of 18. She has written a book titled, "The Women Who Raised Me" in honor of her foster mothers and it has become a national best seller. The RFCPP is an organization that provides structure, support and encouragement for foster youth through a variety of enrichment programs.



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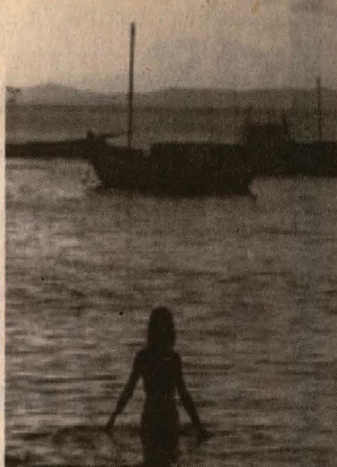
Angela Basset is very happy holding her Agatha Award for her support of children in Foster Care system



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COMMENTARY

Jordin Sparks Wins American Idol

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HOLLYWOOD

By Lea Michelle Cash

I love American Idol. It caught me at hello with the very first season and now six years later, I'm still hooked and amazed at how much the FOX's reality program has grown. It seems like the world has gone American Idol' crazy. I shared this statement with FOX publicity agent Nicole Gonzales. She and I recalled (Season 1) when there were only a few press people and the Idol's were everywhere in the hotel lobby, the elevators, and the parking lot including the judges: Randy, Paula and Simon. Wow, what a difference six years has made.

I noticed a change two years ago (Season 4) when it appeared that the entire mini mall (all five levels) at the Kodak Theatre caught Idol fever. Hundreds of people everywhere, and the only way you could check a glimpse of an Idol was to get them backstage in the press rooms or perhaps when they strolled down the red carpet. And, as for the media, well...they come now from all over the world. You must fight now with all the other photographers just to get your photos.

This year it was a dream come true for 17 year old, Jordin Sparks of Glendale, Arizona who was the

only contestant in American Idol (Season 6) to never have been in the bottom 2 or 3. Sparks, the teenager with an incredible voice and grandiose dreams, was crowned the newest American Idol after taking the lion's share of 74 million votes cast by the American public. She really is a beautiful young lady and it appears that she is that way inside also. Time will tell because celebrity has a way of bringing out the true colors in individuals.

The finale which featured Sparks vs. Blake Lewis, a talented beatboxer was a night of pure entertainment. Gwen Stefani, Smokey Robinson, Tony Bennett, Green Day, and the Divine Miss M, Bette Midler performed. Midler sang her classic song, "The Wind Beneath Your Wings". It was an emotional magical moment for finalist Belinda Doolittle when she performed with gospel legends Cecé and Bebe Winans. Backstage the duet shared how proud they were of Doolittle watching her transform week after week into this incredible singer. Past "Idols winners" got there share of attention also, Kelly Clarkson, Carrie Underwood, Ruben Stoddard and Taylor Hicks. It was simply great seeing them all together—celebrity it appeared has not changed them. They were all very expected to be there and just as humbled as on the evening they were crowned.



Jordin Sparks

Academy Award winner, Jennifer Hudson, an Idol finalist (Season 3) did not perform on the 2-hour telecast, but she was there in the audience along with numerous other Idol finalist.

Even though, this was the night of all nights for Sparks, it appears she is used to winning. In 2006, she was one of two winners who won the Phoenix Torrid national search for the "Next Plus Size Model". A full page ad for Torrid featuring Jordin ran in the December, 2006 issue of Seventeen magazine and Sparks has won several local Arizona competitions.

The Idols will be touring across America beginning in the month of July, straight through the summer, closing in late September. They will be appearing at the Los Angeles Staples Center on July 23, 2007.



Photo by Lea Michelle Cash

The children from the African Children's Choir performed on American Idol. The African Children's Choir has been working with the most vulnerable children in Africa for 23 years raising awareness of the plight of the orphaned and abandoned, but also showing the beauty, dignity and potential of the African Child.

