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## Rising Black Leaders

*With the Graying of Black Leadership, the Baton is Being Passed to a New Generation with New Skills & Styles*

by: David C. Ruffin

A new generation of Black elected leadership is rising. In Washington, DC, where African Americans had virtually no law-making leverage before the mid 1960's, those who founded the Congressional Black Caucus are now retired or retiring. The still expanded ranks of that group are increasingly dominated by young and newly elected Black representatives, a contrast to their longer serving predecessors whose seniority accrued them many pivotal subcommittee and committee chairmanships.

For a newer Black members of Congress, as well as newly elected leaders in other offices around the country, the challenges are twofold: to address the often technical policy issues of the new millennium with the right tools, and to leverage their influence without the advantages of long incumbency. Black members of Congress (except Rep. JC Watts

of Oklahoma) have the added challenge of trying to be effective as members of a minority party. Both Black elected officials featured here—Jesse Jackson, Jr., and Harold Ford, Jr.,—seem well equipped to succeed in a changing political environment.

**JESSE JACKSON, JR.**

As the son of Jesse L. Jackson, Sr., the famed two-time presidential candidate and human rights leader, Jesse Jackson, Jr., represents at once both the past and the future of Black leadership. He considers his March 11, 1965, birth to be auspicious since it came in the midst of the Selma march for voting rights led by Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., John Lewis (now a Democratic congressman from Georgia), and Jackson's father. The younger Jackson believes himself destined to carry on the work of that generation. A child of his father's struggles and causes, Jesse Jackson, Jr., spent his 21st birthday in jail after being arrested for protesting the system of apartheid at the South African Embassy in

Washington, DC. He continued in his father's footsteps, serving as Vice President at-large of Operation PUSH (People United to Serve Humanity) and as National Field Director for the Rainbow Coalition, an activist multiracial coalition.

But unlike his father, Jesse Jackson, Jr., has sought political influence through a traditional path. On Dec. 12, 1995, at the age of 30, he was elected as a Democrat to the US House of Representatives from Illinois's 2nd Congressional District in a special election to succeed Democratic Rep. Mel Reynolds, who had resigned from Congress after an August conviction on charges of sexual misconduct. In the short campaign, Jackson's famous name and the fact that Chicago has been the home base for Operation PUSH and the National Rainbow coalition contributed to an easy victory. Jackson currently sits on the powerful House Appropriations Committee, serving on the Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services.



("M" Voice Archives) Get Out The Vote!

Pictured are Jesse Jackson, Jr., Jim Rouse, Jesse Jackson, Sr., and Toby Fitch. All four stress the importance of voting, and the power of the Black Vote. November 7th, is your turn, so please Get out the Vote. We must make the difference.

Staff Photo



**Grand Opening of the New Mitchell's Funeral Home**

Shown above is the honorable Mayor Nancy Jenkins, Mayor Pro-Tem Mildred A. Council, Rufus Huggins, and owner Bishop Mitchell. The "M" Voice newspaper extends a heart felt congratulations to Bishop Mitchell and wish him much success with this as well as future endeavors.

Photo by Jim Rouse

## Black Candidates Short Changed

*From the Millions raised, Black candidates seem to always get the short end of the stick.*

By: Robert Moore

The Second Congressional District cuts a swath 250 miles long and 180 miles wide through the deepest, most rural counties of Mississippi. Here the median household incomes is \$15,500 and nearly 40% of the population lives in poverty. When the district representative Bennie Thompson fundraises for re-election, he usually goes outside his district. Few people in the district can afford to give \$ 1,000, the maximum contribution allowable under federal law.

Thompson had raised \$ 229,774 as of June, according to Federal Election Commission data analyzed by the National Newspaper Publishers Association.

Most of the money came from outside his congressional district. Thompson is not alone. Black legislators and candidate across the country face similar fundraising challenges. Experts say the financial challenges faced by Black candidates pointed out the need for campaign finance reforms. But the unique challenges facing minority politicians have been largely forgotten in this heavily debated public policy issue.

To find out just how Black candidates are affected by the current political fund-raising system, the NNPA spent months examining campaign funding trends among African-American candidates for higher office. The NNPA also examined hundreds of

political disclosure records and interviewed politicians, political scientists, voters, and other form minority communities around the country. The findings are stark.

The NNPA's report shows that Blacks in Congress and challengers for House seats had raised a combined total of slightly more than \$11.7 million as of June, an NNPA computer analysis of federal election records shows, less than 1% of more than \$1.2 billion that has been raised for the 2000 election.

Out of the more than one million individual contributions made to political parties, congressional and presidential candidates, Blacks received slightly more than 15,000 contributions, about 1.5% of the total.

Only six of the 30 zip codes that gave 20 contributions or more to Black candidates were majority Black, according to a review of FEC and census data. Zip code 30311 in Georgia, which had the highest Black population, gave \$ 20, 700.

Political parties' political action committees provides a tiny portion of the funding to Black candidates, just \$ 29,006. Despite its outreach to African Americans, the National Republican Congressional Campaign Committee had given just \$ 477, in total to the three Black candidates running for office, according to the latest data from the EFC. Black Democrats did somewhat better, getting \$28,529 from the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee.

Labor unions provided the bulk of the contributions from

Political Action Committees.

Under growing public pressure, the nation's political leaders have embraced campaign finance reforms ranging from strict limits on contributions, to raising the limits and demanding more disclosure about those who give. The pressure is mounting for good reason. Fundraising scandals that surfaced after the 1996 elections continue to plague Vice President Al Gore.

This year, Gore and Bush were expected to spend a combined \$200 million or more in the money race for the White House. When candidates spending, and contributions from the political parties, Political Action Committees and lesser-known advocacy groups are totaled, the 2000 Congressional elections are likely to surpass the record \$2.7 billion in 1996.

For Black officeholders, challengers and voters, changing the way political money is raised may, in fact, be the most critical issue of modern day politics. Some experts predict that the average House race in this election will cost \$5 million, effectively driving many Black candidates out of the race for political office.

"The implications are vast for most African American candidates," says Hillary Shelton, the NAACP's Washington lobbyist and a longtime observer of national politics. "Most (Black candidates) don't get the big contributions from major corporations and the wealthy individuals. That perfectly illustrates why we need reform, and why reform has to take into account the impact on minority candidates."

## Racial Politics Against Ralph Cambell

**RALEIGH**—In the final days of the campaign for State Auditor, Republican Leslie Merritt has resorted to the politics of yesterday. Merritt's campaign is running an advertisement that shows an unflattering photo of State Auditor Ralph Cambell, the only African American on the Council of State, alongside of a smiling picture of Merritt with the headline, "A clear choice for State Auditor"

"We have seen these advertisements in the past when unscrupulous candidates appealed to race to defeat African American candidates," said Cambell, 53 a two term incumbent and the first African American to be elected to a statewide Council of State position. "My opponent has resorted to the politics of yesterday in an advertisement that's clearly aimed at showing the race differences between us. North Carolina is better than this, and I believe that the great majority of our citizens will see this dirty trick for what it is."

Cambell has seen Republican opponents use dirty tricks against

him in the Past, most recently in the spring primary. One of the Republican candidates, the same one who ran against

Cambell in 1996, paid the filing fees for two people to run against Cambell in the Primary Election, forcing him to use precious dollars fending off two challengers. One of the candidates was a homeless man who had the same last name as Cambell and the other was a woman who was recruited to attract voters who favored women candidates. Neither person had ever registered to vote. One of the tricksters even admitted to a reporter that the two candidates were recruited to confuse voters.

Now, in the General Election, Mr. Merritt has continued the pattern of using devious tactics. He has criticized Mr. Cambell's brother, the mayor of Atlanta, for policies that have benefited minority contractors. And Mr. Merritt has made false claims that Mr. Cambell's fundraising has been improper despite the fact that the State Board of Elections itself has examined the records and said

that Mr. Cambell is in full compliance with the law.

Cambell underscored the differences between him and Mr. Merritt a former Wake County Commissioner who was defeated for re-election in 1998. Cambell, said, "I support the bond issue for our Universities and community colleges; Mr. Merritt does not. I have a record of objective audits, regardless of political parties; Mr. Merritt, as a county commissioner, voted to give his political moneyman's client a \$26 million contract. I have been audited by oversight committees and the National Association of State Auditors and found to have exemplary records; Mr- Merritt's accounting firm was just put on "conditional status" by the state CPA Examining Board.

"I ask the voters to examine our records, not our racial differences, I believe that fair minded voters will make a choice based on my qualifications and experience versus those of the challenger." said Ralph Cambell.

## Young Men Of God



**Another Hammond Preaching!**

Shown above at Sycamore Hill Baptist Church last Sunday, is Rev. David Hammond, his lovely wife Peggy Hammond, Ester Hammond and other members of the Hammond family. David Jr., (pictured on the far right) preached his initial sermon. All were on hand to support and congratulate him, as well as wish him much success. Hats off to all our young up and coming men of God.

Photo by Jim Rouse

# WOOW Joy 1340 Greenville

## This March was somewhat of a declaration of independence

As participants of the Million Family March congregated on the National Mall in Washington, D. C., members of the African-American leadership network Project 21 say they were hoping that its message would cause our elected leaders to muse over some issues after it was over. In particular, they wanted them to see that parents know and understand what is best for their families, and that more government intervention in family matters is not in the best interest of the government or American families.

Organizers of the Million Family March, which drew thousands together for the day, say the event was meant to bring families closer together and promote responsibility. The March's National Agenda reads: "Moral consciousness develops out of the values taught by parents and are exemplified in the actions of parents so that the home becomes the nurturing ground for moral values and moral consciousness. All of this starts in the family." It further states, "If the founding fathers saw that life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are the inalienable rights of every citizen, then we must maximize our ability to give life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness to ourselves and not just sit down and wait on benevolent government to do these things for us."

We hope this potential show of unity and responsibility will prove that the government does not need to be all encompassing and intrusive in the lives of its citizens.

"Across the land, Americans of color

are demanding that the government listen and work with them as opposed to standing over them like some feudal lord and protector. People want to know that they won't be punished for attaining the "American Dream," notes Project member Michael King of Atlanta. "Black Americans have shown — time and again — that when the means are presented, that they will rise to the challenges posed. But we want to know that the government won't work against us as we move forward. We want to be able to send our children to schools that we want them to go to, not to ones where the government tells us to send them. With the current non-competitive policies in place, this can't happen."

