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The Motown sound

An Indiana University class bebops to Motown's greatest hitmakers inside Arts and Entertainment on page C-1.

Staff and Wire reports

Author to lecture

Janet Cheatham Bell, an award-winning author, editor, lecturer and Indianapolis native will present a free lecture program on Friday, July 26 at 7 p.m. at the Glendale Branch Library, 6101 N. Keystone Ave.

Bell's latest work, *Till Victory Is Won: Famous Black Quotations From the NAACP*, celebrates the courage and determination that has shaped the African-American experience and defined the NAACP.

With a forward by Julian Bond, *Till Victory Is Won* is a powerful anthology that chronicles significant moments in African-American history through the inspiring words of such individuals as Thurgood Marshall, Hank Aaron, Alice Walker and Fannie Lou Hamer. The book revolves around five key action areas: civil rights, political empowerment, educational excellence, economic development and youth outreach.

Bell graduated from Manual High School in 1954. As a teen-ager and youth member of the Indianapolis NAACP, she picketed a local supermarket that refused to hire African Americans. Later, while attending Indiana University, she joined the local NAACP as it picketed a barbershop that refused to serve African Americans.

The author of four previous works, she is the recipient of several awards, including the American Library Association's "Quick Plan for Reluctant Readers" in 1999.

Mixer to benefit Forest Manor Center

Forest Manor Multi-Service Center's Capital Campaign Committee will hold a fund raiser from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Friday at Malibu on Maryland, 14 W. Maryland St. Call 545-1204 for more information.

Clinton to speak at Rainbow/PUSH Conference

(Special to the NNPA) — Former President Clinton will be the keynote speaker at a luncheon during the 36th annual conference of the Rainbow/PUSH Coalition in Chicago next week.

Jesse L. Jackson Sr., founder and president of the organization, said, "We must continue to be steadfast in our knowledge of the issues, dissemination of the facts and renewed commitment for an inclusive 'One Big

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Lacy Johnson



Judge Z. Mae Jimison



Myra Selby

By ANARÉ V. HOLMES
and SHANNON WILLIAMS

The legal minds of Judge Z. Mae Jimison, Judge Myra Selby and attorney Lacy Johnson have soared high in the community.

Each has made significant contributions to their profession and opened doors of opportunity that were for so long, closed and denied to many Blacks in the legal and law enforcement professions.

Judge Jimison pushed the door open for other women to follow as the city's first Black female judge in 1988.

Selby kicked her way into an historic breakthrough as the first woman and first African American to sit on the Indiana Supreme Court in 1995.

And attorney Johnson helped to usher in a wave of other Black men and women into the fold of the Indiana State Police during the late 1970s and 1980s before becoming one of the state's most influential lobbyists in his current position at power law firm Ice Miller.

Jimison was recently inducted into the Career College Association's Hall of Fame for her accomplishments and Indiana Black Expo will honor both Selby and Johnson, along with Sterling Tucker of Sterling Tucker and Associates, for their vast achievements.

Recorder Editor Anaré V. Holmes and Assistant Editor Shannon Williams checked in with these trailblazers who all reveal sacrifices made on the journey to success.

Judge Z. Mae Jimison

For a woman who had no childhood desires of maintaining a flourishing career in the political field, she has managed to do just that.

With undergraduate and graduate degrees from Indiana State University, and Ohio State University College of Law, Jimison is a true pioneer.

The year was 1988. Martin Luther King Jr. Day was declared that year and Rev. Jesse Jackson ran for president of the United States. That was also the year that Z. Mae Jimison became the first African-American woman to preside over a Superior Court in Indiana as well as the first African-American woman to serve as judge in Indianapolis.

Challenging? Not to Jimison, who says any anxiety that she's felt during her tenure, is that in which she's placed on herself.

"The only pressure I have ever felt while serving on the bench, is the pressure that I generate," said Jimison, current presiding judge of Marion Superior Court, Criminal Division 10. She continues, "I see my accountability as to the people first and foremost. I do not want to disappoint those citizens and the Supreme

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PREDATORY LENDING Bad loans and broken dreams

By FRAN QUIGLEY
Nuvo Newsweekly

Editor's Note: This is the first of a series of articles examining the impact of predatory lending on community residents. The next installment, done originally by The Recorder, will explore how predatory lending practices affect investment property owners.

The number "631" is awkwardly hand-lettered under the mailbox, and the white paint is peeling away from the side of the house. But there is a wide-limbed oak tree in the front yard, and the handrails leading to the porch are brand new. Inside, a post-wedding Olan Mills portrait hangs over the mantle. Nearby are photos of a granddaughter in a gold graduation gown and a smiling nephew who starts with the Washington, D.C., police force this month. A Christ-in-the-Cradle plant and a potted palm tree soak up the morning sunlight coming through the windows facing Hamilton Street.

Lawrence and Sandy Washington sit at their dining room table and talk about their home. Sandy handles most of the narrative, but she constantly looks for affirmation from Lawrence, who is absent-mindedly

fumbling with his leather-cased Medicare card. The Washingtons had lived here as renters for a dozen years when they learned their landlord was going to sell. They applied for, and quickly received, their first-ever home loan.

It was a relief to be able to stay here. Both Washingtons are disabled — Sandy has had three heart attacks. Lawrence has had a serious stroke. Neither drives anymore. But the Kroger grocery on 10th Street is within easy walking distance, and they are close with their neighbors, who often gather on each other's porches on warm summer evenings. A multi-racial couple, the Washingtons have always felt comfortable in this, one of the city's few multi-racial neighborhoods. "If we need help, all we need to do is holler," Sandy says.

They didn't think they needed help last fall, even when they got the confusing notice from the bank. The Washingtons believed their mortgage payments included payment of their property taxes, but in fact the Washingtons were expected to pay the taxes separately. The bank took their monthly mortgage payment and

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HoosierRx helps low-income seniors pay for prescription drugs

By ROBIN YATES
Recorder Correspondent

HoosierRx, Indiana's prescription drug program for low-income seniors, has changed from a refund check program to a point-of-sale program.

The new program kicked off at the beginning of the month. It provides a drug card that eligible seniors present to their pharmacist to receive 50 percent off a discounted rate on prescriptions, up to a yearly cap. After the yearly cap is met, they will still receive a discounted price for prescriptions.

HoosierRx covers all drugs, which require a prescription, as well as insulin.

The program should have participating drug stores signed up as a network by Aug. 1 of this year. Most chain drugstores will be participating as well as independents.

Grace Chandler, HoosierRx director, hopes to have 30,000 seniors enrolled by June, 2003. Over 100,000 Indiana seniors are eligible based on income guidelines alone. Those targeted are seniors who are not eligible for the state's

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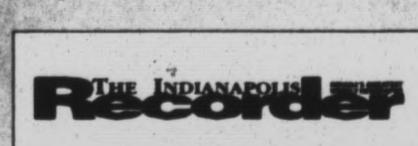
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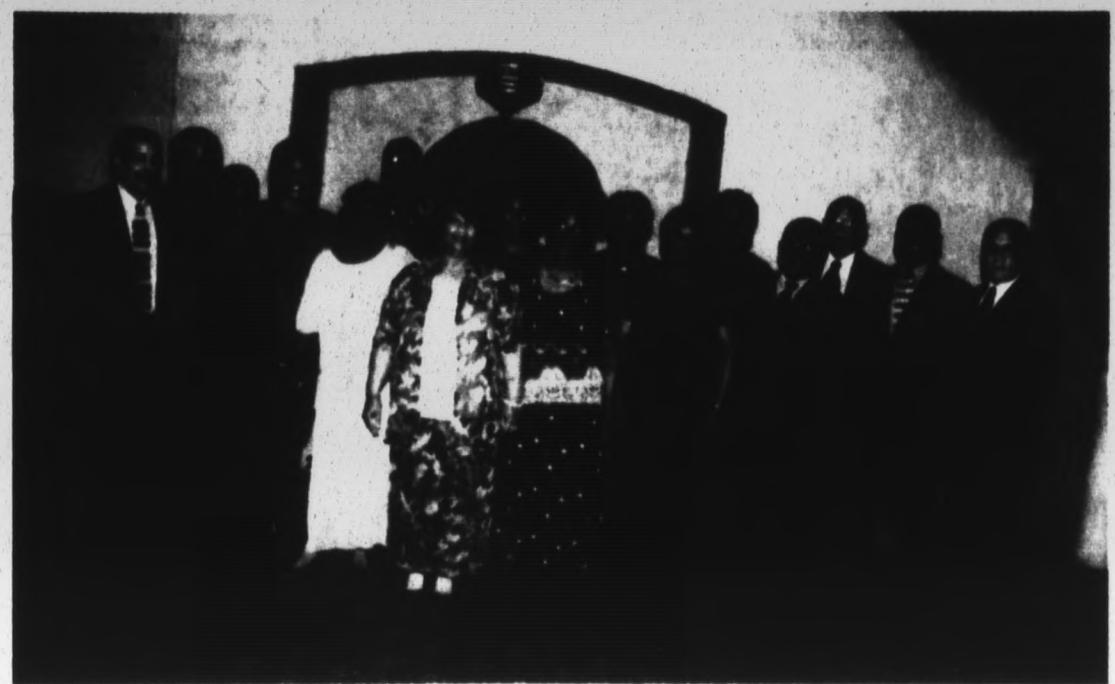
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Award-winning families



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The Phyllis Goodnight family was also one of IUL's 2002 Family Salute Award Recipients.

BRIEFS

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Tent' America. This years' conference will speak to the shackles of slavery and our struggle for freedom."

The four-day conference beginning July 20, with the theme

"From Slavery to Freedom: Leveling The Education & Economic Playing Fields: The Struggle Continues," features several workshops, among them: "Political Power and Participation;" "Death

Penalty Moratorium," "Expungement," "Funding Education for the Future" and "Reparations."

Clinton is scheduled to speak at the luncheon, "Women and AIDS: An International Perspective."

HOOSIER RX

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Medicaid program because their income is too high.

To be eligible for HoosierRx, a senior must be:

• 65 year of age or older.

• Not covered under prescription drug insurance, Medicaid, or Medicare with a spend-down.

• Receiving an income of \$997 or less a month if single or an income of \$1,344 or less a month if married.

• An Indiana resident.

If a senior is already enrolled in full Medicaid or Medicare with a spend-down, they would not qualify for the HoosierRx drug card because they already have access to prescription drug assistance. The

HoosierRx program is for seniors who do not have access to assistance for their prescription drug costs.

Indiana seniors can enroll in the program by picking up an application at their local pharmacy, downloading one from the HoosierRx web site at www.IN.gov/HoosierRx or calling toll-free at 1-866-267-4679 or 317-234-1381.

Applications are also available locally at area agencies on aging, Social Security offices, offices of family and children, SHIP (Senior Health Insurance Information Program) offices, or senior centers.

A lot of the program will be

advertised by word of mouth as seniors talk to their neighbors, friends, and relatives. "We think the drug card is going to be appealing to people," said director Chandler.

The program is available in all 92 Indiana counties. There is no enrollment fee; seniors are eligible if they fall within program guidelines.

Funding for HoosierRx came from Tobacco Settlement Funds awarded to the state and allocated by the state Legislature and signed into law by Gov. Frank O'Bannon. There is approximately 20 years of Tobacco Settlement payments, so the program is expected to remain strong in the future, according to Chandler.

Indiana was one of the first 20 states in the nation to establish a prescription drug program for seniors; almost 30 states have a program currently in place. Indiana is the only state where all of the tobacco funding went into health care.

While the program is liberal in covering all prescription drugs, Chandler said that "asking for a generic substitution will help extend the senior's yearly benefit amount and save them money in the long run. All legend drugs (drugs that require a prescription) are covered, but medical supplies, over-the-counter, and fertility-enhancement drugs are not covered. Insulin is covered," said Chandler.

The program has taken off rapidly, according to Kelly Lucas, program coordinator of HoosierRx. "Pharmacies have been very helpful in helping to enroll seniors," said Lucas. "They continue to be the No. 1 distributors of HoosierRx applications."

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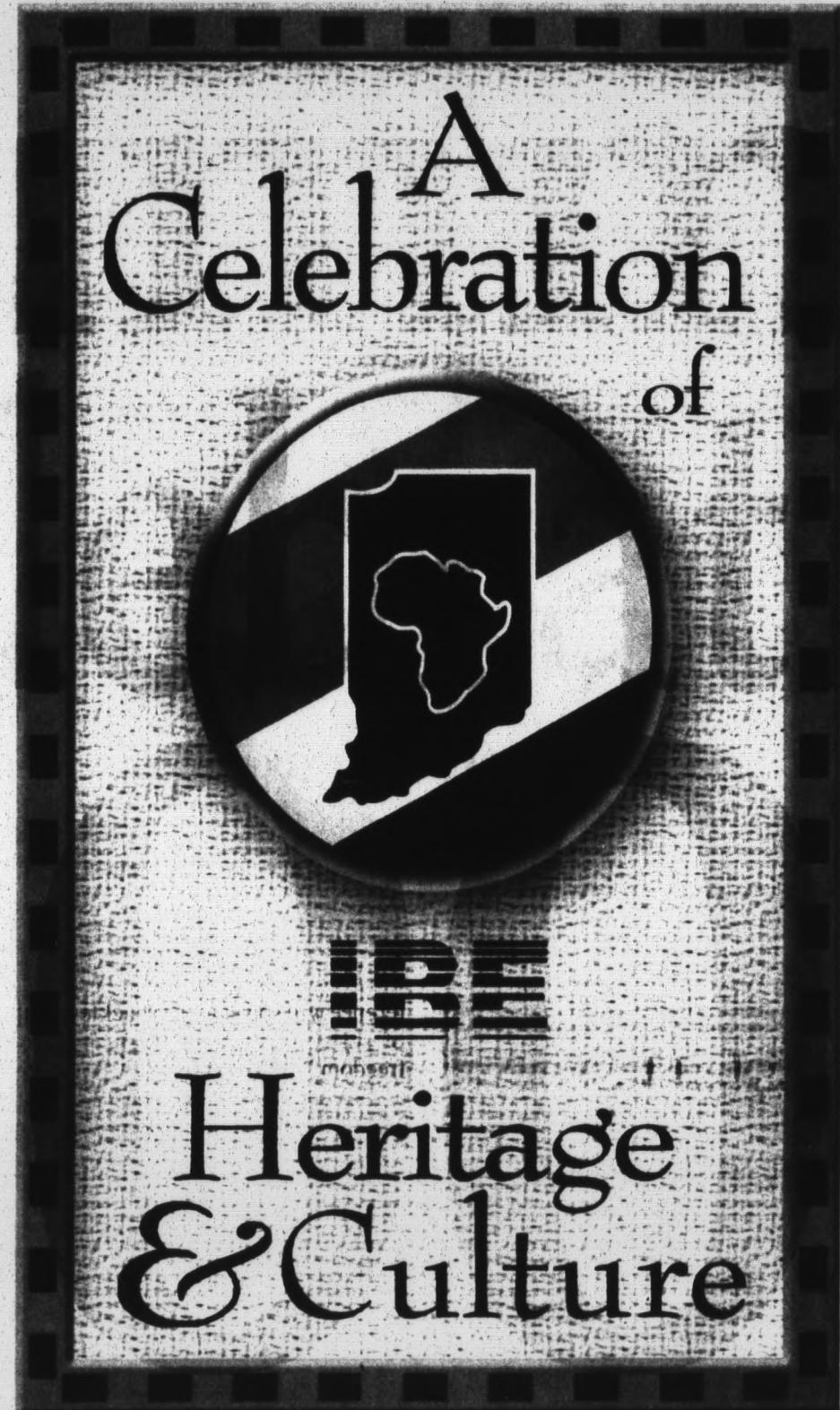
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There is an incorrect date in the Meachams Wrecker Service ad in this week's Recorder. The correct sale date is 9 a.m. Aug. 5, 2002.

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Marion County Judge Tanya Walton-Pratt (right) talks with citizens during the local Democratic Party's recent voter registration drive. (photo/C.Guynn)



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MARY J. BLIGE

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Indiana Black Expo's Music Heritage Festival II:
A diva's evolution

Mary's music is so personal. You feel what she's feeling or maybe it's the other way around. When she hit the scene with "What's the 411," she was still a little rough around the edges. But now we see a diamond was there all along. And like a diamond, Mary had experienced pressures in her life in order to remove all the debris and let her light shine.

We partied and danced with her and then she broke up with K-Ci. This dark period in her life led to the sublime album "My Life" — my favorite album. When I heard the first single "Be Happy" and saw Mary standing on the mountain top as close as she could get to God, I thought "I want it, too." You could hear the hurt in Mary's voice. All she wanted was happiness, no more pain. "My Life" was Mary's therapy. And what woman hasn't experienced love gone wrong?

With each album Mary's shed some of the pain. She began slowly peeling away her cocoon on "Share My World," and by the time "Mary" was released, a beautiful butterfly had emerged.

"No More Drama" is allowing us to see the butterfly flying grace-

fully. The girl who wore sunglasses because she was high and showed up late to appointments, has disappeared. She's learned to be on time for appointments and respectful to other people. Mary's matured. And so have her fans.

She's grown with us and her music has been the background for our lives. Mary has learned to rely on God instead of man. She's focused on being around positive people and doing positive things.

The many faces of Mary

And then there's the fashion. Mary's hair has gone from brown to honey blonde to platinum blonde to strawberry blonde to bright red just to name a few. It's been short, long and in between. She's always on the cutting edge with her hair. Just look at how many women are wearing wispy, Farrah Fawcett hair today. Her makeup is flawless.

Her looks and bankable reputation have led the way for her to become a model, endorsing products for such beauty lions as M.A.C cosmetics, Dark & Lovely hair-care products and has even strutted her stuff on the catwalk for the likes of Tommy Hilfiger.

When Mary first started, her wardrobe reflected her youth. What was once b-girl cool is now re-

placed by glamour.

Mary gives us style, flair and always keeps us on the cusp of fashion.

She shows us that no matter where we come from, or how we lived, we can change.

Change our attitude, our mindset, our friends and our look. She lets us know no matter how rich she gets, she's still a person with flaws and pain, yet lives on through perseverance.

So Mary keep your head to the sky, and we'll be right there with you.

Recorder Editor Anaré V. Holmes contributed to this report.
Music that speaks to the heart

Mary's fans share their favorite songs:

"You Gotta Believe" "It just lifts me up. When you think you can't do something, the words of the song make me believe I can do whatever I put my mind to as long as I believe it."

—Olivia Simpson

"My favorite would have to be 'No More Drama.' I can truly relate to the message she conveys in that song."

—Michael McDaniel

"I loved her first hit, 'You Remind Me'. Me and my wife enjoy listening to her music."

—Jackie Bledsoe, Jr.

"I enjoy 'Rainy Days', the duet Mary has done with rapper Ja Rule. It's a realistic account of everyday life."

—Michelle Jones

"Well, I actually have two favorites that are tied for first place. I like 'You Remind Me' and 'No More Pain'."

—Tracie P. Gibson

Recorder staff favorites

Jeana Lewis, production manager — "My Life" "The first reason is the music — something about the piano got me. Then I really like the lyrics. Certain parts of the song resonate with me and inspire me."

Shannon Williams, assistant editor — "Don't Waste Your Time" "There is definitely a lesson to be learned with that song. You have an older more experienced woman (Aretha Franklin) telling a younger woman (Mary J) not to waste her time with a no-good man. The way Aretha and Mary sing that song with so much emotion, you can really understand the frustrations that both women feel. I think the message in the song is very powerful."

Anaré V. Holmes, editor — "I was completely taken aback by her first album 'What's the 411?' It is one of the best CDs I've ever purchased. But right now, I'm really feeling P. Diddy's remix of 'No More Drama,' because that's where I'm at right now."

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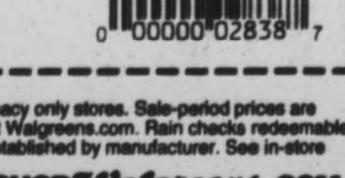
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IBE, Nationwide and Recorder staff team up for Habitat for Humanity project

By JIM BUNTIN
Staff Writer

On July 13 construction went into full swing as Habitat for Humanity in conjunction with Indiana Black Expo, Indianapolis Neighborhood Housing Partnership (INHP), Local Initiatives Support Corp (LISC), Radio One, The Indianapolis Recorder, Indiana Herald, OBIE Media, The Barritz Night Club and the Longhorn Steakhouse Restaurant, (Beech Grove location), all pitched in to make home ownership for one Indiana family a reality.

Jeff Cameron and Amber Mills feel blessed that these local Indiana companies in partnership with Nationwide Insurance Co. helped to sponsor the "first" Nationwide Habitat Partnership Build Day. Cameron's mother called Habitat for Humanity and Dee Owens called back. Cameron said, "They asked me some questions to see if we qualified and we did," Mills said, "Thank you Habitat, you made our dream come true."

Cameron and Mills are helping to construct the house themselves. They say they did much of the insulation work and some of the flooring too.

The building site is located at 3220 Carpenter Court in Barrington Gardens on the city's Southside near Raymond and Perkins streets.

Nationwide officials commented, "We are excited



Amber Mills and Jeff Cameron are all smiles as they participate in the construction of their new Habitat for Humanity home. Several local businesses pitched in to make the happy couple's dream reality. (Photo/J. Buntin)

about this opportunity to work side by side with our partners, demonstrating dedication and commitment to improving the quality of life while revitalizing the Indianapolis urban community."

Representatives from each of the participating organizations were transported to the building site last Saturday to help in the construction of the 1,050 square foot, 3 bedroom dwelling which will be an addition to the Habitat for Humanity community that is rapidly expanding at that location.

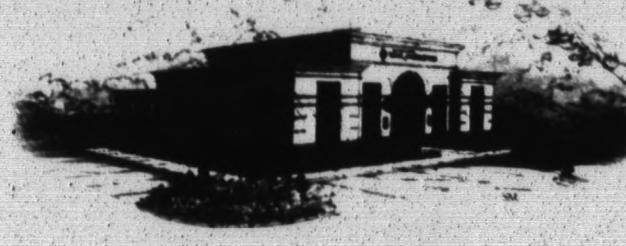
The Longhorn Steakhouse provided a continental breakfast and lunch for all the workers at the site.



Speaking his truth

Rev. Al Sharpton smiles as he waits to deliver a powerful message at Indiana Black Expo's Ecumenical Service Monday. Speaking to a packed, enthusiastic audience and flanked by various civic leaders, Rev. Sharpton preached a message condemning police brutality and the danger of Black America adopting a victim mentality. Sharpton has announced plans to run for president of the United States in the 2004. (photo/C. Guynn)

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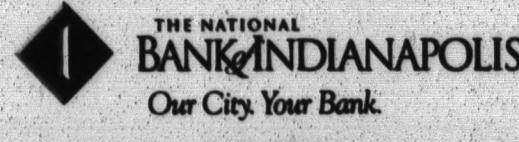
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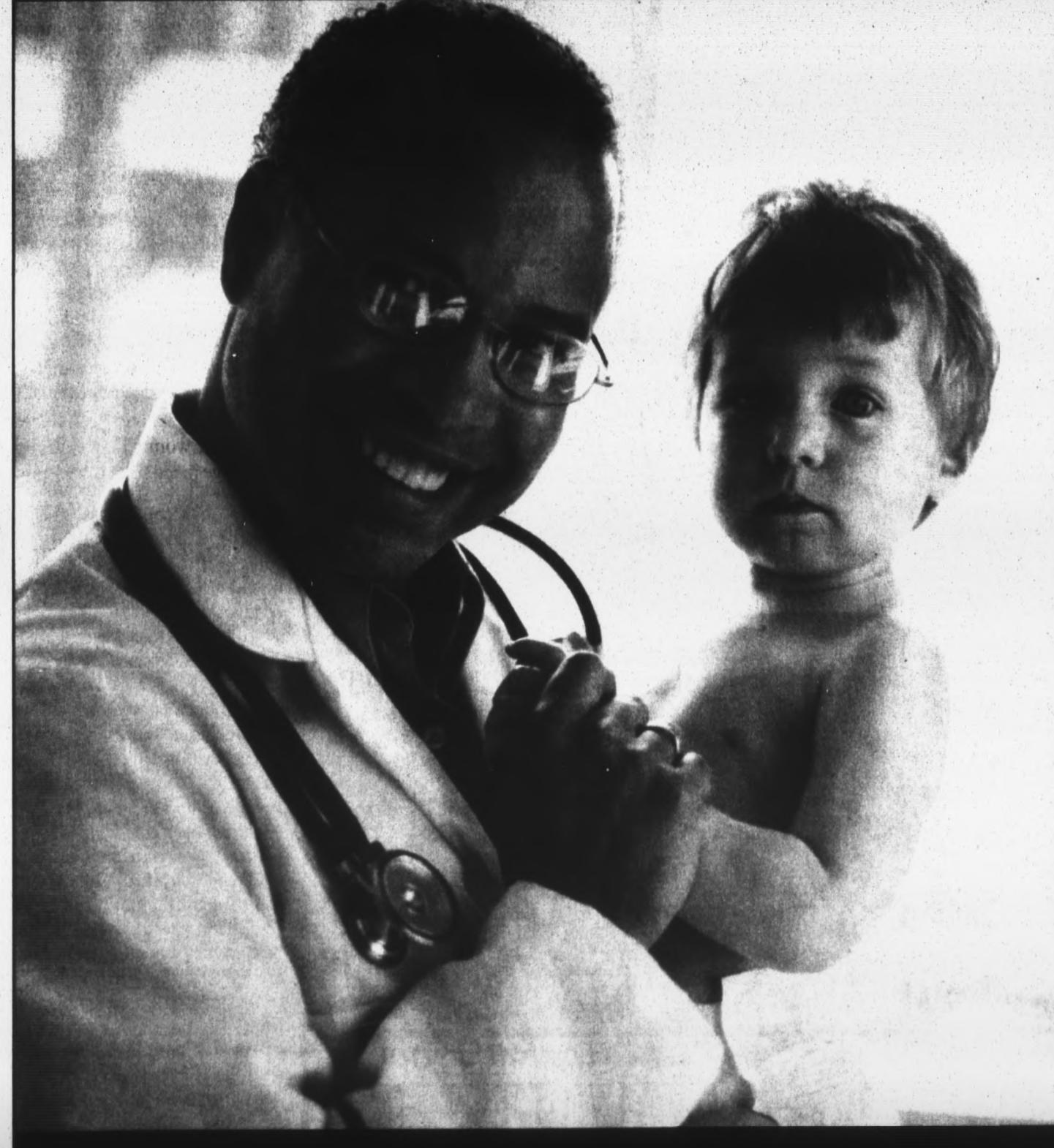
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Court who put me on the bench."

Disappointment is a word that few would use to describe Jimison. She has dedicated much of her time to various public service positions, including master commissioner, adjunct professor (IU- Kokomo, Ball State University and Franklin College), and public health administrator with Indiana State Department of Health. An active life in politics led Jimison to run as Indianapolis' Democratic mayoral candidate in 1995.

Currently running for re-election as judge, Jimison is also a published songwriter and has presented a play and musical, both of which have been previously shown during Indiana Black Expo. Additionally, Jimison has plans to open a center for non-violent offenders as an alternative to jail.

"I'd like to help come into existence a department of treatment in Indiana where judges can send people who are addicted and convicted of non-violent crimes, rather than to the Department of Correction," she said.

Jimison doesn't know how long this goal will take, but says she wants to meet with members of the General Assembly to get the know-how and gain support.

Indiana now has three additional African-American women judges. Even still, Jimison feels that there is much more work to be done.

"We need a judicial center. We need a courthouse where we can have additional courts, additional judges, commissioners, staff and of course more attorneys. The whole jail overcrowding problem is due to the fact that we do not have enough courts to move the cases through."

In addition to a new judicial center, Jimison feels that "the public defenders and the deputy prosecutor need to be paid a better salary. They are woefully underpaid."

Maintaining commitment to disadvantaged and addicted individuals is something that Jimison holds in high regards. She feels that it's a problem that all people should address.

"It's not a problem that's exclusive to any racial people. Addiction happens regardless of your status, your color, or your creed. It is a non-discriminating disease and since that is true, it's going to take all of us."

—SW

Myra Selby

When Judge Myra Selby resigned from her post as the Indiana State Supreme Court's first woman and first Black associate justice in 1999 tongues started swagging.

