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The Black News

By Cheryl Brown

The mood was somber in Riverside Judge Edward D. Weinters' courtroom as many as the "Free 20" rendered reactions of "guilt" while a battery of Southern California federal agents prepared to present a work out a resolution to the year-long saga. The trial lasted 20 days for 20 members of the group who demonstrated on the 91 Freeway during the 1992 presidential election. Most of the people in attendance were justice department officials in the pursuit of justice for the community of Black voters in Los Angeles County. Those numbers were ten percent higher (53%) in 1996 than 1992 and three percent higher (50%) in 2000 than 1996. According to pollster with the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies in Washington, D.C., one of 14 sources of the Political and Economic Report, "while overall turnout was falling between 1992 and 1996, Black voter turn out rose, both in absolute numbers and as a percentage of the electorate, from 8 percent of all ballots in 1992 to 10 percent in 1996.

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Biden's victory restored democracy, Black voters say

**By Hugh R. Price**

National Urban League President

The elections were a restoration of democracy, and Black voters played a significant role. The victory of Joe Biden and Kamala Harris was a resounding affirmation of the power of the Black vote.

Biden has made it clear that he will prioritize issues that affect Black communities, such as police reform, criminal justice reform, and economic opportunities. These issues are incredibly important to the Black community, and Biden's victory gives us hope for a more just and equitable society.

The Black vote is a powerful force in American politics, and it is essential that we continue to work towards ensuring that our voices are heard and our needs are met. We cannot take our victory for granted and must remain vigilant in the fight for equality and justice.

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**Family Talks**

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Drug Companies are Working on 137 Medicines to Stop Infectious Diseases

By Larry Lucas

Now that cold and flu season is approaching, it's good to know that pharmaceutical companies are working on 137 new medicines to thwart infectious diseases. The medicines not only target more familiar ailments such as colds and flu, but also such infectious diseases as hepatitis, herpes, malaria, pneumonia, meningitis, sepsis, cholera, Epstein-Barr virus and others.

Infectious diseases have been around since the dawn of time and, although vaccines and medicines have been developed against many of these diseases, they still pose a very serious threat. The World Health Organization estimates that 1.5 million people die each hour from an infectious disease. And new infections continue to emerge.

In 1997, for example, a deadly new strain of the flu virus passed from birds to humans, killing six people in Hong Kong, killing six people. Since that incident, which raised fears of a new global pandemic, effective against this strain of flu. Two medicines were approved last year, and another is in the late stages of development. These drugs, called neuraminidase inhibitors, are designed to thwart the growth of the flu virus.

Sepsis is the target of four medicines in the pharmaceutical pipeline. It's a severe bacterial infection that can rapidly lead to organ failure. The disease can strike anyone, but is often triggered by pneumonia, trauma, surgery, burns, cancer and AIDs. Sepsis often occurs among hospitalized patients and, in the United States, is the leading non-coronary cause of death in intensive care units. Each year, 700,000 new cases of sepsis would be up to half of these result in death.

Hepatitis C is the most common chronic bloodborne infection in the U.S. and is considered an epidemic by the Centers for Disease Control. Four times as many Americans are infected with this virus than with the AIDS virus. Hepatitis C is a major cause of chronic liver failure and is responsible for a third of all U.S. cases of cirrhosis and liver cancer. Half of all liver transplants, and is 8,000 to 10,000 deaths a year. Pharmaceutical companies are targeting this disease with 12 new medicines.

One company is zooming in on the common cold. An infection called a rhinovirus is believed to be the single most frequent cause of the common cold. The virus has many strains, so attempts to develop a useful vaccine have failed. But all known strains of the virus depend on a critical enzyme called the 3C protease. A medicine now in testing inactivates this enzyme and stops production of the rhinoviruses.

There are just a few examples of the medicines in development for infectious diseases. To learn more, log on to www.pharma.org.

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Our Bodies

Edward L. Learner, M.D.

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Thanksgiving week kicks off a busy holiday travel season as families across America travel for the holidays. Unfortunately, it is one of the most dangerous times on the nation's roadways. In African American communities, motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for children through age 14, and the second leading cause of death for African Americans between the ages of 13-24.