Adds Kevin Martin, Washington, D.C.: "I hope that the March will give people a new sense of empowerment, and, that the men in attendance will go on to become leaders in their communities and the women will become better healers in both their communities and families." I also hope that the new family bonds that are created there, along with the leadership of March organizers, will help to eliminate the self-negative mindset that dominates the thoughts and behavior of many in our community...a mindset that leads to injustices.

We agree with both gentlemen and also hope that our elected leaders and those aspiring to win offices will take heed from them as well as from March organizers and participants. Families need to be in God's hands with mom and dad taking the responsibility to raise and nurture the children

## Black on Black love will end Black on Black crime

In the wake of U.S. Rep. Bobby Rush's report on his recent Black on Black crime summit, purveyors of Black on Black crime have done it again: Fed on the community from whence they come for yet another weekend, with dozens of crimes, some of them fatal, perpetrated in our neighborhoods.

Despite the protestations of the community and of community leaders; despite the clarion call from the Black media, including this newspaper and other sources of Black media; despite the anguish heaped upon persons who look like themselves, and others; the criminal elements continue to be a plague on the community and Black people at large.

The Rev. Paul Jakes of the Christian Council on Urban Affairs, Chicago, recently called such occurrences a "Black curse" and an "internal rot" that must be replaced with Black self-respect. He, and

we, can never say that enough. "We do not have to take on the attributes of the oppressor ... Blacks have been immersed into a culture of violence that this country has historically had during the slavery period. It was oppressive and caused much anger, that made people feel so worthless that all they could do was strike out," Jakes correctly declares.

But the senseless, genocidal violence, the "self hatred," must end, as Jakes calls it, and yesterday was too late. We must end the class, color, income, geographical and gang division before it is too late for all of us.

Former Soft Sheen cosmetics magnate Ed Gardner had a simple, but salient solution to the scourge of Black on Black crime some years ago, but it still stands true today: We must replace Black on Black Crime with Black on Black love. Most times, the simplest solutions work best.

## Treatment, not retribution for the country's drug use

"Drug dependence is a chronic, relapsing disorder that enacts an enormous cost on individuals, families, businesses, communities, and nations," according to U.S. Drug Czar Gen. Barry McCaffrey (ret.).

Truer words have rarely been spoken, but, there is some encouraging news. According to ready-available statistics, more teens are receiving more and better treatment for marijuana and other drug use.

A report shows that adolescents aged 12 to 17 treated for marijuana use increased 155 percent from 1993 to 1998. That shows that teens—and their parents—are trying to take charge of debilitating drug use in a positive way.

"Treatment can help them (teens) end

dependence on addictive drugs. Treatment also reduces the consequences of addiction on the rest of society. Providing treatment for America's chronic drug use is both compassionate public policy and a sound investment," McCaffrey also says.

We agree, and, that is a concept that should be expanded to those arrested for drug possession charges, as well as those serving time for the crime of simple drug use and/or possession of a small amount of drugs.

We call ourselves a compassionate society, yet we incarcerate those whose only crime seems to be an uncontrollable urge to use drugs.

If it works for teens, if can work for all persons who are addicted. Treatment, not punishment, truly is the best way to deal with America's drug problem.

Whether you like it or not the millions are here, and here they will remain. If you do not lift them up, they will pull you down.... Education must not simply teach work — it must teach life. W. E. B. Du Bois, 1903

# Election Day Nov. 7th

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### COMMENTS

## Trouble ahead if Republicans don't address taboo issues

by F.R. Duplantier

For the first time since Ronald Reagan, Republicans are well-positioned for the November elections," remarks *Washington Times* columnist Paul Craig Roberts. "Republicans have a good presidential candidate" he asserts. "Republicans are unified. Republicans are again attracting 'Reagan Democrats,' many of who are hunters turned off by the Democratic Party's incessant attacks on guns."

Roberts argues that "Republicans have a sound platform, one that they can deliver if they retain control of Congress. More privatization of retirement and education," he anticipates, "would go a long way toward saving the self-reliant feature of the American character."

"A missile-defense system would partly compensate for the extraordinary loss or gift of our top nuclear weapons secrets to China. The Justice Department would get a thorough cleansing and the White House would cease to be a source of demoralization for law-abiding and moral elements of the population."

Roberts praises the selection of Dick Cheney as the vice presidential candidate. "Mr. Cheney," he notes, "is more of a person with a sound head on his shoulders than he is a politician. The choice shows that George W. Bush is comfortable with senior people of stature who will speak their mind."

Roberts emphasizes that Cheney "is not obviously an heir-apparent who would burden the Republican campaign in 2008 with political baggage and boredom."

Roberts is optimistic not only about Republican prospects for victory in November, but also their chances for implementing the key elements of their platform.

"For the first time since Mr. Reagan,

Republicans are positioned to win and to make a difference," he declares. "Only a falling and stagnant stock market can stop increased reliance on private retirement assets. Missile defense is a certainty," Roberts affirms, "as are further inroads on public school monopoly."

While giving Republicans credit for tackling the "untouchable issue" of Social Security reform, Roberts complains that other subjects are still deemed too hot to handle, such as immigration, quotas, judicial rule, and the corruption of the criminal justice system.

"Republicans will not touch (the law enforcement/corruption issue), because they believe holding police and prosecutors accountable would set off a crime wave," he explains. "Republicans will not touch immigration, because they are 'reaching out' to Blacks, Hispanics, and Asians, groups favored by the immigration rules put in place in 1965."

As for judicial activism, Congress is ultimately to blame for failing to protect its prerogatives. Roberts laments that Congress "has become the weakest branch of government. Its statutes," he emphasizes, "are nothing but authorizations for executive branch agencies to legislate. The Supreme Court has taken other issues, such as abortion, out of the legislative arena."

Roberts sees trouble ahead if these currently taboo topics are not addressed forthrightly and expeditiously. "A multicultural tower of Babel has no chance of holding together without a limited government committed to strict constitutional principles," he warns.

"Unequal group rights, the politics of redistribution, and a Constitution whose meaning varies with changeable coalitions are a recipe for civil war."

(Duplantier is a contributing writer to *The TSD*.)

## Politicians can turn rhetoric on our children into reality

by Marian Wright Edelman

As the campaign season draws to a close, a lot of politicians are spending a lot of time talking about leaving no child behind.

Gov. Bush, the Republican National Committee, Vice President Gore, and the Democratic National Committee have hijacked the Children's Defense Fund's and the Black Community Crusade for Children's trademarked language: Leave No Child Behind. But underneath the election-year rhetoric about children is the reality that in this time of unprecedented prosperity there are still millions of American children being left behind every day. Far too often the children being left behind are Black and Brown.

In 1903, Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois famously predicted the problem of the 20th century would be the problem of the color line. As we look to the 21st century and beyond, many Americans want to believe that problem has been solved, and that America has become a society where all children finally are judged by the content of their characters and not the color of their skins. Sadly, the facts show that despite significant progress, Black children still face far greater obstacles than White children.

Poverty rates for Black children are nearly twice the White child poverty rate. One in three Black children lives in poverty, and nearly half of Black poor children live in extreme poverty. Black children are almost twice as likely to lack health insurance as White children, and are more likely to be in poor overall health than White children.

Despite steady progress in increasing rates of early prenatal care and reducing infant mortality, Black infants die at over twice the rate of White infants.

Black children are more likely to be placed in foster care than White children and are likely to stay in foster care longer. Black children are disproportionately likely to be victims of child abuse and neglect and of violent crime. And Black youths are over represented at every stage of the juvenile justice system, they are more likely to be stopped, questioned, arrested, jailed, sent to court, convicted, and given harsh sentences.

The growing "digital divide" is still a serious concern for our children. School segregation still exists.

These disparities should remind all of us how much work we still need to do to make our country one where no child is left behind and where children of all colors truly succeed and thrive equally. What can we do? We can begin by continuing to teach our children they can succeed despite any odds still stacked against them. This is the lesson our parents and grandparents have always passed on, and it is one our children still need to hear.

As we listen to campaign speeches and promises this year, we can make sure we vote and tell our elected officials that leaving no child behind will require more than rhetoric. It will require acknowledging the inequalities and committing to specific actions to solve them. And let's hold them accountable after they are elected.

(Edelman is president of the Children's Defense Fund and a working committee member of the Black Community Crusade for Children (BCCC).)

# WOOW Joy 1340 Greenville

Answer to our woes lies in our pocketbooks

Dear Editor,

It has been the best of times and the worst of times in the African-American community. In Baltimore, we recently saw the highly successful convention of our home-based National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. We also have seen the enthusiasm for the Redeem the Dream March and the Million Family March, two highly worthy events.

Unfortunately, we also see growing frustration about issues of police brutality, minority contracting, and diversity in the workplace and professions. As Clerk of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City, I have a unique vantage point that provides a daily view of the weakness of our society and the ways that they affect our African-American brothers and sisters. More and more, I am convinced that violence in our communities and erosion of family values have an economic basis. Unfortunately, although the African-American community has enormous buying power, most of our money does not remain in our community.

During the course of my duties in the Circuit Court, I have noticed that there are no African-American-owned law firms representing financial institutions. Major companies do not do business with African-American owned-auctioneers, insurance brokers, bonding agencies, court-reporting services, or title companies. Banks don't even have many branches in our neighborhoods, but they certainly are willing to work with our money. I know that this pattern is repeated throughout the American economy, from our learned professions to the blue collar trades. Corporate America's retailers take our business for granted.

The answer to the problems of our community is contained in our wallets and pocketbooks and the method for progress can be learned from our history. The Montgomery bus boycott and the successful international campaign against companies doing business with South Africa's apartheid regime were two of the most successful civil rights initiatives in history. These successes came through the harnessing of African-American buying power. Although the barriers that we face today are not as obvious as enforced segregation and apartheid, they still are harmful to our lives.

I propose that the major leaders of our clergy, civil rights organizations, and media develop a national code of conduct for corporations, municipalities, government agencies, and contracting entities. This code could include fair police practices, fair hiring and promotion policies, affirmative marketing for major retailers, fair lending practices, diversity in contracting, and inclusion of minority owned firms in the roster of outside contractors. Companies and municipalities that abide by this code could receive the African-American equivalent of the Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval. We also should establish a code for elected officials.

The code of conduct should be simple and easy to follow and there should be a method of monitoring compliance. I also strongly believe that many of our fair thinking Caucasian friends would voluntarily observe a reasonable seal of approval, giving greater weight to our economic power. The concept of fairness crosses color lines.

