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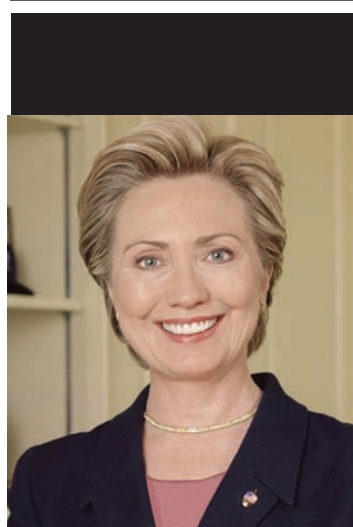


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Older Women Were and Are Katrina's Worst Casualty

By Margaret M. Gullette

Special to the NNPA from Women's eNews

Amid all the devastations of Katrina, what group was most vulnerable? If you followed the news compassionately, you might say, "the poor," "African-Americans," "women of color." The best answer is actually "old."

Older New Orleanians were most at risk by being also predominantly poor, female, African-American, and (sometimes) weak, ill or institutionalized. They couldn't crawl out on roofs or set off on highways alone with their backpacks.

It's not that news didn't cover this. We know that dozens of helpless people in one nursing home died, and a hospital is being investigated for euthanasia. As the Houston Chronicle noted, Katrina was "one of the worst medical catastrophes for the aged in recent U.S. history."

"The elderly and critically ill plummeted to the bottom of priority lists as calamity engulfed New Orleans," said a Sept. 19 New York Times article by David Rohde, et al. Older people "had special needs neglected by disaster workers. In New Orleans, some seniors died from dehydration even as they were being bused to safety," reported Nancy Weaver Teichert in the Sacramento Bee.

Even emergency workers may not know that dehydration comes faster in elderly people and is harder to reverse.



"Most Katrina Victims were Elderly," the Washington Post headlined Oct. 24. Yet there in the media is that unwillingness to use the word "old" or to conclude that this catastrophe is about old people. The information was available but the focus was missing. In a "Frontline" Nov. 22 special report, Martin Smith reported that the "vast majority" of the 1,300 people who died in New Orleans were old. But that shocking statistic claimed only one sentence's worth of attention in an hour-long show.

Aside from "old," the other missing keyword is "women." Women live longer than men and tend to wind

up widowed, alone or in nursing homes. They are poorer than men. Almost 25 percent of women over 65 in New Orleans were poor, double the national average, according to the Washington-based Older Women's League. Were women a vast majority of those who died? Were most elderly evacuees female? Were most women of color? Check hurricane coverage in the media archives under keywords like "elderly" and "women" and you don't come up with much.

But while you can't get to the bottom of the story, you can certainly collect the evidence that older women bore the brunt. Newspaper stories about Katrina that have anything about old people, missing people, unclaimed dead or bodies recently found mostly refer to old women.

Neglect of age continues in the "aftermath" stories. Reporters have been investigating conditions of prisoners and asking teen evacuees about their "unique" problems. What about the unique problems of frail, sick and old evacuees from the drowned city? Are they homesick, lonely, suffering from post-traumatic stress?

Did they have any Thanksgiving? What happened to the mothers and grandmothers? I keep thinking of a photo I saw in the Boston Globe of an elderly woman lying on a baggage remover at an airport. Has she moved on? And to what kind of life? Ah, the disconnects. Here in the real world, elderly

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## STATE &amp; LOCAL NEWS

# Louisiana invests \$195 million to help families rebuild

## State-backed bond programs created in housing agency

Baton Rouge, La. – In one of many efforts to address the housing crisis caused by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, Governor Kathleen Babineaux Blanco and the Louisiana Housing Finance Agency (LHFA) today announced new programs in an effort to bring Louisiana families home. Through executive orders, Governor Blanco has directed the LHFA to dedicate \$195 million of bond funds to promote homeownership for displaced citizens and to finance the repair and construction of affordable rental housing.

In partnership with the Louisiana Legislative Black Caucus and legislators from the hurricane impacted areas, Governor Blanco signed Executive Order No. KBB 2005-86 that will make \$100 million available for loans to approximately 2,000 homeowners for repairs or rehabilitation of owner-occupied homes.

To complement the loan program, Governor Blanco has



also directed LHFA president Helena Cunningham to work with federal housing and mortgage agencies to develop creative and innovative ways to lend struggling homeowners money for repair and building.

The second executive order (No. KBB 2005-87) will help restore the rental housing stock devastated by the storms. The order directs the LHFA to use \$95 million in bond money to finance the repair and construction of affordable rental housing.

"We are dedicated to ensuring that these areas have affordable

rental housing," Governor Blanco said. "The program will help property owners repair and build affordable rental units. This will create or rehabilitate approximately 18-hundred

affordable housing units." "The bottom line is this: Decent, affordable housing is essential to Louisiana's recovery," Governor Blanco said. "That's why I'm hopeful that today's action will be

a significant step in the restoration of our people, our families, and their communities."

For more information about the programs, contact the Louisiana Housing Finance Agency at 225.763.8700.

