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## Lubbock residents honor influential couple

### Community Meetings

This is a list of what is happening in Lubbock, to help complete the unfinished community-building work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

- Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00pm at the Patterson Branch Library
- Hub City Kiwanis meets every Tuesday, 7:00pm, 1708 Avenue G
- Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm
- Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 meets every 3rd Thursday at 7:30pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon
- Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Library
- East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center
- Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Market Alumni Center
- Dunbar/Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 3rd Thursday at 6:00 pm 1303 East 24th St. (outreach center/party house)
- West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturday of each month at 7:00 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations.
- Texas Juneteenth Cultural & Historical Commission - Lubbock Affiliate meets at Patterson Branch Library every 3rd Thursday 7:00 pm
- West Texas Native American Association meets 2nd Saturday each month at Groves Library, 5520 19th Street, 7:30 p.m.
- West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men meets the 3rd Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Parkway Neighborhood Center.
- The Parkway Guadalupe & Cherry Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 pm at Parkway Neighborhood Center.

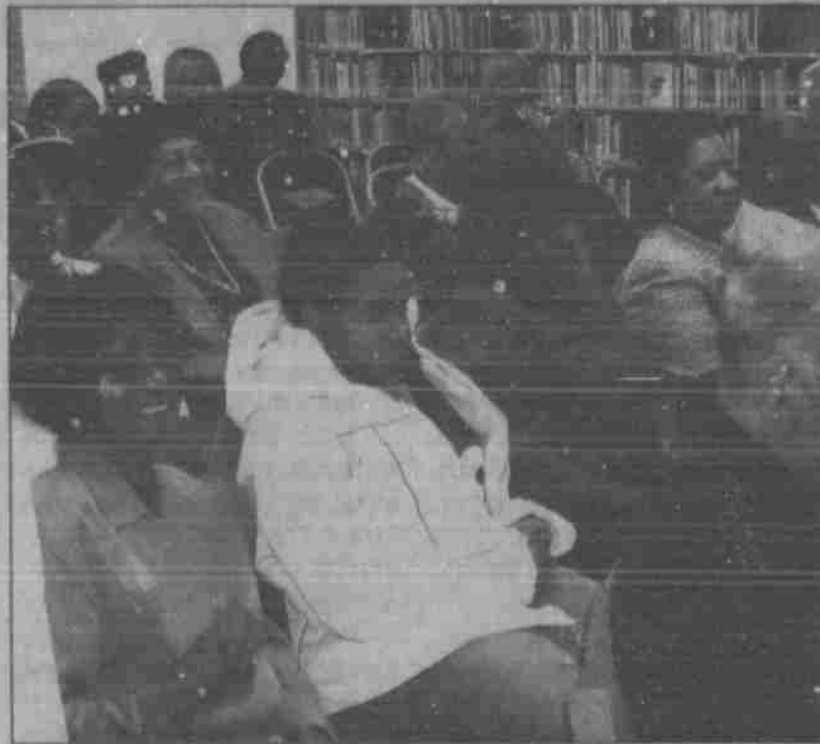
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Lubbock community members listen to speakers at the Patterson Branch Library on Saturday, February 19, 2005. The program was held at the Patterson Branch Library and was the third Annual Black History Month reception. It was sponsored by the Friends of the Lubbock Public Library. Speakers and music continued for two hours before guests convened to eat barbecue and refreshments after the program.



Shella Harris, daughter of honorees Bobbie Gean and T.J. Patterson speaks to the community and gives her thanks to those who attended. She mentioned that growing up in the Pattersons house was a remarkable experience. Her life was affected by the involvement of her parents in the community



Helen Viser, director of the Patterson Branch Library, served as event hostess and provided kind words for the honorees.



District 2 City Councilman Floyd Price spoke words of inspiration and praise. Price honored T.J. Patterson's place in city history and said that he could never replace T.J., but only attempt to try to continue his work.



Brenda Brown stepped up first to give an interpretive reading to honor the Pattersons' legacy in Lubbock. Brown was one of many to share amusing and touching stories about the Pattersons.



Aaron Traylor expressed his thanks to the couple that influenced his life. He shared memories of Mrs. Patterson keeping him in line while he was in school. He spoke of first meeting T.J. while he worked in the pressroom that printed the Southwest Digest.



T.J. Patterson arrives at the library. Patterson's wife, Bobbie Gean, was unable to attend the reception due to illness, but was celebrated and praised throughout the afternoon. Patterson spoke and encouraged young people to remember their heritage.



Members of the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church choir sing at Saturday's reception, led by Kathy Jennings. Gary Bunton, shown near the rear sang a glorious song with the group. The singers, inspired by the word, continued to sing for several minutes after the song had ended.



Musicians prepare for the reception honoring Bobbie Gean and T.J. Patterson. From left to right are Thomas Payton, director of the Lyon's Chapel Baptist Church Choir, Gary Bunton, Kathy Jennings (facing away from the camera) and David Anderson, Band and Orchestra Director at Dunbar Junior High School. Choir members from Lyon's Chapel are shown in the foreground.

## Black coloring book author, Larry Bell to speak in Tahoka

Larry Bell, a native of St. Louis, Missouri, will be guest speaker at the Tahoka High School in Tahoka, Texas, Friday morning, February 25, 2005. He will participate in a Special Black history program.

He received a basketball scholarship from Clark Atlanta University, and was captain of his

is team for two years. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration. He spent several years in the military, and received an honorable discharge.

He will tell you, there came a point in his life when he began to realize how sorely lacking in knowledge he was about his African heritage and wanting to know more. The more he studied, the more he discovered how very little he knew compared to the vast wealth of information that existed in African and African American history and culture. He realized that his years of formal education had not provided him with enough exposure to nearly enough of the African cultural and racial pride and heritage that existed.

Bell felt that depriving anyone of knowledge about any

subject and certainly one as important as this contributes to an unhealthy and less than desirable society. The research he did for his own interest led him to the desire to make the information more widely available, especially to others at a younger age than he was when he began the journey.

