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Rally And Reception Held For Doris Reddick



L-R: Arthenia Joyner, Altamese Simmons, Doris Ross Reddick and Alton White
Photos by: Barbara Griffin Please see pg. 7

TAMPA — Recently, a reception was held to honor Doris Ross Reddick for her commitment and service to Hillsborough County residents. The event was held at Valencia Gardens Restaurant where a large number of family and friends showered Mrs. Reddick with congratulatory remarks, promising to support her in her race for School Board District 5.

Mrs. Reddick applauded her guests and vowed to represent them to the best of her ability, working together to employ solutions that will improve the system for children and families in her district.

New Community-Based College Scholarship Program

TAMPA — On Tuesday, August 8th, the YMCA Urban Junior Golf Program celebrated its 10th year in 2000, and hosted a press conference in the Jackson Room of the Wyndham Harbour Island Hotel announcing plans for a community-based scholarship program.

Gary Koch, PGA Tour professional and NBC Sports commentator, Joe Louis Barrow, Jr., Senior VP and National Director of The First Tee (and son of former heavyweight champion Joe Louis), Curtis Lane, Assistant to the Mayor, Robert B. Gilbert— Please see pg. 5



L-R: Michael Cooper, Joe Louis Barrow, Jr., and Curtis Lane

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An Octogenarian Is Honored!



L-R: Helen Davis, Walter R. Ellison, Victoria Gaskin and Mildred Ellison
Elizabeth L. Ellison (Center)

ST. PETERSBURG — Weeks of planning culminated with a surprise celebration honoring Mrs. Elizabeth L. Ellison's 80th natal-day celebration. The event was held on Saturday, August 19th at the Lynn Lake Arms Apartments Resident Clubhouse.

The grand affair was given by the honoree's children: sons, Walter Ellison and his fiancée Alice Perkins, Johnny Ellison, Lester Ellison, Jr.; daughters, Victoria and husband Reverend Don A. Gaskin, Mildred Ellison, Helen Davis and goddaughter Teresa

Manual.

Mrs. Ellison gleamed as she enjoyed an hour-long program narrated by granddaughter, Maria Scruggs Weston. Performances included the honoree's granddaughter, Dr. Vikki Gaskin-Butler, daughter, Helen Davis, and

a maternal tribute by the eldest living daughter, Victoria Gaskin. Holy writs were offered by the honoree's grandsons, Reverend Victor Ball and Minister Aaron Gaskin. The program also included a poem honoring the Octogenarian which was read by the honoree's great-granddaughter, Narissa Roundtree and a jazz performance by another great-granddaughter, Shellynn Weston. The family and friends performed a medley of favorite hymns coordinated by James Bolden.

An "Octogenarian supping together" was blessed by the Reverend Don A. Gaskin, where approximately 100 guests enjoyed turkey, ham, potato salad, green beans, and desserts galore! Extended family members Willie Mae Davis, Barbara Bolden, and Joyce Robinson assisted.

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Mayor Fischer Welcomes \$11 Billion Fannie Mae Project

by Allene Gammage-Ahmed

ST. PETERSBURG — Monday morning, Mayor David Fischer joined Fannie Mae to announce the \$11 billion "House Central Florida" Investment Plan to finance affordable housing for 100,000 families in 13 counties over the next five years. Mayor David Fischer and Pinellas County Chairman Robert Stewart joined other officials from Fannie Mae, the nation's largest source of financing for home mortgages to make this announcement in the Bayfront Center lobby during a news conference.

The Mayor was joined by Council staff, housing finance groups, nonprofit organizations, neighborhood associations, CONA,



Back Row (L-R): Judith Kovisars, Red Fischer, Darlene Kalada and Mayor David Fischer. Front Row (L-R): Helen Haugh Feinburg, David Elam and Bob Stewart

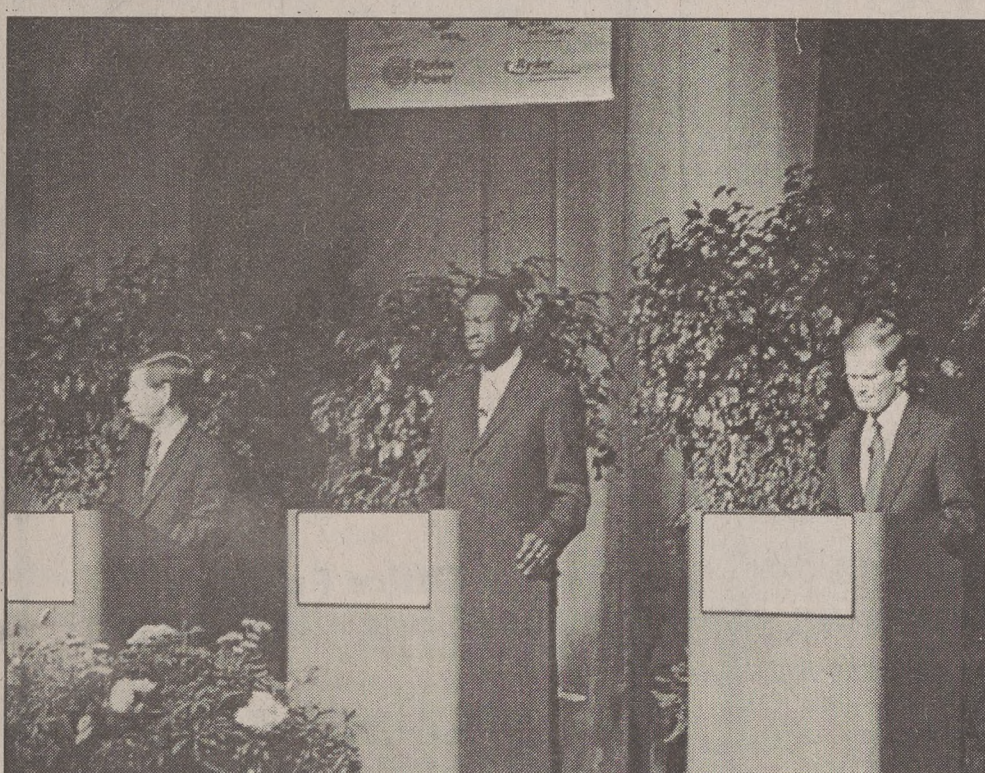
Chamber members and many others who represented banks and housing programs. Officials high-

lighted some of the plan's first initiatives designed to address the region's critical housing needs, including

down payment assistance for first time home buyers and affordable mortgage

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Willie Logan Shines At 3rd U.S. Senate Debate



MIAMI — In a head to head match up between Willie Logan, Bill McCollum (R) and Bill Nelson (D) at a recent U.S. Senate Candidates' debate, the audience witnessed stark differences and, for the first time in Florida history, a real challenge to the two party system. With Nelson

and McCollum simply mimicking their parties' positions on various issues, Logan accurately characterized both of his opponents as representing Big Money, party-driven, politics as usual.

The televised debate sponsored by the Florida Chamber of Commerce

focused primarily on business issues, ranging from employer health insurance, taxes, trade, and spending the budget surplus. It was the candidates' third debate in a race that is being closely watched nationwide, as it could be the first time in history an independent is elected to the United States Senate.

ed States Senate.

McCollum and Nelson took every opportunity to sling mud at each other, setting the tone for their individual campaigns. McCollum accused Nelson of flip flopping on issues and abusing soft money, while Nelson charged McCollum with changing positions on the patients' bill of rights and abusing soft money. Logan, on the other hand, stayed on message, pointing out his opponents' blindly partisan approach to issues and speaking directly to voters about his candidacy and the benefits his victory will bring to Floridians.

Willie Logan is running independent of the two major parties and will be on the general election ballot going head on against McCollum and Nelson. The Florida Chamber Debate will be broadcasted statewide on the Sunshine Network stations.

OHIO — Seize the Moment ...Stay the Course: Effective entrepreneurial strategies and tactics for African Americans and other minorities is the focus of Ford Motor Company's "Empowerment Through Entrepreneurship: Symposium 2000" that kicked off in June at the All-Ohio Business Trade Show in Columbus. The seminar series will tour major minority conferences across the country from June 2000 through January 2001.

The seminar will explore opportunities for minority-owned businesses in the automotive industry. Also, representatives from Ford Motor Company's highly successful Minority Supplier Development and Dealer Development programs will discuss opportunities for Ford suppliers and dealers. The seminar will feature



George C. Fraser

ture keynote speakers, such as best-selling authors George C. Fraser, *Race for Success*; *The Ten Best Business Opportunities for Blacks in America*, and

Kelvin Boston, *Smart Money Moves for African Americans*. Fraser believes by creating jobs for minorities, entrepreneurship, and demonstrated excellence in the workplace will close the income and wealth gap in America.

Some of the major conferences showcasing Ford Motor

Company's "Empowerment Through Entrepreneurship Symposium 2000" include The National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc., The African Methodist Episcopal Church.

DUE TO LABOR DAY WEEKEND, NEWS DEADLINE FOR THE SEPTEMBER 9th EDITION OF THE WEEKLY CHALLENGER WILL BE SATURDAY, SEPT. 2nd, AT NOON.

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T.D. Jakes Rocks The 'Trop' With More Than 16,000 Men Of Faith

by Allene Gammage-Ahmed

ST. PETERSBURG — Last week brought a wonderful sight to the Tampa Bay area. Men from all over the United States, from all walks of life and from every denomination imaginable attended the "Manpower 2000" Conference held Thursday through Saturday at Tropicana Field. "God doesn't necessarily pick the good men or the finished product, He uses ordinary men, the negatives which have not been perfected yet."

Bishop Jakes used a metaphor of creating a photographic picture from a negative to the framed photo and told his large audience, predominantly African-Americans, that "God will not heave you incomplete - God wants to use you," he proclaimed. "Sometimes God, in order to develop the film, the unperfected you, takes the film out of the light and into the darkness so He can save the picture, and that is what He is doing with some of you." Before every blessing is a darkroom, because the darkroom develops you. God doesn't always pick celebrities or important people, He also uses rejects. His strength is made perfect in your weakness, and He will use you." He will not leave you in the darkroom undeveloped, but He may take you through some strong solutions, some serious changes in order to develop you into the man you need to be." There came thunderous roars from the explosive audience as if it was a testament to what they had already experienced.

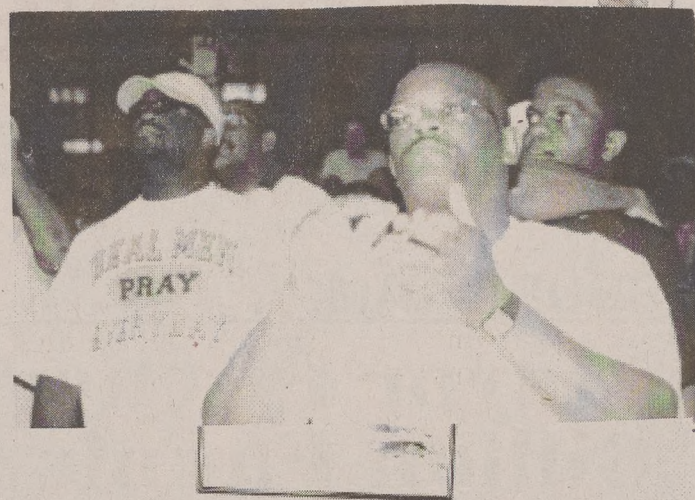
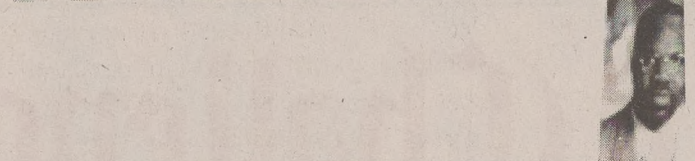
During the conference last weekend, there were

men, boys and a few wives and daughters who were seen high-fiving, weeping, praying, dancing and sending up praises. Bishop George Bloomer, Bishop Noel Jones, Bishop Joseph Garlington and Pastor Ron Parsley were conference speakers for Manpower 2000. Guest psalmist for the three-day conference included Fred Hammond, Gary Oliver and a colorful group called "Committed" from South Africa.

"We may not be up against the Devil Rays on this field, but we are still fighting the devil!" According to Jakes, this is not about religion, it is about spirituality, economic success, manly roles and responsibilities and leadership in all places of worship and the community; it was about a greater investment of faith, family and finance.

More than 270 prisons across the U.S. were able to tap in to the conference with more than 200,000 watching. San Quentin (California) and Angola (Louisiana), two of the most notorious maximum security prisons in the country, and Hardee Correctional (Florida) were linked up via satellite to the conference. Inmates in those facilities could interact with Jakes and the conference participants via large screens.

It was a wonderful sight to see, men all over 16th Street who chose to make this investment to improve their lives, the lives of their families and situations they may encounter. By investing in the conference, they left willing to work to become balanced and learn how to live the richest life possible.



Chamber Meeting And Mixer To Be Held Thursday

ST. PETERSBURG — The St. Petersburg Area Black Chamber of Commerce invites you to our August Meeting and Mixer, Thursday, Aug.

24th, 2000 at the USF Bayboro Campus, Davis Hall, Room 130, 140 Seventh Avenue South, St. Petersburg.

Our meeting will take

place from 5:30 to 6:30pm, with the Mix & Mingle from 6:30 to 8:30pm. Enjoy a sociable evening of live entertainment with lots of fun. Meet new peo-

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Operation PAR Seeks Former Board And Staff Members For Celebration

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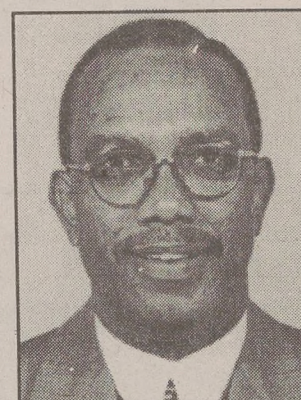
Operation PAR's growth and success is due to the dedication of staff and Board members who

believed in PAR's Mission and Vision. This fall, PAR will be hosting an Anniversary Celebration and hopes to locate, invite and honor the community volunteer board members and staff who are part of our history.

If you are a former staff or board member who has not been notified of PAR's Anniversary or you know of any former staff or board members, contact PAR's Central Administrative Offices at 727-545-7564 and let us know how to contact you.

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AFTERNOON**

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- He is a former Student Body President at the University of South Florida, a former student member of the Board of Regents, and a former Tampa City Council member.
- He is currently the State Representative from House District 59, the Democratic Leader and a candidate for the Senate District 21 seat.
- He was rated as the 13th most effective Legislator in the Florida House of Representatives by a Miami Herald political panel.
- He was voted number 20 by the League of Conservation Voters for his record on environmental issues.
- He fights for issues that affect education, health care, jobs, economic developments, senior citizens, women, the environment and the citizens of Florida in general.
- He has been endorsed by more than 10 organizations including the unions.
- He will listen to you and voice your concerns and desires.
- He believes in helping citizens with their problems and he has an excellent record of constituent service.
- He is the best candidate in the District 21 Senate race.

