New Orleans Urban League Moving Forward

By Edwin Buggage

It is one of the oldest and largest community based organizations in the country. Since 1910 the National Urban League has led the fight against discrimination, and has been a vigilant advocate of every American having access to the American Dream.

Over the years many great and courageous people have led and organized the masses under the Urban League’s banner. On the national front, A. Phillip Randolph, Bayard Rustin, Whitney Young, and their present CEO former New Orleans Mayor Marc Morial. While locally, people such as the late Clarence Barney, Harvey Britton and Edith Jones over the years have fought for fairness in employment and opportunities.

Today as New Orleans faces the monumental task of rebuilding it can add one more soldier to the names of so many who have been part of this historic struggle, Nolan Rollins.

He is the new President of the local chapter of the National Urban League of Greater New Orleans. As a native of Baltimore, Maryland he worked as Senior Vice-President of Economic and Community Development of the Baltimore branch of the organization while simultaneously holding office as President of the NUL Young Professionals.

This post as president was a training ground preparing Rollins for his present position. He says of this experience, “We were the activist arm of the organization, NUL actually runs programs, but what we did was to go into communities and find volun-

New Orleans Urban League President Nolan Rollins with the NUL Young Professionals and other community supporters.
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Amtrak. Getting there is half the fun. Kids ages 2-15 ride half off.
Tavis Smiley’s annual “State of the Black Union” (SOBU) symposium will cast its lens on the role African Americans will play in the 2008 elections and mobilize 1,000 volunteers to rebuild some of the poorest areas devastated by Hurricane Katrina.

The 2008 State of the Black Union weekend kicks off this weekend in New Orleans with SOBU Builds on Friday, Feb. 22, weekend in New Orleans with Union weekend kicks off this hurricane Katrina. poorest areas devastated by Hur-ricane Katrina. and National sponsors Allstate In-surance Company, ExxonMobil, AARP and Community Sponsor McDonald’s.

What's Happening Now?, email us at datanewsad@bellsouth.net.

Delgado Presents Nobel Prize Winning Play “Betrayal” March 5-9
Delgado Community College’s Theatre Department presents the Nobel Prize for Literature winning play, Betrayal, by Harold Pinter Mar. 5-9, 2008, in the 3rd Floor Drama Hall of Isaac Delgado Hall (Building One) on Delgado’s City Park Campus at 615 City Park Avenue.

Performances are March 5, 6, 7, and 8 at 8 p.m. with a Sunday matinee on March 9 at 3 p.m. General Admission tickets are $10.00, and Senior citizen and student tickets are $8.00. Reservations are not necessary, and tickets will be available at the Box Office before each performance. For further information please call (504) 671-6360.

Business Networking Event Announced
The Entrepreneurs Institute will is hosting an event, How to Do Business with the State of Louisiana. Come get valuable information on opportunities for small businesses and entrepreneurs and the State of Louisiana.

Guest speakers will be Rosemary Jackson and John Matthews and others from the State. You are strongly encouraged to bring business cards and marketing materials and refreshments will be served.

Thursday, February 28th, 5:30 - 8:30 pm at the Good Work Network, Business Resource Center, 1824 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd. Call (504)309-2073 for more information.

Stella Jones Gallery Will Host A Student Thesis Exhibition
“Mirror, Mirror on the Wall” – Selected African American female artists

The exhibition will be curated by Southern University at New Orleans (SUNO), M.A. Museum Studies candidate, Michelle Briscoe-Long and features seventeen local and nationally acclaimed African American female artists, commemorating Women’s Heritage Month.

EXHIBITION DATES: March 1 through March 31, 2008
Artist Reception’s: Saturday, March, 1 – 6-9pm

GALLERY HOURS: M-F 11-6, Sat 12-5

For more information, contact Michelle Briscoe-Long or Stella Jones (504)469-7071 or jones8941@yahoo.com.
AT&T proudly salutes Black History Month.
Grant from Lowe’s will assist NOFD in reopening firehouses damaged by Hurricane Katrina and repairing other firehouses throughout New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, LA - The New Orleans Fire Department (NOFD) was awarded a $650,000 grant from Lowe’s Charitable and Educational Foundation for the renovation of 10 and repair of 4 firehouses throughout New Orleans. During the 2005 storm, 23 out of 33 Fire Stations were flooded forcing Fire Fighters to operate out of temporary trailers. The repairs will range from the complete renovation of some stations (installing new mechanical systems, sheet rock, furnishings and fixtures and replacing roofs) to repairs of others (installing new lockers and ceiling tiles, running phone lines and replacing fuel tanks and fences.)