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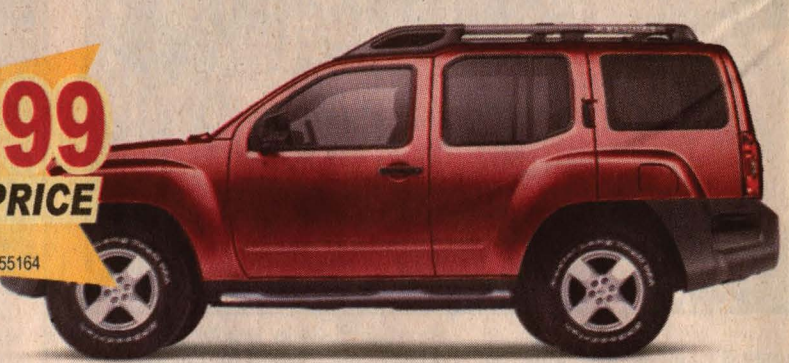
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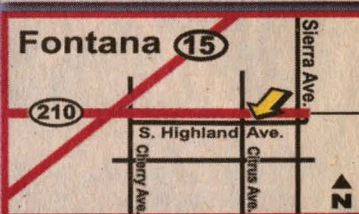


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Fantasy Springs Resort Casino will host the "Solid Gold Dance Party," featuring a night of solid

gold hits from the pop/disco era performed with a live band by original artists such as Village People, Thelma Houston, Peaches & Herb, Maxine Nightingale, A Taste Of Honey, Anita Ward and France Joli at 8 p.m. Friday, June 15 at the resort's Special Events Center.

While the Solid Gold Dance Party girls will be moving and grooving to the sounds on stage and encouraging fans to shake their groove things on a separate dance floor created for this special show.

Tickets priced at \$29, \$39 and \$59 are available for purchase at the resort box office, charge by phone at (760) 342-5000 or (800) 827-2946 or online at www.fantasyspringsresort.com.

Fantasy Springs features a 12-story, 250-room hotel and is located north of Interstate 10 at the Golf Center Parkway exit near Indio.

Village People, celebrating their 30th Anniversary on the Solid Gold Dance Party Tour, define the disco pop era and are held close in the

American consciousness. Their worldwide hits include "In The Navy," "Macho Man," "YMCA," "Go West" and "San Francisco," selling over 65 million records. Everyone has their favorite: the Native American, the Cop, the Soldier, the Construction Worker, the Biker and the Cowboy.

Thelma Houston, an award-winning singer, songwriter and actress, claimed the top of the Pop, R&B and Dance Charts with her high-powered rendition of "Don't Leave Me This Way", one of the defining songs of the disco era. This classic gold record gave her the distinction of being the first female artist at Motown to win the Grammy for Best R & B Female Vocal Performance. Houston also will be performing a tribute to Sylvester and a smooth R&B rendition of Al Green's "Love & Happiness" off her upcoming new album to be released in June 2007.

Peaches & Herb, America's "Sweethearts of Soul," bring the class into this night of classic hits with a career spanning almost four decades. In 1979, their monster hit "Shake Your Groove Thing" became #4 in the world. They followed that up with one of 1980's biggest hits, "Reunited", which became #1 in the World, and is sure to stir up those romantic memories inside of us.

Let's get it "Right Back Where We Started From" with Maxine Nightingale, who was nominated for a Grammy for "Best New Artist of the Year" following the release of



Peaches and Herb

her huge hit single. The multi-platinum pop single "Right Back" hit the #1 position in 24 countries around the world. Her album "Lead Me On" was certified multi-platinum in 20 countries and its hit single of the same name was on #1 on the Pop, R&B, and Adult Contemporary Billboard Charts for a record breaking 47 weeks.

A Taste Of Honey first recording, "Boogie Oogie Oogie," hit the top of the charts around the world. The single and self-titled album were certified Platinum and A Taste of Honey nabbed a Grammy for "Best New Artist of the Year." The song "Sukiyaki" off their third album went to #1 on the national charts and achieved Gold Single status. A Taste of Honey keep fans dancing "til they just can't boogie no more!"

At the sweet age of 16, France Joli performed her hit single "Come

to Me" to a screaming crowd of 5,000 in New York. She left the stage a star. "Come to Me" reached #1 on Billboard's dance chart and #13 on its pop chart, and is now regarded as a solid gold disco classic. Her awards include the Juno (Canada's Grammy) for Best New Artist in 1980 and Billboard's Disco Award as Best New Artist.

Get ready to "Ring My Bell" as Anita Ward takes the stage to sing one of the quintessential songs of the disco era. Recorded in 1979, "Ring My Bell" was a national and international #1 single. For the better part of 1979, Anita's soaring voice would be heard on every radio station in the country. By the early 1980's, the record sold over 10 million copies and "Ring My Bell" swept the disco scene, keeping other upcoming songs at bay.

