eBlack Studies and the Public Sphere: Strategic Values, Program, and Policy Initiative

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Four Basic Points

- Communication technologies and the Black experience
- Strategic values for building cyberspace as public sphere
- Tactical programs for eBlack Studies as public sphere
- Policy proposals

Communication technologies and the Black experience

| HISTORICAL EXPERIENCE	COMMUNICATIONS INNOVATIONS	HISTORICAL EXAMPLES
Slavery	Face to face Newspaper	Harriet Tubman Frederick Douglas
Rural Tenancy	Radio Telephone	Ida B Wells W E B DuBois
Urban Industry	TV	Martin Luther King Malcolm X
Information Society	Fax Computers Internet	Black Radical Congress

Three Strategic Values

- Cyberdemocracy (vs. digital divide)
  - connectivity
  - literacy
- Collective Intelligence (vs selective intelligence)
  - The conversation
  - The Brain
- Information Freedom (vs commodification)
  - Zero Exchange Value
  - Public Domain

African American Studies programs, Spring 2000

	Institutions	Majors	Websites
Northeast	611	94	75
South	681	84	74
Midwest	548	71	60
West	399	45	41
Total	2239	294	250

eBlack:
Challenge for the 21st century

- Moving from ideology (Black Studies) to information (eBlack Studies)
- Maximizing the use of new information technology
- Wanting to know about all ideas: empirical research, theories, and ideological positions