It makes sense to give preference to folks who treat us fairly. If we reward those who provide opportunities for our children and for our less fortunate brothers and sisters, those who are not in compliance with our code would quickly observe the economic power of our community. Most companies would jump at the idea of having a loyal customer base of 33 million.

I urged the Rev. Al Sharpton and Martin Luther King III to raise the call for such a code at the Redeem the Dream March. I also urged Minister Farrakhan to adopt this idea for his Million Family March, because as we all know, it is much easier to raise a family from a position of economic independence than from a position of distress. I also am directing this letter to members of the African-American clergy and the Black press throughout the nation. I would appreciate their support for this idea and any suggestions that they might have. If we work together, we can accomplish great things for ourselves, our families, our community, and our country.

Frank M. Conaway, Baltimore, Md.

# WOOW Joy 1320 Washington



**Get Out The Vote Rally**

A Get Out The Vote Rally took place at Holy Trinity Church 4 years ago. Bishop Ralph Love, Michael Dixon, Jim Wynn, Dan Blue, Toby Fitch, Congress Woman Eva Clayton, and others were all on hand to encourage voters to exercise their right to vote. Although they weren't able to be here this year, they still encourage everyone to get out the vote November 7th, 2000.

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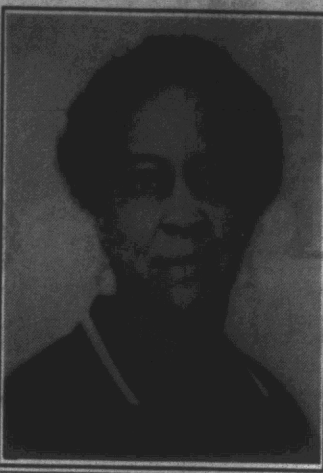
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**Words of Faith**



Suejette Jones

**The Christian Sabbath**

Most people cannot wait for the weekend. Saturdays and Sundays are days supposed to be for the rest, relaxation and enjoyment. Although most stores are now open on Sundays, some people still go to church. Although Saturday is a big recreation day, other people still go to their synagogue or in some cases their church services. Why one in seven days? Why not one in ten? Is Sunday really a Sabbath?

Even God rested on the seventh day of creation (Genesis 2:1-3)

But of course, God's "days" are not man's 24-hour days. God "ceased from His own works" (Hebrews 4:10) and gave it over to His Son--according to Bible chronology--over 6,000 years ago. Since then, man has been toiling under the taskmaster of sin and death. The law of God

originally written in man's heart became obsolete. The plan for rewriting God's Law in man's heart will not be finished till the end of "God's seventh day" when Jesus Christ turns back a restored perfected creation to His Father (1 Corinthians 15:27,28)

From creation--for 2000 years--God did not say anything to man about keeping a Sabbath. Noah was minutely instructed by God, but nothing was said about keep-

ing a Sabbath. In all of Abraham's long life, nothing is mentioned about his keeping a day of rest. Not until it was time for God to deliver His special people Israel from slavery was there any ordinance or obligation to keep a Sabbath. While the first Sabbath was observed before the giving of the Law at Mount Sinai--it was still considered part of the law. Six days they could gather manna, but not on the seventh day. (Exodus 16:26-30)

In God's counting, seven is not exclusively assigned to days. The seventh day, the seventh month, and the seventh year were in fact, all prominent under the law. The seventh day was observed as a period to cease from toil, a period of physical rest. In the seventh month, atonement for sin was affected that Israel might have rest from sin. In the seventh year, one might be released from the bondage of servitude (Deuteronomy 15:12)

In the early Christian church, predominantly those of Jewish background, some had difficulty letting go of the regulations of Law of Moses. Issues such as circumcision, eating of certain meats, keeping Sabbath days, etc., challenged the teachings of the apostles who needed to advise that such observances were no longer acceptable to the Lord. Since Jesus opened up the new and living way, His followers are in no sense of the word bound by the Jewish Law--either by the Sabbath days or Sabbath years.

So far as the world is concerned, the great Messiah's reign of a

thousand years will be the Sabbath for the world in general, and all who believe in Christ may enter into rest, and thus keep a continual Sabbath." For we which have believed do enter into rest." (Hebrews 4:3) For the present, Christians are thankful for any day set aside for the opportunity to worship God and fellowship with fellow Christians. The Christian Sabbath is not broken by physical labor. Nor is it dependent on physical ease. It

is deep and lasting rest only broken by doubt in Jesus Christ. As new creatures, we rest all the time, and each Christian in proportion to his or her knowledge and faith--will have rest. The Christian Sabbath is Sunday through Saturday--all week, all the time.

**Stirrings In The Jug**

By Aldolph Reed Jr.

*Note: This is an argument narrative about Black Politics in the Post-Segregated Era*

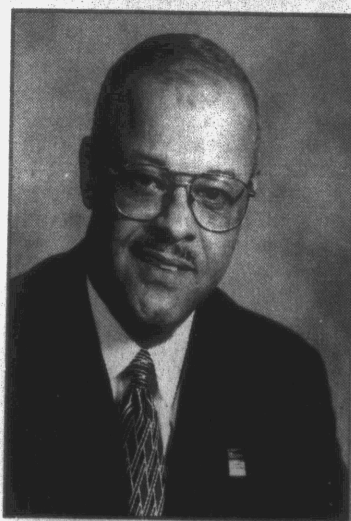
Forcefully ringing changes on a remark by Ralph Ellison (a noted black writer)--that segregation was wrongly seen as "an opaque steel jug with the Negroes inside waiting for some black Messiah"--Adolph Reed Jr. uses these essays to examine where black leadership has failed and where black action may yet succeed.

In urban politics, Reed argues, black candidates' need for the white swing vote, combined with the clamor for jobs and growth, means white leverage over black aspirations; thus Atlanta-based Delta Airlines became a kingmaking force among Atlanta's black elite, and the National Conference of Black Mayors echoed Ronald Reagan's call for ghetto "enterprise zones". Reed, who teaches political science at the New School for Social Research, damns the idea that black Americans "hold a status similar to a protectorate," to be managed by favoring self-appointed spokesmen, and shuns those who have sought white endorsement as "national black leader."

Reed rejects the conventional assumption that poor black people are to blame for all their own problems. "I do not want to hear another word about drugs or crime," he concludes, "without hearing about decent jobs, adequate housing, and equal education in the same breath."

Reviewed by Allen D. Boyer

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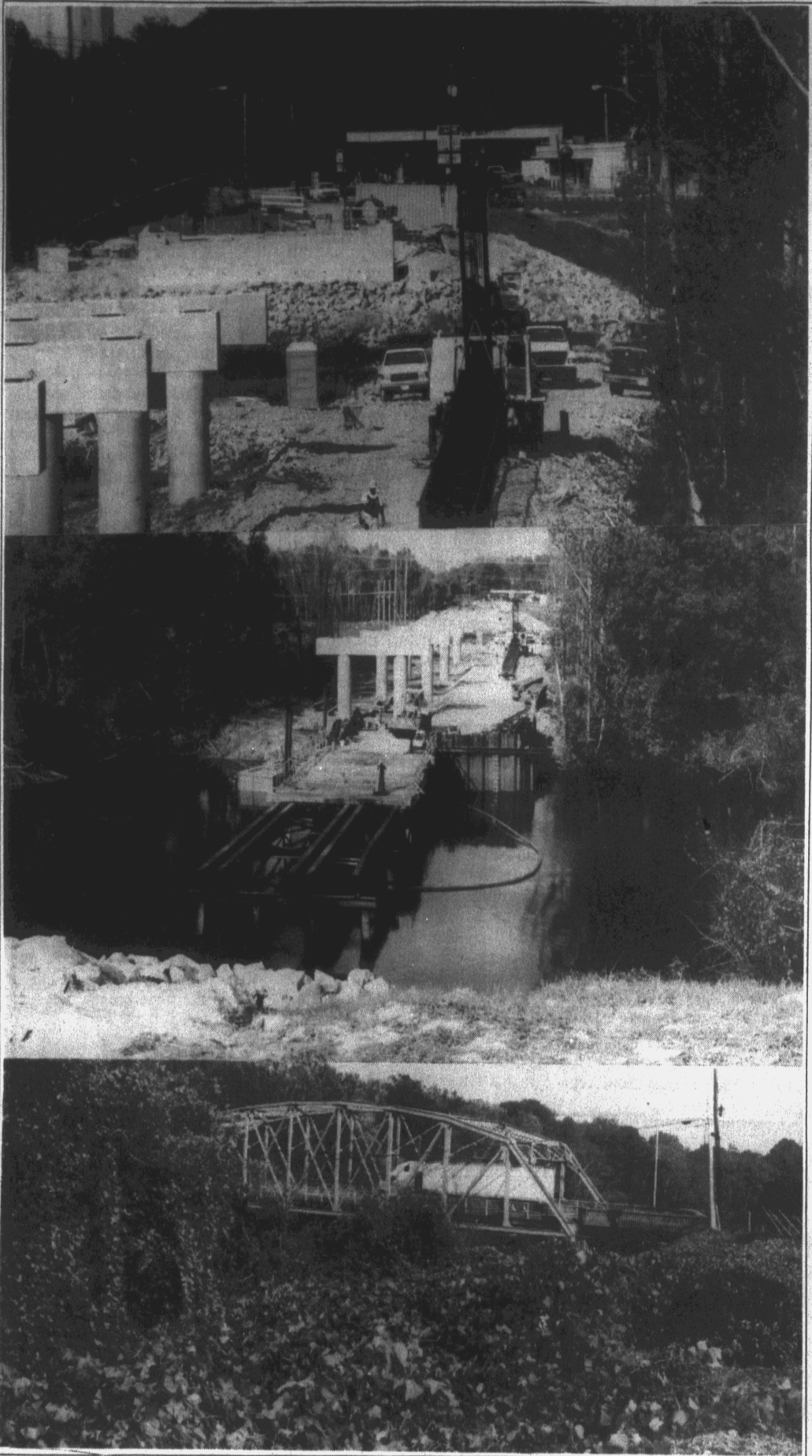
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# The Changing Face of Greenville Building New Bridges



# Religion, Politics Cause Jitters

by EARL OFARI HUTCHINSON

(NNPA) Dallas NAACP head Lee Alcorn had barely gotten his rash, bigoted words out of his mouth questioning Democratic vice-presidential candidate Joseph Lieberman's presumed allegiance to "Jewish interests" when NAACP president Kweisi Mfume promptly suspended him. A few days later California Congresswoman Maxine Waters wisely kept Lieberman's religion out of it but said she had major problems with his centrist-conservative political positions on affirmative action and school vouchers.

