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Dr. Claudia Thomas Receives Award From Governor's Council

The Kitsap County Board of Commissioners recently presented Dr. Claudia Thomas, one of eleven individuals, one business and one community from the Kitsap area, with the "FACE IT" Recognition Award from the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse. The award was given for her contributions to the prevention of alcohol and other drug abuse in her respective community.

Thomas came to the Bremerton School District as director of instruction in August, 1983, after having served as teacher and administrator in the Kent School District for over twenty years. In 1985, her title was changed to assistant superintendent with responsibilities for curriculum, instruction, staff development, and evaluation of principals.

She received her master's degree and administrative credential from Seattle University, and her Ph.D. from Union Graduate School in San Francisco, California.

For many years, she has been

very active in human relations activities with young people and adults, in trying to bring about ethnic awareness and positive human relationships among all races.

During her tenure here in Bremerton, Dr. Thomas has:

- Restructured the program for gifted children;
- Implemented a staff development program and model;
- Initiated a comprehensive drug and alcohol program;
- Initiated a collaboration of social agencies to serve children;
- Established a network with the college for advanced placement of high school students;
- Served on the following committees: State HIV/AIDS Curriculum Development Committee, Olympic College's Educational Advisory Committee, Chamber of Commerce Education Committee, Head Start/ECAP Policy Council, and chaired Lion's Quest Program;
- Established and coordinated a

multicultural advisory council;

- Implemented Alternative Programs at both middle and high school levels for students at risk; and

- Conducted three school district facility studies with community representation to ascertain housing needs for students.

Thomas continues to be committed to equal opportunity and access for all students. Her belief is that all students can learn what is successfully taught—and in order for students to learn, the school and parents must work cooperatively as a team to ensure the highest possibility of success for students.

She is an active member and director of christian education in Allen AME Methodist church, a member of the Urban League, NAACP, Alpha Kappa Alpha Society, Phi Delta Kappa, Kappa Delta Phi, Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, and the American Association of School Administrations.



DR. CLAUDIA THOMAS

Memorial Services Planned For Thurgood Marshall

A memorial service is planned for Thurgood Marshall, the first African American US Justice, on Sunday, February 7, 3 p.m. at Emmanuel Apostolic Church, 1023 Sixth Street in Bremerton. The public is invited.

Marshall, 84, died January 23 of a heart attack at Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland. He retired from the Supreme Court in October 1991 because of ill health. He devoted his life to championing the rights of the poor and racially oppressed.

Because of ill health, he declined the request of Al Gore to swear him in as vice president last month.

The great-grandson of a slave, Marshall was born July 2, 1908 in Baltimore. His father was William Canfield Marshall, first a Pullman car steward, then a waiter and steward at the exclusive Gibson Island Club on Chesapeake Bay. His mother taught in Baltimore's segregated schools.

Marshall graduated with honors in 1930 from Lincoln University, Lincoln Union, Pennsylvania, where he had envisioned becoming a dentist. Because he was refused admittance to the University of Maryland Law School because of his race, he took law classes at Howard University in Washington, DC.

"My father," Marshall would recall, "never told me to become a lawyer. But turned me into one by teaching me to argue, to prove every

statement I made, and by challenging my logic on every point."

Marshall's first wife, Vivian Burey Marshall, died of cancer in 1955. He later married Hawaiian-born Cecelia Suyat, whom he met while working in the NAACP office. They have two sons, Thurgood Jr., and John William. He was an Episcopalian and a 33rd degree Mason.

His civil rights career began upon taking a job in 1936 with the NAACP in New York, after a stint of private practice. He served on the Second US Circuit Court of Appeals, based in New York, from 1961-65.

He was nominated in 1967 by President Lyndon Johnson to succeed Justice Tom Clark on the high court, where Marshall consistently voted to expand civil rights. Prior to his appointment, Marshall was successful in persuading the Supreme Court in 1954 to strike down school desegregation laws in Brown vs Board of Education.

During a rare interview in 1987, it was said that Marshall ranked Reagan at the bottom of US presidents for his civil rights policy. And during the administration of President Reagan, Marshall vowed to outlast him, so as not to be replaced by a conservative justice. It is said that he told his clerks, "If I

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Five Blind Boys of Alabama to Perform at Backstage

Gospel legends, Clarence Fountain and The Five Blind Boys of Alabama will perform Thursday, February 4, 8:30 p.m. at The Backstage, 2208 NW Market Street in Seattle. Celebrating over 50 years on the Gospel road—The year was 1937; Clarence Fountain & Johnny Fields were elementary school students singing in the glee club at the Talladega Institute for the Deaf & Blind. The year is now 1993, and though the glee club no longer exists, the Five Blind Boys are still delirious-ising audiences. For ticket information, call 781-2805 or Ticketmaster, 628-0888.

