

BMI Cooperative Newspapers and Carriers of the National BLACK MONITOR

- Akron Reporter Group (OH)
- Albany Southwest Georgian (GA)
- Albany Times (GA)
- Atlanta People's Crusader (GA)
- Augusta Black Focus (GA)
- Augusta News Review (GA)
- Austin Capital City Argus (TX)
- Bakersfield Metro Star (CA)
- Bakersfield News Observer (CA)
- Bennetsville Fine Print News (SC)
- Birmingham Times (AL)
- Bloomington Voice (IL)
- Boston Greater News (MA)
- Buffalo Criterion (NY)
- Buffalo Fine Print (NY)
- Charleston Black Times (SC)
- Charleston Coastal Times (SC)
- Charleston Chronicle (SC)
- Chattanooga North Star (TN)
- Chicago Citizen Group (IL)
- Chicago Independent Bulletin (IL)
- Chicago Observer (IL)
- Chicago Tri-City Journal (IL)
- Chicago World News Examiner (IL)
- Cleveland Metro (Bedford Hgts., OH)
- Columbia Black News Group (SC)
- Columbus Times (GA)
- Cordelle Southeastern News (GA)
- Dallas Weekly (TX)
- Daytona Times (FL)
- Decatur Speaking Out (AL)
- Decatur Voice (IL)
- Denver Weekly News (CO)
- Detroit/Ecorse Telegram (MI)
- East St. Louis Monitor (IL)
- Florence Black Sun (SC)
- Florence Shoals News Leader (AL)
- Fort Pierce Chronicle (FL)
- Fort Wayne Frost Illustrated (IN)
- Fresno California Advocate (CA)
- Gary Info (IN)
- Goldsboro Metro Times (NC)
- Grand Rapids Times (MI)
- Greensboro Carolina Peacemaker (NC)
- Greenville Black Star
- Greenville Palmetto Leader (SC)
- Hartford Northend Agents Newspaper (CT)
- Houston Defender (TX)
- Houston Sun (TX)
- Indianapolis Indiana Herald (IN)
- Jackson Blazer (MI)
- Jacksonville Advocate (FL)
- Kansas City Globe (MO)
- Las Vegas Sentinel (NV)
- Little Rock Southern Mediator (AR)
- L.A./Bay Area News Observer (CA)
- L.A. Metro Gazette (CA)
- L.A. TV Journal & News Magazine (CA)
- L.A. Watts Times (CA)
- Lubbock S.W. Digest (TX)
- Macon Times (GA)
- Marion Pee Dee Observer (SC)
- Memphis Mid-South Express (TN)
- Midland Progressive Times (TX)
- Mobile Inner City News (AL)
- Montgomery/Tuskegee Times (AL)
- Muskogee Oklahoma Eagle (OK)
- Newark/Essex Suburban Greater News (NJ)
- New Orleans Black Data Weekly (AL)
- New York Daily Challenge (NY)
- (New York) L.I. Black Advocate
- (New York) L.I. Courier
- New York People's Tribune (NY)
- New York Recorder (NY)
- Orangeburg Black Voice (SC)
- Orangeburg View South News (SC)
- Orlando Sun Review (FL)
- Orlando Times (FL)
- Pasadena Gazette (CA)
- Pensacola Voice (FL)
- Peoria Voice of the Valley (IL)
- Philadelphia New Observer (PA)
- Philadelphia Spirit (PA)
- Pittsburgh Homewood-Brushton News (PA)
- Portland/Vancouver Skanner (OR)
- Riverside Black Voice News (CA)
- Rochester Communicade (NY)
- Rock Hill Black News (SC)
- St. Louis Crusader (MO)
- St. Louis Morning News (MO)
- Sacramento Black Market (CA)
- San Francisco New Bayview News (CA)
- San Francisco/Sacramento Observer Newspapers Group (CA)
- Sarasota Weekly Bulletin (FL)
- Savannah Tribune (GA)
- Seattle Facts (WA)
- Sumpter Black Post (SC)
- Tacoma Facts (WA)
- Tacoma N.W. Dispatch (WA)
- Tallahassee Capital Outlook (FL)
- Tampa Dollar Stretcher (FL)
- Texarkana Insight (TX)
- Tulsa Oklahoma Eagle (OK)
- Washington Informer (DC)
- (Washington) New Observer (DC)
- W. Palm Beach Florida Photo News (FL)

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EDITORIAL NOTES

July is a memorable and historic month for those of us associated with the national Assault On Illiteracy Program (AOIP)...for it was during that month, three years ago, that the initial decision was made to create a Black-educator-produced reading motivational and comprehension-enhancement instrument to reach both our young and old in need of literacy enhancement. With the help of what many of us feel was the Holy Spirit, an eight-page AOIP family and community reading newspaper, known simply as *The ADVANCER*, was created.

Professionals from a dozen or more of the AOIP-participating organizations

joined in the extensive and careful planning of this unprecedented, ego-strengthening instrument so desperately needed to address the unique root causes of the illiteracy predicament among Black Americans. However, most of the earthly and/or mundane leadership in the development of *The ADVANCER* emanated from two outstanding organizations. One group was the long-experienced and deeply-concerned educators in the national sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc. The other was comprised of many of the leading educators in the national sorority of Alpha Kappa Alpha who served as aides from the beginning and continued to assist the educators in "Phi Delta Kappa."

As a result of this combined and/or cooperative effort on the part of these two outstanding organizations, over 90 consecutive issues of this unique literacy-enhancement instrument have been produced. Their goal—and that of all AOIP-participating organizations—is to have *The ADVANCER* utilized by every Title I-type student in our public schools, as well as in all tutorial programs of AOIP-participating organizations.

As a special tribute to these two great organizations whose leadership and members have contributed so much—and will continue to do so—to the literacy uplifting of our people, we have dedicated this July issue to them.

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