Chief Parent said, “The NOFD is honored to have charitable corporate sponsors reaching out to help us rebuild. Thanks to Lowe’s Charitable and Educational Foundation and the numerous organizations around the country that have convened to help us. We are truly grateful for the corporate community coming to our aid in the aftermath of this devastating disaster. In order for our neighborhoods to rebuild, we must have a presence in our communities to ensure the safety of our citizens and property. The revitalization of the NOFD and our beautiful city has truly been a team effort.”

“After the hurricanes, 75% of New Orleans Fire Fighters saw their homes destroyed by flooding, in addition to their firehouses being left in ruins. By helping the New Orleans Fire Department return to fully functioning firehouses, Lowe’s believes this is also an opportunity to help New Orleans residents feel more secure in their homes,” said Larry D. Stone, chairman of Lowe’s Charitable and Educational Foundation. “This grant demonstrates Lowe’s continued commitment to the long-term rebuilding efforts in the Gulf Coast and our New Orleans-area customers and employees.”

Since its inception in 1957, Lowe’s Charitable and Educational Foundation has helped communities nationwide through employee volunteerism and financial contributions. In 2007, the Foundation supported community and education projects across the country through grants totaling more than $25 million.

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**The Road Home And LA Works Host An Employment Training Seminar**

The Road Home program, in conjunction with LA Works, will facilitate an employment training workshop Thursday, February 28 in Slidell. The employment training seminar will provide hands-on assistance with resume preparation, interview skills and other valuable job seeking techniques. The seminar is free and open to the public. To register for this event, please call (504) 584-1771.

**Where and When:**
East Tammany Career Solutions Center
316 Howze Beach Lane
Slidell, La. 70461

Thursday, February 28 - 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The employment training seminar and job fair will not provide information on the application process for The Road Home program. To receive more details on Road Home Information Sessions in your community, please visit [http://www.road2la.org/homeowner/events](http://www.road2la.org/homeowner/events) for a list of locations and times.
By Tre Connerly

He is a pillar in the New Orleans community who has over the years been a force in the business community as well as a civic minded individual who has given back to give a hand up to those less fortunate. This month’s Trailblazer is Burnell Moliere who is the owner of AME Services Inc., a building service contracting company.

In his several decades in business he has been much more than an entrepreneur; he has inspired others through his hard work and dedication, “I feel like what I have done in business as well as other African-American businessmen is to show that we can not only survive as business people, but through hard work we can also thrive,” he says.

In addition to running a successful company he has given his time and money where many have often provided lip service, he has been proactive in helping to solve some of the many problems that plague the city of New Orleans. He has worked with several church groups and schools providing them with computers so that children and adults can have access to technology helping people forge ahead and close the gap that is the digital divide. “It makes me feel good to give back because I feel all people need is someone to believe in them and give them the encouragement that they can be better so that’s what I’ve tried to do throughout my life is encourage people to shoot for the stars and be the best possible person they can be.”

In a city that has many people who were struggling before Hurricane Katrina and much more thereafter, the problems of crime and violence are of epidemic proportions. While some families have suffered in the most fatal of scenarios; the death of a loved one and without life insurance to bury them, Moliere has helped families bury their relatives. And on the crime fighting front, he has given to Crimestoppers. Of his helping those in their time of need he says, “Death of a loved one is a very hurtful thing and people should not have to be burdened by how they were going to bury their family members so I stepped in to help because that’s what people are supposed to do when people are in need.” He continues saying, “I have had a blessed life and it is in the blessings that we are given that we bless others.” “As far as contributing monies to Crimestoppers I feel it is important that we as citizens do whatever we can to keep our city safe from violence.”

Burnell Moliere’s life before and after Hurricane Katrina is an example that an ordinary person can do extraordinary things, and in so many ways Moliere’s life has been a statement of that fact. And as he moves forward his life one that has taken him on a journey that has seen its peaks as well as its valleys, but in truth that is what life is essentially about, weathering the storms that life sometimes bring our way and knowing that tomorrow will be a better day, for perfection is a laudable goal many of us aspire to but is basically unobtainable. Moliere says his life’s work has been about helping people and giving them a chance to compete and succeed. “I’ve dedicated my life to service, and I hope that my life can inspire the next generation to make the city of New Orleans and the world a better place.”
Data Around Town

The Urban League of Greater New Orleans held the inaugural celebration for "I AM THE MOVEMENT", the new organization aimed at uniting young professionals between the ages of 21 and 44. The event was held Friday at the New Orleans Museum of Art and Data was there. Photos by Lawrence Martin

Warmoth Guillaume, Keith Hitchens and Data News Weekly Publisher Terry Jones at the Urban League Event

Kenya Smith of the Mayor's Office, NO City Councilman James Carter and Terrell Clayton attended to show their support of the Urban Leagues new program.
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My ex has just confessed that the girl he has staying with him is now his girlfriend. When he first told me about her living there, he said they were not messing around, and she was having a hard time and he was helping her out. I inquired because we were still sleeping together. I had a funny feeling that he was sleeping with her too. I told him about my feelings. He told me that it was not so and that I was tripping. Recently I have run into a few problems. Our son and I need a place to stay. I told him about this a month ago; not one time has he offered to help us out in any way.