Morongo Tribe Opens State-of-the-Art Canyon Lanes

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BANNING

According to Randy Johnson, it's the Lamborghini of bowling centers. Revved up with hundreds of thousands of dollars in the latest high tech sound from Bose, dazzling dance club lighting and sleek, state-of-the-art lanes, Canyon Lanes at Morongo is set for a strike.

"Saturday night here will never be the same again," said Johnson, general manager of the new \$3.4 million facility built by the Morongo Band of Mission Indians. "Families, teens, couples on a date, weekend joggers and serious pin crushers all have a new place for fun because Canyon Lanes at Morongo is open with 24 lanes of bowling for everyone."

Located just east of the Morongo Casino Resort and Spa, inside the former casino building, Canyon Lanes covers 30,000 square feet. Each of the two dozen lanes can accommodate 12 people, and the facility has an overall capacity of 288 people. Guests can enter on the building's north side where there is both valet parking and ample public parking.

Canyon Lanes at Morongo will be open seven days a week. Hours of operation will be from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday.

One of the largest participatory sports in the world, more than 95 million people enjoy bowling in 90 countries spanning 6 continents. Tribal leaders believe the center will prove popular with resort guests as well as desert visitors and local residents.

"This is another important step in expanding the recreational opportunities associated with the Morongo Casino Resort and Spa. At the same time we expect this project will help to enhance the quality of life for everyone who lives in the area," said Morongo tribal chairman Robert Martin. "By diversifying our leisure offerings, we are helping to ensure continued economic growth and stability for the community as a whole."

Martin said the total investment to retrofit the building and create the new bowling center was approximately \$3.4 million and that the center will employ approximately 25 to 30 people when fully staffed.

Wilhelm Construction & Development, the general contractor for the project, oversaw the gutting of the original interior and the new installation. Dallas-based



From left to right: Robert Martin, Chairman Morongo Band of Mission Indians Brenda Salas, Mayor of Banning

Scheirman Associates Architects oversaw the interior design of the facility. Recognized as one of the leading architectural firms in the bowling industry and with more than 250 bowling and family entertainment centers in the United States and Asia, the firm was selected by the Morongo tribe for its special expertise in the design of family entertainment facilities. They were recently captured top honors in the Bowlers' Journal International's 22nd Annual Bowling Center Architecture and Design Awards.

Scheirman's dramatic color palette, the retro-styled aluminum ceiling, distinctive drop lighting fixtures and innovative seating incorporate visual impact with practicality. Customers can enjoy the 32-inch LCD monitors that record their scores and provide player prompts. The "split house" design, which features lanes on both sides of an island concourse, is different from traditional bowling centers where lanes line up on one side with the concourse behind the bowlers' area.

A state of the art light show and sound system create the atmosphere of a sophisticated dance club. The spectrum lighting provides multi-colored LED projection that changes colors and shapes as it washes across the bowling lanes. When the lights go dark, the table-tops reflect a galaxy of fluorescent stars, moons and planets.

"We wanted to incorporate the best technology available to build a center that combined the fastest lane operations and the lowest overall maintenance. This keeps the customers and management happy," said Johnson.

QubicaAMF's top-of-the-line technology and computerized systems run Canyon Lanes. This includes the 90Xli pin spotters that clear the lanes and re-set the pins. Fewer moving parts and computerized functions allow faster operation

and quicker service time than older systems. The pin spotters monitor and adjust themselves, providing easy-to-follow diagnostics and unique light towers that report lane status.

Automated bumpers convert the lanes for families playing with young bowlers and the scoring units scroll to 12 players rather than the standard 6.

The center's HPL bowling lanes are the highest scoring lanes in the industry. In fact, the highest scores in history were recorded on HPL lanes in an ABC Tournament. HPL lanes look like natural wood and provide explosive power that consistently rewards bowlers with higher scores. The lanes have shock-absorbing resin core construction that reduces ball bounce and sound. While the alternating light and dark board pattern helps bowlers find their target.

Bowlers won't go hungry either. The center's café offerings include breakfast paninis stuffed with scrambled eggs, cheese and bacon; Monte Cristo sandwiches with maple and raspberry sauces; popcorn shrimp; patty melts and open-faced steak sandwiches; Greek and Caesar salads; soft drinks, waters and a full bar.

"There's no sport more accessible for young and old alike than bowling," said Johnson, a longtime bowler whose career covers nearly 20 years in the bowling industry.

"Our goal is to provide the community with healthy activities that families can enjoy; a place where people can get together with their friends; and to expand Morongo's recreational choices. No matter whether you're a first timer or an every week bowler, everyone will be treated like family."

