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## **Pepsi-Cola Honored by National Urban League**

Pepsi-Cola was honored recently by the National Urban League for participating in the civil rights organization's Exhibit Showcase every year since the showcase was begun in 1968.

The showcase is a popular attraction that draws thousands of visitors during the League's Annual Conference.

"You (exhibitors) not only provide financial support, but an attraction our people look forward to and enjoy," League President John E. Jacob told a luncheon for a total of 20, 25-year exhibitors during the League's 1993 annual Conference. "This event could not happen if you did not care about what was going on in our community," Jacob said.

Jacob said that the League's first Exhibit Showcase, put together for the 1968 Annual Conference in New Orleans, attracted 39 companies. This year's showcase registered 445 participants for the popular attraction.

Sam Hall, the recently retired Manager of Public Relations for Pepsi-Cola Company, recalled how he and his supervisor at the time, George Russell, had arranged for Pepsi to become a "Charter supporter of the showcase.'

"The summer of 1968 was a time of crisis in much of America," Hall said. "The war in Vietnam raged on, showing no signs of letting up and it



Urban League "Thanks" To Pepsil--The National Urban League gave special thanks to Pepsi-Cola Company recently for participating in the League's Annual Conference's Exhibit Showcase every year since the exhibits began in 1969. Sam Hill, recently retired Manager of Public Relations, Pepsi-Cola, shown here with Betty Shine, Manager, Community Relations, Pepsi-Cola, recalled recently how the original contract was made between Pepsi-Cola and the National Urban League for the Annual Conference in New Orleans a quarter century ago. Hall said that Pepsi, one of 20 American firms recently thanked by Jacob, had been a long-time supporter of the goals and aspirations of African American community-based organizations since the 1940s.

was tearing American families apart. Martin Luther King had been assassinated just months before and this touched off serious rioting in 109 cities."Hall said: "We were especially aware, in Pepsi's Community Public Relations unit, of the need to have the company identify with the efforts of the National Urban League -- and with the NAACP -- as organization working hard since the turn of the century to help America work for the good of all its people.'

Hall pointed out that Pepsi-Cola had taken an interest in the goals and aspirations of minority consumers "long before it became fashionable." He noted that his company had been putting company representatives into African American conferences and conventions since the 1940s.

> Celebrate Diversity



Four City Tour: The Capitol in Washington, D.C. was just one of the sites visited by the 30 high school winners of Alpha Kappa Alpha's Domestic Travel Tour during their recent four-city tour. The students also visited historical sites in Atlanta, Ga., Birmingham, Al., and Chicago during the eight-day trip. ADA sponsors the competition biennially for academically talented junior and senior females.

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# Elderly Citizens Lose \$32,000 In Bank Fraud Scheme

are investigating two recently reported incidents in which two elderly citizens have fraudulently lost a total of \$32,000. The scheme involves suspect(s), posing as investigators, seeking elderly citizens cooperation in apprehending dishonest bank employee. Usually the victim is asked to withdraw a large sum of money and turn it over to the suspect, who agrees to return the money, after apprehending the dishonest employee.

On Thursday, August 5, 1993 an 88 year old NE Portland man and his 86 year old wife reported losing \$7,000 after receiving a phone call from a suspect who identified himself as

Portland Police Fraud Detectives count. The suspect, who had the victims name and other personal information, asked the victim to meet him in the vicinity of the bank, which the victim subsequently agreed to do. Prior to the meeting, the victim attempted to \verify the veracity of the suspect's story and his identity. The suspect told the victim to immediately hang up, dial 911 and to ask for him, which the victim did.

Investigators believe that the suspect remained on the line, before it had time to disconnect, and when the victim dialed 911, he actually ended up talking to the suspect, who remained on the phone line.

The victim then met the suspect

posing as Captain Kowalski and a Deputy District Attorney, assigned to prosecute the case. Although the victim's wife expressed her suspicions and unwillingness to participate, the victim agreed to meet the suspect, and later turned over the \$7,000 cash,after being told that it was needed as evidence and would be returned to the victim at a later date. The victim later learned that the suspect was phony. The suspect, who was never seen with anyone else or in a vehicle, is described as a male white, 65-70 years of age, 5'10", weighing 170 pounds and having gray hair.

Detectives also report a similar incident which occurred August 4 said Detective Mark Coffey, the investigator from the Fraud Detail assigned to investigate the cases.