## Judge Grants Restraining Order In Discrimination Lawsuit Against City Of Denham Springs

On December 12, 2005, Judge Tyson granted a temporary restraining order against the City of Denham Springs. The order restrains and enjoins the City of Denham Springs from seeking to stop Options Foundation, Inc. (Options) from continuing to operate its group home in the City. The Judge further set the preliminary injunction hearing for December 22, 2005.

The order is a result of a lawsuit filed on the same day by the Greater New Orleans Fair Housing Action Center (GNOFHAC), on behalf of Options, against the City of Denham Springs in Federal Court. The suit alleges that the City's refusal to allow use of a property as a residence for individuals with mental illness violates the requirements of the federal Fair Housing Act and Americans with Disabilities Act. The suit requests a temporary restraining order and/or preliminary injunction and permanent injunction to prevent the City from preventing the continued use of a Denham Springs property as a group home and from evicting its residents. The suit further requests permanent enjoinder of discrimination by the City, against Options.

Options opened the group home after Hurricane Katrina in an attempt to assist a group of Hurricane evacuees who have mental illnesses and who were forced to evacuate their New Orleans group home. Options chose the property in question because it had previously been used as a halfway house until May of 2005 and would likely meet their goal to provide housing to individuals with disabilities in a community setting.

James Perry, GNOFHAC Executive Director comments, "This is but the first step in our push to insure fair housing choice for tenants at the Options group home. We are hopeful that this early victory is an indicator of things to come."



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NATIONAL NEWS

Activists Vow to Continue's Tookie's Legacy

By. Olu Alemoru



LOS ANGELES — (NNPA) Community activists and supporters condemned Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger following the execution of death row inmate Stanley "Tookie" Williams but nevertheless called for calm and vowed to continue his "legacy" to

end gang violence. Williams, 51, a co-founder of the notorious Crips street gang, was executed by lethal injection last week for the 1979 robbery-murders of four people in the Southland. The execution went ahead

as scheduled following Schwarzenegger's decision to deny clemency Monday. In his statement, the governor declared William's guilt to be overwhelming. "The possible irregularities in Williams' trial have been thoroughly and carefully reviewed by the courts, and there is no reason to disturb the judicial decisions that uphold the jury's decisions that he is guilty of these four murders and should pay for [them with] his life," he wrote. Authorities began the process to administer the lethal injection at 12:01 a.m. in the execution chamber at San Quentin State Prison near San Francisco. His death was announced 34 minutes later. Seventeen reporters witnessed the execution and gave their accounts afterward. Los Angeles Times columnist

Steve Lopez said Williams offered "no resistance" but raised his head several times and looked toward his supporters and the press gallery. "I feel pained by the governor's decision to choose revenge over redemption," said the Rev. Jesse Jackson, speaking outside the gates of the prison with other demonstrators. Local activist Najee Ali said he was not surprised by the outcome and accused Schwarzenegger of playing politics. "If anyone was worthy of clemency it was Stanley 'Tookie' Williams," Ali said. "We believe this was a political decision all the way and it's very disheartening for the many advocates who have worked on this campaign from day one. But we are going to continue Tookie's message of redemption, his message of being a force and a voice against gangs and gang violence." Williams was convicted of murdering four people during two separate robberies in 1979. They included 23-year-old Albert Owens, a clerk at a Pico Rivera 7-

Eleven, and motel owners Yen-I Yang, 76, his wife, Tsa-Shai Yang, 63, and their visiting daughter, Yee-Chen Lin, 43. "I'm glad that now we can say that the court system has worked and justice has been served," said Lora Owens, stepmother of Albert who witnessed the execution. In both slayings, according to court documents, there were no witnesses other than Williams' accomplices. Three of Williams' friends — all with criminal histories and motivation to lie, according to Williams and his supporters — testified that he confessed to them. William's case set off intense debate over capital punishment and redemption, with celebrities, activists and anti-death penalty advocates saying his initiatives and anti-gang message from behind bars meant his life was worth saving. He authored a series of books and won international renown when he was nominated on several occasions for both Nobel Peace and Literature Prizes.

Not having people like this would've been an even greater disaster.



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Morgan Freeman calls Black History Month 'ridiculous'

