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#### Little People PlayGroup Registering Students for its Program

Guadalupe-Parkway Neighborhood Center, 405 N. Mortin Luther King Jr. BLVD., is registering students for its PinyGroup throughout October. It is designed to serve children ages three and four. It meets from 7:30-2:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. (September-May)

The program focuses on helping children develop language/ fine motor/gress motor skills and social skills to help prepare them for entry into kindergarten or other preschool programs. The cost is \$45 weekly. Please call Shameca Wilson for more information at 763-3963.

#### Be a Part of a Child's Life Today and Make a Difference

Guadalupe/Parkway Neighborhood Center has set up training dates for volunteers interested in helping children with homework, mentoring or just playing with the children. The dates are September 18 at 4:00 p.m., September 24 at 4:00 p.m. and October 2 at 4:00p.m. Please call if you can attend any of the dates. Training's will be held at 405 N. MLK Jr. BLVD. Please call Rachel dark at 763-3963 if you will be attending. We have two centers: Parkway Neighborhood Center located at 405 N. MLK Jr. Blvd. and Guadalupe Neighborhood Center located 102 Ace. P. Wecreate a place where young people can develop self-esteem, and realize their full potential as individuals and members of the community.

#### Community Meetings

 Lubbock Area Client Council Second Saturday, 1:00 pm • Mae Simmons Community Center \*Hub City Kiwanis, Every Tuesday Night, 7:00pm, 1709 Avenue G \*Dunber Alumni Association and Samuriay 4pm • Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 2nd/Tuesday - 7:30 \* Forgotten West Riders, Flins & Third Monthly, 7:00 pm, T. J. Patterson Library - Four Lubbock Chapter AARR Every int Thursday at 1 pm, Mae Simmons Committee Center, Oak and 8th St. - Lawrel Charter of Black Alumni 3rd Tuesday, \$30 pm, TTU Medict Center \* Dunbar/Michigan heights Neighborhood Amarillan Ninet, Every Total Thursday 6:00 p.m. 1 00 T. at 31th Street (outreach centri puny house) « West Teste Native American Association For Lank Suppor leasing formits princip trending, two fire Pacemen Branch Edward Bull Thursday Tourn . West I had North Autorican A pocinity in moets 5520 From Sancer, To Rive Would Torons City pier of 100 Black Sen rivers the 3rd Months evening at 7,000 pers or the Purksup National Southead Centre + The Parkway standalogy & Cherry-Tiends excelled of exclusional at 730 p.m. at Parkway Neighborhood Center.

We would like to publish your monthly meetings. If you would like for an announcement to appear in this paper. please get it to us in writing by mailing it to:

Community Meetings C/O; Southwest Digest P.O. Box 2553 Lubbock, Texas 79408 or bring it by the Southwest Digest office at 902 East 23rd Street

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## Attorney Johnnie L. Cochran, Jr. to Receive Lifetime Achievement Award

Century City Bar Association Honors One of America's Most Recognized Litigators

LOS ANGELES -(September 2, 2003) - Seasoned civil trial attorney and community activist, Johnnie L. Cochran. Jr., who has dedicated 40 years to helping everyday people obtain

justice and fair compensation, will be honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award by the Century City Bar Association (CCBA). The 12th Annual Criminal Law Awards of Excellence Banquet will take place on Wednesday, September 10th at the Le Meridien at Beverly Hills,

immediately following a 5:30

"There is no greater joy and no higher calling than seeking ustice for chents, says Cochran, Jr., Senior Partner of The Cochran Firm. "I feel privileged to receive such an honor from an organization that shares my vision and commitment to helping their fellow man."

Although Cochran's notoriety stems from his representation of high profile cases, he has been and will remain devoted to handling cases for common everyday people who have civil claims. It has only been the exceptional circumstance that

The Cochran firm handled a criminal case. The Cochran Firm recently won the largest settlement for an environmental orees," says Derek Danielson. pollution case in U.S. history. The settlement brought more

than \$700 million to over 18,000 Anniston, Alabama residents. The Cochran Firm will continue to focus on civil litigation and remains dedicated to representing the victims of major catastrophic accidents, including products liability, construction negli-ATTORNEY JOHNNIE L. COCHRAN, JR. gence, municipal liability,

> cuto and truck negligence, consumer fraud, and complex litigation.

> In addition to his litigation success, Cochran also devotes his time and resources to community outreach and enhancement ventures. He has established the Johnnie L. Cochran. Sr. Scholarship (named after his father) for UCLA African American males, the Cochran Villa, (dedicated to his parents) a 10-unit, low-income family housing complex and the Johnnie L. Cochran, Jr. Academy of Legal Studies and Community Service in East Orange, New Jersey, to name a

"Achievement, integrity, consistency and professionalism are what we look for from hon-

Co-Chair of the CCBA's Criminal Law Section and the awards dinner. "We recognize those who have not only set the standards within the criminal law field, but who also continue to raise those standards."

Other CCBA honorees include Verah Bradford, Los Angeles County Deputy Public Defender (Public Defender of the Year); Scott Millington, Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney (District Attorney of the Year); Terry Adamson, Commissioner (Commissioner of the Year); Honorable Larry Paul Fidler, Superior Court Judge (Judge of the Year) and Thomas A. Mesereau, Jr. Defense Coursel (Criminal Defense Attorney of the Year).

About The Cochran Firm Johnnie Cochran's national law firm of Cochran, Cherry, Givens, & Smithy P.C., through a series of mergers, office expansions, regional partnersnips and joint law firm ventures, emerged to become "The Cochran Firm," America's largest personal injury plaintitis tort law firm. The multicultural firm, which consists of more than 100 lawyers available for and devoted to civil trial litigation, has offices throughout the nation including California, New York, Alabama, Illinois, Georgia, Tennessee, Florida and Washington, D.C.

# Congratulations Michael Chatman!

Michael L. Chatman, Jr. graduated from Eisenhower High School on May 23, 2003. Michael was an honor gorduate with a 4.2 GPA, finishing with a class rank of 26 out of 360 gradu-

Among many of Michael's accomplishments were the National Honor Society, Who's Who Among American Students; Oklahoma Honor Society, Senior Senator, Captain of



the Step Team, President of the Epsilon Delta Chapter of Kudos, District Youth Chaplain for the Church of God In Christ, District Choir member, member of the Rhythmic Expression Gospel Praise and Dance Team, and President of Open Doors, Michael also is in training to become a Minister.