I called him and asked him why he has not offered to help us. He said, "Someone is staying with me." I asked, "Is this your girlfriend?" Now he says yes. Not one time has he ever referred to her as his girlfriend. I wanted to know when all this happened. He said, "Not that long ago."

A month prior he was about to spend the weekend at my place. Four months prior he was saying he was confused about what he wanted. He always tells me that he still loves me. He acts so nice to me one day but the next day he is jumping down my throat about the problems he is having with the chick. It’s like he is blaming me for whatever is going on. And he even says he is confused about her and he thinks that she is what he is looking for. I feel like he has lied to me since the beginning. The question is why? I am starting to feel that he told me about them so he won’t have to offer us a place to stay, but why? I would not have accepted his offer because we have been through a lot, but he could have offered to help me some other way, if not for me, for our son. Am I wrong to expect him to offer to help us out? This man is not involved in his son’s life. He does not call regularly. He wants me to call him when I am in the area. Why do I have to call him to see his son? I don’t feel like that is my responsibility.

It seems as though he is trying to forget about us. He recently asked me to bring our son to spend a night at his house. I told him that our son doesn’t need to be in this type of situation. His private life should be his own business. Am I wrong for not letting him stay over at his house? What should I do about this? Please help!

Keyless and Crushed

Dear Keyless,

Who cares if he called her the chick or the broad? The bottom line is that she lives with your Ex, and she has a key to the front door and you don’t. He moved another woman in his home while stringing you along emotionally and told you she was living there. That’s a bold brother. He’s not trying to forget about you; he already has. You’re the only one who needs to move on. You also need to be tested if you were not using protection. Obviously, your ex has no problem sleeping with two women. Please use condoms with anyone you meet from now on. Your health is your wealth.

It is disappointing that your Ex is not equally concerned about providing shelter for his defenseless son, but there are laws to address this unfair situation. Gather your documents and schedule an appointment with the Office of Family Support. This is how you can ensure that your son gets all of the provisions entitled to him.

If you don’t trust this woman, do not allow her around your child. Keep in mind that your Ex does have rights, and he should be allowed to exercise his parental responsibility. You will need to work out a fair visitation agreement that does not put your son in physical or emotional danger.

I also recommend creating a plan for your own personal growth. Happy, healthy mommies make better parenting decisions. Find a support group of women to encourage you, mentor you and help ease the burden of parenting without a husband. Some churches have organizations where married women with life experience mentor single moms. You should also work on additional training so that you can expand your job skills. The more skills and training you receive the more money you can command. Stay positive. God will provide for you and your son. You are not alone.

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Xxavier

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A few years ago, a repair man came to my house to fix my washing machine. Before he even touched the washer, he pulled out a computer, connected it to the machine and, as I looked over his shoulder, the computer told him what was wrong. If you don't know how to use technology, he said, you can't be a repair man in the 21st century.

Technology today touches everything we do. Knowing how to use it can be the key to success in today's workforce generally, and specifically to careers that offer great opportunity. Over the past 25 years, the number of jobs in information technology has grown tremendously, and the number is expected to double in the next five years.

Sadly, too few African Americans fully engage with technology to help unleash their full potential. Currently, fewer than six out of 100 professionals in information technology are African American, and even fewer are graduating with degrees that prepare them for information technology careers.

Access to computers and the Internet at home can help put young people on a path toward technology careers, but one of the biggest roadblocks for African Americans is financial. Acquiring a computer and a high-speed Internet connection takes money. Prices of both have come down dramatically, but for some families, these costs still present a significant—even unbridgeable—hurdle.

Once exposed to technology, however, people realize how much it can do to make life easier, more productive and fun. Once they cross the digital divide, they never go back.

At the National Urban League, as we think about our future and how to bring about economic justice, we recognize that technology is power. And we are constantly working to place that power into the hands of people in our various communities.

This is not a task that we can do alone.