OC Celebrates Black History Month

TONY BROWN'S COMMENTS

Report Blames Blacks And Hispanics For AIDS

by TONY BROWN

The National Commission on AIDS released one of the most dangerous and factually ill-informed reports ever put before the public.

Harlon Davis, a commission member, Yale Law School professor and a Black, was correct when he is reported by *The Washington Post* to have said he had "a lot of fear releasing this report."

"I am terribly worried that as soon as it becomes understood that the face of AIDS has darkened," that the funds allocated by Whites will dry up, he added.

In addition to worrying about the White population's response to the newest definition of AIDS as a Black and Hispanic disease, a lie of the greatest magnitude, Dalton and his official cohorts should also be ashamed of their lack of knowledge of "AIDS" and the alleged "AIDS" epidemic.

This is their accusatory logic: Blacks and Hispanics account for 46 percent (Blacks 29.7 percent; Hispanics 16.7 percent) of AIDS cases although they make up only 21 percent of the population.

But before you rush to the conclusion, as that commission statistic is designed to do, that Black and Hispanic people are somehow predisposed to AIDS in a way that White people are not, consider another more relevant fact.

According to the government's own reporting by the federal Centers for Disease Control, 79 percent of those with AIDS in the U.S. should be called drug addicts.

Half of those with AIDS use as many as five street drugs in a year; 97 percent use poppers, especially homosexual men; 68 percent take amphetamines; and 70 percent take one or more drugs intravenously.

You don't need to be a rocket scientist to figure out the very obvious fact that the link from drugs to "AIDS" is much more reliable than a forced linkage between race and "AIDS." This commission is obviously as confused as the scientific-medical establishment's various definitions of "AIDS."

Recently, the federal government's Centers for Disease Control changed the definition of "AIDS" again for the 6th or 7th

time to include invasive cervical cancer, pulmonary tuberculosis and recurrent pneumonia — so that more women will get disability benefits. More chronic fatigue syndrome sufferers will also qualify because of the new low T-cell count criterion. This newest revision of "AIDS" will almost double the new "AIDS" cases to 90,000 per year from 50,000 — and move the goal post closer to CDC's earlier predictions of an AIDS epidemic that never happened, caused by a single virus called HIV.

I place "AIDS" in quotations because this almost arbitrary assortment of 30 diseases, all miraculously caused by one single virus (HIV), is an epidemic that has "persistently refused, for 13 years and counting, to invade the general population," writes L. Craig Schoonmaker, Chairman of the Expansionist Party of the United States.

Instead, Schoonmaker says, this alleged epidemic "has confined itself to 'fast lane' subminorities of sociological minorities, mainly drug-using homosexual Black and Hispanic men who have previously suffered liver damage, as from hepatitis."

For example, as the racist report acknowledges, 50 percent of Black and Hispanic men with AIDS have sex with men. Blacks account for 50 percent of AIDS cases among addicts and Hispanics account for 9 percent.

This is not the description of a viral pattern (HIV) or the result of discrimination, but clearly a drug injury — a chemical catastrophe — not a viral infection at all" of subsets of Blacks and Hispanics — drug using homosexuals.

In fact, while some Blacks, Hispanics and gays not in the "fast lane" have been infected, AIDS is only rampant among a subset of

homosexuals, Blacks and Hispanics whose lifestyles accommodate the development of the syndrome and one or more of the almost 30 diseases now called AIDS.

Among the homosexual AIDS subset, the Black AIDS subset, the Hispanic AIDS subset and the heterosexual AIDS subset, you will find one thing in common: a higher usage of illegal drugs and, therefore, a higher rate of liver damage, for example, hepatitis, than in the general population. All of the subset groups suffer essentially from drug injury — a chemical poisoning by drugs.

What is really happening is that after decades of life in the fast lane of "unprecedented sexual promiscuity, drug abuse, promiscuous use of pharmaceuticals, rampant sexually transmitted diseases, widespread malnutrition (even in the U.S., where processed foods are common and massive vaccination campaigns," AIDS INC. by Jon Rappoport explains, a "multifactorial" disease syndrome has emerged as a result of our societal lifestyle.

White government scientists first tried to blame Africans for what Americans are doing to themselves.