The National Medical Association, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), and the Air Bag and Seat Belt Safety Campaign are coordinating a mammoth national effort with over 1,000 law enforcement agencies across America to protect children this holiday season. Two of the leading risks they face are being unbuckled in a car crash and being involved in a crash with drinking drivers, inside or outside their car.

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Riverside Black History Talent Show: An Evening of Performance Arts

In the book of Proverbs it tells us: "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old he will not depart from it." Well this is what the Riverside Black History Committee of Riverside is trying to do. They are now supporting other events throughout the year that will provide wholesome activities for the youth.

Dell Roberts, co-chair of the committee and chairman of the parade, said, "there was a time when kids would be seen in their garages playing an instrument or beating the drums, as others would be singing. You don't see that any more. We have to give kids some things to do and a place to perform. This is what we are trying to do as a committee. We have become more than a Black History Committee that just puts on a parade once a year. We have been operating as a committee for twenty-two years, with the parade as our showcase piece for the year." These new activities will enhance our image all year long, concluded Roberts.

The kids and adults, for example, performed in the following five areas: singing, dancing, reading, poetry, drama and playing musical instruments. The winners will receive cash and other prizes.

The event was held at Riverside Castle Park.
UCR’s Diversity to Be Celebrated

California’s Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante is scheduled to speak at the University of California, Riverside Nov. 20 to highlight the richness of the campus’ cultural diversity. Bustamante is the scheduled keynote speaker of a two-hour diversity celebration beginning at 7 p.m. at the UCR Commons Cafeteria. The event is free and open to the public; also scheduled to speak are UCR Chancellor Raymond L. Orbach, deans from the colleges of Engineering; Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences; Natural and Agricultural Sciences; and from the graduate schools of Management and Education. Sponsors include the Associated Students, UCR; the African, Asian, Chicano and Native American student programs; the Center for Behavioral Sciences Research; and the Chancellor’s Community Advisory Committees. Additional sponsors include the Ernesto Galarza Public Policy and Humanities Research Bureau, the Ethnic Studies Department, the Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlán, the Native American Advisory Council, Teatro Quinto Sol, and the Tribal Alliance of Sovereign Indian Nations. Maps, directions and parking permits are available at UCR information kiosks located at the University Avenue and the Canyon Crest Drive campus entrances. Visitor parking costs up to $6. For more information, call the Center for Behavioral Sciences Research at (909) 781-2196.

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FASHION JUBLIEE 2000 SET DEC. 3
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Elm Noyo Chapter No. 138 - Daughters of Charity, will co-sponsor Santa's Fashion Revue featuring the Millenium Vogue Ensembles of Chicago on Sunday, December 2, 5:00 p.m. at the Fontana Civic Auditorium, 4946 Serrano Avenue. The theme for this year's fashion event is "Fashion Jubilee 2000," and will feature both female and male models who will show off some of the most creative designs from fashion houses in the U.S. and Europe. Also featured will be several creations by up-and-coming Black designers. Tickets are $50 and can be purchased by calling 909-874-5203 or 909-794-2189. Proceeds are designed for scholarships and community service programs.

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Federal Funds Help Cal State "GEAR UP" to Middle-Schoolers

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So armed with a recently awarded five-year grant of nearly $4 million from the U.S. Department of Education, the Foundation for California State University, San Bernardino in conjunction with area schools and two community colleges will use the money to reach and help those students and their families prepare for college as part of the university's efforts to increase the prospects that our program will have in helping those youngsters that for reasons of income or environment may never have considered college," Karagi said. "This is a great opportunity to help students in our service region with the best potential and we must be prepared to serve and pursue a college education," said Cal State President Albert Karagi. "GEAR UP INLAND EMPIRE will open a lot of doors that many students thought they would never be able to reach.

We're really excited about the prospects that our program will help students in our service region with the best potential and we are ideally suited to handle the mission-critical demands of the newly acquired business customers..."
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, the City of Rancho Cucamonga, has established its Fiscal Year 2000-2001 Audit Schedule for the Department of Public Works.

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and others interested in the above-mentioned entity, notice is hereby given that the above Schedule is to be filed with the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Riverside, on 10/11/00.

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This statement was filed with the County of Riverside on 10/11/00.

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