

WORKSHOP

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Church March 27 was an enormous success. Over 1500 supported our area youth in the "Choirs Concert." Internationally renowned Gospel director O'Landa Draper was presented with a proclamation and the key to the city by City Councilman Ken Brass for his unselfish efforts to support and direct over 30 area youth in such a positive manner.

Jocelyn Oats workshop coordinator, gives thanks to Pastor A.J. Thompson, and Victory Baptist Church for supporting the vision, and to the administrative staff and the 30 area churches for their support and to the choir. "Hope you had a wonderful time, you all performed beautifully. See ya next year," she said.

In addition, Victory Baptist will be holding an educational workshop April 8-9. For more information call 648-2286.

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features images and profiles of distinguished 19th century African American figures. Reference manager by Research Information Systems is also great for researchers and scholars. Reference Manager is considered one of the world's best bibliographic software.

Remark Office: Office Mark Reading (Principia) is ideal for educators, marketers and researchers. It even grades tests, quizzes, and produces statistics. Ethnic News Watch CD-ROM (SoftLine Information) should be in every high school, college and public library. If you don't think community ethnic newspapers are newsworthy, take a look at Ethnic NewsWatch.

Compton's interactive Encyclopedia (\$395) is a must. With a great slide show, it is super CD-ROM designed for students of all ages. By the way, just as we were going to press, Compton lowered it's retail price to \$149.95.

If you can drag and drop an icon, you can create a list of the contents of your home or office by using value Vision by Fusion Software. Take it from this guy in earthquake prone California, it is a good idea to know what is what and where it is when you need it!

The New Grolier Multimedia Encyclopedia (\$395). With 33,000 thoroughly researched and up-to-date articles on science, World History, Music, Art and much more, this CD-ROM is an essential reference. The job hunting process could be simplified with a software product called First Impulse!, Student Edition by International Solutions.

I am inclined to agree with officials of Pro CD when they say that "Pro CD has forever changed the way businesses and individuals access and use telephone directory information." Pro CD offers three national phone directory resources on CD-ROM - businesses and personal. Pro CD updates the discs quarterly.

I received Automap Road Atlas 3.0 (Automap, Inc.) in mid December, loaded it in my computer and drove with my family from California to Virginia for Christmas. Need I say more?

It seems to me that Atlas GIS (geographic information system) by Strategic Mapping, would be a welcomed source of information and graphics for publishers, researchers and business marketing reps. Version 1.1 lists for \$395. To upgrade from an earlier version is \$49.95.

FormTool Gold 1.0 includes 50 pre-designed forms such as invoices, purchase orders, packing slips, planners and calendars. Business departments, big and small, looking to enhance their services should start with FormTools Gold.

Want to create a map, try Visio 2.0. Want to create a chart, try Visio 2.0. Want to make some diagrams, try Visio 2.0. For \$299 (\$129 for a limited time), it is perhaps the perfect tool for users who need to quickly produce quality drawings. In fact, the other day my eight year old daughter and I designed her ideal study room and office.

(End of Part 3. In Part 4, we look at spreadsheets, accounting programs, more PIMs, etc. and some hardware).

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LAS VEGAS

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growing U.S. cities over 100,000 population are in the West, five are in the South and one is in the Midwest.

Forty-five cities with populations over 100,000 lost population between 1990 and 1992. Six of the 10 most rapidly declining U.S. cities over 100,000 are in New England, including Hartford, CT, which experienced the most rapid decline during the period (-5.5 percent), New Haven, CT (-5.0 percent), Boston, MA (-3.9 percent), Worcester, MA (-3.7 percent), and Provi-

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Ga., Geraldine Nicholson of Hackensack, N.J., and Valerie Bagnol of New York, all National

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Representative Charles B. Rangel (D-NY), before accepting a position as a congressional relations officer in 1989, a position he held until his current appointment. Hawkins holds a B.S. degree in political science from Howard University.

dence, RI and Bridgeport, CT (each -3.3 percent). St. Louis, MO (-3.3 percent) is the only Midwestern city on the list, which also includes Norfolk, VA (-2.9 percent) and Washington, DC (-3.6 percent) from the South and Newark, NJ (-2.7 percent) from the Northeast.

New York City, with an estimated 1992 population of 7,311,966, remains the largest city in the nation despite a population loss of 10,598 between April 1, 1990 and July 1, 1992. Los Angeles (3,489,779), retains second place with a slight in-

crease. Our third largest city, Chicago (2,768,483), declined by 15,243 since 1990.

Houston (1,690,180), which grew by 59,627 during the 1990-92 period, maintained it's rank as fourth largest city. Philadelphia (1,552,572) dropped by 33,005 and stayed at fifth place.

San Diego (1,148,851) remained in sixth with a 38,302 increase. Dallas (1,022,497) moved up to the seventh slot with a small increase, and Phoenix (1,012,230) gained 28,827 to move up to eighth. Detroit (1,012,110) declined by 15,864 and dropped from seventh.

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