Many wondered was the pressure too great or did she simply hate what she was doing.

"There were moments when I had thought I was going to disappoint other Blacks in the community, but my decision to leave was the right thing to do not only for my family, but for myself," said Selby.

While on the court, Selby helped to make several landmark decisions regarding state property taxes, insurance and tort law reform, authoring a number of majority opinions that have garnered national attention.

"My appointment opened the door and proved it was possible for a Black woman to serve in that capacity and I quickly got over feeling as if I was disappointing anyone because in the end I believe people want you to be

happy contributing in those areas that are fulfilling to you," she said.

With no regrets about her decision, Selby finds a new sense of fulfillment in her role as partner at Ice Miller, where she specializes in strategic business advice and planning.

"It was not that I did not enjoy my time on the court, but the nature of the position is very isolating and it has to be that way... I wanted to expand," she said.

The University of Michigan Law School graduate also wanted to explore a more lucrative career in the private sector.

Still an advocate for equality in the justice system, she maintains a relationship with the court as the chair of the Indiana Supreme Court Commission on Race and Gender Fairness, a group charged with the awesome task of ensuring fairness and diversity in the state's legal system.

These career activities are a long way off from Selby's earlier dreams of becoming a world-class ballerina in her hometown of Saginaw, Mich.

"My father advised me to pursue something that would allow me to earn a little more than a stick of chewing gum," said Selby who was not quick to let her dancing dream fade.

However, after learning the harsh reality regarding the few numbers of Blacks in the elite world of classical ballet, she decided to chart a course in the family business, a career that "would allow me some of the broadest career possibilities — law."

It's not surprising Selby made Indiana history with her appointment to the state's high court, her family roots are steeped in historical achievement.

"My father joined and eventually became a partner in one of the oldest documented black law firms in the country, (Baker & Selby in Michigan)" said Selby. "But my parents were great in that they did not pressure me into the profession."

Now a wife and a mother to two of her own children, Selby is busy balancing her high powered career with the nuances of family life.

"I love being a mother and all the joy it brings," she said.

—AVH**Lacy Johnson**

Ice Miller partner Lacy Johnson is the kind of man who is not afraid to stand up for the principles he believes in.

And he's been tested quite a few times, even as early as his college days on the Purdue University campus.

"I organized some of the other Black students at the school to protest and object to the way student fees were collected," said Johnson. "It eventually caused the administrators to provide more funding for some of the Black groups on campus."

Johnson's next fight would be a bit more difficult, but he was up for the challenge.

He was among 20 Black state police officers who successfully sued the Indiana State Police Department for discrimination and poor working conditions during the 1980s, a move that would help to usher in a wave of other Black men and women into the department's workforce and help change the way Blacks were treated within the agency.

A hard worker, Johnson managed to complete his law degree at Indiana University Law School, while working full time as a married state trooper during the ordeal.

During his tenure at the State Police department, the number of Blacks in the force increased from three to about 100.

He eventually worked his way up from state trooper to Deputy Superintendent for Support Services, a position that introduced him in the lobbying process and he later left the post to work for the Hoosier Lottery—a place where he says he faced one of his toughest battles.

As Director of Security for the Hoosier Lottery, Johnson found himself amid a scandal in 1991 that would send the faint of heart into a tailspin.

Former Hoosier Lottery official Mary Cartwright accused her boss, former lottery director Jack Crawford, of sexual harassment.

"I was caught in the middle of it because I befriended her and gave her some advice that she taped without my knowledge and later produced during a hearing," said Johnson of the scandal that rocked the Evan Bayh administration, cost Cartwright her job and ruined Crawford's political career.

Johnson was caught on tape consoling Cartwright and also made comments that put his loyalty to the Bayh administration in question.

"What I told her was the truth, and because my intention was to help her out of a bad situation I felt I was right in doing what I did," said Johnson who now refuses for his voice to be recorded on tape.

Through his faith, family and a few close friends, Johnson weathered the storm.

One of the friends who offered moral support during those rough days was Congresswoman Julia Carson. Carson has known Johnson for more than 15 years, meeting him during her days as a state legislator.

"Lacy was crushed and dismayed, but I reminded him of Christ and how folks went after him," said Carson. "And through his trials and tribulations he came out victorious. He stands up and fights for what's right and is a man of integrity, he's not combative, but firm."

His non-combative and persuasive style has helped Johnson to become one of the state's most influential lobbyists. While at work, Johnson advocates on behalf of the interests of owners and operators in the gaming and communications industries.

"His savvy, charm and intelligence are a tremendous asset to our firm," said Art Kalleres, managing partner of Ice Miller. "The relationships he has built over the years are invaluable."

While satisfied with his professional accomplishments, Johnson is more proud of his nearly 27-year marriage to his wife Patty and his three children.

"I'm blessed," he said. "I'm proud that I've been able to survive and contribute to my community."

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There's hope for class of 2002, but it takes planning and patience

By ASHLEY M. HUGGINS
Staff Writer

The million dollar question ... What is the job market looking like for the 2002 college graduates? "Tougher than it was two years ago," said Sloan Boyd of Indiana University's Career Center.

Recent college graduates are realizing the job market is not welcoming them with open arms like they had hoped. With more and more young adults attending and completing college, a bachelor degree is becoming the norm, making it harder for college graduates to stand out.

"A lot of companies want experience, not just a degree," said Candice Speaks, a 2002 graduate from Hampton University in Virginia. "Having an internship and experience on your resume is very important."

According to a national study, three quarters of college students have participated in one internship and 50 percent have done two.

Speaks, of Dayton, Ohio, believes internship experience is crucial because it can be a possible job. "The internship you have one summer could very well be the job you have when you graduate," said Speaks, who participated in one internship.

Boyd agrees with Speaks on the importance of experience, but says there is much more a graduate can do when it comes to job searching and it starts before one becomes a graduate. "There are steps to take to learning how to search for a job and present yourself and your skills," said Boyd, internship coordinator. "You have to plan from the beginning. Visit the career centers, go to job fairs, and talk to people in your field. Networking and putting forth the effort to learn information about the field and how to break into it is very important."

According to Boyd, only 10 to 20 percent of jobs are

What to do after college?

These Web sites seem to have the answer on careers.

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2. www.colleg erad.com
3. www.jobsearchlink.com
4. www.yahoo.careers
5. www.monstersearchjob.com
6. www.hotjobs.com
7. www.jobhunt.org
8. www.careerbuilder.com
9. www.msncareers.com
10. www.careermag.com

For resume writing tips try: www.provenresumes.com

All of the Web sites were found through the courtesy of www.google.com.

found from job postings. "You have to approach the company and present yourself as someone with something to offer and someone willing to learn," said Boyd.

Setting a daily goal while one is job searching is another aspect. "Strategies work. It's a way to make sure one does not get discouraged and just sit around at home. Instead, try to find one job lead a day," said Boyd.

Unfortunately, Speaks, 23, is at home during the day. "Job searching is really hard. It's just not a good time. With Sept. 11 and cut backs, no one is really willing to take the chance with a recent graduate," said Speaks, who minored in chemical engineering.

Luckily, there are alternatives for college graduates who are not quite ready for the pressure of job searching. "Graduate schools are becoming a popular trend and a good alternative for some students," said Boyd.

Erica Cochran is following the popular trend. "Going to grad school was just the next step for me," said Cochran, 2002 graduate from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio.

"It wasn't a question. I had a plan laid out for me personally."

Although Cochran is not hunting to begin her career now, she does understand how hard and frustrating the process can be. "It took me forever to just find a part-time job, so I can imagine how hard it is to break into a company," said Cochran. "I have so many friends who are just sitting around at their parents house doing nothing. It's really too bad."

Graduate school can be a very successful alternative for students who are serious about their

education and want to bring more to their future employer's table. "It's a good amount of money to pay if you are not serious about it. It's an investment," said Boyd.

Speaks, like Cochran, does plan to go to graduate school, but not now. "I'm tired. I've been in school for five years," said Speaks. "I'm just not in a grad school state of mind. I'm going in a year." Boyd suggests for graduates who are not going straight to graduate school to find a fall or winter internship for three or six months. "There is no commitment and you can try different avenues of careers," said Boyd.

There is hope for the class of 2002, but it will take planning and patience. "Finding a job after graduation would take three to six months once you really start looking," said Boyd. "Now it can take six to nine months."

Her advice is to stay positive, get support and to become clear on exactly what you want to do. "The clearer you are, the better cover letter and interviews you will have," said Boyd. "Take positive steps everyday and get out there."

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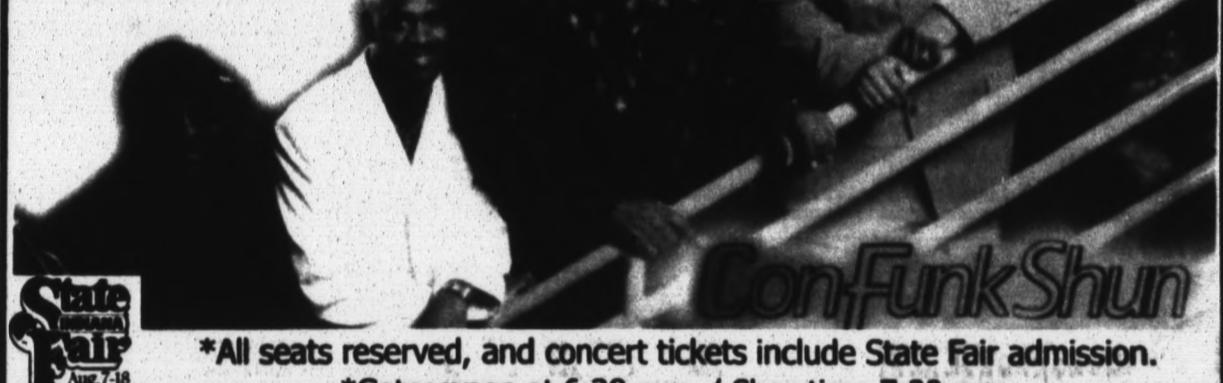


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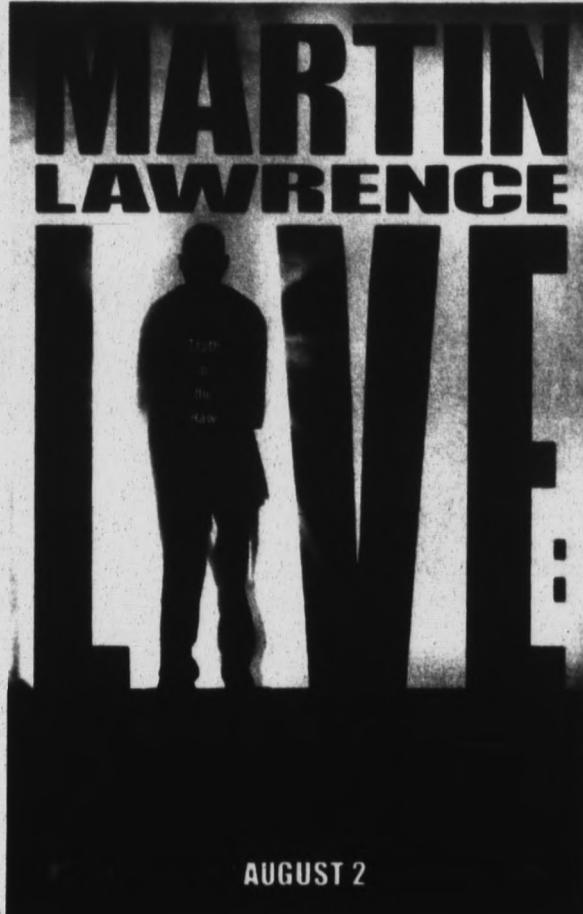
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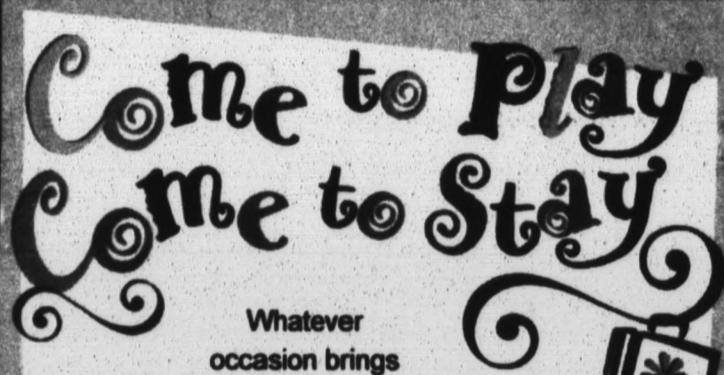
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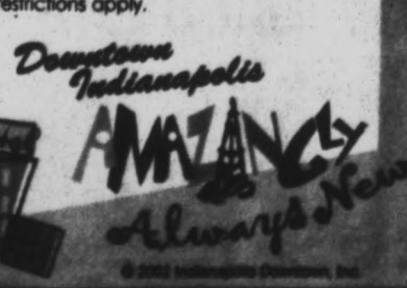
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applied it to the taxes due, which put the Washingtons in arrears on their loan. Sandy wrote the bank a letter, offering to make arrangements.

The only reply she received were papers delivered marked Cause Number 49D07-0203-MF-462, Marion County Superior Court. Bank One had sued the Washingtons for foreclosure on their home.

They just kept
handing us more

Predatory lending is a tough concept to define, but it turns out the Washingtons' mortgage practically offers a primer on the characteristics of a predatory loan. Predatory lending is the increasingly widespread practice of signing unsuspecting homebuyers or homeowners for mortgages they can't afford. One of the reasons they can't afford the mortgages is because they are packed with unfavorable terms the buyers may never be aware of.

In the Washingtons' case, they were given a so-called "sub-prime" loan, which has a higher-than-market interest rate set to reflect a riskier debtor, even though the Washingtons likely could have qualified for a market rate loan. A recent study for the Center for Community Change in Washington found that African Americans and Latinos are more likely to have sub-prime mortgages than whites, even if they have similar financial circumstances.

Like many sub-prime loans, the Washingtons' mortgage contains a balloon payment. A balloon payment is a large final payment, in the Washingtons' case nearly equal to the entire amount they received when the loan was signed. When the balloon payment comes due, the Washingtons already will have made 179 monthly payments, but they mostly just covered interest and fees. Under these terms, it will be all but impossible for the Washingtons to build significant equity in their home. The amount of lender and closing fees financed into the Washingtons' loan total a whopping 12 percent of the loan's cost, compared to 1 percent to 3 percent of a traditional mortgage. Such high fees are another characteristic of predatory loans.

Calls seeking comment from the attorney representing Bank One in the foreclosure suit against the Washingtons were not returned.

The Washingtons actually entered into their current mortgage in an ill-fated attempt to escape a previous bad loan, this one from a division of CitiBank. That first loan featured some of the few characteristics of a predatory loan missing from their current mortgage: over-priced single-premium credit insurance and an interest rate that ratcheted up soon after they signed the loan. The Washingtons now admit they never fully understood the terms of either mortgage. "We were trying to read the papers at the closing, but they just kept handing us more," says Sandy Washington.

Tons of balloon notes

The surface of Crystal Francis' desk is covered with stacks of the fine-print documents the Washingtons signed for their latest mortgage. Mortgage Payment Letter, Escrow Waiver Acknowledgment, Balloon Note, Addendum to Fixed Rate Note, Mortgage, Prepayment Rider, Assignment of Mortgage and more, including an eye-brow-raising appraisal valuing the Washington's home at \$60,000. Francis is an attorney with the Senior Law Project of Indiana Legal Services, and she shakes her head as she sifts through the stacks of papers. "Part of the problem is that it takes even me quite awhile to figure all this out, and I have three degrees," she says.

But she must figure it out quickly, because the Washingtons' reply to Bank One's foreclosure lawsuit is due the next day. And, as important as the matter is to the Washingtons, there is no time for Francis to linger on their particular case. Francis must get back to work on other cases for other clients, like the 81-year-old woman of ques-

tional mental competency who signed the latest in a series of mortgages with a pile of fees, an assessment placing the home's worth far higher than its actual value, and monthly payments totaling more than half her income. "There are a ton of these cases," Francis sighs. "And more come in each week."

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squares

The a three Dry-Erase boards set up in the front of Room 260 of the City-County Building.

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1997: 1308
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1999: 2750
2000: 3483
2001: 4086

to be auctioned off at today's foreclosure sale.

The seats in the room are full, and a dozen or so people lean their backs against the walls. They shuffle papers and wait for the woman from the Marion County Civil Sheriff's office to call out the properties. "Number 365, the bid is

for \$67,425.40 by Bank One, going once, going twice, going three times. Sold to Bank One." Bank One gets a few of these properties, Sullivan Funding and McKenzie Investments get a few others. Most of the bidders are the original mortgage holders, none appear to be the foreclosed homeowners. Sometimes a bidding competition starts, but not often.

Unless they win their case, the Washingtons' house is slated to be listed in one of those squares. If it comes to that, they certainly will not lack for company. The Mortgage Bankers Association of America reports that Indiana had the highest loan foreclosure rate of any state — and Puerto Rico — during the last quarter of 2001. In Marion County, the number of foreclosure judgments leading to these sheriff sales has increased by more than 400 percent from 1996 to last year.

"A lot of people get into a low interest rate mortgage, not a fixed rate, and a year later they find themselves with a massive house payment," says Marion County Sheriff Major Shirley Challis, who oversees these sales. Challis says bad lending is the No. 1 reason for the increase in foreclosures, followed by a slumping economy and an accompanying rise in bankruptcies.

The last number is called.

The buyers head out to the elevators to the 11th floor, where they will claim their deeds. Challis' assistant, Paula Lundin, balances a 2-foot high stack of manila folders as she pulls the door closed to Room 260. She'll also go back to the 11th floor office and begin the preparations for next month's sale, this time including 481 properties. "Sad, isn't it?" she asks.

That type of lending

should be against the law'

Several pending Congressional bills

would prohibit predatory lending practices. The federal Predatory Lending Consumer Protection Act, co-sponsored by Rep. Julia Carson of Indianapolis would ban balloon payments and limit the financing of points and fees to 3 percent of the loan amount. State Rep. William Crawford, also of Indianapolis, has introduced a state anti-predatory lending bill which would prohibit single premium credit insurance and would require pre-signing loan counseling for sub-prime borrowers.

Neither bill has progressed

very far, but Crawford did take

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the floor of the Indiana House in the waning days of this year's session of the General Assembly to talk about predatory lending in Indiana. After he spoke of the widow in Lebanon, Ind., trying to pay \$800 a month in mortgage payments on her \$811 monthly retirement income, Crawford found that several other legislators from both parties shared the same concerns.

Soon enough, no one wants to live there

As with most weekday mornings, the Washingtons can be found in the cramped offices of Organization for a New Eastside (ONE), located in a converted Dairy Barn on 10th Street. They have been coming here faithfully since the group was founded five years ago. Soft-spoken Lawrence Washington is ONE's newly elected president. The group focuses on tasks like getting new sidewalks and extra police patrols and badgering absentee landlords. "If we get drug dealers in the neighborhood, we all work together to throw them out," Sandy says. They hope to do the same with predatory lenders.

ONE director Ken Moran walks to a fold-out table and spreads out a dozen Polaroid photos of homes on North Keystone, DeQuincey and Drexel. All the homes are in the neighborhood, all are abandoned, and all are in various states of disrepair. ONE says these properties are just a few of 288 foreclosures in the area due to predatory lending. "Most of the mortgages were for \$55-60,000," Moran says. "Much higher than the average property value here."

Beyond the individual struggles of homeowners like the Washingtons, ONE and other neighborhood groups say predatory lenders are tearing up their communities. Overblown assessments are made, bad loans are issued, and the predictable foreclosures often leave behind abandoned homes. Deserted homes gather more than just weeds and trash. They also become sites for vagrancy, drug dealing and even, down the street from the Washingtons last summer, the rape of a 5-year-old girl.

ONE has confronted some of the lenders who hold the mortgages on these empty properties, including a division of CitiBank, the largest bank in the world and the lender on several of these neighborhoods. The confrontations haven't yielded much in the way of results yet, or even a whole lot of attention from the rest of the city, but the neighbors are still badgering the lenders. They feel they have no other choice. "You get a couple of abandoned homes in a block, with the trash and crime that comes from that, and then soon enough no one wants to live there," Moran says. "Bad lending is what leads to the decline of a neighborhood."

Silently and simultaneously, Lawrence and Sandy Washington nod their heads.

Fran Quigley is a contributing editor for NUVO. He also works for a new non-profit organization, Indiana Appleseed, which has identified predatory lending as an area for advocacy. For more information on Indiana Appleseed, check www.appleseed.net.

Where to turn for help

Attorneys and credit counselors say that many borrowers who enter into predatory loans had other financing options they never explored. If you or someone you know is considering entering into a mortgage, you can get advice on whether it is a fair deal for you from the Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Central Indiana, (317) 266-1300, a non-profit community organization that offers credit and home ownership education. Senior citizens considering entering into a loan can contact the Senior Law Project of Indiana Legal Services, (317) 631-9410.

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A nationwide class-action suit has been filed against mortgage lenders Household International and its subsidiaries, Household Finance Corp. and Beneficial Corp. The suits accuse the lenders of deliberately misleading borrowers about the terms and conditions of their loans, including high rates and fees, principal amounts which exceed the actual value of their homes, and prepayment penalties. The plaintiff class for the suit includes all borrowers induced to enter into secured loans to consolidate existing debt. The suit asks a federal court in Chicago to restore interest paid and fees to the borrowers and to award actual and punitive damages. Household borrowers who want to learn more can visit www.acorn.org or call ACORN toll free at 1-877-692-0233.



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What Makes a Loan Predatory?

Predatory lending refers to unfair practices by the issuers of "sub-prime" mortgages-mortgages with interest rates ratcheted higher, ostensibly to compensate for borrowers' less-than-perfect credit histories. Here are some characteristics of predatory loans:

Excessive Fees

Borrowers in predatory loans are routinely charged broker or lender fees of nearly 8 percent of the loan amount, compared to the average 1-2 percent assessed by banks to originate other home loans.

Steering

Charging high, sub-prime interest (9-20 percent) to borrowers who have good enough credit to qualify for prime-rate loans (8-9 percent). A recent study by the Center for Community Change showed that Black and Hispanic homeowners are more likely to have sub-prime loans than whites with similar incomes.

Making Loans Without Regard to the Borrower's Ability to Pay

Some predatory lenders make loans based solely on a homeowner's equity, even when it is obvious that the homeowner will not be able to afford the payments. For mortgage brokers, the motivation to engage in this kind of practice is a desire for the fees generated by the loan. For some lenders, especially when there is significant equity in a home, the motivation is the ultimate foreclosure on the house which can then be resold for a profit.

Prepayment Penalties

More than two-thirds of sub-prime loans have prepayment penalties, compared to less than 2 percent of conventional prime loans. The penalties come due when a borrower pays off their loan early, typically through refinancing or a sale of the house. Prepayment penalties on sub-prime loans can have the effect of keeping people

Adjustable Rate Mortgages

Loans with rates not tied to an economic indicator, and may include an artificially low teaser rate to lure borrowers.

Home Improvement Scams

Some home improvement contractors deliberately market to lower income neighborhoods where homes are in most need of repairs, but the owners are unable to directly pay for the service. The contractor arranges loans that have the lender directly paying to the contractor, which means that the homeowner has no control over the quality of the work.

Single Premium Credit Insurance

Credit insurance is insurance linked to a specific debt or loan which will pay off that particular debt if the borrower loses the ability to pay because of illness, death or unemployment. With "single premium" policies, the credit insurance is paid in one lump sum payment.

which is then financed into the loan. Typically, single premium credit insurance policies cost four to five times as much as monthly-paid credit insurance and over 10 times as much as term life insurance policies.

Balloon Payments

Mortgages with balloon payments are arranged so that after making a certain number of regular payments, the borrower must pay off the remaining loan balance in its entirety, in one "balloon payment." Balloon mortgages, especially when combined with high interest rates, make it more difficult for borrowers to build equity in their home.

Loan Flipping

Flipping is a practice in which a lender, often through high-pressure or deceptive sales tactics, encourages repeated refinancing by existing customers and tacks on thousands of dollars in additional fees or other charges each time. Some lenders will intentionally start borrowers with a loan at a higher interest rate, so that the lender can then refinance the loan to a slightly lower rate and charge additional fees to the borrower.

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*It is chilling to discover not everyone wants peace in their life and if they can't have it, they don't want you to either...
...There is an element of pure evil I find myself amidst.*

Treasure human life

The lack of reverence some people possess for human life makes me want to holler.

To know two young women were shot to death last Friday in the hallway of the city's Phoenix Housing complex in the Meadows neighborhood is mind-boggling. It's mind-boggling because eyewitnesses to the horrific tragedy say 22-year-old Nakia Walker and 17-year-old Kameisha Sumblett were allegedly gunned down over a dispute involving a car stereo.

Not an act of war, not an act of self defense, but an act of vengeance police say 16-year-old Jeff Grigsby made because he was angry about a car stereo, a material possession that can be replaced at Best Buy or Wal-Mart for about \$150 — unlike precious human life.

It's not that I have not heard about senseless acts of violence before, Lord knows there are many news accounts of people dying over such simple things like money, property, gym shoes, or simply because they wanted to wear the color blue or red — colors some criminal gangs deem their own, exclusively for members in their "posse" or "clique."

However, this latest incident comes just a few weeks after finding out a distant associate I knew was found dead in his apartment. He was also a young man in his early 20s and while police are investigating the mysterious circumstances of his death, which is a confirmed homicide, I find myself confronted with a harsh reality.

It is chilling to discover not everyone wants peace in their life and if they can't have it in their life, they don't want you to have it either.

There is an element of pure evil I find myself amidst.

Random acts of violence are coming closer and closer to home. I never thought I would have a conversation with a gentleman one day and find out two weeks later he was dead at the hands of another over what appears to be over some silly mess. (I say mess because that's just what it is)

I can relate to some of the people who knew Nakia Walker and Kameisha Sumblett. This isn't how life is supposed to turn out for people we know and love, they are not supposed to die so young and brutally.

Because of my faith and belief in a Supreme Being, I find assurance that one has to be thankful in all things because that which is grotesque, tragic, painful and emotionally disturbing can also serve as a powerful teaching tool, prodding us to grow deeper spiritually.

Discovering some of the world's evil ways does not frighten me, because I refuse to live in fear. The discovery does make me more aware that there are forces that are out to destroy, IF given an opportunity.

It makes me appreciate what really matters in this journey we call life and that is the quality of service and level of contribution we give to our family, friends, loved-ones and community.

My heart goes out to the family, friends and associates of both Nakia Walker, Kameisha Sumblett and even Jeff Grigsby, the alleged gunman who took their lives because he will have to carry the emotional debt of his alleged actions.

Grigsby's lack of reverence for human life helps me to treasure and not take for granted my own and the others I interact with.

Sounding Off

By Recorder Editor
Amére V. Holmes



(Part 2)

This Black Expo week, this column continues its discussion of serious issues I feel are impacting Indianapolis' African-American community. I again welcome your responses, opinions, criticism or ideas to The Recorder, 2901 N. Tacoma, Indianapolis 46218, or by e-mail at acbrown@aol.com.

Time To Return to Ministerial Activism. This past Monday's visit by Rev. Al Sharpton reminded me that Indianapolis' African-American community was once blessed with religious leaders who preached a ministry of social justice, not just to their congregations, but to the overall community. Following Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s example, clergy like Dr. Andrew J. Brown, Rev. R.T. Andrews, Rev. Mozel Sanders, Rev. Arthur Johnson, Rev. Wayne T. Harris gave their lives to the struggle; using the pulpit and picket line to achieve equality and justice for Blacks.

But where are the Browns, Sanders and Harris of today? Why aren't today's Black ministers in Indianapolis speaking out? Why are they seemingly showing no leadership?

Except for periodic efforts by Elder Lionel Rush, Black ministers in Indianapolis are abnormally quiet and quiescent. While many Black churches are doing good works, it still seems to many that the Black church in Indianapolis, including Indy's Black megachurches with their tens of thousands of members, are mute in addressing the many critical issues facing our community.

There's not a Black community in America that didn't make

progress without the full, enthusiastic support and leadership from that community's Black clergy. Indianapolis' Black community will never confront and solve the many problems facing us, unless and until the Black church and our ministers emerge from the shadows and stand in the light of providing visible leadership.