Coffey states that such schemes are committed by an organized group, involving several suspects who assist in giving the impression that the suspects are legitimate officials. "The suspects watch banks and if they observe an elderly person enter and leave within a short period of time, they assume that the elderly person made a deposit or withdrawal, which require a relatively short amount of time" said Coffey.

lowed home and their license plate is deposit slips or other bank documents

having substantial sums of money," cooperation of the victim" said Coffey. Investigators state that sometimes the suspects pose as bank examiners as by a lineup of practicing CPA, attorney, business consultants and SBA well as police investigators.

Investigators recommend the fol- staff. You get their input on success lowing to avoid becoming a victim of and failure factors, marketing, record such a fraud; 1) If contacted by a keeping, making your business plan, suspect posing as a bank examiner or sales promotion/advertising, point of police investigator, hang up and call sale selling, SBA loans, and selecting your bank; 2) Never agree to make the right legal structure for your busisuch withdrawals. Bank officials and ness. A question and answer period police investigators, would never ask follow each presentation. Participants a customer to make withdrawals to get a free business information kit. assist tin apprehending a dishonest employer; 3) While banking, don't the least cost in time and money and write down account numbers on sepa- get the most useable information for "Sometimes the victim is fol- rate slips of papers and do not leave getting started right.

This September 2, workshop will

Come learn with the experts at

**How To Start** 

**Your Own** 

**Business** 

ministration and the Service Corps Of Retired Executives (SCORE) are jointly presenting " A Beginning

Business Workshop" on Thursday,

September 2, 1993 (8am to 4:30pm). This workshop is especially recommended for those thinking of starting

their own business, or those presently

"Getting Started Right". It is taught

The theme of the workshop is

in business.

The U.S. Small Business Ad-

"Captain Bender", a police investiga- a few blocks away from the bank and tor. The suspect told the couple that was told to withdraw the money and he was investigating an employee of call the suspect back at 911. Upon a nearby bank, who was suspected of doing so the victim spoke with the taking \$7,000 from the victim's ac- suspect and two other accomplices.

we think of no better person to lead

our prevention efforts than David

and 6, 1993, to a 78 year old SE Portland man, who lost \$25,000 under similar circumstances.

because they are generally viewed as suspect(s) to gain the confidence and their identification.

suspects will obtain information on the victim from a variety of sources.

recorded. Using this information the laying on counters; 4) Anytime you be held at Two World Trade Center deal with a person in plainclothes, 25 SW Salmon, Portland, OR. Fee who identifies themselves as law en- \$25.00. Pre-registration recom-"Senior Citizens are targeted This information is then used by the forcement personnel, request to see mended. For more information please call Bea: 503-326-5211 or 326-3441.

#### **David Satcher Appointed Director Of The Centers For Disease Control**

HHS Secretary Donna E. Shalala emphasis on disease prevention, and announced the appointment of David Satcher, M.D., Ph.D., president of Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tenn., to be director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

Satcher, 52, who has headed Meharry since 1982, is one of the nation's preeminent experts on minority and community health issues. He will assume his new duties later this year. In his new position, he will also administer the agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, which is also a component of the U.S. Public Health Service within HHS.

"David Satcher brings worldclass professional stature, management skills, integrity and preventive health care experience to his new role," Secretary Shalala said.

this administration to place special the Public Health Service, also ex- in 'Atlanta in 1963 and his M.D. and



David Satcher, M.D., Ph.D.

"President Clinton has directed Health Philip R. Lee, M.D. head of ence degree from Morchouse College

pressed his pleasure at Dr. Satcher's Ph.D. in cytogenetics from Case cine and family practice, School of to the Institute of Medicine of the appointment to the public health team. "Dr. Satcher is a world leader in medicine and public health. His vision of public health for the 21st pediatric program at Strong Memo-Century will enhance the 'heath' in rial Hospital of the University of Rochhealth care reform."

Meharry's academic and financial status during his tenure. He led fund raising efforts for the historically black Vanderbilt Medical School in Nashville

He recently carried forward the merger of Meharry's Hubbard Hospital and the Nashville General Hospital. Under his leadership Meharry for the Poor and Underserved in 1989.

Dr. Satcher wasborn in Anniston, cancer. HHS Assistant Secretary for Ala. He received his bachelor of sci-

Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1970. He did his residency training in the joint medicineester in New York. At Morchouse he Satcher greatly strengthened was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and at Case Western Reserve to the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society.