His awards included the President's Award for Academic Excellence, 4.0 Student, National Academy of Academic Achievement, President's Academic Achievement, Outstanding Academic Achievement, Principal's Academic Achievement,

Participant Hoby Leadership Conference, and the Representative for Oklahoma at the Southwest Leadership Conference.

He has received the Provost's Academic Scholarship from Fisk University in Nashville, TN where he is currently enrolled. He is a Pre-med student and will be majoring in Biology. Michael's goal is to attend and complete Medical school and become a surgeon.

Michael would like to thank all of his family and friends for their support throughout the years and the many gifts that he has received. Michael would like to thank those that attended his graduation, his grandparents, his brother Marcus of Lawton, his aunts: Bertha Rainwater and Reva Alexander of Lubbock, and his uncles Frank, Curtis, and Anthony Jones of Lubbock, and J.L. Ferrell of Los Angeles,

Michael is the son of Michael and Michelle Chatman of Lawton, OK, and the grandson of Mrs. Emmalene Chatman, and the late Dr. J.A., Chatman, and Mr. And Mrs. Howard Bartee of Lubbeck.

## **Academy PTA Sponsors Family Night**

The Academy PTA which is composed of Aiderson Academy, Parkway Primary Academy and Bozeman Primary Academy hosted a Back to School Bash on August 28, 2003. Over 900 hotdogs and chips were served. There were many activities for the children as well as informational booths for parents. Many community agencies were involved such as Patterson Library, Goodwill and Big Brothers/Big Sisters. All the food was donated by many different vendors and Coca-Cola donated the 1500 drinks that were served. The Matador Men of Estacado led by Mr. Nathan Cage did all the cooking for the event.













# T-38 Jet Rally 2003 at Reese

City Councilman T. J. Patterson, third from right, is shown in a photo of the pilots who flew during the annual T-38 Jet Rally 2003 at the Reese Technology Center off Saturday afternoon, August 16, 2003.

Hundreds of local citizens attended this annual event which brought people from all over the state and nation.



## League Will Roast **Chancellor Smith**

The League of Women Voters of Lubbock will roast David R. Smith, Chancellor of the Texas Tech University System on October 9, 2003 at 6:15 p m at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. The roasters include: Carcy Hobbs, Randy Sander, Wendy Sitton, Ron Jackson and Richard Butler. The master of ceremonies for the event is Byrnie

The celebrity roast has been a League tradition since 1985 Proceeds are used to educate citizens of Lubbock by providing nonpartisan unbiased infor-

mation concerning public policy issues and candidates for public office. A primary goal of the League of Women Voters is to encourage informed participation of citizens in our democra-

The evening will include live entertainment, silent auction heavy bors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. The cost of an individual ticket is \$50. The cost for a table for eight is \$500. For more information and or reservations, call 744-0023 or email lwvlubbock a door net.

## Fashion Fun

by Shirley Roberson

#### Mattina T. Leather Collection

Beautiful three piece leather suit, wonderfully hand crafted. Ankle iength coat, handsomely embellished with beaded clusters and australian crystals across the entire bottom front, with matching embellishments on vest and skirt.

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FASHION TIP... Always wear a smile FASHION ... Just for the fun of it

Now that school has W begun why not take some time and visit some of our young people while they are school. Let them know you are watching what are doing and want to help them. So visit a school

this week. You will be glad

you did so.

Still want to report what your church is doing or what you are doing in your social club. Let me hear from you. You may do so by calling me at (806) 744-4127. What you do in the community is so imports at. Let me hear from you this week.

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002, Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. Billy R. Moton is pastor. If you are looking for a church home, then come and visit with New Hope. You will be

CHATMAN HILLS CORNER by Clarissa Jay

glad you did so.

Sunday morning services began at New Hope Baptist Church last Sunday morning with Meditation & Prayer. The Praise Team had a spirit filled time of service. The morning scripture was read by Rev. Charles Wilson. Rev. Cheryl-Martin offered the morning prayer.

Pastor Moton delivered the morning sermon. His subject was "There's Something About The Name of Jesus." His scripture text was Acts 4:31. It was another dynamic sermon. Praise God, Pastor Moton.

Revival Services will be held at New Hope Baptist Church September 15 thru 17, 2003, beginning each evening at 7:00 p.m. Guest evangelist will be Dr. S.J. Gilbert, Sr. of Houston, Texas.

The public is invited to attend.

The New Hope Baptist Church's Annual Men and

Women's Day will be held Sunday afternoon, September 21, 2003. For more information, call either Brother Gipson, Brother Hatcher; Brother White or Sister Lurlene Taylor or Sister Dorothy Kinner.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut in citizens. There are many among us who are shut-in. Your precious prayers are very important. So shall we pray.

Don't forget the upcoming Octogenarian Banquet to be held Saturday evening, September 13, 2003, at the PYCO Banquet Hall at 2901 Avenue A. This event is being sponsored by the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

It is to recognize those citizens of the church who are at least 80 years of age or older, and let them know they are not

What a good idea. What if all churches would do same. Wouldn't this be an outstanding effort for our community.

Congratulation to the sixteen citizens who are being honored. Their names were named last week. It is such an important, this writer wants to call their names once again.

Here they are: Charlie Bell Pratt, Lovie JeanCunningham, Ora Jean Keys, Eva Lee Cade, Elsie Young, Dorothy Nash, Mary Ella Tucker, Rosie Wilson, Ruby Neal, Nellrine Fletcher, Lena Walls, and Florence Limbrick.

Also, Evangelist Luebertha Walker, Rudolph Belvin, Randle John Byrd, and Charlie Mae Johnson. For more information call Sister Elurd Devenport at (806) 763-3110. Rev. Danny Poe is pastor.

If you are unable to attend church services because of reasons beyond your control, then tune in to the New Hope Baptist Church Braodcast over Radio Station KJAK, 92.7 FM, from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

## West Nile Virus Update; 45 Confirmed Cases

Since the City of Lubbock Health Department (COLHD) 1 st reported 23 confirmed cases of West Nile Virus August 22, the confirmed case count has risen to 45.

This seemingly dramatic increase does not necessarily mean that our disease burden has increased in our community, but may be artificially inflated by the methods of testing and reporting by the Texas Department of Health and the COLHD.

