



Chaka Khan



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Q: Who are the Robert Lyons Singers?

Eddie Glynn River Rouge, Mich.

A: A gospel group headed by Robert Lyons who is the cousin to the former Fifth Dimension, Billy Davis Jr. Robert plays the piano and writes the music for the group. Within the group are his five brothers and sisters.

## GERESENIT with JEANNE PARNELL

Q: Is it true that U.S. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall refuses to be interviewed?

Cornelious Johnson Salt Lake City, Utah A: For years he has insisted that he doesn't want to be interviewed about his long and influential career. "Why should I?" he's quoted as saying, "I turned down Bennett Cerf's offer of a quarter of a million dollars just before he died."

Q: To whom was Lena Horne's daughter Gail married?

A: Veteran movie director, Sidney Lumet whose credits include "Serpico," "Dog Day Afternoon," "Murder on The Orient Express," and currently "The Wiz."

Q: Are the Hollywood stars really heavily into the drug cocaine?

James Lee Washington, D.C. A: Cocaine use has become widespread and chronic according to an article in Medical World News. One UCLA surgeon reports that he has a half-dozen celebrity patients who have burned holes in their nasal passages.

"These people are heavy daily users, not occasional weekend sniffers," said Dr. Vernon D. Gray. The drug is known to dissolve the nasal septum, the cartilage between the nostrils. Sounds more like "Hollow - woods" to

Q: I have a great idea for a science-fiction T.V. show. The subject would be cloning. I've even written some scripts about the subject. can't think of any actor that could play the part so far.

Elna Jones Rapid City, S.C. A: So far your idea has been shared. Cloning will be the subject of a two-hour pilot

ready to go into Hollywood production soon for NBC. They too are hunting for a leading actor who will play a bio-chemist. In the pilot he will make 13 clones of himself who will be spread all around the country. I'd pick an unknown actor for believability. Try submitting some scripts, you may not be too late for that.

Q: Wouldn't you like to be in on the naming of "The most influential Americans?" The U.S. News and World Report has a list out.

Thelma Dudley Boston, Mass. A: It's hard to believe the only black listed was U.N. Ambassador Andrew Young who ranked number thirty in the third ten. I wouldn't say they need me, but they need someone.

Q: Everyone I talk to is ecstatic over the marriage of Knicks superstar Spencer Haywood and top fashion model Iman. **Adrienne Stark** 

Aspen, Colorado A: Gordon Parks was just as elated. He photographed Iman, who is expecting a child in September. He captured the drama, depth, and timeless beauty of the black woman in the past, present and the future. Spencer and Iman were married in a secret Moslem ceremony. They make a beautiful

Q: "Is there a magazine called "Roots" or "Routes?" Ernest Alexander

Vienna, Va. A: The magazine "Routes" is a guide to black entertainment in New York City. Ronald Bunn, publisher and editor, is struggling to make it work against his competitors, which attempts to cover our partying spots too!

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**Andrew Young** 



Thurgood Marshall



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Q: Did Chaka Khan leave Rufus?

Jay McKenna Hartford, Conn. A: She recently signed with Warner Bros. as a single act. Her height and stature have nothing to do with her big

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