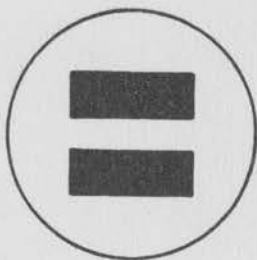




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The St. Paul Urban League

PRESENTS

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

Executive Director, National Urban League

AT ITS

52nd ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

MAY 27, 1976

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ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA



VERNON E. JORDAN, JR., Executive Director of the National Urban League, directs an interracial organization of 104 affiliates, four Regional offices, a Washington Bureau, and a New York headquarters which work tirelessly to bring solid advances to the minority community. Dynamic and forthright, he is continual in his communication with high governmental officials and corporate heads to help improve the well-being of people in this country. His weekly newspaper column "To Be Equal" appears in 120 newspapers, and he writes extensively on national issues for major publications.

Jordan was Executive Director of the United Negro College Fund before he took over his present position after the untimely death of the late National Director, Whitney Young, Jr. An attorney by vocation, he was Director of the Voter Education Project, Southern Regional Council. As director he set up programs and voter registration projects throughout the South, adding some 2,000,000 black voters to the rolls.

After a period of private practice in Arkansas and in his home state of Georgia, where he grew up, he was Georgia Field Director for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. During his work in Georgia and his associations with top black leaders in the country, he was involved in one of the most dramatic moments in the nation's civil rights turmoil. Using his body as a shield, he led the black student, Charlayne Hunter, through an angry mob of white protestors, into the University of Georgia.

As National Executive Director, Jordan speaks out on many issues. At a 1973 National Press Club luncheon in Washington, Jordan warned that the national budget with its cutbacks in funding of human resources programs "... reflects an irrational choice of priorities that intensifies the nature of urban problems."

Likewise, in his Keynote address to the 65th National Urban League Conference in 1975, Jordan called for a dedication to a national full employment policy for all citizens that would guarantee everyone a decent job at a decent wage. He also announced plans for an income maintenance program to replace a destructive welfare system we now have.

He serves on the Boards of many major corporations and national organizations, among them, the Xerox Corporation, J.C. Penney Co., the National Urban Coalition, and the Rockefeller Foundation. His federal appointments include the Advisory Council on Social Security, the Presidential Clemency Board, and the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission.

Jordan holds a B.A. Degree from DePauw University, a Juris Degree from Howard University, was a Fellow at Metropolitan Applied Research Center and Fellow at Harvard University, Institute of Politics, John F. Kennedy School of Government. He holds 18 honorary degrees from colleges and universities across the country. He is a member of the Arkansas Bar, Georgia Bar, U.S. Supreme Court Bar, American Bar Association, National Bar Association, and the National Conference of Black Lawyers.

Lift Every Voice and Sing

by James Weldon Johnson

Lift every voice and sing
Till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the listening skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us,
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chastening rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn has died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?

We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,
Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who has by Thy might
Led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.

Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,
May we forever stand,
True to our God,
True to our native land.

THE PROGRAM

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

Invocation

Rev. Tyrone Burkette,
Pastor, Dayton Ave. Presbyterian Church

Greetings

Rev. William Young,
President, Board of Directors
Honorable Fred Norton,
State Repres., District 65A
Honorable Lawrence Cohen,
Mayor, City of St. Paul

Treasurer's Report

Felton Dean,
Treasurer, St. Paul Urban League

Nominating Committee's Report

Beverly Johnson,
Chairperson

The St. Paul Urban League, 1975-1976

Willie Mae Wilson,
Executive Director

Musical Selections

The Sounds of Blackness

Dinner Music, Tom West

Special Awards

St. Paul Urban League Board Service

LeRoy Martin,
Board President-Elect

Youth

Rev. Samuel Robinson,
Annual Meeting Committee Member

Special Recognition

Rev. William Young
S. E. Hall Distinguished Community Service
Denzil A. Carty Family Of The Year
Barbara Berry,
Annual Meeting Co-Chairperson

Introduction of Guest Speaker

Alfreda Garibaldi
*Board Member, National Urban League,
St. Paul Urban League*

Address

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

Adjournment

The St. Paul Urban League



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Saint Paul Urban League



70th Annual Meeting & Equal Opportunity Dinner

Radisson Hotel St. Paul
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St. Paul, Minnesota

June 23, 1994

"Preparing Our Children For A Global Economy —
And A World Community"

The Mission of the St. Paul Urban League

Founded in 1923, the St. Paul Urban League is a non-profit community-based human service and civil rights organization. It is affiliated with the National Urban League headquartered in New York City which has 112 local affiliates in 34 states and the District of Columbia. It is a member agency of the United Way of the St. Paul Area.