After Waters spoke every top gun Black Democrat rushed to swear their allegiance to Gore-Lieberman and assured that Blacks have no problems with the Gore-Lieberman ticket. They backed up their contention that the Democrats have not abandoned issues concerning people of color by pointing out that Black delegates make up more than 20 percent of the Democratic Convention delegates and have a prominent place in managing the convention and in formulating the platform. Lieberman beat a fast path to meet with Waters and the Congressional Black Caucus to reassure them that he does not oppose affirmative action. In his convention acceptance speech he extended the olive branch even further by playing big on themes of diversity, support of civil rights and social programs.

Despite Lieberman's conciliatory words and the happy assurances of Black leaders that Black voters will dutifully support Gore-Lieberman, the Alcorn and Waters flap poses two big problems, one legitimate, the other disturbing, for Gore-Lieberman. The first is Lieberman's politics. This is still a legitimate concern. Lieberman's past ambiguous sup-

port of affirmative action and public education does absolutely nothing to inspire Black voters to make a headlong dash to the polls for Gore. Many Blacks wonder out loud whether Lieberman will do anything to champion these issues.

The other problem is Lieberman's religion. This is inappropriate for anyone to raise as an issue, but the fact that some Blacks raise it at all is deeply troubling. It again stirs latent and ugly anti-Jewish sentiments among some Blacks. On some Black radio talk shows callers railed against the NAACP for dumping Alcorn and defended his remarks. It was a horrid reminder that the breach that Nation of Islam's leader Louis Farrakhan's contentious remarks about Jews caused between Blacks and Jews a few years ago still has not completely healed.

Still, Gore must worry whether the silly, thoughtless remarks by a few Blacks about his religion and the concern about his stance on crucial social issues will damage Gore's chances against Bush. In a race to the wire with Bush, the Black vote will loom large. For the past four decades, no group has been more passionate and loyal in their support of the Democrats than Blacks. They have routinely given the Democrats 85 to 90 percent of their vote.

According to a recent survey by the Joint Center For Political and Economic Studies, a Washington D.C. Black public policy think tank, in 1996 the Black vote was crucial to Clinton's re-election

victory in 10 Southern and Midwestern states. More than half of those who voted for Clinton in Louisiana, Georgia and a third of those who voted for him in Maryland were Black. These same states will be hotly contested by Gore and Bush. Also, the possibility that Green Party presidential candidate Ralph

Nader can swipe 3 to 7 percent of the vote, almost all of which would come from disenchanted Democrats, make the Black vote even more indispensable to Gore. There are some early warning signs that Gore's core Black support may be softening. Recent polls show that more Blacks are buying the Republican's diversity pitch and are willing to give them a closer look. The number of Black voters who say they like what they hear and see in Bush has inched up not only in Texas and Florida, but also California. While 80 percent of Blacks still identify themselves as Democrats, among 18- to 25-year-olds that number has plunged to 60 percent. This hardly means that younger Blacks will rush to Bush but it does pose the possibility, maybe danger, that the Democrats could lose some of their votes. If Bush can even slightly loosen the vise like grip Democrats have on Black votes, by winning as little as 5 to 7 percent more of their vote, this could doom Gore to defeat.

Democrat strategists remind Black voters that Lieberman, during his college days, was a civil rights fighter. They further sweeten the pot by guaranteeing that Gore-Lieberman will continue to support affirmative action, public education, social services, health care and labor protections, and Bush won't. They will rely on Democratic stalwarts Jesse Jackson Sr. and the legion of Black Democrats to again shepherd the Black voters safely into the Democratic camp. It's a

good strategy, perhaps ultimately a winning strategy, but for now, at least, the sentiments of Blacks such as Alcorn and Waters cause jitters for Gore-Lieberman.

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8. Be the first one to act loving or reach out.
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10. Smile at strangers, look into their eyes and say Hello.
11. Set aside quiet time, every day.
12. Become a better listener.
13. Praise and blame are all the same. (We get angry, hurt or otherwise frustrated when people reject our idea, tell us no, or give us some other form of disapproval. Someone says what a nice person I am, someone else thinks I'm selfish because I don't return her phone call.
14. Practice random acts of kindness.
15. Tell three people (today) how much you love them.
16. Every day, tell at least one person something you like, admire, or appreciate about them.
17. Resist the urge to criticize.
18. Breathe before you speak.
19. Become a less aggressive driver.
20. Relax
21. Do one things at a time.
22. Think of what you have instead of what you want.
23. Be happy where you are.
24. Do a favor and don't ask for, or expect, one in return.
25. Stop blaming others.
26. Become an early riser.
27. The next time you find yourself in an argument, rather than defend your position, see if you can see the other point of view first.
28. Keep asking yourself, "What 's really important?"
29. Mind your own business.
30. Live this day as if it were your last. It might be.
 

The main thought is this book is -- When you "don't sweat the small stuff," your life won't be perfect, but you will learn to accept what life has to offer with far less resistance. When you learn to "let go" of problems instead of resisting with all your might, your life will begin to flow. You will, as the serenity prayer suggests, "change the things that can be changed, accept those that cannot, and have the wisdom to know the difference."

**If you give these strategies a try, you will learn the two rules of harmony.**

  1. Don't sweat the small stuff, and
  2. It's all small stuff. As you incorporate these ideas into your life, you will begin to create a more peaceful and loving you. Treasure life.....

### CHARACTERS IN THE BIBLE WHO COMMITTED SUICIDE

1. Abimelech (Judges 9:54), Philistine King of Gerar, near Gaza, married Sarah but re-

turned her to Abraham; son of Gideon by a concubine.

2. Ahithophel (II Samuel 17:23), David's counselor who joined the conspiracy of Absalom, son of David.

3. King Saul (I Samuel 31: 4 & 5), the first King of Israel, son of Kish; Benjamite; anointed king by Samuel, ended his own life after being wounded in battle (Hebrew name for Paul).

4. Samson (Judges 16:29 & 30), one of the Judges of Israel, through Delilah he lost his strength.

5. Zimri (I Kings 16:18), Prince of Simeon, grandson of Aaron.

Source: ANCHOR BIBLE DICTIONARY, Doubleday, 1992)

### Biblical Reference on Suicide:

The word suicide does not appear in the Bible, but there are several instances of the occurrence. However, the biblical attitude toward suicide can only be inferred.

1. Suicide of Saul and his armor-bearer (I Sam. 31: 4 - 5)  
"of Ahiphophel (II Sam. 17:23)  
"of Zimri (I Kings 16:18)  
"of Judas ( Matt. 27:5)
2. Scriptures which imply that suicide is wrong.

Job 1:21  
Gen. 9:5-6  
Rom. 14:7-9  
I Cor. 6:19  
Eph. 5:29

In Acts 16:27 - 28 Paul prevents a suicide.



### Not Without Scars

Rev. Mark W. Olds who wrote Not Without Scars, is greeted by one of his family members while he was home to promote his new book. On Sale at WOOW !

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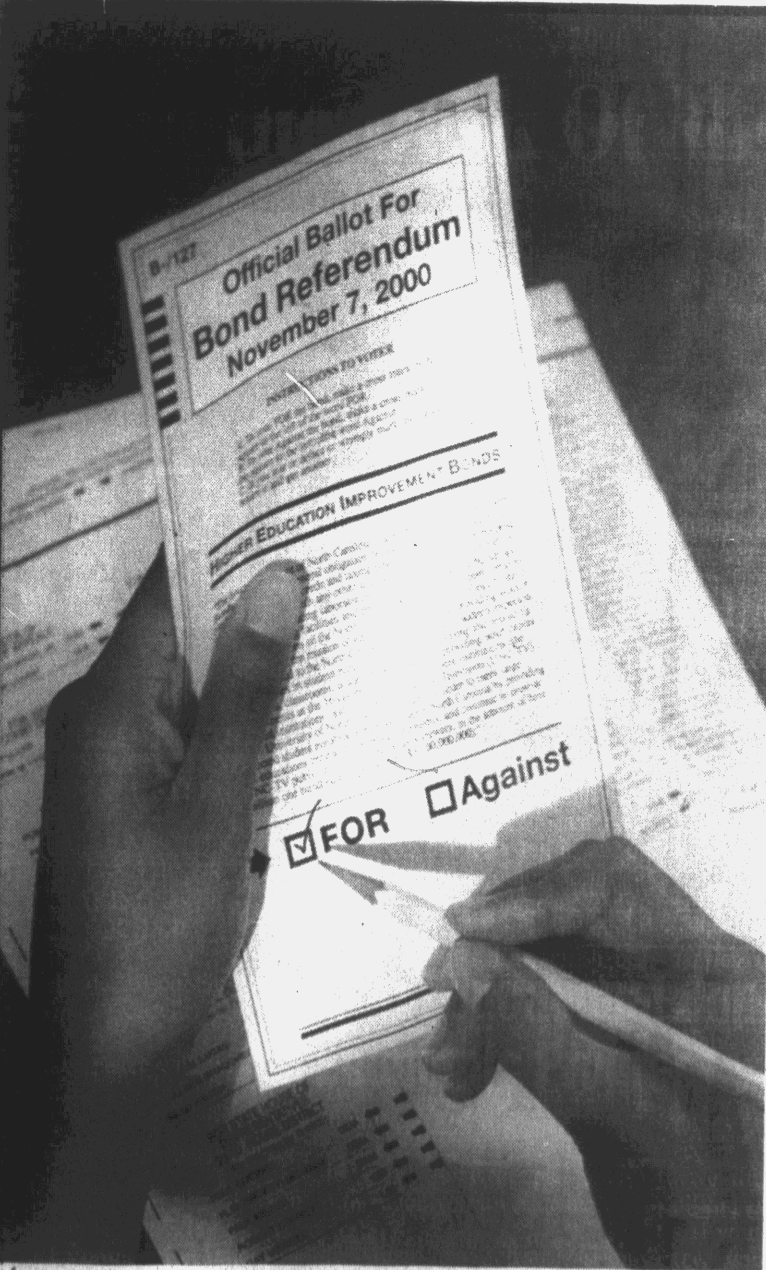


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# Mayor: 'I Won't Apologize' for Black Men Comment

By TIMOTHY WILLIAMS  
Sentinel Wire Services

NEW YORK (AP)— Mayor Rudolph Giuliani refused to apologize Friday for telling reporters that as many as 2 in 5 black men ques-

tioned by police searching for a hypothetical black rape suspect could be arrested for some crime.

