

NEWS CLIPS

GEORGIA'S BLACK CHAMBER URGES BOYCOTT OF FLOWERS INDUSTRIES

One of affirmative action's leading opponents in Georgia, Southeastern Legal Foundation, is being funded by a large food manufacturer. "Through extensive research, we have found some interesting facts about one of SLF's founding members and its largest contributor, Flowers Industries," said Lou Walker, president of the Georgia Black Chamber of Commerce, after he and Rep. Billy McKinney uncovered the information. Flowers Industries, Inc., located in Thomasville, Ga., distributes baked, frozen and snack foods nationwide with several outlet stores around the metro Atlanta area. Flowers Bakery products include Roman Meal, Nature's Own, Sunbeam and Cobblestone Mill breads. "When you buy one of Mrs. Smith's delectable pies, you should know that you are supporting Flowers Industries," Walker said. "Flowers Industries also owns controlling interest in the Keebler cookie empire." Walker says that the attempt to abolish affirmative action is a serious problem for all business owners of color. "This is a re-enactment of the sixties," he said. "We must go back to the streets with the rallies and most importantly the marches and the picketing that made an impact."

NATIONAL BLACK UNITED FRONT'S ANNUAL CONVENTION STARTS TODAY

The National Black United Black Front began its annual national convention today in Kansas City, Mo. under the theme of "Economic Liberation For the Black Nation." "Over the last 20 years, we have had a variety of convention themes addressing various critical issues impacting on the African community in America," said Dr. Conrad Worrill, national chairman of the NBUF. "However, we have never addressed, as a convention concentration, the question of economics and the Black Liberation Movement. The question of finding economic solutions for African people in America and financing our independent Black institutions and organizations remains a serious and critical challenge ... as we enter the 21st century." There will be six workshops facilitated by economic industry insiders and numerous other convention activities. Those interested can call (708) 389-9929 or e-mail: nbufchi@allways.net.

NEW YORK HEBREW ISRAELITES WIN SETTLEMENT AGAINST GIULIANI

The Hebrew Israelites, a religious group, was recently awarded a \$54,000 settlement against New York Mayor Giuliani's administration for violation of its First Amendment rights. New York Civil Liberties Union filed the suit on behalf of the Israelites. "We believe the city settled this case for this extraordinary amount of money in an effort to shield Mayor Giuliani from what undoubtedly would have been embarrassing revelations about the mayor's use of the Police Department to banish speech he found offensive," said Christopher Dunn, a NYCLU staff attorney. The Israelites, who have been preaching in Time Square for two decades, were issued a "no amplifiers allowed" decree in November 1998 by the New York Police Department. The NYCLU represented the group in an initial court appearance. However, Giuliani quickly reversed the decision and reinstated the permit to assemble in Time Square. But, two weeks later the police revoked their permit again saying they were under orders of the mayor.

HOWARD UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL NAMED AMONG NATION'S BEST

U.S. News & World Report's 10th Annual Guide to "America's Best Hospitals" listed Howard University Hospital among its top 50 facilities in the areas of rheumatology and hormonal disorders. "We are extremely proud of the excellent medical services delivered in these two areas, which are reflective of the overall quality of care," said HU President H. Patrick Swygert. "Howard Hospital has delivered excellent health care since 1862, and in doing so has clearly distinguished itself as a pioneer in research, an innovator in the delivery of medical services, and a champion of community health care initiatives."

Program celebrates efforts to plant good in children

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Sentinel-Voice

More than 200 children poured into Charles I. West Middle School recently to celebrate National Weed and Seed Community Appreciation Week, hosted by the city's Neighborhood Services Department, and to kick off the Weed and Seed camp.