**That is who Lesley "Les" Miller is and that is why you should
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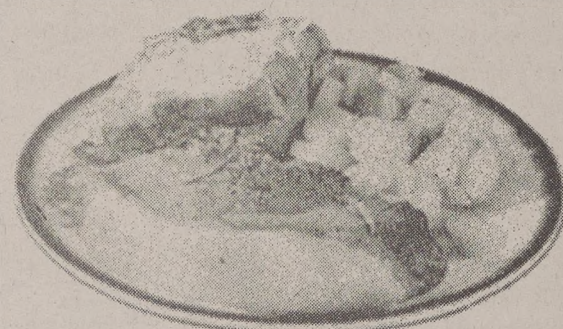
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Republican National Convention

by Lou Frey, Jr.

From the standpoint of the Republican Party, the Convention went exactly the way they hoped and planned. The press was unable to find any real problems to exploit. The abortion issue was not a problem for the Platform Committee. The conservatives at the Convention, including the Christian Right, all said the right thing. The first two days of the Convention were sweetness and light, followed by a somewhat combative speech from the Vice Presidential nominee, Dick Cheney, and an incredibly upbeat speech from the Presidential nominee, George W. Bush. The game plan was followed by just about everybody.

The problem, however, is: did the game plan work with the public? To begin with, only the political junkies watched the Convention gavel to gavel on one of the cable channels and I doubt the coverage changed anyone's mind. The people who watch on these channels know politics and usually have their minds made up before they watch either the Republican or Democrat Convention. The networks carried only limited parts of the Convention, and the numbers show that there were not many people in this country who were glued to their television sets.

Of course, a great many people get their news on the Convention from the morning or evening television and radio news or by reading the newspapers.

The Republican Party is betting on the fact that people are tired of Clinton and Gore, the spin doctors, and all of the attack dogs that Clinton-Gore can unleash. On the other hand, Clinton-Gore are going with the formula that has worked for them through two presidential elections. As soon as Dick Cheney was nominated, a series of negative statements and ads were run. President Clinton took personal shots at President Bush and George W. Bush. Democrats' ads are also running questioning Bush's record in Texas.

The problem the Republicans face is that negative ads work. Everybody says how much they don't like them, but the results prove election after election that negative ads can win campaigns. Dick Cheney's remarks about Clinton and Gore were relatively innocuous, and George W. Bush's were not much tougher.

Nothing was said about the impeachment, Monica Lewinsky, the bathroom defense of Gore nor the Buddhist Temple. There is, of course, a lot of time left. My guess is that it is the Republican plan to stay positive for a while, especially if Clinton and Gore continue to be negative.

At some point, they are also going to have to go negative, but hope by that time to have made an impression on the American public, especially the independent voter, that it isn't their choice. They are being forced into going negative to survive.

It is now up to the Democrats as to how they will run their convention. My guess is it will be a lot more partisan than the Republican Convention. They are behind, the Republicans got the normal convention bump, and if the status quo continues, will not win.

From a political scientist standpoint, this is going to be an interesting race. In some ways, it is backwards.

You would think that Gore would be upbeat and running on the Clinton economic record. Yet it is Gore who is attacking the Republican Vice Presidential nominee on his voting record (a waste of time) and going after Bush on his record in Texas. It should be Bush who is going after the Clinton-Gore record, especially the fact that they passed the largest tax increase in the history of the United States.

I have said from the start that this election will be as close as the Nixon-Kennedy election in 1960. I have seen nothing so far, including the Republican Convention, that leads me to another conclusion.

**NEWS DEADLINE
IS 4 PM MONDAY**

Can Ralph Nader Emerge As A Credible Alternative For Disaffected Blacks?

by Ron Daniels

In 1996 when veteran consumer advocate Ralph Nader ran for President as the candidate of the Green Party, I indicated that he might be an option for black voters. The problem was Nader refused to mount a serious campaign, and while he effectively addressed the issue of corporate domination and control of American society, he failed to articulate positions on issues of vital concern to black people.

This year Nader is running for President again under the Green banner, but this time out he has promised to wage a vigorous campaign. Judging by the early signs, Nader is hitting the campaign trail in earnest.

Hardly a day goes by that there is not a story about the Nader campaign in some major local or national media outlet. Consequently his campaign is building significant momentum as constituencies who have been yearning for an alternative to the two establishment parties, the Democrats and Republi-

cans, are taking a serious look at Ralph Nader.

Some pundits are suggesting that Nader may garner anywhere from 5%-15% in November, more votes than any independent candidate on the left since the days of Eugene Debs in the heyday of the Socialist Party.

I believe the initial success of the Nader campaign compels blacks who are disaffected with the establishment parties to assess whether his candidacy can be a vehicle to advance the interests and aspirations of the masses of black people. For nearly three decades the black agenda has been under attack and the gains of the civil rights movement undermined by the rise of prominence and power of racist and reactionary conservative forces, particularly within the Republican Party.

Ronald Reagan, the B-rate actor, persuaded much of white America that the civil rights movement had gone too far, that the gains of the 60s and 70s were eroding and taking away the rights of white people.

In that regard, Reagan cleverly fostered the idea that social programs designed to ameliorate the plight of the poor were really "black programs" that were creating a burden for hard working white tax payers.

Reagan and his reactionary cohorts also promoted the popularized notion of "black racism" and "reverse discrimination" as a way of building resentment against race based compensatory programs like affirmative action. Riding the tide of a growing white backlash, conservative Republicans were increasingly successful in winning elective offices at all levels culminating with the capture of both houses of Congress in 1994.

The Democratic Party, however, was not immune to the pressures of the white backlash, particularly to the degree that it fueled the success of the Republican Party in winning elective offices. At the behest of the Democratic Leadership Council, a moderate-conservative-centrist organization inside

the Democratic Party, (and William Jefferson Clinton, one of DLC's most prominent leaders) the Party began to shift to the right.

In an effort to win more elective offices and reclaim the presidency, Democrats began to coopt popular Republican themes like fiscal responsibility, reducing federal spending, welfare reform, law and order, get touch on crime policies including the re-institution of the death penalty and free trade policies. Using this formula, the Democrats recaptured the White House in 1992, ushering in an era of rampant Republicanism, a kinder gentler form of conservatism, with Bill Clinton at the helm.

Because Republicanism is the proverbial "lesser evil" most blacks have felt obligated to support Clinton. Some black politicians have even hailed him as a soul brother and savior. But many blacks have become so disgusted with this predicament that they have given up on voting as an avenue to promote black progress.

Without options that excite and interest and passion of the black community, untold thousands if not millions of black voters are likely to sit out the 2000 presidential election. This is clearly not a good position for the black electorate to be in as we enter a new millennium. Herein lies the potential relevancy and power of the Nader for President campaign.

Ralph Nader could motivate large numbers of black people to vote who might otherwise stay at home. If a significant number of black voters cast their lot with Nader, his campaign could change the political chemistry of this country. Black people, other people of color and poor and working people need a vehicle to express their outrage over the policies of blatant neglect that are ravishing the ghettos, barrios and reservations and their disgust over the failure of the establishment parties, particularly the Democrats, to adopt a more people oriented progressive stance on issues of vital concern to the dispossessed

and oppressed in this nation.

To achieve this goal, however, Nader must forthrightly and uncompromisingly speak to issues which are of critical priority to black people—economic development, education, housing, healthcare, affirmative action, police brutality, the prison jail-industrial complex, the death penalty.

Simply railing against the corporations will not be sufficient to motivate black people to shift from the Democratic Party or rise above their disgust for both establishment parties to vote for Nader. He needs to come face to face with progressive minded black activists and leaders and tell us how the concerns of black people will be one of the vital center pieces of his campaign for President. If Nader fails to reach out to the black community in this manner, it will be another lost opportunity to create a credible alternative for disaffected black voters.

An Interview With Me On The Labeling Of Me As A "Marxist-Leninist"

by Dr. Lenora Fulani

The coverage of my resignation as co-chair of Pat Buchanan's Reform Party presidential campaign came complete with a variety of political labels to describe me. "Odd Bedfellows" read the headline of a *New York Times* magazine section interview with me which sported the sub-head: *The only female black Marxist psychologist to run for high office discusses her brief career as co-chairman of Pat Buchanan's campaign.*

Other coverage of my decision to reject Buchanan's candidacy because of his turn away from our left/right coalition and my subsequent endorsement of insurgent John Hagelin in the Reform Party presidential primary included references to *Lenora Fulani-liberal activist*, and in the venerable *New York Times*, *Lenora Fulani-Marxist-Leninist*.

Not long after these stories broke, an unemployed journalist called me to do an interview about my political philosophy. "It's not every day that the *New York Times* magazine does a sympathetic piece on a Marxist, much less a

Marxist-Leninist," this journalist told me somewhat excitedly. "Usually they have to be dead. And sometimes being dead isn't enough, unless you've been murdered by the CIA or overthrown in a military coup helped along by renegade Pentagon advisors. Neither applies to you. So maybe it's time to talk about you being a Marxist-Leninist, and all."

Since this unemployed journalist was an old acquaintance, not to mention unemployed, I agreed to do the interview, with some misgivings. Fending off explanations by description is not my favorite activity. But I figured a lot of people were probably wondering about all this language, so I did it. However, as the unemployed journalist was just that—unemployed—it was difficult to get the story published. So I decided to see the thing through, by putting it in this week's column.

UNEMPLOYED JOURNALIST ("UJ"): How would you describe yourself politically?

Fulani: I don't describe myself politically. I am myself. You and the rest of the media do the describing.

UJ: Okay, what terms would you use to characterize your political beliefs?

Fulani: There are no labels that accurately apply.

UJ: What do you believe in?

Fulani: I am against exploitation. I don't believe one person should exploit another for profit.

UJ: So you don't believe in capitalism?

Fulani: Of course I believe in capitalism. It exists, I don't believe in Santa Claus. He doesn't. I don't support capitalism.

UJ: People call you a Marxist, which means they take you to be a follower of Karl Marx. Have you read much of his work?

Fulani: A little more than most people; less than people who are experts.

UJ: What did you learn from reading him?

Fulani: I learned capitalism is a system based on the exploitation of one human being over another. That's how the system operates.

UJ: What else did you learn?

Fulani: That was quite a bit. It took me a long time to learn it.

UJ: but didn't the failure of communism prove

Marx wrong?

Fulani: No. All kinds of experiments fail. But if you believe in the theory, the premises and the principles, you try to construct better models of it.

UJ: Models of what?

Fulani: Of a process by which the exploitation of men and women by other men and women can be reorganized.

UJ: What about V.I. Lenin? What have you learned from him?

Fulani: I learned that the wealth of some nations is the dependence upon the super-exploitation of other nations.

UJ: Anything else?

Fulani: That if you want to effect progressive changes, you have to build organizations that are committed to using nothing less than all of their resources to effect progressive changes.

UJ: That seems simple enough. Why is Lenin so demonized?

Fulani: He was adamantly opposed to capitalism and imperialism and he was an effective organizer, so the people who supported capitalism and imperialism demonized him.

UJ: What about his reputation for being anti-democratic and authoritarian?

Fulani: I never met the man, but it's probably true. There are lots of authoritarian figures running around, including most fathers in most families. They don't get demonized for being authoritarian. Lenin does. Something else must be going on.

UJ: So, based on the views of Marx and Lenin that you just described, would you call yourself a Marxist-Leninist?

Fulani: I'm not interested in putting labels on what I stand for. I'm interested in what I stand for. Labeling is not a neutral activity, and it is typically done in ways that are unfair and often hurtful. When I said to you earlier that I am against exploitation, you didn't have much to say in response. And, of course, you didn't—unless you're ready to say, *Oh no, I'm for the exploitation of human beings*. You have no response to that, and so that's when the labels come in. It's very easy to demonize someone by calling them a Marxist-Leninist, even if you're congratulating them for breaking with Pat Buchanan. There's a kind of mixed message in a lot of this cov-

erage. The liberal media is saying—on the one hand—*Good for her, she dumped Buchanan. But don't forget, she's a Marxist-Leninist. She still might turn out to be trouble.*

UJ: You said earlier that the failure of communism didn't mean that Marxian premises were wrong, but just that the experiment failed and that new models had to be created. What are those models?

Fulani: Marx was a very firm believer in democracy and in American democracy, in particular. He understood radical democracy is an emancipatory tool. (My colleague, the philosopher and psychologist Fred Newman, would say "tool and result", based on the writings of the early Soviet psychologist Lev Vygotsky.) I share Marx and Newman's views and I'm trying to extend and expand democracy in an effort to advance the movement against exploitation and for human emancipation. There's a lot of work to do here. That's why I don't have time for labels.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Open Letter to Ebony Scholar Board Members:

Wow! What an exciting year!

Now that my high school career is behind me and all of my activities have come to an end, I've gotten a chance to lay back, relax and reflect. I was able to look back on my senior and junior years and see just how successful they really were.

I learned so much over the past two years, and that is in part because of you.

Although I've said it before, it bears repeating...thank you so very much for the wonderful opportunity!

I certainly appreciate the scholarships and the honor of being named Ebony Scholar of the Year. But I also learned, and perhaps relearned, some valuable lessons. I learned that there are many opportunities for African-American youth to succeed if they put their best foot forward.

The Ebony Scholars

program gives our youth something to be proud of as they make their way from elementary school to high school.

The Ebony Scholars program not only gives praise to those who are performing well academically, but also reaches out in the community to provide direction to young adults. That is the reason I was so proud to be part of such a prestigious organization.

I've enjoyed working with you and also with my

peers. This has been a learning experience from beginning to end.

There are so many lessons I am able to draw upon as I go off to college and beyond.

I think the more programs we have like Ebony Scholars, the more of our

African-American youth will succeed.

Thank you for letting me be a part of such a wonderful organization.

Thank you,
Courtney Denise Hill
Ebony Scholars President
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by Bob Gilder

TOGETHER

Sanderlin Center's Been Saved - Now It's Your Turn

Our community can draw a collective sigh of relief at the news that the Sanderlin Center has been saved. When threatened by some codes, construction and safety issues, the city, the Catholic Diocese of St. Petersburg and the Sanderlin Center's board came together to devise a sound, and generous, solution to the center's future.

By giving the eight acre facility to the Family Services Center, the Catholic Church has not only made a valuable \$200,000 donation, but it has also allowed the facility to receive future government funds, such as community block grants and other state and federal money.

Most importantly, it means that more than 30 different services will continue to be provided at the Sanderlin Center, including computer and GED classes, day care, the Weed and Seed program, a Police Department Resource Center, and classes ranging from singing to sewing.

But it also opens other doors of opportunity. Now is the time for South St. Petersburg to step forward and do for itself what needs to be done for the future of the Sanderlin Center. There are opportunities to donate construction materials, volunteer

labor, and financial contributions. While the city is looking through its coffers to see what funds and services it may loan to the Sanderlin Center, now's the time for every citizen of the African American community to do the same thing.

As Mayor David J. Fischer says, "the city is committed to helping any way possible to enhance the ability of this fine institution to continue doing the fine work that it is doing in our community. To have lost the Sanderlin Center would have been a sin and a shame."

St. Petersburg hasn't lost the Sanderlin Center. Instead, it has been reminded of a great historical resource and the many human services the center provides for South St. Petersburg. It stands as a challenge to everyone in the community to ensure that these services will continue well into the future.

To answer the challenge, you can direct your contributions to the Sanderlin Center at 321-9444. Or, to donate building materials, contact me, Bob Gilder, at City Hall, 893-7021. Your help and support is very much appreciated.