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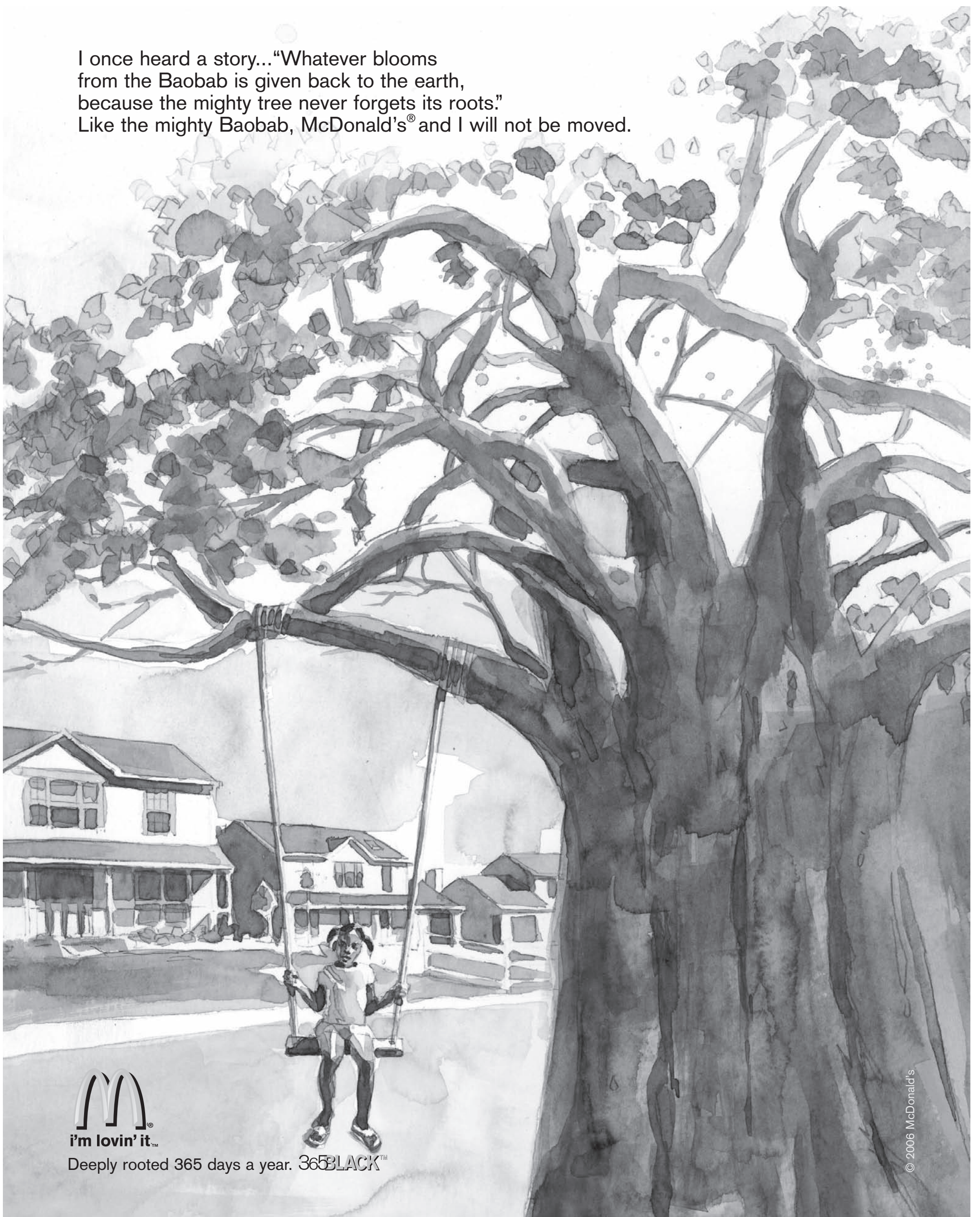


M o r g a n Freeman says the concept of a month dedicated to Black history is "ridiculous." "You're going to relegate my history to a month?" the 68-year-old actor says in an interview on CBS' "60 Minutes" Sunday. "I don't want a Black Month. Black history is American history." Black History Month has roots in historian Carter G. Woodson's Negro History Week, which he designated in 1926 as the second week in February to mark the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln. Woodson said he hoped the week could one day be eliminated - when Black history would become

fundamental to American history. Freeman notes there is no "White history month," and says the only way to get rid of racism is to "stop talking about it." The actor says he believes the labels "black" and "white" are an obstacle to beating racism. "I am going to stop calling you a white man and I'm going to ask you to stop calling me a black man," Freeman says. Freeman received Oscar nominations for his roles in 1987's "Street Smart," 1989's "Driving Miss Daisy" and 1994's "The Shawshank Redemption." He finally won earlier this year for "Million Dollar Baby."



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# Comedian Lauds Richard Pryor's Impact

By. Betty Pleasant

Special to the NNPA from WAVE Newspapers

LOS ANGELES (NNPA) —In an exclusive interview with the Wave newspaper, comedian Dave Chappelle commented upon how the late comedic icon, Richard Pryor impacted his career in the entertainment industry. "If it wasn't for him, I don't know what my life would have been," said the 33-year-old comedian best known for his cable show, Comedy Central's "Chappelle's Show." "I used to listen to Richard Pryor when I was young but I didn't understand the depth of what he was doing. But that changed as I got older." To many, Chappelle is Pryor's logical successor. "I wouldn't presume to consider myself the keeper of his legacy, as some people are trying to claim," said Chappelle, who once inked a \$50 million contract for two more seasons on the cable outlet. "As far as I am concerned, I'm just an apple off of his tree." Other "apples" include actor/comedian Damon Wayans who said: "There are many different kinds of comedians - the observational humorist, the impressionist, the character creator, the physical comedian, the self-deprecator, and the dirty-joke teller. What made Richard Pryor so brilliant is he was able to incorporate all these styles at once." "Richard Pryor was the Rosa Parks of comedy," said Chris Rock in a statement. "He took risks and chances that made it possible

