

Obama Supporters to Launch Rally outside the 'Smiley and West Radio Station'

Najee Ali and his Project Islamic Hope organization make no bones about being supporters of President Obama. They're also tired of Tavis Smiley, Cornel West, Ralph Nader and anyone else they consider Obama haters (Maxine Waters, you listening?) And what are they going to do about it you ask? Well, on Thursday, September 29 from 12:00pm – 1:00pm, they're going to stage a rally outside the 'Smiley and West Radio Station' at 4434 Crenshaw Blvd. (Near Vernon Ave and Crenshaw Blvd.) Los Angeles, CA 90043. Here's Najee Ali's support rally/protest justification statement:

“Tavis Smiley has been a critic of President Obama from the onset of his historic election and now Dr. Cornel West is leading a grassroots online community known as the New Progressive Alliance (NPA) in an effort to name a candidate as a primary challenger to President Obama. West has also teamed with consumer advocate Ralph Nader to help bring down President Obama. Dr. West has every right to support who he wants to for President. But so do we. Dr. West and his attacks on President Obama do not reflect the opinions of the ... majority of African Americans. So we cant allow Black leadership to front off our President. If President Obama is not re-elected then the alternative will be much worse for African Americans. The Tea Party and the Republican party don't care about African Americans or the issues that are important to us! Stop Dr. Cornel West from helping to put us back on the plantation and send him a message that we support the President and not the viewpoint of West and Nader.

Remember back to 2000, when Nader himself ran as a third-party candidate? It's important to remember what happens when Nader gets involved in challenging a Democrat. In 2000, he siphoned enough votes from Al Gore in Florida to swing the election to President Bush. It gave us eight years of Bush-Cheney politics and policies! If West were being honest he would

understand that 2000 was an example of what the consequences can be for the country.

A primary challenge could further divide the party and possibly dampen Democratic enthusiasm. These races could erode our ability to reach swing voters, who are crucial to electoral viability, by forcing candidates to draw a sharper contrast on issues than necessary to win an election.

By running as an independent and drawing votes in Florida that might otherwise have gone to Gore, Nader helped usher in eight of the worst years our country has ever seen. The fact that West would join forces with Nader can and should not go unchallenged. President Obama is not perfect. But the alternative will harm African Americans and the nation deeply. Lets tell West, and Tavis, how we really feel," stated Najee Ali, Director of Project Islamic HOPE

Jay-Z on Beyonce's Pregnancy, Brooklyn and Obama

While hosting a charity carnival last night in NYC, Jay-Z dished on becoming a dad, how he's helping kids afford college and why he's still hoping Obama gets reelected, reports E! Online. As for expanding his family with Beyoncé, Jay-Z says he's as amped as his wife. "I'm excited! I think that is pretty easy," he told reporters at Pier 54 Thursday night. He was also excited about being able to share his success with others. "Someone emailed me this morning and said 'Some people climb the ladder and grab the ladder. And some people pull more people up the ladder and you are a person who pulls more people up the ladder.' I was very humbled by that,"

Jay said.

The Shawn Carter foundation provides full scholarships to kids who can't afford college on their own.

"If you want to be lazy, that's a different thing. But if you apply yourself and do everything that you have to do to get to a certain point and can't go further because of your financial situation, I think that is a shame," he said. Speaking of money, Jay said he may move to Brooklyn like his basketball team, the New Jersey Nets...if he can afford it! "I have been thinking about it, but the prices over there are really high," he laughed. "It's not like before!" The mogul also shared that he's still rooting for Obama to get reelected but admits he's got his work cut out for him. "I still think he is the best man for the job," he explained. "Yes, I think he got a raw deal and a bad economy. You wouldn't be given anything you can't handle so he must be really special, because he has a lot of work to do!

'Talk's' Julie Chen Now Wants Sheryl Underwood Out

If you believe the tabloids, [Sheryl Underwood's](#) new gig on "The Talk" is now in jeopardy.