During his weekly radio show on WABC, Giuliani was asked if he understood how some people may have been offended by his remark.

"I can perceive how people can if they are making mischief," said Giuliani. "In other words, if they want to misunderstand what's being said. It's part of the political game that gets played in the city, which is, 'Let's see if we can work up racial tension by misunderstanding what people are saying in good faith.'"

Giuliani added: "They do it all the time to me, I'm used to it. It's part of the political game that gets played here. It's unfortunate."

On Thursday, during a 30-minute talk in which he denied reports that

the Police Department's Street Crime Unit has engaged in racial profiling of suspects, Giuliani used the hypothetical example of a rape suspect on the Upper West Side who he described as "6-foot-2, African-American, roughly 35 years old."

Giuliani said: "What is going to happen in order to find that person is a lot of people are going to be approached. You are going to have to search for people, you are going to have to interview people, you are going to have to ask them questions. When you approach some of

them to ask questions, you may be frightened about the fact that maybe they have a gun, maybe they don't have a gun. So you frisk them. Sometimes you do find a gun.

"In the course of looking for that one rapist, you may arrest 30, 40 people. You may approach 100 people. But who are you going to be focusing on? You are not going to be focusing on a 70-year-old white male, if in fact the report is that the rapist is a 35-year-old African-American male. And that happens in large percentages, and that is what drives what's going on."

Giuliani's comments contradict Police Department statistics.

In 1998, the Street Crime Unit made 45,000 stop-and-frisk searches—although 35,000 of those stops, or about 78 percent, did not result in arrests. About 90 percent of those stopped were blacks and Latinos.

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Pictured is Rufus Huggins (center) giving a check to representatives of The Jackie Robinson Baseball League, Michael Jordan (left) and Cliff Hickman (right). All three promote the importance of young black men playing organized baseball. Lets not forget money always helps!

Photo by Jim Rouse

The NAACP Board of Directors has established a separate organization, the NAACP National Voter Fund (NVF), to carry out a large-scale voter empowerment program. NVF has begun a massive, multi-million dollar grassroots voter education and mobilization campaign. Our goal is to maximize African American turnout on November 7th.

We are excited about what we've been able to accomplish in our first few weeks of operation. Rapidly formed coalitions and partnerships in some twelve states (and still building) have produced tremendous results in voter registration, grassroots lobbying and interactive voter education. The real challenge, however, lies before us in tremendous potential we have to pool our efforts to educate energize and mobilize the African American voters.

## Minority communities get \$18.4 million to treat those affected by HIV/AIDS

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) Center for Substance Abuse Treatment has awarded \$18.4 million dollars to support 43 grants to expand substance abuse treatment and HIV/AIDS services in African American, Hispanic Latino and other racial or ethnic minority communities impacted by the twin epidemics of substance abuse and HIV/AIDS.

The grants are designed to address gaps in services by increasing substance abuse treatment and HIV/AIDS-related services. Awardees are government jurisdictions and community based organizations that have a proven record of reaching and serving hardcore, chronic drug users and their sex or needle-sharing partners.

"SAMHSA is committed to stopping the spread of HIV/AIDS through injection drug use and risky behaviors related to alcohol and non-injection drug abuse," SAMHSA administrator Nelba Chavez said. "This program will give additional support to minority communities that have been combating the twin epidemics of drug abuse and HIV/AIDS. These new funds will help reach people in need of substance abuse treatment and link them to appropriate and culturally relevant services."

Explained CSAT director H. Westley Clark: "For too long the AIDS treatment community and the substance abuse treatment community have looked upon each other as addressing separate problems. The goal of this initiative is to demonstrate that outreach to substance abusers, particularly injecting drug users, can reduce their risk for acquiring or transmitting HIV."

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# Study: To Increase Voter Turnout, Give Them a Candidate to Hate

COLUMBUS, Ohio—It will take more to get Americans to the polls this Election Day than a presidential candidate they really like.

A new study suggests people will be more likely to vote if they actively dislike George Bush or Al Gore.

"People who have something to lose by not voting are the ones who will go out and vote," said Jon Krosnick, co-author of the study and a professor of psychology and political science at Ohio State University.

"A disliked candidate is seen as a threat, and that will be motivation to go to the polls. But a threat alone isn't enough—people need to have a hero to vote for, too, in order to inspire them to turn out on Election Day."

These results illuminate some of the issues concerning whether negative campaigning helps or hurts voter turnout, Krosnick said.

The study is based on nationwide survey data involving U.S. presidential elections during a 16-year period from 1972 to

1988. The surveys were conducted by the National Election Study and included face-to-face interviews with more than 5,000

Americans over the course of the four elections.

Krosnick presented the results September 1 in Washington at the

annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

The findings showed that people who said they liked both candidates—even if they liked one significantly more than the other—were not as likely to vote as were those who liked one and disliked another.

"This goes against the conventional wisdom in political science, which says the important factor is how much difference there is between how much you like each candidate," Krosnick said. "But what we found makes more sense. If you like both candidates, there is little motivation to vote—you'll be happy no matter who wins."

Conversely, voters would be less likely to vote if they dislike both candidates, because they won't be happy no matter who wins.

Krosnick said the results put negative campaigning in a different light. Most candidates probably see negative campaigning as a way to persuade voters to vote for them. But what it really does is help ensure that your supporters go to the polls.

"If you're a candidate, there's only so much you can do to make people love you. But if you want to make sure people who love you actually vote for you, it helps if you can make them hate your opponent,"

he explained.

However, if there is so much negative campaigning that voters dislike both candidates, then the negativity will probably hurt turnout. "Turnout in this year's election will be high if there are large groups of voters who love Gore and hate Bush, or who love Bush and hate Gore. But we don't want a situation where everybody hates, or likes, both of them."

The analysis of voter turnout was part of a larger study that offers a new way of thinking about voter decision-making—a way that is more consistent with psychological theory than with reigning theories in political science, Krosnick said. The larger study involved NES data from seven presidential elections between 1972 and 1996 and more than 25,000 respondents.

"We found that voters form impressions about candidates the same way they do about everybody else: neighbors, family members and co-workers," Krosnick said. "Political scientists have assumed that the process of making a voting decision is different than any other decision in a person's life. But we're finding there are a lot of similarities. Our findings may be surprising to some political scientists, but they won't be a surprise to psychologists who study decision-making."

## Racial Gap Widens For Childhood Asthma

The rising number of African-American children in Pitt County suffering from asthma mirrors national statistics from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Of the 131 children national statistics from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Of the 131 children currently enrolled in Pitt County Memorial Hospital's pediatric asthma program, 70 percent are African-American, 28 percent white and two percent are Asian or Hispanic. Recently released results of a 1998 CDC survey show black children are 31 percent more likely than white children to experience an asthma attack. In 1980, the asthma rate for African-American children was 15 percent. Amy Jones, pediatric asthma case manager, has more on the PCMH program and how it's reducing hospital admissions and school absenteeism for local children.

## Newsweekly explores impact of Religion on election

As the November election nears, the acclaimed PBS newsmagazine series RELIGION & ETHICS NEWSWEEKLY hosted by veteran journalist Bob Abernethy, will offer a four-part series of special reports that began last Friday.

The reports will examine the potential impact of religion and religious groups on the Presidential campaign. Reported by the program's managing editor Kim Lawton, the segments to be included in consecutive programs distributed Friday at 5 p.m. ET nationwide (check local listings), will look at the voting behaviors of different faith groups and how these behaviors may affect the outcome of the election.

In the first report, Lawton explored how the vice-presidential candidacy of Senator Joseph Lieberman has energized Jewish political activism while at the same time causing some Jews to reexamine the relationship between faith and politics.

On Oct. 20, Lawton reported on the challenges facing American Muslims as they attempt to register new voters and organize an effective political voice.

The third report, included in the Oct. 27 show, focuses on Roman Catholics who have moved from being predictably Democratic and are now a politically-divided community that could be a swing vote in many key states.

Finally, in the series conclusion on Nov. 3, Lawton examines the extent to which the candidates' talk about God has influenced their political positions and discussion of the issues.

In this report, she speaks to Yale Law School professor Stephen Carter and others about whether candidates who invoke religious language have a responsibility to elaborate on what it means for the politics. Hailed as "one of the most thoughtful and satisfying magazine series on the air"

Minneapolis Star Tribune, RELIGION & ETHICS NEWSWEEKLY covers all religious and major ethical issues. The program seeks out key representatives and spokespersons for the essential ideas of significant issues, and — in a regular feature on "Belief and Practice" — explores the different ways people express their faith.

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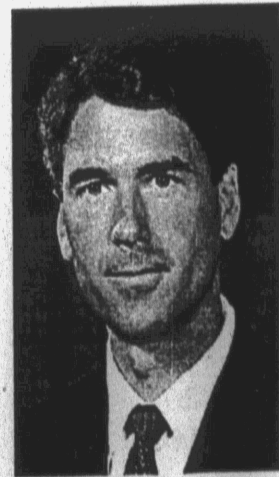
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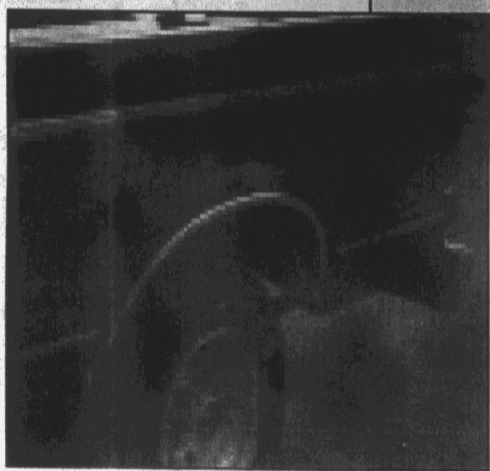
League Of Women Voters.....

Pictured above are some of the members from the Pitt County League of Women Voters. They are shown discussing issues that affect our community, with local candidates as Leigh Me Nairy. The League Of Women Voters is not just for women. They are actively soliciting the help of able bodied men as well. The League of Women Voters is a bipartisan organization comprised of both Democratic and Republican women. They urge everyone to get out and vote on Tuesday November 7, 2000.

### 3 charged in Texas dragging death.

— (Chicago Tribune, June 9, 1998)

If you thought about not voting, listen to the words of the sister of James Byrd, the man dragged to his death behind a pick up truck in Texas.