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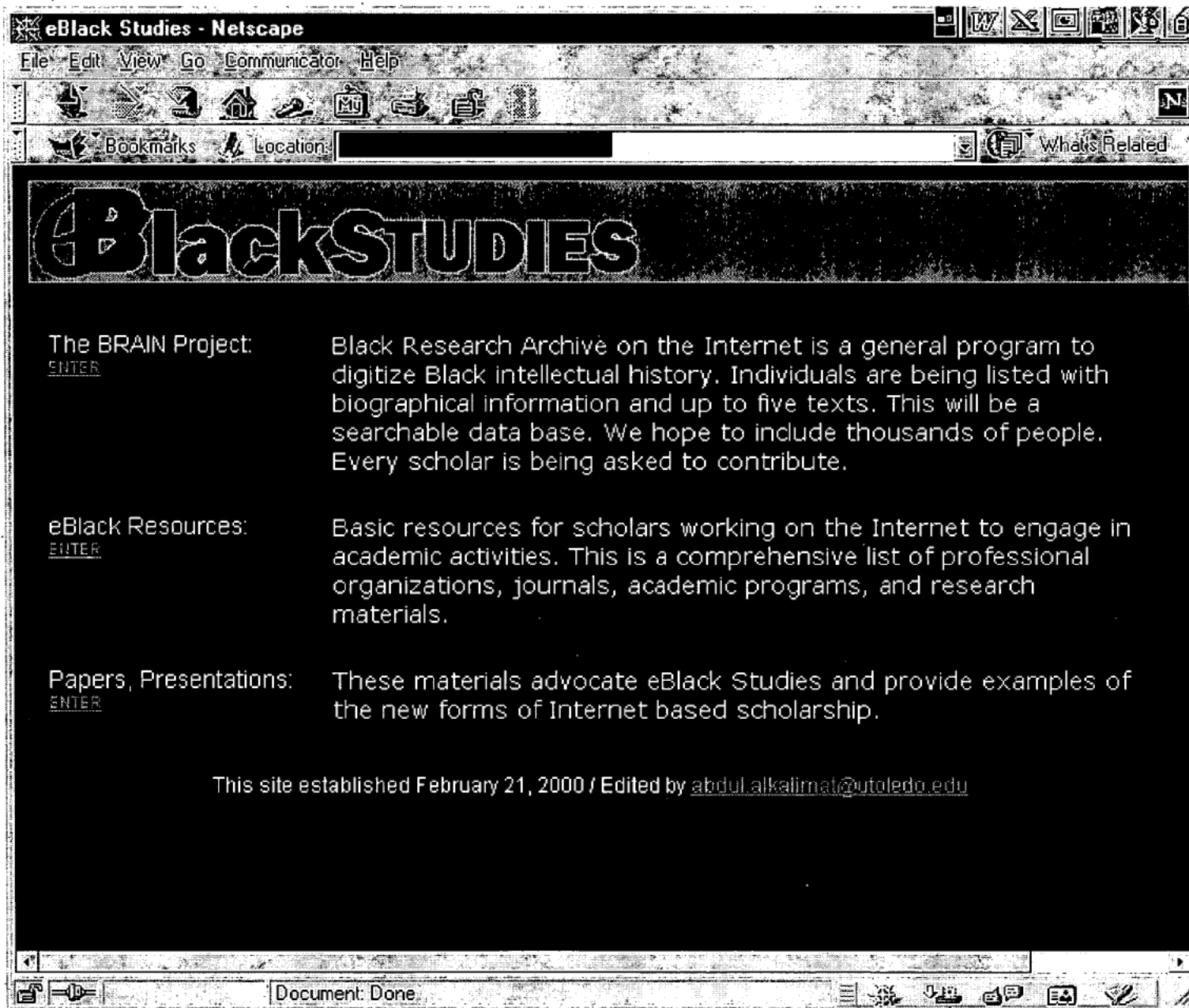
The BRAIN Project:
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Black Research Archive on the Internet is a general program to digitize Black intellectual history. Individuals are being listed with biographical information and up to five texts. This will be a searchable data base. We hope to include thousands of people. Every scholar is being asked to contribute.