Mayor Fischer

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products to purchase and renovate older homes.

Homeownership is the foundation for building strong and healthy communities and creating a thriving local economy. This investment represents an opportunity for thousands of Central Florida families to achieve the American dream of homeownership and Mayor Fischer welcomed the partnership of Fannie Mae's tangible commitment to our community - it is a true partnership. House Central Florida will serve 13 counties: Alachua, Brevard, Hillsborough, Lake, Manatee, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Volusia and Seminole. It will provide local housing partners such as Pinellas County Housing Finance Authority with the tools and resources they need to put even more families on the path to owning their homes.

"This partnership will also provide the opportunity for communities to help leverage the city's effort to revitalize our neighborhoods by increasing resources for home buyers that will stimulate rehabilitation and homeownership, and I am committed to the improvement of our area," Fischer stated.

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Upcoming Events

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Community Meeting, Sundays
Bethel Metropolitan Baptist Church
3455 26th Ave. S.
Each Sunday at 6pm (Sponsored by CAAL)
Various issues discussed

Event to Build the Campaign to
Free Fred Hampton, Jr.
Sunday, August 27th, 2-5pm
Uhuru House, 1245 18th Ave. S.

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Back To School Clothes For Children Of Need

CLEARWATER - Thanks to the generosity and big hearts of the employees at Aegon Equity Group, 65 less fortunate Pinellas County school children were dressed in all new clothing their first day back at school.

In a partnership between Aegon and Community Service Foundation, Aegon employees (who feel a strong need to be involved in the needs of the community) purchased a complete set of clothing (shoes, socks, pants, and shirts) to ready these 65 children for their first day of school. Community Service Foundation, a non-profit provider of affordable housing and related services in Pinellas County

since 1957, identified the families most in need, contacted the parents to get children's names, ages, clothing and shoe sizes, and the Aegon employees did the shopping and paid for the clothes out of their own pockets. The outpouring of generosity was truly awesome!

Aegon and Community Service Foundation for the past several years, have partnered to do three events each year to help lower income families with children. At Christmas, Aegon employees provided toys to 100 children; at Easter, they provided over 100 Easter baskets; and for the start of school, they do the clothing project which grew from 50 children last

year to the 65 this year.

Clothing items were picked up by parents and the children at Community Service Foundation's office on Monday and Tuesday so the children could wear their new clothes on the first day of school. Smiling faces and grateful children were the order of the day. The delighted refrain, "Oh, Mommy, look at this!" was heard over and over again.

According to Community Service Foundation Executive Director, Jerry Spilatro, the Aegon employees' generosity and kindness will go a long way in helping raise the children's self-esteem and make their first day back an enjoyable experience.

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son, Jr., President/CEO of the Tampa Metropolitan Area YMCA, and Mike Cooper, Director of Urban Junior Golf were all available to answer questions.

Following the press conference, the first YMCA Urban Junior Golf "Send a Kid to College" Luncheon was held in the hotel ballroom. The Gary Koch Foundation, the program's first community partner, awarded three scholarships to Urban Junior Golf participants during the luncheon.

Gary Koch also announced his support of the program by establishing the Gary Koch Foundation Scholarship which will award a \$5,000 scholarship each year to one male and one female Urban Junior Golf participant, beginning in 2001.

The highlight of the luncheon was the award of the first "Friends of Urban Junior Golf Scholarship," which is funded annually



solely from the proceeds of the luncheon. Sponsors of the luncheon were able to see first hand how their

contributions change the life of a child as the scholarship is awarded to an Urban Junior Golfer who

has demonstrated excellent sportsmanship, character, community service, finan-

cial need, and overall enthusiasm for the game of golf.

Habitat Dedicates Home To Family

PINELLAS COUNTY – Pinellas County Habitat for Humanity, an organization dedicated to providing homeownership opportunities for those less fortunate, will be dedicating a home to the Richardson family. The dedication will take place on Saturday, August 26th, 8am at the home of Robert and Deborah

Richardson, which is located at 700 North Garden in Clearwater. As always, the public is invited and encouraged to attend.

Cory Adler, Executive Director of Pinellas County Habitat for Humanity, has the following to say about this important dedication event: "Habitat for Humanity has a long and

storied history of working towards providing appropriate housing for those citizens that are less fortunate, and this is yet another shining example of that ongoing commitment. We are very appreciative that the Clearwater Rotary Club has sponsored this home, and the Habitat family is honored to dedicate it

to Robert, Deborah and their two lovely children. Clearly, the Richardsons are a wonderful and deserving family, and it is our sincerest hope that they will enjoy their new home for many years to come."

Habitat for Humanity is a Not-for-Profit organization developed in 1975 with the objective of elimi-

nating poverty throughout the world. Currently, Habitat is working on housing projects in 1,500 locations in over 60 countries throughout the world. Over the past 25 years, Habitat has built and renovated approximately 100,000 homes, making it one of the largest homebuilders in America.

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Community Meeting Sundays

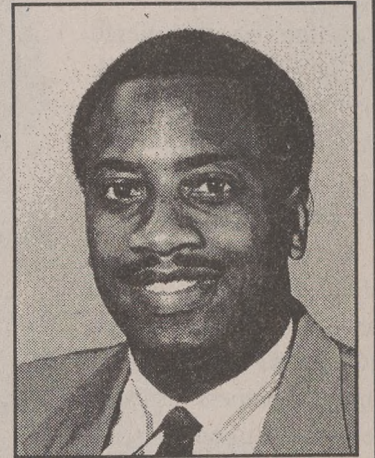
ST. PETERSBURG – These meetings grew out of various issues including community block grant monies that fail to reach our neighborhoods, upcoming elections and any other interests. It is important that we have input from the community. This Sunday, the Coalition will hold a full meeting and we request the presence of the entire community.

ST. PETERSBURG – The Coalition of African American Leadership, Inc. is having community meetings each Sunday, 6pm, at Bethel Metropolitan Baptist Church, 3455 26th Avenue South.

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"We do without things so we can buy our drugs. It shouldn't be that way."
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Of course it is. And if you are already enrolled in Medicare, shouldn't you be able to choose to pay an extra premium for dependable and affordable prescription coverage? Absolutely. But, it would be totally up to you.

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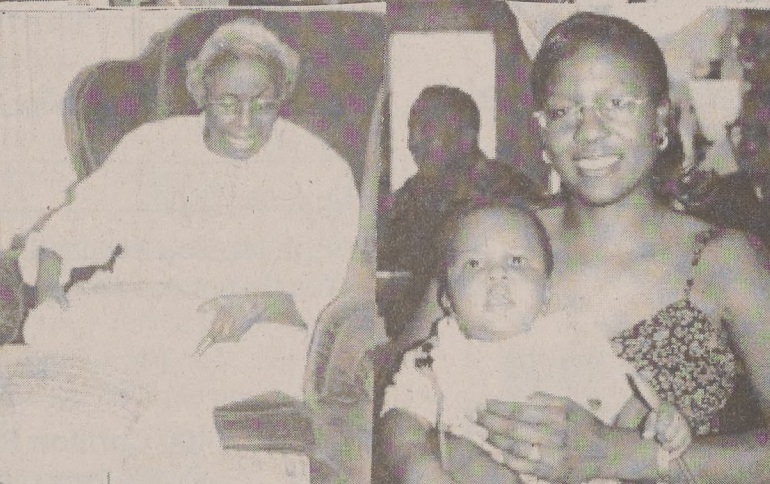
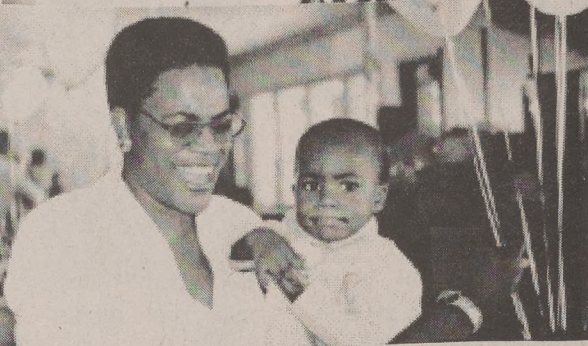
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ed in the preparation and serving of the exquisite cuisine. A 5x7 computer generated picture of the honoree adorned an elegantly decorated birthday cake.

A highlight of the party was the presentation of the Sunshine Ambassador's Award presented to Mrs. Ellison, by City Councilman Frank Peterman. During Councilman Peterman's presentation, he reflected upon the impact Mrs. Ellison made on his life while growing up in Bethel Community Baptist Church.

During remarks offered by Mrs. Ellison, she stated, "I contribute my long and spiritually-filled life to just loving everyone whether they loved me or not."

The celebration culminated on Sunday at the home of Reverend Don and Victoria Gaskin, where family members assisted the honoree in opening the hundreds of gifts and cards.



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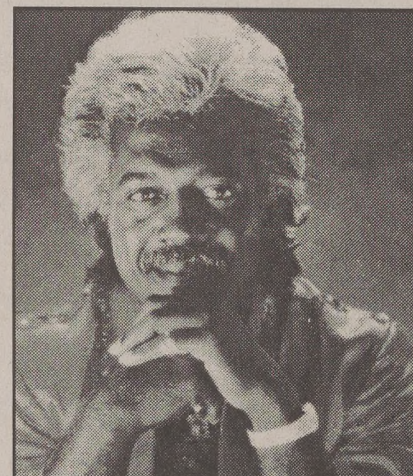
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Today, August 24th: Brianna Johnson, Jinita Currington; 25th thru 31st: Kristopher D. McClendon, Leandre Mells, Andrea N. Capehart, Erik Davis, Shenice Gammage, Yvette Wyatt, Mia P. Cunningham, Jarrish Outlaw, Aaron Curry, Runette Steward, Eula Lee, Sis. Deborah Miller and Joseph Johnson.

EARLY WOODS ANNUAL FAMILY REUNION

was what it was all about last Saturday, August 19th for descendants of Ruth Lee Woods and her last and oldest living descendant of the 2nd generation.

Ruby Lee Woods is the last of five children, and oldest living relative of the "Early Woods Clan." The group gathered in Tampa at Lowry Park for a family day and picnic, where the St. Pete group furnished the entrees, from land to sea. Tampa furnished all of the remaining dishes, from fruits and vegetables to nuts.

Mostly every game played in the U.S.A. today was played. The family and some of their friends had a great day. Everything went according to plan. Music was family furnished, and the six generations will be looking forward to 2001.

RECUPERATING

Juanita (Doll) Jackson, whom I've called "Doll" all my life, and some others call "Bottom" is home recuperating after a bout with the knife (major surgery) at the Bayfront Hospital, and a brief stay at Alpine Nursing Home. Let us "pray for, the praying lady" and a speedy recovery! She's on the mend, and coming along fine at

her Greenview Apt. and home.

Also, let us send up a prayer for my aunt, the "Queen" Roberta, who has been under the weather for the past several weeks, but she's coming along, doing what her doctors say, and that's the key. Hang in there "Auntie." We love you.

INDEPENDENT BEAUTY CONSULTANT

Invitations were sent out from my niece, Kimberly Howard of 69th Avenue South, asking her relatives, friends, and associates to join in a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the debut of her new Mary Kay business, August 20th, 2000, 4pm at Lynn Lake Residential Clubhouse, 5490 Lynn Lake Apartments.

The invitation was so touching, I had to be there. It read:

Uncle Charles,
You're invited for color*glamour*fun*prizes*refreshments. Feel free to bring a friend.

(Uncle Charles, how are you? Missing you a lot! Hope to see you here. I know it will probably be all women, but I know that never bothers you. I just love to see my family. Hope you can come.)

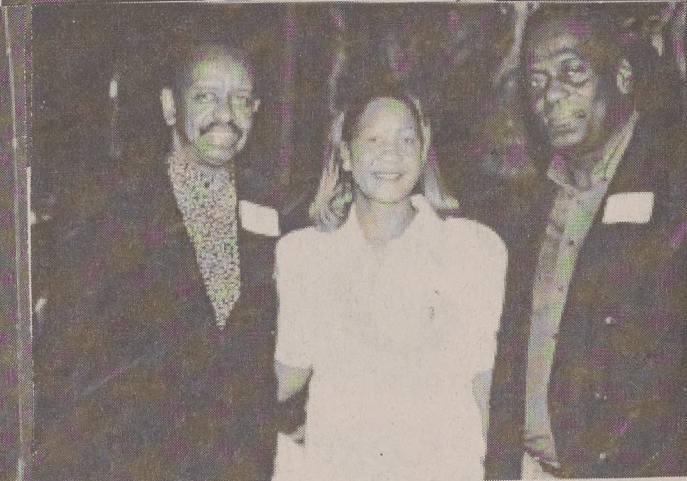
It was a nice ceremony with Kim's mother, Ardis, introducing the Mary Kay line and products. I can see how they keep her with a new car every two years. She's good. Hang in there Kim, you're on your way.


When you can't have what you want, it's time to start wanting what you have.

Until next week, jump to it!

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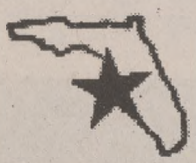
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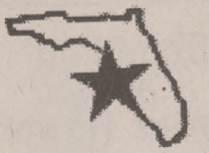
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BUILDING BLOCKS FOR BABY HEALTH WORKSHOP

The Marion County Public Library and Childhood Development Services have received a grant from Monroe Regional Health System to implement "Building Blocks for Baby Health." This preventive health program for parents of infants and young children will address prenatal care and health needs from infancy to age three.

Parents with newborns will receive Healthy Reader Bags in collaboration with Health Start. New preventive health books for parents, board books, books on cassette for children, and videos will be available at the public library this fall. Children Development Services will have a Health Resource area. A series of twelve free workshops will be offered.

The Junior League of Ocala, through a generous donation to the Marion County Public Library System, have contributed funds for the Healthy Reader Bags and drawing prizes for the workshops to begin Sept. 14th, 2000 at Steeplechase Meeting Room. The time will be from 6 to 8pm, Thursday evenings.

For further information, parents and interested community members may contact Childhood Development Services at 629-0055, ext. 364 or the Public Library at 629-8551.

MENTOR MANIA 2000 KICKS OFF

The Marion County Mentor Coalition invites members of civic and social clubs, communities of faith, and corporations to be a part of their Mentor Mania 2000 Kick-off.

The event will begin with a breakfast on Tuesday, August 29th, from 7:30 to 9:30am at the Boys and Girls Club of Marion County, 800 SW 12th Avenue, Ocala.

They are looking to attract individual volunteers as mentors; 1,500 mentors are needed. Anyone interested should call Robert Burns at 732-4771 to set up an appointment for an interview.

FLAG FOOTBALL FOR YOUTH OFFERED

On September 16th, 2000, the Youth Football League for boys and girls, ages 6-11, will begin at Brick City Park, 21221 SW 22nd Road, off Lake Weir Avenue in Ocala. There will be three divisions: Ages 6-7, 8-9 and 10-11.

Games will be played each Saturday at 8:30am.

The league play will end Oct. 21st, 2000. Volunteer coaches are needed and team coaches will determine practice times.