There has been no increase

in the number of West Nile associated deaths in the area. The current number of deaths associated with WNV stands at

The COLHD reminds city and county residents to protect themselves from mosquito bites by adhering to the "fourD's." Dress: wear long sleeves and pants when out of doors; Dawn/Dusk: avoid being outside at dawn and dusk as this is when the mosquito is most active at feeding; DEET: when outside, use an insect repellent containing DEET; and DRAIN, drain standing water around your home as might be found in tire swings, kiddie pools, or bird baths at least every three

days.

Mosquito abatement (spraying) continues throughout the entire city and portions of the county where virus has been confirmed.

Vector Control personnel continue to specifically target special outdoor events with spraying activity. This includes football games, the Cattleman's ball, Fourth on Broadway, and other special outdoor events throughout the county.

If you believe mat you have a mosquito problem in your area, call the mosquito hotline at 775-3110 and spraying activities will be increased in your

### City Wide Ushers Will Meet

The City Wide Ushers will hold a breakfast on Saturday morning, September 13, 2003, beginning at 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. at the St. John Baptist Church where Rev. S.E. Fields is pastor.

A plan has been developed where the cooks will arrive at 6:30 a.m. and the servers will arrive at 7:00 a.m.

Our members are happy to have the Rising Star Baptist Church Ushers who will be joining them. They will also bring breakfast items.

The St. John Baptist Church is located at 1712 East 29th Street, across the street from Wheatley Elementary School.

The City Wide Ushers would love to have all Pastors to attend this breakfast. Cost is only \$3.00 per person. All funds will go toward their Thanksgiving and Christmas boxes for the needy. We will be glad to deliver our boxes this year. So come and help us in

Sister Sarah Bunton, president; and Sister Minnie Darthard, reporter.

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# CHURCH DIRECTORY





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LUKE 6:39, JESUS SAID, CAN THE BLIND LEAD THE BLIND? SHALL THEY BOTH FALL INTO THE

THE FATHER TELES HIS SON: DON'T SMOKE THAT MARIJUANA, ITS DOPE, AND HE SANDS THERE WITH A CIGARETTE IN HIS HAND, BLOW-

BOTH WEEDS THAT IS GROWN IN THE GROUND. THEY ARE BUTH ROLLED IN WHITE PAPER, THEY ARE BOTH-LIT WITH FIRE, THEY ARE BOTH INHALED INTO THE LUNGS AND THROUGH THE MOSE THEY BOTH SATISFY THE USER, AND THEY

MARIJUANA MAKES YOU CRAZY; AND THAT NEEDS JESUS, GET HOOKED ON JESUS, HE SATIS-

THE PREACHERS AND TEACHERS; SAYS: TRAIN YOUR WHEDREN TO OBEY, MANY TIMES THEIR CHILDREN NEED TRAINING; THEY ARE IN THE

PROVERB: 22:6, TRAIN UP A CHILD IN THE WAY

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* OUR HOUSE SPICK AND SPAN, BUT SHE IS RAIS-ING HER DAUGHTER IN A PLACE NOT FIT FOR A

PROVERB 16:2, ALL THE WAYS OF A MAN ARE

THE MOTHER TELLS HER CHILD, DON'T TAKE BACK; PLU SLAP YOUR FACE, BUT THE CHILD HEAR. HER MOTHER BACK TALKING HERS; ALL OVER THE

EXODUS 20:12a. HONOUR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER THAT YOUR DAYS MAY BE LONG UPON

THE FATHER TELL HIS SON, WHEN YOU GROW GUT OF THE HOME AND HAVEN'T SUPPORTED HIS

PROVERB 27:8, AS A BURD THAT WANDERS FROM HER NEST, SO IS A MAN THAT WANDERERS FROM

CHRISTIANS KILLS THE ABORTION DOCTOR; SAYING, THOU SHALT NOT KILL, NOT KNOWING THE WORD OF GOD, NOW THEY MUST BE KILLED.
MARK 7.6-7, JESUS SAID, WELL HATH E-SAPAS PROPHESIED OF YOU HYPOCRITES, AS IT IS WRIT-TEN, THIS PEOPLE HONOUR ME WITH THEIR LIPS. VAIN DO THEY WORSHIP ME, TEACHING FOR DOC

\*\*\*\*\*\*JESUS IS WAITING ON YOU!!\*\*\*\* WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY BJ MORRI-SON, HE YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST JESUS ALWAYS.

TRINES THE COMMANDMENTS OF MEN.

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#### Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church

2202 Southeast Drive 806-744-7552 Pastor's study 806-741-0208 dpoebethel@aol.com

Intercessory Prayer 8:30am Church School 9:30am Morning Worship 10:50am Evening Worship 6:00pm Wednesday Bible Study 12:00 Noon and 6:00pm



"God Our Father, Christ Our Redeemer, Man Our Brother" Pastor: Danny R. Poe



## from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith A Dream or An Illusion

HEED THE WORDS OF PARSON SMITH

Go to the POLLS and Vote Saturday, September 13, 2003

**Vote Your Convictions!** Your very livelihood could depend on your vote. Your vote DOES count. Don't be misled by ignorant people who know nothing about GOYERNMENT! Don't be fool by people who say "the Lord will make a way somehow and do not VOTE." God will make a way, but you have to get up from your chair and go VOTE! His Hands are your hands.

> Stand Up and be Counted Saturday, September 13, 2003

# The Outreach

"Pray For The Body Of Christ" Father, we pray and confess

your word over the body of Christ. We pray that your people be filled with the full, deep and clear knowledge of your will in all spiritual things. We pray they live and conduct themselves in a manner worthy of you, Lord, fully pleasing to you and desiring to please you in all things, bearing fruit in evry good work, and steadily growing and increasing in and by the knowledge of you, with fuller, deeper, and clearer insight.

We pray that the, Body of Christ will be invigorated and strengthened with power, according to the might of your glory to excerise every kind of endurance and patience with joy, giving thansk to you, Father, who has qualified, and made them fit to share the portion which is the inheritance of the Saints;

God, Holy People. In the light, you, Father, has delivered and drawn them to yourself out of the control and the dominion of darkness and have transferred them into the Kingdom of the Son of

your Love, in who they have their redemption through His Blood, which means the remission of their

Father, you delight at the sight of the Body of Christ, standing shoulder to shoulder in such orderly array and the firmness and the solid front and steadfastness of their Faith in Christ, leaning on Him in absolute trust and confidence in His power, wisdom, and goodness, that the body walk, regulate their lives and conduct themselves in union with and conformity to you, Lord, having the roots of their "being firmly and deeply planted in you, Jesus, being continually built up in you, becoming increasintly more confirmed and established in the Faith.