The Jesus I believe in wouldn't just be in his church office or out driving his \$50,000 car. He'd be in our neighborhoods working with our people in solving their problems. Is the leadership of Indy's Black churches ready to follow his example?

Time For Blacks To Demand More Affordable Housing. One of the silent sins of Indianapolis is the deplorable lack of affordable housing for its residents. The 2000 Census reports that nearly one-in-five Indianapolis households pay more than 35 percent of their income on housing; among renters that number is over one-in-four.

When detailed data is released late this summer, I predict we'll learn that an even larger percentage of African-American households and renters pay a disproportionate amount of their monthly income on rent or mortgages.

If you earn less than \$30,000 a year and have a family with children, finding affordable two, three

and four bedroom housing in Indianapolis is a major struggle. Add to that the venality and racism of some landlords and you have Black families turning into rental nomads.

The lack of stable, affordable housing affects a family's peace of mind. It impacts the ability of children to excel in school. Affordable housing is a critical, important issue for Blacks, yet, with few exceptions, Black clergy and leadership are silent on this issue.

Mayor Bart Peterson has talked a good game about increasing affordable housing. But if he's working on it, our Black community, especially those families struggling to find a stable, affordable places to live, aren't hearing about and don't see the fruits of the mayor's efforts.

Affordable housing is a civil right. It must be a major focus of the attention and activism of Indianapolis' Black leadership — now!

Time To Face The Crisis at Black Arts Institutions. The recent Freetown Village crisis illuminated a distressing fact. In an African-American community with aggregate income exceeding \$3 billion; our Black arts institutions are becoming an endangered species.

Latest concern: The Madame Walker Urban Life Center is in dire financial shape. If help doesn't arrive soon, the Walker could be shuttered. Other Black cultural and arts groups are starving for funding. Yet, our Black community sits silent and inert. We don't support our Black arts/cultural institutions and organizations with our time, money or patronage. At the same time, our Black community and its leadership isn't vociferously demanding that Indianapolis' major businesses and corporations, (who receive nearly a billion in revenue from Black people), increase the financial support to our Black arts, cultural and non-profit institutions.

If something isn't done very soon, within five years, there could be no Black-run arts and cultural organizations in America's 16th largest African-American community.

Time We Demand Our Fair Share of Indianapolis' Bounty. The white power structure of Indianapolis is playing an interesting game; trying to force our Black community to share resources with the Hispanic community. Though the white population of Indianapolis is shrinking, though our Black

community's six times larger than the Hispanic community, Indy's white power elite wants Blacks and browns fighting over crumbs, while ineffective white institutions and organizations get the whole cake.

That must stop. African Americans are 25 percent of Indianapolis; one-sixth of the metropolitan area. In my view, one-sixth of the corporate, foundation and social service funding in Indianapolis should be devoted to our African-American community.

It's more than fair that the Lilly Endowment should devote one-sixth of their Indianapolis-based disbursements to Black organizations or for programs with distinct benefit to our African-American community. The city's other major foundations, including the Central Indiana Community Foundation should do the same.

Yes, my idea is like reparations. But instead of the money going to individuals, it'd go to institutions committed to positive programs which would improve the quality of life for our city's and region's quarter million African-American population.

What I'm hearing in the streets

Marion County Prosecutor Scott Newman, a regular reader of this column, took exception to my July 5 column questioning whether he and other GO! leaders tried to get former Sheriff Joe McAtee to unite with his opponent Lawrence Mayor Tom Schneider. In an e-mail, Newman told me, "I called Joe McAtee twice the week after the primary in an attempt to reach out to him. He refused to return my calls."

The city's Black-owned TV station, WDNI/Channel 65 began broadcasting from its new downtown studios on media row (Meridian Street). The first VIPs guesting on our daytime program's downtown debut — Gov. Frank O'Bannon, Attorney General Steve Carter, new IPS School Board President Rev. Michael Brown and Democratic sheriff candidate Frank Anderson.

See 'ya next week!

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Indianapolis Police at the Edgemere Apartment complex in the Meadows neighborhood, the crime scene where 22-year-old Nakia Walker and 17-year-old Kameisha Sumblett were gunned down. (photo/C. Guynn)

Don't expect much from feds in Jackson beating

The instant Black activists saw the videotaped beating of 16-year-old Donovan Jackson, they demanded that the Justice Department prosecute the officer.

This has been virtually a mantra in just about every case where police are accused of beating, assaulting and gunning down young Blacks. They flat-out don't trust local police agencies to investigate themselves, nor do they trust district attorneys, police commissions, and local officials because of their cozy, rub shoulder relationship with the police to be any more fair and impartial when it comes to investigating police.

The Justice Department supposedly is a far different story. Indeed, Attorney General John Ashcroft talked tough about the police beating, and dispatched his top civil rights lawyer to handle a federal probe. This seems like a good sign that the Justice Department will do something about the beating.

But this is probably wishful thinking. Despite the wave of dubious police shootings and beatings of mostly young Blacks and Latinos the past few years, the Justice Department has done almost nothing to nail abusive cops.

According to a 1998 report on police misconduct by Human Rights Watch, an international public watchdog group, federal prosecutors bring excessive force charges against police officers in a minuscule number of the cases

involving allegations of police abuse.

There was some hope this might change when President Bush and Ashcroft publicly pledged to take a hard and long look at racial profiling and police misconduct. Following three days of rioting in Cincinnati in April, 2001, triggered by the slaying of 19-year-old unarmed Timothy Thomas by white Cincinnati police officer Stephen Roach during a traffic pursuit, Ashcroft announced a full Justice Department probe into police violence in that city.

When a Cincinnati judge summarily acquitted Roach of criminal charges in the Thomas slaying a year later, the Justice Department gave no sign that it would even consider filing civil rights charges in the case. And Bush has been mute about the need for more aggressive federal prosecutions to crack down on police violence since his initial vow to do something about police misconduct.

The Justice Department has always had on the books a strong arsenal of civil rights statutes to

prosecute abusive police officers. Yet more often than not it has taken major press attention, large-scale protests, and even a major riot, such as the L.A. riots in 1992 following the Rodney King verdict, before it used its legal weapons. It was only because of the intense media focus on the police killings of Tyisha Miller in Riverside, Calif., in 1998, and Amadou Diallo in New York City 1999, and the threat of mass street demonstrations against police abuse, that then President Clinton spoke out against police violence in the waning days of his administration.

The Jackson beating is no different. Ashcroft almost certainly acted swiftly because angry protesters stormed City Hall and demanded action. This prompted horrific visions of another civil disturbance in the making.

Federal prosecutors say they can't nail more cops involved in questionable police violence because they are hamstrung by the lack of funds and staff, victims who aren't perceived as criminals, credible witnesses, and the public's inclination to always believe police testimony. They also claim they are pinned in by the almost impossible requirement that they prove an officer had the specific intent to kill or injure a victim in order to get a conviction.

These are tough obstacles to overcome, and since the Justice Department is in the business of winning cases many prosecutors

are more than happy to take a hands-off attitude toward police misconduct cases.

However, this is no excuse for federal prosecutors not to at least make the effort to prosecute more officers when there is substantial evidence that they used excessive force. This is the legally and morally right thing to do.

And it sends a powerful message to law enforcement agencies that the federal government will go after lawbreakers no matter whether they wear a mask, or a badge. But more importantly, it puts police and city officials on notice that they must take stronger action to halt the use of excessive force in their departments.

The reluctance of federal prosecutors to go after cops who overuse force and commit abusive acts perpetuates the dangerous cycle of racial confrontation, and deepens the distrust and cynicism of Blacks and Latinos toward the criminal justice system. Black activists did the right thing in demanding a federal probe, and Ashcroft did the right thing by answering their demands.

Just don't expect it to go much further than that.

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A sister will be Ohio's next lieutenant governor

By RON WALTERS

A fascinating election is brewing in the state of Ohio that features two sisters, one Democrat and one Republican, each as candidates for lieutenant governor.

The 47-year-old Democrat, Charleta B. Tavares, and Republican Jeanette B. Bradley, 49, are members of the Columbus City Council and, therefore, have the substantial task of helping to run a major city, as well as run for a high-profile office.

This elevation of a Black woman to the level of lieutenant governor is historic in that there has never been a Black female to hold this post and as such, it builds on the growing strength of Black women in electoral politics.

One must remember that the 104 increase in the number Black elected officials this year over last year, was attributed entirely to Black women.

Moreover, because Joe Rogers, the sitting Black Republican lieutenant governor of Colorado is running for a seat in the state's newly created U.S. House of Representative district, the winner of the Ohio race will be the only Black lieutenant governor in the nation.

The bottom-line politics of this is the attempt, beginning with Tim Hagan, the Democratic candidate for governor, to lock down the Columbus vote and to offset the considerable war chest of \$7.5 million held by the Republican candidate, Gov. Bob Taft. When Lt. Gov. Maureen O'Connor decided to run for a state Supreme Court position, Taft, the great grandson of a former U.S. president, chose Bradley in order to neutralize whatever advantage Hagan would achieve from his selection of Tavares.



Charleta Tavares
Democratic candidate



Jeanette Bradley
Republican candidate

Taft took a considerable risk because Ohio is a rather conservative state with a preponderance of Republicans in office, and consequently, the right-wing of the state party was upset with his choice. The reason was that Bradley supports abortion rights and care benefits for same-sex partners. In fact, a Christian coalition-type group, the Pro-Family Network, referred to her as a "pro-homosexual, pro-abortion radical." Taft has stood behind her in an attempt to moderate right-wing influence and appeal to the broadest spectrum of the electorate. In this case, Bradley has provided him with a foil to achieve this political goal.

The fascination will come in the campaigning in the Black communities of Columbus. Since there is little issue difference between the two candidates, the choice will probably rest on the political character of the governor. This means that Hagan will have an initial advantage in Columbus, but will have to work hard to overcome the advantage of Taft in money and in votes. In the May primary, whereas Democrats cast 450,000 votes for

Hagan, Republicans cast more than 540,000 for the Taft-Bradley ticket for a difference of just under 100,000 votes.

In any case, when the dust settles, the outcome ensures that Ohio's lieutenant governor will be a Black woman. This is important for two reasons: It will be an historic role for a Black woman and being lieutenant governor is an important credential that could lead to the U.S. House or preferably the Senate.

This is a banner year of Blacks running for statewide office. Although many, perhaps all, will lose, this one is in the can. The good thing for the Black community is because the candidates' issues and constituencies are both focused toward resolving urban problems, it doesn't matter which one wins.

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Life on a Black planet

By GEORGE CURRY

I've always wondered what life would be like on a Black planet. After attending the latest Essence Music Festival in New Orleans, now I know.

I have seen a lot of Black people in my life, but never as many concentrated in one place at one time. It all started with the flight from the Baltimore-Washington International Airport, where there were quite a few of us boarding. When I changed planes in Nashville, it was clear that almost everyone was headed to New Orleans. There were about five white people on the plane — and they were either pilots or flight attendants.

Judging by people in the New Orleans airport, every other inbound plane had about the same racial composition. Every bus and taxi line headed downtown was filled with African Americans, from the Black blue bloods to the ghetto-fabulous. Especially the ghetto-fabulous.

The talk of the night was about how Alicia Keys had bombed.

She's a very talented, but on this night, she stunk. As is the case with a lot of young Black artists who attain success quickly, she seemed over-managed. She cursed, apparently in a futile effort to seem like one of the girls. With that much talent, there was no need for vulgarity.

What stuck out even more was her selection of songs. Someone forgot to tell her this was the "Essence" music festival, not one produced by "Good Housekeeping." Her songs were not tailored to her audience and, consequently, she was tuned out.

Fortunately, Luther made up for all of that. This was clearly a Luther Vandross crowd and Big Luther, as opposed to the slim version, was the quintessential star. As many times as I've seen Luther over the years, I've never seen him give a bad performance or misconnect with his audience. Alicia Keys could learn a thing or two — or three — from him.

When I told people at the Coca-Cola hospitality suite in the Le Meridien Hotel that this was my first trip to the festival, a large smile came across the face of one of the greeters as she warned, "Just pace yourself."

That's exactly what I didn't do. After finding my way through the fabulous and ghetto-fabulous at the airport, there was barely time to check in (Coke even has private arrangements for that) and head to the Louisiana SuperDome to catch Luther Vandross, Alicia Keys, Cedric the Entertainer, India Arie and Gerald Levert on the main stage. The Ohio Players, Denise LaSalle and others, known and not-so-known, were appearing on smaller stages simultaneously in the super lounges.

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And I could learn something from the Coca-Cola greeter who

told me to pace myself. I had invitations to the after party at the House of Blues and the after party after the after party. By the time I returned to my hotel, it was 5 a.m. I didn't get up until the crack of noon.

Over the next two days, I did indeed pace myself as I rocked with Faith Evans, Mary J. Blige, Babyface, the Isley Brothers and Frankie Beverly & Maze, among others. I disciplined myself and managed to get to bed by 2 or 3 a.m. each morning.

Ingrid Saunders Jones provided a New Orleans-style supper at Harrah's for several hundred of her closest friends. The star of that show was not Ingrid — sorry about that Ingrid — but her mother, Mrs. Georgia Saunders. She was Miss Knoxville College in 1936 and was seated with her longtime friend and another former Miss Knoxville College, Blanche Solomon. I want to age like them. They are so full of vitality and energy.

I usually see Ingrid's mother at homecoming at Knoxville College, which is also my alma mater, and I am always impressed by how classy she is. It's old school class, charm and graciousness. It's something I wish that the ghetto-fabulous women had been exposed to before they were, well, ghetto.

Instead of letting everything hang out that's not supposed to hang out, perhaps they would have modeled themselves after Ingrid's mother. I am not saying women of today should not have their own style and personality. I am saying that class and grace has no age limit and it never goes out of style. That's fabulous and it beats being ghetto-fabulous on the Black planet any day of the week.

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Readers Respond

Corporate accountability

President Bush's corporate accountability agenda is welcome and a good framework for much needed reform. But, it leaves plenty of room for interpretation.

As Congress takes up efforts to address pension, accounting and white collar crime issues, several goals and objectives should guide the debate.

First, we ought to work hard to return corporate America to accounting practices that any college business major — and most any Wall Street analyst — can understand. Let's take this opportunity to bring back common sense, simple, transparent accounting rules.

Let's encourage balance sheets and income statements where profits are profits, expenses are expenses and income is income, and where finance guidelines frown on, not encourage financial paper tigers.

Simple, common sense accounting rules will discourage fraud, favor investors and reward solid companies who actually create something for a profit.

Second, let's enact pension protections based on the idea that what is good for the goose is good for the gander. When companies decide to match employee contributions with stock, the stock becomes the employees, with which she can do what she wants, including sell it!

Employees and stockholders need timely and accurate information, and they need to live by the same rules as management. Let's avoid lock-out policies that restrict employees' ability to sell, especially if the same limits don't apply to management.

Most of my corporate friends will call me naive for these views. But, a little simplicity and common sense would go a long way to place emphasis back on good management, good products and services, and away from creative and reckless finance.

Finally, Congress should take a close look at merger and acquisition guidelines as they apply to publicly regulated utilities.

We may need to revise the standards and litmus tests we apply to mergers like the AES purchase of IPL.

I'm not calling for burdensome,

new regulations, but a common sense look at the differences between dot-com mergers and those affecting public utilities with very different, and much higher, public obligations.

Brose McVey
Candidate for Congress
Indiana's 7th District

What's his view?

I am disappointed that, in his

July 5 letter on the ruling against the Pledge of Allegiance, Libertarian congressional candidate Andrew Horning failed to state his position on the issue.

As a candidate seeking the support of voters, it is his responsibility to explain and clarify his beliefs. But Horning dodged the task to write about the Constitution and freedom in the abstract.

Many candidates claim to be for these things in the abstract but oppose them in practice. If Horning really cares about freedom, he should defend it on specific issues such as this, instead of hiding behind vague statements that tell us nothing about his views.

Karl Born

It's time for Medicare prescription drug benefit

We have just concluded the annual celebration of our nation's hard-won and dearly held freedoms. Now it's time for our nation's elderly to be granted freedom from the financial ruin or lack of proper medical care that all-too-often accompanies the skyrocketing costs of prescription drugs.

AARP's message to our U.S. senators is: The time for talk is over. The time has come to get prescription medications in the hands of the people who need them at prices they can afford. The time has come for you to act now to put a permanent prescription drug benefit in Medicare.

Indiana's Medicare beneficiaries need this coverage now. They cannot wait any longer for protection against the increasing cost of prescription drugs. The passage of prescription drug legislation by the House of Representatives on June

28 is a start but requires improvements. Now it's time for the Senate to act and improve upon the House bill. A number of bills are pending in the Senate, including a bill sponsored by Sens. Graham (FL) and Miller (GA) that AARP believes would offer real value.

Americans age 65 and older account for 42 percent of drug spending, but represent about 13 percent of the population. The average Medicare beneficiary fills a prescription 18 times a year. A recent AARP survey of members found that one in five said that they have had a prescription from their doctor over the past two years that they did not fill. Cost was the number one reason people said they did not have a prescription filled.

Prices for brand name drugs rose nearly four times as fast as the rate of inflation from 1998-2000, while prices for all prescription drugs, including generics, rose at more than triple the inflation rate.

Indiana AARP members want a prescription drug benefit signed into law this year. The vote in the U.S. House of Representatives to make a voluntary prescription drug benefit a permanent part of coverage for Medicare beneficiaries is a step towards that goal. But there needs to be more substantial funding, better structure, and greater sustainability of benefits.

The blueprint for a successful prescription drug benefit in Medicare is affordability and value. AARP research shows that beneficiaries assess the value of a prescription drug benefit by adding up the premium, coinsurance and deductible to determine if it is a good buy. The large gap in coverage that exists in the House bill will discourage enrollment. More funds are needed to close this gap and ensure the program's survival.

A Medicare prescription drug benefit must be permanent, and offer real value at an affordable price — a premium of no more than \$35. It must contain no gaps in coverage — no one should have to pay 100 percent of high out-of-pocket costs. It must help low-income beneficiaries and help bring down soaring drug costs. And it must be voluntary, and be available to everyone, regardless of where they live.

Clifford L. Willis
AARP Indiana



Your Voice

Would you vote for Rev. Al Sharpton if he ran for President of the United States in 2004?

"It all depends on who's running against him. I would have to see what the opposing candidate has to offer first. I'm not going to vote for Rev. Sharpton just because of who he is. I don't want to be negative, but I see Rev. Sharpton as some kind of demagogue. For instance, he was on CNN a couple

— Alan Bell

days ago saying that clemency should be granted to the man who filmed those police officers hitting the young Black man in Inglewood, Calif. I do believe it's conspicuous that the man was arrested soon after the videotaping. But still, Rev. Sharpton must realize that if the brother is guilty of past crimes, then he is guilty and shouldn't be let go just because he filmed a tape helpful to the victim."

— Alan Bell

"Rev. Al Sharpton has done a good job standing up for our community, and has a strong legacy as a civil rights activist. But to be honest, I'm not familiar with too many of his beliefs outside the civil rights realm. Therefore, I would have to take a hard look at his actual platform for the 2004

Michael Montgomery election before I'd run out and vote for him. But let me remind you that as a people, we (Blacks) should avoid casting all of our good fortune and hope behind one man, as we did with Jesse Jackson. This approach limits our avenues toward advancement."

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We must take action against those who attempt to mis-educate our young people

We are in the midst of our hot and humid summer season, the time of year when families are supposed to be vacationing together, visiting relatives, and attending family reunions. There are many trips to amusement parks, swimming pools, and entertainment venues. But there has been a constant decline in the presence of a certain group of individuals at these family events. That is ... the family itself!

In our society, families are really having a difficult time coming together and educating each other on what it is like to exist in a supportive family unit. With the increasing divorce rate and the breakdown of the extended family, fewer and fewer young people can turn to their families for guidance, encouragement, and support.

The lessons from our earlier generations are not being handed down to this prior generation. The education process that our young people need on topics such as parenthood, culture, business, and spirituality is not being shared with those who need it most.

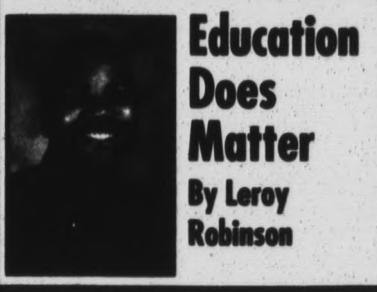
With the rise in teen pregnancy, suicide rates, drug abuse, and criminal activity, it is no doubt that proper guidance from our elders, those whom have the knowledge and the experience, is missing from the lives of this current generation and possibly the last two generations.

The nuclear family today is a passing fad and dad being the breadwinner, with mom staying home to care for the children is totally out of the question. This suggestion alone would bring threatening protest from the many women liberation groups that have sprung up across the country. The mere idea of mom staying home to care for the residence, her husband, and their children is now a male chauvinist sexist thought, which could lead to a civil lawsuit if suggested by a top business executive.

Mothers are torn between "should I work?" or "should I stay home?" They feel guilty if they work 40-50 hours per week and their family home life suffers. And they feel equally as guilty if they stay home with their children, but financially cannot provide for them the opportunities that other families enjoy, with the one income from dad.

Unfortunately, in today's economy, most mothers really do not have much of a choice on whether they work or not. It takes two full-time wage earners today to purchase about the same thing that one check could buy in the 1970s. Other factors include the rise in single motherhood and the fact that one day the family may get divorced, which means that mom wants to have some experience if she is ever faced with this unpleasant experience.

The parents are also struggling with how they should effectively discipline their children. The research seems to change every six months and many of the



**Education
Does
Matter**
By Leroy
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books are written with the idea of living in a utopia society with a financially secure nuclear family. Because the parents are aware that with the wrong kind of discipline, their kids could rebel. And they also know that by giving their children too much positive attention, as they grow older, their perspective on reality could be a little flawed.

The young people may be under the most pressure. Having the innate ability just to "fit-in" is all that most young people could ever dream for. The worst feeling children could have of themselves is not being accepted by his or her peers. With the strong influential messages that our young people are bombarded with daily from the media, the guidance, encouragement, and support from the extended family is more needed today than at any other time in our history.

The media has become the largest and most influential educator of our young people. From the commercials, to the product promotional campaigns, to the multi-million dollar videos, the influence of these outlets are very powerful. The sad part is that what these vices are educating our children on is really not in the best interest of our family structure.

The commercials promote unhealthy fast food chains, upcoming Jerry Springer shows, and staged reality-based TV shows like the Osborn's.

The fast food business is booming because families are too busy to sit down at the dinner table together. The Jerry Springer show format is successful because our value system has been reduced to that of prehistoric times. And shows like the Osborn's and Married With Children are so popular because this is the type of dysfunctional family unit that our society finds humorous and acceptable.

The videos that fill the airways on BET and MTV promote everything except family values, hard work, and being in a committed relationship. The attitude that fast cars, fancy clothes, big homes, and expensive jewelry is the only substance that one needs in their life, is thrust into the belief system of our young people. Nothing in the videos speaks of working to obtain any of these possessions. The idea is to go on vacation, party with as many women as possible, spend lots of money... but never be seen working hard to earn it.

The rule when making a hip-hop video is to never be seen as a family unit, working a job to earn money, or obtaining anything that resembles knowledge

or educational value. The only family you should have should have names that include "Murder," "Death," or "Bad" in them. Sure it is entertainment, but with no balance in the lives of our young people, at home or in the videos, this entertainment becomes their reality.

It is not acceptable that our young people continue to be incarcerated at rates higher than their college acceptance. It is not acceptable that young Black men are murdering young Black men, at rates far greater than white cops are, without a single protest from Black community leaders.

It is also not acceptable that Black women are being abused physically, verbally, psychologically, and financially by young Black men, and the mothers, sisters, and aunts of these brothers are silent. It is not acceptable that the divorce rate for young Black couples is far higher than any ethnic or age group in the country.

It is also not acceptable that our children are flunking out, dropping out, and being kicked out of learning institutions on every level of the education spectrum, from elementary school to college.

The Black Panther Party of the 1960s often talked about "Nation Time." It is high time and past time for our "Nation" to "stand and deliver" on its own. The nation, consisting of the nuclear and extended family, must rise up and take action against those inside and outside of our community who attempts to mis-educate our young people.

"There is no Negro problem. There is no Southern problem. There is no Northern problem. There is only an American problem ...

"A century has passed since the day of promise, and the promise is unkept. The time of justice has now come, and I can tell you that I believe sincerely that no force can hold it back. It is right in the eyes of man and God that it should come, and when it does, I think that day will brighten the lives of every American.

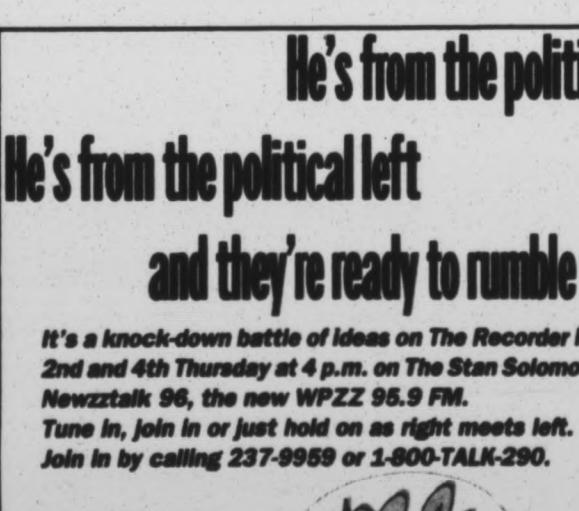
"The real hero of this struggle is the American Negro. His actions and protest, his courage to risk safety, and even to risk his life, have awakened the conscience of this nation," said President Lyndon B. Johnson in a speech to the U.S. Congress, titled "We Shall Overcome," in 1965.

We have fallen asleep and allowed our families to suffer tremendous losses. Again, we can "awaken the conscience of this nation" by putting our families first.

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He's from the political right
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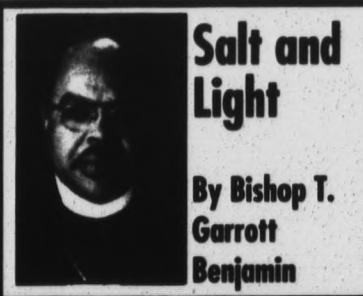
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**Salt and Light**

By Bishop T. Garrott Benjamin

Embrace the meaning behind Pledge of Allegiance

By WHITNEY HOPLER

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"You probably recited the Pledge of Allegiance every day in school growing up. But how much did you actually think about the meaning behind those 31 words you recited with your hand over your heart?"

Here are some ways you can embrace the meaning behind the words in the Pledge of Allegiance:

• **I** — You are singularly responsible for contributing positively to our nation by being a faithful citizen. Your attitudes and actions matter; they affect the greater good for us all.

• **pledge** — You make a sacred commitment to our country and keep your oath even in difficult times because of your patriotism and gratitude for our freedom.

• **allegiance** — You will be loyal to your nation, expressing your devotion however you can and serving diligently when called upon.

• **to the flag** — You will honor the American flag, the symbol of our nation. You will celebrate the privilege of being an American.

• **of the United States of America** — You will stand in solidarity with other Americans, united by your mutual love for freedom.

• **and to the republic** — You will fulfill your civic duties to help maintain a strong government. You will vote, pay taxes, volunteer, obey laws, serve in the military and on court juries, and contribute in whatever other ways God leads.

• **for which it stands** — You will affirm and proclaim to the world that what Americans believe is worth believing.

• **one nation** — You will work together with others as part of a diverse group working in unity toward the common goals of maintaining freedom and making progress in our national affairs.

• **under God** — You recognize that our country was built on the foundation of faith. You will thank God for his blessings and look to him for guidance. You will pray regularly for our nation and its leaders and your fellow citizens.

• **indivisible** — You resolve to make unity a daily priority in your interactions with other Americans. You share a commitment to democracy with other citizens.

• **with liberty** — You will courageously defend freedom however you can, from threats such as terrorism and civil unrest.

• **and justice** — You will strive to do what is right in God's sight and treat other people fairly and equitably.

• **for all** — You will think of what is good for others, not just for yourself. You will remember that America is a place for everyone, young and old, male and female, healthy and sick, and all

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ONE NATION UNDER GOD?