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Senator Supports SB Health Fair



Gary Liaou, Vice President of Lucky Farms and Ming-Chang Hsu, M.D., Director of the Tzu Chi Community Clinic.



Ming-Chang Hsu, M.D., presents Senator McLeod with a bag of goodies. The apples and other fruit are from Lucky Farms.

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SAN BERNARDINO

By Annie Taylor

A Buddhist Foundation brought its own brand of charity to San Bernardino last week, providing medical services to more than 800 people unable to afford health care.

Tzu Chi Foundation, a Taiwan-based, non-profit organization providing social and community services, education, medical care and humanism to impoverished communities around the world, offered a free family health clinic at Lytle Creek Elementary School in San Bernardino.

It is the 13th year the Foundation has ministered to the San Bernardino community.

"We do it every year around the month of May," said Gary Liaou, a Foundation member and vice-president of San Bernardino-based Lucky Farms.

This year the Foundation teamed with San Bernardino City Unified School District, Kiwanis Club of Greater San Bernardino, Loma Linda University Medical Center and Lucky Farms. On hand were medical practitioners in the fields of internal medicine, pediatrics, ear, nose and throat, dentistry, diet and alternative medicine.

"I have participated in this clinic for years. It is one of the best community service events the city has," said State Senator Gloria Negrete McLeod. "I am pleased that the people who need it the most are getting top-notch care."

The event was also an opportunity to renew old friendships because Gary and his family were neighbors of hers in Chino, Negrete McLeod said.

"I watched Gary grow up. To see him do such worthwhile work for the community makes me feel very good," she said.

Negrete McLeod expressed her appreciation for all of the volunteers and medical professionals who volunteered their time for the free clinic.

"This community, particularly, is in need of these types of services," she said.

City Schools Superintendent Arturo Delgado echoed her sentiments.

"We were pleased to partner with Tzu Chi. This is one of the communities most in need," Delgado said. "These clinics are a great opportunity for families to have their medical needs evaluated."

The Foundation offers the clinics as a part of its mission to provide material aid

and inspiring love and humanity in both the giver and the receivers, Liaou said.

The organization was founded in 1966 by Master Cheng Yen, who firmly believed that suffering in the world is caused by material deprivation and spiritual poverty.

"A lot of poverty is caused by illness," Liaou said. "If you can prevent or cure illness, people can then work better to achieve their goals."

Liaou said he would like to see more medical professionals get involved in providing services to those who cannot afford medical care.

"We could sponsor more health clinics, smaller clinics if we could get more people involved," he said. "Someday we hope to bring a permanent clinic to the area. There is only so much we can do in one day."



Senator McLeod and San Bernardino City Schools Superintendent Arturo Delgado chat a moment with each other before the program begins.

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Argosy U. Aims to Train More Diverse Mental Health Workers

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SAN BERNARDINO

As a clinical psychologist and mental health worker with San Bernardino and Riverside counties, Dr. Benjamin Barnes saw first hand some of the psychological problems affecting African Americans and Latinos in the Inland Empire. Argosy University/Inland Empire is hoping to train more mental health workers from a diverse background to address the growing needs of the community.

While working as both a professor at Argosy University/Inland Empire and a county mental health provider, Dr. Barnes has noticed the lack of African American and

Latino psychologists.

"There are very few African American therapists," he said. "Even now only 10 to 15 percent of the therapists in San Bernardino County are African American. And we don't have many bilingual therapists."

An African-American, Dr. Barnes is one of the ethnically diverse faculty members at Argosy University/Inland Empire who are dedicated to increasing the number of local African-American and Latino mental health workers. Wendy Vasquez-Osborn, interim campus president, said that Argosy University's blended programs, which offer online, evening and weekend courses, are attractive to students in the

Dr. Benjamin Barnes

Inland Empire who are often working full-time jobs.

"Many students entered the workforce right after high school or had to raise families, and now they need a degree to move to the next level," she said. "Our programs fit the needs of working adults."

Dr. Barnes says that, "Many of Argosy University/Inland Empire's faculty members have extensive backgrounds working with the Black and Latino communities and have spent many years working on the front lines of the mental health field."

Dr. Barnes said the psychology profession is still predomi-

nately white and female, and this may cause problems for people of color who are looking for a mental health provider. "In some cases, it may put up a cultural barrier. Some minorities may believe that the therapists are not sensitive to their cultural needs," he said.