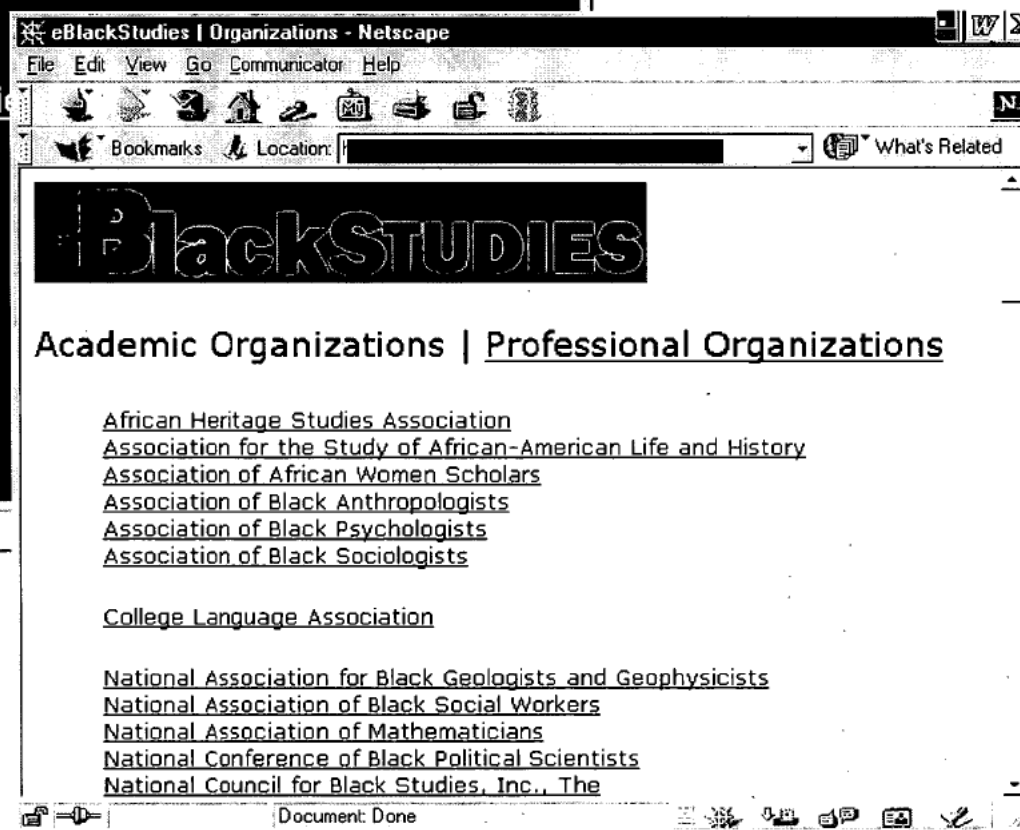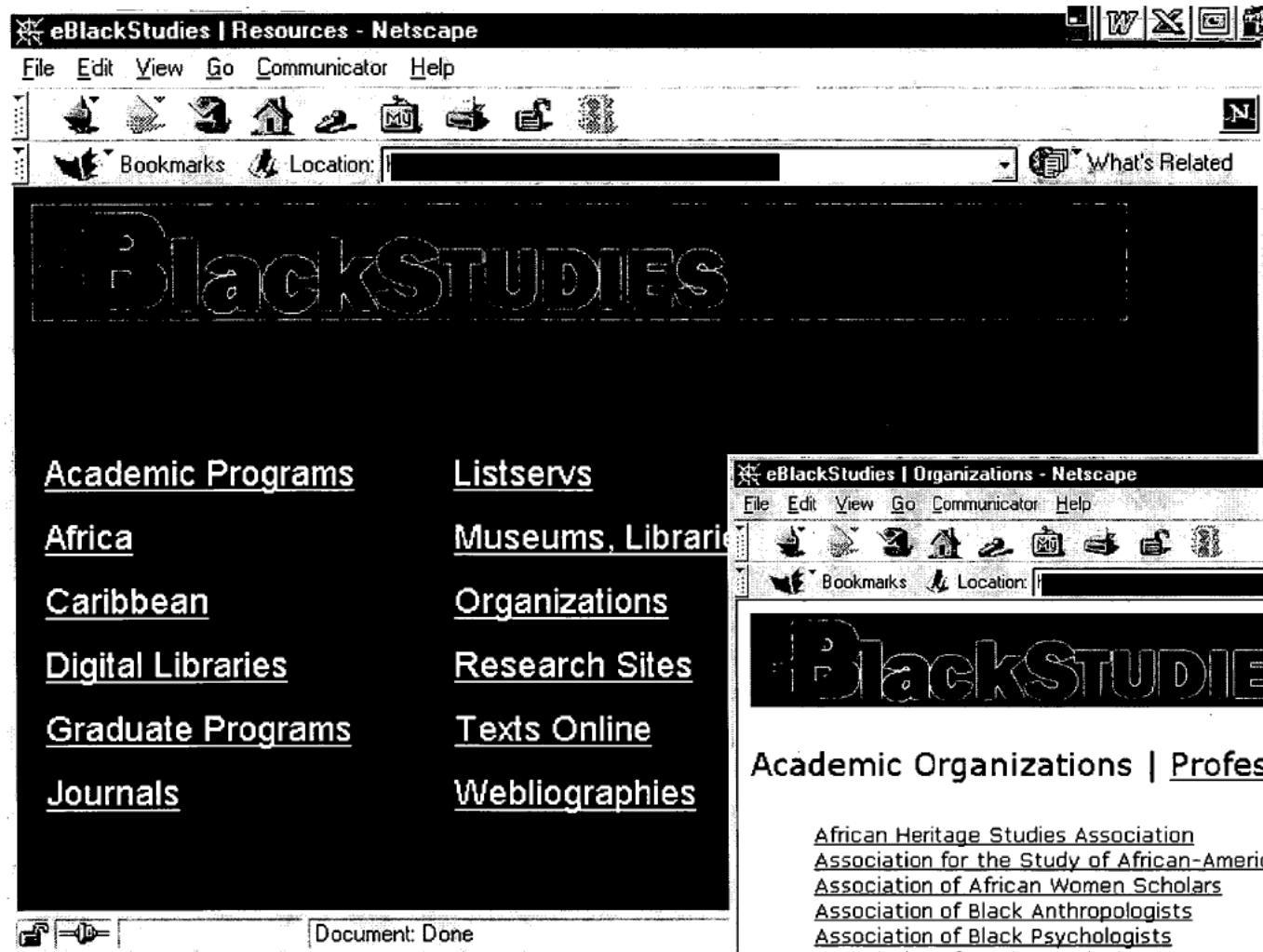
eBlack Resources:
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Basic resources for scholars working on the Internet to engage in academic activities. This is a comprehensive list of professional organizations, journals, academic programs, and research materials.