Add a little racism to the basic lie that AIDS is contagious and fatal and you will arrive at the government theory and media invention that the AIDS "epidemic" emanated among sex-starved Blacks in Africa and Haiti and spread to the innocent White gay vacationers around the world. This disinformation has created, in turn, a pregenocidal condition.

Pre-genocidal because we have been conditioned to blame the death of millions of Africans on their normal sex lives, when in effect, they are dying from immune failure caused by malnutrition and the lack of basic health care, among other non-sexual cofactors.

If Africans are dying from AIDS caused by a viral infection called

HIV that is transmitted heterosexually, as the U.S. government claims, how is it possible that 2,200 documented African AIDS cases are HIV-free? No HIV is even present! Common sense tells you that something else is causing what we are calling AIDS and it makes you wonder why the media will not report this fact!

But the National Commission on AIDS will report as fact a racist lie that "AIDS is a Racial Issue." the lie that AIDS is a gay disease didn't stick; maybe a "darkened" (as Dalton puts it) version will.

Neither is true, as the commission alleges, that racism contributes to the spread of AIDS. Bad habits do. If the high risk subsets will change their habits, the incidence of "AIDS" will fall. That's true as among Blacks and Hispanics as it is among gays; in fact, it happened among gays.

If racism is responsible for AIDS among Blacks, as these paternal commission racists allege, then the cure for AIDS is the elimination of racism. And that means that all Blacks will soon be dead.

Blacks in the "fast lane," as other subsets of high risk groups, need to stop using drugs; reduce the number of sexual partners (the first group of gay men with AIDS averaged 1,150 sex partners a year); practice safer sex (hygiene as well as a condom); and eat a non-fat, high-fiber diet.

And to the National Commission on AIDS, I say, "Your racist actions have injured the public welfare."

You can hear Tony Brown's weekly commentaries on the Buy Freedom 900 Network by calling 1-900-454-0411 (\$1.99 first minute/99 cents each additional minute).

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The Fire Of Racism In Tampa

by BENJAMIN F. CHAVIS, JR.

Tragically and sadly, on the first day of 1993 our nation witnessed another brutal reminder of how dangerous the virus of racism continues to infect the total life of our society. In Tampa, Florida, the New Year's Day racially motivated attack and burning of Christopher Wilson, a 31-year-old African American, by a group of white supremacists exposes the chilling reality and madness of American racism.

On a day that millions of people throughout the nation watched various football games on television where young African American athletes along with others exhibited racial inclusiveness within the spirit of national sports competition, an

innocent African American is kidnapped from a shopping center in Tampa, beaten mercilessly, and then set afire and left to die an agonizing death. Thanks be to God that Wilson did not die but managed to crawl on the ground until he found help.

A note that was actually left at the scene of the barbarity read, "One less nigger" and was signed "KKK." Amidst all of the national celebrations of the life and ministry of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the attack and burning of Christopher Wilson demands a renewed commitment to the civil rights struggle that Dr. King's entire life epitomized.

It is historically important to note, that while the 1993 King celebrations are being held, the

nation is also viewing the inauguration of William Jefferson Clinton as President of the United States of America. The new Clinton/Gore Administration is going to have a major responsibility as a first order to challenge the increasing incidents of racist violence sweeping across the nation. Already, there appears to be another "backlash" emerging to the stated commitments of Clinton/Gore to having a more racially inclusive Administration in Washington, DC.

While three of Wilson's assailants have been arrested and charged with kidnapping, attempted murder and robbery, it still remains to be seen what quality of justice will ultimately be rendered in the

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Words of Life

Envy and pride are the leading lines to all the misery that mankind has suffered from the beginning of the world to this present day.

— John Marrant

COMMUNITY NEWS

State Budget Cuts Under Way

State agencies will begin to curtail unnecessary hiring, travel and purchases, and adhere to strict new guidelines for printing stationery and business cards, under two directives issued last week by Governor Mike Lowry.

In a memo entitled "Fiscal restraint measures for the remainder of the 1991-1993 biennium," Lowry noted the anticipated gap between revenue growth and expenditure demands in existing state programs during the 1993-1995 biennium, and he expressed his intent to work with the Legislature to craft a fiscally responsible budget. Nevertheless, he said, that budget will contain significant cuts for state government, and "it is imperative that we begin to plan for these reductions now and ensure that the transition to a reduced budget can be accomplished with minimal disruption to vital state services."

Accordingly, Lowry directed each state agency to immediately implement the following measures:

- Postpone or eliminate hiring for vacant positions supported by the state General Fund that are not critical to the central mission of the agency.
- Curtail all nonessential purchases, such as equipment, personal services contracts,

remodeling, furnishings, and training.