Your people, Father, cloth themselves as your own representative your chosen ones, who are purified and holy and well beloved by you, by putting on behavior marked by tenderhearted pity and mercy, kind feelings, gentle ways, patience. They have the power to endure whatever comes, with good temper, they are gentle and

forefering with each other, and if they have a grievance or complaint against another, readily pardon each other, as you, Lord, have freely forgiven them. So do they also forgive. May your people let the peace from you Jesus act as inspire continually in their hearts deciding adn settling all issues, Lord, we give you praise!

Thought of The Week: Ephesians 6:10-17 - "Saints, we put on our armour to prepare fro battle. Not sit and do nothing while the enemy's taking our stuff, our children, our families, our schools, our communities, our homes, and our minds."

Keep reading your Bible! It will make a believer out of you. Our monthly meeting will be in next Week's report. Thanks for

reading, Saints! Sister Dorothy Hood; president; Sister Christene Burelson; vice president; and Sister Elnora Jones; teacher.

## St. Matthew **Baptist Church News**

Last Sunday morning, it was a great success. The Sunday School lesson was taught by Pastor Edward Canady. What a time all had in the Lord!!

The morning services were just as awegome! THE MORNING Sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "Make Us One!" His scripture text was. St. John 17:6-11.

A Fish Fry will be held afat St. Matthew Baptiat Church on Saturday, September 20, 2003, beginning at i2 noon, in the L. V. Davis Fellowship Hall. The Ushers will also have a Bake Sale on the same day.

Saturday, October 4, 2003, the Missionary Society will be sponsoring a very large Garage Sale.

October 11, 2003, Saturday, the St. Matthew Baptist Church will be selling Bar-B-Que Dinners. So keep this date in mind. More on this next week.

Let us continue to visit our sick and shut in citizens.

#### ST. LUKE CHOIR WILL CELEBRATE 50TH YEAR

The members of the Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Senior Choir will be having an exciting day. The members are inviting the public to come and help them celebrate as they lift up the name of Jesus, for He is worthy! THIS IS THE Senior Choir's 50th Annual Celebration. It is their Annual Choir Day.

All members are saying they are not tired yet. So come and join them on Sunday afternoon, September 14, 2003, beginning at 3:00 p.m. The theme for the annual affair is "Standing On God's Promise!" I Timothy 4:8. Rev. J. H. Ford is pastor.

#### BROTHERHOOD OF MT. OLIVE WILL SPONSOR ANNUAL FISH FRY SATURDAY, SEPT. 13th

Slaton, Texas - The Brotherhood of Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Geneve and Flint Streets, will sponsor its Annual Fish Fry on Saturday, September 13, 2003, from 11:00 a.m. until. For more information, call (806) 828-3708. Rev. C.C. Peoples is pastor.

# AFFORDABLE FUNERALS



\* Cremation

Headstones

## **Giant Garage Sale!**

Thursday, September 11 Friday, September 12 Sunday, September 14

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Martin Luther King, Jr. Seventh Day Adventist Church 1517 East 25th Street Sister Viola McKelvey, Community Service Director

#### In Remembrance...



Viree Freeman

Funeral services were held for Viree Freeman last Saturday morning, September 6, 2003, at Central Lubbock Church of Christ with Minister Leonard Jarman, presiding,

Burial was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

Ms. Freeman died Wednesday, September 3, 2003, in Covenant Lakeside Hospital in Lubbock.

She is survived by eight daughters: Dian Hinkle, Ruth

Ann Rashaw, Debbie Ross, Nikki Ross and Stacie Robinson, all of Fort Worth, Texas, Gwendolyn Mills of Dellas, Texas and Nyoka Robertson and Tammie Huff, both of Lubbock, Texas; and two sons, Booker T. Ross and Rodney Louise Kennedy, both of Lubbock,



Barbara Jackson Rafe

Funeral services for Barbara Jackson Rafe were held last Saturday morning, September 6, 2003, at Wesley Memorial Church of God in Christ.

Jamison Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Agnes Roberson

Funeral services for Agnes Roberson were held last Saturday afternoon, September 6, 2003, at St. John Baptist Church with P.ev. S. E. Fields, pastor, officiating.

Interment was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow, Texas under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

Ms. Roberson passed away Thursday, August 31, 2003.

She leaves to mourn her passing: her husband, Lenzel Roberson; and two sons, Christopher Roberson of Lubbock and Gregory Roberson of Las Vegas, Nev.

Overcoming the Effects of Slavery - continued

Let me begin by pointing out some of the detrimental effects of slavery. Probably the most enduring of all of these ill effects would be paternalism.

Paternalism is the idea of having to depend upon the master of the plantation (another human being) to make provision for all of the slave's needs. The concept of paternal-

ism is still being practiced today. The difference today is that the plantation has been expanded to include the whole country, and we are no longer under the legal bondage of slavery. However, the dependence on the master to take care of those victimized by slavery is still very well entrenched into the thinking of many African-Americans as well as other minorities.

In order for any individual or group of people to be free there must be a severance from this plantation paternalism. Those who desire to truly be free must be willing to learn what it takes to become free. The first step is to throw off the shackles of human slavery and put on the shackles of spiritual slavery.

Almighty God. Paul teaches this principle of leaving one form of slavery and being enslaved by another for freedom's sake. "For when you were slaves of sin you were free in regard to righteousness, Therefore what benefit were you then deriving

from the things of which you are now But seek first His ashamed? For the out-Kingdom and His come of those things is death. But now having righteous; and all been freed from sin these things shall be and enslaved to God you derive you benefit, added to you. resulting in sanctifica-

> eternal life." (Romans 6:20-22). Being enslaved to Christ is to experience true freedom. Jesus liberates us from sin and gives us the blessing of sanctification, resulting in eternal life.

tion, and the outcome,

When we are freed from human restrictions we are able to live a life that reaches its highest ability. On the other hand, as long as we are enslaved to human opinion, thought, provision and approval we cannot reach our full potential because we are striving to please someone else and not the God who created us. So learning how to please God will give us the ability to overcome the first detrimental effect of slavery - paternalism. Understand that in order to overcome this first ill-effect you

put your faith in paternalism. To the degree that you trusted another human being to provide for ail of your needs, you must trust God to the same degree. Do not make your commitment to Him without thought of feeling. Be committed to believe in Him with all your might and God will give provide all that you need. "But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added to you." (Matthew 6:33). Then you will find strength for today and hope for tomorrow.