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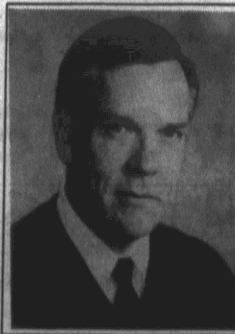
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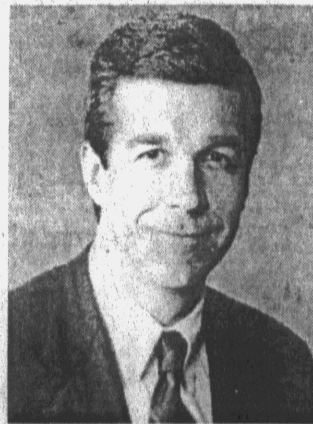
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- ★ District Court Judge, Pitt County, 1988-1990.
- ★ Graduated Farmville High School-1966, Wake Forest University-1970, Wake Forest University Law School -1974.
- ★ Partner, James, Hite, Avery & Duke, Greenville, 1984-88.
- ★ Mayor of Farmville, 1981-1983; practicing lawyer, 1976-83.
- ★ Member: Greenville Rotary Club, Young Life of Pitt County Committee, Crown Point Masonic Lodge, Pitt County Shrine Club, Pitt-Greenville Chamber of Commerce
- ★ Immanuel Baptist Church, Deacon & Sunday School Teacher.
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# EXPOSING BREAST CANCER

## Risks, Prevention, Detection and Treatment

### SELF BREAST EXAM CHART



**1.** Often tumors are found by women themselves during a regular breast exam. This is why the self-breast exam (SBE) is a wonderful screening tool. Start the exam by standing in front of a mirror with your arms at your sides. You want to be able to see your breast clearly and are looking for anything different or unusual. If the skin is puckering, dimpling or looks scaly, if there is a discharge from the nipple or the breast looks misshapen, make a note of it.



**2.** Watching closely in the mirror, observe your breast while you clasp your hands behind your head and press your hands forward. If you observe anything unusual, make a note of it. Immediately after any SBE where a lump is felt or you observe anything different or unusual, contact your physician. It is important to have any irregularity examined by a doctor.

Doing these steps regularly make you familiar with the feel of your breasts so any change is readily apparent. The exam should be done during the week after the end of your menstrual flow or on the day you start a new pack of oral contraceptives.



**3.** Observe again as you place your hands on your hips and bend slightly forward led by your shoulders and elbows. Women should begin regular SBE at age 20 and should do it every month for life. In addition to the self breast exam, women should have a breast exam done by their physician at least once a year to supplement their efforts at home. Please discuss SBE with your physician; the doctor can help you understand what things you feel that are normal and what to be on the lookout for.



**4.** Gently squeeze each nipple and look for discharge. Warning signs for breast cancer include: 1) any new lump; 2) nipple discharge, especially if bloody or dark and occurs without squeezing the nipple; 3) a nipple going inward or pointing askew; 4) shape and symmetry changes in your breast; 5) a lump or thickening that doesn't shrink after your next menstrual period; 6) any dent or dimple.

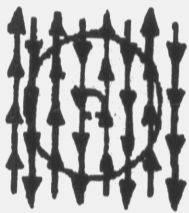


**5.** Raise one arm. With your other hand, use the pads of your fingers to thoroughly, firmly and carefully check the breast and surrounding area. Feel for any lumps or masses under the skin. Use one of the patterns below to check the breast. Pick one that will allow you to be sure you have checked all your breast tissue. Repeat this step on the other breast.

Some women use lotion or powder to help their fingers glide smoothly over their skin. You can also do this in the shower, where the water and soap will facilitate the movement of your fingers.



**6.** Repeat step five while lying down. While on your back with one arm over your head, place a pillow or folded towel under the shoulder near the breast to be examined. According to the American Medical Association, cancerous tumors are found more frequently in some parts of the breast. When doing an SBE pay close attention to what you feel in the upper, outer region of each breast, especially towards the armpit and behind the nipple, as 3/4 of all breast cancers are located in that area. Don't slight the rest of the breast, however. It is important to examine the entire breast thoroughly each month for this screening method to provide the most benefit.



One technique for examining the breast is to traverse it in straight lines. Starting on the side of the breast near the underarm, move the fingers downward, at each point pressing gently in a circular motion, until they are below the breast. Then move the fingers towards the middle and repeat the motion in a straight line going up. Do this until you have covered the entire breast.



A second technique is to examine the breast in wedges, each time starting from the nipple and radiating out to the edges of the breast area, covering a small wedge-shaped area each time. At each point, press gently using the circular motion to probe the tissue.



A third technique is to examine the breast in concentric circles, starting at the outside edge of the breast and working towards the center in gradually smaller circles. At each point, press gently using a circular motion to feel the tissue beneath your fingers.

**NOTE:** Breast cancer can not be prevented, but it can be detected at an early, treatable stage. Tear this out and hang it up as a reference for how to properly do a self-breast exam. This monthly 15 minute exercise can save your life.

Learn More About Breast Cancer, Diabetes, And Other Health Issues, At Black Expo 2000 November 4th & 5th, 300 E. 1st St. Greenville, NC

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- Member, Pitt County Law Enforcement Officers Association
- Attends Covenant United Methodist Church
- Member, ECU Pirate Club
- Juris Doctor, Wake Forest University School of Law
- B.S., East Carolina University
- Married to Ann Chambo Perry and expecting their first child in November

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# Sample Ballots

NC74-109 Absentee PV Ballot No. Curbside

**SAMPLE NONPARTISAN BALLOT FOR STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA BONDS, SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES, AND SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NOVEMBER 7, 2000**

**Instructions to Voters**

a. TO VOTE FOR a bond: Connect the arrow pointing to the word "FOR" to the party you wish to vote for.

b. TO VOTE AGAINST a bond: Connect the arrow pointing to the word "AGAINST" to the party you wish to vote for.

c. If you tear, deface, or wrongly mark this ballot, return it and get another.

d. Mark with a #2 pencil or marking pen provided (NO RED INK).

**NORTH CAROLINA HIGHER EDUCATION IMPROVEMENT BONDS (You may vote for ONE (1))**

The issuance of State of North Carolina Higher Education Improvement Bonds, constituting general obligation bonds of the State secured by a pledge of the faith and credit and taxing power of the State for the purpose of providing funds, with any other funds, to pay all or part of the cost of (i) renovating laboratories, classrooms, academic buildings, and worker training facilities and providing other capital improvements at the 59 institutions of the North Carolina Community College System in order to fulfill the mission of educating students and providing worker training essential to the North Carolina economy, and to address expected large increases in student enrollment and (ii) renovating and replacing classrooms, laboratories, and academic buildings and providing other capital improvements at the 16 campuses of the constituent institutions, the affiliated institutions, and the Center for Public Television (CPTV) of the University of North Carolina System in order to meet large expected student enrollment increases, serve North Carolina by providing the education critical to the State's economy, and continue to provide UNC-TV public television to the State's viewers, in the amount of three billion one hundred million dollars (\$3,100,000,000).

FOR  AGAINST

**Instructions to Voters**

a. TO VOTE Connect the arrow pointing to your choice to the party you wish to vote for.

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c. Mark with a #2 pencil or marking pen provided (NO RED INK).

**FOR SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 3A (You may vote for ONE (1))**

JAMES H. HINGORE

W. RUSSELL JUSTY PUNE

CLIFTON W. EVERETT, JR.

CHARLES H. TURNER, JR.

**FOR SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (You may vote for ONE (1))**

J. EARL SERMONS

General Election November 7, 2000 Pit County, NC

Chairman, Pit County Board of Election

NC74-128 Absentee PV Ballot No. Curbside

**SAMPLE BALLOT FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT C NOVEMBER 7, 2000**

**Instructions to Voters**

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**STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET (You may vote for ONE (1) party)**

DEMOCRATIC (DEM) - 1A

REPUBLICAN (REP) - 2A

**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT C (You may vote for ONE (1))**

BETH BAKER WARD  DEM

JIMMY GARRIS  REP

General Election November 7, 2000 Pit County, NC

Chairman, Pit County Board of Election

NC74-105 Absentee PV Ballot No. Curbside

**SAMPLE BALLOT FOR MEMBER OF CONGRESS 3rd CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT NOVEMBER 7, 2000**

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**STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET (You may vote for ONE (1) party)**

DEMOCRATIC (DEM) - 1A

REPUBLICAN (REP) - 2A

LIBERTARIAN (LIB) - 3A

**FOR MEMBER OF CONGRESS 3rd CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (You may vote for ONE (1))**

LEIGH HARVEY MCHAIRY  DEM

WALTER B. JONES  REP

DAVID F. RUSSELL  LIB

General Election November 7, 2000 Pit County, NC

Chairman, Pit County Board of Election

**Polls Open Tuesday**

**Nov. 7th From**

**6:00 AM - 7:00 PM**

NC74-115 Absentee PV Ballot No. Curbside

**SAMPLE BALLOT FOR STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 2 NOVEMBER 7, 2000**

**Instructions to Voters**

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**STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET (You may vote for ONE (1) party)**

DEMOCRATIC (DEM) - 1A

REPUBLICAN (REP) - 2A

**FOR STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 2 (You may vote for ONE (1))**

ZENO L. EDWARDS  DEM

STAN DEATHERAGE  REP

General Election November 7, 2000 Pit County, NC

Chairman, Pit County Board of Election

NC74-110 Absentee PV Ballot No. Curbside

**SAMPLE BALLOT FOR MEMBER OF CONGRESS 1st CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT NOVEMBER 7, 2000**

**Instructions to Voters**

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**STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET (You may vote for ONE (1) party)**

DEMOCRATIC (DEM) - 1A

REPUBLICAN (REP) - 2A

LIBERTARIAN (LIB) - 3A

**FOR MEMBER OF CONGRESS 1st CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (You may vote for ONE (1))**

EVA M. CLAYTON  DEM

DUANE E. KRATZER, JR.  REP

CHRISTOPHER SEAN DELANEY  LIB

General Election November 7, 2000 Pit County, NC

Chairman, Pit County Board of Election

NC74-107X Absentee PV Ballot No. Curbside

**OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR GOVERNOR, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, COUNCIL OF STATE, JUDICIAL OFFICERS, DISTRICT COURT JUDGES, DISTRICT ATTORNEY, CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT, AND REGISTER OF DEEDS NOVEMBER 7, 2000**

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**STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET (You may vote for one [1] party)**