The league is sponsored by the Ocala Recreation and Parks Department and the Girls and Boys Club of Marion County, Inc. Registration is in progress at the Girls and Boys Club, 1212 SW 7th Street, from 2-8pm and at Brick City Park from 9am to 1pm and again from 2-4pm. The cost is very reasonable per child.

For more information, call Aaron McGlon at 690-7440 or Sam Samuel at 401-3900.

TAILGATE PARTY HOSTED BY DUNNELLON HIGH

The third annual Tailgate Party, hosted by Dunnellon High School, will be held on Friday, September 1st, 2000 at Tiger Field in conjunction with the first home game.

The Dunnellon Tigers host the Hawthorne Hornets at 7:30pm on September 1st. For more information, call Penny Lofton at 489-3341, ext. 126.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Birthday greetings go out to Ozzie Lean Brown, Aug. 27th; Rudolph Jacobs, Aug. 28th; Lawrence Shelton, Aug. 30th; and Gertie Washington, Aug. 27th.

YOU CAN HELP

The Marion County Health Department needs several Spanish interpreters immediately. Duties will include interpretation of Spanish and English for clients to allow them services provided handicapped accessible. A team of interpreters would be appreciated to work a couple of hours per week. Please call Kathy in the Personnel Office at 629-0137.

The residents at Evangeline Booth Apartments need someone, preferably with nursing or CNA experience, to test blood pressure and hearing monthly, conveniently located at 2921 NE 14th Street, Ocala. This is a once a month volunteer opportunity. You are asked to bring equipment. Training and certification for doing these tests is necessary. Please call Jara at 671-2870 for further information.

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Carnivore Is Hungry For Your Privacy

What is Carnivore? It is a device that the FBI uses to snoop on your e-mail and behavior on the Internet. It is the biggest threat to your privacy that has come down the pike in a long time.

Carnivore is a software/hardware combination, meaning it's both programming and machine. When installed on an Internet Service Provider's (ISP) servers, it allows the Feds to spy on personal e-mails at the source. Carnivore scans all incoming and outgoing e-mails, looking for telltale words or names and saving them for law enforcement officials to use later.

A Carnivore set-up can also spy on an individual's complete use of the Internet; live Internet Relay Chats (IRCs); instant messages like those used on America Online's Instant Messenger; visits to individual web sites using browsers like Microsoft's Internet Explorer and Netscape's Communicator and even individual clicks while a user is connected to the Internet.

Justice Department officials insist that Carnivore will only be used with a court order, and promise that its use will be limited to watching suspected hackers, terrorists and drug dealers. Unfortunately, those of us who are computer hobbyists are often considered hackers by the Feds. As a result, the FBI gets to cast a very big net to catch those they consider to be criminals.

This could give the Feds unfettered carte blanche to look into the lives of anyone with access to the Internet. The FBI admits Carnivore gets to look at millions of messages from literally millions of people just to find a small number from suspected criminals. That's no different from the Feds going to the local post office and opening up and reading every single piece of mail that travels through the U.S. Postal Service and then sealing it back up so that you don't know it was opened. It is the same as listening in on every single telephone conversation in the United States - private or not, personal or not and legal or not. In simpler terms, the FBI feels it can treat everyone who uses the Internet - from your children looking at the latest Pokemon game hints to you reading news and sending private business information to coworkers - as common criminals.

Also, with the majority of black Americans finally realizing the importance of joining the technological revolution that's reshaping our society, Carnivore can inflict some pretty devastating wounds if not kill black interest in the Internet altogether. Carnivore can also cause a real digital divide. Considering racial profiling affects us when we shop and drive, why shouldn't we fear being

singled-out on-line as well? This fear may drive some blacks away from computers and the benefits they bring.

One other thing: how do we know that the information the Feds collect on everyone, even if it is not tied to an ongoing investigation, won't be used against us in the future? Aren't we, as a people, guaranteed rights against unlawful and unreasonable search and seizure under the Constitution? I'm certain that the Founding

Fathers are collectively turning over in their graves at the Big Brother tactics being used under the guise of law enforcement.

One unidentified ISP has tried to stand its ground against Carnivore. It, however, was mauled in the process. The provider challenged the Fed's authority to use Carnivore on its servers in court, and was soundly defeated.

Carnivore is still hungry. Who's next on the menu for its next meal?

Leaders Applaud Gore's Selection Of Lieberman

NASHVILLE - Al Gore officially announced Joe Lieberman as his vice presidential running mate recently. Throughout his career, Lieberman has been a principled fighter for African-Americans and all working families. Already, Gore's choice and Lieberman himself have received widespread praise from prominent African-American leaders.

"With this choice, Al Gore brings our nation

together, according to its highest aspirations. With this choice, sons and daughters of former slaves and slave masters, children of Holocaust survivors, women too long denied choice and equity, workers in their quest to organize in job security and dignity, all the patches of the quilt find common ground...As Americans, we all live under the law-the Constitution. Senator Lieberman has remained true to this standard." -- the Reverend

Jesse Jackson, founder of the Rainbow/PUSH Coalition.

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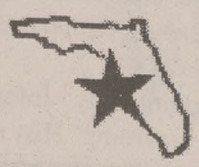
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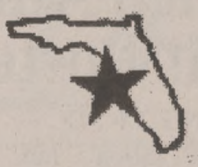
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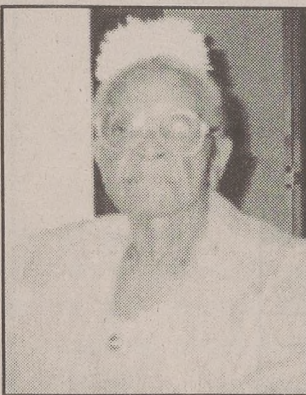


Ocala News

by James Thorpe

CHOIR ANNIVERSARY

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, where the Rev. E.E. Chisholm is pastor, invites each and everyone to come out and enjoy a night of spiritual singing and praises in celebration of Choir Anniversary. This event will be held Saturday, August 26th, 7pm at the church, 3861 S.E. Maricamp Road, Ocala.



Florence Burton

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Go out to one of our oldest members, Florence Burton, born August 6th, 1906. She is 99 years young! A birthday bash was given in her honor by her family and friends.

Others celebrating

birthdays this month: Tia Howard, Aug. 13th; Rev. E.E. Chisholm, Aug. 14; Felicia Bright, Aug. 15th; Kearesha Thornton, Aug. 17th; and Jerry Bradshaw, Aug. 25th.

YOUNG PEOPLE MINISTRY WORKSHOP

Will be held Saturday, August 26th, 2000 from 9am to 1pm at Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church, 9225 SW 27th Avenue in Ocala, where Dr. Fred Maeweathers, Sr. is pastor.

As the Bible says, "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22:6). The purpose of this workshop is to introduce basic techniques needed to develop an effective Young People's Ministry.

Workshop facilitator is Sis. Virginia Hayes, Administrative Assistant, Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church, Orlando, who is also a Christian Education Instructor and Secretary of the Women's Department of the Florida

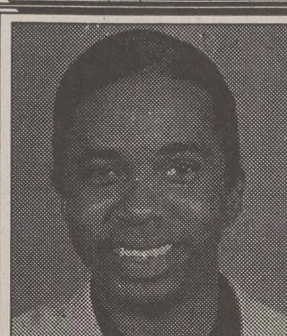
General Baptist Convention.

For registration, contact Sis. Jermele Jacobs at (352) 307-2176.

1ST ANNUAL COUNTYWIDE GOSPEL MUSIC WORKSHOP

New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church is sponsoring their 1st Annual Countywide Gospel Music Workshop to be held Friday, Sept. 29th at 6pm and Saturday, Sept. 30th at 9am. A concert climaxing this observance will be held Saturday, Sept. 30th at 7pm. New Jerusalem is located at 910 Southwest 34th Place in Ocala. For more information, contact Kemo Dewese, workshop leader, at 591-4713.

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LIGHT OF THE WORLD

By DANIEL BANKS

THE ADAGE OF PERSECUTION

The sacred and secular definitions of the word persecution are involved true enough, but the main thing to remember is that, historically, persecution has been more than mere name-calling.

Sacred Definition: a particular period of systematic punishment or penalty for adhering to a particular religious belief.

Secular Definition: harassing in a manner designed to injure, grieve or afflict.

Assuredly, when Saul was on the road to Damascus to persecute the church, he was planning to kill, if need be, to impede the spread of Christianity in the region. Do you remember how he held the coats of those who stoned Stephen to death because of his faith (See Acts 7:58-8:1)?

In Acts 9:1-5, the chapter opens with Saul still threatening to slaughter the disciples of the Lord. He's on his way to Damascus to persecute the church when

Ananias obediently went and restored Saul's sight and admonished him to receive the Holy Ghost.

Only after we begin to walk in the Light, can we see the error of our ways and stop the petty persecutions that we inflict upon others. They really are petty compared to the sufferings the early church endured at the hands of the chief priests and the Romans and others like Saul, who stopped short of nothing to seize and scourge those who dared to call on the name of Jesus Christ.

I wonder how courageous and bold some Christians might be today if practicing religion was against the law. How many pastors would continue preaching? How loudly would they exhort? How far would they rear back in their pulpits? How many evangelists would continue healing? How many prophets would tell us what the future holds? How many missionary

journeys and prayer meetings would be cancelled? Who would witness on his job or pass out tracks door to door? How many street meetings would there be? Subsequently, Paul and the early church continued to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ in the wake of much persecution and peril. Can the Lord find that kind of faithfulness today? By faithfulness, I don't mean perfect attendance at your local church each Sabbath or Sunday. What I mean is who would be willing to have his blood spilled for Christ's sake? "Ye have not resisted unto blood, striving against sin." -Hebrews 12:4. The tailored suits and flashy dresses worn by church folk today are a far cry from the tattered garments and worn out shoes of the saints of old who sat in prison cells, drank swill, endured shipwrecks, took stripes across their backs, and were fed to lions all because they would not renounce their faith and enduring love for God and

His Christ.

Consider the Beatitude which mentions persecution: "Blessed are ye when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for My sake. Rejoice, and be exceedingly glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you." -St. Matthew 5:11,12. I believe some people conclude from reading this scripture that persecution is all lip service, like children on a playground taunting and picking at each other. On the contrary, persecution is a serious thing. It can be deadly, as a matter of fact.

Let us look to God, today, the Author and Finisher of our faith, and ask Him to give us the strength we need to endure the trials of this life and grant us the resolve to stand for Him, until we can stand no more. Pray much for me.

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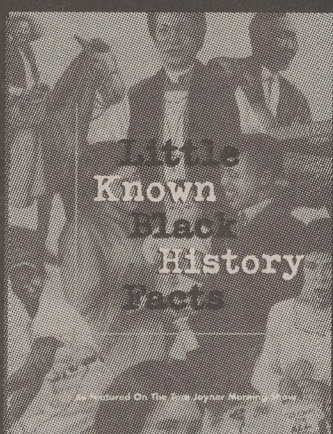
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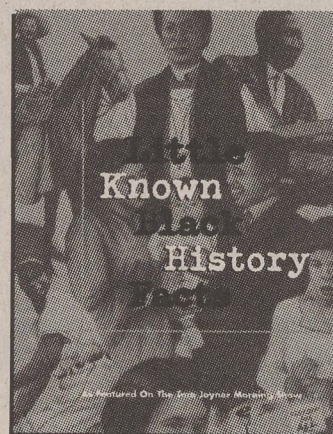
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Geico Announces Annual Safety Belt Poster Contest For Kids

WASHINGTON, DC — GEICO, the nation's 6th largest auto insurer, announced recently the company's 14th annual Safety Belt Poster Contest for public and private school students. The contest is open to students ages 6 to 15 as of Sept. 1st, 2000, and will be judged in two age groups: 6 to 11, and 12 to 15.

"A shocking 40 percent of kids age 8 and under don't ride in car seats or with their safety belts buckled," said GEICO Chairman Tony Nicely. "Through this contest, we help spread the safety belt message and save lives. You're never too young to help spread the word or buckle up."

Last year, over 1,200 students from across the country entered the contest to promote auto safety and win prizes of up to \$500 for themselves and their schools.

The theme of the poster must convey the importance of using safety belts and entries must be postmarked by January 12, 2001. Children of GEICO employees are not eligible to enter.

For each age group, entries within each of five geographical regions are judged against other posters from the same region. First-, second- and third-place prizes of \$125, \$75 and \$50 are awarded in each region for each age group. From the regional first-place winners, one grand-prize winner is chosen for each age group. Those artists each receive

Florida Lottery's New Scratch-Off Game!

TALLAHASSEE — "Win \$1,000,000" is the newest scratch-off game from the Florida Lottery and includes one of the largest top prizes ever offered in the 12-year history of scratch-off games—\$1,000,000! The new ticket is a bargain for players at \$2 each, compared to last year's "Win A Million" which costs \$3.

"Win \$1,000,000" gives players the chance to win prizes ranging from a free ticket to \$1,000,000. Overall odds of winning any prize are 1:3.71.

The \$1,000,000 top prize is structured to pay a lucky winner \$1,000,000 in 20 annual installments of \$50,000. Or the winner could choose the prize in a one-time cash payment.

The "Win \$1,000,000" ticket is green, black and gold and features two games on each ticket. Players can win up to eight times on each ticket.

Top prize winners must claim their winnings in Tallahassee.

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an additional \$375, and their schools receive \$500 worth of art supplies.

The grand-prize winning posters will be reproduced and mailed to all

schools of participating students and will be displayed in GEICO offices nationwide. Submitted posters will not be returned.

New Website Designed

MIAMI — Adopting the philosophy "Web-bing with a Purpose," developers of JournalofColor.com launched their new website on Aug. 7th. The portal,

billed as a hub for African Americans, promises to meet the needs of surfers young and old. Special emphasis has been placed on enhancing the lines of

communication between consumers and small to mid-size companies.

"JournalofColor.com was designed to encourage interactivity," said Janice Lewis, editor of the eNews segment. "While most websites focus on content, JournalofColor.com will

promote strengthening businesses by allowing surfers to register and deal directly with the owners of those enterprises."

One feature allows people of color to subscribe to black newspapers by filling out an on-line subscription form. That form is

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Additionally, information regarding Historical Black Colleges and Universities is available.