Grace and peace, Gerald



Stop being a slave to humanity and become a slave of the the same degree that you have CHRISTS

## Early or Late Pediatrics, P.A. Fills **Needs of Working Parents**

New Extended Care Pediatric Practice Set to Serve Families with Convenient Hours

With the assistance of the Texas Tech University Small Business Development Center Lubbock, Dr. Rafael Roberto Garcia, M.D. has opened the Early or Late Pediatrics, P.A., an extended care pediatric practice. Early or Late Pediatrics, PA, is located at 3804 - 21st Street Suite B, Lubbock, Texas 79410. Normal hours are 6-9 am and 4-7 pm with extended hours on Friday mornings.

Dr. Garcia came to Lubbock

in 1980 to join the full-time faculty in the Department of Pediatrics at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. After sixteen years of teaching and practicing pediatrics with the University, he left to work in the local neighborhood clinics operated by Covenant Medical Group and the Lubbock Children's Clinic. Because of frequent request by working parents, Dr. Garcia has opened the Early or Late

Pediatrics, PA. practice.

Early or Late Pediatrics, PA. provides, quality healthcare, convenient hours, bilingual and cultural sensitivity, and insurance acceptance. Dr. Garcia is a Fellow with the America Academy of Pediatrics and has a deep passion for providing this needed service. For more information contact the Early or Late Pediatrics, P.A. at 806-796-2835.

## **Understanding the Facts About Binge Drinking**

As universities begin preparing for the fall semester, young adults are preparing for brandnew experiences. For some students, difficult situations will arise, many of these having to do with alcohol.

Nationwide, more than 1,400 students will die this year from an alcohol-related incident. Binge drinking is a leading cause of these deaths. Binge drinking is a phrase corned by Henry Weschler, Ph.D., of the Harvard Public School of Health, and is used to describe excessive or dangerous levels of alcohol consumption. For men, binge drinking is defined as one or more alcoholic beverages in one sitting, POT women, four or more alcoholic drinks in one

sitting classifies binge drinking. Bonnie Bourland, B.B.S.,

R.N. L.C.D.C., Raider Assistance Program manager with the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, is available to comment on the effects of binge drinking on university students, as well as the programs in place at Texas Tech to help students with alcohol issues. She can be reached at (806) 743-2860.

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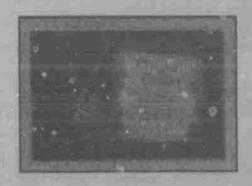


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## New Medicines Will Target Diseases of Aging

By Larry Lucas

Americans, including African Americans, are living longer, more active lives than ever, and new medicines are playing a big part in continuing the progress we've made. Emerging breakthroughs in pharmaceutical and biotechnology research premise even greater benefits for Americans in the years ahead.

A new survey found that more than 800 new medicines are being developed for diseases of aging, including 123 for neart disease and stroke, 395 for cancer and 309 for such debilitating diseases as Alzheimer's, diabetes, and osteoporosis. The medicines in the pipeline include:

. 18 for Alzheimer's disease. which will afflict 14 million people by the middle of this century unless a cure or prevention is found.

 18 for depression, which affects an estimated 7 million Americans 65 and older - or 1 out of every 5 seniors.

34 for diabetes, which affects

one out of four African Americans between the ages of 65 and 74.

· 17 for osteoporosis, a major public health threat for an estimated 44 million Americans age 50 and older.

· 15 for Parkinson's disease, 60,000 new cases of which are diagnosed each year.

Other medicines in development target bladder and kidney diseases, eye disorders, gastrointestinal disorders, osteoarthritis, pain, prostate disease, respiratory and lung disorders, rheumatoid arthritis, sexual dysfunction, skin disorders and other conditions of aging. All of the medicines are either in human clinical trials or awaiting approval by the Food and Drug Administration. Many of the medicines use cutting-edge knowledge and technology to attack diseases in different ways.

The medicines in development offer hope of continuing and accelerating the remarkable improvements in the life expectancy achieved over the

past few decades. According to a new study by Columbia University economist Frank Lichtenburg, new medicines account for 40% of the increase in life expectancy between 1986 and 2000.

The work to discover new medicines is not easy - only one of every 5,000 to 10,000 compounds that are screened will pan out. It isn't quick - discovering a new medicine and bringing it to patients takes 10 to 15 years. And it isn't cheap - it now costs over \$800 million on average to develop a new drug. But the new medicines that emerge through this work promise unprecedented improvements in the health of America's seniors.

Yet these advances will do no good to seniors who cannot afford them. The promise of these emerging medicines underscores the importance of Medicare prescription drug coverage that gives seniors access to the medicines of today and provides incentives for companies to develop the medicines of tomor-

## Texas Tech Financial Aid Changes Announced

LUBBOCK - The Texas Tech University Office of Financial Aid announces some changes in student financial aid for the Fall 2003 semester.

A major change is that there is decreased funding for the Texas Grant Program. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board has informed universities that while the Texas Legislative did add more than \$50 million lo the Texas Grant Program, sufficient funds are not available to cover all eligible incoming students.

Paul Blake, assistant director of operations in the Office of Financial Aid, said that Texas Tech will be able to award Texas giant funds to all prior recipients who meet state eligibility requirements. "We will also use reserve funds to honor awards to those incoming students who have already received estimated

Texas grant awards," said Blake.

The Office of Financial Aid has also received notification from the state that -a new loan fund, the B-On-Time Loan Program, will provide another alternative for students who may be eligible for, but unable to receive, a Texas Grant Program Loan. The B-On-Time program is a zero-interest loan that may be forgiven if a student graduates within a specified number of years and within six hours of the required number of hours for his or her major with a B aver-

The state commissioner of higher education, office anticipates the B-On-Time loan program will launch in January. State officials are now in the process of developing rules and procedures for this new pro-

There are two changes in the

disbursement of loan funds to students for the fall semester. First, due to a change in the way Texas Tech receives Alternative and College Access Loan funds, the process of making those funds available to students will allow students access to the money faster. Secondly, for firsttime freghman borrowers, there will be a 30-day delay for the disbursement of Stafford Loan funds, in which participating freshman have been notified. This change does not include Parent Plus Loans for freshmen.