In order to disseminate this information and knowledge, Mr. Bell developed two coloring books for children K-5 - one on African History and another on African-American history, with short biographical material for each image included to help

children learn more about the rich African culture and the many accomplishments and contributions of African-Americans. Both books come with a quiz and an answer key as well as some suggestions for application in the classroom or in the home.

Mr. Bell's affiliations include, Who's Who Historical Society, Council of Logistics Management, and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

For more information about his presentation, contact Ms. Gloria Moore at the Tahoka High School at (806) 998-4538.



Artist and author Larry Bell

IF YOU FIND MISTAKES IN THIS PUBLICATION, PLEASE REMIND YOURSELF THAT WE ARE ALL HUMAN. WE TRY TO PUBLISH SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE, AND WE DON'T ALWAYS GET IT RIGHT. WE ASK THAT YOU LOOK AT YOUR OWN LIFE BEFORE CRITICIZING SOMEONE ELSE.

# Chatman Hills Corner

By Doris Reynolds

The Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 2207 Southeast Drive, will sponsor a "Build The Lord's House Worship" program on Sunday afternoon, February 27, 2005, beginning at 4:00 p.m. Guest speaker will be the Rev. J. Jerome Johnson, pastor of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church.

Rev. Eddie L. Everline, Jr. is pastor of Bethel. The public is invited to attend this program.

It won't be long now before residents will be moving into the Park Meadows Villas, 2502 Weber Drive, which the Landmark Housing is developed for the Lubbock Housing Authority. No doubt about it, this will be a tremendous asset for the East Lubbock area. If you haven't paid any attention, you had better do so this week.

Not only this development, but later this year another apartment complex, Stone Hollow, will be developed at East Cornell Avenue and Martin Luther King, Blvd.

There is an outstanding Black gospel singer who will be appearing at the Fair Theatre on Broadway in Plainview on Friday evening, February 25, 2005, beginning at 6:00 p.m. He is Chester D. T. Baldwin. He will appear in the 18th Annual Black History Celebration.

Brother Baldwin, who is minister of music for the Mount

Sinai Missionary Baptist Church of Austin, Texas, is music director for the Austin Chapter of the Gospel Music Workshop of America and music director for the Texas Mass Choir. He is also a member of the Texas Music Educators Association.

Prior to the concert, Baldwin will conduct a gospel workshop from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Friday. The cost is \$10 per person. Registration is available by calling 795-9089 or (806) 291-8715.

For additional information, contact Shane Harrell, Fair Theater administrator, at (806) 296-1139.

Let us continue to pray for those who are sick and shut-in in our community. Also, there are those who are love ones of some of our local citizens. Among them is Tyrone L. Ervin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ervin. He resides in Dallas, Texas.

Those of you who want to participate in the upcoming Juneteenth Celebration, you may meet with the committee on the third Thursday of each month, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Bobbie Gean & T. J. Patterson Library. For more information, call Eddie Richardson at 762-3612.

Your input is very important. The committee needs you.

The monthly meeting of the

Federation of Choirs will be held at the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, where Rev. Wendell D. Davis is pastor. According to Ms. Bennie Sims, president, this is a no host session as one of the choirs has discontinued their membership. The meeting will begin at 2:30 p.m.

The church who has pulled out is the St. James Baptist Church.

This column is still asking for you or your organization send us information about what you are doing. Let us announce your activities when they are happening.

If you have any news, just send it to: Southwest Digest, c/o The Chatman Hill Corner, P.O. Box 2553, Lubbock, Texas 79408.

Don't forget to pray for those in the community who has lost loved ones. Among them is the Ms. Vernita Woods-Holmes family who lost a brother, George Harold Woods of San Diego, California. He was funeralized Monday morning, February 21, 2005, at the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church.

Also, a former resident and native, Billy Mack Morris Harris, Sr., who was funeralized at the Eastland Church of Christ in Fort Worth, Texas on Saturday morning, February 5, 2005.

God is able.

# FASHION FUN

By Shirley Robinson

## Mornings made easy

Mornings are a matter of time. You snooze you lose. Make a little planning and prioritizing early in your week and you won't have to be so much worried about these small things that you always get a jump-start on your day.

**THE NIGHT BEFORE**... Check the weather forecast and choose your outfit for next day. Make sure you pack up everything you'll need to take with you and place it by the door. Write down any business or

personal to do items that keep interrupting you through the day. Have a relaxing time, same time every day like reading a book, or writing in a journal. Set the alarm for the same time every day.

**FIRST THING IN THE MORNING**... Judge in a morning beauty routine that leaves you looking and feeling good.

Don't skip breakfast, it's your fuel for the day. Get in the mind set that each new day offers the opportunity to make something wonderful happen. Exercise,



smile and have yourself a really great day. Fashion Tip - Always wear a smile!

FASHION... Just for the fun of it!

## Kappa Delta see-saw event to help prevent child abuse

The members of the Zeta Alpha chapter of Kappa Delta Sorority are proud to host their 18th Annual Shamrock Event for the prevention of child abuse. See-Saw-A-Thon has been selected as the local beneficiary of a Shamrock Event fund-raising effort in Lubbock to be held Thursday, March 3rd until Sunday, March 6th.

Kappa Delta along with members of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity will hold the See-Saw-A-Thon at the South Plains Mall in front of Mervyn's. They will join thousands of Kappa Deltas across the country in

the fund-raiser to benefit local affiliates and chapters of Prevent Child Abuse America (PCAA), the sorority's national philanthropy.

Eighty percent of the funds collected will remain in Lubbock benefiting the Children's Advocacy Center. The remaining twenty-percent will go to PCAA for nationwide public awareness programs.

Founded in 1897, Kappa Delta Sorority began supporting PCAA in 1981, and began the nationwide Shamrock Event in 1983. More than \$4.5 million has been raised through the Shamrock Event to benefit child

abuse prevention efforts across the country. Come out and support these women and men in helping raise money for disadvantaged children. "It shouldn't hurt to be a child." For more information contact Katie Kelinske at 512.415.9662 or Kelsey Katner at 832.419.4460

Come to Mervyn's at the South Plains Mall to help support this event.