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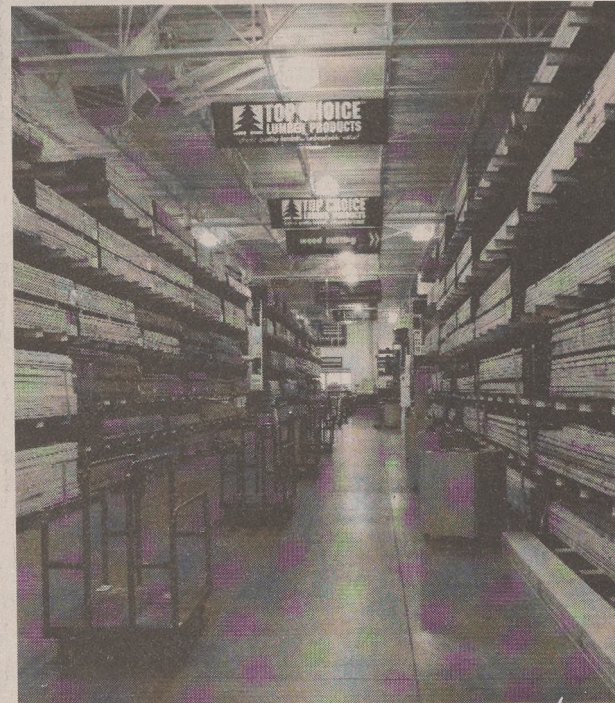
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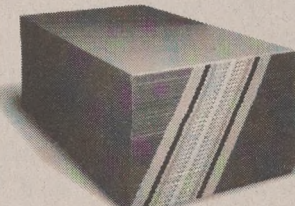
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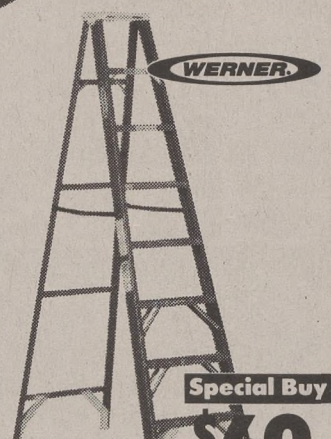
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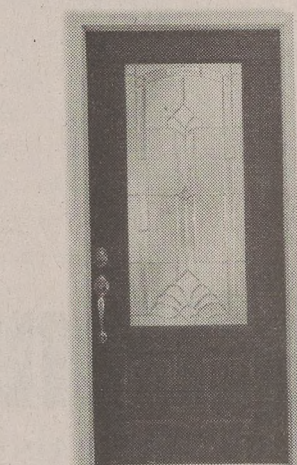
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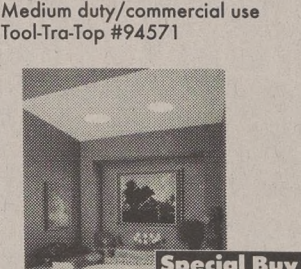
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WOMAN'S WORLD

Kellogg Projects Human Services Conference



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MIAMI — Community service professionals from all over the state and from across the country will converge on Miami-Dade Community College's Wolfson Campus on September 15th and 16th for an extensive two-day conference, **Strengthening Our Neighborhoods by Strengthening Human Services**, presented by The Kellogg Family Foundation Project based at the campus.

The multi-track conference will explore the latest ideas and innovations in strengthening families, neighborhoods and cities. The seminar will be comprised of six one-hour workshop sessions - three on each day of the conference - and addresses from three keynote speakers. During each session, workshops will be conducted simultaneously in several human service tracks. *Housing and Community Development, Innovations in Welfare-to-Work, and Community-Based Child Care* are four of the six tracks for the first day of the conference. Workshops will be held in five tracks on Saturday, including *Community Organizing, Faith-Based Human Services and Developing Youth Programs that*

Change Lives. In total, 33 conference workshops and seminars will be conducted by more than 50 professionals from various areas of community service.

"Strengthening Our Neighborhoods" is designed to meet the interests and concerns of leaders, administrators and staff of human service and non-profit organizations, community groups, and churches.

Pre-registration before Sept. 1st is strongly advised; however, there will be registration each morning of the conference if seating is available.

The keynote speakers will be Dr. Pedro Jose Greer, assistant dean for homeless education at the University of Miami School of Medicine, chief of gastroenterology at Mercy Hospital and a private practice physician; James H. Carr, senior vice president for Innovation, Research and Technology at the Fannie Mae Foundation; Rev. Dr. Preston Washington of the Harlem Congregations for Community Improvement and senior pastor of Memorial Baptist Church in Harlem since 1976 and Karen V. Hill, chief executive, Homeowner Education and Counseling Initiative.

Housing Person Of The Year



WASHINGTON — The National Housing Conference (NHC) has recognized Mary Lee Widener as the Housing Person of the Year. Ms. Widener, President and CEO of Neighborhood Housing Services of America, Inc. (NHS), is the first African American woman to receive this award from the NHC, whose members include Habitat for Humanity International, Inc., Fannie Mae and the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

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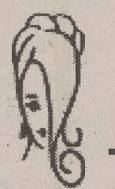
Jamie L. Blackwell, M.D.

After Hours Pediatrics, Inc., Appoints Attending Physician

TAMPA — Dr. Jamie Blackwell was recently appointed Attending Physician of the multi-site After Hours Pediatric facilities. After Hours Pediatrics, which is owned and directed by Dr. Thomas Abrunzo and Dr. John Santamaria, provides urgent care services for infants, children and young adults after hours, on weekends and holidays.

After Hours Pediatrics is a unique healthcare organization providing an alternative to the hospital emergency department. Facilities are located in North Tampa, Brandon and the South Tampa markets and provide such pediatric services as fracture and laceration management, intravenous rehydration, pain relief, drug therapy, x-ray and laboratory. Additionally, After Hours Pediatrics works in concert with the child's pediatrician and specialists in the urgent care environment.

Dr. Blackwell was recently Associate Medical Director at Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital and the Pediatric Emergency Department of Memorial Hospital West in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. She is Board Certified in both Pediatrics and Pediatric Emergency Medicine and is a Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatrics. She belongs to the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children as well as other local and state committees. Dr. Blackwell has also been the author for many publications on such topics as pediatric respiratory emergencies, advanced pediatric assessment and pediatric trauma. Dr. Blackwell has also served as an Advanced Trauma Life Support and Pediatric Advanced Life Support instructor in Texas and Florida institutions.



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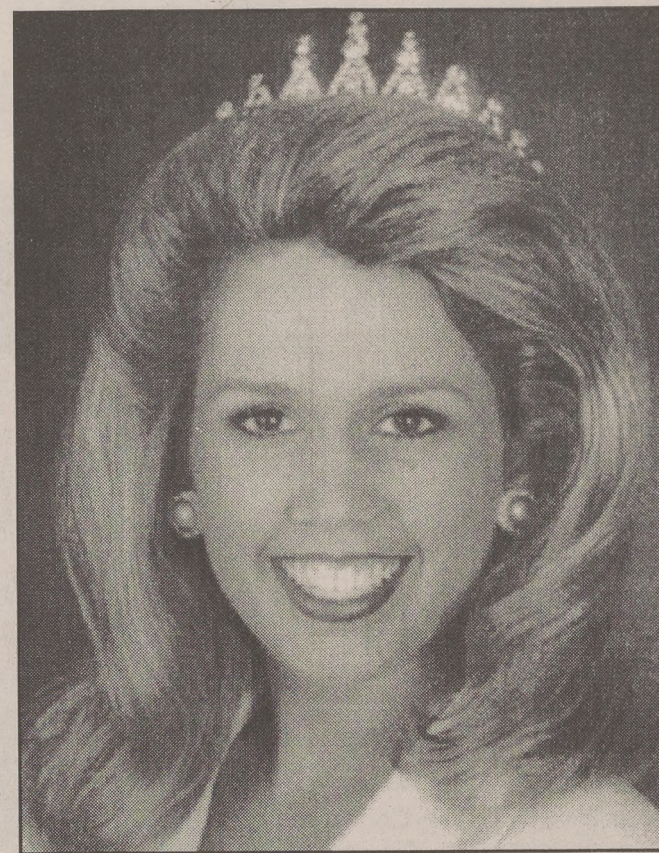
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Contestants Sought For 2000 Miss Florida Teen All American Pageant

WHEELING, WV — Marie Sweeney, President announced that Contestants are now being accepted for the 2000 Miss Florida Teen All American Pageant to be staged Saturday and Sunday, December 9th and 10th at the Daytona Beach Resort & Conference Center. The 2000 event is the Official Preliminary to Miss Teen All American...now in its 23rd year...staged annually under the magnificent Florida sun!

Contestants are judged in Swimsuit, Evening Gown and Personal Interview. There is no talent competition and no experience necessary. Young women who qualify must be ages 13 through 19 as of August 1st, 2001; never married and a legal resident of the U.S. To apply, send a recent photo along with your name, address, telephone number, date of birth and a short bio by fax or mail to: Dept. B - Miss Florida Teen All American, 603 Schrader Avenue,



Lori Duncan

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Among her many prizes, Miss Florida Teen All American will receive an expense-paid trip to Miami where she will

compete in the 23rd Annual Miss Teen All American Pageant. She will compete for a prize package that includes a Personal

Appearance Contract, \$5,000 cash, jewelry, luggage, designer shoes, fitness programs and more! In addition, each State Winner will be interviewed by representatives from the TV/Film Industry and Modeling Agency Personnel. Miss Florida Teen All American will also be awarded a host of prizes including \$1,000 cash, jewelry, luggage and more! The reigning Miss Florida Teen All American is Lori Duncan of Jasper, who placed in the Top 25 at the National Finals.

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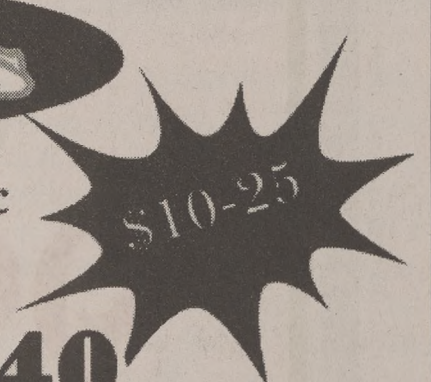
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Candidates Forum Prompts Interesting Questions

ST. PETERSBURG — On Tuesday, August 22nd, 2000, a Candidates Forum took place at the *St. Petersburg Times* auditorium, introducing representatives for Florida Senate District 21 and County Commissioner which offered voters the opportunity to have their questions answered by the candidates. The forum was made possible by AAVREC (African American Voters Research and Education Committee), a two-year old non-partisan group committed to citizen education relating to political candidates and issues, voter registration and restoration of civil rights.

According to Vyrle Davis, the participation was really impressive, especially with the number of interested African Americans who came out. *St. Petersburg Times* columnist Elijah Gosier

moderated the event and co-moderators were former Senator Jeanne Malchon and David Zachem.

This forum was very professionally organized with candidates responding capably to several major areas of concern, evidenced by their track records in the political arena. The issues, which included health, education, environmental pollutants, drug treatment and the economy, were well addressed and each candidate was in an arena of their own, promising to provide the resources, information and the service voters were entitled to.

Candidates who participated included: Doug Jamerson, Les Miller, Rudy Bradley and Kim Colijohn; Kenneth Welch, candidate for County Commissioner, District 7 and Brent Fisher.



New Educational Video For African-American Prostate Cancer Patients Launched

WASHINGTON, DC — African-American men have the highest incidence of prostate cancer in the world and are twice as likely to die of the disease as their white counterparts with the disease. Furthermore, a recent Roper Starch survey of prostate cancer patients finds African-American men are significantly more likely than white men to experience side effects from treatment, including incontinence, and are significantly more likely than white men to say they are less satisfied with the support provided by their doctor in dealing with side effects of prostate cancer treatment.

"African-American men have unique concerns about prostate cancer treatment, but for a variety of reasons, including cultural differences, many patients find it difficult to talk to their physician about sensitive issues such as impotence and incontinence," said Dr. Terry Mason, associate professor of surgery, University of Illinois School of Medicine. "Despite the fact that prostate cancer strikes our community more than any other ethnic group, there are few, if any, educational materials targeted to African-American men."

That's about to change, as a first-of-its-kind video geared to the emotional needs of African-American prostate cancer patients was launched recently at the National Medical Association (NMA) annual meeting in Washington, DC.

Produced and narrated by Dr. Mason, a Chicago urologist and chairman of the NMA Urology Section, the Video, "Not By Myself", is designed to reassure men experiencing the trauma of diagnosis and treatment for prostate cancer that they are not alone.

"Not By Myself" provides a basic overview of prostate cancer, intimate interviews with African-American patients and their families sharing reflections about the impact of prostate cancer on their lives, a discussion of common reactions to learning one has the disease and tips for coping with the emotional and physical side effects of treatment.

"Prostate cancer can be a frightening experience," said Billy Davis, Jr., a former member of the Original 5th Dimension, a prostate cancer survivor featured in the video. "The important thing is to get educated and not give up hope."

YWCA Humanitarian Award

ST. PETERSBURG — Nominations are now being accepted for the 5th annual YWCA Humanitarian

Award.

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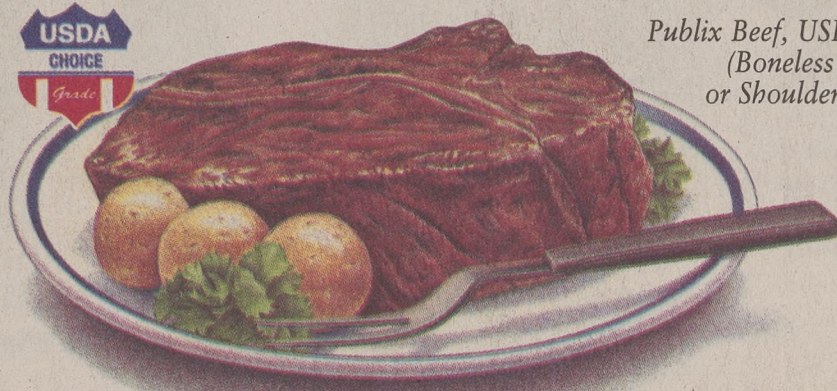
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There's A World Of Events In Store This Fall



LAKE BUENA VISTA, FL — Admire art? Collect "everything Mickey"? Have a taste for international foods and wines? Follow every swing of golf's top players? Enjoy Christian music? A Latin beat? Soaps? Holiday lights? Snow flurries at Christmastime?

Walt Disney World Resort presents festivals and events celebrating all those passions this fall and holiday season -- and continues the year-long Millennium Celebration at Epcot. There also are more rides and attractions than ever featuring Disney's FASTPASS for guests who'd like to lose the wait. Here's what's in store:

- The fall fun begins with the 2000 *Official Disneyana Convention*, Sept. 5th-9th in Disney's Contemporary Resort. It's workshops, entertainment, parties, limited-edition Disney collectibles and a chance to rub elbows with Disney legends and Disney celebrities. Reservations for this 9th annual convention are available by calling 407/827-7600.

- The fun climbs the musical scale Sept. 8th-9th during the 18th annual *Walt Disney World Night of Joy* concerts in the Magic Kingdom. Top contemporary Christian entertainers Jaci Velasquez, Newsboys and CeCe Winans are part of a six-act lineup presenting shows at

stages throughout the park each evening. Ticket information is available by calling 407/824-4321 or by visiting www.nightofjoy.com.

- *Latin Rhythm Nights*, Sept. 14th-16th, showcases live performances by top Latino talent as well as several hot, new rising acts at Downtown Disney Pleasure Island. For more information, call 407/934-7781.

- Guests can tempt their tastebuds with a world adventure of foods and wines during the *Epcot International Food & Wine Festival* Oct. 21st-Nov. 19th. The daily fun includes entertainment, culinary demonstrations, wine seminars, kids activities and more. For general information, call 407/824-4321.

- "All My Children" star Susan Lucci will headline a lineup of more than 30 stars from daytime dramas during the 5th annual *ABC Super Soap Weekend* at Disney-MGM Studios Nov. 11th-12th. Festivities include autograph sessions, motorcades, game shows, musical performances and the chance to purchase one-of-a-kind memorabilia from the shows. For updates on who's coming, call the Super Soap Hotline at 407/397-6808 or visit www.abc.com (keyword: Soaps).