The mission of the St. Paul Urban League is to assist African Americans and other culturally diverse groups in the achievement of social and economic equality. The League implements its mission through direct program services, advocacy, interracial bridge building, and research.

In 1993, the St. Paul Urban League provided direct client services to more than 5,354 people and families who sought help in the areas of housing, job placement, job training, teen pregnancy prevention counseling, youth entrepreneurship training, AIDS education, drug abuse and education advocacy.

The St. Paul Urban League thanks the United Way of the St. Paul Area, the National Urban League, the City of St. Paul Division of Job Creation and Training, the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, Northern States Power Company, the Minnesota State Board of Vocational Technical Education, and individuals in the general and corporate communities for providing financial support for its programs in 1993.

The Programme

Master of Ceremonies

LeClair Grier Lambert
Coordinator, Educational Program
Minnesota House of Representatives

Introduction, Head Table Guests

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

Linda Rolle, Soloist
Grant West, Pianist

Invocation

Rev. Thomas Fantroy, Pastor
Pilgrim Baptist Church

Dinner

Greetings

Eugene A. Barringer, Chair
Board of Directors

Honorable Dave Thune
President
St. Paul City Council

St. Paul Urban League 1993

Willie Mae Wilson
President and C.E.O.

Treasurer's Report

Samuel Simmons, Treasurer
Board of Directors

Board Service Awards

Ann Marie Seifert
Dr. Delores Henderson
SPUL Board of Directors

Musical Selections

Band Against Drugs

Denzil A. Carty Family of the Year Award

Lauren A. Segal
President
United Way of the St. Paul Area

S.E. Hall Community Service Award

Susan K. Moore
First Vice-Chair
SPUL Board of Directors

Special Recognition Award

Jackie Cooper
SPUL Board of Directors

Amos A. Haynes Scholarship

Dr. Curman Gaines
Superintendent
St. Paul Public Schools

United Parcel Service (UPS) Scholarship

Darryl G. Gibson
Communications Supervisor, UPS
Second Vice-Chair
SPUL Board of Directors

Musical Selection

Linda Rolle, Soloist
Grant West, Pianist

Introduction of Speaker

William L. Wilson, Research Fellow
Center for Urban and Regional Affairs
University of Minnesota

Speaker

Honorable Johnny Ford, Sr.
Mayor
Tuskegee, Alabama

Benediction

Rev. Thomas Fantroy, Pastor
Pilgrim Baptist Church

Johnny Ford, Sr.



Mayor Ford's political career started in 1968, when he became a campaign strategist for the late Senator Robert Kennedy. He was elected Mayor of Tuskegee, Alabama in 1972 becoming the first African American to be elected to that position in the history of Tuskegee. Since his election, he has been continuously re-elected to that office and is currently serving his 5th term.

Johnny Ford, Sr. attended Knoxville College in Knoxville, Tennessee where he earned a

B.A. degree in History and Sociology. In 1977, he received a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Auburn University at Montgomery. He has Honorary Degrees bestowed upon him by Rust College, Selma University and the Shaw University Divinity School.

Mayor Ford was elected founding president of the World Conference of Mayors in April, 1984; this organization represents more than 1,100 mayors of all races from 33 nations in the world. He is a member of the Alabama League of Municipalities. He was appointed to the U.S. Advisory Committee on Trade. He is chairman of the National Utilities Alliance, which is a minority public power policy making organization.

The recipient of the Freedom Humanitarian Award, Mayor Ford has been chosen for many honors such as Outstanding Young Men of America, Personalities of the South, and the Black Medallion Humanitarian Award which was presented to him by Bishop Desmond Tutu. He is also an "Honorary Citizen" of Banjul, The Gambia, West Africa, ancestral home of the late Alex Haley and Sister City to the City of Tuskegee, Alabama; he has been awarded

the key to the city of over 100 American and Foreign cities.

He serves as associate pastor of the Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church (home church of the late Booker T. Washington, founder of the historic Tuskegee Institute). He is a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Tuskegee Area Chamber of Commerce and founding president of the Tuskegee Optimist Club.