for a whole generation of comics to exist. No one ever rocked the mike like Richard Pryor." More to the point, said comic/actor Bernie Mac: "Without Richard, there would be no me." According to Councilman Herb Wesson, a longtime Pryor fan, there had been discussions prior to his election with Pryor to honor him on his 65th birthday on Dec. 1. Wesson said his Pryor's wife, Jennifer, was "enthusiastic" about it. "I'm waiting for her consent to continue as planned," Wesson said. "My desire it to move forward and designate Friday, Dec. 16 as Richard Pryor Day in the City of Los Angeles." The proclamation motion is being re-written, Wesson said. Richard Franklin Lenox Thomas Pryor was born Dec. 1, 1940 in Peoria, Ill. He grew up in a brothel and was named after pimps. His grandmother was the madam and his mother was a prostitute. His first professional performance came at age 7, when he played drums at a nightclub. Following high school (where he became a father at 14) and two years of Army service (he was discharged from the army for slashing a fellow soldier with a switchblade), he launched his performing career, honing his comedy in bars throughout the United States. By the mid-60s, he was appearing in Las Vegas clubs and on the television shows of Ed Sullivan, Merv Griffin and Johnny Carson. His first film role came with a small part in 1967's "The Busy Body." He made his starring debut as Diana Ross' piano man in 1972's "Lady Sings the Blues." Pryor was fired by one hotel

in Las Vegas for "obscurities" directed at the audience. In 1970, tired of compromising his act, he quit in the middle of another Vegas stage show with the words, "What the (blank) am I doing here?" The audience was left staring at an empty stage. A series of hit comedies and concert films in the '70s and '80s helped make Pryor one of the highest-paid stars in Hollywood, and he was one of the first black performers

claimed the accident was no accident, that he doused himself with cognac and lit a match—the better to rid himself of his demons. A candlelight vigil was held Tuesday night in front of Sunny's Spot, in which the business owner, Finesse Smith, played Pryor's albums and showed the comedian's films on a large television screen throughout that night. "Man, the doors that he opened," Smith said. "He gave a different conscious (to



to have enough leverage to cut his own deals. In 1983, he signed a \$40 million, five-year contract with Columbia Pictures. Pryor's albums netted him five Grammys with the actor earning a Emmy in 1974 for Lily, a comedy-variety television special for Lily Tomlin. He also wrote for Sanford & Son and the Flip Wilson Show. On June 9, 1980, that Pryor ran from his Los Angeles home, a human ball of fire. In initial interviews, with the likes of Barbara Walters, Pryor said the flames were sparked as he freebased cocaine. Later, he

comedy). We wouldn't have the comics that we have now." He married his first bride, Patricia Price, in 1960. He married his fifth bride, Flynn BeLaine in 1986, and again in 1990. He was arrested for shooting third wife Deborah McGuire's Mercedes. (She dropped the charges.) At the end, it was fourth wife, Jennifer, who was his companion. They remarried in 2001. Survivors include seven children, including actress Rain Pryor, who costarred in the 1980s sitcom, Head of the Class.

## STATE &amp; LOCAL NEWS

## State Senator Duplessis To Host U.S. Senators Landrieu And Clinton On Bus Tour Of Eastern New Orleans And The Lower Ninth Ward

(NEW ORLEANS) - State Senator Ann D. Duplessis will host U.S. Senators Mary L. Landrieu, D-La., and U.S. Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., on a bus tour of Eastern New Orleans and the Lower Ninth Ward on Sunday, December 18, 2005. The bus will depart from Lake Forest Plaza, 5700 Read Boulevard at 9:45 a.m.

"It is important that our Washington leaders witness the devastation caused by hurricanes Katrina and Rita first hand," says Senator Duplessis.

Local political leaders scheduled to attend include: State Representatives Austin Badon Jr., Charmaine Marchand, and Arthur Morrell, along with City Council members Oliver Thomas, Cynthia Willard-Lewis, Cynthia Hedge-Morrell and Renee Gill Pratt.

## City Gets Money to Rebuild Levee System



The City of New Orleans secured major funding to rebuild the levee system. President Bush pledged his commitment to secure an additional \$1.5 billion to rebuild stronger levee's protecting New Orleans from the great waters that surround it for a total of \$3.1 billion in funding for the City's recovery.

The additional money will be used to cement the bottom of the levees, close-off the Orleans, London Avenue and 17th Street Canals, allowing pumping stations to send water into the river.

"This is very good news for the citizens of New Orleans and a critical step in bringing our residents home," said Mayor C. Ray Nagin.

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## DA Charges Two in Sewell Cadillac Case

(NEW ORLEANS) Orleans Parish District Attorney Eddie Jordan charged Alroy Allen and Sean Franklin with looting at the Sewell Cadillac dealership. According to police, Allen, a 23-year old bounty hunter for New Orleans Bail Bonds and Franklin, a 40-year old minister and an employee of the State of Louisiana entered the dealership, grabbed a set of car keys and drove off with a 2003 Cadillac Escalade.