Local religious and civic leaders outline the importance of a Godly pledge

By BRANDON A. PERRY
Staff Writer

Local ministers of all faiths agree that the "under God" provision of the Pledge of Allegiance should be left untouched.

As a man of the cloth, Bishop Larry Grinstead of Puritan Baptist Church strongly supports keeping "under God" in the Pledge. But at the same time, he points to what he calls the "ironic" hypocrisy of citizens who seek to remove references to God from the Pledge.

"It's very ironic and almost amazing that Newdow would want to strip God from our nation's pledge," Bishop Grinstead said. "I'm sure he's walking around with coins in his pocket that say 'In God we trust.' But there is no movement by him or anyone else to take that statement off of our money. Why is it we (people) want to remove certain things from certain places, but we don't touch the things that are important to us?"

Rabbi Shlomo Crandall of B'nai Torah Synagogue is regretful about the 9th Circuit Court's decision. "We must leave it ('under God') where it is and remember what it represents. The fact that various people are trying to take God out of our pledge is sad," he said. "It's shocking that these individuals actually want to oppose the court's ruling."

Rev. Greg Dixon of the Indianapolis Baptist Temple said that keeping God in the pledge is important because it shows that "this nation was established as a Christian nation," and that our forefathers intended this to be a godly nation with values.

"It's important to let our children in schools know that America was founded on biblical principles."

Susan Bosherts, communications director for the Indianapolis Catholic Archdiocese, reminded The Recorder that the Knights of Columbus, a Catholic organization, almost single-handedly persuaded Congress and President D. Eisenhower to adopt the pledge's "under God" statement in 1954.

"To us it's good news that they (judges and attorneys) are reviewing the case," she said.

"This is indeed a very critical issue," said Dr. Sayyid Muhammad Sayeed, Secretary General of the Plainfield-based Islamic Society of North America. "Keeping God in our pledge is an acknowledgment of the reality of his existence. This reference to our creator has been in there for a long time. Faith should not be put in the background. Muslims fast, pray five times a day and remember God often throughout the course of our day. So it is safe to say that any Muslim man or woman would oppose the court's ruling."

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The controversy surrounding the

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Students at Johnson Elementary take part in the Pledge of Allegiance.



Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan and an Iraqi official.

Farrakhan says sanctions are killing Iraqi people

BAGHDAD — United States citizens must be informed about the conditions under which 5,000 Iraqis die every month as a result of U.S. sanctions, and they should be able to hear from leaders of that country themselves in order to decide whether or not American bombs and soldiers should inflict more suffering on the Iraqi people,

the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan told reporters recently after meeting with several high ranking government officials here.

"We are asking President Bush and the Congress, appealing to the fairness of the American people, that before one American soldier

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In the Spirit**More than a woman**

Sister Anna Brown was the featured speaker at the Women's Day celebration held last Sunday at St. Luke's Missionary Baptist Church. Her strong message resonated with women of all ages.



The Treasures of Heaven Spiritual Dancers (left) from Mt. Vernon Missionary Baptist Church offered their exciting and unique brand of worship at the Praise in the Park Celebration recently held at Riverside Park. This innovative youth program was sponsored by Pastor Donald Golder and The Temple of Praise Assembly.

Mary, Mary on mission to spread word of GodBy GIL ROBERTSON
Electronic Urban Report

Offering praise from their hearts, delivered with passion and harmonious style, the two sisters who comprise the duo Mary, Mary are on a mission to spread the divine word of gospel.

On their debut album, "Thankful" (which included the hit single, "Shackles") the sisters — Tina



Mary, Mary duo has new album out.

and Erika Atkins exploded on the gospel and secular scene with their mix of tightly woven vocals, set against a backdrop of hip-hop and funk urban rhythms.

With a platinum album, the duo has a Grammy and multiple Stellar Awards. "The reaction to our music has been more than we ever imagined," says sister Tina. "We've been blessed and we want to share those blessings with everyone."

Los Angeles natives, Erica and Tina first began singing in their church choir, where their superlative vocals gained them an appearance on the "Bobby Jones Gospel Show." Soon both sisters were delivering background vocals for Kenny Lattimore, Brian McKnight and Eric Benét, before a chance encounter with super-hot producer

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**Claiming Your Victory**

By Rev. Michael C. Carson

A life worth living

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."

— 1 Peter 1:3

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One thing that we understand is that there have been times when we interfaced with some hard times. Yes we have at times faced pain, rejection, trial, being denied, and some overall rough and tough times.

We have a lot in common with Simon Peter who knew about challenges to one's faith. Simon Peter, as you remember, was the fisherman whom Jesus recruited to serve as the leader of a ragtag group called the disciples. Simon Peter assured Jesus that "he had his back." But of Peter, Jesus told him that before the cock would crow that Simon Peter would have denied Jesus three times.

There is a great deal that sometimes hangs on our minds. Times of missed opportunities, times of saying the wrong thing, and times of making the wrong decision sometimes "speak" to us. We all deal with those times in our life when we just did not measure up.

It's painful to realize that God gave us an opportunity to witness to another, but we did not. It's painful to realize that when we should have apologized to someone, but we did not, think-

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**Rev. Floyd H. Flake named president of Wilberforce University**By TIERRA JONES
Special to the NNPA
From BlackAmericaWeb.com

WILBERFORCE, Ohio (NNPA) — The Rev. Floyd H. Flake, senior pastor of one of New York's largest churches and a former congressman, has been chosen as president of his alma mater, Wilberforce University.

The school's board of trustees recently selected Flake, who graduated in 1968, for the one-year appointment to replace Dr. John L. Henderson, who retired after 15 years as the school's president.

"I feel it is important to maintain historically Black colleges and universities," Flake said. "By accepting this position, I want to send a message to other leaders in the country to evaluate current

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Integrity Gospel home to urban praise, gospel albums

By ANTRACIA MOORINGS

Integrity Music Inc. has announced the launch of Integrity Gospel as the new label home for all future gospel and urban praise and worship albums.

The Integrity Gospel label launches with the release of "Joe Pace Presents — Shake the Foundation," which will be released on July 30 and is followed by the September release of a new AZUSA Praise album titled "We Cry Out."

According to Integrity Gospel's general manager Jackie Patillo, the label is also working on a new album from artist Israel Houghton and producer Tommy Sims, which

Eye on Gospel

is due out in October, and on a new album from artist Alvin Slaughter and producer Kevin Bond, which is due in February 2003.

The launch of Integrity Gospel marks Integrity's continued commitment to their mission in the urban music community of helping people worldwide experience the manifest presence of God," said Patillo.

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The Gift of Music: It will be a hand-clapping good time as SSR Group presents "A Gospel Gift to You." The concert to be held Saturday, July 27 will feature Stellar Award winner Dottie Peoples, LaShun Pace, and Grammy nominee Troy Sneed. The concert starts at 7 p.m. at the Times Union Performing Arts Center located 300 Water St. in Jacksonville, Fla.

Dottie Peoples, known to many as the Songbird of the South, has recorded numerous albums, which have received many awards, but she is most famous for her 1994 album "On Time God" reaching No. 1 on the gospel charts. With a loving, down-to-earth, up-to-

heaven personality and a singing style that gets listeners up out of their seats, Dottie has been able to draw people to her side.

LaShun Pace developed her dynamic vocals as part of the Anointed Pace Sisters. She is still bringing crowds to its feet with her soprano style and dynamic and soulful vocal range.

Troy Sneed started out as a member of the world renowned FAMU gospel choir where he was recognized for his leadership qualities. Troy has toured abroad capturing the attention of many audiences with his classic rendition of "Walk Around Heaven."

Tickets are on sale for \$22 at Bethel Baptist Institutional Church

(904) 354-1464; DJ's Record Shop (904) 388-6426; Gospel World (904) 764-7679 and the Ticketmaster Box Office.

For more information contact The Integrity Solution at (904) 772-1490.

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Old Time Religion: Singer and pastor Donnie McClurkin will be putting on the 2nd annual Back to Holiness Conference. The event will take place Nov. 29-Dec. 1, in Nashville. The conference will not only feature McClurkin but other leading pastors, evangelists, recording artists and youth leaders.

The conference will also feature an artist showcase, seminars and

classes, culminating with a Sunday Morning Praise and Power Service. For more information, visit www.backtoholiness.com.

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Briefly: Songwriter and keyboardist Rickey Grunley has started his own record label, RGII Music Group. The label will release two albums later this summer. The label will feature a debut from singer Anthony W. Faulkner II and a new project from Grunley, titled "Testimony."

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This week's Scripture: "Submit to God and be at peace with him; in this way prosperity will come to you." — Job 22:21.

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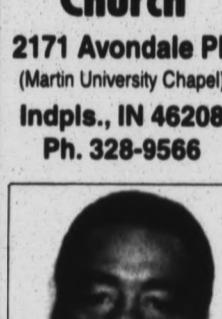


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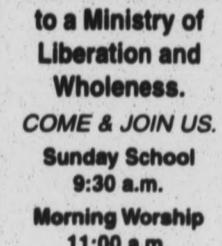
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Indianapolis to host Church of the Nazarene General Assembly

The Church of the Nazarene has chosen Indianapolis once again to host its General Assembly convention in June 2009. An expected 35,000+ delegates, administrators and religious leaders will descend on the city June 17-26, 2009.

According to the Indianapolis Convention & Visitors Association, Indianapolis was selected after final presentations, which included Atlanta and St. Louis, to Nazarene leaders in Nashville, Tenn. The General Assembly will bring an estimated \$23 million in economic impact to Indianapolis, but this is not the first time the city's won the Nazarene vote.

This represents the third consecutive General Assembly in Indianapolis (June 2001, June 2005 and June 2009) and fifth overall in

Indianapolis. The organization also made Indianapolis home to its 1989 and 1993 General Assemblies.

"We are pleased to bring the Church of the Nazarene to Indianapolis once again. Our city's selection is a testament to Indianapolis' outstanding team of hospitality professionals and our impressive infrastructure. They really like Indianapolis and have confidence in our ability to service the needs of their General Assembly," said Bob Bedell, president and CEO of the ICVA.

The Church of the Nazarene General Assembly will utilize the Indiana Convention Center and RCA Dome and occupy more than 25,000 hotel room nights throughout the city.

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should be put in harm's way, or one bomb dropped on Iraq, that there should and there must be congressional hearings," Farrakhan said. Iraqi officials should be permitted to participate in those hearings, he continued.

The threatened U.S. military action to remove the government of Iraq's President Saddam Hussein must be debated, Farrakhan insisted, and those who desire war with Iraq must "put before the American people the reasons that justify such action and allow the scholars and scientists who disagree with the administration's position to testify" so that the American people can hear both sides of the question.

Any war decision against Iraq must be based on "the will of the majority of the American people, and not the will of any lobby, no matter how strong that lobby may be," said Farrakhan. Iraq is the sixth Middle East country visited by Min. Farrakhan and his delegation on a historic peace mission to the Middle East and Africa.

Government officials showed the delegation members the "consequences of the embargo imposed on Iraq, which has caused the deaths of 1.6 million people so far, because of the extreme lack of medicine and supplies," the official Iraqi News Agency reported.

The U.S. government's "aim is against the people of Iraq, not the regime, otherwise why are (they) not giving permission for contracts to be approved for the sewer system?" complained Dr. Abd Al-Razak Al-Hashmie, director of the People's Friendship, Peace, and Solidarity Committee. "What are the dangers of surgical sutures? What are the dangers of children's toys? What is the (prohibited) use of kitchen appliances? So when you ask them, there's of course no answer," he said of U.S. and British officials who oversee the sanctions and who have the final say even for food and medical items purchased under the controversial "oil for food" program approved by the United Nations nearly five

years ago.

"We are suffering from the cumulative effects" of sanctions and the Gulf War in 1991, added Health Minister Dr. Omeed Mubarak. There is a radiological effect, as well as a chemical effect, he said. "And this radiological effect causes a change in the genes (for) millions of years, on the soil and other affected areas."

Iraqi citizens, especially children are suffering from cases similar to what has been found among U.S. veterans — the so-called "Gulf War Syndrome." The culprit, Dr. Mubarak said, is the use of depleted uranium in U.S. weapons.

Members of the Farrakhan delegation were shocked. "What you have just told us is crimes we are committing against you, killing your children, poisoning your water, spreading diseases," the Rev. James Bevel, a disciple of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., told Dr. Mubarak.

"This is like a prime example of what we're going to see in the future against many nations if we don't dissolve the American (war) mentality. That has to be done because you get an Iraq today, tomorrow you get a Syria, you get a Sudan, and then Afghanistan. That's just like Mississippi. We had to dissolve that mentality," he continued, recalling his leadership in both the struggles to desegregate the South and get voting rights for Blacks, as well as to mount massive resistance against the Vietnam War.

Because of the on-going sanctions, and despite some improvements in the medical system since the end of the Gulf War 11 years ago, the hospitals in Iraq are often not able to render assistance to patients. Routine illnesses, some of which would be treated at home and not a hospital in the United States, become acute, life-threatening medical emergencies in Iraq, according to Dr. Mubarak.

Claiming Your Victory: A life worth living

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ing that there would be more time. Peter Alas we come to the realization that there was not enough time left.

In light of how God has looked beyond our faults and realized our needs, it should be easy for us to merit out mercy because when we have been on the list for mercy Jesus Christ has always donated mercy to us. When we have been in need of forgiveness, God has always found some forgiveness towards you and me. Peter must have also been thinking about the time when he denied Jesus three times.

There is something healing when we ponder on those times in our lives when we dropped the ball and just did not make the grade. There is something about when we take quality time to come clean and deal with the fact that we have made some mistakes, errors in judgment, and bad decisions.

Peter today shares with us that despite those times when we just did not do well, God has an abundant mercy for us. Mercy is compassionate treatment for persons who really do not deserve it. Mercy is for those who really cannot afford it. Many times in Bible history we have heard the despairing cries of "Have mercy on us, have mercy on us." It has been stated that grace is offered to us when we do not deserve mercy.

When was the last time we cried out to God for mercy? When was the last time that we asked God to forgive us for our thoughts, words, and deeds that were really not pleasing to him? God has a great gift of mercy just for us.

When God grants us mercy it causes us to be reborn. It's when we receive the mercy of Jesus Christ we fully understand that the slate is wiped cleaned and we have

deserved mercy.

Because of his dying on the cross we live, our dreams live, our aspirations live. The bleak times in our lives are replaced with bright opportunities. Because of his resurrection we are kept by the power of God. "He lives, Christ Jesus lives today, he walks with me and he talks with me." Jesus lives today and he lives for tomorrow. He is the God for all seasons. Because of Jesus Christ we live a life that is worth living. We live a life of hope of joy and of promise.

Oh yes, we sometimes experience difficulty and set back; oh yes, we are sometimes heavy in our spirit. But we hear the master call for us as he told Mary to find Simon Peter when Jesus, after summoning for the disciples, called Peter by his name "and Peter too."

Even though we might have problems right now we can still greatly rejoice in Christ Jesus.

Even when we are being tempted and tried, James tells us that the trial of our "faith is more precious than gold." It's a miserable thing to be without forgiveness and hope, but Jesus forgives us and supplies us with many opportunities so that our hope be filled.

Despite what we might do or say that is wrong, there still stands a God who is ready to forgive us. We stand on the mountaintop of understanding when we stand on the shoulders of Jesus Christ.

The crucifixion is the setting for all of our errors to die because through his death our sins are purged. We stand at the front door of many sunlit possibilities because with the resurrection we are given a new opportunity. This is a life worth living and we should praise God. "Blessed, thank you for your mercy, thank you for your forgiveness, thank you for your understanding, thank you for your love, thank you for your peace, thank you for forgiving me. Thank you for bearing my burdens, thank you for offering me a life that is worth living just because you live!"

The Rev. Dr. Michael C. Carson is pastor of Historic Wayman Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Kokomo, Ind.

SALT

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This is a particularly significant ordination since all five are in the same church (Light of the World Christian Church), all five have been under the leadership of Bishop Benjamin, and the five graduates (four females and one male) will be ordained in one service.

The service will be held in the auditorium of the seminary where all received their graduate degrees. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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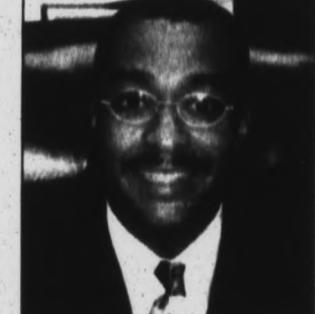
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One Nation Under God?

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from Washington. "God is our God and no federal court can remove that."

On the other hand, however, Rep. Carson says we should also be careful to protect constitutional boundaries. "I am equally concerned about the emphasis that we should also place under 'with liberty and justice for all' people, because that has very profound meaning in terms of how we treat each other and how we can live and grow in one nation. So, while I didn't agree with removing 'One Nation Under God', I think it should remain as it has been historically. But I think we can't just debate that part of it. We have to also extend it out to the full emphasis of the pledge ... that this is in fact one nation that should be with liberty and justice for all."

U.S. Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., has said recently that the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals is clearly mistaken in ruling the Pledge of Allegiance unconstitutional based on the inclusion of 'under God'."

"I respectfully suggest a founding principle of our country, as stated in the Declaration of Independence, is: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.'"

The Indiana Democratic Party and its chairman, Peter Manous, released the following statement:

"The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals is the federal court with the highest rate of rulings reversed upon additional review. That said, the Ninth Circuit Court ruling has caused quite a bit of debate. The Democratic Party would never want to restrict the expression of any Hoosier's belief in God or a higher power. At the same time, the Democratic Party does not support the idea of a 'state religion.'"

Larry McIntyre, communications director for the Indiana Republican State Committee, said that he could not think of a "single Republican in the state or nation who would agree with the court's ruling."

FLAKE

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conditions and assist in preserving other institutions."

John L. Walker, chairman of Wilberforce's board of trustees, called Flake "a multi-talented, dynamic individual" who will bring "excitement and hard work to the university."

Flake, who has spent the last 25 years as senior pastor at the Greater Allen A.M.E. Cathedral in Jamaica neighborhood in Queens, N.Y., is nationally recognized for his efforts in education and community empowerment. During his tenure, which included 11 years in the U.S. House of Representatives, Flake has established the church as one of the best in the country in terms of community revitalization.

GAC, which the church is often referred to as, operates on an annual budget of \$30 million. Its 102 ministries, church administrative offices, 500-student school and 10 corporations comprise a 627-person workforce, making GAC the second-largest employer in the borough of Queens, trailing John F. Kennedy Airport.

Flake also has distinguished himself in academia, an area he concentrated on while working as a congressman. He is president of Edison Charter Schools, a \$350 million, publicly traded corporation that operates 137 public schools nationwide. He also serves on a variety of education-related boards, including the President's Commission on Excellence in Special Education; the board of directors of the Fannie Mae Foundation; the Princeton Review; the New York City Investment Fund Civic Capital Corp. and the Initiative for a Competitive Inner City.

Despite such a busy schedule — Flake said he will continue to serve as pastor and as president of Edison — he says he looks forward to the challenge of leading the liberal arts-focused Wilberforce, one of the nation's oldest historically Black colleges.

"What I do effectively is build systems. I'm good at building management systems and I try to hire

"This whole scenario," he added "underscores the reason why President Bush's appointments to various courts are needed in our nation at this time."

However, there are political and civic community leaders who are not as quick to embrace the idea of protecting the Pledge's "under God" provision.

Mark Schreiber is the vice-chairman of the Indiana Libertarian Party and was the party's 2000 candidate for lieutenant governor. He says he understands the importance of maintaining values in society, but added that the Pledge of Allegiance should be "applicable to everyone," including citizens who do not hold religious beliefs.

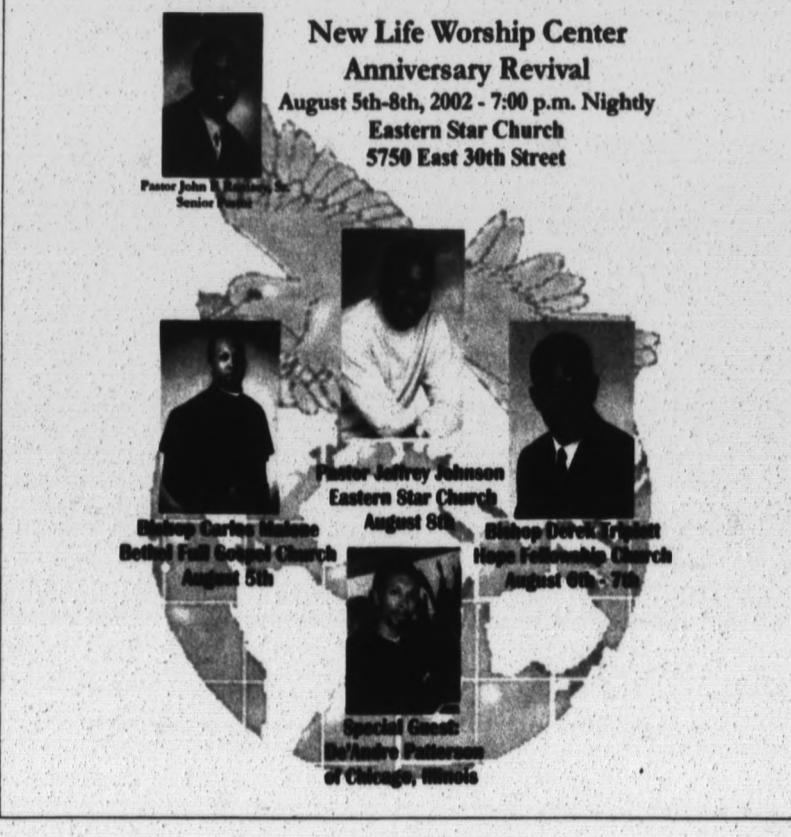
"I don't want to belittle the Pledge," Schreiber stated, "but we have spent a precious amount of time on this issue. The Democratic and Republican leadership in Congress came out together to say that they support God and the current incarnation of the Pledge. That's great and wonderful. But where were our congressional leaders when citizens were dealing with issues that were really substantive? Why didn't we have a similarly clear message from Congress about unfair government seizures, racial profiling and unconstitutional roadblocks? They hesitate to make vouchers available to school children, but they'll get emotional about the pledge!"

Individuals who worship a higher power say they sense a growing need to put aside their theological differences and create a diverse coalition of individuals who would like to preserve America's "moral foundation."

"I believe at some point, all of us (those who believe in a god) will have to lay aside our doctrinal differences and fight for what is right," says Bishop Grinstead.

Pastor Dixon agrees wholeheartedly.

"It wouldn't be a bad idea," said Rabbi Crandell. "But the question is how could we get all of these diverse religions and denominations united?"



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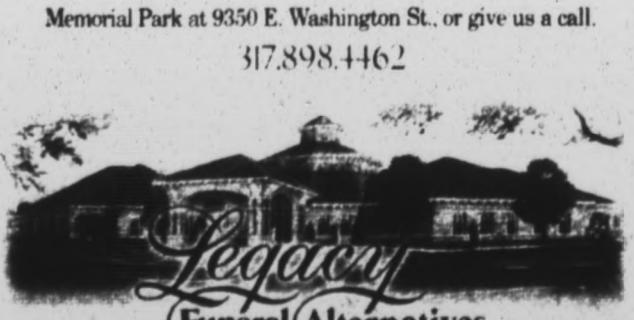
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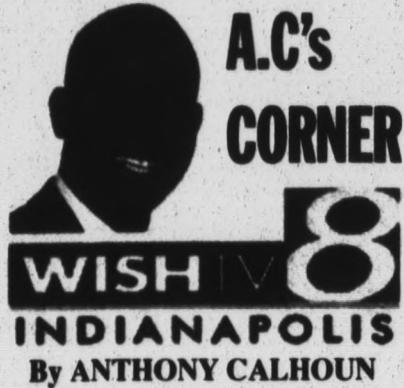
Warryn Campbell landed them their record deal.

"After hearing them just once, I knew that Tina and Erica had the talent to make it as artists" says Campbell, who recently married Erica. "With their vision, charisma and power, these two ladies can do everything."

With their new album "Incredible" just out, and a successful tour with gospel artists Shirley Caesar and Yolanda Adams in the can, the close knit sisters are well on their way to fulfilling their lifelong dreams.

Says Erica, "We're doing what we love ... what makes us very happy. God willing — we'll be able to continue on our mission to share the love and grace of God's world with the world."

Sports



Colts coach Dungy a class act

Anthony Calhoun, a sports anchor for WISH-TV Channel 8, writes an occasional column for The Recorder. Today he interviews Colts coach Tony Dungy.

I've always heard great stories about Tony Dungy from friends of mine who lived in the Tampa area when Dungy was coaching the Buccaneers. They would tell me that Tony is a man that loves the Lord, his family, and one with a lot of class. The more I interact with the Colts head coach I am finding that to be true. I had the opportunity to spend some time with Tony and found him to be a man who is on a mission for God, family, team, and his community.

AC: First, congratulations on being recognized by Indiana Black Expo for your "Excellence in Sports" award you received with Mike Davis (IU), Ron Hunter (IUPUI), Isiah Thomas (Pacers), and Tyrone Willingham (Notre Dame). How does it feel?

TD: It's an awesome honor to be in the same group with those guys. I am just glad to be a part of all the good things happening here in Indiana.

AC: Speaking of IBE—which events are you looking forward to attending at this year's Summer Celebration?

TD: I can't wait to see the fight between Forrest and Mosley.

AC: Yeah, it should be a good one. What are your children looking forward to doing?

TD: They want to see all the concerts like Mary J. Blige, and also the fight.

AC: So do you let your children listen to their "type" of music while you're driving?

TD: When I was growing up my dad didn't let me listen to my music in the car. So I always said when I have kids I would let them listen to their music and now my kids do just that in the car.

AC: Like all the rap stuff, etc.

TD: Yes, all their rap groups ... ha ... ha.

AC: That's pretty cool. So what types of music rocks you?

TD: I love the female voices like Aretha Franklin, Patty Labelle, the Supremes, and Gladys Knight and the Pips. I also enjoy Luther Vandross.

AC: Oh, now you're going way back. So I'm sure you have played many of those tunes, especially Luther, to your wife Lauren?

TD: Oh, yes, she has had her share of hearing those songs.

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Allen Iverson released on bail

By KAM WILLIAMS
For The Recorder

Philadelphia 76ers' Allen Iverson relied on an elaborate ruse to sneak out of his estate around dawn the morning of July 16. Using a neighbor's driveway and several cars, the NBA star successfully avoided the phalanx of reporters who had camped out in his upscale neighborhood, waiting for a chance to interrogate him before the cops could.

But Iverson slipped away and surrendered to police uneventfully, as his high-priced attorney had promised. Allen's facing a battery of criminal charges involving gun possession, breaking and entering, assault and terroristic threats. According to widespread rumors, it all grew out of a domestic dispute in which he kicked his lovely wife, Tawana, out of the house naked.

Although Allen and his lawyer had no comment that morning, his mother, Ann Iverson, was more than willing to pause on her way to the police station to defend her son's alleged behavior. "I know my child isn't no criminal," the distraught woman said.



"I know my child doesn't have to do something as petty as go to somebody's house and break in their house and all this."

According to the Associated Press, Iverson was arraigned Tuesday on charges he stormed into his cousin's apartment with a gun and threatened two men while looking for his wife. He was released on \$10,000 bond after 11 hours in custody.

Wearing a white T-shirt, a haggard-looking Iverson appeared in court via closed-circuit TV as he sat in a detention block at police headquarters.



Iverson hides the in back seat as his attorney drives him to a police station.



Allen Iverson puts his arm around his wife, Tawana, outside their Gladwyne, Pa., home

No plea was entered for the Philadelphia 76ers guard, though Iverson's lawyer told the court his client would plead innocent.

The brief hearing came after a long day behind bars for Iverson, who surrendered about 5:30 a.m. to face charges of assault, making threats and carrying a gun without a license.

The charges carry a maximum sentence of more than 50 years, although lawyers not involved in the case said he is unlikely to serve jail time even if convicted.

He appeared on screen for about three minutes and did not speak, except to answer "yes" to acknowledge his presence when called on by bail commissioner Abraham

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Shareef Abdur-Rahim

NBA All-Star Shareef Abdur-Rahim coming to Indy for basketball clinic

By MIKAL SAHIR
For The Recorder

Shareef Abdur-Rahim, the leading scorer for the Atlanta Hawks, will visit Indianapolis on Saturday July 27 to conduct a basketball clinic for youth kindergarten through the 8th grade.