- Suspend all travel not directly related to service delivery.

- Evaluate and implement all possible efficiencies in facility use, client services, and any other aspect of agency operations.

Lowry also updated a four-year-old administrative policy on state stationery and business cards. The new policy bans the use of watermarks on state stationery, saving more than \$4 per ream. It also prohibits printing individuals' names on any letterhead or memo paper, thereby reducing wastage when directors change.

The governor said issuing the orders on his second day in office accomplishes two goals: It shows that he's serious about managing state government efficiently, and it will yield savings that will help solve the looming budget crisis:

"I'm not expecting a huge windfall of money from these measures, but every dollar we save now is one more dollar we'll have available to us to help balance the budget in the 1993-1995 biennium," Lowry said. "The people of the state have a right to expect their state government to manage with less during a time when many of them are managing their household budgets with less."



Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Luncheon

The annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Luncheon was held Sunday, January 13 at the Kitsap Golf & Country Club in Bremerton. This year's scholarship recipient was Shalan Rockwell, a 1992 graduate of Bremerton High School. On hand to accept the award for Rockwell were her mother, Carol Blakley (center back) and brother, Kellen Alley, a third grader at Sylvan Way Christian School (center front). Also pictured, are President of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Fund of Kitsap County, Nora "Skip" Powell (left) and keynote speaker for the luncheon, Thelma Jackson, senior vice president of Nat Jackson & Associates, Inc. of Olympia.



Celebrate Black History Month At Olympic College

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2
Black History Lecture Series - 12 to 1 p.m., BSC 140

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3
Africa: Mastering A Continent - Video, 1 p.m., A-103

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9
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Africa: Kings & Cities - Video, 1 p.m., A-103

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17
Africa: The Magnificent Cake - Video, 1 p.m., A-103

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18
Black History Lecture Series - 12 to 1 p.m., TBA

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19
Africa: The Rise Of Nationalism - Video, 1 p.m., A-103

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22
Africa: The Legacy - Video, 1 p.m., A-103

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23
Black History Lecture Series - 12 to 1 p.m., BSC 140

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24
Art of William Johnson & Jacob Lawrence Lecture/Slides/Videos, 1 p.m., A-103

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25
Black History Lecture Series - 12 to 1 p.m., TBA

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26
Art of Faith Ringgold & Robert Colescott, 1 p.m., A-103

FOR INFORMATION:

Contact Kwame McDonald, Olympic College Multi-Cultural Center, 478-6976

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New classes in Windows, Microsoft's exciting, interactive software, are now available at Olympic College. These two-session (8 hours total) classes are taught by John Lind. All class materials are provided. Cost: \$55 each.

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- Basic Microsoft Works for Windows: Tuesday, February 16 and

Thursday, February 18, 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

- Growing Your Own Business Using Microsoft Works: Tuesday, February 2 and Thursday, February 11, 7:10 -9 p.m.

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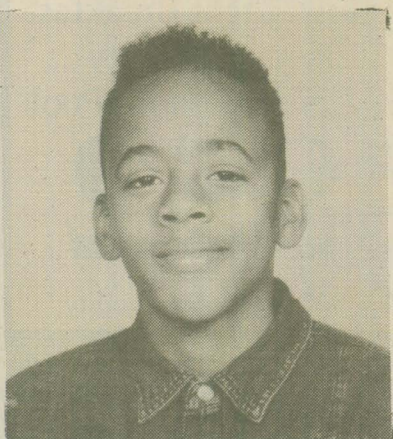
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Save Our Children

by KWAME McDONALD

While there are signs of progress in race relations in Kitsap County, the treatment of youth of color continues to cause problems.

Many cases, reported and unreported, have come to our attention which suggest unequal treatment between white students and students of color. The incidents which accuse teachers, school administrators, officers of the law and others of power, jurisdiction and authority over our young, are many.

Something must be done. Over the past two weeks, I have talked with several teens who feel discriminated against. In and of itself, such a charge is understandable and not new.

The most disturbing fact is that these students, with very few exceptions, feel alone, abandoned and isolated by those of us who should care the most. That is adults of color. In some cases, they even feel their own parents have abandoned them to protect the "good relationships" they think they have with the white power community.

There is no doubt, that what the students feel is real. For us to question their feelings or their reality is to not support them.

We must, while recognizing and indeed endorsing their feelings as legitimate, help the students in two ways:

1. We must help them develop

effective success strategies and coping skills; and

2. We must support them in their confrontations with the power community in Kitsap County.

We will be doing something about this situation soon. Stay tuned!