Allen and Franklin are the first

to be charged by the Orleans Parish District Attorney's Office for looting at the Cadillac dealership during the chaos that followed Hurricane Katrina. Tomorrow, Jordan will file looting charges against ten others in two unrelated cases.

Allen and Franklin were booked by police with simple burglary, looting, felony theft and possession of stolen property. After careful review of the facts, the DA's office chose to charge

Allen and Franklin with looting.

Looting is a felony offense that carries a penalty of 0 to 15 years in prison and a fine of up to ten thousand dollars.

The Orleans Parish District Attorney's Office has screened more than one thousand cases that resulted in arrest prior and after Hurricane Katrina. Of those cases, 20 involved looting.

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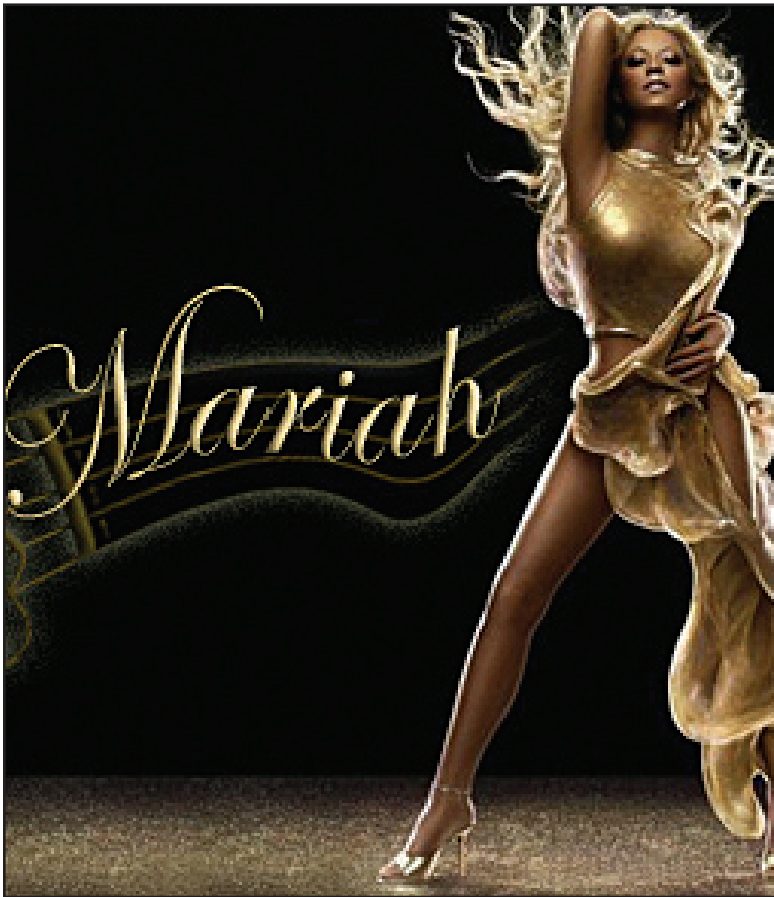


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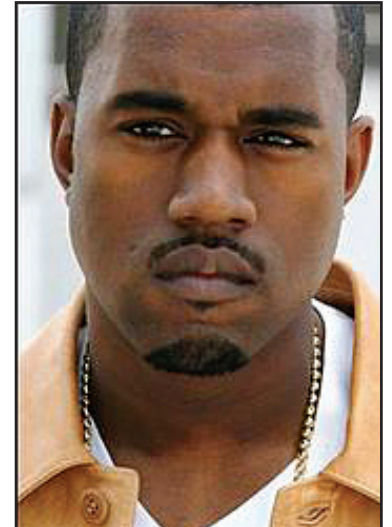


# Grammy nominations: A comeback for Carey

How fickle fame can be. Just four years ago, Mariah Carey's career was on life support, the victim of nose-diving CD sales, a bomb movie (Glitter) and an impatient record label that gave her a \$28 million pink slip.

But Thursday, the New York diva completed her unlikely comeback with eight Grammy nominations, including album of the year, for her hit CD *The Emancipation of Mimi*. The gymnastic-voiced singer also earned nods for song and record of the year, for "We Belong Together."

Rapper Kanye West and R&B newcomer John Legend also got eight nominations, while Houston's Beyoncé Knowles, rapper 50 Cent, Stevie Wonder and the Black Eyed Peas nabbed six nods. U2, Bruce Springsteen, Alicia Keys and Missy Elliott followed with five. Nominees from Dallas-Fort Worth include Kelly Clarkson, Kirk Franklin and the Light Crust Doughboys.



# New Theatre Company Emerges

By Nehemiah Jenkins

As the entertainment industry continues to grow in the state of Louisiana, a new black owned theatre company rise to the occasion as a result of the success of the entertainment industries' growth. The Upstage Theatre Company, Inc. established by founder and director Ava Brewster-Turner, Ph.D. and associate professor in visual and performing arts at Southern University and A&M College. She established Upstage theatre in 2002 while teaching speech and directing theater at the Baton Rouge Community College for five years. Dr. Brewster-Turner financed this venture out of her pocket with the help of her family. The Upstage Theatre Company, Inc. is recognized as the only African-American company in Baton Rouge, La. "Upstage Theatre Company, Inc. is not just 100% about staging and producing plays but teaching theater and developing the crafts of young people who are aspiring actors, playwrights, directors and poets," Dr. Brewster-Turner said.