Having replaced original co-host Leah Remini at the left end of the table, the comedian is rumored to be next on moderator's Julie Chen chopping block, according to the National Enquirer. The tabloid also reports that Chen "cannot wait" for Molly Shannon's guest-hosting turn – replacing Holly Robinson Peete – to come to an end. "Julie believes they made a mistake by adding Sheryl to the panel. She thinks Sheryl's comedy is too crude for daytime TV," a source told the Enquirer. "Julie doesn't mince words – she says Sheryl's vulgar style isn't a good fit." According to the Enquirer, Chen was particularly upset when Sheryl made light of a discussion about [suicide](#) during a talk about "Real Housewives of Beverly Hills" husband Russell Armstrong. Meanwhile, after the contracts for Holly and Leah were not renewed, it was alleged that Chen had been warning her co-hosts that her husband could fire them, says the Enquirer. "The Talk" premiered in October, 2010, with co-hosts, creator and executive producer Sara Gilbert, 36, Chen as the moderator, Leah Remini, 41, Holly Robinson Peete, 46, Sharon Osbourne, 58, and Marissa Jaret Winokur, 38, as a special correspondent. Winokur was asked to leave the show in January. The Enquirer's source said: "Julie didn't like Holly and Leah, and now she's made it obvious that she's not happy with Sheryl and Molly. At this point it looks like it may turn into the 'Julie, Sara and Sharon show.'" Meanwhile, the New York Post is quoting another unnamed source who says Chen, who is married to CBS President and CEO Les Moonves, is wreaking havoc on the set with cast changes, and insiders are referring to the show as "the Les Moonves show starring his annoying wife."

Janet Hubert: The Angry Black Woman – Myth or Truth?

We expect to be treated with less dignity, because we *are* black women. We can't today find things to even decorate our children's rooms with images of themselves unless they are gangsters and so on. We still have companies like Dove making stupid mistakes like putting the only black girl on the bad side of skin color. I don't see myself on TV unless I watch a re-run of myself. No, Ne Ne Leakes is not a role model, for me nor are most of the black women I see on the tube, I simply cannot relate. Does this make me

angry

? Hell to the yes, it does. Shame on you

BET,

and

TV One

for not doing what you know you should do. Perhaps black men need to remember, that our great great grandmothers were on the same slave ships, we were not in the penthouse section of the boat, but right there with them in chains. We historically have had to raise many of our children alone, without father figures, and that makes us

angry

. My son was included in that statistic until I re-married. Granted there are many black fathers who

are

and

were

there including my own. Our anger is historical, but mostly I think we are simply

tired

women. I know I am exhausted with the weight of everyday life, and sometimes I just look damned

angry

.

We have not had the same advantages or opportunities as our white sisters, and frankly we need to stop looking at them for the justice we seek and create our own opportunities with our own **curl patterns**.

It also seems that the media reinforces this stereotype to the hilt, with negative images, of the Sassy angry sister, talk show host, reality TV personalities, basketball wives, and old antebellum movies. Does Hollywood only still see us in this light, or are these the images that they believe we **want** to represent us. Black men must stop telling us what we are and aren't. I admit to my **anger** at the Chris Rocks of the world and others like him for making mockeries of us in terrible movies like **GOOD**

HAIR

The

HELP

was of no help to me, and I think that with all the wonderful black actresses out there we can play big momma's ourselves. So in defense of black women, I apologize for my

anger

if you should meet me on a bad day. You would be amazed at what a simple smile would do for the angriest of any women.

New Wife, Baby, and CD Are Blessings for Eric Benet

Eric Benet is a proud husband and dad with a new baby on the way. His daughter India has just entered into her second year of college as well. So while he's soaking up the beautiful things in life, the singer is also celebrating his latest single "Real Love." The hit song is a part of a bigger project he's working on for 2012. It's bound to be a popular album all about love, life and happiness. "I wrote 'Real Love' and let EMI hear it, and we decided we'd release that as the first single without any of the record done," he told [Essence](#). "So I'll be spending the next four months working on a new record. I've started the creative process, so I know the direction and the feel, but 'Real Love' is the only song that's completed."

His seventh album will be a mixture of all that he is and what styles he's acquired over his career from the soul to the Jazz. With all things going right in his life, Benet feels very blessed. With his new wife Manuela and a career that continues to grow, the singer just couldn't ask for anything more. "Blessings abound. I'm just at this very happy, very fulfilling, exciting time in my life.