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From ASU: DR. KATIE BELL AND MS. RUBY SULLIVAN

DRAFT LETTER
Inside Address

RUFUS LEWIS COMMUNITY LIBRARY, Ms. Mary Wihloute, Head Li-
brarian
3095 Mobile Hwy., 36108

Dear-----:

We invite you to attend the 90th birthday party of the Honorable Rufus Lewis. His service in the community, especially in the area of voting rights and citizenship participation, is immeasurable. Celebrating his birthday will give us the opportunity to thank him for his work that continues to manifest today. His work will forever serve as the foundation and inspiration for posterity to continue his legacy for citizenship involvement.

The Honorable Rufus Lewis' Birthday Party
CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF SERVICE
801 Bolivar (Lewis' Home)
Montgomery, AL 36104
November 26, 1996--Tuesday
12:00 Noon--1:00 P.M.

RSVP: 832-9000, extension 4

We look forward to your presence,

Sincerely yours,

Leroy Bell

cc: Dr. Fred Gainous
Dr. Gwen Patton, **TSTC** Archivist
for the Lewis Collection

IF YOU APPROVE, LETTERS OF INVITE WILL HAVE TO BE SENT OUT RIGHT AWAY

November 7, 1996

80 people

To: Dr. Leroy Bell, Interim President
From: Dr. Gwen Patton
Re: 90th Birthday Party for Honorable Rufus Lewis

Coach Lewis will be 90 years old on November 30, 1996. I thought it would be appropriate for the College to host a birthday party in his honor, given that he and his family have entrusted his most invaluable papers and documents in our care. All knows that he is the pioneer in our Voting Rights Movement.

If you approve, attached is a draft letter of invite for your signature. We will invite the press, David can video the affair, and Diane Ward will take B&W photos for the Archives. At the party, we can announce to the press (the public) that we are thankful to have the Lewis Collection in our repository, our plans to stabilize the papers and documents for current and future review, study and appreciation.

I have talked with Coach Lewis' daughter, Eleanor, and if the College approves, the birthday party can be held in the Lewis' home, November 26th, from Noon to 1:00 P.M. From the Archives budget, we can purchase ice cream and cake. Guests are not to bring presents, but rather cards. Coach Lewis loves cards.

Below is the guest list:

FAMILY

Mrs. Eleanor Dawkins (Daughter)
1001 East Washington Ave., 36104

The Hon. & Mrs. Joseph and Virginia Dickerson
1407 Rosa Parks Ave., 36108 (niece)

Ms. Karen Dawkins
2048 West Fairview Ave., 36108

Mr. & Mrs. James and Mildred Hall (Niece)
3562 Old Selma Rd., 36108

Mr. and Mrs. David and Sarah Ross
1412 Adams Ave., 36104

Mr. & Mrs. Stanley & Sarah Griffin
2833 Woodley Rd., 36116

The Staff of Ross-Clayton Funeral Home
1412 Adams Ave., 36104

ELECTED OFFICIALS---Legatees of Lewis

The Hon. Earl Hilliard
3800 Norman Bridge Rd., 36105

The Hon. Leu Hammonds
5336 Loisa Lane, 36108

The Hon. Henry Spears
2069 Wabash Ave, 36108

The Hon. Alvin Holmes
P.O.B. 6064, 36106

The Hon. Mark Gilmore
940 Alma Dr., 36108

The Hon. Herman Harris
4435 Woodcrest Dr.
36108

The Hon. John Knight, Jr.
875 John Brown Ave., 36106

The Hon. Sidney Williams
603 W. Patton Ave., 36105

The Hon. John Winston
1521 Robert Hatch Dr.
36106

The Hon. T.C. McClammy
3035 Rosa Parks Ave., 36105

The Hon. Joe Reed
874 John Brown Ave., 36106

PIONEERS
Mrs. Zecozy Williams
2010 Hill St, 36108

The Hon. Charles Langford
918 Grove St. 36104

Jerome Gray
449 So. McDonough, 36104

Mrs. Idessa Redden
1010 Bragg St. 36108

The Hon. Lillian Jackson
648 Early St., 36108

5 Young Democrats
(Future Lewis Legatees)
(To Be Determined)
The Hon. Willie Paul
4309 Sunnybrook Dr., 36108

The Hon. Charles
Conley
3321 Rosa Parks Ave.
36105

The Hon. James Brown
3921 Piedmont Dr., 36108

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ADDITIONAL GUEST TO BE ADDED TO THE HON. RUFUS LEWIS' BIRTHDAY PARTY

Family

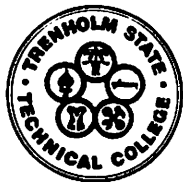
Mrs. Ella Bell
2634 Airwood Dr. 36108

Ms. Eolla Cooper
Bellingrath Jr. H.S.
3488 So. Court St. 36105

✓ **Mr. & Mrs. Jerome & Cheryl Thomas**
3800 Pine Forest Ave., 36116

✓ **Mr. & Mrs. Ransom Pringle**
c/o Community Action
1066 Adams Ave, 36104

Mr. & Mrs. Solomon Gibbs
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P R O G R A M M E

Mistress of Ceremony, Dr. Gwen Patton

Hostess, Ms. Yvonne Williams

Signing of Guest Book/Receiving Line of Lewis' Family

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS-----Dr. Leroy Bell, TSTC Interim President

LIBRARY/REPOSTTORY-----Dr. Nina Beauchamp, TSTC Librarian

OCCASION/LEWIS COLLECTION--Dr. Gwen Patton, TSTC Archivist

EXPRESSIONS-----LEGATEES OF HONORABLE LEWIS' WORK, GUESTS

Singing of

"Happy Birthday" to THE HONORABLE RUFUS LEWIS

A Tribute to The Honorable Rufus Lewis
on the Occasion of Celebrating his
90th Birthday

A Lifetime of Dedicated Service to the Community

SOCIAL-----Ice Cream Cake and Punch