Papers, Presentations:
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These materials advocate eBlack Studies and provide examples of the new forms of Internet based scholarship.

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BlackSTUDIES

Academic Programs   **Listservs**

Africa   **Museums, Librarie**

Caribbean   **Organizations**

Digital Libraries   **Research Sites**

Graduate Programs   **Texts Online**

Journals   **Webliographies**

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BlackSTUDIES

Academic Organizations | Professional Organizations

African Heritage Studies Association
Association for the Study of African-American Life and History
Association of African Women Scholars
Association of Black Anthropologists
Association of Black Psychologists
Association of Black Sociologists

College Language Association

National Association for Black Geologists and Geophysicists
National Association of Black Social Workers
National Association of Mathematicians
National Conference of Black Political Scientists
National Council for Black Studies, Inc., The

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eBlack: A 21st Century Challenge - Netscape

eBlack as a Practical Project: The Toledo Experience

	Black Studies	eBlack Studies	The Toledo Experience
Professional Discourse	Conference (face to face discussions)	Listserv discussions	H-Afro-Am
Curriculum Development	Classroom based campus courses	Distance learning	Joint project with University of Ghana
Research Productivity	Hard copy publications	Research web sites	*Malcolm X: A Research Site*
Public Policy	Consulting and internships	Advocacy web sites and petitions	1998 Black Radical Congress
Community Service	Volunteering in an actual community	Building a virtual community	Toledo Black Church web project

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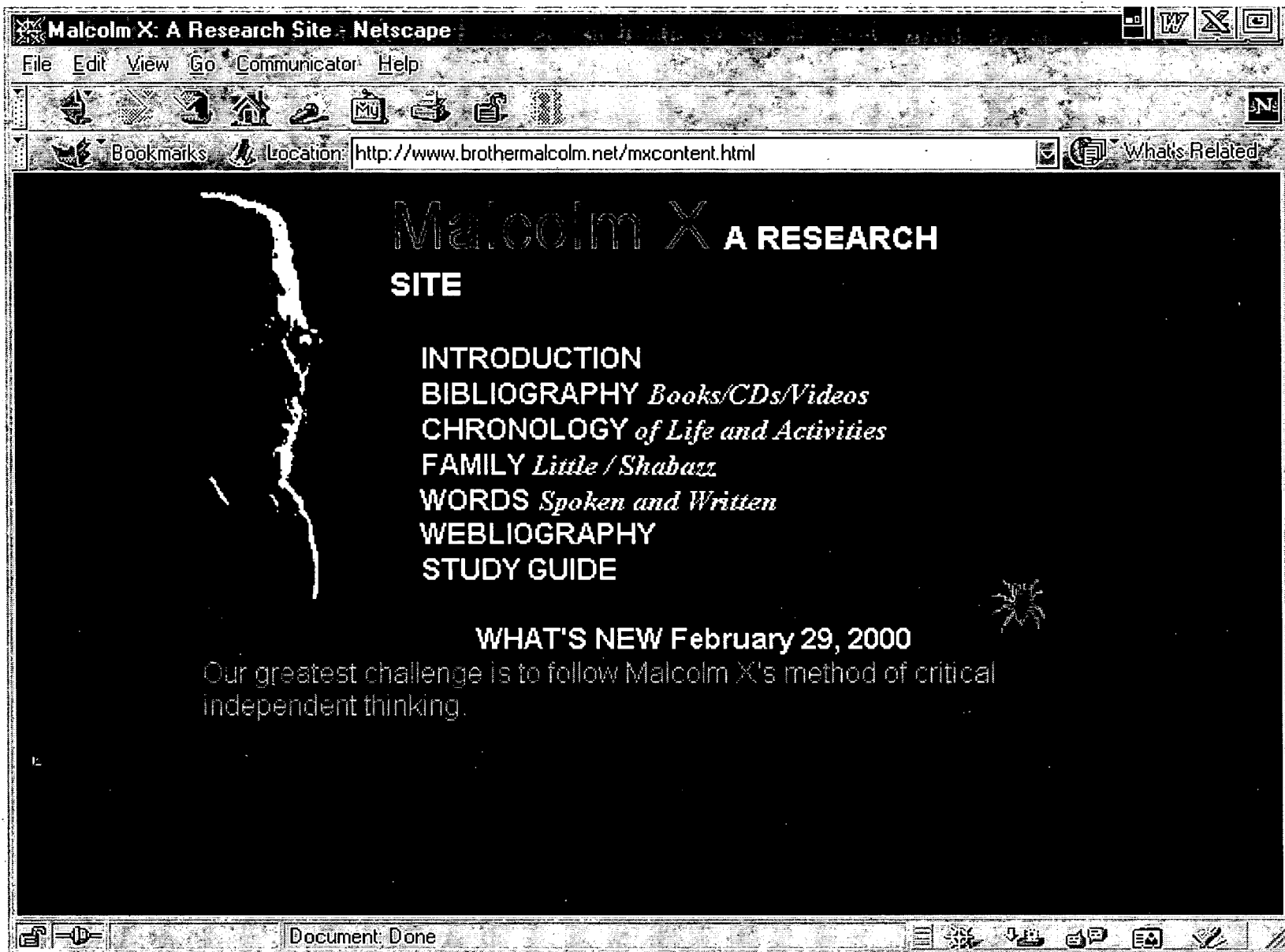
H-Afro-Am Discussion Logs for March 2000

