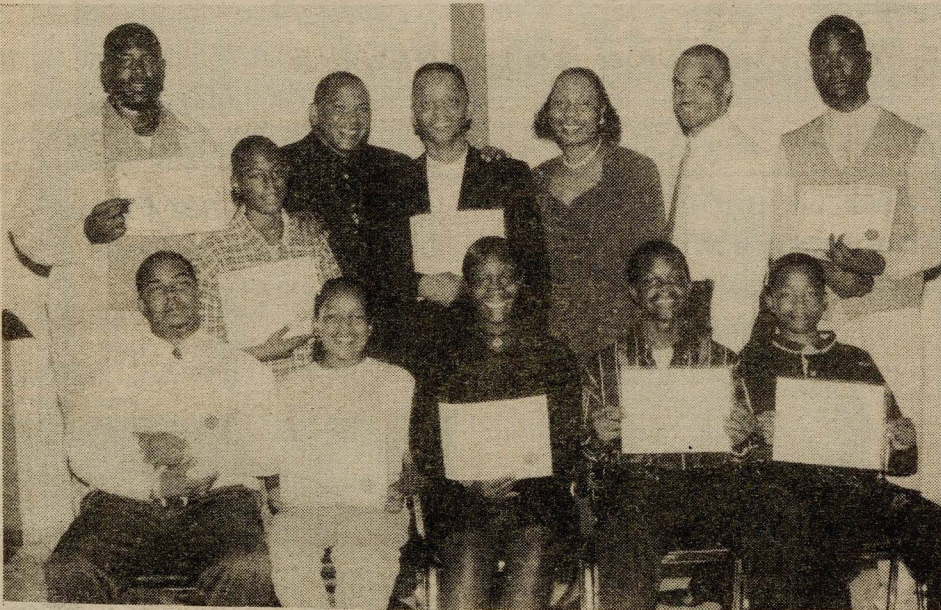


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## Congratulations to the Youth at Freedom Missionary Church of Seattle



(Pictured above from the back row: William Craig, Anthony Mobley, Pastor Ray Cotton - guest speaker, Pastor Zachary Bruce, Minister Jean Roberson, Curtis Midkiff - guest speaker, Cedric Brookens; bottom row: Minister Mario Pierce, Noelle Young, Portia Roberson - Director of the Youth Savings and Investment Bank, Ollieco Gaines and Earnest L. Young III, not pictured Zachary Bruce Jr., photo by Keith Williams of Flyright Productions, 860-9813)

Freedom Missionary Church recently held a banquet in honor of their youth and the youth of the community who are committed to academic and spiritual excellence in their life. The youth pictured above recently graduated from Freedom's Youth Savings & Investment Bank program, directed by Portia Roberson, a junior at Franklin High School. This is an 8-week course offered every Sunday from 10:00-10:45am, geared toward the understanding of general financial and banking principles; how to start a savings account and effectively invest and manage the flow of incoming and outgoing funds. The next 8-week class will begin in November. We seek to glorify God in all things. At Freedom we believe in loving God and everyone unconditionally. Everybody is special. Our church address is 5200 South Orcas Street. For more information regarding this and other ministries, please contact Pastor Zachary Bruce, 772-8823.

## Langston Hughes Opens It's Season With Jazz Vocalist Eloise Laws



Langston Hughes Cultural Arts Center (104 17th Avenue South) is proud to present *Eloise Laws in Concert* on Saturday, October 3, 1998 for two concerts at 7:00pm and 10:00pm. Tickets are \$21 advance, \$23 day of show and \$18 for children (12 & under) and seniors (60 & over). Eloise Laws, acclaimed vocalist and entertainer, has returned to the music arena with new and exciting projects that demonstrate her rich and powerful voice. She is presently touring with the Jazz Crusaders All-Star Concert Tour, and has just completed production of her new CD to be released on the Scepterstein label distributed by RKO, this fall.

Her lineage includes siblings Hubert Laws, classical and jazz flautist; Ronnie Laws, jazz saxophonist; and vocalist Debra Laws. Eloise Laws has nearly 15 years of professional show business experience. Included in her solo albums *Eloise*, *Eloise Laws*, and *All in Time*, are such hits singles as "1000 Laughs," "Strength of a Woman," "Number One," and "I've Got the Rhythm, You've Got the Blues," together with such other classic recordings as "Love Comes Easy," "Forever Now," "Weekend" and "Baby You Lied." Eloise has appeared in concert at the Japan Music Festival, the Berkeley Jazz Festival, UCLA's Royce Hall, the Greek Theatre in Los Angeles, and Carnegie Hall. *Eloise Laws in Concert* is part of the 1998/99 AT&T Series of Performing Arts, and is sponsored by Seattle Department of Parks & Recreation, King County Arts Commission, Washington State Arts Commission and McGowan's Restaurant & Lounge. For more information about tickets, call Langston Hughes Cultural Arts Center at (206) 684-4757.

## WEAR BLACK

In memory of people murdered by the police!  
**OCT. 22nd 1998**

**NATIONAL DAY OF PROTEST TO STOP POLICE BRUTALITY, REPRESSION AND THE CRIMINALIZATION OF A GENERATION IN SEATTLE** CALL 206-233-7940 FOR INFO, PLANNING MEETINGS, AND BUILDING ACTIONS. TO REPORT POLICE MURDERS CALL TOLL-FREE 1-888-NOBRUTALITY WWW.UNSTOPPABLE.COM/22

## October 22nd National Day of Protest to Stop Police Brutality

There is a national epidemic of police brutality and murder and it's got to stop. Literally thousands of people have been murdered by the police and border patrol with no justice. The outrageous murders of Robert Wayne Guy, Jr., Edward Anderson, Antonio Jackson, Tama Ava, Mike Mitchell, Ralf Sanjurjo, Bouregard Mitchell, Antonio Dunsmore and Stanley Cramer are just a few of the more well known cases in Washington State. The Stolen Lives Project is documenting the murders nationally to bring the facts of the epidemic of police murders to millions.