Abdur-Rahim was selected by the Vancouver Grizzlies, in the first round (third pick overall), of the 1996 NBA draft. In July of last year he was traded by the Grizzlies to the Hawks, where the small forward earned a spot on the 2001-02 NBA All-Star team by averaging over 21 points per game and 9 rebounds. On Nov. 23, 2001, during the month of Ramadan, the Islamic month for fasting, Abdur-Rahim scored a career high 50 points against the Detroit Pistons. In the summer of 2000 Abdur-Rahim won an Olympic gold medal as a member of the United States basketball team.

He is looking forward to coming to Indianapolis to conduct his basketball camp, which is open to both boys and girls. One of his enjoyments is talking and interacting with youth. He adds, "My whole focus is with the youth. I look at myself as being young."

The Shareef Abdur-Rahim basketball clinic will focus upon basic basketball skills including dribbling, shooting and passing. The participants will be divided into two groups to help facilitate quality time with each individual.

The location for the Shareef Abdur-Rahim basketball clinic is at New Augusta Academy located at 6250 Rodebaugh Road. (On 62nd Street between Michigan Road and Guion Road). The cost is \$30 per registrant. Everyone is welcome.

The first session for kindergarteners through third graders will run from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The second session will run from 1 until 2:30 p.m. In between the two sessions from 11:45 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. Shareef will join with all ages for a group rap session.

"My father always taught me, and my mother always taught me to always try to put Allah first and live that way. (From) my limited experience, if you try and do that I don't feel that you can go wrong. That's the model that I try and live by. I believe in Allah. I pray to Allah. I do the things that he asks me to do. And he is with me, and if he is with me there is no way that I can go wrong. So that is the model I live. When things are bad, or when things are good I try to stay close to him. If I'm close to him, I feel like he is with me. And when he is with me then I don't feel like anything can touch me."

"I think basketball has strengthened my character. Athletics strengthen kids' character, people's character. I think so. You know Allah has put basketball in my life. It has afforded me a lot of different opportunities. It has let me see a lot and achieve a lot and enable me to do a lot. And that is a blessing."

For more information call (317) 251-9796.

IUPUI head coach discusses IBE award, morals, and basketball

By SHANNON WILLIAMS
Assistant Editor

It all started at the tender age of 7 when Ron Hunter decided to play basketball as a way to stay off the inner-city streets of Dayton, Ohio. During this time, young Hunter also decided to make personal history by pledging to become the first member of his family ever to go to college. Little did he know, that years to come he would make professional history by becoming Indiana's first Black college head coach.

That's right. Before Indiana was bestowed with the talents of Davis, Dungy, Thomas, and Willingham, there was IUPUI head coach Ron Hunter. Hunter, along with the previously mentioned, will be honored during this year's Indiana Black Expo for "Excellence In Sports."

So how does Hunter feel about the distinguished award?

"I'm very humbled and honored. I think

of all the things I've won, this one sticks out more to me ... because of what I believe in and the things I had to go through to get where I'm at."

Because African-American head coaches are hot topics of discussion, Hunter feels that there is still an issue and Blacks haven't gotten as far as thought.

"I can't wait for the day when we don't have to recognize that, (when) it's just a part of society and we don't have to worry that there are five Black coaches in Indiana. We're still not there yet, but we are making progress," said Hunter.

Influenced by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Hunter stresses moral values both on and off the court to his players.

"I always preach to our guys (about) giving back to the community. It doesn't necessarily have to be monetarily, (it can be) just going back and helping some young kids," said Hunter, who is currently con-

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IUPUI head basketball coach Ron Hunter.

CHRISTIAN CO-ED SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Antioch Missionary Baptist and Progressive Baptist play for top spot

By JAMES BUNTIN
Staff Writer

victor is awarded with the winning title.

Antioch Missionary Baptist Church and Progressive Baptist Church battled it out at Riverside Park last weekend to compete for the top position in their Christian Co-ed Softball League. The churches are among two of eight teams fighting it out to determine who will emerge victorious. The games will last through the next few weekends until a

The games are a way to build strong Christian links among churches in different communities. Those who wish to share in the fun can call coach Oscar Ball at (317) 201-8574.

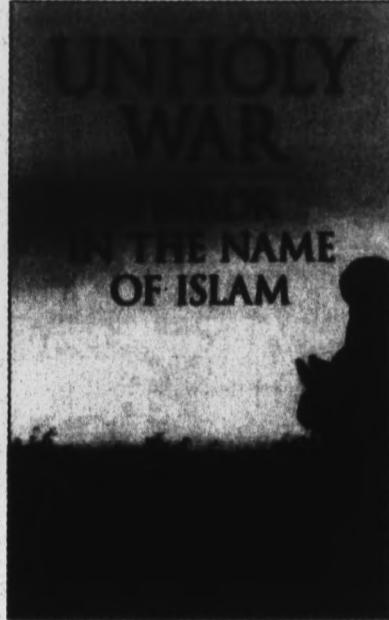


Team Antioch from left to right, Rev. Morton Short, MaDessa Kinchlow, Jane't Cornett, Marian Turner, coach Oscar Ball and Leo Williams. Clide Posley Jr. (not pictured) is the pastor of Antioch Missionary Baptist Church. (Photos/J. Buntin)

Bringing the heat on for Progressive Baptist Church is Kelli Rogers.

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BOOKMARK

Book is a primer on understanding Islam mindsetBy KAM WILLIAMS
For The Recorder*(Unholy War: Terror in the Name of Islam)* by John L. Esposito, Oxford University Press

"The 21st century will be dominated by the encounter of two major and rapidly growing world religions, Christianity and Islam, and by the forces of globalization that will strain relations between the West and the rest. It is not a time for provoking a clash of civilizations or for the self-fulfilling prophecy that such a clash is inevitable. It is rather a time for the active promotion of coexistence and cooperation.

"Amidst pressures to win the global war against terrorism at any cost, how we understand Islam and the Muslim world will affect how we address the causes of terrorism and of anti-Americanism. We must be able to move beyond political rhetoric, beyond the world of Black and white, of unadulterated good vs. evil invoked not only by bin Laden and those like him, but by his opponents as well."

— John L. Esposito in preface

Since 9-11, most political pundits have broken down the Middle East issue simplistically, drawing a line in the desert sand, so to speak, with all the good guys on one side, all the bad guys on the other. If only an astute analysis of the situation were that easy.

But, as John L. Esposito knows, Muslims are our neighbors, our co-workers, our fellow citizens. And because their religion rejects terrorism, it is incumbent upon us all to move beyond suspicious stereotypes.

Esposito, a professor of religion and international affairs at Georgetown University, is one of the world's foremost authorities on Islam. Over the last 20 years, he has written about two dozen books on the subject, including *The Oxford History of Islam*, *Women in Muslim Family Law* and *The Islamic Threat: Myth or Reality*. He is also the founder and director of the Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding.

His latest work, *Unholy War: Terror in the Name of Islam*, will prove to be a helpful primer for anyone truly interested in understanding the Muslim mindset.

For the author methodically addresses practically every concern an outsider might have about present-day Islam. Thus, he answers critical questions like, Is the religion inclined towards violence? Who are these Muslim extremists? What makes Osama bin Laden so celebrated by Muslims. What is at the root of their anti-Americanism? Are there Muslim moderates? How can we fight terrorism without causing a clash of cultures?

The book takes a sensible, chro-

Popular IU class focuses on Motown, music of the masses

By JOHN MEUNIER

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — Motown created music for the masses.

Hits such as "My Girl," "Sugar Pie, Honey Bun," "You Can't Hurry Love," "Baby Love," and more churned out of the Detroit studios of Berry Gordy's Motown Record Corp. from 1959 to 1972. The music is as infectious today as it was then, and it's still everywhere you turn.

"The songs that related to me in the 1960s still relate to the kids that are taking my class," said Indiana University professor Charles Sykes.

Sykes' class, offered each summer, is among the most popular on the IU roster. In the department of folklore and ethnomusicology, IU has formed one of the closest connections of any university with the leaders and luminaries of the Motown music movement.

The Motown archives at the university include papers and interviews of many important figures in the music movement. Motown founder Berry Gordy donated copies of his biography to IU to be used in Sykes' class next summer.

Sykes and Portia Maultsby, also in the department, worked with the Motown Historical Museum in Detroit to create displays.

"A lot of people who were involved in the 1960s, they've reached a point that they are ready to give up some of the things that they have held on to," Sykes said. "We hope IU will be a place that they will feel comfortable giving those things to."

Sykes has been studying the connections between culture and

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Dorian Gregory

*The talented renaissance man is a sensitive soul*By KAM WILLIAMS
For The Recorder

You probably recognize Dorian Gregory as Detective Darryl Morris from his recurring role on the WB television series "Charmed." But the very busy young actor has also appeared on such popular TV shows as "Lois & Clark," "The Wayans Brothers Show," "3rd Rock from the Sun," "Moesha," "Beverly Hills 90210," "The Steve Harvey Show," "Hangin' with Mr. Cooper," "Baywatch," "The New Adventures of Superman," and "Sister, Sister."

This multi-talented entertainer further exhibited his versatility, recently, by joining Dick Clark, Danny Bonaduce and Mario Lopez as a permanent host of "The Other Half." This nationally-syndicated TV talk show has been positioned as the male counterpart to "The View." On the show, the quartet discuss a variety of topics primarily of interest to women.

Dorian, a mid-season replacement, has stepped in ever so successfully, making a smooth transition and finding chemistry with his charismatic co-stars. The mostly female live audience has also taken to the handsome and charming bachelor born in Washington, D.C., and raised in Cleveland. Gregory's tight-knit family eventually moved to L.A. and he plays in a hip-hop group with his equally-talented sister.

The rising star was practically bursting with enthu-

siasm and optimism when I spoke with him about his career.

I watched the show to prepare for this interview and was impressed by how much improved it was since before you joined it.

DG: Well, thank you.

And it seems that you've blended right in, the way Dick, Mario and Danny are comfortable teasing you about being the "nice guy" type. Looks like you've ended up with the image of being a sensitive soul.

DG: (Laughs) That's not at all image. That's just who I am.

So, you're really like that?

DG: Yes, I really, really and truly am. That's just my background man. I have so much respect for the history of my family. My dad's a very strong man and my mother and sister are very strong women. And we found a way to make that all work and harmonize together.

Your family has moved around a lot since you were born in D.C.

DG: Yeah, but D.C. was just for a day, so I can't really claim it. I grew up in Cleveland, and now I'm in L.A.

And you only have the one sibling?

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Delores Thornton hosts new radio show

Special to The Recorder

Marguerite Press announced that Delores Thornton (author of *Ida Mae, Babe*, and the upcoming *Anybody Seen Junebug*), president and CEO, is hosting a radio show called, "A Round 2 It." The show had its launching on radio station WTLV, AM, 1310, in Indianapolis, on July 4 at 7:15 p.m.

The show will highlight and spotlight African-American authors and literary entrepreneurs. Thornton will also offer self publishing tips as well as marketing and promotional tidbits.

Most of the Indy arts world is aware of Thornton via her articles that have appeared in The Recorder, and her column in the Indiana Herald. She is

on the production staff of the BlackBoard Times of Columbus, Ohio, as well as a columnist with P.O.W.E.R. (a new Indy publication). And now she is ready to help all of the aspiring poets and authors pull out their manuscripts and bits of paper, and get around to publishing their works.

There will be book discussions and book club guests, as

well as local and national authors and poets. "A Round 2 It" will become a forum for children and adults alike to express their creativity and there will be audience participation by way of a call-in segment. To participate call (317) 239-1310.

Contact Thornton at dthorn4047@aol.com, or www.deloresthornton.com.

Rap pioneer Kwame delivers innovative music that fans have come to love

Electronic Urban Report

NEW YORK — After topping the charts as a rap pioneer, Kwame (aka K 1 Mil) makes an imprint on music as a producer for Mary J. Blige, Lady May, LL Cool J and K Slay. On the double platinum album on MCA Records, "No More Drama," Kwame and partner Ron Lawrence teamed up with Mary J. Blige on the song "L.O.V.E."

Creating the hypnotic debut single "Round Up" on newcomer Lady May's album "May Day" on Arista Records, Kwame's catchy banjo performance is the perfect bed for Blu Cantrell to lay the melodic, brassy hook. With songs appearing on the up and coming albums of LL Cool J and K Slay, Kwame delivers innovative music that fans have come to love.

Kwame's single, "10 Million Stars," on LL Cool J's new album has already garnered a strong street buzz. The still untitled track featuring Camron on K Slay's "Street Sweepers" album on Def Jam/Violator is set to hit stores soon.

Making a name for himself with the release of "The Boy Genius" on Atlantic Records in 1989, Kwame changed the landscape of rap music with his humorous, good-natured yet intellectual rhymes. The album and its first singles, "The Man We All Know & Love"

and "The Rhythm," made Kwame a household name. With his signature style of wearing polka dots, Kwame launched a new fashion trend along with a new album, "A Day in the Life" in 1990.

That same year, Kwame produced the remix of "Lies" for the platinum selling group Envogue. Again, Kwame found himself working behind the scenes in '91 where he wrote the rhyme on the platinum BBD track, "Poison," for MCA Records. His third album, "Nastee," was released on Atlantic Records the following year. In 1994, his forth album "Incognito" on Ichiban Records produced the infectious single "What's It Like (Like Butta Baby)." Taking a few years off, Kwame redirected his talents to inspiring young children across the country through music education.

Adding films to his list of musical contributions, Kwame wrote and performed songs for Dancing in September/HBO Films and Ghetto Dog/Spartan Films in 2001. Kwame also produced "Scared of You" by Nick Cannon on the soundtrack of 20th Century Fox



Kwame (aka K 1 Mil)

film "Drum Line" due out later this year.

Born in Queens, N.Y., Kwame's musical influences came from close family friends: Stevie Wonder, Lionel Hampton and Abdullah Ibraheem.

Receiving his first musical instruments as a child (a drum set from Lionel Hampton and a harmonica from Stevie Wonder), Kwame has gone on to master many instruments such as the piano, trumpet and guitar. Today, Kwame can be found in his studio in Harlem producing some of today's hottest music.

Rappers go after a new audience

LL Cool J and Doug E. Fresh are bona fide veterans in the rap game, but the duo will be looking for a new audience when they drop a little something for the lil' folks.

Book publisher Scholastic is scheduled to launch a new book and CD series titled "Hip Kid Hop." A children's book, aimed at kids 4-10, will be paired with a two-track CD that includes rap versions of the story performed by a popular hip-hop art-

ist as well as a music-only track so the children can rap along as they read.

The first two releases in the series, due in September, feature LL Cool J and Doug E. Fresh. LL Cool J's story is titled "And the Winner Is," and follows a young basketball player learning life lessons through the games he plays. The music was produced by "Amen-Ra" Lawrence, who previously worked with LL Cool J on his 1997 international hit

"Phenomenon."

Doug E. Fresh's story, "Think Again," tells the story of two kids of different races who overcome their differences to form a friendship. Veteran producer Prince Paul (De La Soul, Gravediggaz), laced the tracks for "Think Again."

After the initial September releases, four more book-and-CD packages are planned for 2003, including contributions from Shaggy and Common.

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DG: Just one sister. Yeah, that's it. And she's actually my best friend and my music partner. We're working on a CD right now.

How's that going?

DG: We've already got some interest from an indie producer. But what we're trying to do is hold out for a major recording label. So we're shopping it around right now.

What type of music do you play?

DG: It's sort of neo soul fused with hip-hop.

When did you get bitten by the show-biz bug?

DG: That's an interesting question. (Sighs and breathes deep to reflect) I think it's always been in my blood. I started out writing poetry when I was very young. I think all facets of entertainment are all kind of intertwined. I don't care if you're a writer, a musician or an actor. The mission is to try to get inside of people, in order to touch them and move them.

Didn't you do some commercials early on? I know I remember your face from some ads.

DG: I did the Chevy Geo campaign for two years straight. I did a number of them Bally's, LA Gear, a series of Dockers commercials, some beer commercials. I did the whole gamut.

How do you make the jump from commercials to TV shows?

DG: It was a natural progression, because I was already involved in other aspects of the industry. My first gig was with a soap opera. I did "The Young and the Restless" and also "The Bold and the Beautiful." And after that, things just started flowing.

Where do you find the time to wear so many hats? You've got "Charmed," "The Other Half," your music, movies, etc.

DG: People ask me that all the time. But I so thrive from all this because I enjoy what I'm doing. And when you're getting that positive

tone back from people who appreciate your work, there's no better rush in life. That's the best way I can describe it.

How did you manage to make such a smooth transition to "The Other Half," given the fact that it was already established?

DG: It's been an interesting ride thus far, and we're still learning each other's rhythms. These guys had been doing their thing for quite a bit of time before I came on board. They've embraced me, but I'm dealing with some strong and very different personalities. So, I had to find my niche, because if you don't find a space, you've got to make a space. It's all good.

What's it like to talk live in front of an all-female audience every day?

DG: It's a dream come true. What man wouldn't die for this opportunity? I'm getting paid to be myself and to be surrounded by women. It's nothing but love, man, it's just a wonderful situation. It seems that there's a real appreciation for what we're doing. I can't even second guess as to why. I'm just glad it's there.

Is there any way a fan can get in touch with you?

DG: They can visit DorianGregory.com. I read all my e-mail, although I can't answer them all in a timely fashion. I never want anyone to think I'm ignoring their correspondence to me. I answer as many as I can. I really appreciate people taking the time to say, "Hey, what's happening!"

And should we let the ladies know that you're single and available?

DG: (Shouts) I'm single, Kam! I am so looking for the future one.

Dorian, I hope you're still available to me for another interview when you break real big.

DG: Listen, you'll always have this availability. And you can call me on it. You know what I'm saying?

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nological approach, starting with the prophet Muhammad, helping the reader to understand not only how the religion got its start, but its long history of conflict with Christians, Jews, Persians, Indians and others. We see how their holy book, the Koran, does extol the virtue of jihad, or holy war, against the infidel in the name of Allah. Yet we also learn that there are several different definitions of exactly what jihad means.

Where we get into trouble seems to be with those sects who have come to rationalize a very literal interpretation of the Koran's mandate, "Whoever transgresses against you, respond in kind." Fortunately, we learn that the vast majority of the world's Muslims are peace prone, just as Christians no longer read the Bible as an ongoing call for a crusade in the name of Christ.

That being said, Esposito still points out that though most Muslims do not advocate the use of violence, many harbor a simmering, lingering resentment against America primarily for its decadent materialism, godless secularism, animalistic sexual promiscuity and fanatical racial discrimination.

And they blame the West for the cultural decline of many Muslim nations, which has led to departures from Islam and inclinations towards the above vices.

Esposito expertly separates the extremists from those merely frustrated by the slow creep of our way of life into their countries. In the end, he recommends, rather optimistically, that it become everybody's business both to fight terrorism and to teach tolerance of others.

That's really what's needed at this juncture in history, with the world rattling sabers and suitcase bombs, teetering on the brink of an all-out religious rampage.

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The Source magazine takes a fresh look at Eve-olution

Electronic Urban Report

The current issue of The Source tackles the Eve-olution of Grammy award winner Eve from lyrical mistress to leading lady, gets the low down from the real players behind the scenes in the music industry, and takes the road less traveled with the independent dreamers of Hollywood. This month, The Source chronicles it all by bringing readers closer to the people who do it all.

With her growing presence in Hollywood, including roles in soon-to-be-released "Barbershop" and Vin Diesel's surefire blockbuster "XXX," and the likely success of her third album, "Eve-olution," Eve is quickly surpassing the competition to emerge as hip-hop's next female superstar.

In 1999, The Source was once again on top of its game when it featured the then unknown lyricist, and in the issue's cover story titled "Material Girl," the magazine discusses her dramatic rise to "diva" status. "It started out as a very respected term, but now it's become negative, like, 'Damn, she's a diva ... but maybe I am,'" she states.

But while Eve's success behind the mic has helped maintain her mainstream appeal, she is now looking to shed that persona and focus her efforts on becoming one of Hollywood's next leading ladies. "I'm really tryin' to be an established actress," Eve says. "I go to these movie meetings and I let these people know, 'Don't look at me as Eve the rapper.'" It's that same versatility that has kept Eve in the game so far and will allow her to continue her rise to the top.

While Eve has her sights set on Hollywood, The Source realizes that success is hard to come by in Tinseltown unless you're willing to shake things up a bit. In "The Road Less Traveled," Hollywood's urban filmmakers, executives and actors reveal alternate routes towards getting their stories seen.

"Most of the major distributors said that they didn't know how to market an ensemble comedy to a Black audience," says writer/director/producer Vanessa Middleton. Instead, she looked outside of the big studio system and created her own distribution channel for her theatrically successful debut feature, "30 Years To Life."

Middleton and the rest of the



Black Hollywood set has opted to control their own destiny, relying on their own talent, resolve and creativity to get their stories out. As Spike Lee, the founding father of the modern urban film hustle, so accurately summarizes, "We can't rely on anyone but ourselves to define our existence, to shape the image of ourselves."

Self-reliance, determination and ingenuity reign supreme once again in "Executive Decisions." Recognizing that the engineers, A&Rs and the managers are more often than not pulling in much larger checks than the artist rocking the mic, The Source examines what it takes to become a success behind the scenes.

The Source has never looked better with "The Source Style" showcasing the annual fall sneaker preview and "Women on Top." Also featured in this issue is the Ruff Ryders mastermind producer/artist Swizz Beatz; the disorderly Ying Yang Twins; around the way girl Alicia Keys; the legendary hit man DJ Jazzy Jeff; as well as reviews of the latest releases by Eminem, Styles and E-40 and others in the monthly "Record Report."

Founded in 1988, The Source magazine has grown from a one-page newsletter into one of the nation's top selling music magazine with approximately 6 million readers each month, while The Source empire has expanded to include the nationally syndicated The Source: All Access television program, the platinum-selling Hip-Hop Hits series of compilation CDs, the annual "The Source Hip-Hop Music Awards" network television special, Thesource.com Web site, and The Source Youth Foundation.

REGGAE NEWS

Super Cat will be headliner at hip-hop beach bash

By KEVIN JACKSON
Electronic Urban Report

Once high riding dance hall toaster, and one of the hot shots of the 1980s to mid 1990s, Super Cat, will be one of the headline acts for this year's staging of the hip-hop beach bash, Sashi 2002.

This was confirmed by the event's Jamaican publicist, Odessa Chambers. Cat will join an impressive lineup which includes the likes of R&B singers Tweet, Sharissa, Donnell Jones, Usher, and rappers Busta Rhymes, and EVE.

Local acts will comprise singer Dawn Penn, hot dance hall group TOK, the John Shop Family and Bling Dawg.

Super Cat hasn't performed on local soil in many moons, and his upcoming performance is highly anticipated by fans both locally and overseas, who will no doubt be making the trip to Jamaica for the now popular beach event.

Born William Maragh in the Cockburn Pen area of Kingston, Cat shot on the scene in the early 1980s. He honed his craft on numerous sound systems before he got the big break.

Formerly known as Cat-a-Rock, he recorded his first single in 1981 titled "Mr. Walker." But it wasn't until 1985 that he hit the big times with the anthemic "Boops," which made him a household name, and topped local and overseas reggae charts.



Super Cat

Numerous hits followed including "Spanish Fly," "Sweets for My Sweets," and "Don Dada." During his heyday he teamed up with Junior Demus and Nicodemus to produce the first triple-team DJ album, "Cabin Stabin."

Columbia Records snatched the Cat in the early 1990s and took him to the mainstream. While at the label, he teamed with the likes of Kriss Kross, Mary J. Blige and Heavy D on R&B chart hits. Later on he did work with Sugar Ray ("Fly") as well as India Arie (a remix of her hit "Video").

Some of Cat's albums over the years have included "Sweets For My Sweets," "Don Dada," "Good the Bad, the Ugly and the Crazy," "Super Cat: Struggle Continues" and the greatest hits compilation "Good, the Better, the Best of Super Cat."

Sashi 2002 will take place Aug. 21-25.

Black market thrives in illicit African art

NAIROBI (IPS) — Alexi is a travelling art dealer from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

Sitting on a single bed in a simple hotel room, he explains his trade. His meager possessions — a toothbrush and a couple of dirty T-shirts — lie on a table next to him. Trousers hang from the back of the door. The rest of the room is packed with wooden artifacts — chairs, tables, fetishes, statues and masks.

Alexi has just arrived in the Kenyan capital, Nairobi, after a three-day drive from eastern Congo. He has spent the last year traveling in a minibus, picking up these treasures from some of the world's most remote, inaccessible villages.

Now in Nairobi, it is time to sell them. Alexi hopes to double his money, then head home to relax with his wife and children back in eastern Congo — as he has been doing for the last 15 years.

Kenya is East Africa's largest export hub, and the place to find illicit bargains. It is illegal to export these items. But poorly trained immigration officials can rarely tell the difference between valuable antiquities and cheap tourist copies.

Most of Alexi's customers are Europeans, mainly Italians and French or Americans. Some are professional dealers. Others are aid workers or diplomats who ship the pieces back to their own countries, then sell them to private galleries or collectors.

Home to some of the most ancient cultures on Earth, African art was once dismissed as primitive. Now foreign collectors eagerly pursue it.

The plunder of Africa's heritage began under colonialism. Today, the main culprits are poverty and war. And the looting is worse than ever. Interpol, the international police organization, estimates that the illicit trade in

cultural property from Africa is worth \$500 million a year.

"Not only are these works intrinsically beautiful, they also provide us with important clues about our ancestors' earliest civilizations," he says.

Alexi points to some intricately carved chairs, adorned with fetish figures. Fifty years ago, they were used by Congolese chieftains for ceremonies and ministerial meetings. The fetishes offered protection against misfortune.

Now their children have turned to other gods, and sold their parents' most sacred possessions.

"Their parents were pagans. This generation is Christian. They've started believing in God. They see these chairs as devilish. They want to get rid of them," Alexi explains.

The people of Congo do not have many other options. After decades of mismanagement and four years of civil war, most Congolese are destitute. So when strangers pass through, they readily sell their cultural history for basic necessities, like roofing.

"If their roof is broken, they ask me to bring them roofing materials. If it is left, it will be ruined. If I give them roofing, they will not have to touch the house for 20 or 30 years," says Alexi.

"I'm sad but I have to do this because I have to make a living. It's a shame. I am a bit of an exploiter," he admits.

He blames his customers for fueling the trade. "If there weren't buyers, Europeans, Americans, Asians, I couldn't do this. They have the opportunity to buy what we have."

He takes a philosophical approach, laughing: "It's like Africa has all the raw materials, but we don't have the chance to develop them. That's the tragedy of Africa."

Some people are very unhappy about Alexi's export business.

"We are talking here about an

identity. We are talking about a people. We are talking about a culture. We are talking about diversity in unity. So all this art are the expression of the people's identity. It represents both symbolic and religious meanings to them," says George Abungu, director general of the National Museums of Kenya.

"And of course it's the foundation of these kinds of nations. And I think by removing them, you are actually stripping the people of their nationhood, of their identity, and so leaving them to have no culture to even refer to," he warns.

Art is also a major tourist attraction. Given a chance, Abungu believes it could be a serious money earner for Africa.

"This is probably some of the greatest resources that we have in Africa. And we have not been given the opportunity to maximize on that by retaining it here and letting them see it the way they're seeing them in the European museums and American museums," he says.

But Western collectors argue that African governments are failing to protect their heritage.

"The major threat now is losing these things. So wherever they're preserved it's better than losing them for posterity," says Alan Donovan, founder of the art gallery African Heritage and owner of one of the largest private collections in Kenya.

"I'm not saying that this should allow theft to happen. I'm saying that the first and essential threat is that these things will disappear," he says.

Until Africa can afford to protect its cultural heritage, the exodus will continue — piece by piece.

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popular music for many years.

The Motown class grew out of an effort to incorporate computer technology into his teaching. He needed a topic with broad appeal but narrow enough to be handled in one course.

And he has no trouble understanding the appeal the music still has for his students today. Sykes remembers, as a teen-ager in Jacksonville, Fla., listening to the decidedly upbeat Northern concept music pouring out of the radio.