If you have any thoughts on these or other issues, feel free to call me

at 373-8825 or 478-6976.

We must *save our children*, not by slogans, sayings or rhetoric. We must *save our children* by action.

And That's For Real!

COMMUNITY NEWS

Vanguard Sponsors 1993 Armed Forces Parade

Vanguard is an office equipment and furniture dealership headquartered in Silverdale, with additional offices in Aberdeen, Everett, Sequim and Spokane.

Armed Forces Week will begin with the Armed Forces Queen's

Pageant which enables young people of Kitsap County to earn scholarships for their achievements. Other events scheduled include a golf tournament, a luncheon and an After-Hours sponsored by the Bremerton Area Chamber of

Commerce.

Anyone interested in assisting with any of this year's events may leave their name and telephone number with the Bremerton Area Chamber of Commerce at (206) 479-3579.

Project Family Seeks Board Members

Project Family is inviting county residents interested in the welfare of children and in strengthening families to apply for membership on the agency's Board of Trustees.

Project Family is a non-profit, United Way agency that works to foster healthy environments for

children and provide information, referral and support for parents and all those who care for and nurture children.

Project Family seeks to recruit board members with a strong interest or background in children's issues, who have solid community

relations and a concern for multicultural issues. Board members oversee the direction of the agency, contribute to public awareness of family issues and direct fund-raising efforts. Interested individuals should contact Mary Serbousek, executive director, at 373-3030 for more information.

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courts of Florida in this case. The U.S. Department of Justice should also become involved in this matter because it is a clear case of the criminal violations of Wilson's civil rights. During the past 12 years, under the Reagan/Bush era, federal authorities were not aggressive in intervening in the growing number of these types of cases.

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement has released statistics that confirm that the Tampa Bay

area has one of the state's largest percentages of racial and hate related crimes. While the Tampa Bay area is only approximately 13 percent of Florida's population, over 25 percent of the state's hate and racial crimes have occurred in Tampa. The fire of racism in Tampa, however, has been kindled by a nation that refuses to demand racial justice for all people. The drowning of Haitian refugees off the coast of Florida because of a racist immigration policy is directly related to the racist burning of Christopher Wilson.

Tolerance of one form of racism only leads to the perpetuation of other manifestations of racism.

We remember that it was also Tampa, several years ago, where an African American baseball star was brutally beaten by six white police officers after being stopped for an alleged traffic violation. Dwight Gooden of the New York Mets was a victim of a racially motivated attack by Tampa police officers.

The future stability of democracy in the United States hinges in part on how effectively racism is

eradicated, especially in its institutionalized formation. Somehow the message has got to be sent to the rigid forces of racism that this society will no longer tolerate racist ideology and behavior. Christopher Wilson was set afire by those who believe that such acts are now once again socially tolerable. Silence in the face of this hideous

crime is itself a mandate for reoccurrence.

As Christopher Wilson attempts to recover his life from the beating and fire in Tampa, may we all recommit ourselves to reawakening a national "movement" of all people unified in the demand for freedom and justice for everybody.

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Thurgood Marshall...

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die while Reagan is in office, prop me up an keep on voting."

Although he outlasted Reagan, he was replaced by another conservative, President George Bush. Bush appointed the second African American to serve on the

Supreme Court, Clarence Thomas, after Marshall retired.

Marshall believed that in this democratic society the ways to challenge an unjust law are:

1. By intelligent use of the vote in order to spur elected officials to change the law; and
2. By action in the courts if its validity is doubtful.

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PEOPLE ON THE MOVE

Brooks, Huigens Earn High Honors

Two students from the Kitsap area earned high marks for the first trimester of study at Annie Wright School, a college preparatory school for girls in Tacoma.

Freshman Emily Huigens of Port Orchard earned High Honors for her excellent work in classes such as French II and geometry. Heidi Brooks, also a freshman of Port Orchard, earned Honors for excellent work in her classes, geometry, biology and Spanish II.

Sheldon, Holm Receive Appointments

The 35th Legislative District's two representatives in the state House of Representatives recently received their committee appointments by their House colleagues, with veteran Representative Tim Sheldon, D-Hoodport, also gaining the post of assistant majority leader.

His seatmate, Representative-elect, Barbara Holm, D-Littlerock, earned positions on the Education, Environment and Revenue committees. She will serve as vice chairwoman of the Revenue Committee.

Sheldon also will serve on the powerful Transportation Committee, the Economic Development & Housing, and Natural Resources committees.