DEMOCRATIC (DEM) 1-A

REPUBLICAN (REP) 2-A

LIBERTARIAN (LIB) 3-A

REFORM (RFM) 4-A

**FOR GOVERNOR (You may vote for ONE (1))**

MIKE EASLEY  DEM

RICHARD VINROOT  REP

BARBARA HOWE  LIB

DOUGLAS SCHELL  RFM

**FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (You may vote for ONE (1))**

BEVERLY PERDUE  DEM

BETSY COCHRANE  REP

CATHERINE CARTER  RFM

**FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (You may vote for ONE (1))**

ROY COOPER  DEM

DAN BOYCE  REP

MARGARET PALMS  RFM

**FOR AUDITOR (You may vote for ONE (1))**

RALPH CAMPBELL  DEM

LESLIE MERRITT  REP

**FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (You may vote for ONE (1))**

MEG SCOTT PHIPPS  DEM

STEVE TROXLER  REP

**FOR COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE (You may vote for ONE (1))**

JIM LONG  DEM

MIKE CAUSEY  REP

**FOR COMMISSIONER OF LABOR (You may vote for ONE (1))**

DOUG BERGER  DEM

CHERIE KILLIAN BERRY  REP

**FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (You may vote for ONE (1))**

ELAINE MARSHALL  DEM

HARRIS DURHAM BLAKE  REP

**FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (You may vote for ONE (1))**

MIKE WARD  DEM

MICHAEL BARRICK  REP

**FOR TREASURER (You may vote for ONE (1))**

RICHARD MOORE  DEM

HENRY MCKOY  REP

**FOR CHIEF JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT (You may vote for ONE (1))**

HENRY E. FRYE  DEM

I. BEVERLY LAKE  REP

**FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT (You may vote for ONE (1))**

FRANKLIN FREEMAN  DEM

ROBERT H. (BOB) EDMUNDS, JR.  REP

**FOR JUDGE, COURT OF APPEALS (You may vote for ONE (1))**

CLARENCE E. HORTON, JR.  DEM

DOUG MCCULLOUGH  REP

**FOR JUDGE, COURT OF APPEALS (You may vote for ONE (1))**

JIM FULLER  DEM

JOHN MITCHELL  REP

**FOR JUDGE, COURT OF APPEALS (You may vote for ONE (1))**

ROBIN HUDSON  DEM

PAUL STAM  REP

**FOR JUDGE, COURT OF APPEALS (You may vote for ONE (1))**

JOHN C. MARTIN  DEM

WENDY M. ENOCHS  REP

**FOR JUDGE, COURT OF APPEALS (You may vote for ONE (1))**

JAMES ANDREW WYNN, JR.  DEM

WENDELL SCHOLLANDER  REP

**FOR DISTRICT COURT JUDGE (You may vote for ONE (1))**

G. GALEN BRADY  DEM

**FOR DISTRICT COURT JUDGE (You may vote for ONE (1))**

DAVID A. LEECH  DEM

**FOR DISTRICT COURT JUDGE (You may vote for ONE (1))**

GLENN PERRY  DEM

CHARLES M. VINCENT  REP

**FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY Unexpired term ending 1/1/2003 (You may vote for ONE (1))**

CLARK EVERETT  DEM

**FOR CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT Unexpired term ending 12/2/2002 (You may vote for ONE (1))**

ELEANOR H. FARR  DEM

**FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS (You may vote for ONE (1))**

JUDY J. TART  DEM

STANLEY LINWOOD LITTLE  REP

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Chairman, Pit County Board of Election

**Exercise The Power Of The Black Vote**

**Let's Make Our Voices Heard Nov. 7th**

NC74-123 Absentee PV Ballot No. Curbside

**SAMPLE BALLOT FOR STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 71 NOVEMBER 7, 2000**

**Instructions to Voters**

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**STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET (You may vote for ONE (1) party)**

DEMOCRATIC (DEM) - 1A

REPUBLICAN (REP) - 2A

**FOR STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 71 (You may vote for ONE (1))**

JOE P. TOLSON  DEM

WADE ELLISON  REP

General Election November 7, 2000 Pit County, NC

Chairman, Pit County Board of Election

NC74-125 Absentee PV Ballot No. Curbside

**SAMPLE BALLOT FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT A NOVEMBER 7, 2000**

**Instructions to Voters**

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**STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET (You may vote for ONE (1) party)**

DEMOCRATIC (DEM) - 1A

REPUBLICAN (REP) - 2A

**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT A (You may vote for ONE (1))**

CHRISTOPHER TAYLOR

General Election November 7, 2000 Pit County, NC

Chairman, Pit County Board of Election

NC74-121 Absentee PV Ballot No. Curbside

**SAMPLE BALLOT FOR STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 9 NOVEMBER 7, 2000**

**Instructions to Voters**

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**STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET (You may vote for ONE (1) party)**

DEMOCRATIC (DEM) - 1A

REPUBLICAN (REP) - 2A

**FOR STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 9 (You may vote for ONE (1))**

MARIAN N. MCLAWHORN  DEM

WAYNE HOLLOMAN  REP

General Election November 7, 2000 Pit County, NC

Chairman, Pit County Board of Election

NC74-113 Absentee PV Ballot No. Curbside

**SAMPLE BALLOT FOR STATE SENATE DISTRICT 9 NOVEMBER 7, 2000**

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DEMOCRATIC (DEM) - 1A

REPUBLICAN (REP) - 2A

**FOR STATE SENATE DISTRICT 9 (You may vote for ONE (1))**

EDWARD H. WARREN  DEM

A. A. (DICK) ADAMS  REP

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Chairman, Pit County Board of Election

# Democratic Rally



# 7th Annual Minority Business Expo



# Mitchell's Funeral Home Grand Opening

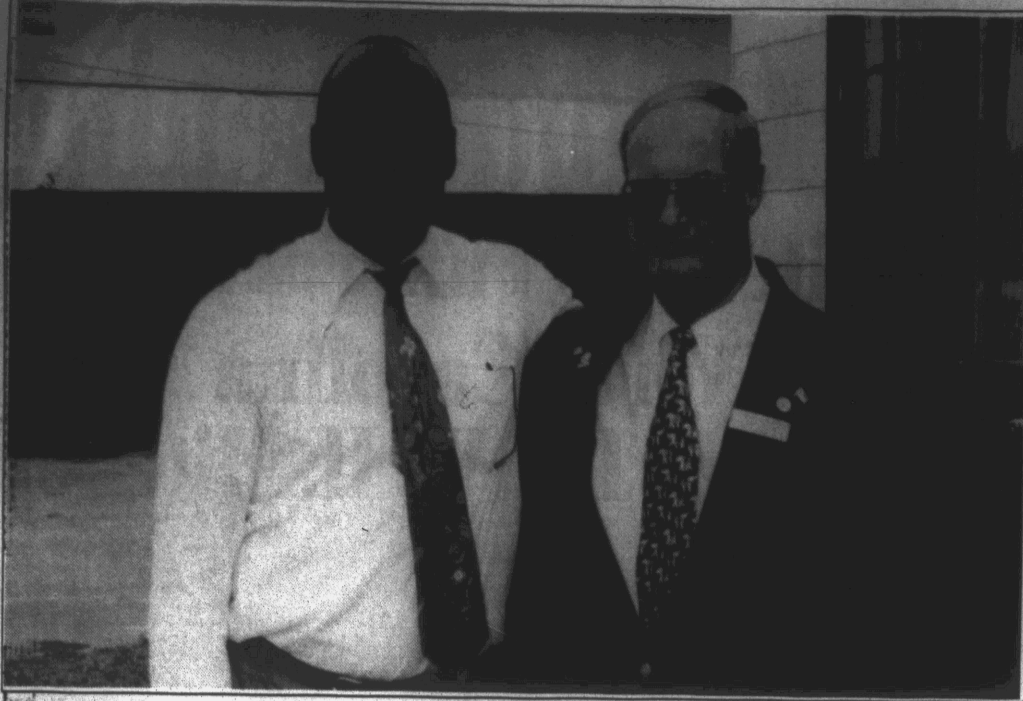
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Staff Photo

## Representative Marian McLawhorn

*"She's Working for All of Us"*

Marian McLawhorn is proud of her role in the NC House of Representatives 1999-2000 accomplishments:

- For two consecutive years, House and Senate approved state budget before July 1st, the start of the new fiscal year
- Raised teacher pay to national average
- Gave state employees a 4.2% raise and a \$500 bonus
- Expanded the Smart Start program
- Passed school violence/discipline control measures
- Increased funding for community colleges
- Passed Clean Air and Clean Water legislation
- Appropriated \$120 million to rebuild state's "Rainy Day" fund following Hurricane Floyd flood relief efforts
- Appropriated \$30 million for Clean Water Trust Fund
- Appropriated \$15 million to support East Carolina University's transition to a Doctoral/Research institution
- Supports Community College and University Facilities Bond Referendum
- Appropriated \$100 million for repairs/renovations of state buildings
- Refunded \$240 million in intangible taxes
- AND didn't raise taxes!

- Mayor, Town of Grifton, 1997-1998
- Commissioner, Town of Grifton, 1992-1997
- 1999 NC Business and Professional Career Woman of the Year
- Married 35 years to Richard McLawhorn; 4 children; 3 grandchildren
- B.S. in Business Administration, East Carolina University
- Master in Library Science, East Carolina University

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Marian McLawhorn  
Tuesday, November 7th.**



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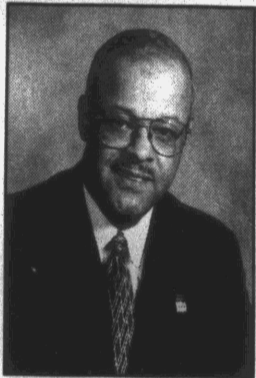
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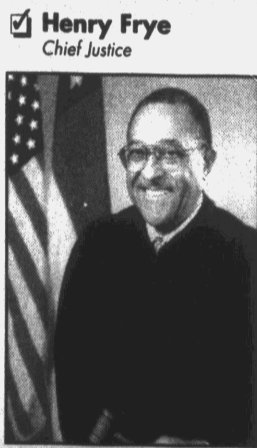
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Tuesday, November 7th or Earlier

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**Ralph Campbell**  
State Auditor



**Henry Frye**  
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**Jim Wynn**  
Court of Appeals

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Look for these names on your ballot:**

- Mike Easley • Governor
- Beverly Perdue • Lt. Governor

- Roy Cooper • Attorney General
- Ralph Campbell • State Auditor
- Meg Scott Phipps • Commissioner of Agriculture
- Jim Long • Commissioner of Insurance
- Doug Berger • Commissioner of Labor
- Elaine Marshall • Secretary of State
- Mike Ward • Supt. of Public Instruction
- Richard Moore • Treasurer
- Henry E. Frye • Chief Justice, Supreme Court
- Franklin Freeman • Associate Justice, Supreme Court
- Clarence E. Horton, Jr. • Judge, Court of Appeals
- Jim Fuller • Judge, Court of Appeals
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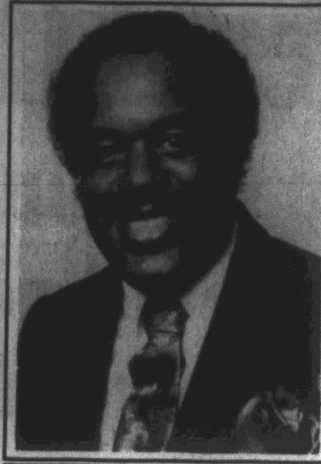
As the future senior council of state member, I urge you to spread the word and help **GET THE VOTE OUT.** The Democratic Party needs your support to keep those looking out for you in charge.