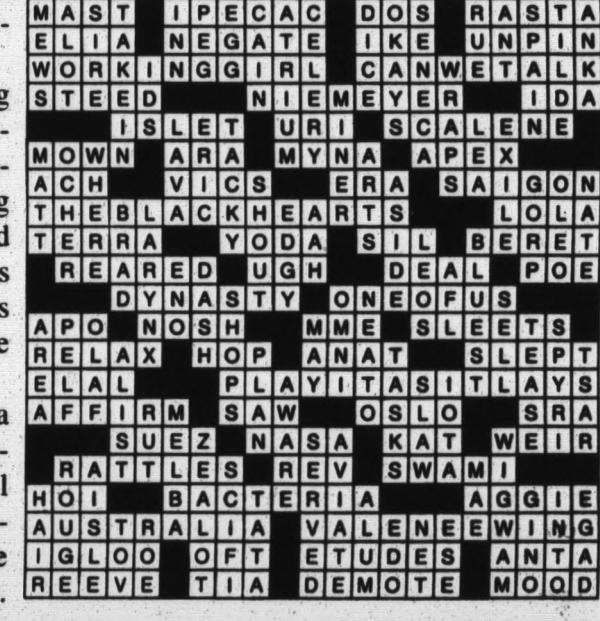
He lived in a land of segregated lunch counters and water fountains and attended a high school without a single white person in the building.

"Motown is in a way a reflection of its time, while transcending racial boundaries," Sykes said. "Motown was the first record company that was Black-owned that was able to cross over to a wider audience."

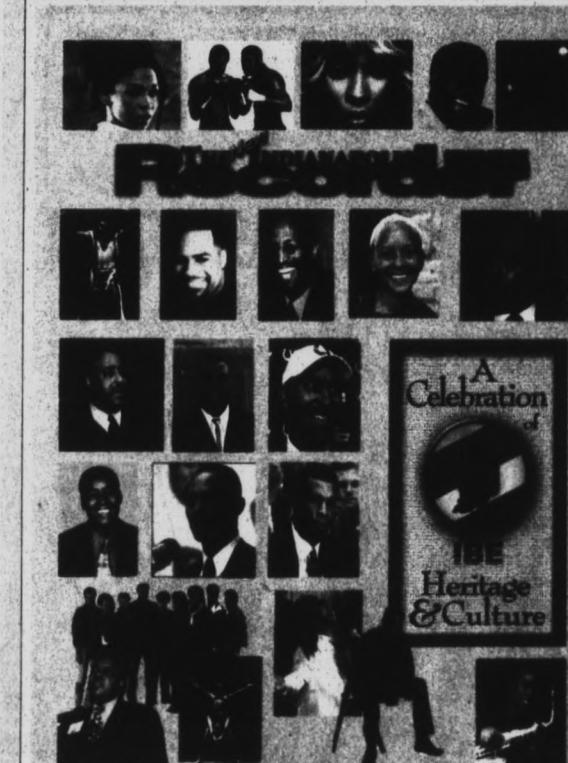
Gordy was accused in his day of selling out his Black music roots to white audiences. "The idea of having an allegiance to a particular culture or a style is one thing," Sykes said. "There is also business, and business means you are going to sell."

And studying the way that music was made, and why, is the kind of thing a university should be about, Sykes said.

"Music is an expression of culture," he said. "If you don't know there is such a thing as a Marvin Gaye or a Tupac Shakur, then you are missing a part of history."



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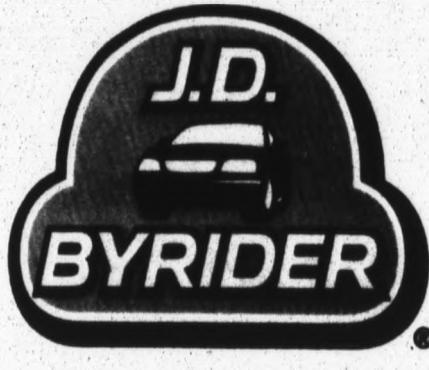
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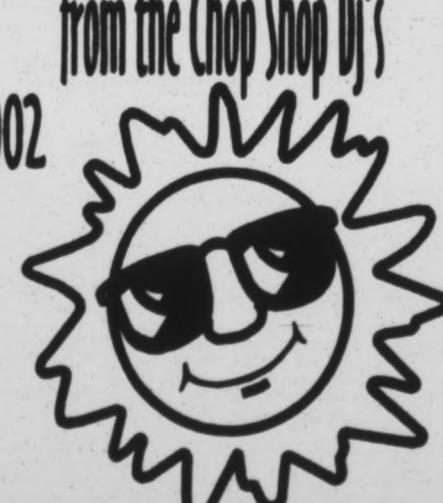


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For specific categories, rules and other information, contact the Marion County Fair Office at (317) 353-2444.

Ivy Tech accepting art, poetry, and literary works for display

On Sept. 11, Ivy Tech State College at Indianapolis will

present "Somber Tribute, Serene Celebration" in observance of the one-year anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, tragedies. The public, along with Ivy Tech students, staff and faculty, are invited to a memorial program to be held from 8:30-9:45 a.m. in the auditorium of the College's North Meridian Center at One W. 26th Street. The College will also be accepting original literary works and 2-D and 3-D artwork to be displayed on campus throughout the day. Participation is open to the public and any student, staff or faculty member of Ivy Tech State College.

Museum seeks photographs that showcase landscape of Indiana

The Indianapolis Museum of Art-Columbus Gallery is looking for new photography for an exhibition titled Preserving Place: Reflections of Indiana to be held in the summer of 2003. New work recording the photographer's experience of a particular and personal relationships with the landscape of Indiana will be accepted. The deadline for slide submission is Feb. 1, 2003. The IMA-Columbus Gallery, in conjunction with the Indiana Chapter of the Nature

Conservancy, will host Preserving Place from April 5 through June 29.

For prospectus or more information about the exhibition, contact the IMA-Columbus Gallery at (812) 376-2597 or e-mail at washburn@imacg.org.

Russell Simmons speaks to youth at NAACP dinner

Russell Simmons, founder of the rap music company Def Jam Records and president of Rush Communications, served as keynote speaker at this year's Youth Freedom Fund Dinner at the 93rd Annual Convention of the NAACP in Houston. Simmons spoke on Tuesday, July 9.

"Everything that is being done in this country that is good and progressive is being done by young people," said Simmons in speaking on the struggle of civil rights. Simmons, a native New Yorker, produces such top-selling acts as Run-DMC, LL Cool J, Ja Rule, Jay-Z, Ashanti, Ludacris, and Method Man. His multi-million company is one of the largest black-owned companies in the world that includes such holdings as Phat Farm clothes and the television shows "Def Comedy Jam" and "Def Poetry Jam."

WHAT'S HAPPENING

July 18

Indianapolis Indians
Victory Field

7 p.m.

\$7 - \$11; \$6 - \$10 ages 14 &
under

Experience a baseball game and
concert all at the same time as the
Blues Brothers perform throughout
the ballgame against the Richmond
Braves.

July 19

Indiana Black Expo: Music
Heritage Festival I
American Legion Mall &
Veteran's Memorial Plaza

7 - 11 p.m.

FREE

Enjoy a relaxing evening in the
park and listen to the music of

Regina Belle, Midnight Star and
Maze, featuring Frankie Beverly.

July 19 & 22

Indiana Fever
Conseco Fieldhouse

7 p.m.

\$5 - \$28

Catch the Fever in action as
their all-star rookie, Tamika
Catching, leads her team to victory.

July 19

Family Discovery Day:
Dinosaur Dynasties
Indiana State Museum

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

\$7; \$6.50 seniors; \$4 children
ages 4 - 12; FREE ages 3 &
under

The whole family will enjoy
seeing fossils from China which
have never been seen before in the
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July 21

Indiana Black Expo: Music
Heritage Festival II
Conseco Fieldhouse

7 p.m.

\$39.99, buy one get one free

See some of your favorite artists
perform as Mary J. Blige, Rick
James and Al Greene take the stage
at Conseco.

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Soul Vibrations

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Through July 26

ARIES

Rev up your engines. This is a fine week for making progress with projects that you've got in the works. Your energy is high and your mind is clear. Use every advantage this week to finish up your work.

Soul Affirmation: All vibes are good for me this week!

Lucky Numbers: 15, 39, 42

TAURUS

A spirit of competition may be troubling you. Let it go. Celebrate differences and get on with the work of creating new hope in the world. Your tendency to speak without considering the full impact on others should be checked this week.

Soul Affirmation: I seek the light-hearted flavor of love this week.

Lucky Numbers: 2, 5, 9

GEMINI

Confusion exists over some question, and every time you think you've got the answer, circumstances will change and new information will come to your attention. Don't worry, things are going to clear up and work out. Take it easy. Change the question.

Soul Affirmation: I make myself an inspiration to others this week.

Lucky Numbers: 1, 6, 7

CANCER

Communications flow smoothly this week and your word is golden. A wild idea for money making could come to you, but you should let the strictly material walk on by. Stick to your current plan and use your imagination for ways to streamline your work.

Soul Affirmation: My mood is created by the company I keep.

Soul Affirmation: I celebrate freedom of mind this week.

Lucky Numbers: 13, 39, 50

LEO

An ambition that you thought you had left behind years ago suddenly resurfaces, and you'll see similarities between what you are doing now and what you dreamed of back then.

Soul Affirmation: I give thanks for who I am this week.

Lucky Numbers: 29, 34, 41

VIRGO

Give your busy brain a rest and work your body this week. It's a great week for physical activity that can loosen up muscles and relieve tensions. You'll receive some practical advice from a distant relative. You'll have to play two seemingly opposite roles this week.

Soul Affirmation: Two hats fit well on my big head.

Lucky Numbers: 10, 19, 46

LIBRA

Family responsibilities may feel like a chore this week. If you relinquish control of the situation, a natural order will occur and things will organize themselves. You can let people be who they are.

Soul Affirmation: Light from my soul shines in many directions.

Lucky Numbers: 8, 28, 43

SCORPIO

A secret may be revealed in a casual conversation. Your confidence is highly valued and appreciated. Take it all in! You are a cheerful giver of the heart; share that gift with others.

Soul Affirmation: Freedom of mind is the greatest gift for me this week.

Lucky Numbers: 6, 36, 42

SAGITTARIUS

A friend from the past could suddenly appear in your life. This could be a highly beneficial reunion for both of you. Let bygones be bygones, and renew this friendship. Love isn't used up just because it's shared.

Soul Affirmation: I love charming, positive head games.

Lucky Numbers: 23, 24, 41

CAPRICORN

Drive the speed limit this week or you could wind up with a ticket. Why rush? Serenity is available if you only stop and listen for it inside of you. Discharge your usual obligations with dignity and silently count your blessings.

Soul Affirmation: I let others toot my horn this week.

Lucky Numbers: 1, 14, 33

AQUARIUS

Justice is on your mind again this week. This may be in a cosmic sense, or you may still be speeding along trying to get a ticket. Slow down and relax your brain-energies. The universe knows how to take care of itself and of you. Trust.

Soul Affirmation: The earthiness of my being reflects the sun-shine of my soul.

Lucky Numbers: 2, 16, 32

PISCES

Party with a friend who knows where the most action is. You deserve a night on the town. You'll be glad to be able to celebrate life with this person. Live free and large, and cherish good friends.

Soul Affirmation: Freedom of mind is the greatest gift for me this week.

Lucky Numbers: 44, 47, 52

MAMA'S BOYZ by JERRY CRAFT



THE SPATS by JEFF PICKERING



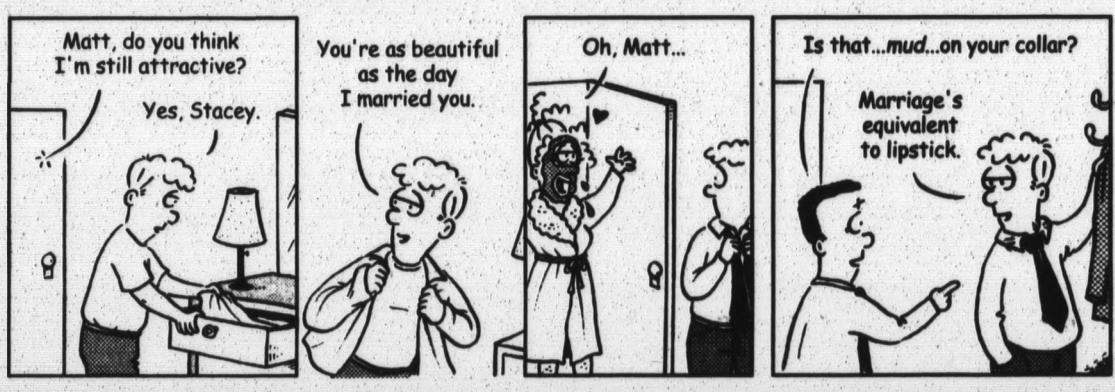
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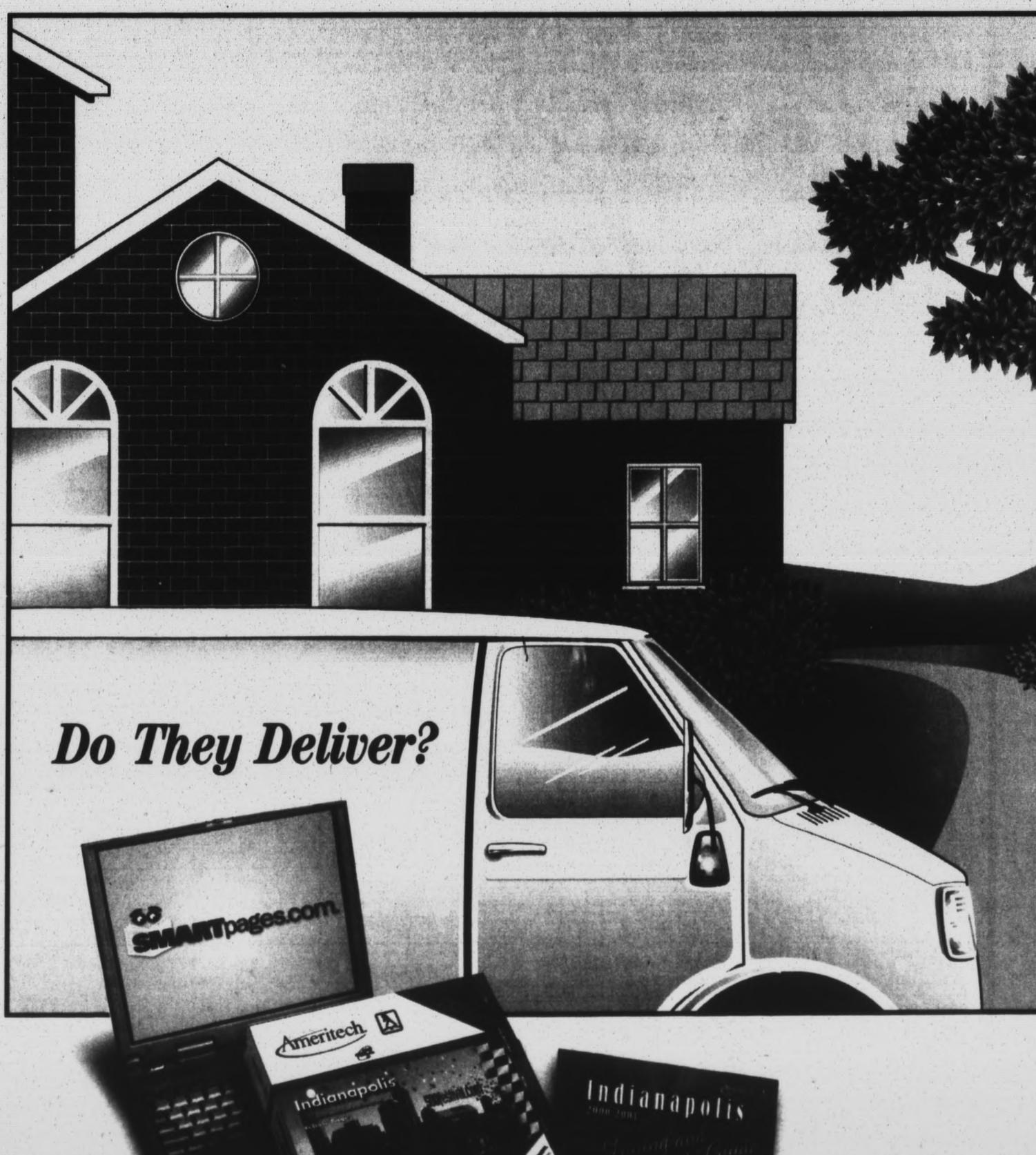
GOT A LIFE by TERRI DAVIS



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KRS-One, Blastmaster addresses

Nelly beef and the state of rap music

THE SCOOP

By RICARDO HAZELL
Electronic Urban Report

It is often like pulling teeth to get celebs to talk when the microphones are turned on. When the mics are off, they ease up, smoke whatever and will chat like you're their best friend. But when the mic is turned on and questions start flying, they often tense up and throw their guards up. Not with Kris Parker. The Blastmaster probably drops bombs in his sleep.

EUR had the chance to speak with KRS-One recently, and he was more than happy to get a few things in the open. When addressing Nelly's labeling of him as a "hypocrite," the rap elder told us that he is not above criticism and is not afraid to admit when he is wrong. But he does not feel he is wrong in calling him out.

"Now, if Ras Baraka was to say, 'Kris, you're a hypocrite,' I would have to ask myself, 'Why? What am I doing wrong? What don't I see?' How would I speak after him, even if he dissed me. Or, Skip Gates or Cornel West. I'll dare me even open



KRS-One

my mouth against Cornel West."

KRS said that he also stood eye to eye with many of America's most vocal rap critics. "When C. Delores Tucker was dissing I sat down and did the debates with her. I went to the NAACP and said, 'Y'all buggin.' I spoke with Bill Clinton and Coretta Scott King at the 88th Annual NAACP Convention and told them what this was all about. Everybody else was running. I say that to say, even in that context, I was not disrespectful. I looked at our elders and said, 'Look Kweisi Mfume, hip-hop can save the NAACP. Use this. Don't judge, we're all in the same boat.'

Though no stranger to criticism, KRS told us Nelly's labeling of him as a hypocrite is hypocrisy in itself.

"I could see if Nelly was

getting \$4 a record," explained KRS. "At least my mouth would be shut. If he's platinum with \$4 a record, he won from that point of view. But he's only getting 35 cents a record, if that,

attorney's brothers, I don't want to give names, manage Nelly. We've been together. I've been hanging with the Lunatics. We done talked, that's why I don't understand what Nelly is talking about. Obviously they wanted to get it on. Nelly's producer gave me tracks for my new album, 'The Kristyle.' Me and Nelly was gonna do a record together."

He further revealed the aftermath of the well-publicized verbal sparring. "When word got out that I was dissing Nelly, his road manager and attorney called me. I said, 'You know this is wack and it's not going down. I'm over here doing my thing.' But when he responded a(behind the scenes), they all said that was wack, but had to side with him because he's their bread and butter and that's a fact!"

KRS-One said his "The Kristyle" album has been pushed to 2003 because Dr. Dre wanted to help him make it even hotter. Needless to say, we think it'll be worth the wait. Meanwhile, KRS-One's "Prophets Vs. Profits" underground mixtape CD can be purchased at your local bodega and other non-traditional locations.

because that's a high royalty. And you brag about it at that. So, who is the hypocrite here? I'm a philosopher. I study the science of consistent knowledge. A-B-C-D- It's called Aristotelian philosophy. You don't go C-A-Z. You don't skip around."

KRS went on to say that, although his disagreement with Nelly is being characterized as a beef, he simply sees it as an emcee battle and that a true beef would be taken to the streets. In fact, KRS-One has had love, and still has love, for the St. Lunatics. He even said he discussed doing work with the young collective.

"Nelly is a part of our family. When Nelly got his deal at Fo' Reel/Universal, the cats that run Fo' Reel are still my crew. Nelly's attorney is my attorney. His

Talented teens vie for scholarship

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Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International Scholarship Competition contestants range from ages 13 to 17 years old from the United States and abroad.

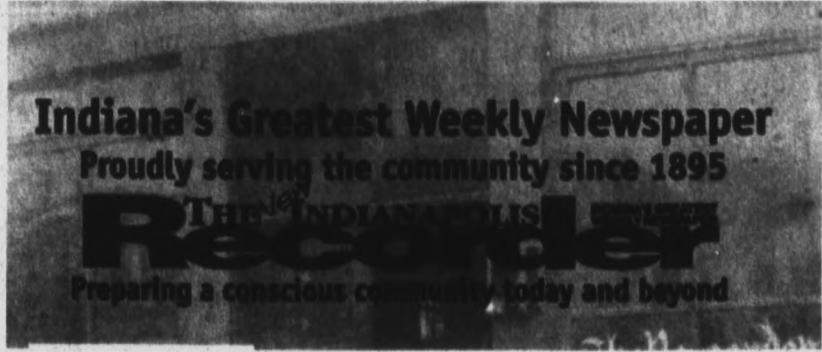
Luncheons, sightseeing tours, seminars and loads of

rehearsals for the contestants are on tap during the competition week. They will come together to network and vie to be named the most talented teen on July 27 at the Hudson Theater on Broadway, where last year's winner, 17-year-old Della Hamby, will hand over her reign to the winner

of the 2002 competition.

Past winners and contestants include entertainers CeCe Peniston, Jada Pinkett-Smith, Sheryl Lee Ralph, and Vanessa Williams.

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monologues of stories connected to the elements targeted at children ages 4 to 12. Each element has a story and its own guide, such as a gnome or mermaid, which introduces the child to their world through detailed visualization techniques. Then, after each journey, the CD has three or four minutes of instrumentation that allow the listener to imagine and create their own images and journeys in their mind. Each story ends with a message, delivered by Mario Van Peebles, Sukhu's love interest, about taking care of the world.

"Children will be our future

leaders and I feel that this is the place to start," Sukhu says. "I think if children can learn meditation at a young age they can create the most amazing world. I think everything starts with a thought. If they're able to imagine what they want their world to be like or what they'd like to be when they grow up, they can accomplish anything. So, meditation is such an important tool in creating their world."

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The Indiana Historical Society can be a resource in your family research. Photos such as this little unknown sailor were popular keepsakes for many families during World War I.

GENEALOGY

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more experienced in genealogy so they can be guided in the right direction.

Pamela Turner has been studying her family history for over three years and has not progressed as far along in the search as she anticipated.

"Right now I'm getting really frustrated because I keep coming to dead ends," Turner said. "I expected that I would have uncovered more information about ancestors at this point."

Although he understands Turner's aggravation, Robbins stresses that researchers must be patient with their attempts.

"As beginners, most of us expect to locate our African connections after a few months. If Alex Haley was able to do it, I can too!" ... That was my hope when I first started. ... It's still my hope, although now I'm a bit more realistic about how soon my family connection to Africa will be uncovered," Robbins said.

Researching your family history can be time consuming. The amount of time it takes to complete a search is undetermined, as many people spend their whole lives studying their familial history.

Indiana Sources for Genealogical Research in the Indiana State Library, by Carolyn L. Miller, who describes the wealth of family history research sources available in the Indiana State Library.

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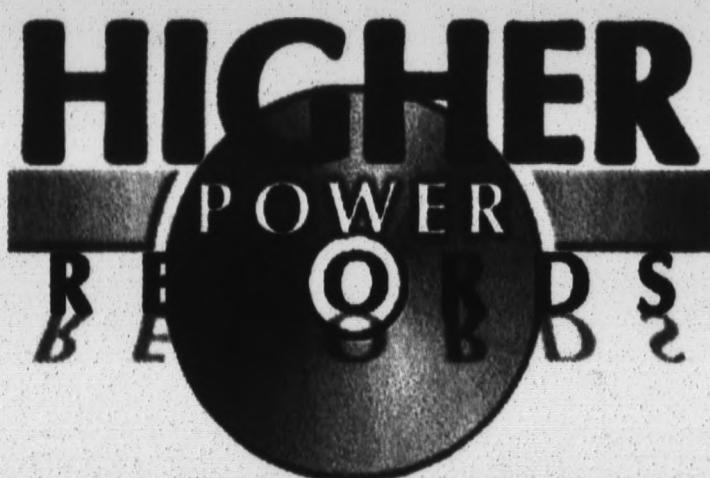
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From the Desk of Jada

Parenting Tips

Meditation specialist produces children's CD

Chitra Sukhu is introducing a new type of bedtime story for kids. Born in South America and raised in the U.S., the Indian actress initially planned to pursue an acting career, but now considers that her past life. Instead she's found her higher purpose — working with children and creating a new generation of well balanced healthy and creative individuals with a sense of self.

Sukhu produced a CD called "Guided Meditation For Children: Journey Into the Elements" and is committed to helping children create the world they want.

"It's part of my life, this meditation, so it comes to me naturally," Sukhu says of her authority on the art of meditating. She adds that she began teaching the art to her own two children who found comfort, imagination, and joy in the exercise, so she decided to market it to others.

"It's a guided meditation CD for children and it consists of five meditations that correspond to the five elements — earth, water, fire, air, and ether. Each meditation takes you into each element, at the same time taking you deeper within," she describes.

Furthermore, Sukhu says that the CD creates a time for children to be creative and build focus and concentration at the same time.

"It helps with nightmares and hyperactivity," she adds. "That's very important now because of our schools diagnosing so many of our children with ADD (Attention Deficit Disorders). We don't have anything for our children to learn to relax, so this helps with that."

Sukhu also says that another inspiration for the project was children's reactions to the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

"That made me want to do this right away," she says. "There were so many things out there for adults. I know children were having nightmares, and I think adults didn't know how to explain to children what was happening. With meditation, my children, who have been doing it since they were about 3 or 4, were able to deal with it."

The basis of meditation for children, Sukhu explains, is not to try to "clear" their minds, or make them necessarily "settle down." In fact, Sukhu believes that being active is part of being a child and the meditation techniques aren't to stifle their activity.

She suggests children use the CD just before they go to sleep.

"For the younger child it could be before nap time, but usually it's before bedtime, like a bedtime story. They can just listen to the words and go on a journey," says Sukhu. "It's like a fairy tale. It's something they can relate to."

The CD features Sukhu and a

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Tracing our roots — African-American genealogy

By SHANNON WILLIAMS
Assistant Editor

"If we are ever going to be able to understand the 'truth' about our heritage, we must do our research and be the interpreters of our findings in the context of the historical racial events of the nation."

— Coy D. Robbins, noted historian and family researcher.

Have you ever had the desire to discover where you came from? What your great-grandmother's mother was like? Did you ever want to know exactly how your ancestors ended up where they did?

More and more Blacks are finding out the answers to these questions through genealogy — the study of family histories. Although genealogy research can be a laborious task, the information obtained can provide a distinctive insight on what one's ancestors went through as well as give the researcher an enhanced appreciation for the life they currently lead.

So exactly how does one begin to search their familial lineage?

According to Coy Robbins, who has been researching his family history for the last 25 years, the best way to begin your genealogical search is to collect oral history at home.

"Begin with yourself and expand to include your siblings and your parents and grandparents," says the author of three published books on genealogy. He continues, "basic vital statistic data are generally compiled for each family member: the date

References and contacts

To help you in your search of your family, here are some valuable resources:

- Indiana African American Genealogy Group, Charles Barker (317) 844-7022
- Indiana Historical Society (317) 232-1882
- X-Pressions Bookstore, Donna Stokes-Lucas (317) 257-5448
- "Indiana Negro Registers 1852-1865" by Coy D. Robbins, Heritage Books Inc, 1994
- "Indiana African American Heritage," edited by Wilma Gibbs; Indiana Historical Society.
- Indiana African American Genealogy' www.ai.org/icpr/webfile/family/afam.html
- Indiana Ethnic History www.ipfw.edu/ipfwhist/indiana/ethnic.htm
- Indiana Family History Centers www.everton.com/usa/in.htm
- Indiana Vital Records Information www.vitalrec.com/in.htm

and place of birth, date and place of marriage, and date and place of death."