Holm formerly was a member of

the State Board of Education, a director of the Tumwater School Board and a Thurston County freeholder. A state representative for the 20th District from 1987 to 1989, she defeated 35th District incumbent Representative Peggy Johnson this fall to regain a House seat.

Both legislators represent all of Mason County and part of Grays Harbor, Kitsap and Thurston counties. They were sworn into office when the Legislature's 1993 session convened January 11.

Vanguard Employees Receive Awards

Vanguard Office Systems, Inc. recognized several outstanding employees at its Annual Awards Banquet held on January 9, at the Silverdale on the Bay Resort Hotel.

Guy Smith, of Port Orchard, based in Vanguard's Silverdale corporate headquarters, was honored as Vanguard's *Technician of the Quarter*, as well as Employee of the Quarter for the fourth quarter of 1992 and Vanguard's *Technician of the Year* for 1992.

December's *Salesperson of the Month*, Dale Dennis, of Belfair, working out of the Silverdale office, received *Salesperson of the Year* honors.

The *Employee of the Year* for 1992 was Vanguard's comptroller and administrative manager, David Shockley. Shockley lives in Gorst

Lewis, Scott Named District Representatives

In an effort to increase small business participation in grassroots lobbying, Association of Washington Businesses (AWB) Chair Pati Otley has fortified the organization's structure with several key small business appointments.

Otley appointed Ron Rants, The Rants Group, Olympia, as chair of the Small Business Policy Council. She also named several small business owners and executives from across the state to become District Representatives who will be responsible for activating small business participation in grass roots lobbying. John Harrold of Scott Wetzel Services, Bremerton; Rose Marie Lewis of Unique Impressions, Lakewood; and Nat Jackson of Compu-phone, Olympia.

Schmidt Reappointed To Committee

Karen Schmidt, R-Bainbridge Island, was reappointed as the ranking Republican on the Transportation Committee.

She will also serve on the Judiciary Committee and has been reappointed to the Financial Institutions and Insurance committee.

The 23rd District representative also serves on the Legislative Transportation Committee (LTC) and is an Executive Committee member of the LTC.



LEWIS

OC Receives Grant For Nursing Program

Olympic College has been awarded a Curriculum Development Grant for \$3,023 to revise and enhance the Nursing Program's curriculum in the area of Gerontology. Kim Nichols, nursing coordinator, and Dr. Marti Lewis, assistant dean of Mathematics, Science, and Health Occupations sought the grant to offset the costs of research and planning.

Zarek Participates In Leader's Program

Linda Zarek has been selected to participate in the 1993 Leader's Program sponsored by the American Association of Women in Community and Junior Colleges (AAWCJC). Zarek, director of Resource Development, selected "Developing Grant Procedures Through a Collaborative Process" as her study project.

Zarek received her bachelor of elementary music degree from Central Washington University and her master of school administration degree from the University of Alaska Southeast.

Project Family Receives Grant From Target

Target Corporation has announced that Kitsap County Project Family would receive a \$4,500 continuation grant to expand parent education classes in Kitsap County.

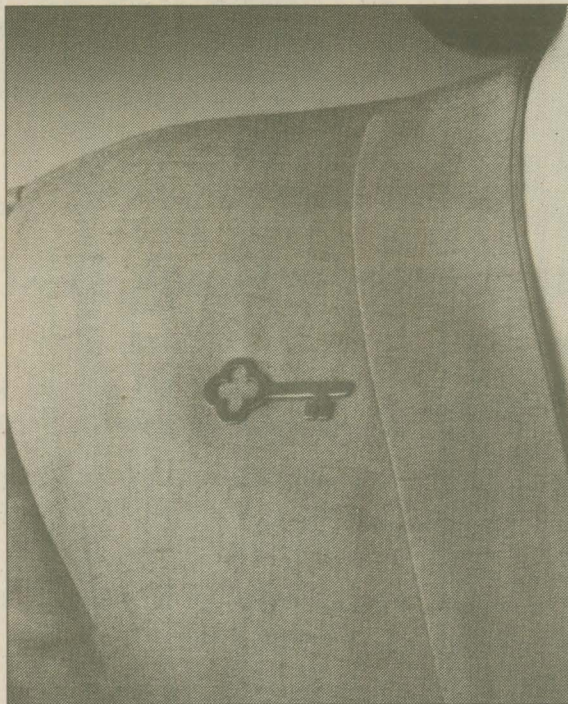
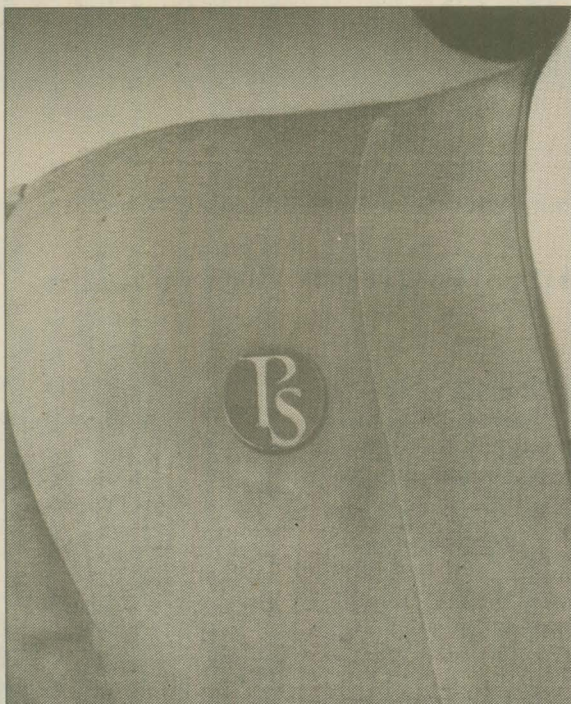
Big Brothers/Big Sisters Elect Board Members

