



New Prices Effective May 1, 2010

Martin Cleaning Service

Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Residential & Commercial Services
Minimum Service CHG. \$45.00

A small distance/travel charge may be applied

CARPET CLEANING
 2 Cleaning Areas or more \$30.00 Each Area
Pre-Spray Traffic Areas (Includes: 1 small Hallway)
1 Cleaning Area (only) \$40.00
 Includes Pre-Spray Traffic Area (Hallway Extra)

Stairs (12-16 stairs - With Other Services): \$25.00

Area/Oriental Rugs: \$25.00 Minimum
Area/Oriental Rugs (Wool): \$40.00 Minimum

Heavily Soiled Area: Additional \$10.00 each area (Requiring Extensive Pre-Spraying)

UPHOLSTERY CLEANING

Sofa: \$69.00
 Loveseat: \$49.00
 Sectional: \$109 - \$139
 Chair or Recliner: \$25 - \$49
 Throw Pillows (With Other Services): \$5.00

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

- Area & Oriental Rug Cleaning
- Auto/Boat/RV Cleaning
- Deodorizing & Pet Odor Treatment
- Spot & Stain Removal Service
- Scotchguard Protection
- Minor Water Damage Services

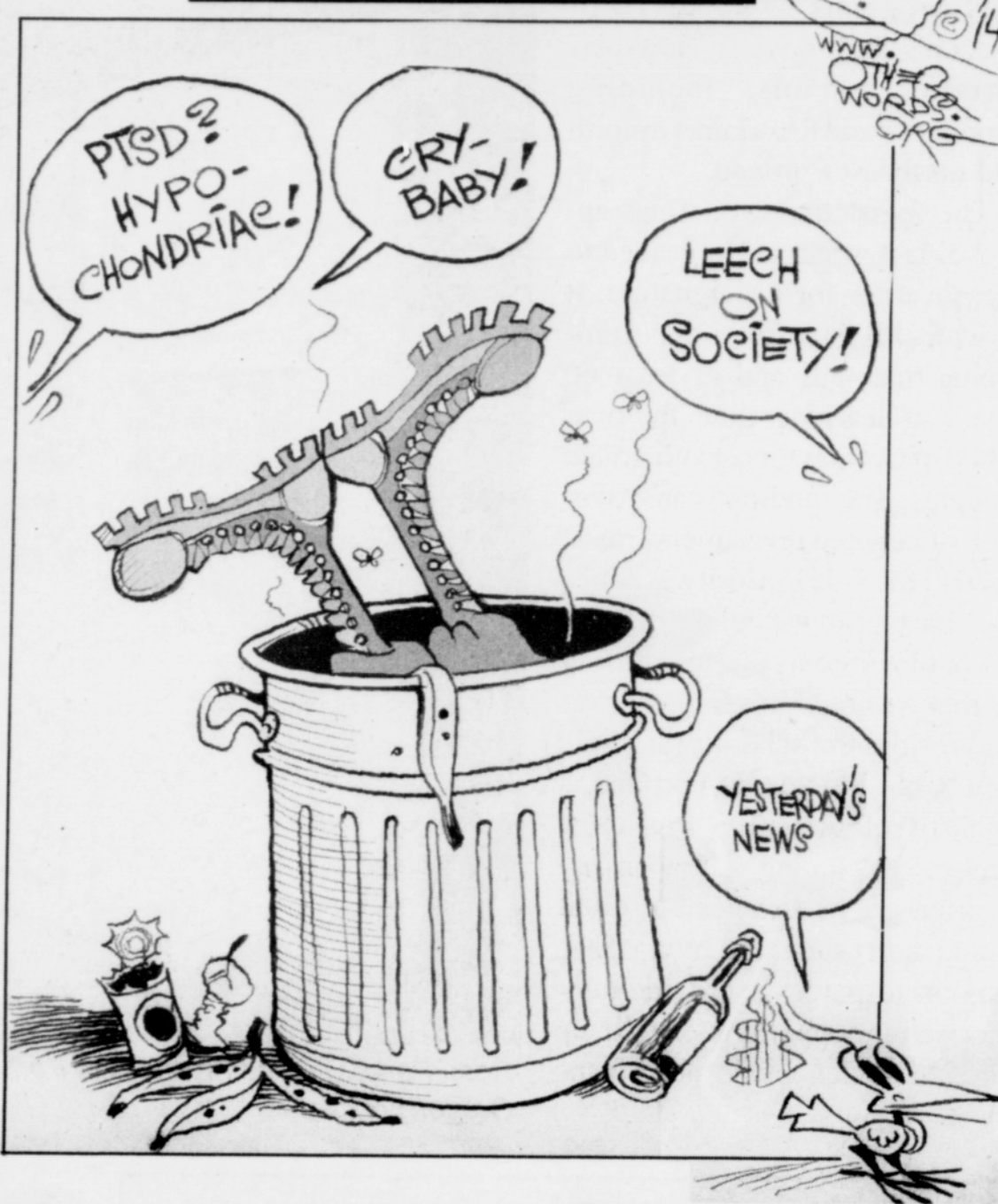
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OPINION

