

# For The Ladies

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## Child Watch

by Marian Wright Edelman



### A VIDEO FOR YOU?

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For every Black adult who says Black teenagers don't care about their community, a chorus of teenagers responds that their community doesn't care about them. We've got to move away from such self-fulfilling pronouncements and get on with the critical business of saving and shoring up a generation of Black youth so that when their time comes to take charge, the whole community will benefit.

Many teens already are in a better position to make a difference than we might sometimes think, and are doing so in a number of communities. If you're an educator or community worker, for example, consider a new video released by the Public Broadcasting System (PBS).

"Cool Moves — Teens Together," is part of PBS outreach efforts to get everyone involved with improving their communities. The video has excerpts from a national documentary aired several months ago, highlighting some of the wonderful work young people are doing for their communities. For example:

- In Dorchester, Massachusetts, the community established The All Dorchester Sports League to put youngsters of all races and backgrounds together in a year round, team-support environment. This eight-year-old program has seen over 4,000 youngsters participate in ten different sports throughout the year.

- Minneapolis, Minnesota, is the home of the American Variety Theater Company housed at the Capri Theater. The inner-city 4-H Club sponsors the program. The young actors learn to work together, trust each other, and be creative.

- The D. Edward Wells Youth Federal Credit Union in Springfield, Massachusetts has served the minority community since 1958, and three years ago expanded its services to youth. The Youth Credit Union is run, owned and operated by youth. It teaches them to spend and manage money wisely.

The two other programs featured in the video are "Clean and Green" of Los Angeles, which teaches youngsters to take pride in their community's appearance, and Club MQT of Marquette, Michigan, a teen owned and operated dance club.

Having an opportunity to join a structured program not only takes youngsters off the streets, it can mean the difference between a productive life or a wasted one. As one Minneapolis youth puts it, "If the Capri Theater wasn't there, I don't think I'd be alive right now."

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## Keep Football Fans Cheering With Change-of-Pace Dips

Football season is a great time to take a dip... to the living room, family room or wherever armchair athletes gather to watch the game. Armed with chips and vegetable dippers, they can dip, dunk and munch as they please without missing a bit of the action.

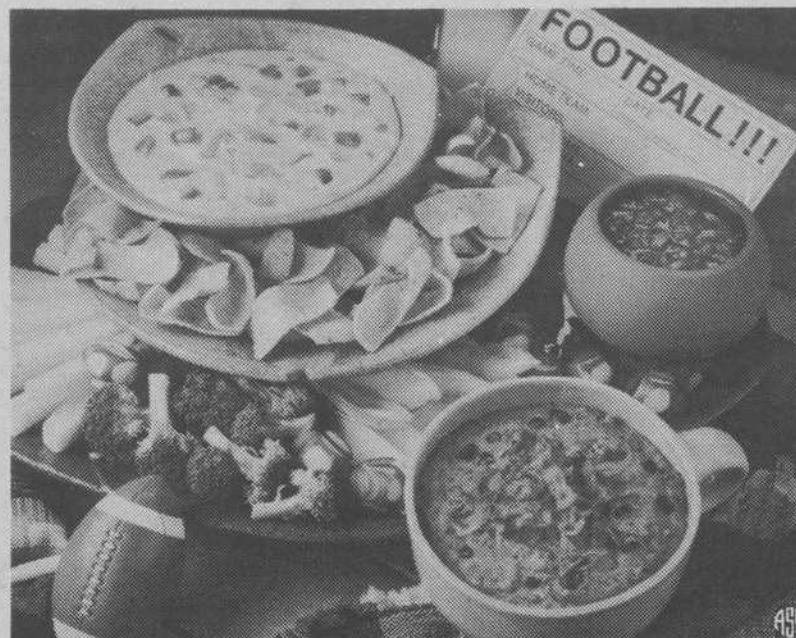
This fall, fuel football fans with two fast and far-from-ho-hum dips created by PACE® picante sauce home economists. Great served hot or at room temperature, both dips take their garden-fresh flavor and spicy jalapeno "heat" from versatile PACE® picante sauce, in the cook's choice of mild, medium or hot.

Black Bean-Bacon Dip is a crowd-pleasing blend of beans, bacon, garlic, cream cheese and picante sauce that's especially good with vegetable dippers such as carrots and bell peppers. Crabby Con Queso is a richly flavored mix of cheese, veggies, picante sauce and imitation crab meat that tastes great with tortilla chips.

Expecting a crowd? No problem! Both recipes are easily doubled.

### Black Bean-Bacon Dip

- 6 slices bacon, diced
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 can (16 ounces) black beans, drained
- 2/3 cup PACE® picante sauce
- 1-1/2 ounces cream cheese, cubed
- 1-1/2 teaspoons cumin
- Chopped cilantro



Cook bacon in skillet until crisp; remove and reserve. Pour off all but 1 tablespoon drippings. Add onion and garlic; cook until tender. Transfer to food processor; add beans and process until smooth. Return to skillet; add remaining ingredients. Cook until cheese melts; stir in bacon. Sprinkle with cilantro to serve. Makes 1-3/4 cups.

### Crabby Con Queso

- 3/4 cup chopped onion
- 3/4 cup chopped green pepper

- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1/2 cup PACE® picante sauce
- 1/2 pound process cheese spread, cubed
- 1/4 pound imitation crab meat, finely shredded
- 1/2 cup chopped tomato

Saute onion, green pepper and garlic in oil until tender. Add picante sauce and cheese; cook and stir until cheese melts. Stir in crab and tomato. Makes 2 cups.

## Senate Confirms Second Black Woman To EEOC Commission

By Chester A Higgins, Sr.  
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Washington, D.C. — The United States Senate this month unanimously confirmed U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commissioner Joyce E. Tucker to the Commission.

The Black, 42-year-old Chicago lawyer joined the Commission in 1990 to fill a vacancy

created when then EEOC Chairperson Clarence Thomas who was in his second term, was nominated to the U.S. district for nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court. A native of the Windy City, Ms. Tucker was the first Black director of the Illinois State Department of Human Rights, a post she held for ten years. Incidentally, she is only the sec-

ond Black woman to serve on the EEOC. Eleanor Holmes Norton, who chaired the commission from May 27, 1977 to Feb. 21, 1981, was the Commission's first African-American female.

The new commissioner was the first Black woman in Illinois to be confirmed to a cabinet post by the State Senate, in June, 1980. She had served in Illinois State government since 1971.

Ms. Tucker is the fifth member of the Commission. The others: Chairman Evan J. Kemp, Jr.; Vice Chairman R. Gaull Silberman, and members Joy Sherian, born in Cochin, Kerala, India, and Tony E. Gallegos, a native of Montrose, Co.

Married to Chicago advertising executive Dwight Jones, she is a graduate of John Marshall Law School. Her EEOC term expired July 1, 1996.

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