Upstage Theatre Company, Inc. offers classes in acting, improvisation, communication, playwrighting and also serves as an agent to the members who desire to enter the professional arena. She encourages her students to be independent and strive to own their own business. "We don't see a lot of African-Americans owning theaters, dance companies, and musical ensembles, there are very view that exist." Dr. Brewster-Turner said.

To publicize her theater Dr. Brewster-Turner did radio advertisements and mail outs and emails to various newspapers. Dr. Brewster-Turner knows that the best form of advertisement is a satisfied customer. Therefore she has experienced an increased in membership since the opening production of *Blue Denim* in October. "We are developing a website and we have an email listed along with the newspaper as a form of advertising Upstage." Dr. Brewster-Turner explained

One of Dr. Brewster-Turner's goals for the future is to expand her 65 sit theatre company



to a larger 300 sit facility with classrooms and employ a full-time staff.

Dr. Brewster-Turner earned her B.S. in speech and drama from Grambling State University and her masters in Mass Communication from Southern University in Baton Rouge. Dr. Brewster-Turner received her Ph.D in theater at Louisiana State University.

Dr. Brewster-Turner is driven by Dr. W.E.B. Dubois's manifesto that, "WE should have a theater by us, for us, near us and about us."

Upcoming events includes: "Hold Fast to Dreams: A Salute to Black History" February 10th -12th 2006. April 28th -29th performance in Los Angeles for the Giving Back Foundation salute to legendary African-American actress Ruby Dee. During this trip students will also have the opportunity to audition for several movies and sitcoms.

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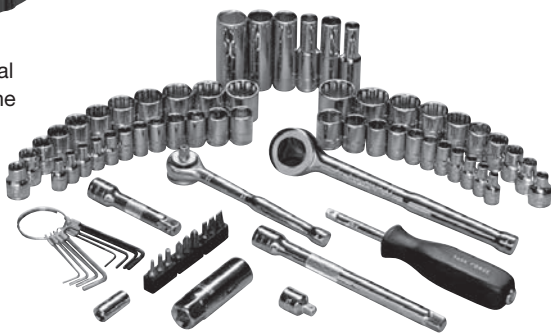
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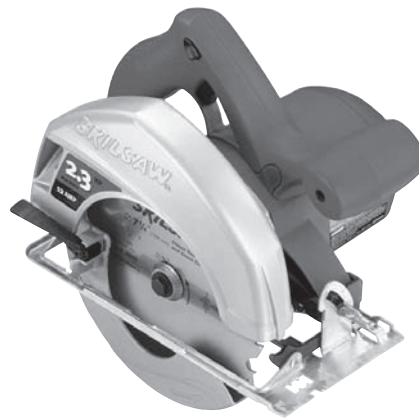
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people—primarily poor women and women of color—were the neediest in a national emergency that took over the news. They were ignored, kept waiting for aid, died alone; somehow they fell to the bottom of priority lists.

A great opportunity now exists for educating the public about the multiple conditions of old age, the later lives of women and the profound sources and alienating effects of ageism. Every member of society benefits from seeing its elderly well treated. But Katrina shows how hard it is for younger people in charge of the story, the social response or the rescue effort to put themselves in the shoes of the vulnerable elderly. That is part of ageism: not hatred but ignorance, indifference and the failure to imagine oneself as older and in need of care.

One way to judge the coverage is to ask how it has changed anything.

Has there been enough attention to the sufferings of our aged to change public opinion and create better laws, rules or agencies for rescuing elderly women and men, especially those trapped in institutions? Has there been enough coverage to change private behavior, so that younger people hesitate next time to leave elderly relatives? Are Americans now likelier to be active on behalf of a collective anti-ageist agenda? Is it crystal clear that old people have as much right to survive as younger people? I don't think so.

Many news sources can be given credit for bringing racism and classism to the fore in Katrina coverage. But the American neglect of age is also shameful. "This is a wake-up call," said frantic social workers and gerontologists in Houston doing triage. But to wake up Americans about age, the alarm clock has to sound much louder than the tinkle provided by the press to date.

The media need to focus on age with a sense of urgency. There's a politics of aging in America. Misrepresentations of the elderly as "greedy geezers" must be challenged. Covering the age beat better will require emphasizing that elders are mainly women without pensions, living on Social Security—women get considerably less than men—and dependent on Medicare. They are, alas, even in dire circumstances invisible.

The Bush budget tried to cut Medicaid even as exhausted and traumatized elders return to New Orleans. Desperate to privatize old age, Wall Street, the business press and many leading Republicans have dogged Social Security for a decade and never give up. If Katrina coverage had done its job, it would have indelibly convinced the most recalcitrant that old age needs to be spared these cruelties. Silence can be fatal; in this disaster and all the ones to come.