DURING A WAR



AFTER A WAR



My Brother's Keeper Initiative Just a Start

Take my story as an example

BY JUDGE MATHIS



I, along with my three brothers was raised by a single mother who worked multiple jobs and sacrificed a tremendous amount for us. Despite all of her love and hard work, I did not escape the pitfalls that commonly plague young boys growing up in low-income and single parent households.

I was arrested multiple times until a Michigan judge gave me an ultimatum to either turn my life around and get my education or serve a long term prison sentence. The goodwill sentencing of that judge allowed me to change for the better and overcome seemingly insurmountable odds that my friends I faced growing up.

I was trapped in a cycle of self-destructive behavior. It's the same cycle that far too many of our minority brothers are stuck in

today. African-American males, and more recently, Latino-American males are falling behind their American colleagues.

The statistics are shocking. In 2008, Latino and African-Americans accounted for over 58 percent of our nation's prisons population, despite only being 25 percent of the American population.

The important question we have to answer is how can we break the cycle of negative outcomes for minority males? Underperforming schools, crime infested neighborhoods, and unprepared parents have combined to become a recipe for disaster in the lives of young men of color.

There is a moral imperative to equal the playing field for minority males, but it also makes economic sense for the long-term health of our nation to uplift young boys of color. If we invest in educating our young men instead of locking them up, or allowing them to become trapped in counterproductive lifestyles, I guarantee we will see positive results.

Take my story as an example. If the judge that sentenced me had not given me a second chance, it's highly likely I might still be locked up at an expense of \$40,000 per year to the American taxpayer. On the contrary, I was able to benefit from federal investment in my future through affirmative action programs and federal student loans to get my college degree.

Through taxes and other efforts, I believe I have more than paid back the government's investment in me. I was able to break out of the cycle of negative outcomes for young boys like myself. We must prioritize our young boys and figure out why they are failing and what changes we can make to turn this trend around.

My Brother's Keeper represents a crucial commitment to this turnaround effort. Private foundations and philanthropists have made more than a \$300 million dollar investment to help young minority males close the gap between them and their colleagues.

This initial money will be in-

vested in research proven methods and programs in communities that need it most. In addition, President Obama has launched a broader federal interagency task force to examine federal policies and regulations affecting minority males, changing such policies when needed.

These are important steps forward that include a number of grassroots activists, faith leaders, and philanthropists determined to push the well-being of America's minority males to the fore-front of our nation's consciousness.

I believe this initiative is just a start, but that with continued investment we will see a long overdue turn around in outcomes for young boys of color. I welcome this new initiative and look forward to the positive change it will accomplish.

Judge Mathis is known for his advocacy for equal justice. His inspirational life story of a street youth who rose from jail to Judge has provided hope to millions who watch him on the award-winning TV court show Judge Mathis.