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► Abdul Alkalimat <AAlkali@UTNet.UToledo.Edu>	Re: Race in America: Analytical and Policy Perspectives in the 2 1st Century	View
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► Jesko Pries [mailto:jesko_priess@yahoo.com]	Re: Emmett till	View
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Malcolm X A RESEARCH SITE

INTRODUCTION
BIBLIOGRAPHY *Books/CDs/Videos*
CHRONOLOGY *of Life and Activities*
FAMILY *Little / Shabazz*
WORDS *Spoken and Written*
WEBLIOGRAPHY
STUDY GUIDE

WHAT'S NEW February 29, 2000

Our greatest challenge is to follow Malcolm X's method of critical independent thinking.

Malcolm X HIS WORDS WRITTEN AND SPOKEN

1941 • 1946 • 1947 • 1948 • 1949 • 1950 • 1955 • 1957 • 1960 • 1961 • 1962 • 1963 • 1964 • 1965
NO DATE ENTRIES • REFERENCES

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Date	Title
1941	Letter to Mary Jane Smith, 4 pages, [1941?] Tells Smith about his recent activities and plans, remembers their friendship.
1/17/41	Malcolm Little to Eloise Schack, 4 pages Tells Schack about his future travel plans and mentions that he worked as

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March 11, 1964

Mr. Elijah Muhammad
4847 Woodlawn Avenue
Chicago 15, Illinois

The National Officials there at the Chicago Headquarters know that I never left the Nation of Islam of my own free will. It was they who conspired with Captain Joseph here in New York to pressure me out of the Nation. In order to save the National Officials and Captain Joseph the the disgrace of having to explain ████████████████ for forcing me out, I announced through the press that it was my own decision to leave.

I did not take the blame to protect those National Officials, but to preserve the faith your followers have in you and the Nation of Islam.

Despite what has been said by the press, I've never spoken one word of criticism to them about your family. I will always be a Muslim, teaching what you have taught me, and giving you full credit for what I know and what I am. You are still my leader and teacher, even though those around

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BOOKS/CDs/VIDEOS BY and ABOUT

Malcolm X

BIBLIOGRAPHY   Listing of written scholarshi Malcolm X.

BIOGRAPHY   Attempts to tell and retell t

WORDS   The speeches, interviews, a X.

YOUTH   Educational material from 5 teacher training material.

STRUGGLE   Analyses of theoretical and liberation movement.

DISSERTATIONS   Research produced for the

CDs/VIDEOS   Listing of CDs and Video ta place.