Thursday, March 3rd, 12pm-10pm  
Friday, March 4th, 6am-10pm  
Saturday, March 5th, 6am-10pm  
Sunday, March 6th, 12pm-10pm

## Another Black sorority serving others in Lubbock

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority was founded January 16, 1920, on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D. C. by five coeds. These women dared to depart from the traditional coalitions for African-American women and sought to establish a new organization predicated on the precepts of Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood, and Finer Womanhood. The trail blazed by the founders has been traveled by thousands of women dedicated to the emulation of the objectives and ideals of the Sorority.

The Sorority is the first organization to charter in Africa (1948); to form adult and youth auxiliary groups, the Amicae, Archonettes, Amicettes, and Pearlites; and to be constitutionally bound to a brother group, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated.

Zeta's national and local programs include endowment of its National Education Foundation; community outreach services; and support of multiple affiliate organizations. Zeta chapters and auxiliary groups have given untold hours of voluntary service to educate the public, assist youth, provide scholarships, support organized charities, and promote legislation for social and civic change.

A non-profit organization, Zeta Phi Beta is incorporated in Washington, D. C. and in the state of Illinois. The Sorority is supported by the dues and gifts of its members.

Zeta has enjoyed a partnership with the March of Dimes since 1972 in an effort to encourage women to seek prenatal care within the first trimester of pregnancy, thereby increasing the prevention

of birth defects and infant mortality. Nationwide, Zeta sponsors over 150 Stork's Nest. The Stork's Nest helps clients take good care of themselves and their babies.

### Not Many Local Members, But Dedicated!

The local graduate chapter has five active members: Gloria Carter, Natasha Fuller, Angie

Chambers, Alma Gopie, and Lillian Jefferson. Two other women, Lynda Lyons-Williams and Rosa Lianas, will be inducted into the Graduate Chapter this spring.

Zeta Phi Beta's colors are Blue and White, and their symbol is a Dove. Their flower is the White Rose.

## In Remembrance

### Brother Billy Mack Morris Harris, Sr.

Fort Worth, Texas - (Special) - Funeral services for Brother Billy Mack Morris Harris, Sr. were held Saturday morning, February 5, 2005, at Eastland Church of Christ with Brother George H. Glasker officiating.

The Christian Community and Benedictary Prayer and interment was held at the Cedar Hill Memorial Park in Arlington, Texas under the direction of Rev's Funeral Parlor of Fort Worth, Texas.

Active bearers were Duntae Hall, Montreal Wheaton, Reginald Wheaton, Brandon Hall, Wayne Lane and Billy Harris, Jr.

Honorary bearers were Tommy Lethridge, Gerald Fitzgerald, Don Williams, Norris Harris, Ray Robinson, Andrew Ross, R. L. dark, Jr. and C. L. Harris.

Brother Harris passed away Monday, January 31, 2005, in a Fort Worth hospital.

He was born November 14, 1944 in Lubbock, Texas. A minister for 38 years, he was a former minister of Nell Street Church of Christ.

His parents, Word Henry Harris, II and Maggie Lean Harris; his grandparents, Luther and Annie Bell Harris; two brothers, Bobby Jo Harris and Word Lee Harris, III; and one sister, Betty Jean Williams, preceded him in death.

He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Ruthie Mae Harris; three sons: Billy, Jr. of Denver, Colorado, Todd (Mario) of Forest Hill, Texas and Dan Harris of Fort Worth, Texas; two daughters, Lisa Flowers and Thomasine Wheaton, both of Fort Worth, Texas, one brother, Johnny Lee Harris (Wanda) of Dallas, Texas; two sisters, Gerome (R.L., Sr.) of Paris, Texas and Jewel Ann Vaughn of Lancaster, Texas; 16 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services for Mrs. Lena B. Walls were held at the Carter Chapel C. M. E. Church last

Saturday morning, February 19, 2005, with Rev. Dr. H. Daniel Edwards, Rev. Homer Pacey, Rev. Clarence Weatherspoon, all of Carter Chapel C. M. E. Church, officiating. Also, Rev. Larry Brooks of Community Baptist Church participated.

A resident of Lubbock since 1988, she was born in Bonham, Texas. Although Lubbock served as her residence, she held Wiggins, Ms. near and dear to her heart.

Mrs. Walls served faithfully as a Foster Grandparent at the Lubbock State School until her health failed in 2004.

She was a member of Carter Chapel C. M. E. Church where she served as a Stewardess. She also visited regularly Community Baptist Church and Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Earl Walls, Sr., and daughters, Shirley Johnson and Catusie Bostic of Wiggins, Ms.

She is survived by a daughter, Alicia Walls of Lubbock, Texas; two sons, Jerry Walls and Earl Walls, Jr., both of Wiggins, Ms.; eight grandchildren; two sisters, Ginnie V. Green of Saginaw, Michigan and Dorothy Pheanorville of Lubbock, Texas; and two brothers, William Allen

Bennett of Lubbock, Texas and Gerald E. Bennett of Austin, Texas.

### George Harold Woods

Funeral services for George Harold Woods were held Monday morning, February 21, 2005, at Mount Gilead Baptist Church with Rev. J. J. Johnson, pastor, officiating. Military graveside services were held at the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home of Lubbock.

He was born in Lubbock on May 21, 1934. He had lived in San Diego, California for more than 30 years until his death. He attended Lubbock public schools, and graduated from Dunbar High School in 1950. Mr. Woods attended Huston-Tillotson College in Austin, Texas. He served in the U. S. Army.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Edwina Woods.

His memories will be cherished by his daughters, Anastasia Chambers, Cheryl Cross and Edwina Woods; a son, Jeff Woods; grandchildren: Shawn, Shamahl Bradley, Brittany, Ashley and Teo; sisters, Billie Jo Phillips and Vernita Woods-Holmes.

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Sunday Evening YPWW - 6:00 pm  
Tuesday Young Adult Study - 7:00 pm  
Wednesday Night Bible Study - 7:00 pm  
Thursday Praise Team & Choir Rehearsal - 7:00 pm

Bus ministry available.  
For college students, a meal will be provided.