# Not Going Back



The Love Dr.  
Data Columnist

Since Katrina, my family and I have decided that we're not going back! It just doesn't make sense and we all agree that going back to nuclear family living is not for us. Our evacuation and return, living together in Algiers, have taught us that we actually like having one another around, and its so convenient and so economical.

My Boo used to fuss about the thermostat settings, but sharing the cost makes it less bothersome to her. She and I, my eldest son and his wife and my mother share a beautiful 3400 square foot two story "Creole Cottage" built in the early '20s. There are enough bath rooms and there is still a room for the nineteen year old when he is home from college, or for guest when he is away. We are not cramped. As a matter of fact the house was beginning to be a bone of contention between Boo and me.

Like many other middle aged families we found ourselves in a large house that accommodated our children very well, but was a lot of living space for "empty nesters". I wanted a smaller home and she loved her big old house. Whenever we talked about it we always agreed to disagree, but all that has changed. Now with the three generations on board life is more interesting and the cost of living has shrunk even as our incomes grow. My son and I both work in the recovery effort and the money is amazing, but more importantly we can both bank much more of it because we live together, but not everyone can do this.

It is interesting, to say the least, that such an opportunity is only available to people who respect one another's feelings, space and property. These things manifest themselves in simple

but essential ways. In our shared spaces, everyone picks up after themselves. This is a change for me, because even as your "love doctor", pre Katrina I have to admit to sometimes leaving plates and glasses where I had finished using them. Not now, as we live together, but I have to admit that my mother or daughter-in-law will often take them before I rise from a meal or snack. I will also tell you when I get up from a meal, If I still have a setting, I pick it up.

My mother is here with us, still pretty spry and independent, and, by choice, our dish washer. She laughs much more now, usually at me, or the grand children, or my oldest son and his wife who are funny as hell, sometimes. Mom has great days, good days, fair days and a few quiet days but she is always near people who love her dearly. I am so very happy to have her share her golden years in a house that her parents might have built (had they been fairly well off white folk), but at least from that period. She is thriving on all the attention.

As we settle into this new groove, life just seems to make more sense. My sensibilities about practical matters are completely satisfied, and Boo has more money to add to the beauty of her beautiful old home (only because she made it beautiful). Now I feel much more comfortable about getting old, to be surrounded by people who love me.

I must also add that my daughter lives a mile away with her husband and our only two grand children. They are here at least three times a week and are very much a part of the clan, and in their home, in his own apartment resides an elder relative. For them, babysitting is never an issue and they have the pickup truck. We be jammin.

That's why we just can't see going back. Suddenly, the idea of paying a whole house note, or electric bill, telephone bill, water bill... seems ridiculously wasteful. Even if we are doing well, no sense paying it all out just to live alone

in our own house. Doesn't sound right anymore, "living alone".

For those of you who are curious about my personal journey since Katrina, be reassured that we have been blessed. I am the leader of a team of one hundred and fifty inspectors and am pretty well paid for the responsibility, and it looks like at least two years work... and then we might not have to. So life is good at the Dennis home on the West bank of New Orleans, but we still grieve for friends and family who are tossed about unable to settle due to uncertainty about storm protection in the future.

As I now write, there is laughter coming from the kitchen, and my mother at seventy six is in the middle, probably laughing the hardest. She herself observed, "You know when I was at my house, I hardly ever laughed". Like many things in modern life, the "nuclear family" style of living has more to do with money, in this case the selling of real estate in post Korean War America that had a GI Bill. The Ozzie & Harriet lifestyle was promoted as normal and desirable at the same time that millions of track houses were built to soak up GI Bill mortgages. I find it amazing that so much of what we do has nothing to do with what is good for us, but a lot to do with what is profitable to others. Such is the power of visual media over human likes and dislikes. So be careful and pay attention to what you watch (especially the commercials).

Extended family living, at least for this house, has become the desired lifestyle only because we were forced to be together by a terrible tragedy. It remains our choice because it feels good and makes a lot of sense, but it is only possible because we respect one another's feelings, space and property, so unfortunately all you selfish, hateful, sneaky, lazy, cheeky, nasty mouth, back biting, lying, cheating or stealing folk better have your own place.

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## OPINION

# Iraq Victory? A Gross Miscalculation Compounded



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Senator John McCain was recently on television relating that in the 1970s he had read the Pentagon Papers (that were courageously pilfered from the Department of Defense by Daniel Ellsberg) saying that they contained evidence from high level sources that there were "gross miscalculations" made in the conduct of the Vietnam war. He also thought that these miscalculations that led to the war were compounded by the post-World War II philosophy of John Kennedy who once said in a speech that, we would "go anywhere, pay any price, bear any burden....." in defense of freedom. The McCain parallel is that the so-called "war on terrorism" is this generation of Neocons's equivalent to the Cold War, or the fight against global communism. But that was a very different fight. The Soviet Union consisted of states with an historically European military style, unsuited to guerilla tactics, as their loss in Afghanistan would signal. Moreover, the Soviet Union was based in part on an approach to economics that could not be sustained because it depended on an ideology, rather than upon objective modern business models and macro-economic fiscal policy and monetary policy. The fall of the Soviet Union and the viability of the communist system was substantially related to these internal flaws, not to the external demand of Ronald Reagan to "tear down the Communist wall." These problems were the targets of reforms that Mikhail Gorbachev attempted too late. So, one of the delusions of the