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Malcolm X Webliography

BIBLIOGRAPHIES

Cornell University
Evanston, Illinois Public Library
UC Berkeley Library
A selective bibliography of materials (motion picture).
Purdue University Library

CONFERENCES
New York City 1990 Radical Tradition and A Legacy of Struggle
Athens, Ohio May 2000, Inaugural Conference on the

PLACES NAMED AFTER MALCOLM X

COMMUNITY / CULTURAL CENTERS
Decatur, GA
St Paul, MN
Washington, DC

LIBRARIES
San Diego, CA

PARKS
Boston, MA

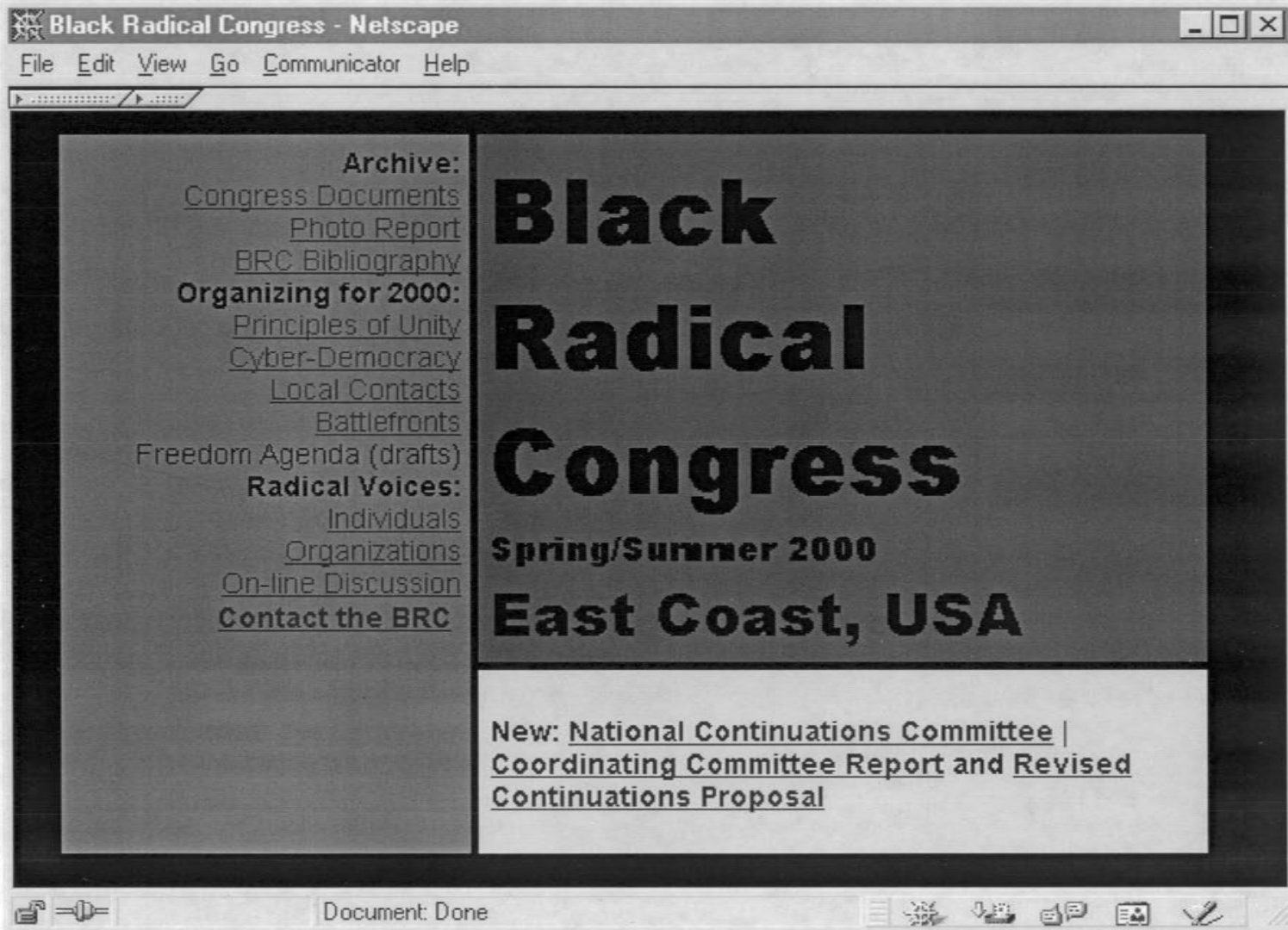**SCHOOLS**
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Detroit, MI

