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they do their jobs.

Instead, its very creation and highly publicized dissemination would place heightened pressure on police departments to treat all citizens with the respect they deserve by providing the police — and judges, police review boards, citizens and the press — with a uniform frame of reference for appraising police behavior.

Domestic tranquility demands that we de-escalate the volatile and all-too-often violent tensions between police and minorities. Having charted the right course on race relations during his re-election campaign, we urge President Clinton to lead us on the path to a more cohesive and tranquil America.

Basketball

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Robbie Cole, Lucas LeCour and Corey Kauffman added 22, 17 and 14 points, respectively for the Wildcats. "We didn't look to our strength — our inside game," admitted Bohls, Western's head coach, after the loss. "They have very athletic players and they use them."

Durango stopped Chaparral 75-48; Clark held off Rancho 55-51; Valley defeated Bonanza 67-46; Silverado beat Eldorado 78-59; Cimarron-Memorial trounced Basic 62-43; Cheyenne defeated Vo-Tech 68-47 and Bishop Gorman beat Virgin Valley 76-61 Monday, then held on to defeat Green Valley 67-58 Tuesday.

MAMA'S BOYZ by JERRY CRAFT



Simpson

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of his two youngest children 60 miles away in an orange County court.

During testimony this week a domestic violence counselor told the jury that Nicole Simpson called the center for help saying her husband had threatened to kill her if she ever slept with another man. On Tuesday, Simpson's friend Al Cowlings testified he drove Nicole Simpson to the hospital in 1989

after O.J. Simpson hit her during another fight. Simpson had earlier said he'd never hit his wife.

The former football star's supporters remain undaunted.

"We are not getting a fair shake in the criminal justice system," noted civil rights attorney Leo Terrell. "It is stacked against us."

"Here's a man," Terrell said while pointing at Simpson who was sitting next to the podium,

"who played by the rules, did everything right. Thank God he had the resources that enabled him to create a level playing field and he was acquitted. O.J. Simpson is the only man in America who at the same time is fighting for his kids in Orange County and defending himself in a wrongful death suit in Santa Monica."

Terrell chastised the news media during his remarks. "The media has done everything to try to destroy this man. Some have done it while at the same time, profiting at his expense," he said. "I won't mention their names. Gerald! (Charles) Grodin!"

Rivera and Grodin appear on daily talk show broadcast on the fledgling CNBC cable television network. Since the June 1994 murders the two hosts have aired over 500 programs just on Simpson, compared to less than five on CIA/crack cocaine distribution in Black communities to raise funds for the Contras in Nicaragua.

As one of the invited speakers to the event, I informed the audience that I had received two death threats for agreeing to speak. I reminded the guests

that the loss of freedom is not always physical, it is often mental. Some people aren't free because they are concerned about the names they call us. But if you're free, you live by that old African proverb: "It's not what you call me, it's what I answer to."

Vernoy Thompson, local business man and former president of the Compton NAACP brought the 300-plus crowd to its feet when he said. "The system has got to learn one thing, we stick by our own. No one tells us who to love. No one tells us who to support."

"A man came in my office the other day," Dr. Thompson continued, "and saw the flyers all over the place, and he said, 'You know, if you support O.J. these white folks will cut you off. I replied, 'But Uncle Tom ... I support O.J. not yesterday, not today, but tomorrow and forever.'"

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