He added that there is also a lack of awareness about mental health issues in the Black/Latino communities. Dr. Barnes said most African-American and Latino college students go into the computer and business fields and shy away from psychology, because of the fear they may

not get a job after graduating.

"They stay away from psychology because there is still a stigma about it in the African-American/Latino community," he said "That is the reason why African-American and Latino people often don't use mental health services." He also said that the African-American and Latino community may be unaware of the signs of mental health problems because they are accustomed to dealing with other stressful issues such as racism and unemployment. "Our definition of mental health stressors are different from the mainstream," he said.

Dr. Barnes is currently in a master's degree program in psychopharmacology at Alliant University, and he holds a master's degree and doctoral degree in Clinical Psychology from Fielding Graduate University. He teaches courses in Clinical Psychology at the bachelor's, master's and doctoral levels at Argosy University. Dr. Barnes also teaches at San Bernardino Valley College.

He said he is pleased to see the ethnic diversity in his classes at Argosy. "Argosy University has many programs making it visible in local high schools and colleges," Barnes said. "The solution to boosting the number of African-American and Latino psychologists is by reaching out to

those communities through face-to-face marketing in non-traditional places such as community recreation centers, shopping malls, churches, sports clubs and public events."

"Argosy University is going out and meeting people in their communities and neighborhoods," Dr. Barnes said. He also stated that, "Argosy University is targeting potential psychologists earlier through associate's and bachelor's degree programs, which are attractive to high school students, and by talking to individuals in the health, business and education professions who want to move to the next level of their career."

Argosy University/Inland Empire is one of 18 Argosy University (www.argosyu.edu) locations in 12 states. Argosy University offers doctoral and master's degree programs in psychology, business, counseling, and education. Argosy University also offers bachelor's degree completion programs in psychology and business, and associate's degree programs in various health sciences fields. Argosy University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association (NCA) (30 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 2400, Chicago, IL 60602, 1-800-621-7440), (www.ncahlc.org).

Riverside County Escrow Association Hosts 2007 Mini Conference

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TEMECULA

The Riverside County Escrow Association, one of the founding regions of the California Escrow Association (CEA) in 1956, is presenting their 2007 Mini Conference entitled "Education for Motivation," a day-long program looking at current trends, issues and legislation affecting the escrow process. The event begins at 8:45 a.m. Saturday, June 9 at the Pechanga Resort and Casino located at 45000 Pechanga Parkway in Temecula, Calif.

"Education is the most important factor to success as an escrow practitioner," said Pete Carey, president of the Riverside County Escrow Association. "This conference is designed to assist industry professionals in keeping up-to-date in our ever-changing industry."

The conference will include educational sessions for escrow practitioners of all levels, from beginners to seasoned professionals. The event includes keynote speaker Deb Perry CEA President Elect, who will discuss ideas on how to build your business in the current real estate market.

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Jones has lived through some harsh times throughout her lifetime. She has seen and experienced many changes that have occurred throughout our society that most of us probably only have read about in books or heard our grandparents talk about.

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Mother Ada and daughter Earnestine Butler

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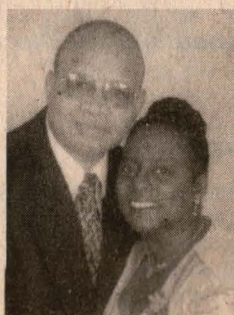
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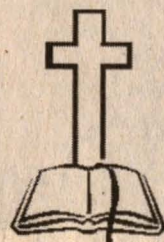
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Mother Ada Jones Celebrates her 107 Birthday



Mother Ada Jones

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By Naomi Bonman

On June 9, 2007 Earnestine Butler and family will be celebrating Ada Jones' 107th birthday at their home in Moreno Valley.