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Critical issues for CyberMalcolm

1. Moving text under copyright into public domain
2. Consolidating public and private archives
3. Establishing an international commission to build permanent cyberarchive

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Archive:
Congress Documents
Photo Report
BRC Bibliography
Organizing for 2000:
Principles of Unity
Cyber-Democracy
Local Contacts
Battlefronts
Freedom Agenda (drafts)
Radical Voices:
Individuals
Organizations
On-line Discussion
Contact the BRC

Black Radical Congress

Spring/Summer 2000

East Coast, USA

New: **National Continuations Committee** | **Coordinating Committee Report** and **Revised Continuations Proposal**

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Radical Voices

(this is a comprehensive and growing list, not a list of Congress endorsers; please send additional names and links to webmaster)

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ORGANIZA

ACORN

Black Workers for Justice

The Black World Today
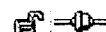
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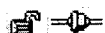
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On-line Discussion: BRC Bulletins

[sorted by thread; below for chronological listing]

These bulletins served as our on-line discussion up to the time of the congress June 19. We are shifting to an automated listserv in a few weeks. Anyone with an email address can subscribe to this list and then receive and contribute to the continuing on-line discussion. To do so, write to abdul.alkalimat@utoledo.edu.

BRC progress towards June

- 1. New Web Site
- 10. BRC Electronic Community
- 14. BRC on the Internet
- 20. BRC Bulletin: Contacts requested in Philly area
- 29. BRC Bulletin: Women of Color (Rochester, NY) Endorse BRC
- 31. BRC Bulletin: Proposal for BRC after June 19th
- 50. BRC Web Site
- 54. BRC Bulletin: Recruit for New York
- 56. BRC Bulletin: Role of Youth and Philadelphia
- 59. BRC Bulletin: Role of Youth and Philadelphia
- 60. BRC Bulletin: Draft Black Freedom Agenda Plan

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Links

- Bible
- Koran
- Tora and Talmud
- Cyber Hymnal
- Liberation Theology
- Martin Luther King
- Malcolm X
- Univ of Toledo
- Toledo
- First Saturday

University of Toledo
Cyber Church Project
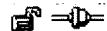
Churches of Toledo

Apostolic Household of Faith ~~Bibleway Church~~

Braden United Methodis

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Friendship Baptist Church Full G

Spring Street Baptist

United Missionary Bapti

Warren A.M.E. Chu

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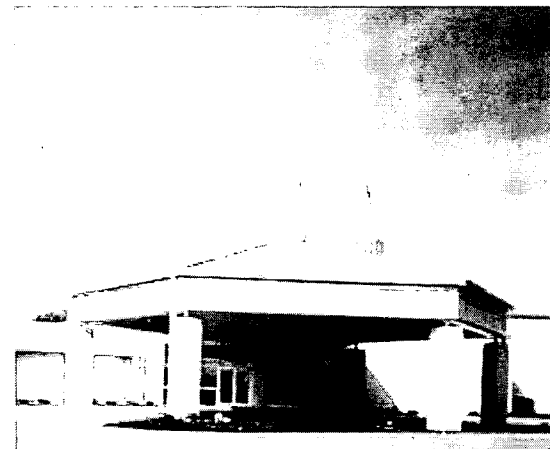
Friendship Baptist Church
FULL GOSPEL BAPTIST CHURCH FELLOWSHIP
3232 NEBRASKA AVENUE * TOLEDO, OHIO