**WE'VE COME TOO FAR TO TURN BACK NOW.** Please help us sustain the momentum and continue the leadership. **VOTE DEMOCRATIC** on Tuesday, November 7. I thank you in advance for your support.

*Jim Long*  
Insurance Commissioner

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## Spiritual Thoughts



**Dr. George Hawkins**

### IS IT REALLY A SPIRITUAL ATTACK ?

PAGE ONE PART I

Greetings in the name of Jesus,

The topic for this article may sound a little strange or even down right silly to you because we as Christians have a tendency to view everything as a spiritual attack. This question may sound ridiculous, but how we answer this question is vital to how we approach different situations in our lives, and how effective we are when we are engaged in spiritual warfare. Without an understanding of what constitutes spiritual attack, we have no way of knowing how to counter the attack, or even if there is anything to counter at all.

A simple definition of spiritual attack would be to say that spiritual attack is anything unexpected, unusual, out of the ordinary, that causes us to

question our wordly things. When either of these things happen, we become ineffective in our witness to others and in our relationship with the Lord. This is a very simplistic definition, and there are exceptions, but this will do for a start.

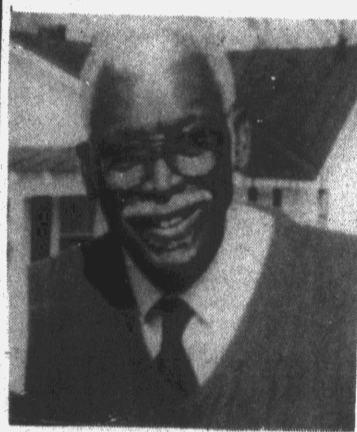
One thing all Christians need to keep in mind, is that if you've had a true soul-saving, born again experience, Satan cannot defeat you outright. Jesus told Peter that the gates of Hell would not prevail against His church. This applies in our lives as well. The Lord Jesus Christ defeated Satan at Calvary on the Cross. And when we come under spiritual attack, we have at our disposal the full force of that victory. The shed blood of Jesus gives us the power to resist the devil. We are under its protection as long as we keep our focus on Christ and submit our will to His.

So what does this mean to us? Simply this, Satan has NO power over us that we don't give to him. Once you became a born again child of God, you came under divine protection. Nothing Satan does can take you away from God. Jesus said, "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand." So, since Satan knows he can't defeat us, what is his plan? To make us ineffective. He does this by placing unwanted thoughts in our minds, by placing doubt about our salvation and about God in our hearts, by placing desires for wordly things in us contrary to what we know is Godly, or by getting us into situations or circumstances that he knows will try

our faith. This is not to say that EVERY bad thing that happens to us is caused by the devil. Sometimes it's the actions of our fellow human beings, or even our own carelessness that cause bad things to happen. Here are some things that can cause situations that might be mistaken for spiritual attack.

**DESIRES:** Unfortunately, Satan doesn't always need to intervene directly. When people follow the desires of their flesh, bad results usually follow. With these people, while the devil may have placed the desires there initially, the results are due to the decisions made by the people experiencing those desires. Once the desires are planted, Satan can just sit back and watch. For example, suppose someone has an inordinate desire for alcohol, and one night has a little (or a lot) too much at the club or bar. This person gets into their car, and due to their intoxication, gets into an accident with another car. In this instance, even though Satan may, or may not, have originally placed the desire for alcohol into this person's heart, the resulting accident was caused by this person indulging himself at the club. The other person(s) who was involved in the accident are not necessarily under spiritual attack. Although it is a possibility that Satan was using the drinker in order to attack the person(s) in the other car, it is equally possible that this was nothing more than an accident caused by a lack of willpower on the part of the drunk driver.

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"In 1992, there was talk about the 'year of the woman.' Women were elected in unprecedented numbers to local and statewide positions nationwide. Now, in 2000, many women are seeking elective office or reelection. For example, Congresswoman Eva Clayton of the First Congressional District and State Representative Marian McLawhom (District 9) have done an outstanding job in office.

Clayton has a talent for bringing people together to explore their commonality of interests. Clayton is an key advocate of bringing information technology to rural areas.

Her recent statement, "The digital economy is growing at twice the rate of the overall economy," evidences her recognition of the impact of digital technology to our communities and on businesses. She believes small businesses should integrate creatively information technology into their businesses. Respected by small business owners, the distinguished, Congresswoman doesn't want any community overlooked by emerging technological advancements and innovations.

Clayton sponsored a bill, the Medicare Access to Telehealth Services Act, to connect rural residents to quality health care. Senior citizens love Clayton for this, her drive to make prescription drugs affordable for all seniors, and her support of other senior issues. Clayton also is to be commended for relentless efforts to help flood victims regain a sense of normalcy. More work will be done through her leadership. Clayton will continue to go the extra mile on behalf of flood victims.

Marian McLawhom is to be commended for her efforts in flood recovery, support for excellence in education and smaller class rooms, safer schools, affordable health care, and senior issues. I am impressed with McLawhom's compassion for poor children suffering from tooth decay to seniors forced to choose between heating and eating or the monthly rent and weekly meals. The First Congressional District and State House District 9 can ill afford to lose these hard-working humanitarians.

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Raymond E. Fleming  
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Going To Church

Pictured above is a lovely young mother getting ready to attend Sunday Morning Service at Phillippi Church of Christ in Simpson. Hats off to all our Young Black mothers.

Photo by Jim Rouse

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

MS. AUDRIENEE R. HARVEY 1300 WARD STREET GREENVILLE, NC 27835

I am privileged to inform you that Audrienne R. Harvey is one of 52 students nominated by Shaw University for inclusion in the 2001 edition of

WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS in AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES.

A recognized institution of the American academic community, the WHO's WHO award is conferred annually upon outstanding student leaders. Over the past 66 years, more than 2,300 senior colleges have adopted this program as part of their annual campus honors. Selections are made by campus nominating committees and are based on decidedly above average academic standing, community service, leadership ability and potential for continued success.

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On behalf of the WHO'S WHO program, I would like to congratulate you on your outstanding work and on receiving this highly coveted award. We look forward to presenting your accomplishments in the 2001 edition of WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES.

Sincerely,

H. Pettus Randall

Director

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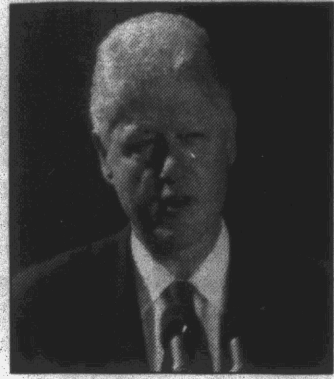


Happy Birthday!!!!

Susie Langley of 1608 Lincoln Drive, Greenville, North Carolina celebrated her 91<sup>st</sup> birthday October 31, 2000. A celebration dinner was held in her honor. The late David Langley and Susie Langley had ten children. Two of which are now deceased. Many relatives and friends were on hand to wish this lovely lady Happy Birthday and Many more!

Photo By Faith May

Clinton increases opportunities, access for disadvantaged businesses



President Clinton recently signed an executive order to increase access to federal contracts for disadvantaged businesses, a major factor in the growth of Black economic wealth since desegregation.

The order directs agencies to take affirmative steps to increase contracting between the federal government and Small Disadvantaged Businesses, 8(a) Businesses, and Minority Business Enterprises. These businesses play a vital role in our nation's economy, but have faced historic underutilization in federal procurement.

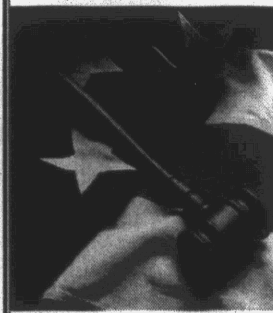
The administration is also working to expand opportunities and access to advertising and information technology for disadvantaged businesses, recognizing these industries play an important role in our economy and society.

The order directs federal departments and agencies to ensure that all creation, placement, and transmission of federal advertising are fully reflective of the nation's diversity.

It also directs each federal department and agency to aggressively seek to ensure small and disadvantaged businesses participate in procurement for information technology and telecommunications industry.

Shortly after the release of the of the FCC-chartered report that found discriminatory business practices against minority broadcasters, Vice President Gore addressed the American Advertising Federation (AAF) and challenged its members to demonstrate their understanding of the value of diversity and the business sense of serving minority customers.

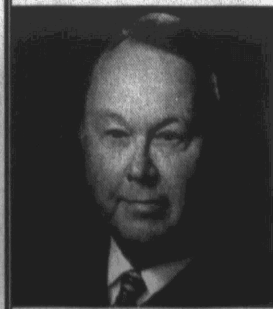
In response to Gore's challenge, AAF developed the Principles for Effective Advertising in the American Multicultural Marketplace, a strategic plan for boosting minority representation in the advertising industry. The administration commended AAF for its leadership in adopting these principles.



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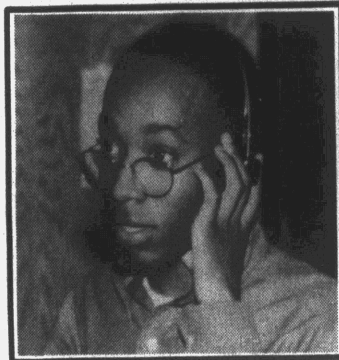
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