May the God of hope fill you with a joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. - Romans 15:13



## Key City employee retires after 33 years of service

Vicki Key is ringing down the curtain on her career with the City of Lubbock. The Civic Services Director, who has managed countless theater, music and sports events, is retiring following 33 years of service.

Key will be honored at a reception on Tuesday, February 22, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Civic Center Banquet Hall.

During her three decades with the City, Key has been instrumental in bringing a variety of entertainment events to Lubbock. Broadway plays, tractor pulls, rodeos, Lady Raider basketball, Cotton Kings hockey, circuses, ice shows, ballets, symphonies and concerts have thrilled Lubbock residents for years thanks to the efforts of Vicki Key.

Assistant City Manager Quincy White said, "Vicki may be one of the most visible City employees we have. Not only does she work behind the scenes, but she also attends the events we host in our facilities. Vicki takes care of the smallest details and the biggest celebri-

ties. We will miss her tremendously."

When Key hired in with the City in 1972, her \$1.66 an hour position as a clerk at the Municipal Auditorium/Coliseum was the launching pad for a career that allowed her to meet Elvis Presley, George Strait, KISS, George H. and Barbara Bush, Gerald Ford and Dick Cheney, to name a few.

In addition to managing hundreds of major events, Key also managed the \$2 million first phase renovation of the Civic Center. She served as the Vice-President of District VI for International Association of Assembly Managers from 2000-2002 and has been staff liaison for Civic Lubbock since 1993.

If Key decides to ride off into the sunset as she retires, she can do so on an elephant. She is certified as an "Elephant Equestrian Extraordinaire" by Ringling Bros. Circus. From elephants to Elvis - Vicki Key has seen it all from the stages and floors of the City of Lubbock Municipal Auditorium/Coliseum and Civic Center.

## Mississippi Mass Choir release perfect for Black History Month

Jackson, MS - The Mississippi Mass Choir's sixteenth anniversary recording, *Not by Might, Nor by Power*, hit the streets just in time to arrive in stores for Black History Month, on February 22, 2005. Fans have been anxious to treat their ears to more of the hit-making choir's original face and those fans were not disappointed. Jerry Mannery, Gospel Division head at Malaco Records has stated that this release is reminiscent of the choir's record-making debut on the label in 1989 and was coincidentally recorded 16 years to the day of the original recording.

Produced by Reverend Milton Biggum, one of gospel music's "Ten Most Sought After

Guest artists include Biggum as well as Potter's House Evangelist Ministries co-founder Beverly Crawford and a unique interactive version of "Thank You for My Mansion," with choir founder, The Late Great Frank Williams.

The Mississippi Mass Choir has sold over two million catalog units to date and they are the most recognized mass choir in the world. They continue to make an annual trip to Spain and have also performed at the Acropolis in Greece, the Umbria Jazz Festival in Italy, throughout Europe, across Japan, the Bahamas, for Pope John PULI II and in the Bahamas. Statewide, they have performed in forty states including Washington, DC for President Bill Clinton's inauguration.

The Mississippi Mass Choir has been recognized many times in the industry with awards that include: a Grammy Award, Stellar Awards, Dove Awards, Indie Awards, Soul Train Music Awards, as well as two NARM Best Sellers Awards.

With the benefit of hindsight, just to think that it all began with Frank Williams, who once performed with his younger brothers, The Williams Brothers, then with The Jackson Southernaires, had a vision to create a choir comprised with the soulful voices of the people of Mississippi and after nine years of thought and planning, Williams sent out the word in 1988, that he was holding auditions for a Mass Choir for The State Of Mississippi.



During the 16th anniversary taping of the Mississippi Mass Choir's *Not by Might, Nor by Power* CD, BET filmed a "Behind the Scenes" segment of "Lift Every Voice" that aired on February 13. For more details, go to [www.bet.com](http://www.bet.com)

Producers," (Georgia Mass Choir), and Executive Director of Savoy Records, the CD also includes three original cuts penned by this prolific Grammy winner.

## Dunbar-Struggs reunion planned

Looking For All 1989 Dunbar-Struggs High School Graduates. Plans are in the making for a "Sweet Sixteen" Class Reunion and current contact information is needed to inform you of the details. Mark your calendar for the weekend of July 1-3, 2005. If you graduated from Dunbar-Struggs High School in 1959 or know how to contact someone who did, please call Rowelyn Childers-Cummings 817-845-1921, Dvanya Pierce 806-763-3171, Louie Scott 281-895-0709 or email your current mailing information to: [dsphanter89@yahoo.com](mailto:dsphanter89@yahoo.com). Please respond as soon as possible. The information letters will be mailed by the end of January. Hope to see all of you Panthers there.

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# Is your air clean enough to breathe?

by Nick C. Parker, Ph.D. Texas Tech University

During the past 100 years air quality has changed dramatically in the U.S. In 1900, we were a more rural and less densely populated nation. Coal and wood were the primary forms of energy and smoke stack, in urban areas, spewed thick black smoke to support industrial production.

Today state and federal laws addressing air quality have greatly reduced the visible smoke stack emissions. But is the air really clean? Is it clean enough to be healthy? What are the risks we face from polluted and dirty indoor air? As energy costs have increased the construction industry has responded by building tighter and more energy efficient houses, office buildings and schools. These tight buildings do not provide the exchange of inside and outside air previously common in older buildings. Is air quality, therefore, better in older buildings? Not necessarily. Studies have shown that mold and fungi are more common in older houses without central heating and cooling systems than in newer houses with central heating and cooling systems.

Older houses and other buildings are more likely to be infested with mice, rats, and cockroaches than are newer homes. The American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology has found that mold, fungi and rodent droppings, cockroach droppings, dust mites, pet dander, paint solvents, and numerous other items present real-world health risks for many individuals.

As health care cost continues to escalate, insurance companies, HMO's, and even Medicare-Medicaid are reducing coverage. People with insurance are paying more from their pocket for health

care. People without insurance are paying the full cost of health care or doing without.