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Kitsap County announced the election of three new board members. Joining the board for two-year terms are Joe de Beauchamp, a Bainbridge Island financial analyst; Gene Twiner, owner of Kitsap Gym and Racquet Club; and Claudia L. Temple, marketing consultant.

Current Big Brothers/Big Sisters officers are Lynda H. McMaken, president; Kathleen Tiberio, vice president; Steve Olsen, treasurer; and Samantha Patterson, secretary.

Other board members are Kent H. Soule, Cheri Fitz, Joan Lindall, Suzanne Ivey, Ph.D., David Kirscher, O.D., Elena Solis, and Captain Malcolm S. Wright.

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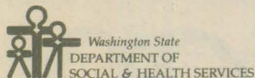
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Afro Pageant & Show Slated For February

The 20th anniversary 1993 Afro Pageant & Show Speech Luncheon will be held on Sunday, February, 14, 1 p.m. at the Sheraton Tacoma Hotel, 1320 Broadway Plaza. This year's is theme, "Building Our Futures—Making Our Dreams Come True."

Presented by Push/Excel and Vision, admission is \$12 students/seniors and \$15 adults. For information, call 596-1137.

Experiences Of African Tour To Be Presented

Vic Paternoster and John Kleinbach will speak to the public at 1 p.m., Thursday, February 4, at the Tracyton Community Library, 351 NW Tracy Avenue.

Paternoster is director of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program, RSVP, members of which operate the Library.

Kleinbach recently toured the African countries of Kenya, Zimbabwe, and the Republic of South Africa as a member of the Jubilate Choral Group. He will share his experiences from the tour.

For more information, call 377-3571 or 373-5759.

Little Miss Washington Pageant This Weekend

Gingerbread Productions of America will present a Silverdale "Preliminary Pageant" to Little Miss Washington on Saturday, January 30, 9 a.m., at the Silverdale on the Bay Resort Hotel, 3073 NW Bucklin Hill Road in Silverdale.

The pageant will begin at 10 a.m. for all ages. Registration will be at 9 a.m. All contestants will receive a special gift and trophy.

To preregister, call Paula Clark at 692-0538.

Annual Choral Festival Is Next Friday At OC

Olympic College's Music Program's fourth annual *Olympic Choral Festival* for Kitsap County high school vocal music students takes place on Friday, February 5, at Bremerton High School.

During the day (1:15 p.m. to 6 p.m.), students hear and learn about

various styles of choral literature and attend clinics and practices for their soprano, alto, tenor, and bass sections. The evening concert brings together approximately 350 students who will perform four numbers as the Olympic League Choir.

The public is invited to attend any or all of the daytime session that take place in the Performing Arts Auditorium, free of charge. Admission for the evening concert is \$4/person or \$10/family. For more information, call 478-4776 or 478-4866.

Malcolm X Lecture, Discussion Scheduled

Spike Lee's recent film has piqued interest in the life of Malcolm X. The public is invited to join Central Kitsap Community Schools for a lecture and open discussion.

Kwame McDonald, director of Multi-Cultural Affairs at Olympic College will instruct "Another View of Malcolm X" at Central Kitsap High School, Winter #87, Thursday, February 18, from 7-8:30 p.m. There is no registration fee. Enrollment: Minimum 15.