Robbins feels that community libraries are good places to begin collecting information outside the family home. The Internet is also a good tool to use, as it provides valuable resources and has no time restraints. As an added incentive, Robbins suggests that new researchers find someone who is

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Minority volunteers to be honored by Black Expo and United Way

Special to The Recorder

United Way of Central Indiana (UWCI) and Indiana Black Expo will recognize 10 outstanding volunteers at the 18th annual Minority Recognition Breakfast July 20, 8 a.m., at the Indiana Convention Center Sagamore Ballroom.

The annual event recognizes dedicated volunteers who give their time and talent to support UWCI, its family of agencies and other nonprofits, in providing solutions to community needs.

Outstanding volunteers and the categories in which they were selected are:

Individual Service, Youth: Jasmine Stewart

Individual Service, Young Adult: JaCole Ray

Individual Service, Adult: Kathy Chen

Individual Service, Senior: Lillian Baker

Outstanding Mentor, Youth: Ann Sheryl Pai

Outstanding Mentor, Young Adult: Darryl Barbee

Outstanding Mentor, Adult: Ralph "Achebe" Turner

Outstanding Mentor, Senior: Barbara Jean Coleman

Outstanding Board Service: Elizabeth L. Brown

Sarah Lewis Lifetime Achievement Award: Yvonne Perkins

Cheryle Wills, board member of the International United Way and a prominent Ohio business leader, will be keynote speaker at the breakfast. A community activist and volunteer, Wills was the first woman and the first African American to be elected president and

chief volunteer officer of a major local United Way, United Way of Greater Cleveland, Ohio.

Co-sponsors of the breakfast are WTHR Channel 13, Financial Center, Walker Information, Fifth Third Bank and Golden Rule.

Here is a brief look at each honoree:

Individual Service, Youth
Jasmine Stewart, 14, is honored for her service through the Leaders in Training program at the Arthur Jordan YMCA, where she has completed her counselors in training program. Stewart has also volunteered at the service desk, in the child watch program and as an assistant in the after-school program.

Individual Service, Young Adult

JaCole Ray, an 18-year-old student at Ben Davis Special Education Center, is honored for service at the Wayne Branch Library of the Indianapolis Marion County Public Libraries. She was cited for completing time consuming tasks such as shredding, stamping and marking date due cards, and assembling packets for promotions. The work has saved more than 75 hours of staff time.

Individual Service, Adults

Kathy Chen, executive director of the Asian American Alliance, is recognized as a leader in the international community of Indianapolis. In 1999, Chen helped establish the Asian American Alliance to promote and facilitate participation of Asian Americans in the

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These pictures are family relatives of Frazier King. King (upper, right hand corner) is a member of the Indiana African-American Genealogy Group and has researched his family history for over five years, tracing records as far back as the 1820s.

Historical Society workshops

If you are interested in learning more about genealogy, consider participating in one of the Indiana Historical Society's workshops. Participation in the programs, which are offered at locations around the state, costs a small fee. To find out more, visit

www.indianahistory.org:

Here's a listing of upcoming genealogy workshops:

- Using the 1930 Census Records, Aug. 10, 10 a.m. - noon, Roanoke, Ind.
- Genealogy Research, Sept. 27 or 28, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Greenwood, Ind.

Ind.

- Using Baptist Church Records in Genealogy, with an Emphasis on 19th Century Indiana Baptists, Oct. 19, 10 a.m. - noon, Gosport, Ind.
- Little-Used Records for Genealogy Research, Nov. 16, 10 a.m. - noon, Lawrenceburg, Ind.

DOING TIME

By JIM BUNTIN
Staff Writer

If you're in the Broad Ripple area and want an unusual dining experience that is truly apart from the run of the mill burger and fries type environment, try the Tin Star Restaurant at 1904 E. 62nd St.

Owner/warden, Tony Bruno has managed the unique eatery for 20 years, offering everything from fried mushrooms to giant tenderloin sandwiches as big as your head. The

establishment has been a part of the Broad Ripple experience for about 40 years.

Expect to pay anywhere from \$4 to around \$8 for a



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truly unforgettable meal. There are daily lunch specials available for those who wish to serve a short sentence during lunch. Hours of operation are 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. on weekdays and Saturdays and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Sundays. You can call ahead and place a pick-up order or dine in. Call 257-1352 for more information. (photos/J. Buntin)

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By JAMES
BUNTIN

Portable recorders help organize your world

A while ago I was one of those people that had his whole life in one of those cumbersome organizer day timer things. You know those big books with all the pages and tabs for everything you can imagine. Now those things kept me organized to a degree, but I had to thumb through the thing looking for addresses and numbers, and it took me about forever to find anything. Thank God I found out about digital recorders. These things are lifesavers.

Basically they are the digital equivalents of tape recorders without the tape. The biggest advantage to these is the ability to store voice data randomly. This means that when you want to make a new entry to your already growing vocal database of info you no longer have to fast forward or rewind to find a point that has a free space to record in.

Just pick up your digital data recorder push record and start talking. Your new entry will be entered without the hassle of finding a free spot to place it in. Moreover many of the units have little virtual folders where you can further organize your appointments or pearls of wisdom.

My digital recorder has three folders. In one I place phone numbers I need. In another I place interviews I have with clients and in another I place ideas and thoughts that I need to work on later. Boy is that one full.

They come in various models with different amounts of recording time. Mine has three hours of recording time max, and has two different recording modes, standard and high quality. In high quality you get less recording time but better sound. Beware, many manufactures will only list the maximum recording time on the package and to

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Portable digital recorders replace heavy cumbersome organizer notebooks and offer faster data retrieval than ordinary tape recorders.

A TRUE FAMILY AFFAIR

Side Street Deli expands product offering

Story by ANARÉ V. HOLMES
Recorder Editor
Photos by JIM BUNTIN

When Dennis and Cheryl Wheaton, owners of Side Street Deli, thought about expanding their operation at 2066 N. Illinois St. the couple had more in mind than just increasing space.

"We also wanted to expand our menu selection," said Cheryl who along with husband Dennis stepped out on faith in 1998 to relocate the business from Dennis' hometown of Fort Wayne to Indianapolis. "It's all about taking the business to the next level."

That next level is providing more than just lunch for the 200 people the deli serves daily.

By adding an extra dining facility and augmenting their service menu, which will now include breakfast, both cook to order and express menus and serving dinner, the Wheatons are looking to attract more foot traffic through one of the city's few Black-owned near downtown eateries.

"It's been a journey getting to this point," said Wheaton. "When we first opened we did not have a lot of helpful guidance, only the basic canned information some people give you about starting a business, and we did make a few mistakes."

"There is definitely more to starting a business than going down to the Small Business Administration."

One lesson the Wheatons had to learn was how to effectively spend advertising dollars, an area that can be extremely costly.

"There have been other challenges such as hiring the right type of accountant and knowing when and how to use an accountant's services, so you learn as you go and grow."

To combat those challenges the Wheatons have taken advantage of seasoned consultants like John A. Allen, president of Empower-

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(L to r) Chef Dennis Wheaton, food specialist Wendell Clarke, Mary Alice Williams, Mildred Gaines and engineer Clarence Hall talk business. Side Street Deli, 2066 N. Illinois St., is now open Monday through Friday for breakfast, lunch and dinner.



Side Street Deli Owner Dennis Wheaton says his unique deli is a family affair. Open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, Dennis and wife Cheryl operate one of the city's few Black-owned eateries near downtown.

Hotel chains improved diversity, but still lacking, NAACP says

By DEBORAH KONG
AP Minority Issues Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — The NAACP said some hotel chains are lagging behind others in their treatment of minorities, and urged consumers to use the group's hotel report cards in deciding where to stay.

The report cards, which consider employee diversity and advertising in Black-owned media, among other factors, assigned grades to 11 national chains. Marriott received the highest grade, B, on the 2002 report card; Starwood was the lowest with a C.

"We're asking people of all races, who believe in fairness in this country, who for whatever reason make a decision to go to a hotel, to use this report as a guide," said Kweisi Mfume, president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Hotel chains have made progress in providing business opportuni-

ties to minorities, but have been slow to increase Black property ownership and advertise in Black-

owned media, according to the NAACP report, released at the group's annual convention.

In the last report card, issued two years ago, the NAACP gave grades of mostly Cs and Ds to the chains.

Donna DeBerry, senior vice president of diversity at Wyndham International, said the chain's lower grades in the past — a D in 2000 — "definitely impacted our business." For 2002, Wyndham received a B minus.

American Blacks spend more than \$35 billion annually on travel and tourism, according to the NAACP report.

The NAACP did note some progress in board appointments, employment and increased contracting opportunities. Hotels also have formed diversity councils and franchise recruitment programs, the report said.

But "the ability of African-American and Latino entrepreneurs in particular to break into the his-

Black Business Profile

Information provided by business owners

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Web site:

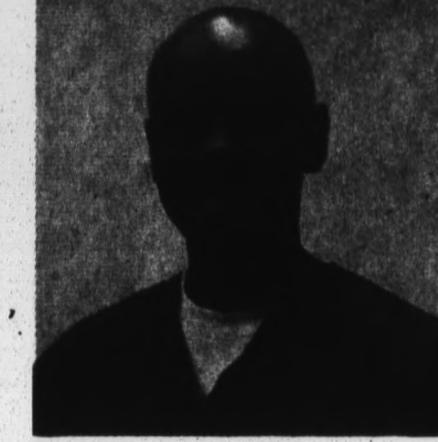
www.pikefamilydent.com

Year Opened:

1994

Owner:

David W. Austin, DDS



David W. Austin, DDS

Number of paid employees:

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Products/Services:

General care dental practice.

Significant business advances/achievements:

We expanded our facility after four years.

Future goals:

To expand the acceptance of cosmetic dentistry as well as increase the awareness that prevention and regular maintenance are healthier and more cost efficient.

Why did you start the business and how has it grown?

This has been the fulfillment of a lifetime dream; to have my own business. The growth has been rapid.

What are some of the obstacles you faced and how did you overcome them?

One obstacle was dealing with an uncooperative and intrusive landlord. I overcame this by building my own facility and becoming my own landlord.

Who does your business best serve and why?

This business best serves anyone in need of thorough, gentle dental care. At Pike Family Dentistry Inc. we create a caring, patient-centered dental experience.

How has your experience helped to meet the needs of your clients?

I have 18 years of dental practice experience. I have taken the best from every situation and added it to my business.

Where did you get the name of your company from and does it have any significant meaning?

I chose "Pike Family Dentistry" because I wanted the business to be easily recognized as a dental practice for the entire family and located in Pike Township.



People on the move

Stacey Torres joins Carpenter GMAC

Stacey Torres has joined the Greenfield office of Carpenter GMAC Real Estate located at 1117 N. Main St. Torres has been a professional legal assistant for the past 30 years.

She and her husband A. J. live in New Castle, and have four daughters, ages 14-20. Torres is a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Henry County Democrat Women. She is the Vice President, United Methodist Women, Wiley United Methodist Church in New Castle.

She provides free home market analysis services and home sale consultation. Services to buyers are also free. Contact her at (317) 467-1800 or (765) 527-7707.



Kweisi Mfume, president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

torically closed-door society of hotel ownership remains hampered," Mfume said. "The hotel industry generates huge revenues," yet those are "disturbingly being enjoyed by only a few."

The grades, which cover 2001 and 2002, are based on the NAACP's assessment of the hotels' diversity in hiring practices, vendors, advertising, philanthropy and equity ownership and franchise opportunities.

Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide, owner of the Sheraton and Westin chains, "takes the NAACP report very seriously," said spokeswoman K.C. Kavanagh. "We're a relatively new company and are aggressively pursuing diversity issues."

Starwood formed a diversity council of senior executives and recently hired a seasoned diversity executive, she said.

But "the ability of African-American and Latino entrepreneurs in particular to break into the his-

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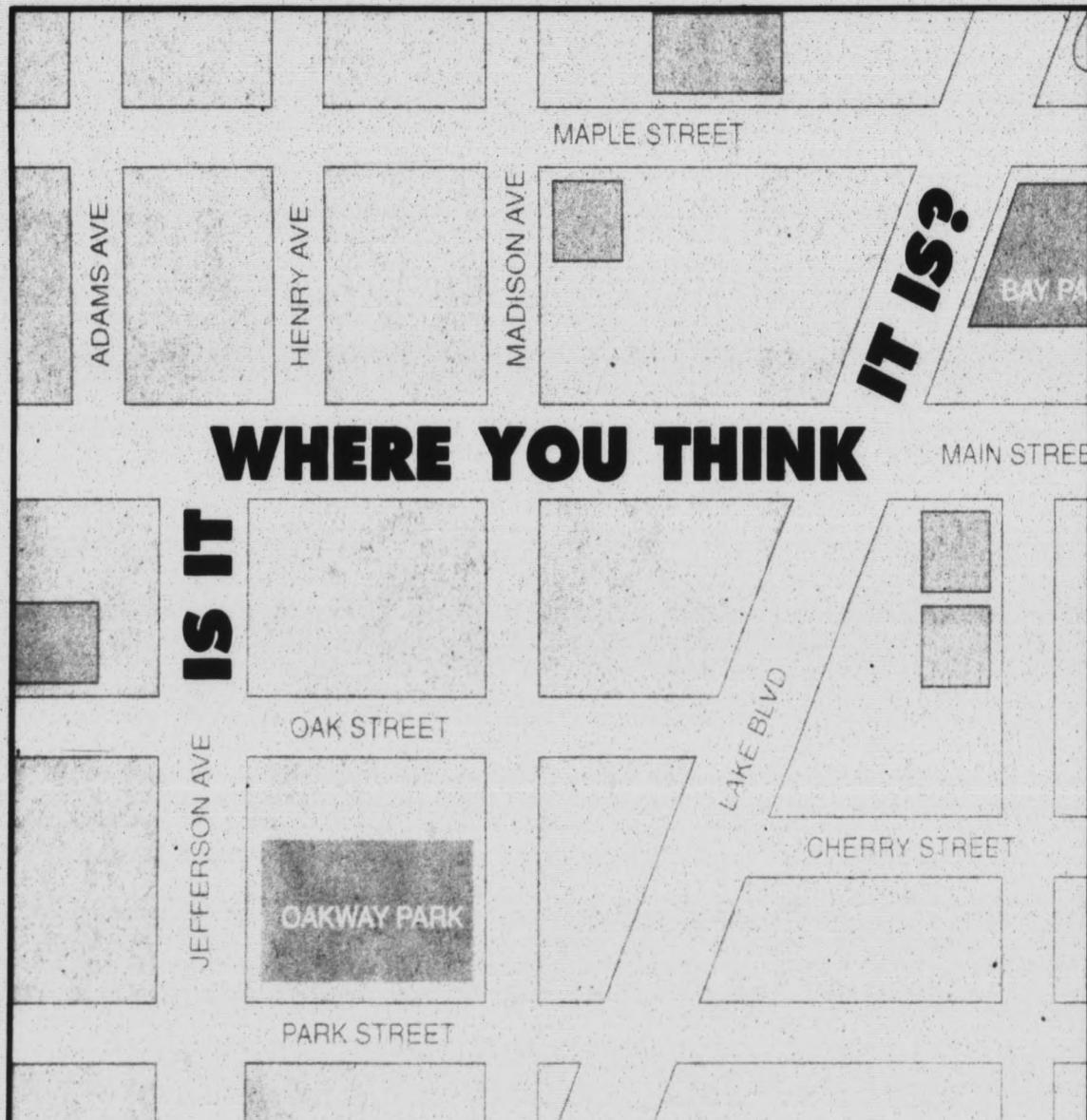
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BUSINESS EXCHANGE

Investigating corporate crimes: Is Thompson in or outside the box?

By WILLIAM REED

"A poor man has no credit," said 3rd century historian Ausonius. Today, rich men are trying to gain creditability for their history of using credit to gain riches. To regain consumer confidence in America's corporations and stock market, President Bush appointed the Justice Department's highest-ranking African American, Larry D. Thompson, to head a multi-agency corporate-crime task force.

However, new information is revealing that Thompson is cut from similar corporate credit cloth as the people he's investigating, raising the age-old question: Are foxes guarding the hen house?

Thompson was a board director of the Providian Financial Corp. credit card company, who cashed in over \$4 million of stock the company lent him the money to buy. To gain credit among the public, Thompson will have to do better ferreting out corporate crime and its funny money activities now than when he was chairman of Providian's audit and compliance

committee and Providian was involved in consumer and securities fraud actions it paid \$400 million to settle.

A San Francisco-based company, Providian has 15 million customer accounts and \$18.7 billion in assets. A major player in the "sub prime market," Providian targets people with low incomes and bad credit histories. Among its customers, Providian preys upon African Americans and others with poor credit histories and difficulty obtaining credit.

Providian's payments settled complaints that it denied cardholders customary grace periods for loan payments and misled them into accepting higher interest rates and hidden charges. It inflated its financial results by charging excessive fees and engaging in practices regulators say broke consumer-protection rules.

Eighty percent of African Americans earning more than \$70,000-a-year invest in the markets and are directly affected by corporate stock and trading crimes. At Providian, Thompson was one of 350 African Ameri-

cans serving on Fortune-level boards.

Not a multi-board sitter, like the few African Americans corporations have tapped for board positions, Thompson's only board tenure was with Providian. He got into that loop after another partner at his law firm, King & Spalding, retired and recommended him for director.

African Americans will watch with interest Thompson's enjoinment with President George Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney to gain public credit through cajoling current corporate officials not do what each of them used to do.

Questions abound about their creditability in this chore. For example, Bush held a position on Harken Energy's board after it took over his faltering Spectrum 7 oil firm in 1986 for \$2 million in stock. In the deal, Bush received 212,000 Harken shares; he then took advantage of a company credit that allowed officers and directors to borrow cash to buy stock or to exercise options. He borrowed \$96,000 in 1986 and \$84,375 in 1989 to buy

stock he then sold for \$850,000 weeks before its price plunged.

Unlike the problems most Blacks endure getting credit, the loans and stock options Bush and Thompson received were a routine practice for officers and directors.

Lending money to top executives is a tax-free way of giving employees more stock. When directors and executives borrow, it's not counted as income. (If Harken had paid Bush \$186,000 to purchase stock, Bush would've had to pay nearly half in taxes.) In the practice, when stocks rise, executives sell shares bought with borrowed money, take the capital gains hit, and pay back the loan.

Currently, many Americans don't trust numbers or actions emitting from Wall Street, or the White House. As he leads the government effort to clean up white-collar crimes such as insider trading, Thompson will need to rid himself of the cloud of his Providian dealings. Or, he will be viewed as being more a part of the problem than leader toward a just solution.

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be honest I have yet to see one of these units that yields really good sound in the standard mode.

Regardless, these things are life-savers. In the car when I have to jot down a time or appointment, I just record it instead without fumbling for a pen or pencil. Later many times I will even transfer the recording to my laptop computer because the unit I have is equipped with an ear phone and microphone jack.

Some have little clocks on them and will time stamp the date and time you made your recording. Then there are those with removable storage cards that can be interchanged with your computer for transferring recordings. You have the ability to delete entries without having to worry that you might get rid of something that you really need. All in all these things are convenient and some even come in the size and shape of an ink pen.

Now I ask you, which is more convenient, a book the size of the one Ma Bell issues or all your important info in a device not much larger than your cell phone.

Prices on these gems range anywhere from \$20 to \$100 or more depending on the features. Try one. I guarantee you will be spoiled.

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ment Specialist of Indiana — a firm that provides financial counseling, business management and customer service training to many local small businesses.

"John has been extremely helpful to us. He actually gives you practical information you can really use," said Wheaton who also supplements business revenue through catering meetings and special events.

With sound business advice on their side, the couple said they are now in a place to give customers more.

Hearty comfort foods like smoked pork chops, meat loaf and baked chicken are now on the menu for dinner along with a few surprises.

Unique and new to Side Street Deli is a featured "art gallery," designed to create a more enjoyable dining experience.

This month artwork by local artists Mark Smith, Carmen Hunt, Walter Witlock and William Rasdale is on display on the walls of the restaurant. In the future, the owners plan on having a regular jazz showcase, featuring local acts twice a month on Fridays.

A calendar of events will be compiled and distributed in every carry out bag to notify customers of upcoming entertainment events.

Although on a path of growth, Cheryl and Dennis say they will not stray too far away from what has helped endure through the critical five-year period that makes or breaks a small business.

House specialty is the deli's mean take on pina pasta and spinach, where cooks combine blue cheese with an oil and vinegar base that just hits the spot. The dish is its most popular item.

"We are going to continue to offer great tasting food that is health conscious, we still do not fry any of our food, choosing to only offer baked or grilled items," said Cheryl.

A true family affair, the couple's children Kisha and Dennis Jr. round out the deli's 12 paid employees.

"Since the kids love to eat and cook it was a natural act for them to join in the business," said Dennis. "It's truly a blessing to have them around, they are one of the reasons we started the business and are an important part of our growth."

Jim Buntin contributed to this report.

Student campers experience jobs first-hand

Special to The Recorder

This summer, 22 high school students are receiving a head start training for careers through the Career CAMP program operated by Goodwill Industries of Central Indiana and its partners.

Now in its fourth year, CAMP relies heavily on hands-on experiences, ushering students into kitchens and hospital operating rooms to demonstrate the variety of opportunities available in the working world.

Classroom training is designed to provide introductory lessons and familiarize students with the vocabularies of two specialized fields.

Competition for inclusion in the CAMP programs was intense with 60 students applying for openings in the two CAMPs. In all, 14 students are registered to begin the medical CAMP and eight will attend the culinary CAMP. The learning experiences will last three weeks, and students will receive a stipend

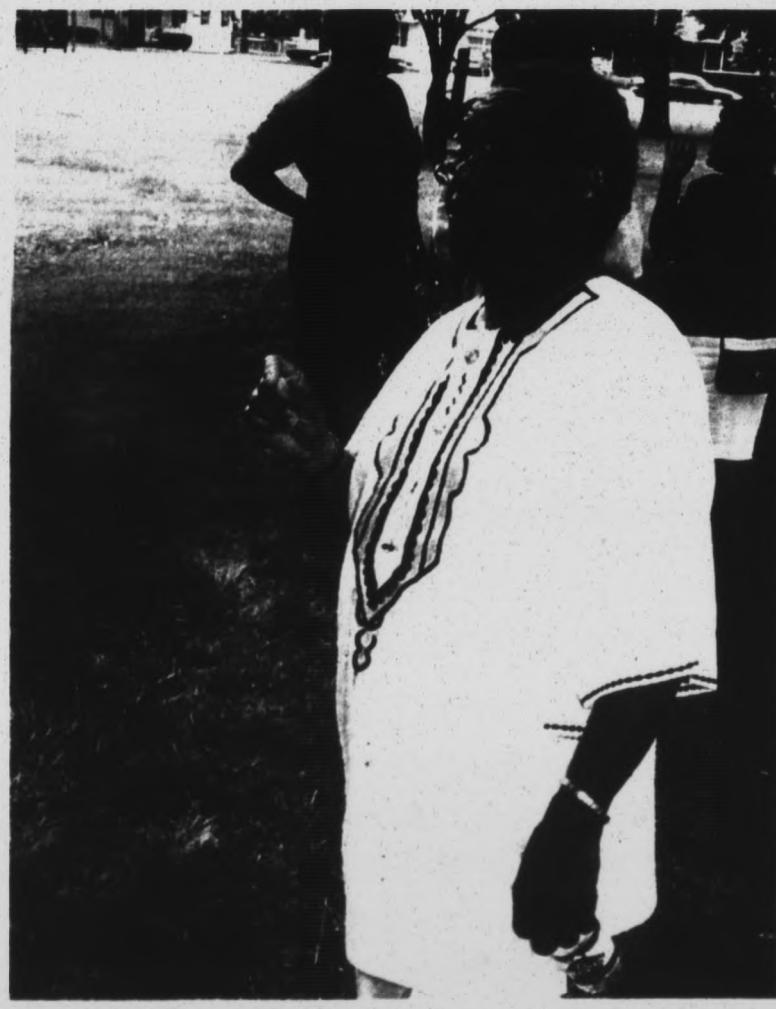
for their efforts.

Two organizations are partnering with Goodwill to provide the instruction for the CAMPs. Clarian Health Partners will provide its fourth year of tutelage to the medical CAMP students, and this year Second Helpings will provide its first year of instruction to the culinary CAMP.

Goodwill is coordinating the registration process and will provide case managers who will work with each group of students to monitor their progress and help them develop a long-term career plan.

Goodwill Industries of Central Indiana is in the business of helping people prepare for, find and keep jobs. Through its partnerships, Goodwill placed more than 15,000 people last year.

For more information about Goodwill's employment services, go to www.goodwill-indy.org or call (317) 264-1313.

**Fund-raising event**

State Rep. Bill Crawford, D-Indianapolis, recently held a campaign fund raiser at the Genesis Plaza/Martindale-Brightwood Health Center. Crawford will face Republican Gerald "Jerry" Papenmeier in the November general election. (photo/C. Guynn)



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CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Freddie B. Davis
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Sunrise **Sunset**
March 18, 1933 June 30, 2002

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many comforting messages, prayers, flowers and other expressions of kindness and concern evidenced at this time in thought and deed. May God add a blessing to each of you. Special acknowledgement is given to St. John Missionary Baptist Church, the employees of the Wishard Hospital Hospice Care Program, St. Vincent Hospital, the Indianapolis Police and Marion County Sheriff's Department.

We Love You Mama and Payne
Loved and Remembered Always
Husband: Henry
Daughters: Patricia and Pamela
Sons: Henry Jr. and Family



ARNETT SANDERS, JR.
July 20, 1939 -
August 31, 1998.
On Your Birthday
Just a line of sweet
remembrance
Just a memory fond
and true.
Just a token of love's
devotion that our
hearts still long
for you.
Sadly missed:
The Family

ADOPTION

ADOPTION

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STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION, ss:
IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
In the Matter of the Adoption of:
Julia Robinson

NOTICE TO WILLIAM MITCHELL NAMED FATHER CAUSE NO.
49D08-0206-AD-641

William Mitchell who has been named the father of the child born to **Marcie J. Robinson**, on June 4, 1992, or the person who claims to be the father of the child born to **Marcie J. Robinson**, on June 4, 1992, is notified that a Petition for Adoption of the child was filed in the office of the Clerk of the Marion Superior Court, Probate Division, City-County Building, Room 1721, 200 East Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

If William Mitchell seeks to contest the adoption of the child, he must file a motion to contest the adoption in accordance with IC 31-19-10 with the Court above within thirty (30) days (6/26/02) after the date of service of this notice. This notice may be served by publication.

If William Mitchell (1) does not file a motion to contest the adoption within thirty (30) days after service of this notice the above-named court will hear and determine the petition for adoption. His consent will be irrevocably implied and he will lose his right to contest either the adoption or the validity of his implied consent to the adoption. He will lose his right to establish his paternity of the child under IC 31-14.

Nothing **Marcie J. Robinson**, or anyone else says to William Mitchell relieves William Mitchell of his obligations under this notice. Under Indiana law, a putative father is a person who is named as or claims that he may be the father of a child born out of wedlock but who has not yet been legally proven to be the child's father. For purposes of this notice, William Mitchell is a putative father under the laws in Indiana regarding adoption.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk 7/19/02 3TP

ADOPTION

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STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION, ss:
IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
In the Matter of the Adoption of:
Pedro Esmeril Perez, a Minor

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION CAUSE NO.
49D08-0206-AD-650

Any and all parties are hereby notified that on the 20th day of June 2002, Juan and Ramona Perez, husband and wife, will be served by the Clerk of the superior court of Marion County, Probate Division, in the State of Indiana. A Petition to adopt Pedro Esmeril Perez, a minor child Ramona Perez and some unknown male are parents, which unknown male are parents, which unknown male have abandoned and deserted said child. On said date, the Petitioners also filed their praecipe for summons along with supporting affidavits showing that diligent search has been made and that the unknown male cannot be found.