This article is the first in a series to explore indoor air quality and what you can do about it. There are a number of products, devices and machines on the market to filter or otherwise treat indoor air in an attempt to improve quality and health benefits.

*This series of articles will explore topics such as:*

1. The Allergy Season and Indoor Air Quality
2. Quality of Indoor Air vs. Outdoor Air
3. Health effects of Bad Air
4. Air Quality in Meat Processing Plants
5. Airborne mold and bacteria in microbiology laboratories
6. Shelf life of meat and fresh produce
7. Health risks from air in Doctors' offices
8. Pet dander found in 100% of homes tested (even in those without pets)
9. What's the difference between organic and non-organic dust
10. Is West Texas dust just dirt or is it a health risk
11. Equipment and processes for cleaning indoor air
12. What is a sick building
13. Your central heating and air conditioning system is a large vacuum cleaner
14. Health hazards of ozone and other chemicals
15. It's not how well your filter the air, it's how well you clean the air
16. Paint solvents, plasticizers, agricultural chemicals and other modern air quality hazards
17. We thought asbestos was safe and now we question Teflon
18. Paint shop hazards

19. Second hand smoke
20. Solvents in nail and hair salons
21. Jails can be hazardous to your health if inmates have TD - an air-circulation quality problem
22. Why do libraries smell musty? It's the mold!
23. What is the "new car smell"?
24. If I have an indoor air quality problem, how do I get help?

This list of two dozen topics may seem long, but it's only the tip of the iceberg of air quality topics we face daily. In this series many of these and other topics will be covered if there seems to be public interest and support from the news editors. If you have specific topics you would like to see addressed please contact your editor and make the request. I'll modify this list as I produce articles as appropriate. I'll also attempt to digest and report on medical and other scientific articles relating to indoor air quality and put it in terms everyone can understand and use. Watch out for the next article. It could help you clear the air and improve your health.

**About Dr. Parker**  
Dr. Nick C. Parker, President, American Air Scrubbers, Inc. is also Chief Scientist for Global Scientific, Inc., and Chief Scientist for Global Green Power. He's a retired federal employee with 32 years of service including research scientist and laboratory director for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and research sci-

entist with the U.S. Geological Survey. For 15 years as a federal scientist, he was assigned to Texas Tech University as a professor where he was leader of the Texas Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit. Today, he is professor emeritus in the Department of Biology, Texas Tech University. Dr. Parker, a member of numerous professional organizations, has over 150 scientific publications, and is recognized both nationally and internationally.

**UPCOMING COTTON KINGS GAMES**

**Thursday, Feb 24 - 1340AM**  
7:05 vs. Corpus Christi  
\$1 Hot Dog Night

**Friday, Feb 25 - 790AM**  
7:05 @ Odessa

**Saturday, Feb 26 - 1340AM**  
7:05 vs. Odessa  
Powerade Rally Towel Night

**Tuesday, March 2 - 1340AM**  
7:05 @ Laredo

**Friday, March 4 - 790AM**  
7:05 vs. Amarillo

**Saturday, March 5 - 1340AM**  
7:05 @ Amarillo

Tickets are available at the Cotton Kings' office, Albertson's, Select-A-Seat locations and at the coliseum. Games are broadcast live on the internet and on Lubbock radio. Call 747-PUCK or visit [www.cottonkings.com](http://www.cottonkings.com) for more information.

\*denotes home game

## American Quarter Horse event to be held April 2 in Lubbock

Lubbock, TX - The BSEC Special Event, an American Quarter Horse Association approved special event will be held April 2, at the Blarney Stone Eq. Center in Lubbock.

American Quarter Horse shows test horses' abilities in dozens of different classes. This special event is just for jumping, working hunter, green working hunter, hunter hack and equitation over fence enthusiasts.

People who exhibit at an American Quarter Horse Show earn points that turn into awards or cash at the end of the year. By competing at an AQHA show, exhibitors and horses can also qualify for the AQHA or American Quarter Horse Youth Association world championship shows, the premier events in the entire equire industry.

"We welcome all American Quarter Horse owners as well as

anyone who has a passion for horses," said Bill Brewer, AQHA Executive Vice President. "AQHA shows are fun, and anybody who has ever wanted to get involved with horses or compete at an AQHA show is encouraged to attend."

Each year, AQHA approves more than 2,700 shows and special events across the globe. For more than 2,700 shows and special events across the globe. For more information about the BSEC Special Event, please contact David A. Haukos, (806) 438-1122.

For additional information about AQHA, including showing, racing, or recreational riding programs, contact AQHA at (805) 376-4881 or visit AQHA's website at [www.AQHA.com](http://www.AQHA.com).

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## Clean Sweep! Strome and Conschafter win Oakley player and goaltender awards

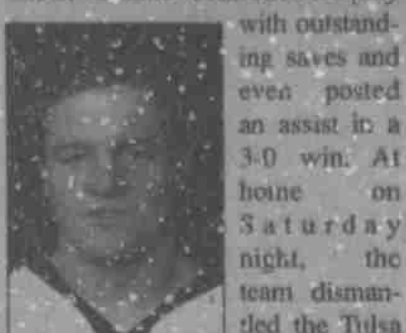
LUBBOCK, TX - The Lubbock Cotton Kings are pleased to announce that forward Anders Strome and Shawn Conschafter have won the Central Hockey League's Oakley Player and Goaltender of the Week for week 13 - the first time the Cotton Kings have had a clean sweep of the weekly award in franchise history.

"I am very happy for both guys and for the team," said Kings Head Coach Chris Dashney whose club was 3-0 on the week with wins on the road against Corpus Christi and at home against San Angelo and Tulsa. "Strome had a magnificent game on Saturday night providing all the offense in a 4-0 win. When another goaltender gets an award, it really compliments our team defense. I am really proud of Shawn (Conschafter) and his efforts this last week."

With the surge during this past week, the Kings have moved to a 27-17-2 record with 56 points - good enough for the best winning percentage in the conference. With the win on Saturday night against Tulsa, the Kings are also 10 games above .500 for the first time this season. Strome led the team with six goals while Conschafter was 1-0 in 80 minutes of play stopping all 50 shots. Conschafter also earned his first professional shutout on Wed. night against the Rayz. The clean sweep is the first for the Cotton Kings and second in the CHL this season - Wichita swept the award in week 10.