**Partnerships are helping reduce barriers to economic opportunity.**

Fortunately, we have help from partners such as Microsoft, which recently awarded us a $5 million software grant to bring the power of technology into over 100 Urban League affiliate offices serving more than 2 million people nationwide. This generous gift from Microsoft will significantly enhance local capabilities and increase access to digital technology for the disadvantaged students and adults participating in a wide variety of programs, from educational assistance to job training.

These efforts are incredibly important. It is imperative that we expose the people we serve to the power of technology—from repairing a washing machine, to planning for the economic success of the next generation.

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Havana- Fidel Castro stepped down Tuesday morning as the president of Cuba after a long illness. The announcement was made in a letter to the nation written by Mr. Castro and published early Tuesday morning on the Web site of Granma, the official publication of the Cuban Communist Party.

The resignation ends one of the longest tenures as one of the most all-powerful communist heads of state in the world.

In late July 2006, Mr. Castro, who is 81, handed over power temporarily to his brother, Raúl Castro, 76, and a few younger cabinet ministers, after an acute infection in his colon forced him to undergo emergency surgery. Despite numerous operations, he has never fully recovered but has remained active in running government affairs from behind the scenes.

Now, just days before the national assembly is to meet to select a new head of state, Mr. Castro resigned permanently, and signaled his willingness to let a younger generation assume power. He said his failing health made it impossible to return as president. “I will not aspire to neither will I accept — I repeat I will not aspire to neither will I accept — the position of President of the Council of State and Commander in chief,” he wrote in the letter.

He added: “It would betray my conscience to occupy a responsibility that requires mobility and the total commitment that I am not in the physical condition to offer.”

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Mr. Bush called for Cuba to release political prisoners and to begin building “institutions necessary for democracy that eventually will lead to free and fair elections.”

But the announcement puts Raúl Castro in position to be anointed as the Cuban head of state when the National Assembly meets on Sunday, cementing the power structure that has run the country since Mr. Castro fell ill.

However, Mr. Castro’s unexpected announcement left it unclear what role other high-level government ministers — among them the vice president, Carlos Lage Davila, and the foreign minister, Felipe Perez Roque — would play in the new government.

Mr. Castro also made it clear he is not fading into the sunset but pledged to continue to be a force in Cuban politics through his writings, just as he has over the last year and a half. “I am not saying goodbye to you,” he wrote. “I only wish to fight as a soldier of ideas.”

That statement raised the possibility little would change after Sunday’s vote, that Cuba will continue to be ruled in essence by two presidents, with Raúl Castro on stage while Fidel Castro lurks in the wings. At times over the last year and a half, the current government has seemed paralyzed when the two men disagree.

In Washington, John D. Negroponte, deputy secretary of state, said it was unlikely that the United States would lift its trade embargo on Cuba, Reuters reported.
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Delivered 40 years ago, the message like the messenger remains relevant today. King warned that too many people live through periods of great social change with their eyes closed to the possibilities, reduced to Rip Van Winkle-like naps in unfamiliar surroundings, dumber and lost.

The 2008 presidential race is a great revolution. We have an opportunity in Barack Obama unlike none before, an option that I never thought I’d see in my lifetime.

My fervor is not motivated by mere racial solidarity. Look no further than Clarence Thomas or Condoleezza Rice for evidence that shared race does not translate into shared values.

Obama is well-prepared: Harvard law degree, community organizer, civil rights attorney; and someone who does not believe electoral politics mattered. Obama can win: Poll after poll has shown that he’s the most electable of all the prospective nominees. He’s faced off against the formidable Clinton political machine, matched them in fund raising, and shaken the walls around that political principality in Iowa. He came in close in New Hampshire, and racked up more delegates than Clinton in Nevada.

Perhaps most importantly, Obama gets it: He watched his cancer-stricken mother confounded by her health coverage. Fifteen years out of law school, he and his wife were paying more to service their student loan debt than their home mortgage. He turned down a six-figure corporate law job to work for $13,000.00 a year as a community organizer. He understands how the economic system is designed to hold us back. He has felt bludgeoned by that system.

And, yet, on top of all of this Obama’s political boat has risen and so have the possibilities for all children of color.

We raise our children to believe if they work hard enough, they too can be President. But we Americans of a darker hue, live with the acidic knowledge that one day our children will confront the reality of race that renders some of their dreams categorically impossible.

That’s how it’s been for the 232 years since our democracy was founded. That’s how it will be. Until now.

My daughter is 2, and every night, after a few minutes of Sesame Street we watch the news. Irrevocably she sees this man who looks like he could be her cousin or uncle, and she gets excited.

Unable to interpret the latest news, she knows that when she utters the two words “Barack Obama,” everyone – even her 91-year old great grandmother – gets excited. And she just beams. We see reflected in her eyes the bigness of this moment, the revolutionary nature of our times.