Mother Ada was born on June 8, 1900 in Texas. She was

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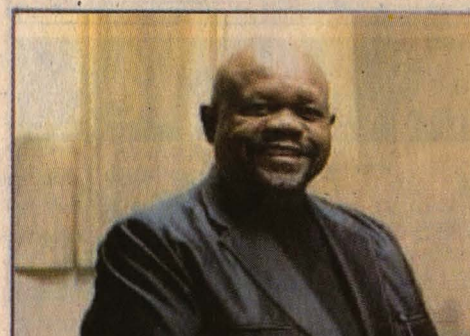
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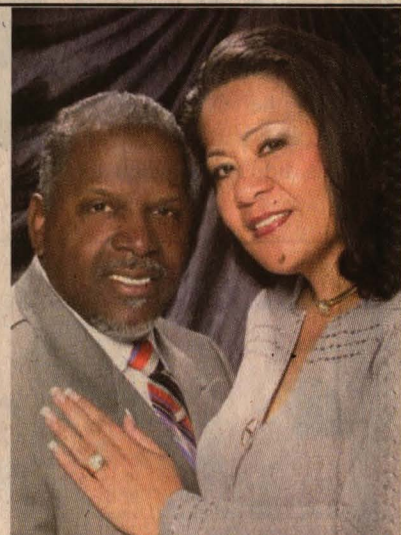
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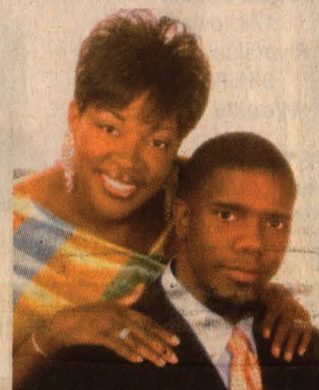
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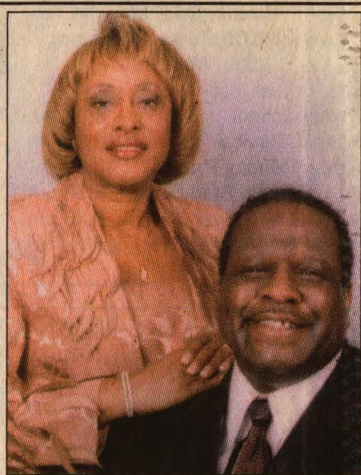
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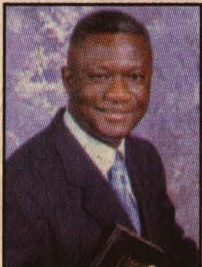
1355 W. 21st Street
San Bernardino, CA 92411
(909) 887-1718

Sunday Worship Services

Contemporary Worship 7:45 am
Traditional Worship 11:00 am
Sunday School 9:45 am

Weekday Opportunities

Women's Bible Study - Mon. 7:00 pm
Men's Bible Study - Mon. 7:00 pm
Mid-week Bible Study - Wed. 12 noon
Prayer Meeting - Wed. 7:00 pm



Rev. Larry E. Campbell

Imani Temple Christian Fellowship

510 West Monterey Ave., Pomona, CA 91768
(909) 620-9161 • FAX (909) 620-9981

email@imantemple.net

Service Schedule

Throne Room Worship
w/Amanda Ramsey
Masterlife Institute
Worship Service
Imani Village
Children's Church
Man4motion/Women
Seeking Christ Study
Bible Study

Sunday 8:00 am
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

Walk With Jesus Cathedral

"An Arena for the Miraculous"

820 Larch Ave.
Colton, CA 92324
(909) 825-2258

ORDER OF SERVICES

Sunday School 8:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Eve. Worship 6:00 p.m.
Thursday Bible Revival 7:00 p.m.
Daily "Morning Glory"
Prayer, Mon.-Fri. 10:00-12 noon
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SAT. 5:45 PM.



Pastor Iris Hailu

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Pastor: Terry Richardson

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Worship Service
SUNDAY SERVICE:
3:00pm
BIBLE STUDY (Wed. Evening)
6:00pm

1101 So. Ninth St.
Corona, CA 92709

(951) 515-6043

John 7:38

Wind of the Spirit Worship

Center Foursquare Church

6476 Streeter Avenue, Riverside,
CA
(951) 359-0203

Weekly Services

Sunday School (all ages) 8:30 a.m.
Christian Life Development (Adults only) 8:30 a.m.
Classes 8:30 a.m.
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Children's Church (Available) 10:00 a.m.
Tues. Bible Studies 10:00 a.m.
Thurs. Bible Studies 7:00 p.m.

Pastor & Mrs.
Michael Edwards

New Beginnings Community Baptist Church

5970 Limonite Avenue
Riverside, California 92509

(951) 682-4407

Sunday School: 10:00am

Morning Service: 11:00am

Bible Study Tuesday Night 7:00pm

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Sunday 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Prayer 5pm Bible Study 6pm

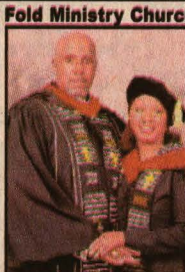
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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Mid Day Bible Study, Tues. 12:30 pm
Mid Week Bible Study, Wed. 7:00 p.m.

Rev. & Mrs.
Ronald Woods