The week started out with a come-from-behind win against the San Angelo Saints 4-3 in the shootout. Strome had two goals in the win including a power play and the shootout game-winner.

Lubbock played in Corpus the next night and it was quite a showing from Conschafter. Stopping all 37 shots, "C-mite" controlled the play with outstanding saves and even posted an assist in a 3-0 win. At home on Saturday night, the team dismantled the Tulsa Oilers 4-0.



Conschafter

Lance Leslie played the first 40 minutes and Conschafter came into the contest in the third period to relieve him, with 13 saves to preserve the shutout. Strome had all four goals and tied the franchise high for goals in a game - Kyle Reeves accomplished the same feat in Austin back on March 23, 2001.

Strome, 6-3, 210-pounds, is currently the leading scorer for the Cotton Kings this season with 31 goals and 47 points in 46 games.



Strome

The Winnipeg, Manitoba, native also leads the team with 239 shots (3rd CHL), 10 game-winning goals (1st CHL), and eight power play tallies. Strome is also tied for the best shootout percentage on the team with four goals on five

attempts (30%) with forward Matt Treck.

Conschafter, the 5-9, 165-pound native of Buffalo, is 5-5-0 on the season, with a 2.70 goals against and .906 save percentage. The Kings backup netminder also has contributed offensively with two assists on the season with one shutout. The start last Wednesday in Corpus was the first in 11 games for the backup netminder.

Starting goaltender Lance Leslie was the only previous winner of the award this season winning the Oakley Goaltender of the Week award most recently for the week of Jan. 31-Feb. 5 and also for Nov. 29-Dec. 5. Leslie, a 5-10 native of Dawson Creek, BC, posted a 3-0 record in with a 1.27 goals against average and a .961 save percentage the week of Jan. 31 - Feb 5. In almost 190 minutes in net over the three games, Leslie against average and a .952 save percentage.

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## Think About It!

### The Fall of a Republic

by Eddie P. Richardson

This article was written by Alexander Tyier. He lived during the establishment of the original 13 colonies.

Most empires last 200 years, so America is the longest lasting empire in our recent history.

America was founded on moral and spiritual principles. That is the reason, in this writer's opinion, why it has lasted so long. Read this article and look at us today. We have gone through all the mentioned phases we are in the process of going through them. Enron, World Com and others, and black people are in the middle of

the heap at the bottom of the ladder.

#### THE FALL OF A REPUBLIC

When the thirteen colonies were still a part of England, Professor Alexander Tyier wrote about the fall of the Athenian republic over two thousand years previous to that time.

A democracy cannot exist as a permanent form of government. It can only exist until the voters discover that they can vote themselves money from the public treasury. From that its moment on the majority always votes for the candidates promising the most money from the public treasury, with

the result that a democracy always collapses over loose fiscal policy followed by a dictatorship. The average age of the great civilizations has been two hundred years. These nations have progressed through the following sequence: from bondage to spiritual faith, from spiritual faith to great courage, from courage to liberty, from liberty to abundance, from abundance to selfishness, from selfishness to complacency, from complacency to apathy, from apathy to dependency, from dependency back to bondage.

-Alexander Tyier

## THIS N THAT

GARY BUNTON SHOULD RECORD! THIS N THAT was one of many who attended the 3rd Annual African American History Month, Program and Reception where the honorees were Bobbie Gean and T. J. Patterson, and one of the program participants, GARY BUNTON - with the assistance of the Lyons Chapel Baptist Choir - sang the theme "DON'T FORGET TO REMEMBER." He should be encouraged to record this song, as he is one of our better singers in Lubbock and the South Plains of Texas. So when you see Brother Bunton, keep on encouraging him to record this song, as it has a mighty message for all of us. It lets us know that we can't forget from whence we have come from. Also, THIS N THAT says CONGRATS to the Branch Director of the BOBBIE GEAN & T. J. PATTERSON LIBRARY, HELEN VISER, for a job well done... as well as her staff. It was just good to see the Lubbock Public Library Director, JANE CLAUSEN and ELIZABETH GEORGE, of the Friends of the Library present. A special thanks to CITY COUNCILMAN FLOYD PRICE for his inspiring remarks. An interpretative reading was very well done by BRENDA BROWN. The kind testimony by one of Mrs. Patterson's former student, AARON TRAYLOR was well received. All in all, if GARY BUNTON would record the theme, it would really put the icing on the cake. THIS N THAT says "THANKS TO ALL" for a job well done.

GOOD TO SEE LUBBOCK HAWKS BACK STRONG! THIS N THAT is glad that everything could be worked out for the TROUBLED LUBBOCK HAWKS, a new women's basketball team in Lubbock who had been having some financial difficulties. Now these ladies are some of the better professional players in the WOMEN'S NATIONAL BASKETBALL

ASSOCIATION (WNBA). With the acquisition of a former Lady Red Raider and player with the Houston Comets, SHERYL SWOOPES next month, perhaps this team will be able to finish the season in a positive posture. THIS N THAT is glad to see that SHERYL SWOOPES has agreed to play. THIS N THAT wants to remind all of us who want Lubbock to become a player that it will take positive moves as teams as the LUBBOCK HAWKS to move in that right direction. Through all of this turmoil, THIS N THAT, along with EDDIE RICHARDSON, MET A YOUNG African-American Brother who serves as the team's Assistant General Manager and he is DARRYL LINDEN and we want to salute him for all he has done to keep the team in a posture of not quitting when it got real tough. THIS N THAT predicts that the LUBBOCK HAWKS will return next season and become a very strong team.

EDDIE DIDN'T GIVE UP! THIS N THAT wants to say THANKS to one of our co-publishers of the SOUTHWEST DIGEST who is EDDIE RICHARDSON, who worked real hard for a new web page for this newspaper. It is done, but a few more steps have to be made.

In a few more days, we will publish the WEBPAGE ADDRESS of the Southwest Digest. It just goes to show you that things will happen if you only believe and never stop. THANKS, EDDIE!