For more information on student financial aid, visit the Office of Financial Aid Web sue at: www.fina.ttu.edu, e-mail the office at finaid.advisor@ttu.edu telephone (806) 742-3681, fax at (806) 742-0880 or come by Room 310 of West Hall on the Texas Tech campus.

### CHILD SUPPORT EVADER STEVEN KYLE MILLER



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Born: 11/15/54

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Weight: 195

Color of Eyes: Hazel

Color of Hair: Brown

Race: Caucasian

Attorney General Greg Abbott needs your help to find Child Support Evader Steven Kyle Miller, one of the Most Wanted Child Support Evaders in Texas. Miller was named a Child Support Evader in May 2003, and owes \$22,831 for the case of his one-year-old daughter, who lives with her mother in San Antonio. Miler has gone underground to clude officials and willfully avo. Larrest on his Attorney General child support case.

In December 2001, a Bexar County judge ordered Miller to make child support payments of \$1,104 a month. Miller did not make a single child support payment. When Miller failed to appear at a January 2003 court hearing to address his non-compliance, a warrant was issued for his arrest. Due to missed payments and interest that accrues on unpaid child support, Evader Miller now owes more than \$22,000 in unpaid child

As recently as March 2003, Miller was employed ata San Antonio hospital. We believe he has fled San Antonio to avoid arrest, and may be elsewhere in Texas or in Maryland working in a medicalrelated field. I encourage the public to contact the Attomey General's Office at 1-866-EVADERS (382-3377) to report information that could lead to the arrest of Steven Kyle Miller.

The Child Support Evaders are being singled out because they have the ability to take responsibility for their children, but refuse to do so. Incarceration is the only option for parents who flagrantly ignore a court's order to pay child support. The Attorney General's Office helps parents who lack the ability to pay child support by referring them to job training and employment

Visit the agency's Web site www.oag.state.tx.us to find out about other Child Support Evaders, and to obtain information about the Attorney General's Child Support Division.

## Planning Your Will and Estate

Planning ahead is difficult especially when making arrangements for your family and property after your death. But it's important to take some time and leave clear instructions that provide for your loved ones. If you don't, the courts will decide what will happen to your money and possessions, or you may leave your family and friends with difficult decisions to make.

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### **EEOC Sues Midland's The Heart Center** Group for Sexual Harassment and Retaliation

Federal Agency Says Hospital Subjected Female Employee to Serve and Pervasive Sexual Harassment then Fired Her for Complaining

EL PASO, Texas - The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) has filed a sexual harassment and retaliation lawsuit against Associates of Midland Cardiovascular and Internal Medicine, PA., doing business as The Heart Center and Heart Place Hospital, L.P.; Midland, Texas-based medical Facilities. The EEOC's suit, filed under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title I of the Civil Rights Act of 1991, charges The Heart Center with creating a sexually hostile work environment for a female employee and then discharging her in retaliation for protesting

the sexual harassment In its lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas, Midland-Odessa Division (Civil Action Number MO-03-CV-123), the EEOC alleges that a cardiovascular technician at The Heart Center was subjected to severe and pervasive sexual harassment which included egregious verbal and physical conduct. After she complained of the harassment by filing a complaint of discrimination with the EEOC's area office in El Paso, the agency says she was discharged in retaliation for protesting the sexual harassment.

The EEOC seeks back pay, compensatory and punitive damages as well as other relief, including a permanent injunetion to prevent The Heart Center from subjecting its female employees to a sexually hostile work environment, and to prevent. The Heart Center from retaliating against female

ual harassment. The EEOC filed suit after exhausting its conciliation efforts to reach a voluntary pre-litigation settlement.

"Sexual harassment is offensive enough, but employers only compound a bad situation when they retaliate against the victim instead of addressing the situation," said Leticia Dominguez, Trial Attorney for the EEOC's El Paso Area Office. "Employers throughout Texas should be aware that the EEOC is prepared to litigate such cases."

In addition to enforcing Title VII, which prohibits employment discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex (including sexual harassment or pregnancy) or national origin and protects employees who complain about such offenses from retaliation, and sections of the employees who complain of sex- Civil Rights Act of 1991, the

#### Committee Extends Deadline for City Manager Applications The Citizens Committee in perfect pool from which to charge of the search for a permarecruit," said Dr. McInnes. "We nent City Manager decided tried to do the same thing with today to extend the deadline for the Texas City Managers

applications to October 6, 2003. The original deadline set by the committee was August 29th. "We decided this unanimous-

ly," said Dr. Alien McInnes, chair of the committee. "Our consultant, The Oldani Group, concurs with our decision, citing that we want to take advantage of the ICMA conference in September when managers from all across the nation and the world come together for three days,"

ICMA is the International City/County Management Association It is the professional and educational organization for senior managers, administrators and assistants throughout the world. There are almost 8,000 members currently, and thousands will attend the 89th annual conference in Charlotte, North Carolina, September 21-24,

"The ICMA membership is a

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Association meeting this summer, but it was very early in the search process. We hadn't chosen our executive search firm at that time, and we weren't able to take full advantage of the TCMA meeting. We are in a much better position now, and tlie ICMA conference is an opportunity we don't want to miss. Jerry Oldaui is going to the ICMA conference, and, we may also send Lomeone with him to make sure that every person who is interested in the City Manager position in Lubbock is informed about the opportunity and has lime to apply. This is the most crucial position the City will fill this year, and we want to be as thorough as possible with our recruiting." Dr. McInnes added,

"Extending the deadline does not reflect in any way on the applicants we already have. Our committee has taken its charge very seriously, and we want to throw as wide a net as possible. We don't want to be hasty in our decision," McInnes also added, "we still expect to make a recommendation to City Council so that a late December or early January appointment can be made.'

Members of the committee are Kevin McMahon, Keith Mann, Ted Parker, Dan Pone, Esther Sepeda and Calvin Jackson-Davis. The committee was appointed in May. Each City Council representative appointed one member, and May or Marc McDougal appointed the chair. The committee has written a job description, developed recruiting material and hired an executive search firm.

