

More black patients turning to usavemed.com

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Winnipeg, Canada—With health care costs rising, employees, employers and the unemployed are increasingly unable to afford medical coverage. As a result, more than 4 million African-Americans do not have any health insurance (one in five blacks is uninsured.) This has serious consequences for our community.

The inability to afford medical coverage has forced millions of Americans to look for alternatives. Many have turned to Canadian Pharmacies to fill their prescriptions. Because of cheaper Canadian prices, they have found that they can save anywhere from

20 percent to 80 percent on their medications.

Canadian Pharmacies however have not made their services directly known to the African-American community.

That is where UsaveMeds comes into play. UsaveMeds is just like your neighborhood pharmacy except it is located in Canada. Confused? UsaveMeds.com is a fully Canadian owned and operated International Pharmacy, appropriately licensed to sell a variety of prescription and non-prescription medications at substantial savings to its clients.

Kevin Manswell, a co-founder of UsaveMeds.com

saw an opportunity to help his fellow blacks south of the Canadian border. From various published medical surveys, he found that African-Americans were at a high risk for such diseases as Diabetes, Hypertension, Prostate Cancer, Coronary Heart Disease and many other medical ailments. What was, even more startling to Manswell was that African-Americans were uninsured at one and a half times the rate of their white counterparts. Through UsaveMeds, Manswell believes that a great service could be provided to the uninsured, underinsured and seniors in the African-American community.

"Prescription and non-prescription medications cost less in Canada for two basic reasons," Manswell says. "First the Canadian government regulates prescription drug prices. Secondly, the U.S. dollar is worth more than the Canadian dollar. This means that all Americans, and in particular African Americans, are able to make substantial savings by ordering

from Usavemed.com."

Manswell's most common questions: Is it Safe? Is it Legal? Yes, and yes, he says.

The Canadian government has very strict requirements for the manufacturing of medication.

"Some of the drugs sold in Canada are actually manufactured in the U.S. and re-packaged for sale in Canada," he said.

Americans are allowed to import up to a 3-month supply of each of their medications for personal use at one time. Orders are verified by licensed Canadian physicians and pharmacists and then shipped to the customer's home. UsaveMeds is located in Winnipeg, Canada. Those interested can call 1-866-481-3072, or check their web site at www.usavemed.com

Miami Beach has big party weekend

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For four days and three nights, hip-hop parties raged at South Beach's pool decks and nightclubs as sightings of hip-hop music's biggest stars — such as Wyclef Jean, Ja Rule and Cam'ron — were as common on the streets as under dance hall lights.

Memorial Day weekend's hip-hop revelers said goodbye to Miami Beach on Monday, but many promised to return next year. Same time. Same place.

"It just doesn't go to sleep out here. There's constantly something to do," said Travis Titus, 20, from Jacksonville, who spent evenings lounging on the blue-lit front porch of the Marlin Hotel, watching a parade of decked-out Hummers and Cadillac Escalades roll past. "I'll be back next year, definitely."

Police estimate 200,000-plus hip-hop fans attended this year's festivities. Officials declared the event a success despite a large number of arrests and a gunfight that broke out early Monday in the middle of Collins Avenue

that left one man slightly wounded and sent bystanders scurrying for cover behind cars and trees.

The majority of visitors simply wanted to have a good time. Increased police presence appeared to, for the most part, make sure that happened — from the tame to the obscene.

"I'm partied out," said Carla Scott, 31, from Baltimore. "South Beach is definitely the place to be. Whatever you do in South Beach stays in South Beach. You wanna flash the cabbies? Nobody will tell."

Police revised their arrest figures Monday, showing the total so far at 216, surpassing the 148 from last Memorial Day weekend and the 211 arrests in 2001.

Of this year's arrests, 43 were for felonies including gun and drug possession and aggravated assault.

The rest were misdemeanors, many for disorderly conduct and drinking in public. One person was arrested for playing the car radio too loud.

On a typical weekend in

Miami Beach, about 100 people are arrested.

By comparison, 169 people were arrested during Winter Music Conference this year, '99 during Winter Party and 89 on New Year's Eve weekend. One reason there were so many arrests this year was the number of police out, City Manager Jorge Gonzalez said. Police stepped up their presence to 510 officers working back-to-back 12-hour shifts, the largest recent mobilization.

Despite the arrests, officials say this year's event was a far cry from Memorial Day weekend 2001, when hundreds of thousands of hip-hop fans attracted by hype on Internet chat rooms came to South Beach en masse for the first time, overwhelming police who were admittedly caught off guard.

Mayor David Dermer said the weekend was a financial boon to Beach hotels and nightclubs.

"From the economics of it, certainly the nightlife industry made good money," Dermer said.

Grave

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Sylvia Delgado, a Lancaster woman whose parents are buried in the cemetery—her mother since 1959 and father since 2001—said maintenance has improved in the last few years. While many monuments bore visible decay and some areas needed mowing, a maintenance worker labored at that task on a riding mower.

"We have had some vandalism, such as flowers stolen from the graves," said Delgado. "But I think they're trying to make it appear nicer."

Delgado and others said they didn't know of any bodies being paved over at Oakland Cemetery.

But the same cannot be said for a pauper's cemetery behind Oakland.

After some residents raised questions in 2000 over whether parts of Opportunity Park

and People's Baptist Church on Pine Street were built on graves, the city hired an archaeologist to check.

Alan Skinner determined that no graves were under the church or park but said there could be some south of Pine Street in an undeveloped area.

"I'll take his word for it, but it still seems very odd indeed that the city and county pauper cemetery was not used to its fullest extent," said Davidson. "I mean, Freedman's was so full that they occasionally and inadvertently stacked burials two and three deep."

Arnold said he's certain Skinner was right.

"If he says there are no graves there, there are no graves there," said Arnold. "There might be some that back up to the church, but not under it."

Kevin J. Shay writes for *The Dallas Examiner*.

India

(Continued from Page 18) and a turn-over of \$1.5 billion.

International Monetary Fund Resident Representative Mark Ellyne described the development as a good sign for the Zambian copper sector and a positive sign for the Zambian economy.

Zambia's economy faced ruin after Anglo suspended its \$1 billion plan to develop Konkola, citing high production costs and low copper prices. Copper and cobalt exports account for about 88 percent of Zambia's foreign exchange receipts.

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PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE	Time: 2:00 p.m. Date: Wednesday June 4, 2003 Location: Howard Cannon Center Conference Room, 340 N. 11th Street, Las Vegas, NV 89101
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