A lecturer and keynote speaker at various universities, colleges, churches, conventions and conferences, Mayor Ford's articles have appeared in many leading publications throughout the world.

1994 Awards and Recipients

DENZIL A. CARTY FAMILY OF THE YEAR AWARD

Mrs. Doris Estelle Ervin Wheeler and Family
Children: Kermitt Ervin Wheeler, Donald McCuen Wheeler and Barbara Jean Simmons
Eleven Grandchildren and Twelve Great-Grandchildren

S.E. HALL COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Martin O. Weddington

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

Louis Richard Bellamy
Artistic Director of Penumbra Theatre

UNITED PARCEL SERVICE (UPS) SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Lonnette C. Walker

AMOS A. HAYNES SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Michael Alexander Campbell

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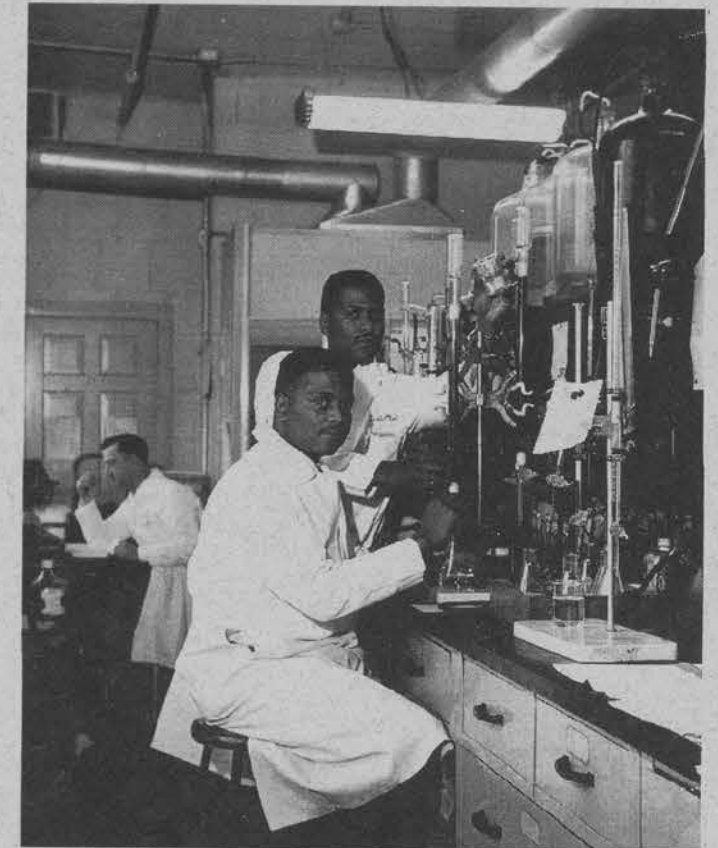
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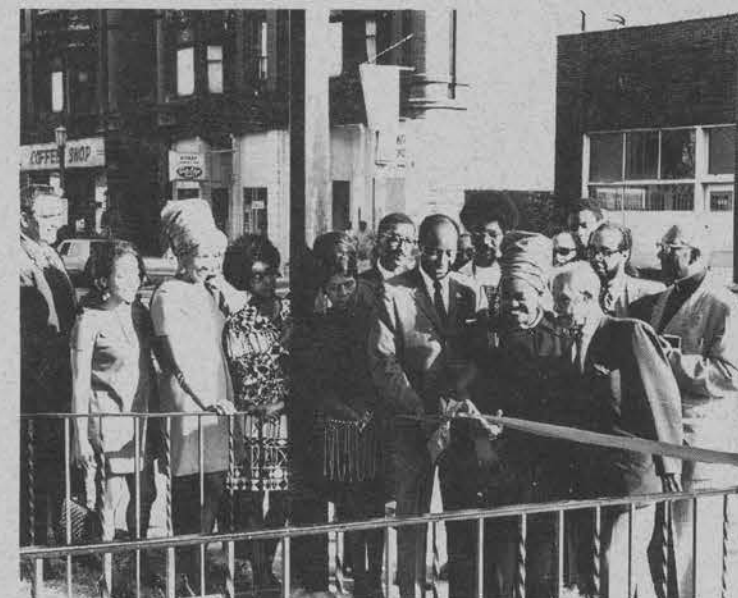
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