Any and all parties are further notified that unless they respond within (30) days (6/26/02) after the last publication of notice of this action, said petition will be heard and determined by the court in their absence.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk 7/12/02 3TP

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Darrell J. Dolan, Atty.
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION, ss:

IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
In the Matter of the Adoption of:
Vivien Lynn Perkins

NOTICE OF SUIT - ADOPTION CAUSE NO.
49D08-0206-AD-660

This notice is directed to Kedrick Lige who is being sued and whose whereabouts are unknown. In addition to the above person being served by this summons, there may be other persons who have an interest in this law suit. Darrell J. Dolan represents the person seeking service by publication, and can be located at 8525 E. 82nd Street, Suite #102, Indianapolis, IN 46250. The nature of the suit against you is the adoption of Vivien Lynn Perkins born 5/29/94, and at issue are the parental rights of Vivien Lynn Perkins. You must answer the complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty days (6/19/02) after the last notice of this action is published. If you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk 7/12/02 3TP

BOARD OF SCHOOLS

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Bid Extension

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for the ELEVATOR ADDITION, at IPS FRANCIS SCOTT KEY SCHOOL, NO. 103, will be received by the Board of School Commissioners of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, 120 East Walnut Street, in the Purchasing Department, Room 117, until 11:00 o'clock a.m., on Wednesday, August 7, 2002, and then publicly opened and read aloud in Room 704E. Bids received after that hour will be returned unopened.

Terms and conditions of bidding and contracting are included in the Bid Specifications which may be obtained from the office of the Owner, and are available for examination at the following location:

(317) 228-4170
Facilities Management Division
1129 East 16th Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

The Board reserves the right to accept, or reject, any bid or to waive any informality, or errors, in bidding for a period of ninety (90) days after the bid opening.

Richard Leisou, Atty.
SUMMONS—SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION, ss:

IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT

In Re the Marriage of:
Santiago Rigoerto Munoz, Petitioner

-v-

Marisela Munoz, Respondent.
CAUSE NO.

49D01-0206-DR-1114

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Defendants above-named, and any other person who may be concerned:

You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.

The nature of the suit against you is: **Petition for Dissolution of Marriage**.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are: _____ and to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: **Kimberly Marie Messay**.

In addition to the above named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this law suit.

If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney within thirty (30) days (6/19/02) after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk 7/12/02 3TP

12 NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the Bid Committee of the Board of School Commissioners of the City of Indianapolis until 11:00 a.m.,

Tuesday, July 23, 2002, in Room 117 on the following:

Garage and Overhead Door Repair Hourly Service, Magazine Subscriptions, Playground Repair.

All in accordance with detailed specifications on file in the Office of the Board, 120 East Walnut Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.

The BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS RODNEY M. BLACK, Business Manager

7/12/02 2TP

12 NOTICE TO BIDDERS

All in accordance with detailed specifications on file in the Office of the Board, 120 East Walnut Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.

The BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS RODNEY M. BLACK, Business Manager

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DISS. OF MARRIAGE

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Eugene H. Yockey, Atty.
SUMMONS—SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION, ss:

IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT

In Re the Marriage of:

Dorothy Q. Hill, Petitioner

-v-

Marvin J. Hill, Respondent.
CAUSE NO.

49D08-0206-DR-1090

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Petitioner above-named, and any other person who may be concerned:

You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.

The nature of the suit against you is: **Petition for Dissolution of Marriage**.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are: _____ and to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: **Marvin J. Hill**.

In addition to the above named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this law suit.

If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney within thirty (30) days (6/19/02) after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk 7/12/02 3TP

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Defendants above-named, and any other person who may be concerned:

You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.

The nature of the suit against you is: **Petition for Dissolution of Marriage**.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are: _____ and to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: **Marvin J. Hill**.

In addition to the above named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this law suit.

If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney within thirty (30) days (6/19/02) after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk 7/12/02 3TP

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Defendants above-named, and any other person who may be concerned:

You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.

The nature of the suit against you is: **Petition for Dissolution of Marriage**.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are: _____ and to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: **Marvin J. Hill**.

In addition to the above named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this law suit.

If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney within thirty (30) days (6/19/02) after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk 7/12/02 3TP

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Defendants above-named, and any other person who may be concerned:

You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.

The nature of the suit against you is: **Petition for Dissolution of Marriage**.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are: _____ and to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: **Marvin J. Hill**.

In addition to the above named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this law suit.

If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney within thirty (30) days (6/19/02) after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk 7/12/02 3TP

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Defendants above-named, and any other person who may be concerned:

You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.

The nature of the suit against you is: **Petition for Dissolution of Marriage**.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are: _____ and to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: **Marvin J. Hill**.

In addition to the above named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this law suit.

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Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk

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NOTICE OF ADMIN.

G12
Marc W. Matheny, Atty.
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Marion Superior Court,
Probate Division
In the matter of the **UNSUPERVISED** Estate of **Lucy M. Lawson**, deceased.
Estate Docket #49008-0206-ES-1568

Notice is hereby given that **Vivian R. Cooper** was on the 28th day of June, 2002, appointed **Personal Representative** of the Estate of **Lucy M. Lawson**, deceased, who died May 28, 2002.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk

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H12
Christopher Smith, Atty.
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Marion Superior Court,
Probate Division
In the matter of the Estate of **Mertha Elzora Smith**, deceased.
Estate Docket #49008-0206-EU-1549

Notice is hereby given that **Jerrod R. Smith** was on the 28th day of June, 2002, appointed **Personal Representative** of the Estate of **Mertha Elzora Smith**, deceased.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk

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H12
Judith E. Overurf, Atty.
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Marion Superior Court,
Probate Division
In the matter of the Estate of **Opal G. Hoard**, deceased.
Estate Docket #49008-0206-EU-1550

Notice is hereby given that **Rebecca J. Billbrey** was on the 25th day of June, 2002, appointed **Personal Representative** of the Estate of **Opal G. Hoard**, deceased.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk

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M12
Marc W. Matheny, Atty.
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Marion Superior Court,
Probate Division
In the matter of the **UNSUPERVISED** Estate of **Lucille V. Turrentine**, deceased.
Estate Docket #49008-0206-EU-1517

Notice is hereby given that **Thelma Turrentine** was on the 21st day of June, 2002, appointed **Personal Representative** of the Estate of **Lucille V. Turrentine**, deceased, who died June 2, 2002.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk

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N12
All Talib, Atty.
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Marion Superior Court,
Probate Division
In the matter of the Estate of **Leggy Barton Porter**, deceased.
Estate Docket #49008-0206-ES-1546

Notice is hereby given that **Gregory Porter** and **Sidney Carmen Porter** were on the 24th day of June, 2002, appointed **Co-Personal Representative(s)** of the Estate of **Leggy Barton Porter**, deceased.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk

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O12
P. Frederick Plenninger, Atty.
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Marion Superior Court,
Probate Division
In the matter of the Estate of **Edward Melofsky**, deceased.
Estate Docket #49008-0206-EU-1516

Notice is hereby given that **Charlene Pfleinger** was on the 23rd day of June, 2002, appointed **Personal Representative** of the Estate of **Edward Melofsky**, deceased.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk

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C12
Sandy Leviticus Bryant, Atty.
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Marion Superior Court,
Probate Division
In the matter of the Estate of **Mildred M. Phillips**, deceased.
Estate Docket #49008-0206-EU-1565

Notice is hereby given that **Michael L. Phillips** was on the 26th day of June, 2002, appointed **Personal Representative** of the Estate of **Mildred M. Phillips**, deceased.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with and in compliance with all of the provisions of Section 56, Chapter 213, Act of 1925. The following vehicles will be sold at auction on April 5th, 2000 at 9:00 A.M. at Meacham Wrecker Service, Inc. at 2802 West McCarty Street, Indianapolis, IN. Charges for towing & storage is \$1500.00 per each vehicle.

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11270 1992 CHEV J81RF2362N7539358

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11282 1994 HYUNDAI JMHVD12J6R309169

11283 1989 HONDA 1HGC6A265KA059283

THE INDIANAPOLIS RECORDER

PUBLIC NOTICE

12 PUBLIC BID NOTICE

PROJECT: Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library Central Library Project

Bid Package #2B: "Building Demolition"

Bid Package #2C: "Shoring, Excavation & Dewatering"

40 East St. Clair Street

Indianapolis, IN 46204

317.632.7484, fax: 317.687.2064

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Indianapolis-Marion County Library Board at the Library Services Center, (front desk) 2450 North Meridian Street, P.O. Box 211, Indianapolis, IN 46206-0211 until 2:00 p.m. local time on **August 1, 2**

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SUMMONS

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Cary N. Statfield, Atty.
SUMMONS—SERVICE BY
PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION, ss:
IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT
Allied Wholesale Electrical
Supply, Inc.
Plaintiff,
v.
Gregory L. Wells, Kimberly A.
Wells, Marion County Treasurer,
Republic Banc Mortgage
Corporation, Access Mortgage
and Financial Corporation and
Household Mortgage Services,
Inc.
Defendants
Household Mortgage Services,
Inc.
Cross-Plaintiff,
v.
Gregory L. Wells, Kimberly A.
Wells, Marion County Treasurer,
Republic Banc Mortgage
Corporation, Access Mortgage
and Financial Corporation and
Allied Wholesale Electrical
Supply, Inc.
Cross-Defendants
CAUSE NO.
49D07-0112-CP-1958
NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to the
defendants above named, and any
other person who may be
concerned.
You are notified that you have been
sued in the above named.
The nature of the suit against you
is: Complain to Foreclose
Mortgage.

This summons by publication is
specifically directed to the following
named defendant(s) whose
addresses are: UNKNOWN and to
the following defendant(s) whose
whereabouts are unknown: Mutual
Guaranty Corp.

In addition to the above named
defendants being served by this
summons there may be other
defendants who have an interest in
this law suit.

If you have a claim for relief against
the plaintiff arising from the same
transaction or occurrence, you must
assert it in your written answer. You
must answer the Complaint in
writing, by you or your attorney, on
or before the 3rd day of August
2002, (the same being within thirty
(30) days after the Third
Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do
so a judgment will be entered
against you for what the plaintiff has
demanded.

Sarah M. Taylor, Clerk
7/19/02 3TP

SUMMONS

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Cary N. Statfield, Atty.
SUMMONS—SERVICE BY
PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION, ss:
IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT
Mortgage Electronic Registration
Systems, Inc., Its Successors
and Assigns, as Nominee for
Household Finance Corporation,
Its Successors and Assigns,
Plaintiff,
v.
Terry J. Hilllock, Sharon K. Earl,
and Mutual Guaranty Corp.,
Defendant.
CAUSE NO.
49D02-0206-MF-1036
NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to the
defendants above named, and any
other person who may be
concerned.
You are notified that you have been
sued in the above named.
The nature of the suit against you
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This position will require an extensive background in organizational development; strong knowledge of strategic planning and financial matters; a full understanding of economic and Workforce development; strong communications skills; and experience in working with community organizations.

This position reports to the Board of Directors and is responsible for the growth of the \$15 million organization. The organization has a staff of 20 employees.

Other responsibilities and abilities include:

- Developing strategic plans and leading the execution of the plans that strengthen Indianapolis' Workforce
- Overseeing responsibilities of the company's team-structured departments including the Leadership, Worker Development, Employer Relations, Research and Development, and Business and Information Services teams.

The candidate must be able to evaluate external business forces that may affect the organization; respond to economic changes and conditions; recognize Workforce trends; and build community partnerships.

Required experience:

- 6-10 years high-level executive responsibilities
- Significant executive-level experience working with a Board of Directors
- Bachelor's degree; MBA is a plus

Interested individuals should mail a resume and cover letter detailing your qualifications and three references with contact information by August 15 to: Indianapolis Private Industry Council, Attn: Yvonne Shaheen, Chair, Search Committee, Re: President position, 151 N. Delaware St., Suite 1600, Indianapolis, IN 46204. EOE



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HEALTH

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The department conducts lead-screening activities in residential areas throughout Marion County with increased efforts in high-risk neighborhoods.

New additions to the health fair this year will be the following:

Safetyville and the Indianapolis SAFE KIDS Coalition (ISKC): Safetyville is a mobile van that will be hitting the streets of Indianapolis later this year. Participants at this year's health fair will get a first look at this new mobile safety education unit. The program will focus on injury prevention and safety issues, such as bike/scooter helmets, car seats, water safety and others. The van is equipped with a large screen television to show videos and a wireless microphone so that participants will be able to hear and participate. Members of the ISKC will be on hand to promote various injury prevention areas.

Asthma Screening (Chronic Disease): this booth will provide asthma screenings for children 8 years old and up with parental consent and for adults as well. A Spirometry test will be performed and described to each participant by a trained health professional. The object of a Spirometry test is to assess breathing function. It is used to detect the presence or absence of lung dysfunction suggested by history or physical signs and symptoms of problems related to breathing. This would include smoking history, family history of lung disease, cough, shortness of breath and wheezing.

Respiratory Therapists from the Asthma Alliance of Indianapolis will be on hand to oversee these screenings and answer questions.

Bio-terrorism: a vehicle will be on display, along with information for citizens about existing services. This department monitors and controls handling of chemicals, infectious waste and other materials, and provides response to hazardous material emergencies.

In addition to the Marion County Health Department and the Indiana State Department of Health, representatives from area hospitals, community-based organizations, clinics, and other health providers will be on hand to display their own services and a wealth of good health information, along with over \$500 worth of free health screenings. Check the graphic portion of this article to find out what screenings will be administered and what time to attend.

THE INDIANAPOLIS RECORDER

Crohn's disease: Victim or victor?

(NAPSI)—Strained marriages, cancelled social commitments, even fears about traveling too far from a bathroom, are among the casualties of dealing with Crohn's disease, a chronic condition that usually affects the intestines. Unfortunately, many people with the disease suffer in silence because of improper diagnosis or a feeling that "it's all in my head."

It isn't. Some 500,000 people in the U.S. suffer from Crohn's disease, according to the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America (CCFA), a national education and support group. Crohn's is chronic and incurable, and currently, a total "victory" over the disease isn't possible. Understanding the disease, however, and getting proper medical treatment as well as emotional support, can make you feel more like a victor than a victim.

Crohn's disease can be misdiagnosed since its symptoms may mirror other diseases. If you frequently suffer from any of these symptoms, you should see a doctor.

- Cramps and abdominal pain.
- Persistent diarrhea.
- Rectal bleeding.
- Fever.
- Loss of appetite and/or weight loss.

Crohn's disease causes inflammation in the digestive tract. It usually affects the last part of the small intestine (ileum) and/or the

first part of the large intestine (colon) but can occur in any section of the gastrointestinal (GI) tract.

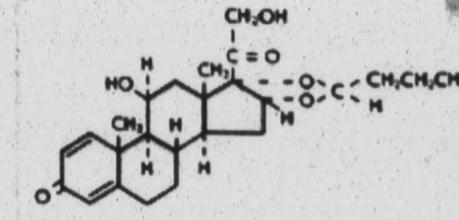
Many factors, genetic and environmental, may act together to cause the disease. Crohn's disease occurs more commonly in adolescents and young adults but anyone, at any age, can be affected.

Your doctor may take X-rays to understand what part of the GI tract is affected and use a colonoscope or sigmoidoscope to help confirm a diagnosis. Both scopes are illuminated tubes that make it possible to see into the rectum and the large bowel.

It is possible to achieve periods of remission or improvement when symptoms subside or go away completely. These periods of remission are usually interrupted by flares (active episodes of the disease) when the symptoms return or become worse.

The main goals of Crohn's disease treatment are to provide relief from symptoms and reduce the number of flare-ups. Entocort EC (budesonide) capsule is a prescription drug approved last fall by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) designed to treat and control the symptoms of Crohn's disease. For many people with mild to moderate active Crohn's disease involving the ileum and/or ascending colon, the

ENTOCORT EC is indicated for the treatment of mild to moderate active Crohn's Disease involving the ileum and/or the ascending colon.



medication can control the symptoms of disease flares with fewer side effects than other steroids. Individual results may vary.

The medicine is not for everyone; it is contraindicated in patients with known hypersensitivity to budesonide. People who take this drug may require supplemental treatment with a systemic glucocorticosteroid if they are undergoing surgery and subject to other stressful situations. They need to follow their doctors' directions when switching to Entocort EC from

a systemic glucocorticosteroid. This will help them avoid health risks. Patients taking corticosteroids should try to avoid exposure to infections such as chicken pox or measles.

Often the final step in dealing with Crohn's disease — and becoming a victor — is getting emotional support. Explain the disease to your family and friends and communicate that there may be times when you need additional rest or have to cancel plans at the last minute.

There are a number of resources that can provide support and keep you posted on new developments in treatments. Patients can call the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America (CCFA) at 1-800-932-2423 or visit the Web site at www.ccfa.org. More information on Entocort EC, including product information, is at www.EntocortEC.com.

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Patients cautioned about taking multiple medications



John R. Horn,
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(NUE)—With billions of prescriptions written every year, the risks of drug interactions have many in the medical community concerned. In fact, a recent study in the Journal of the American Medical Association found that 80 percent of Americans take some form of medication including prescription drugs, over-the-counter remedies and dietary supplements.

According to John R. Horn, pharmacist and professor of pharmacy at the University of Washington in Seattle, patients taking multiple medications must be aware of potentially dangerous drug interactions.

"People don't know how the various treatments they're taking work in combination with each other. Even commonly used oral medications can interact with each other because they must travel throughout the body in order to work," Horn said. "For instance, diabetics need to be especially careful when mixing their blood glucose lowering medications with other treatments, such as an oral antifungal."

Horn has conducted extensive research on drug interactions and potentially risky drug combinations, which he outlines in his book *The Top 100 Drug Interactions: A Guide to Patient Management* (2002 H&H Publications).

Horn suggests that even patients with common ailments, such as a yeast infection, need to be careful. "It's critical that patients educate themselves about all available treatment options so they can choose the safest one. Even for

something as simple as a yeast infection, women now have lots of options."

For example, women can now choose to use a prescription oral treatment such as Dilfucan or a 1-dose topical treatment, such as Monistat 1 Combination Pack, which can be purchased over the counter.

Horn suggests that if there are topical treatments available, patients should consider using them before trying an oral medication, as they are less likely to cause a negative drug interaction.

"Before initial treatment, patients should always ask their doctor about all readily available treatment options," Horn said. "If appropriate, they should consider using topical treatments which permit the medication to reach the source of discomfort with less likelihood of side effects. Topical treatments for some medical conditions, such as yeast infections, may be most suitable and safer."

Horn has three tips he encourages all patients to follow to ensure their safety when taking multiple treatments:

- Tell your doctor about all the treatments you're taking including prescription, over-the-counter, and dietary and herbal supplements.

- Go to the same pharmacy so the pharmacist will be aware of all the drugs you're taking.

- Read and follow the label instructions for all the treatments and supplements you are using and pay special attention to warnings and contraindications.

Generic drugs can save money for consumers

(NAPSI)—Learning more about generic drugs could be good for your health.

If your pharmacist ever asks you to substitute a generic drug for your prescription, here are some facts you should know. Coatings, colorings or shapes may vary, but the active ingredient in a generic drug is chemically identical to the brand-name drug.

When a patent expires on a brand-name drug, generic manufacturers may apply to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for permission to produce that drug. Generic drugs must meet the same stringent FDA requirements and inspections for chemistry, manufacturing controls and labeling, and must produce the same clinical results.

However, since generic producers don't spend as much for research and development, advertising or marketing, their products can be sold at lower prices—sometimes up to 75 percent less. Many familiar drugs, such as ibuprofen and prednisone, were once brand-name prescription drugs.

Generic formulations have a long track record and have been proven safe," said Merle Fossen, Pharm.D., director of Pharmacy Affairs for the Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy in Alexandria, Va.

"About 45 percent of all prescriptions filled are for generic drugs."

You may want to ask your doctor if switching to a

Merle Fossen, Director of Pharmacy Affairs

Dr. Fossen joined AMCP on January 1999 as Manager of Pharmacy Affairs, and was named Director of Pharmacy Affairs on May 2001. In this position, he is responsible for overseeing all clinical and professional issues that come before the Academy, representing the Academy's views on these topics before outside organizations as well as state and federal elected representatives. Dr. Fossen has over 25 years experience in

Dr. Fossen has over 25 years experience in providing pharmaceutical care. He has provided care for patients in hospital, hospice, HMO, PBMs and chain and independent pharmacies.

Dr. Fossen earned a B.S. Pharmacy from North Dakota State University College of Pharmacy and a Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of Maryland at Baltimore.

generic is appropriate for you.

Or, ask your pharmacist for more information about what generic equivalents may be available for your prescriptions.

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Comments sought for WIC State Plan

The Indiana State Department of Health will welcome public comment on the Indiana Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) State Plan on Aug. 9.

The WIC State Plan will be available for public viewing and comment from 2 to 4 p.m. on Aug. 9 in the WIC Conference Room on the 2nd Floor of the State Department of Health, at 2 N. Meridian St.

At that time, citizens will have the opportunity to express their opinions about the contents of the plan. Any citizen or group

may submit written or oral comments during the public viewing time. Oral comment periods may be limited, depending on the number of participants. Written comments will be accepted until 4 p.m. on Aug. 9.

The WIC State Plan is a compilation of the program's goals and objectives for the upcoming year, along with answers to specific questions posed by the United States Department of Agriculture/Food and Consumer Services (USDA/FCS).

The WIC Program is funded

by the USDA/FCS to provide supplemental foods, nutrition education and medical and social referrals to assure adequate nutrition for proper growth and development. The program targets pregnant and postpartum women, nursing mothers, and children from birth to age 5.

Individuals eligible for the WIC Program include members of the target population with household income at or below 185 percent of the poverty guidelines and are nutritionally at risk. The goals of the WIC Program are:

- To improve pregnancy outcomes.
- To reduce the incidence of infant mortality and low-birth-weight babies.
- To improve the health and nutrition of infants and children up to age 5, the critical period of growth and development.
- To contain health care costs through good nutrition.

Anyone needing further information on the public viewing time or the WIC State Plan may call Cheryl Moles, at (317) 233-5590.

TO YOUR HEALTH

Clarian's Workforce Initiatives Are Nationally Recognized

By Gene Ford

**AHA's recent report strongly urges
health care industry to study
Clarian's Workforce Development**

Clarian Health Partners was cited twice for its innovations in meeting challenges that are largely unique to health care in the American Hospital Association's Commission on Workforce for Hospitals and Health Systems' nationally distributed report, entitled, *In Our Hands*.

In Our Hands is a 94-page report recommending bold innovative changes that hospitals must make to avert limitations in necessary health care services. To encourage action, *In Our Hands* makes strategic and tactical recommendations for addressing the challenges and offers examples of hospitals already implementing the recommendations. The examples used in the report, including Clarian's are tactical recommendations displaying how various health care centers have remedied a specific challenge.

Clarian Health Partners is first cited in *In Our Hands* for their unique efforts in attracting a more diverse workforce through their partnerships with organizations that are recognized sources of ethnic and racial minority employee candidates. CHP is noted for their work with the Indiana Minority Health Coalition in recruiting more minority students into health and human service fields by providing health careers activities for high school students and their efforts to secure grant funding to create a statewide tele-

mentoring program and distance learning offerings. In addition, Clarian is mentioned for their collaboration with Goodwill Industries and the Indianapolis Private Industry Council to offer Summer Health Career Camps and Internships for at-risk minority youth.

Sherry Makely, Ph.D., Manager of Employee Education and Development at Clarian Educational Services, says, "It's always reassuring to see Clarian's workforce development initiatives attract national attention. But what's most important is the impact these initiatives have on the people they serve."

The AHA report also used CHP as an example of improvement in the workplace for their efforts in helping employees develop career mobility plans with the unparalleled CareerQuest® program. CHP's CareerQuest®, is noted for the individualized counseling it gives employees to help them explore interests, assess skills, set goals, and progress from "where they are now" to "where they want to be" within the system.

Sherry Makely continues, "Clarian is helping people gain valuable skills and jobs that provide a livable wage and opportunities for advancement. This not only benefits the residents of our community, it also helps our hospitals recruit and retain competent and loyal workers. The AHA report highlights just a few of the many projects we have underway."

Clarian is the only Indiana-based health care system mentioned in the report.



MARION COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Showcases essential services and programs at this year's black and minority health fair

Submitted by the Health Education, Promotion and Training Department of the Marion County Health Department

The Black and Minority Health Fair will celebrate its 17th annual event with this year's theme being "Health Free For All." The health fair will host over 40,000 people at the Indiana Convention Center in Hall D from Thursday, July 18 (Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities Night) through Sunday, July 21. The Marion County Health Department (MCHD) has been an instrumental part of this event since its inception. This venue, the largest of its kind, allows the MCHD to showcase the services and programs provided for the community at large. This year's health information will be presented from a variety of booths ranging from Childhood Lead Poisoning to Nutrition Services.

Listed here are just some of the displays and activities sponsored by the Marion County Health Department that will be showcased at this year's health fair:

Health Education, Promotion and Training: this booth will feature a variety of educational literature, program information and handouts. The department provides educational programs, newsletters, informational materials, workshops, health fairs and special events that convey health education messages.

Violence Prevention: showcasing the free trigger lock program, domestic violence, drug abuse, conflict resolution/mediation, bullying, gang and other violence-related programs. The violence prevention program concentrates on reducing incidents of violence occurring within Marion County by focusing efforts on increasing and strengthening the community's knowledge and response toward violence.

A.C.T.I.O.N. (Adolescent Care Team In Our Neighborhood) Center: this year's booth is focusing on youth physical fitness and obesity with a display, educational information, healthy giveaways and games. The A.C.T.I.O.N. Center routinely provides both medical and social service care to teens and adolescents.

Public Health Lab: will provide free drinking water tests, well testing and information on other services and educational materials. The Public Health Lab at MCHD provides clinical and environmental laboratory services in support of many health department programs.

Mother/Baby Healthline: will provide pamphlets and brochures describing services offered, information on a telephone hotline for new or expecting mothers. The Mother/Baby Healthline also provides free, confidential information and referral telephone service to callers about services in our community related to pregnancy, infants and childcare.

Maternal/Child Health: will provide information for men and women about intervention, preventative health services, health education, tracking and follow-up of at-risk infants, preschool children and pregnant women.

Nutrition Services: will provide information to prevent and create awareness around obesity and the importance of proper nutrition. This booth will also include a cooking demonstration.

Dental Health: the Smile Mobile will be on hand again this year for dental screenings and educational information on the importance of oral health and additional services provided by the MCHD Dental Program. The dental health program at the Marion County Health Department routinely provides dental exams, x-rays, oral cancer screenings, teeth cleanings, fluoride treatments, and other related services to the community.

Bureau of Environmental Health: will provide information pertaining to the programs and services offered to the community in the realm of environmental health. The Bureau of Environmental Health is responsible for surveying and eliminating hazardous community sanitation conditions through clean-up services to priority areas in response to Environmental Health Specialists and Environmental Court Orders.

Childhood Lead Poisoning: this booth will provide lead information and blood lead screenings for children.

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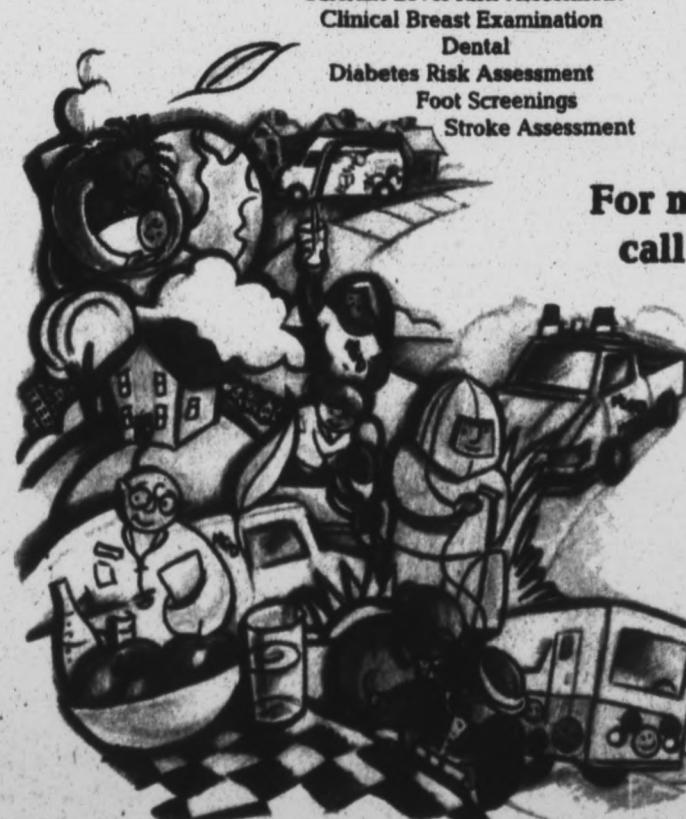
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