Throughout his professional camedical college and formed links with reer, Dr. Satcher has worked in institutions concerned primarily with the health of American minorities, gaining broad experience in preventive medicine. He has conducted basic, clinical and health services research. His interests include medical genetestablished an Institute on Heath Care ics (with a focus on sickle cell disease), hypertension, geriatrics and

> From 1979 through 1982, Dr. Satcher was professor and chairman of the department of community medi-

Medicine, Morehouse College. Before that he was an interim dean at the Charles R. Drew Postgraduate Medical School in Los Angeles and was professor and chairman of the department of family medicine.

From 1974 to 1979 he was director of the King-Drew Sickle Cell Center in Los Angles. From 1975 to 1979 he was also medical director of the Second Baptist Free Clinic in Los Angeles.

Dr. Satcher has been on several HHS advisory councils and has been serving as chairman of the Council of Graduate Medical Education. He has been principal investigator on several major grants from the National Institutes of Health and the Health Resources and Services Administration and the National Science Foundation

In 1986, Dr. Satcher was elected

National Academy of Sciences He has been a member of the boards of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, the Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation, the Student National Medical Association Foundation and the Boy Scouts of America and a member of the President's Advisory Board for Historically Black Colleges and universities

CDC--with a fiscal year 1993 budget of \$2.0 billion -- provides leadership in controlling and preventing disease and injury in the United States. Its centers work with state and local health departments and other partners to monitor health, conduct research to enhance prevention, implement prevention strategies, promote healthy behaviors and foster safe and healthy environments. CDC is one of eight Public Health Service agencies within HHS.

#### Legal Aid Series 15: Visitation Tips

breaking up or has broken up. It is a parents. difficult time for both parents. However it is important that they put aside is always a lot of fun but after a while day, the non-custodial parent and the their negative feelings towards each these trips can become expensive. child should decide if the child wants other when it comes to dealing with the children. It is important to help the children adjust to the family structure. Handled properly, visitation can help shown that when the parents are civil to each other during a visitation ex- time on visits change, adjusting to the new family structure is made easier for the children.

here and there. Whether or not the blanket or toy. It is important that short visits, it is most important to be returned with the child.

Children and their feelings are consistent with the visits. Children

It's a good idea for the custodial can irritate the custodial parent which often overlooked when a family is need to know they can depend on both parent to keep school events from frequently upsets the child. Neither interfering with visitation. However if Going to the movies or to the zoo a school event does fall on a visitation

Children do not need to be with this adjustment. Studies have entertained outside of home all the

Children do not need to be entertained to participate in that event. If so, the Visitation is a time when the non- outside of home all the time on visits. parent should try to take the child to custodial has the children in his or her Staying at your home can also be fun the event, it really helps if both parent care. Sometimes weekends or over- playing games, baking cookies or per- actively participate in school sports night visits are not practical for a haps working in the garage. Visita- and events. A child loves having both variety of reasons. Instead of not vis- tion can sometimes go more smoothly parents there if they don't get into any child and what is happening in the iting try short visits of several hours if the child brings along a favorite arguments. non-custodial parent has weekends or whatever a child brings, it needs to be arrange visitation ahead of time and

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The non-custodial parent should

parent should make promises they can not keep. The non-custodial parent should not promise that he/she will be there, then not show up. This hurts the child and may cost that parent some of the child's trust. For the same reason try to be on time. If you are running late, call. If you find yourself unable to spend as much time with your children as you would like, you can make up for the lack of contact by calling your children. Children consider a one-on-one telephone conversation with a non-custodial parent as good as a visit outside the home. The custodial parent should not monitor those calls. The non-custodial parent should keep the conversation centered around the child's life and not talk about the custodial parent. Both parents need to refrain from expressing negative feelnot just drop by unexpectedly. This ings about the other parent when they

are with the children.

Children sometimes have a difficult time adjusting to having two different homes. Custodial parents often complain the children return from visitation "out of control" because the non-custodial parent has so few rules. Expecting the non-custodial parent to constantly say "no" during the short time a child is with him/her is unreasonable. But on the other hand it is easier on the children if both parents agree to having the same rules in the area of discipline, bedtime and foods.

Multnomah County Legal Aid Serivce provides legal advice and representation for low income people living in Multnomah County with family law problems. To find out if they would be able to help you, you can call our downtown Family Law Center. 226-7991, or our North/Northeast Community Law Office, 295-9494, located at the Portland Community College Cascade Campus.

#### **Public Service** Announcement: An Open Invitation To All

### **People Of Good Will**

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