Pastor: Reverend Duane Corwin Tisdale

Church History

Mission Statement   Photo Gallery
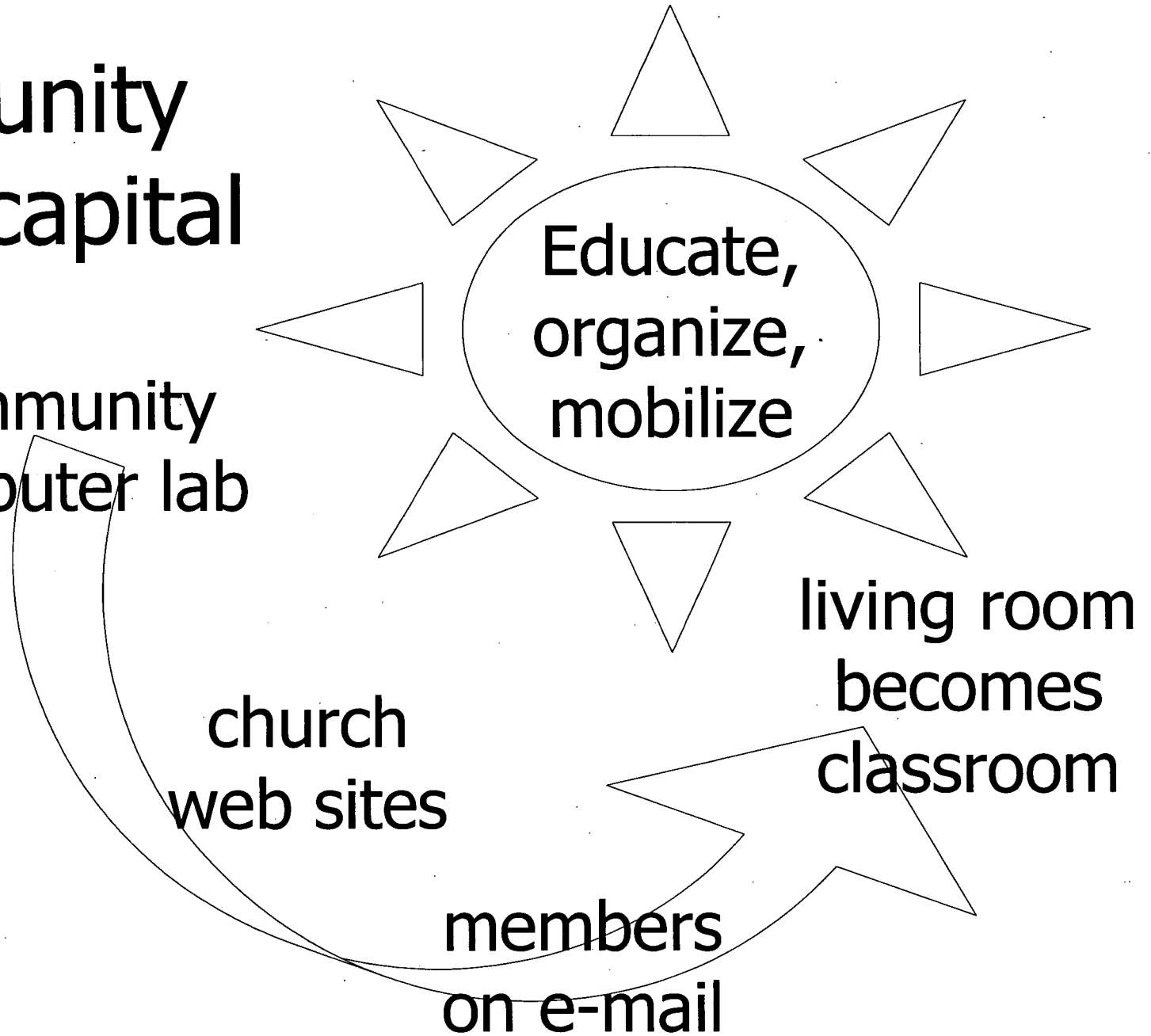
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Community
social capital

Educate,
organize,
mobilize

community
computer lab

living room
becomes
classroom

church
web sites

members
on e-mail

Policy Initiative #1

- Congressional Act for the Information Age
- Precedent: 19th C Morrill Acts for land grant colleges (physical space)
- Mission: to implement three strategic values
- $10 million for each state. Matching state funds required.
- $20 million endowment for state-based programs

Policy Initiative #2

- Right to eminent domain for intellectual property
- Public and private funds for placing our intellectual heritage in the public domain
- Network of host computers to provide access

We're in a revolution. Its great to be alive. Lets get to work building the public sphere we need!

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