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Two Lucky Teens Win The "Claim To Fame Contest"



L-R: Christina Cuenca, Ananda Lewis and Chad Norris

BARKER HANGER, SANTA MONICA — After a nationwide search, two lucky teenagers won the Seventeen and Fox 'Claim to Fame Contest' to be trophy presenters at The 2000 Teen Choice Awards on Fox. Chad Norris, 19, of Yonkers, NY, and Christina Cuenca, 20, of Chalmette, LA, presented trophies onstage, escorted celebrity winners off-stage, assisted backstage, attended the star-studded post-show party and met talent agents. They were the only two on stage for the duration of the show.

The 2000 Teen Choice Awards on Fox is an awards special celebrating the hottest teen icons in film, television, music, sports and fashion, as chosen by American teenagers and was taped at the Barker

Airport Hanger in Santa Monica, CA.

"My favorite is Latin music, but I really enjoy listening to and playing many types of music," said Chad, a University of Delaware sophomore, who is of Jamaican and Honduran heritage. Chad enjoyed meeting Enrique Iglesias and seeing him perform at the Teen Choice Awards. The talented teen has played the piano for five years and is somewhat of a renaissance man. He was a varsity football player in high school and counts visiting museums, traveling and taking in Broadway shows among his hobbies.

Christina, who boasts a Filipino/Anglo/Houma Tribe indigenous heritage, is on a modeling and acting career path. Following high school,

she attended Louisiana State University for 2-1/2 years before making a well thought out decision to leave to follow her dream full time. "I just decided that now was the right time—go for it," said Christina. "I've taken acting and modern dance classes forever, but now I'm ready to meet agents."

'Claim to Fame' contestants were asked to choose to either send an audition videotape of themselves explaining why they would make a good trophy presenter to Seventeen or bring a blank tape with them to their nearest NikeTown. All 13 stores in the U.S. teamed with Seventeen and Fox to hold a walk-in nationwide casting call where auditions were taped for free.

Gabrielle Union Stars As The Leader Of A Cheerleading Squad In *Bring It On*

UNIVERSAL CITY, CA — Wholesome, good looks have gotten Gabrielle Union far. The Omaha, Nebraska-born, Bay area-raised beauty who brings major pain in the Universal film *Bring It On*, which will be released on August 25th, never pursued the spotlight; it found her. When her internship at a Los Angeles-based modeling agency ended, a co-worker suggested she remain at the agency as a client. Union, who was nearing graduation at UCLA, says the decision was easy. "I was looking at a mountain of student loans," she laughs.

Noticing how quickly the youthful Union excelled in modeling, the agency encouraged her to pursue acting. Those instincts proved right when her very first audition for *Saved by the Bell* became her first gig. Since then, Union has graduated to teen blockbusters like *10 Things I Hate About You*, starring Julia Stiles and *She's All That* with reigning teen sensation Freddie Prinze, Jr. Earlier this year, in *Love and Basketball*, she played the groupie high school girl that Q (Omar Epps), the high school bas-



kethball star, took to the prom. Currently, in *Bring It On*, Union, as Isis, head captain for the Compton, California-based cheerleading squad The Clovers, creates a different kind of teen heat.

When it is discovered that an Orange County cheerleading squad wins the nationals each year with cheers stolen from The Clovers, it's on and each squad must bring it. To that end, Union gets a little help from the young ladies of Blaque.

Brothaz, which stars Morris Chestnut, Shemar Moore, Bill Bellamy, D.L. Hughley and her good friend Tamala Jones from *For Your Love*, is Union's

next big screen move. Unbelievably, her first cinematic leap into adulthood is playing Morris Chestnut's love interest. Also, she will be putting in heavy duty on the CBS series *City of Angels*. For this budding star, the future only seems brighter.

Bring It On features a talented ensemble of up-and-coming young actors, including: Kirsten Dunst, Eliza Dushku, Jesse Bradford, Nathan West and Claire Kramer. Blaque, the platinum selling singing/rapping trio, is making their film debut. The film is written by Jessica Bendinger, and produced by Marc Abraham and Thomas A. Bliss.

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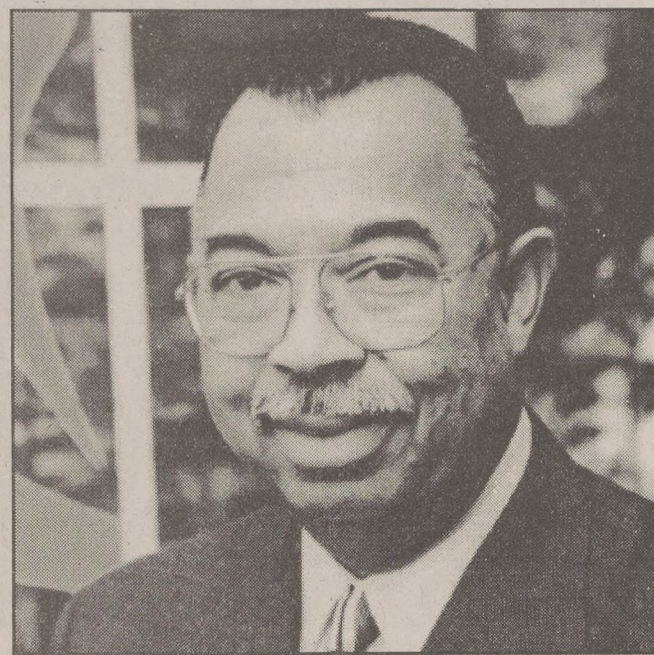


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St. Petersburg District - United Methodist Church



Dr. Cornelius Linton

DARE TO SHARE JESUS

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Dr. Cornelius Linton Henderson has been reassigned as our Bishop for the new Quadrennium. We welcome Bishop and Mrs. Henderson back to the Florida Conference for another four years, and the St. Petersburg District gives thanks for their leadership. The providence of almighty God is truly in our midst. "For God is good all the time, all the time God is good."

The St. Petersburg District is designated as the host site for the Cabinet Retreat Sept. 5th-9th, 2000. Bishop Henderson and his Cabinet will have the opportunity to experience the wonderful churches, pastors and laity in the District. The St. Petersburg District is the largest in terms of membership in the Florida Annual Conference, with over 40,000 members. Bishop Henderson will be the keynote speaker at the District Conference/Mission Rally Saturday, Sept. 9th, 2000 at Anona Church, Largo, 8:30am to noon.

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B.T.U.....5:00 p.m.	Thursday Prayer & Church
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.	School Study.....7:30 p.m.
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Sunday School	10:00am
Sunday Morning Worship	11:15am
Sunday Evening Worship	7:00pm

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Church Service 6:30 p.m. Sunday
Night Services 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday Services 7:30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
Bible Band, Thursday 7:30 p.m.



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Moore's Chapel AME's United Effort Day Celebration

Reverend Marcus Burke and Moore's Chapel Church family welcome you to their services this 4th Sunday in August, the 27th, United Effort Day, during both 8 and 11am and 4pm services. At 8am, the sermon will be delivered by Reverend Burke.

At 11am and 4pm, United Effort Day will be observed. Douglas "Tim" Jamerson, Democratic candidate for the Florida Senate will speak at 11am.

The Rt. Reverend John Hurst Adams, Presiding Bishop of the 11th Episcopal District, will speak at 4pm. Music for the day will be provided by the Mass Choir, directed and

accompanied by Minister of Music Michael Melvin, with Carlos Farley, drummer. The Stewardess Board and the Junior Usher Board will serve.

For transportation to church, please contact the Transportation Ministry: Bro. Willie F. Bryant, 894-6067; Bro. Tony Macon, 328-0022; Bro. Robert Golden, 867-0156; and Bro. Mose Bell, 867-0601.

Church School will begin at 9:30am with Superintendent Mose Phillip Bell in charge. Parents are asked to have their children present and on time. For transportation, please contact the Transportation Ministry.

Reverend Burke, Reverend Whitson, Coordinator of the Women's Growth Seminar, and the women of Moore's Chapel Church appreciate everyone, to include the keynote speaker, Missionary Cynthia Tomlin of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, and Sister Gloria Baxter, of the host church, who helped to make their Women's Seminar a success, both spiritually and financially.

Services/Meetings/Rehearsals:
Noon Day Prayer Service, Wednesday, 12noon.
Bible Study/Prayer Service, Wednesday, 7pm.
Youth Choir Rehearsal (ages 5-12), Tuesday, 5:30.

Inspirational Dance Group Rehearsal, Wednesday, 6:30pm.

African Freedom Singers Rehearsal, Tuesday, 7pm.

Inspirational Choir Rehearsal, Thursdays before the 1st and 2nd Sundays, 7pm.

Mass Choir Rehearsal, Tuesdays before the 1st and 2nd Sundays, 7pm.

Male Chorus Rehearsal, Thursdays before the 3rd and 4th Sundays, 7pm.

WMS Meeting, Wednesday after the 1st Sunday, 6pm.

YPD Meeting, 3rd Sunday, 4pm.

Abdul Haqq Guest Speaker For Family And Friends Day

Greetings! We would like to invite the entire community to join us for our monthly Family and Friends Day where there will be featured guest speaker, Imam Abdul Haqq Muhammad, a dynamic lecturer for the ministry of W.D. Mohammed on Sunday, August 27th, 2000 at 12noon. Special youth speaker, Khalimah Hanif.

This will be a great opportunity to hear encouraging words of wisdom and understanding from an

individual who has a broad knowledge of family, self and community. There will also be food and entertainment for everyone to enjoy.

Please come and bring a friend and your entire family for an all-you-can-eat dinner immediately following the lecture.

Masjid Al-Muminin Bil Qadir is located at 3762 18th Avenue South. For more information, call (727) 327-8483. Please see advertisement for regular scheduled events.

Bethel A.M.E.

Pastor Dawkins and the Bethel Church family extend an invitation for all to join us Sunday, 3-5pm, for our annual "Dine With Men Who Cook". For information, contact the church at 727-822-2089.

All officers are urged to be present Friday evening, 7:30pm, for the fourth quarterly conference business session. Presiding

Elder J.L. Denmark will close the session on Sunday during the Morning Service. The Youth Choir will render the music.

The Bethel family extends its sincere gratitude for all who came out to the Paul Beasley concert. It was a spiritual uplift for all in attendance.

Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church

Pastor Joseph Gordon and the Pleasant Grove Church family invite you to worship with them on Sunday, August 27th. The Gospel Chorus will render song selections and the Adult Male Ushers will serve in the 7am early morning worship service. Sunday School begins at 9:30am. The youth will be in charge. Deacon Philip Carter, general superintendent.

The Annual Youth Day will be celebrated in the 10:50am service. The Youth Choir will render

song selections and the Youth Usher Board will serve. Speaker will be Minister Adrian Taylor, Associate Minister at the New Hope M.B. Church of Tampa. Sister Sarah Anderson, Supervisor.

The Youth Workshop will be held Saturday, August 26th from 8:45am to 1pm. Theme, "Youth, We Love and Care About You." There will be guest speakers on major topics: "Obedience," Sister Betty Powell; "Drugs," Reverends Frank Peterman and Michael Hawkins; "Teen

Sexuality and Abusive Relationships," Sisters Carole Alexander and Margie Senior; "Assurance of Salvation," Reverend Chico Dials; "AIDS and Self Examination," Sister Lynn Swain. Parents, please bring your child/children out for an exciting and informative workshop. Also, the Youth Choir will rehearse at 1:30pm. Please see church ad for all other special services.

Coming Event:
District and Auxiliary Day will be celebrated on Sunday, Sept. 24th. More

information will be announced later.

Thought for the Week: "God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." John 4:24

For Those Who love the Word Of God: Every Word Of God Is Pure: He Is A Shield Unto Them That Put Their Trust In Him. Proverbs 30:5

Bethel Community Baptist Church



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Rev. Manuel L. Sykes

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Sunday School8:45 a.m.
Worship Service10 a.m.
Prayer ServicesWed., 6:30 p.m.
Bible Study..... Wed., 7:30 p.m.

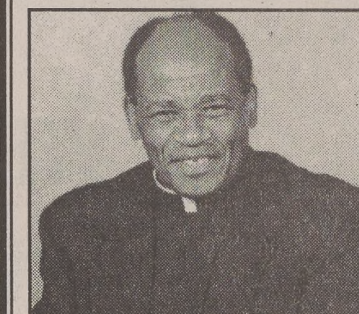
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Morning Worship.....10:50 a.m.
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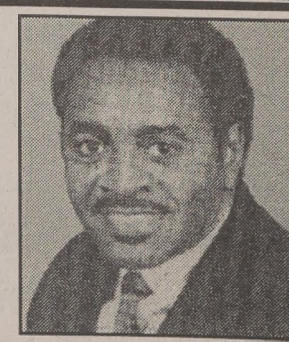
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7:00 PM.....BIBLE STUDY	TUESDAY
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Baptist Training Union5 p.m.
Evening Worship6:30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting
Thursday7 p.m.



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Bethel A.M.E. Church



Dine with men who cook Sunday, August 27th, 2000 from 3 to 5pm at Bethel A.M.E. Church where Rev. Harry L. Dawkins is pastor. Chefs and cooks of the Tampa Bay area will offer their culinary talents. This annual

affair always presents "special guest chefs" pictured in photo from left to right: Nathaniel Williams, James Darby, Joseph Hargray, Horace Watkins, Rev. Harry L. Dawkins, Martin Campbell, Vyrle Davis, Sydney Campbell,

Councilman Frank Peterman, and candidate for Florida State Representative Douglas "Tim" Jamerson. Honorary chairpersons, Vyrle Davis and Frank Peterman; guest chef, Doug Jamerson.

Friendship M.B. Church

Pastor John A. Evans Sr. and the Friendship Missionary Baptist Church family invite you to our Sunday Worship Services this Sunday, August 27th, and to all church-related activities and events during the week.

Beginning at 8am, the Youth Ministry will lead in Devotion Prayer/Praise Services. The Angelic and Teen Choirs will be in charge of the song services. The ushers will greet you, and Pastor Evans will preach the Divine Word of

God. Church School is held at 9:30am, and a second service is held at 10:45am, opening with the Minister of Music and Praise Team.

There will be no Mission this afternoon. The Friendship family will be worshipping with the Friendship Baptist Church in Davenport, FL.

Weekly Events:
Thursday, August 31st, 7-8:45pm, Prayer/Praise Service and Bible Study; also, 7:45pm, Youth Enrichment Hour.

Friday, September 1st, 7pm, Church Conference.

Monday, September 6:30pm, Women's Ministry Meeting.

Wednesday, September 6th, 12 noon, Noonday Bible Study; also each Wednesday from 12-2pm, Bread of Life Ministry serving lunch to all needy in the community.

Psalm of thanksgiving: *Hide not thy face from me in the day when I am in trouble; incline thine ear unto me; in the day when I call, answer me speedily - Psalms 102:2.*

Mt. Zion Progressive Baptist

Mt. Zion Progressive MBC offers Substance Abuse Freedom Education classes, each Monday night, 8pm, for family members of drug or alcohol abusers. Thursday nights at 8pm, classes are for those who are struggling with addictions. All classes are held in the Genesis building. For more information, contact A.J. Murphy, (727) 895-8320.