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: "SOME PEOPLE stop looking for WORK when they get a JOB."

CONGRATS, VICKI KEY! THIS N THAT wants to say "CONGRATS" to one of the City of Lubbock's Professionals, VICKI KEY, who will retire as the Manager of the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center and Municipal Auditorium/Coliseum this week. She has made many positive contributions to our community. She is a lady worthy of being congratulated. THANK YOU, VICKI KEY!

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## In Cinque

by Renetta Howard



This is the beginning of a new year in which all of us face uncertainty. Life is uncertain and it matters not how many worldly goods we have or how much money we are able to gain control of to erase the uncertainty of life.

All of us wish for long lives and all of the amenities which life can afford us. Some of us miss our mark and leave this world very unfulfilled. There is one thing which I have observed and that is, that the person who can be happy with whatever state he finds himself in, poor or rich, can truly feel blessed.

Many of us are blessed with long happy lives. Some of us have short happy lives and there are those who seldom know peace of any kind, no matter how long they live. Miserable people like company. They are unhap-

py and want everyone else to be unhappy. They scheme and plan the failure and misery of others. It seems that they have some kind of neurosis which dictates that they interfere into the lives of others, either more fortunate or less fortunate.

It has been said that when a person loses touch with reality that they become most hostile with the person that they love the most. The self-serving neurosis in which an individual seeks to make others miserable apparently does not fall into this category, because they most often do not have anyone whom they really care about or love.

There have been many discoveries about what causes people to do the things they do, but there is still no help in finding out why some people are just downright mean and evil and only look for and expect the worst for and of others. When it does not exist, they seek to make it happen. They put all manners of blocks in your path. As fast as you move one block, they set up another.

What does a person blocking your efforts really want? Are they jealous, or do they have designs on something that you have or will have? It is a very sad commentary when we find that we have relatives in this category. They want everything they see that others have and if they see a slight chance that they can have it, they position themselves to get it. It is even sadder when they covet the possession of an older relative and seek to block the path of rightful heirs. The old saying goes, that "where there is a will, there is a way."

These days, a will is not necessary if property management is handled in a way in which legal transition to heirs is achieved upon death of the owner of the property. Relatives challenge the wishes of loved ones, but it is time that we all get "in cinque" and realize that people have a right to give whatever they own to whomever they desire. Your position in a family does not have to give you automatic privileges or rights all the time.

## American Legacy honors six extraordinary women

NEW YORK CITY - *American Legacy*, the premier magazine for African-American history and culture, presents its Sixth Annual Women of Strength & Courage Awards luncheon Thursday, February 24, 2005 at New York City's Grand Hyatt Hotel. This year's honorees are: Pastor and Gospel Legend Shirley Caesar, Manhattan Borough President C. Virginia Fields, Media Mogul Cathy Hughes, Supermodel Beverly Johnson, Actress/Activist Denise Nicholas and Dancer Carmen de Lavallade. The event will be hosted by Black Entertainment Television's Jacque Reid.

Celebrating its tenth year of publication and the sixth year of this historical event which honors African-American women, *American Legacy Magazine* has chosen to honor these six women during its sixth annual Women of Strength and Courage Awards luncheon. "This is an extraordinary moment for *American Legacy Magazine*," says *American Legacy* Founder & Publisher Rodney J. Reynolds. "This is our sixth year and we are pleased to honor these incredible women, while recognizing their achievements to not only African-American history, but American history."

In 1999, *American Legacy* magazine began its salute to Black History Month by honoring African-American women who embody the principles that the magazine stands on: culture, legacy and heritage.

For more than 30 years, Pastor Shirley Caesar has warmed the souls of millions through her gospel and ministry. As a young girl crusading for civil rights in the segregated South, C. Virginia Fields dedicated her life to battling social injustice, a mission she still pursues as she fights for a better quality of life for New Yorkers. Against

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eted career. Carmen de Lavallade, one of the finest interpreters in the world of dance, broke the "sound barrier" by incorporating the spoken word into dance performances.

The luncheon will be preceded by an open forum discussion between the honorees and select New York area high school students. The forum will be facilitated by Audrey Peterson, editor, *American Legacy*. In honor of the magazine's 10th anniversary year, it has included an

essay writing contest in which five high school students will be awarded a \$500.00 scholarship for their well-written essays on their favorite hero. "The forum is the highlight of the event," says Peterson. "It is an opportunity for high school students to come face to face with outstanding individuals, they may have only read about in a book or seen on television."

This year's event sponsors include: Colgate-Palmolive, General Electric, The Jamaica Tourist Board, Hyatt Hotels and Resorts, Kraft Foods, and JP Morgan Chase.

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Singing  Poetry or Storytelling  Other (please explain): \_\_\_\_\_

Dancing  Magician \_\_\_\_\_

Comedian \_\_\_\_\_

Send form to: Juneteenth, 1302 Avenue Q, Lubbock, TX 79401  
Telephone: 806-762-3612 Fax: 806-741-0000

## 24 Foundation Bowling Tournament



Sunday, February 27 • 2:00 pm • \$25/person\*

The 24 Foundation, founded by Cotton Kings player Paul Fioroni, is proud to announce our first bowling tournament! Jeremy Green, a Levelland High School student was paralyzed last summer during football practice. The 24 Foundation is dedicated to raising money for Jeremy this year.

### Instructions:

1. Form your group(s)
2. Fill out this form
3. Call Tony Woollis to finalize your group
4. Get ready for an afternoon of fun!
5. Entries due Friday, February 25 at 5:00 pm
6. Check in on day of tourney at 1:30 pm

NAME ADDRESS PHONE NUMBER

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Format: Will be four person teams plus one Cotton King player. Players will be randomly assigned to teams. Bowl three games per pair. After each game, the Cotton King player moves one pair to the right. Team score will be figured with the total of the (3) Cotton Kings scores.

HDCP: 80% of 220 IND. If no ave. age, Men use 150 average HDCP 50; Women use 130 average HDCP 72. All sanctioned bowlers use 2003-04 highest bowk average or 2004-05 current average.