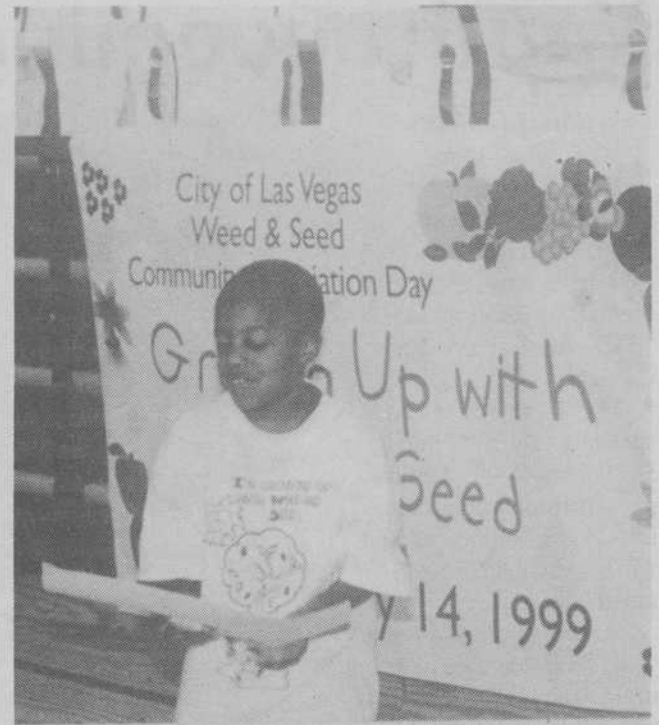
"We are having a great time," Neighborhood Services Sharon Segerblom said, standing among throngs of children enjoying music, snacks, face painting and drawing art. "This is a fun summer for the kids."

Youth from the West and Stupak community centers teamed up for the assembly-style event and distributed T-shirts and commemorative seeds and pots.

The camp offers football, basketball, soccer, volleyball, floor hockey and other sports from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each weekday. The cost is \$13 per week. An early-late bird program from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. costs an additional \$5.

"The staff is fun and we play games and go on field trips," said 12 year-old Quinton Mason who took first place in the art competition.

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LV Sentinel-Voice photo by Ramon Savoy

A young Weed and Seed camper takes his picture back.

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Snowden of the West Las Vegas Community Development Corporation.

"Those signs are a clear demonstration of people's complete disregard of African-American's humanity. ... These people who created these signs, I don't care if they are black, they can't possibly live in West Las Vegas and they don't represent the Westside."

Vaughn Taylor, HIV prevention specialist for Aid for AIDS of Nevada and acting executive director of F.A.C.T. thinks the billboards are worthwhile.

"While rather alarming, the message is accurate," he said.

"Maybe it's because African-Americans are marginalized, we're afraid to

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—Morse Arberry

confront issues. I know this: I don't want to see my people die because some people are uncomfortable with these facts."

The group decided the signs needed a contact number—a city government number.

"The phone number is to a city office, and it shouldn't be there. The city has nothing to do with F.A.C.T.," said Assemblyman Morse Arberry, a city employee and F.A.C.T. member. "I was in Carson City when all of this was being decided ... I'm not

against any awareness campaign, but I told everyone that those signs were offensive ... It was also rushed. It needs to be done right."

F.A.C.T. member Michael Chambliss, a senior city planner, declined comment until after business hours.

"I am working here at the city now. F.A.C.T. is not a city project. I can't take any time of the city's and I can't make any comments while working," he said.

Clark County Commissioner Yvonne Atkinson-

Gates unveiled the billboards at the group's June 21 intervention program.

A Gates staffer said the commissioner is a member of F.A.C.T., but was not on the sign-creating committee. Atkinson-Gates could not be reached for comment.

The Sentinel-Voice attempted to obtain a list of the other committee members, but neither Taylor, Nixon, Atkinson-Gates' office, Arberry or Chambliss could provide one.

Assemblyman Wendell Williams is not a member of F.A.C.T., but participated in the signs' unveiling said, "I speculated that people would read into it differently."

The message is strong, ... but I hope that this controversy alerts us to look at the real problem, which is AIDS in our community."

Tech Rec

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McCall and co-owner/Vice-President of Operations and Program Development, Regina Brandon said that the most difficult issue running a program such as this is the tremendous cost.

"It's not just about computers," said Brandon. "We're expanding their (the children's) horizons. For instance, in August, we're taking them to Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science Research Center in Los Angeles."

The Tech Recs meet on Mondays from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tech tots get together on Saturdays from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

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