

## United Women of Strength host breakfast



Jacksonville, TX. - The United Women of Strength, formerly National Council of Negro Women, hosted its first event since undergoing a name change. The breakfast was held Saturday morning, October 6th at the Hot Biscuit Restaurant. About fifty people, mostly new members and their spouses attended the event. The Organization boasts a strong beginning with thirty-one members on the roll. Recruitment is still in progress. Meetings are held at 6:00PM each third Monday of the month at North Side Community Center. United Women of Strength is a service organization, serving families in need of assistance with a wide variety of social issues including burned out homes, deaths and illness in the family. Those interested in becoming a member can pickup an application from any member or contact: Lois Teague, President or Callie Walker, Vice Present.

## Sagging Pants a Problem?

Dear A. J.,  
Today I pulled out some of my old copies of the *Informer* and read them. I noticed that you discussed black history and the answers to a lot of issues back then. I decided to write you about a problem that seems to be a problem in the cities and rural areas with some young males, black and white, but especially black. They are wearing the waist of their pants to the knees exposing their underwear. It makes me sick that they would disrespect women and themselves in this way. Do they have mental problems? Are they low IQ? Some of them are in their twenties and thirties. Just what is their problem?  
Disgruntled Grandmother  
Rusk, Texas

First I would advise you to pickup a copy of Bill Cosby's latest book called, "COME ON PEOPLE". In the book he talks about the whole range of issues that black families are experiencing now, starting with sagging pants and ending with guns.

A lot of people are not going to like what he is saying. They call it airing the dirty laundry of African Americans, but he's, *telling it through his teeth!* And, it applies to ALL Races, NOT just Black! In my opinion, a lot of it has to do with the way parents are NOT raising their children, law enforcement's interpretation and use of legislation, racism and how it is applied unequally to black men.

## Ask A. J. ?

about to say, but at age fourteen when my son came walking out in front of me and his grandfather( his mom's dad) with his pants hanging I didn't have to open my mouth, granddaddy took off his belt and put it to good use then laid down the stern rules that went with the belt. That solved the problem from that day to this.



A large majority of parents are afraid to talk to their kids, set rules and give them guidance, They are afraid to check kids bedroom and see what's there or even set a curfew on the times they go and come.

On the unequal use of laws and legislation, people need to watch the people they vote into offices like the sheriff, the county judge, the county attorney, district attorney and yes the people you put in Austin for representatives, senators and governors. Call or go see these people when you see an injustice. Most of the time they will listen. If they don't, spread the word and help vote them out!

Parents and neighbors need to tell these men just what they are doing to themselves when they limp around with underwear exposed. They look and act like they're mad at the world! I wouldn't hire one to work for me and neither would most businesses. I can't answer your question about mental problems or low I. Q., but I would say a little counseling about the appropriate way to dress and work ethics couldn't hurt. Oh, yes, be sure to pickup a copy of Bill Cosby' book. Send your letter to A. J. to P. O. Box 332, Rusk, Tx. 75785 or [informernews08@aol.com](mailto:informernews08@aol.com)



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## City of Alto Sets Community-wide Cleanup

Friday & Saturday October 26-27, 8:00am - 12:00 noon and 1:00-5pm. No household garbage or paint will be accepted. Metals, batteries & mattresses will be picked up at a later date. Call city hall at 936 858-4711 for more information.