Next the committee will screen applications, conduct phone interviews and reference checks, do site visits and finally recommend two or three top candidates to the City Council.

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besides "Tom The Hammer" DeLay is wrong. Our governor har become obsessed with this redistricting. He was elected by the people of Texas as governor of Texas. The majority of Texans do not want redistricting. The hearings, with more than 3,000 citizens, making it clear they do not want at-

But on the other hand, what did our governor do? He called a special redistricting session without regards to the wishes of the people of Texas and some legislators. And why another redistricting session, and the same thing happened again. Now, he is even talking about still

Governor Perry, what about the slaters shortfall? Education has many outdated school books, what about health care? And there are many other

## "Oh, Not Again!"

by Eddie P. Richardson

setting yourself up for becoming a lame duck, first, time elected governor.

The thing which is hard to understand since the state legislature could not agree on a redistricting plan after the U. S. Census, Judges put a plan into play. Our governor, with the advice of "The Hammer" - who is a U. S. Congressman - said; "No, it must be by the legislature." President of the United States of America was appointed by judges. If United States President can be appointed by judges, then why can't the state plan be done until the next United States Census?

This thing played out so in Texas, now a U.S. Congressman in California has created, himself a circus by paying for and financing a governor's recall election. This could be dangerous and set a national trend if someone do not like the elected person, a recall election can be brought and paid for.

The thing that's amazing is the legislature has some blame on the situation in California for a bill to pass it has to have a two-thirds

majority. Texas proved that with the AWOL legisla-

It's time politicians to stop playing politics and powerbreaking and think about what's good for the people collectively for the good of all citizens.

It appears as though we have a few, partisan politicians who are trying to create a one party nation. No way! No way! This would be the worst thing that could happen to America, no matter which party it happens to be. The two-party system is what made America what it is today. It has its checks and balance system. Change it to a one party nation, then we will have a dictatorship. It would never work in America.

So let's go back to truly what's best for the people, by the people, for all of us. Let's bring America back home ft for all Americans. Forget partisan politics and get back true Americanism!

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## THIS N THAT

MILLION YOUTH MARCH URGES PEACE, NOT VIOLENCE! THIS N THAT , ... who attended the first ... MILLION YOUTH MARCH .... in 1998 in Atlanta, Georgia .... was glad to hear of the . . . POSITIVE RESULTS . . . . from the march which had about .... 300 PEOPLE ..., walking in the sixblock trek in Brooklyn, N.Y. ... According to . . . . MALIK ZUHU SHABAZZ .. . . head of the New Black Panther Party ... the march was positive .... -OUR MESSAGE ... to the young people is to . . STOP THE KILLING ... . Also ... . STOP GOING TO PRISON, COMPLETE SCHOOL ... GO TO WORK AND TRY TO RAP BETTER LYRICS, It THIS N THAT . . . . has not ever met this gentleman . .but is happy to hear what he was saYING... In our .... COMMUNITY .....this is what the .... MARCHES AGAINST DRUGS AND GAMGS AS very near future .... and the same message will be presented-.. THIS 11 THAT .... hopes many of you will join ... as the marches ... MUST CONTINUE .... despite what the critics are saying .... WILL YOU JOIN US?

IMPRESSIVE MEETING AT SONIC! THIS N THAT ... stopped by the new ... SONIC DRIVE INN ... at the corner of ... MARTIN LUTHER KING BLVD & EAST 19TH STREET and observed .... A MEETING OF FUTURE EMPLOYEES ... of this new facility.... Hopefully . , . . by the time . . . . you read this column . .. this new Sonic is open to the public ..... According to .... ROD WARREN .... the Sonic man .... it takes approximately . . . . 45 DAYS . . . . to complete one . . . . and it was done in this area in about that time.... ROD .... the Sonic Corner ... looks good .... Now we must be busy ... BRINGING MORE RETAIL OUTLETS .... into East Lubbock... No doubt about it ,... SONIC DRIVE INN, MLK BUGGERS. WILLIAMS CHICKEN ..... and don't forget the ...... UNITED SUPERMARKET.....and .....FAMILY DOLLAR ......have become a catalyst for more things to happen in this area of the city.... Sure ... THIS N THAT .... is happy over what has happened ... SHOULDNT

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COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS DID WELL BEFORE CITY COUNCIL! THIS N THAT .... wants the executive director of the Community In Schools On the South Plains .... LIZ MYRICK-GARZA .... to know you made a ... VERY POSITIVE PRESENTATION .... to the Lubbock City Council .... last Thursday afternoon .... September 4, 2003... The info presented was well needed ... by this sitting city council.... Citizens of Lubbock need to know about .... POSITIVE PROGRAMS ..... for our young people . . . all are not doing bad things .... THANKS A BUNCH, Liz!

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In Cinque by Renetta W. Howard

The new national law, "Leave No Child Behind," mandates that schools in the United States put in place, educational programs that guarantee that no child is left behind in the learning process. Schools are being rated on the success of individual groups of students. When a school fails to measure up, it will be put on a list of low performing schools or what will be known as priority schools.

There will be consequences for being cited as a low performing school, Teachers can be dismissed and so can principals. Superintendents and school board members will also be under fire. This could become a very explosive situation, especially if there are personality conflicts in the arena. "Heads will roll will probably become a very commonplace

For years now, state and local school systems have been busy trying to bring programs into play which enhance student achievement California led the way with its California Test in the early '70s to measure the achievements of its public school students in order to determine if they were on target with what they were expected to know when they finished high school. Soon afterwards, Chicago Public Schools initiated the Chicago Test.

The Chicago Test was designed to determine if its seniors were qualified to graduate from high school. They were tested during their junior year. Any student who failed the test had to take a remediation course which covered basic mathematics, reading and social studies. A social-studies credit was given for the course if the student passed. If the student passed the test in the course; he had satisfied the requirement for passing the Chicago Test and would be permitted to graduate as long as he satisfied all of the other requirements for graduation.