Neocons is that they "won the war" against communism rather than it fell of its own weight. Then, they compound that delusion of American global might by inventing a new enemy the size and scope of the communist and launch a military confrontation against it, in a proxy war in Iraq. I consider Iraq to be an invented "proxy war" because of the failure to find Osama Bin Laden, the Al Queda leader. So, the Bush administration launched a more expansive "war against terrorism" that has the capacity to incorporate many elements in the Middle East which harbor the seeds of deep historical alienation based on the massive displacement, global embarrassment and the military defeat of the Palestinians since the end of World War II. Then, it seeks to cleanse a conception of Islam that is retrogressive and opposes modernization of the role of women, of political equality among different groups, as essentially a cultural movement with extremist underpinnings. The "insurgents" counter by conducting a guerilla operation with a cultural manifestation they have turned into a popular battle against an anti-Islamic force represented by the United States that gives them an unending supply of regional sympathy active support. Thus, the pursuit of a war against global terrorism in Iraq is a gross miscalculation violating all that America should have learned fighting North Koreans in the 1950s and the Vietcong in the 1960s and 1970s: you cannot win a guerilla war that is fought in a theater where the opposing force has the advantage of manpower and position. In this sense, Operation Desert Storm was "won" by Bush's father only because Saddam Hussein chose to fight it as a convention military war. However, top military

officials have said that there is no military solution to the Iraq war – I would extent that to include the so-called War on Terrorism. The passions of ideology and fidelity to religious culture are some of the most unchangeable aspects of human nature and the attempt to overthrow them by force only invites counter-force. One surprise for me is that although the military officers admit the truth, the present generation of Neocons is perhaps too young to respect the lessons of the revolutionary era of the 1960s and 1970s, when the determination of out-gunned, poor people caused them to withstand confrontations with superior military powers. They either fought to a draw or defeated the French, the British and the Americans in Asia, but also the Belgians and white settler regimes in India, Guinea Bissau and Cape Verde, Angola, Kenya, Zimbabwe, Cuba, South Africa and other places. Time after time, the arrogance of the colonial or post-colonial powers led them to devalue the strength of the desire of people who wanted their own brand of freedom. People using their bodies as bombs in Iraq is only the latest sign of a desire that has destroyed the Neocons' expectations of a quick victory. The fact that the debate has shifted to an attempt to find more realistic terms to end the war the proxy war in Iraq is the surest sign that the American people believe that a military victory is impossible and the Neocons have compounded this problem long enough. And if "victory" in Iraq is impossible, then whither the global "war against terrorism"?

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## National News Cont'd

### Bush pledges support for levees but amount falls short



WASHINGTON (AP) – The Bush administration has decided to support making levees in New Orleans, Louisiana, stronger than before Hurricane Katrina struck, and was expected to announce its commitment Thursday afternoon.

President Bush was to meet in the Oval Office on Thursday with officials involved in federal efforts to strengthen the levees.

But it remained unclear whether the federal government would go as far as Louisiana officials want, and pay for levees that could withstand a hurricane of the strongest ranking. Donald Powell, the top official for

reconstruction, has indicated that they will be rebuilt stronger than they were before Katrina.

Katrina, a Category 4 storm, surged through the city's levees at numerous points when it struck on August 29, killing more than 1,300 people in Gulf Coast states.

Gov. Kathleen Blanco and other Louisiana officials, as well as businesses and homeowners, have argued that the levees must be improved to protect against Category 5 storms if the New Orleans metropolitan area hopes to persuade people to return.

Such improvements would require federal funding. Early estimates run as high as \$32 billion, and it would take up to 30 years to complete the work.

For now, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is rebuilding the levees for

Category 3 storm protection – or as strong as they were supposed to be before Katrina.

### DNC Chairman Howard Dean Calls on Bush Administration to Honor Promises to Katrina Survivors

Washington, DC – Today, local officials are scheduled to testify before a House committee about the government's failed response to Hurricane Katrina. At the same time activists and clergy will hold a rally in Washington to call on President Bush and the federal government to honor their commitment to rebuilding America's communities and helping our fellow Americans who were displaced by the storm.

Three months after the disaster President Bush and the Republican Congress have yet to follow through on the promises made by the President. To add insult to injury, the Republican controlled Congress has seen fit to leave large presents under the tree for the wealthiest 1 percent of Americans in the form of a tax break, while many Katrina survivors remain without housing during the holiday season.



Even more troubling are reports that the Bush Administration recently refused to help a New Orleans utility company, leaving many residents to foot the bill. The Administration claims that it would be inappropriate to help a private company although under similar circumstances they bailed out New York energy company ConEd after September 11th, so consumers would not have to bare the added costs.





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