Dr. King’s challenge delivered to a congregation at the National Cathedral in March of 1968 has particular resonance during this intense primary election season when African American voices will matter most. Remain awake through the great revolution of 2008.

We don’t want to wake up the day after the election and realize that we slept through the opportunity to participate in a transformative moment that matters tomorrow.

Because of what Obama has already achieved in 2008, that possibility is within my daughter’s reach. That a black child can honestly desire to aspire to the presidency is revolutionary.

Benjamin Todd Jealous is the former executive director of the NNPA, and the former managing editor of Mississippi’s Jackson Advocate newspaper. He lives in Northern California with his wife and 2-year-old daughter Morgan.

In one of the last sermons preached before his death, Dr. King references the fictional character Rip Van Winkle, noting that when the old man went up into the mountain for a 20-year nap he passed a sign that pictured King George III of England.

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When the bended, bearded man emerged two decades later, the sign pictured George Washington, the first president of the United States.

Rip Van Winkle, as Dr. King reminds us, had literally slept through the great revolution.
The Tom Joyner Morning Show and the NAACP National Voter Fund have partnered to launch 1-866-MYVOTE1 as part of a year-long voter registration, education and empowerment campaign.

“This is truly one of the most exciting and important presidential election years we’ve ever had,” said Joyner, the nationally syndicated radio personality whose radio show is aired in 115 markets reaching nearly eight million listeners. “This partnership with the NAACP National Voter Fund is our way to make sure we register as many voters as possible, and give our community the tools to become active players in this year’s election.”

Julian Bond, chairman of the nation’s oldest and largest civil rights organization, said that “the stakes in this year’s elections are extremely high and for the first time in US history the African-American vote will be decisive in both the Primary and General Elections.”

Bond added, “The NAACP and NAACP National Voter Fund’s Partnership with the Tom Joyner Morning Show could not come at a better time. The Tom Joyner Morning Show’s national promotion will play a major role in our efforts to register and empower hundreds of thousands of African Americans and especially young voters throughout the United States.”

The toll-free number can be used by callers around the country and will operate through the November 2008 election. After callers dial the 866-MYVOTE1 (866-698-6831), they can enter their zip code and select from one of several options:

1) Request a voter registration application, which they can sign and return to their local county elections board;
2) Find the closest polling place to their home;
3) Record up to a 60 second complaint if they have encountered any problems, or
4) Transfer to a person at their local county elections office.

Throughout the primary season and Election Day, Joyner and the NAACP will be encouraging tens of thousands to register to vote and be able to monitor any problems voters might have at their polling places.

The voter hotline is a part of Joyner’s and the NAACP broader initiatives to educate and inform residents to get involved in what is one of the most racially diverse presidential campaigns ever. Joyner’s Black-America.com blackamerica.com will feature a special ‘Moving America’ section that will exclusively be devoted to covering the presidential race as well as other critical issues affecting African-Americans.

“Since the start of this new partnership in late November, 2007, over 10,000 listeners have already responded,” according to Greg Moore, executive director of the NAACP National Voter Fund. “Our overall goal is to register 100,000 new voters who will play a decisive role in the 2008 primary and general elections.”

The NAACP National Voter Fund (NVF) was established by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) as a free-standing 501C (4) corporation in June 2000 to engage in civic participation and community-based mobilization efforts through education and awareness campaigns surrounding key issues in communities of color. NVF’s expertise lies in increasing voter turnout in the African-American communities through non-partisan voter registration, voter education, and get-out-the-vote efforts. Their Web site is www.naacpnvf.net.

Scholarships available for Jesse L. Jackson Sr. Fellows

Reverend Jesse Jackson and PUSH-Excel are pleased announced that they are currently accepting applications for this year’s Jesse L. Jackson Sr. Fellows. “We believe that a dream deferred is a dream denied. PUSH-Excel is committed to improving the quality of life for humanity through advocacy efforts, coalition building and direct services. The Scholarship program provides funding to students to begin, continue and complete college,” says Reverend Jackson.

Jackson Fellows are awarded to strong high school students. Selected fellows will receive $5,000.00. The award will be paid directly to the college or university he/she is attending. Selected fellows must meet the following criteria:

* Senior attending a high school and graduating in Spring of 2008
* Will be attending a four-year college or university in the U.S.
* Cumulative 3.0 grade point average or above
* Demonstrate academic preparation to attend college
* Ability to overcome obstacles to achieve academic and personal success
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Scholarship applications are being accepted now through April 30, 2008. Applicants may apply online by visiting www.pushexcel.org. Make sure to choose Jesse L. Jackson Sr. Fellows in the application dropdown menu.

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