Mt. Zion Christian Academy is now accepting applications for enrollment of grades K-8 for school year 2000-2001. To learn more about the upcoming curriculum and benefits for your child, please call Elder Martin Rainey, (727) 894-4311, ext. 220 or 866-2589.

Before and After Care applications are now available for those interested in

this program designed for elementary school children. For rates and info, call Jannett Smith, Monday-Friday, and 9am-5pm, (727) 894-4311, ext. 301 or Liz Kennedy, ext. 402.

Need a ride to church? The church van will be happy to give you a lift. Pickups are on Sunday and/or Wednesday. Please try to notify us one day in advance. Contact Deacon William Harris, (727) 821-0041 or Deacon Harvey Tookes, (727) 327-9197.

Mt. Zion Progressive Missionary Baptist Church, where the Reverend Louis M. Murphy is Pastor, is located at 955 20th St. So., St. Petersburg, FL 33712. Telephone us at (727) 894-4311, or fax us at 822-1591. Our email address is mzpmbc@gte.net.

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of the Lord preached to us by Pastor Evans. We thank and praise God for our Pastor, who is led by God.

We thank God for our visitors and friends that are praying with us and for your helping hands.

The women of Emmanuel invite everyone to visit with us on the 27th of August to again praise and worship the Lord in holiness. For without prayer, praise and worship, we cannot see Him. Our

morning speaker will be our Sunday School Superintendent Sis. Gloristene Daniels. Come expecting a blessing from the Word of God.

Sunday School starts at 9:30am with lesson focus, "Be Loving and Forgiving." Philemon 1:4-21. You are welcome to share with us.

We thank God for His word, that gives life to a dying world. Let us fellowship one with another.

Dr. Thompson To Speak At Trinity

Dr. John M. Thompson, noted medical school professor and Neurosurgeon, will speak for Annual Senior's Day at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 2830 22nd Avenue South.

Each year, the senior's fellow club takes part in a number of activities as having lectures, field trips and volunteer programs at the church.

Delores Smith is chairperson, and Victor Sanchez is vice chairperson.

The speaker is a native

of Tampa. He graduated from Tulane University and John Hopkins with a medical doctorate degree. Dr. Thompson has a long history of outstanding accomplishments in the medical field. He is a Clinical Professor of Neurological Surgery at USF Medical School. Dr. Thompson practiced medicine for 43 years.

The speaker has received several outstanding awards. Among them are Phi Beta Kappa, scientific Honor Society and Alpha Omega Medical Society. He also served as a Navy Lieutenant in WWII, Mash Unit front line and the Korean War.

The speaker is a devoted Christian and serves on the Invocation Committee in the Downtown Rotary Club.

The public is invited to attend the service. The speaker will talk about "How to Have a Long and Successful Life".

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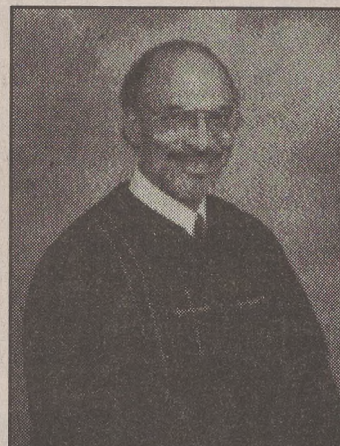
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St. Petersburg, FL 33712

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Mid-Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.

Baptist Training Union 5:00 p.m.

Mid-Week Worship Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Bible Study/Prayer Service Thursday 7:30 p.m.

Come join us at the Church where everyone is Welcome!



Rev. Earnest Jones, Pastor



Church News



Macedonia Freewill Baptist Church

Bishop John Copeland and the Macedonia Church family invite you to worship with them on Sunday, Aug. 27th. The Deacons will be in charge of devotion, Choir No. 2 will render song service, and Usher Board No. 3 will serve. The Pastor will deliver the 8 and 11am message. Sunday School begins at 9:30am. Superintendent Geraldine Warren urges everyone to please attend. At 4pm, 100 Men and Women in Black and White will be presented. The theme is, "The Last Seven Sayings of Christ." There will be various speakers. Everyone is cor-

dially invited. The church is located at 2361 7th Avenue South.

Church Calendar:
Monday, Choirs No. 1 & 2; Deacons' Meeting; Hospitality; Pastor's Aide.

Wednesday, 12noon, Bible Class; Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7pm.

Thursday, Choir No. 3; Usher Board No. 1.

Saturday, Usher Board No. 3 and Asylum Choir. Mother's Board, 2nd Sunday, 4pm.

Prayer Band and Home Mission, 4th Sunday.

Holy Communion is observed on the 1st Sunday after the 5th Sunday.

Faith Memorial

Many exciting things are being planned at Faith. As always, the community is invited to come and participate with us.

On September 10th, the Music Department is planning a Fall Musical. This musical is under the direction of Robert Anders, Minister of Music, Cara Taliaferro and Versie Turner, musicians. Sister Willie Lee Corbett, who is also working with this committee, promises this will be an event that everyone will want to attend. More will be published as we get closer to the scheduled date.

October 21st, a Prayer Breakfast is planned. More will be published as this date draws nearer.

Faith Weekly Calendar:
Sunday, 9am, Prayer Service; 9:30am, Church School.

Monday, 10am, Bible Study.

Tuesday, 7pm, Bible Study.

Wednesday, 6pm, Morris Milton Choir; 6:30pm, Teachers' Meeting.

Saturday, 9am, Brotherhood.

As usual, everyone is always welcome at Faith.

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Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Bible Band 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, Prayer & Worship Service 7:30 p.m.

New Hope Baptist Church

You are prayerfully invited to join us for Sunday services at the New Hope Missionary Baptist Church where Rev. Alvin Moore is the Pastor. Church School will begin at 9am followed by morning services at 10:30 where Deacon William Simmons and the Deacons will be in charge of devotion. The Mass Choir will render the song services.

This is a very special and historical Sunday for the New Hope family as Minister William Shepherd will deliver his first sermon during the 10:30 service. Minister Shepherd

was molded by the Potter from a child to become the head deacon, trustee, Church School instructor, Male Chorus member and pillar in the family of New Hope.

We not only welcome you to this service, but you are welcome anytime.

Services for the week include:

Tuesday, 6:30pm, Prayer Services; 7pm, Bible Study.

Thursday, 11am, Prayer Band; 7:30pm, Mass Choir Rehearsal.

May His peace be with you until we meet again!

Breakthrough Christian Center

Thank you to everyone who donated school supplies! The Back-to-School Jamboree was a great success! We gave out bags of supplies to over 70 students. Hats off to ya!

No service tonight (Thursday).

You can now tune in during the weekdays to Breakthrough's radio broadcast on WRXB-1590 every Monday through Friday from 6-6:15am. Praise God! Don't forget Sunday mornings also from 9:30-10am, and WTAN 1340 on Sundays from 4:30-5pm.

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Ladies Bible Class Monday 7:00 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
Monday Evening Bible Class 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

First. Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church

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9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
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Pastor: Elder. Franklin Evans

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:15 a.m.
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Rev. Curtiss L. Long, Pastor

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Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Prayer Service/Bible Study Tues. 7:00 p.m.
Junior Church Fellowship Thurs. 6:00 p.m.
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• Thursday- Tutoring for K thru 5th, 6:30pm- 7:30pm
• Friday- Great Book Review for Youth, 7:00pm
• Saturday- Young Men's Bible Study, "Teen Word" Each 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month 9:00am- 10:00am

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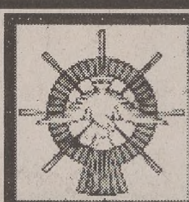
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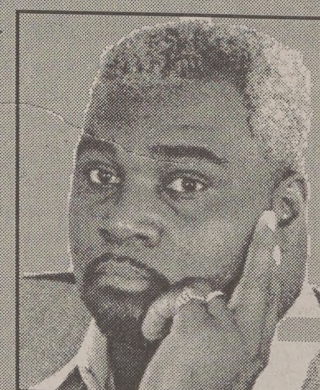
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More Church News

New Philadelphia

The spirit of youth in revival is continuing focus of praise at New Philadelphia for month of August. Brandi Williams was youth messenger on Sunday. The focal point of her message was, "Stop Wishing and PRAY!" The Reverend James Calvin then challenged youth and adults about dangers of laying up treasures here on earth. The books of Ecclesiastes and St. Matthew served as scripture references.

All members are urged to make a sacrificial effort to attend Wisdom School on Sunday morning, and mid-week Bible Study on Wednesday. These two

worship activities contribute immensely to Christian growth and maturity. The church family welcomes visitors and new members to these ongoing services of worship.

The Pastor would like to see all members of Christian Education ministry at conclusion of mid-morning worship. This meeting will follow a brief gathering to discuss important information vital to church's immediate history as it relates to edifice construction. Members are reminded to bring in their future ministry plans for community.

Elim Seventh-Day Adventist

Pastor Theus Young and the Elim Seventh Day Adventist Church invite you to come worship with us each Sabbath starting with Sabbath School at 9am, followed by worship service at 11am. This quarter we have been studying "Witnessing -- Turning the World Upside Down." This week's Sabbath School lesson is entitled "Church Life and Witnessing." The memory text is, "Then the church throughout Judea, Galilee and Samaria enjoyed a time of peace. It was strengthened, and encouraged by the Holy Spirit. It grew in numbers, living in the fear of the Lord." Acts 9:31, NKJV. Come join our church at study starting at 9am.

Worship hour starts at 11am. During our worship service, you will be blessed with special music by The Nu Generation Choir, blessed through prayer, and most of all, blessed from the Word of God. Our church is located at 801 Sixth Avenue South in St. Petersburg. For questions, information, or transportation, please call 894-5246.

Adventist Youth Society program is every Sabbath 1 1/2 hours before sunset (6:30pm). This Sabbath's program will feature a program entitled, "Bible Bowl." Questions are taken from Patriarchs and Prophets, chapter 41 and Numbers 25. Please come support the youth of our church.

Elim Junior Academy - training the hands, the head, and the heart. Registration is now in progress, Monday - Thursday, 8am to 3pm, and Friday, 8am to 12noon. All kids grades kindergarten through 8th grade are welcomed. Remember: There is no work more important than the education of our youth.

If you have kids and would like them to be involved in a club that teaches Christian values, please have them join the Adventurers (ages 5-9) or the Orion Pathfinders club

(ages 10-above). For more information, please contact our church at 822-0034.

The Community Service Center is open on Mondays and Wednesdays from 2-4pm, and on Tuesday evenings from 5-6pm.

A Bible Study is held each Friday evening at 6:30pm. All are invited to attend and join us as we are studying "The Desire of Ages."

A Bible Study Class is held each Sunday afternoon at 4pm. We are in the midst of a study of the Holy Spirit. All are invited to come!

Thought for the week: The True Fast...which should be recommended to all, is abstinence from every stimulating kind of food, and the proper use of wholesome, simple food, which God has provided in abundance. Men need to think less about what they shall eat and drink of temporal food, and much more in regards to the food from heaven, that will give tone and vitality to the whole religious experience.

Now and onward till the close of time the people of God should be more earnest, more wide-awake, not trusting in their own wisdom, but in the wisdom of their Leader. They should set aside days for fasting and prayer. Entire abstinence from food may not be required, but they should eat sparingly of the most simple food.

All the fasting in the world will not take the place of simple trust in the word of God. "Ask," He says, "and ye shall receive..." You are not called upon to fast 40 days. The Lord bore that fast for you in the wilderness of temptation. There would be no virtue in such a fast; but there is virtue in the blood of Christ.

The spirit of true fasting and prayer is the spirit which yields mind, heart, and will to God. (Council on Diet and Food, pgs. 188-189)

"The Lord is great and is to be highly praised; his greatness is beyond understanding."

— Psalms 145:3

Front Porch Revitalization Council Speaks

by Rodney Bennett

ST. PETERSBURG — If actions speak louder than words, it must have been an arena concert on the evening of August 14th at the Downtown Hilton Hotel. The Governors Revitalization Council for Front Porch explained its structure for inclusion of everyone under Front Porch to about 200 guests whom later signed up to become community Partners.

Askia Aquil, Executive Director of Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc., was Master of Ceremony. Executive Director of Front Porch Florida Patrick Hadley gave a wonderful speech on the Front Porch mission. Rodney Bennett, Chairman of the Council, laid out the structure for inclusion. He mentioned Zones and Committees that would allow anyone of the community to be part of Front Porch Florida. "No one is left out. Just come on and let us all sit on the porch." One of the highlights of the evening was a speech about economic



development given by Rep. 'Rudy' Bradley.

Thanks to the hard work of Ms. Evelyn

Fletcher and the Partners Social Committee the event was filled with positive energy. The next

Council meeting will be held the first Thursday of the month. Call 867-0622 for more information.



Waller Charges Merryday's Ruling Violates Black Community Rights

ST. PETERSBURG — "Federal Judge Steven Merryday's decision to end court-ordered busing in 2007 does not solve our problems," charges At Large School Board candidate Dwight "Chimurenga" Waller.

"Thirty years of busing in Pinellas County has taken a great toll on our African children. Clearly busing has not ended segregation and discrimination. Our black children bore the brunt of the busing all these years. While white students are tracked to college and careers, black students are subjected to "special education," unfair discipline, discriminatory suspensions, disrespect and failure. Nearly two-thirds of black third graders in St. Petersburg are reading below grade level on their FCAT tests. This is a crisis!"

Waller points out that, "Merryday's decision violates the black communi-

ty's right to equal protection under the law, as guaranteed by the Fourteenth Amendment. His ruling permits all white schools, even in black neighborhoods, but does not permit all black schools that would enable our community to address the educational needs of our children."

Waller stated that Merryday's ruling glosses over the profound educational crisis for black children in the county, which is what brought about the busing order in the first place. His decision leaves all Pinellas County parents with more insecurity because the ruling guarantees more and more lawsuits.

If elected, Waller says he "promises to work for neighborhood schools with equal resources throughout the district and is committed to raising the achievement levels of black children."

Chimurenga Waller

will take part in a School Board candidates' forum sponsored by the Coalition of African American Leadership on Tuesday, August 22nd at 7pm. The forum will take place at Bethel Community Baptist Church, 1045 16th Street South. This forum will give South Side residents an opportunity to raise their questions to all the School Board candidates.

Waller will also participate in another School Board candidates' forum, sponsored by the National People's Democratic Uhuru Movement at Bethel Metropolitan Baptist Church, 3455 26th Avenue South at 7pm on Friday, August 25th.

Voters can also meet Mr. Waller at a "Meet the Candidate" night at Lynn Lake Apartments, Phase II Club House, on Friday, August 18th at 7pm.

Waller's website is: electwaller.freelyellow.com

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— Hillary Williams

Local Resident Wins National Contest

ST. PETERSBURG – Recently, Tavis Smiley presented “Advocacy in the Next Millennium: New Paradigms” for progress contest. Listeners of the Tom Joyner Morning Show were invited to write a narrative of 100 words or less on what they did in their community to drive the vote. Well, St. Petersburg had a winner. Local resident and young entrepreneur Tammy Moore was the winner who received an expense-free trip to Los Angeles to hang out with a long list of celebrities.