Join us for the third National Day of Protest to Stop Police Brutality, Repression, and the Criminalization of a Generation. Last year there were events in over 50 cities. People of many diverse backgrounds are joining together again to make a powerful statement that will include rallies, cultural events and church events. While many prominent individuals such as Ramona Africa, Leonard Peltier and Cornell West have endorsed the day, this is a grassroots movement that needs to be spread far and wide by the efforts of everyone concerned with this issue. We will give special focus to bringing forward the voices of those who have experienced police brutality and youth who are part of a generation being stigmatized and imprisoned in record numbers.

This is a call to youth to spread the word in the schools and neighborhoods. We call on artists and musicians to get involved. We need space to display art, walls donated for murals remembering those killed. Can you organize a drum squad or bicycle contingent for the march? Is there a church that would donate a space for a cultural event or memorial service?

Call us at 206-233-7940 for meeting times, events, and the rally and march site. Oct. 4th and 11th there will be planning meetings at the Douglass Truth Library meeting room: 23rd South and Yesler Way in Seattle, at 1pm both days.

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<http://www.unstoppable.com/22>



Larry, Roslyn, Michael, Ronnie, and me at the Michael Jordan Foundation Gala Event raising money for charities, 1993

## FAMILY FIRST

Author: Deloris Jordan

By Martin Frye Sr.

"Yes, I'm Michael Jordan's Mother, but I had Family first." Mike's mom speaks with great confidence and belief. "This is an incredible, God-given opportunity to say something that will encourage and help others in their family's roles." Reasoning that defines great experiences magnified by her delicate but firm wisdom. Meeting her and seeing her in person was a truly exceptional experience which I'll never forget. The words Deloris Jordan spoke were mesmerizing, leaving every person in a state of Awe. The more she spoke the happier people became. Everyone whom attended left astonished. Promoting good family values and awareness, Mrs. Jordan's communication had been well received throughout the nation and compliments her son the basketball player, which compliments her New Book - **Family's First!** Being Michael Jordan's Mother is "great". It endows assistance to establish a tremendous audience which plateaus her message above many. The words she speaks are direct and very much her own, powerful deliveries that are exceptionally and happily bold, explicit utterance that all citizens of America can enjoy and learn from. Families reaching a destination of harmony in front of the games we play to achieve social / economic fame. Before her son became world famous, the Jordan's had a working class or middle class lifestyle in a small town in North Carolina. Limitations due to a tight budget did not allow too many (extra) luxuries, but they used their resources to give an advantage so there would be enough for all there kids (5). Girl Scout uniforms for Mary, Mike's baby sister or basketball camps for the boys and all other things that come along with being there for your children. Mrs. Jordan expresses that they did not have an abundance of money, but they had much love! After Mike became a N.B.A. rookie and started making thousands of dollars, you would automatically think - all there problems were over. Mrs. Jordan makes it admittedly clear that it wasn't, not leaving out this fact. It's not easy for many kids once they hit the big time. The transition from student to star can leave many ballers suffering before pleasure. Being a parent of a world famous athlete is harder than many people think. "At times it was an "Unwelcome pain." But in comparison to raising 5 kids I'm sure she and her husband Ray did O.K. In the one hour opening speech @ Dunlap Baptist Church next to Rainier Beach Recreational Center (south side), Deloris Jordan spoke of her 7 step program which is discussed in her book "Families First." She told stories about the Jordan family that I had never heard. Deloris doesn't presume to have all the answers but her book is an enormous help and a pillar of good work. The book is dedicated to James Jordan, Mike's father who has recently passed, Deloris' partner in parenting and a husband who "enjoyed being a dad."

## MANN BITS & PIECES

Baseball's regular season is over and now onto the playoffs. A lot of people in the Northwest region are really angry with manager Lou Piniella for the downfall of a team picked to win the West and barely stayed out of the cellar by only 1 1/2 games over Oakland. Team CEO John Ellis said there won't be any dismissals under his watch. That means Team President Chuck Armstrong, General Manager Woody Woodward and Piniella will be present when the franchise moves from the Kingdome across the street to Safeco Field next July... Some individual highlights for the 1998 Mariners -- Griffey hit 56 home runs for the second straight year, drove in 146 runs and played outstanding defense in center field -- Rodriguez had 42 homers, 46 stolen bases and 124 RBIs, joining Jose Canseco and Barry Bonds as the only members of The 40 Homer - 40 Steal Club -- Designated hitter Edgar Martinez hit .322 with 29 homers and 102 RBIs... Get your heads up Huskies -- This weekend the 4-0 Arizona Wildcats are in town to open up the Pac-10 Challenge. The slaughter in Lincoln will have to be put on the back burner and scored as just another game... Same goes for The Seahawks as they lick their wounds after falling short at the hands of The Pittsburgh Steelers. A game in which The Seahawks should have won has now decreased their record to 3-1 entering a meeting this weekend in Kansas City, where they haven't won since The Dave Kreig Era. As everyone knows the blame on offense can't be attributed to the lack of performance by Hawks Quarterback Warren Moon. The inability of the receivers to catch the ball and the running backs fumbles caused the downfall last week in The Steel City.

## DESTINY DAY

This column is dedicated to the memory of Fitzgerald Beaver, the Founder of The Facts Newspaper; My 3 Year old Daughter, Destiny; and all the children in the community. May the Destiny made by our past, and the Destiny to be made by our future, be a comfort to us all.

## UNTIL THEN

By Harold Murphy

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