Contact: Tony Woollis (806) 777-0889

All proceeds go to the 24 Foundation to support Jeremy Green.

Jeremy Green

## PARK MEADOWS VILLAS OF LUBBOCK



### DEVELOPMENT LOCATION:

PARK MEADOWS VILLAS WILL BE LOCATED ON APPROXIMATELY 6.7 ACRES NORTH OF THE INTERSECTION OF OAK AVENUE AND WEBER AVENUE.



### RENTAL INFORMATION:

THE COMMUNITY WILL CONTAIN:

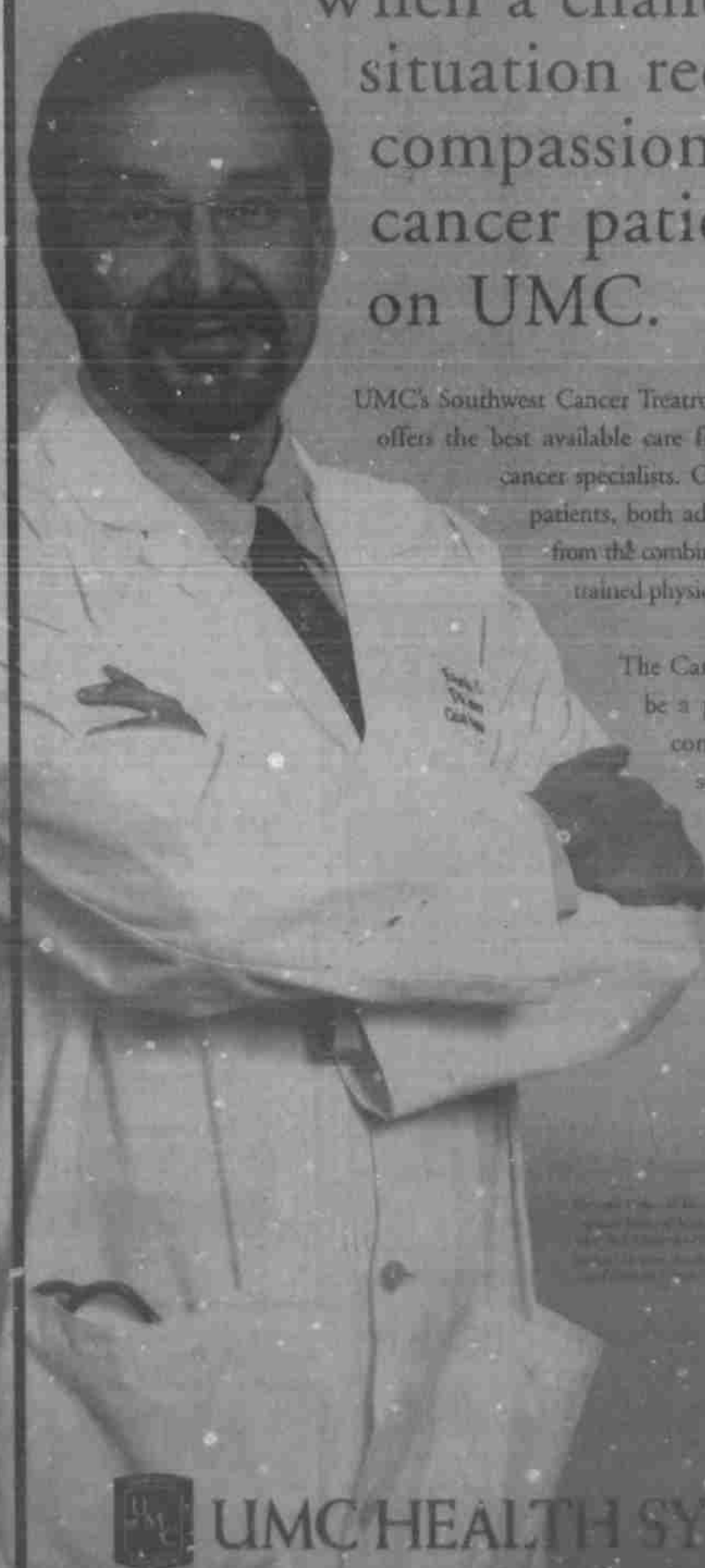
- \* 28 ONE BEDROOM, ONE BATH UNITS OF APPROXIMATELY 750 SQUARE FEET, WITH MONTHLY RENTS RANGING FROM \$285 TO \$440;
- \* 24 TWO BEDROOM, ONE BATH UNITS OF APPROXIMATELY 900 SQUARE FEET, WITH MONTHLY RENTS RANGING FROM \$340 TO \$500;
- \* 24 TWO BEDROOM, TWO BATH UNITS OF APPROXIMATELY 985 SQUARE FEET, WITH MONTHLY RENTS RANGING FROM \$340 TO \$550;
- \* 36 THREE BEDROOM, TWO BATH UNITS OF APPROXIMATELY 1,100 SQUARE FEET, WITH MONTHLY RENTS OF APPROXIMATELY \$380 TO \$650.
- \* PARK MEADOWS VILLAS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE RESIDENT'S WASTEWATER AND TRASH PICKUP. TENANTS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS, TELEPHONE, AND CABLE TELEVISION.

### PROJECT AMENITIES:

THE COMMUNITY WILL BE ELEGANT IN APPEARANCE, FUNCTIONAL IN LAYOUT, AND WILL PROVIDE TENANTS WITH FULL PERIMETER FENCING WITH CONTROLLED GATE ACCESS, A PLAYGROUND/PICNIC AREA, AND A FURNISHED COMMUNITY BUILDING CONTAINING A COMPUTER ROOM, EXERCISE AND ACTIVITIES ROOM AND A COMMUNITY LAUNDRY FACILITY. A WIDE RANGE OF POTENTIAL SERVICES FOR THE TENANTS IS BEING CONSIDERED.

Development Owner:  
LHA Park Meadows, LP (A to be formed Texas Limited Partnership)  
Contact Address:  
1708 Avenue G, Lubbock, TX 79408  
806-762-1191

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