Tammy’s winnings entitled her to not only the trip to L.A. but admittance for two to the Advocacy in the Next Millennium symposium, two round-trip tickets on Southwest Airlines to Los Angeles, CA and a two-day hotel stay. Tammy’s name was announced on the Tom Joyner Morning Show July 27th and she and friend, Ms. Sylvia Wells-Moore, took flight August 12th.

From our understanding, they had the time of their lives while in the company of the stars who included: Johnetta B. Cole, Jamal-Harrison Bryant, Nikki Giovanni, Jesse Jackson Jr., Iyanla Vanzant, Hugh B. Price, Earvin “Magic” Johnson, Tom Joyner, Jim Brown, Jawanza Kunjufu, Les Brown, Jada Pinckett, Na’im Akbar, Danny Glover, Rev. Al Sharpton, Kweisi Mfume, Malik Yoba and so many others.

Advocacy in the New Millennium spotlights America’s best and brightest black leaders, celebrities and scholars present and is a public think tank to analyze the challenges facing the African American community. Topics range from economic empowerment and the digital divide to the black/brown conflict and census undercounts.

Tammy is an aspiring entrepreneur who has her own business ‘Events Organizers’ planning events for major businesses throughout the area, some of which include Daimler Chrysler and World Com Communications. Congratulations Tammy! Again St. Petersburg has been put in the spotlight and on record. Yes, ‘we do have game.’

Sanderlin Cleans Up

ST. PETERSBURG – On Friday, July 28th, the James B. Sanderlin Family Center had a group of volunteers to engage in a rigorous cleaning campaign at the Center. Those volunteering their services included Family Services, Youth Discovery, Boy Scouts of America Troop



Tammy Moore

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ST. PETERSBURG – The National Office of the National People’s Democratic Uhuru Movement (NPDM) and the African People’s Socialist Party are co-sponsoring an event Sunday, August 27th, 2000 to build the International Campaign to Free Fred Hampton, Jr. The event will be held at the Uhuru House at 1245 18th Ave. South in St. Petersburg, from 2 to 5pm. Kamau Becktemba, the International Coordinator of the Campaign from Philadelphia, PA will be the guest speaker on the campaign and its strategy.



Fred Hampton

Fred Hampton, Jr. is the son of Black Panther leader Fred Hampton who was killed in Chicago in 1969 by police and FBI agents during a 4am raid that is well remembered by many around the nation. Fred Hampton, Sr. was responsible for starting the “Free Breakfast for School Children” programs in Chicago and was known for defending the rights of the black community. Fred Hampton, Jr. was born just weeks after the murder of his father.

“Fred Hampton, Jr. was framed up for walking in the footsteps of his father,

for standing in defense of the rights of the black community. He is an organizer just as his father and they do not want another Fred Hampton walking the streets,” said NPDM National President Chimurenga Waller who will also be speaking on Sunday about the importance of defending Fred Hampton, Jr.

“We must defend those leaders who have the courage to stand up for our community,” said Kamau Becktemba who serves as the NPDM local president in Philadelphia where

their branch has been described as one of the “first and fastest groups to protest police violence” by local papers, “if we don’t defend them, then who else is going to want to stand up?”

There will also be a dinner and partial video showing during the event. Everyone is encouraged to participate to learn more about the Campaign and how to participate. For more information, contact Chimurenga Waller, NPDM National President, 727-502-0575.

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Friends Turn Out For Jamerson Reception

ST. PETERSBURG — Last Friday evening at the Orange Blossom Cafeteria, The Committee to Elect Doug Jamerson, friends and supporters gathered for a wonderful gala reception to honor this mild-mannered distinguished young politician for his long and untiring service to the community and the State of Florida at Large.

It was like a family gathering when those who attended congratulated Mr. Jamerson and continued to encourage him in his present political endeavors. The evening drew more than several dozen of his proteges from a diverse background, exchanging handshakes, hugs and a lot of glittering interactive conversations.

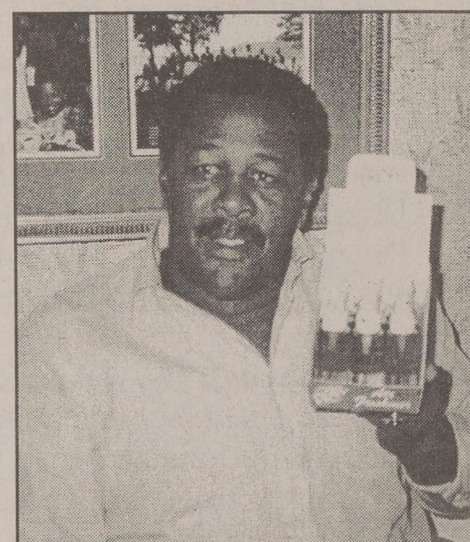
Jamerson gave a small speech to express his appreciation for everyone's efforts and support towards him. It was of utmost importance to him to go on and beyond the call and maintain his effectiveness, his dedication and demonstrative capabilities to work with the people and for the people protecting the civil and political rights of all citizens in our state as well as giving special attention to all of their concerns.



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St. Pete Final Rites

BENNETT, DORE-ATHA B., 82, died August 15, 2000. Survivors include one son, William Bennett, III; two daughters, Johnnie Mae Howard and Valerie B. Williams; 2 sisters; 3 brothers; 10 grandchildren; 24 great grandchildren; a host of sorrowing nieces, nephews and friends. Creal Funeral Home, St. Petersburg.

CLARK, CYNTHIA D., 39, died August 13, 2000. Survivors include four daughters, Patrice Towns, Pamela Clark, Arkeela Monroe and Qunillie Cox; three sons, Verlee Monroe, DeWarren Cox and Theodore Brown; 3 sisters; 1 brother; 11 grandchildren, and a host of several uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Creal Funeral Home, St. Petersburg.

DESMOND, DORIS, 99, died August 16, 2000. Survivors include one daughter, Frances Darden; 3 grandsons; 14 great grandchildren, and 13 great, great grandchildren. McRae Funeral Home, St. Petersburg.



FAIRCLOTH, KENNETH M. "KENNY", died recently. Survivors include one son, Kenneth Jr.; 5 sisters; 2 brothers; 5 aunts; 10



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JONES, MAYLENE MARDEEN, 52, died August 12, 2000. Survivors include her husband, Leon Jones; two daughters, Yvette and Sherah Jones; her father, Lebert Morris; 1 brother; 2 sisters; 1 aunt; and a host of in-laws, cousins, nieces, nephews, friends and loving church family. Creal Funeral Home, St. Petersburg.

NORWOOD, ROBERT DAVID "RD", died August 8, 2000. Survivors include

one daughter, Mary N. Sails; two sons, Robert David Norwood Jr. and Aster Norwood; 4 sisters; 1 aunt; 6 grandchildren; several great grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. Creal Funeral Home, St. Petersburg.

Clearwater Final Rites



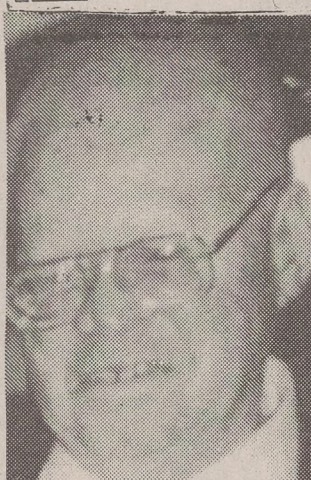
CHOICE, MARY LUVENIA THOMAS, 82, died August 7, 2000. Survivors include those who cherished her and who will miss her. Young's Funeral Home, Clearwater.

STEPHENS, SALLY LOU, 82, died August 12, 2000. Survivors include



one son, Herbert Carr; 3 grandchildren; several great grandchildren; 1 nephew; other relatives and friends. Young's Funeral Home, Clearwater.

Gainesville Final Rites



ASHLEY, DEACON THEODORE, 66, died August 8, 2000. Survivors

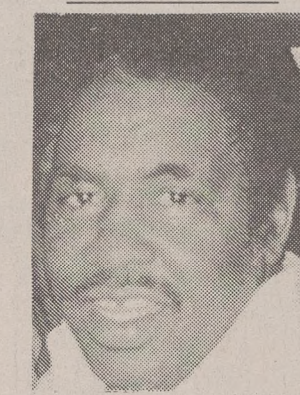
include his wife, Foris Ashley; one son, Theodore Eugene Ashley; four daughters, Thelma King, Lorene Latson Harris, Irene Latson and Adelle Roberson; 18 grandchildren; 9 great grandchildren; other relatives and friends. Chestnut Funeral Home, Gainesville.

JOHNSON, ANNIE LEE "MO.", 59, died August 6, 2000. Survivors include her mother, Maude H. Cook; 6 sisters; 2 brothers; 1 uncle; 2 aunts; 4 grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and many sorrowing friends. Chestnut Funeral Home, Gainesville.



SLOAN, JOHN "COOTER MAN" JR., 51, died August 6, 2000. Sur-

vivors include his wife, Roberta Jackson Sloan; two sons, Reverend Michael Kelly and John Sloan III; two daughters, Tiffany Sloan Brown and Roberta Kay Sloan; his mother, Mildred Sloan; 5 grandchildren; 1 brother; 2 sisters; 2 uncles; 4 aunts; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. Chestnut Funeral Home, Gainesville.



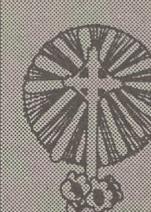
TURNER, DAVID KENNETH, 51, died August 3, 2000. Survivors include 1 sister; 1 son, David K. Turner Jr.; 2 daughters, Karen Goode and Kimberly Johnson; 7 grandchildren; 5 aunts; a host of cousins, other rela-

tives and many sorrowing friends. Chestnut Funeral Home, Gainesville.

Ocala Final Rites

FRAZIER-WRIGHT, CARRIE MAE, 82, died August 9, 2000. Survivors include her husband, Elishua Wright; sons,

Fuller Frazier, Alfred Frazier Sr., and Wardell Frazier Sr.; daughters, Mamie Latson, Lavania Crum, Clydia Lee and Mary Amica; 19 grandchildren; 32 great grandchildren; 5 great, great grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and loving friends. Cunningham Funeral Home, Ocala.



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The City Council of the City of St. Petersburg will hold a public hearing to receive comments on the proposed amendments on Thursday, September 21, 2000 beginning at or about 6:00 pm, City Council Chambers, 175 Fifth Street North, St. Petersburg. Written comments on the proposed amendment may be submitted to Housing and Neighborhood Improvement, 440 Second Avenue North, or P.O. Box 2842, St. Petersburg, Florida 33731 by 4:00 pm on September 20, 2000. For additional information concerning this notice, please contact 893-4159.

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Sealed bids presented in duplicate will be received by Celebrity Kids Club, Inc. at 2511 5th Ave. So., St. Pete, FL 33712 until Sept. 11, 2000, 7:00 a.m. for the period Oct. 1, 2000 through September 30, 2001 inclusive. Sealed bids will be opened on Sept. 13, 2000 at 10:00 a.m. with an award to be made on or about September 18, 2000 at 10:00 a.m.

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Your Horoscope



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March 21 to April 19

Get all your domestic chores out of the way this week. Streamline your life and you'll be able to concentrate on more creative pursuits. Pay attention to your family's and mate's demands. The love you receive will compensate your efforts.



Taurus

April 20 to May 20

Your life will seem busier than ever this week, with invitations, parties and appointments leaving you breathless. Remember to take some time off so you don't burn yourself out. A romantic encounter will make your spirits soar.



Gemini

May 21 to June 21

You are concerned about jointly held finances and long-term security. Don't focus on problems—look for solutions. If you are in doubt, consult a trusted banker or financial expert. A change of scenery will do you a world of good.



Cancer

June 22 to July 22

You have been in emotional turmoil, but a new period of calm and fulfillment will make you very happy. Don't cry over spilled milk. Get on with the great things coming into your life. If you're single, new love looms on the horizon.



Leo

July 23 to August 22

Don't criticize your mate or make him feel inadequate. You will reap more benefits with praise than with finger-pointing. Don't underestimate the effect your opinion has on others. They eagerly want your approval. Be encouraging.



Virgo

August 23 to September 22

Pay attention to your intuition to advance your career. Your love life needs a boost—try buying some sexy lingerie and perfume. Go away for a weekend of fun and frolic with your mate. The two of you need some time alone together.



Libra

September 23 to October 22

You'll be tickled by all the cards and gifts coming your way this birthday month. The sky's the limit to your personal happiness now. Don't be afraid to ask for what you really want, and share your great bounty with others.



Scorpio

October 23 to November 21

A long-held wish will come true. If you're inclined to gamble or buy lottery tickets, you may surprise others with the size of your winnings. You'll have the confidence to ask for a raise, buy a new home or increase the size of your family.



Sagittarius

November 22 to December 21

Young marrieds may successfully conceive this week or adopt. Older Sagittarians may welcome grandchildren or pets, whom they'll spoil with love and affection. Long-term investments will yield good future dividends.



Capricorn

December 22 to January 19

You will feel as though many changes are taking place in your life. Go for what you know is right for you. This really is a case of the early bird catching the proverbial worm. Don't sit on the sidelines; compete for what you want.



Aquarius

January 20 to February 18

You need to be clear on exactly what you want. Giving others mixed signals confuses them and makes them wary of approaching you. A showdown with your mate over finances is inevitable. Start saving for the future now.



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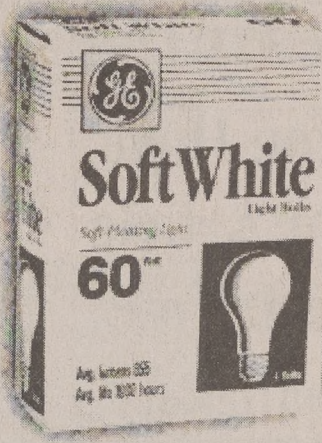
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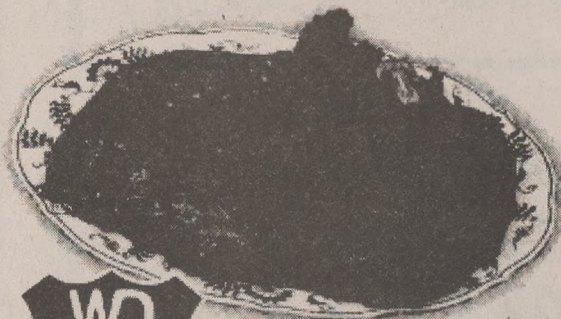
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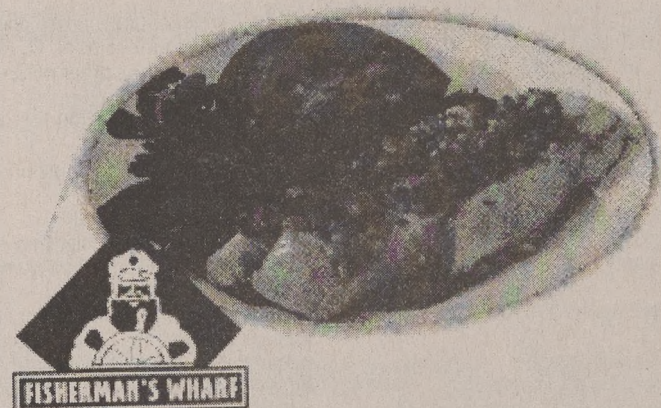
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