For information, call 478-6976.

AIDS Network Plans Health Fair

P.O.C.A.A.N. (People of Color Against AIDS Network) is currently seeking volunteers to be a part of the planning for the "Community Unity Health Fair".

The fair is scheduled for late April or early May and will focus on health concerns and education for communities of color. If you are interested in becoming a part of the planning committee, contact Jennifer Witherspoon at 478-5235 or 479-5117.

Silent Auction Slated

Kingston Cooperative Preschool will have a Silent Auction on Saturday, February 13. A variety of goods and services will be available. The auction will be from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Kole Kola Park in Kingston. The public is invited.

Festival Showcases African Art, Culture

Festival Sundiata, the Northwest's largest celebration of African and African American culture, art and history is looking for vendors and artisans to participate and sell ethnic merchandise and services in the 1993 Festival, February 13-15, held annually at the Seattle Center.

Booths and tables are available at the Festival with priority applications and placement to artists or agents of artists producing handmade crafts and products. The focus of the Festival is African American art and culture, and represents the various and diverse black communities of the Northwest.

Applications are available by writing to the festival at: African Marketplace, Festival Sundiata, 305 Harrison Street, Seattle, WA 98109; or by calling (206) 527-4333, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Support Group Meets

The Coping with Change and Loss support groups provides participants with a place to share feelings, thoughts, ideas with other in a non-judgmental, caring atmosphere.

The first meeting will be held Tuesday, February 2, 6 p.m. at Lutheran Social Services, in the Trident Building, 5610 Kitsap way in Bremerton.

For more information, call Karen at 377-5511.

Lecture Series Offered

Olympic College Social Science and Humanities professors will present a new series of free lectures. The public is invited to attend. All presentations take place in the Rotunda at 7:45 p.m. on the following dates:

February 8, "Basic Islam: A Major Piece in the Near East Jigsaw Puzzle;" Richard Norton, Philosophy.

March 8, "Three Women and a Boy in Recent Literature;" Jack Dreany, English.

For more information, contact O. Lee Brock, assistant dean, Division of Social Sciences and Humanities at 478-4866, or Dr. Louis Graham, English, at 478-4577.



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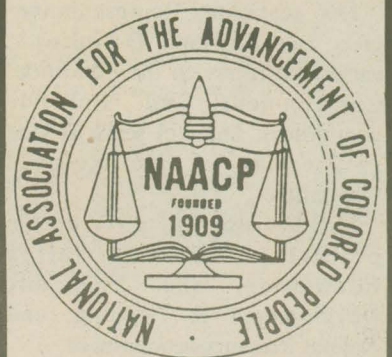
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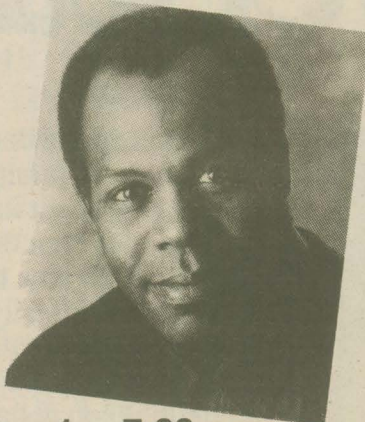
FEBRUARY

Thurs. 11, 7 p.m. - Monthly Meeting. Sinclair Missionary Baptist Church, 4708 Kean Street, West Bremerton.

For more information,
contact Kwame McDonald,
president, at 478-6976 or
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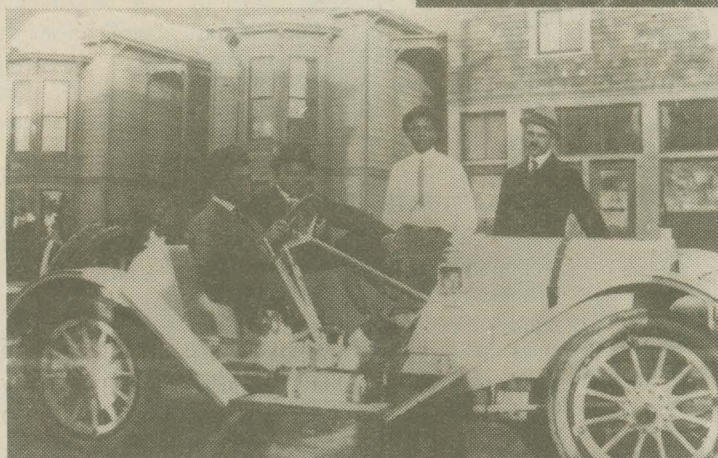
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