In its quest to educate students, Texas has implemented several tests to insure that its graduates from high school were capable and ready to graduate, the more recent version being more difficult than the previous two. School ratings and teacher pay are both based on the school and teacher performanc-

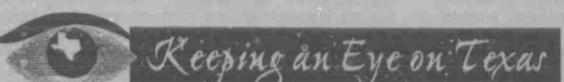
We know for a fact that all children are not born equal. Some have a higher LQ. than others and will naturally perform better than others on all levels. For this reason, we know that some children will be left behind. Therefore, it is time that we get "in cinque" and take the necessary steps, as parents, teachers and concerned citizens to insure that no child is left behind. We need to stop 'playing school and really be accountable for the roles we have in educating our children. Every stakeholder needs to make every effort to do his part.



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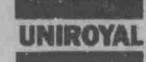
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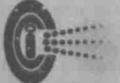
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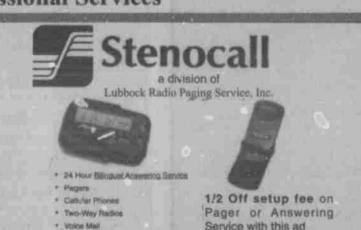
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## THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

Compiled and Edited by Dr. Michael Ward September 7 - September 13

te Happened ...

Harvard College, the first college founded in the United States, was established by the General Court of Massachusetts Bay. Originally called Cambridge College, the name was changed two years later in honor of Rev. John Harvard who left the institution 300 books and bull his estate.

and half his estate.

"Wednesday, September 9, 1776
The term "United States" was adopted by the second Continental Congress, to be used instead of

\* Thursday, September 10, 1846
Elias Howe a Massachusetts
machioist, received a US patent
for the lockstrich sewing machine.
Israe Singer patented a machine
five years later. Howe sued Singer
for patent infringement and won,
with royalties from sewing
machine sales malary Howe a
wealthy man. By that time, however, Singer's name was well established in the sewing machine busi-

\* Wednesday, September 10, 1862 Rubbi Jacob Frankel of Philadelphia, PA became the fins fewish Army Chaptain, four mouths after the US Congress amonded a law requiring all Army chaplains to be Christians. Friday, September 7, 1888 Edith Eleanor McLean became the first premature infant to be placed in an incubator, which was origiunity called a "barching cradle." She weighed 2 pounds, 7 ounces. \* Monday, September 10, 1894 London taxi driver George Smith became the first to be fined for drunk driving. The first automobile fatality occurred when H. H. Bliss was struck by a tuxi as he alighted from a streetcar in New York City on Wednesday. September 13, 1899. The driver was arrested. On Wednesday, September 10, 1913 the first paved coast-to-coast highway in the US

Highway).

Saturday, September 8, 1900
Galvelston, TX was virtually destroyed and over 5,000 people were killed when a hurricane with winds of at least 120 miles per hour swept across the Texas const-line from the Gulf of Mexico. On Wednesday, September 12, 1928 a hurricane in Florida killed 6,000 people.

opened, US 30 (Lincoln

people.

\* Thursday, September 8, 4921
The first Miss America, Margaret Gorman of Washington DC, was crowned. She was 16 years old. On Saturday, September 11, 1954 the Miss America pageant made in TV/de/ at on ARC.

the Miss America pageant made its TV decut on ABC.

\* Sunday September 9, 1956
Elvis Presley appeared on the Ed Sullivan Show for the first time, vanched by over 54 million people. Elvis was filmed from only the waist-up because of his suggestive hip gyrations. At the same time in 1956 Flarry Belafonte's album "Calyrso" went to #1 and stayed there for 31 weeks. In 1973, the song "Let's Get It Om" by Marvin Gaye topped the charts for

\*Sunday, September 8, 1974
In a controversial move, President Gerald Ford pardoned Richard Nixon for any unines he may have committed while in office. Ford later defended this action before the House Judicia y Committee.

\*Saturday, September 12, 1992
Dr. Mar C. Jemison, a scientist and physician, became the first African American woman in space when she flew with the new of space abuttle "Endeavor" as a Science Mission Specialist.

\*Thursday, September 8, 1994
Microsoft gave Windows 95 ats name. Previously, the operating

name. Previously, the operating system had been referred to by its code name of "Chicago."

\* Thursday, September 9, 1999.
West Nile varies was reported in the United States for the first time when three people had died from mosquite-borne St Louis.

encephalitis in New York City.

\* Theselay, September 11, 2001
Terrorists attacked the World Trade
Centers in New York City and the
Pentagon outside Washington DC,
causing approximately 3000 civilian
deaths.

\* In Sports History:

\* Wednesday, September 7, 1892 -The first heavyweight-title boxing match fought with gloves under the Manquis of Queensbury rules ended when James Corbett knocked out John L. Sollivan in the 21st round \* Saturday, September 7, 1963 - The National Professional Football Hall of Farrie was dedicated in Canton,

\* Monday, September 9, 1968 Arthur Ashe became the first like k US Open Men's Singles Tennis Champion

"Tuesday, September 8, 1998 - St.
Louis Cardinal baseball player Mark
McGwire hit his 62nd home run,
breaking the 1961 record of the
Yankee's Roger Maris. On Sunday,
September 13th Chicago Cub's black
standout Sammy Sosa hit his 61st &
62nd homers, pulling into a tie with
McGwire

\* Sunday, September 10, 2000 -Controversial basketball coach Bob Knight was fired by Indiana University for what was called a pattern of unacceptable behavior. Knight became head coach at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, TX in 2001

\*Priday, September 7, 2001 - African American sisters Venus Williams and Serena Williams reached the finals of the US Open, becoming the first sisters to play a grand slam tennis championship in more than 100 years. On the next day Venus, the older sister, won her second consecutive title,

\* Monday, Seprelaiber 7, 1936 -Buddy Helly (Charles Hardin Holley), in Lubbook, TX. The Crickets lead singer was killed in a plane crash on February 3, 1959 \* Tuesday, September 9, 1941 - Otis Redding, in Dawson, GA. The noted black musician and singer was killed in a plane crash on December 10, 1967

\* Rappers: Dray, September 9th; Big Duddy Kane, September 10th; Mr. Black, September 11th.

\* Died....

\* Wednesday, September 8, 1965 - Dorothy Dandridge, in Hollywood, CA, at age 41. The beautiful black actress ("Carmen Jones," "Island in the Sun") was reported to have died of a drug overdose.

\* Thursday, September 8, 1977 -Zero Mostel, in Philadelphia, PA, at age 62. The famed actor ("Fiddler on the

The famed actor ("Fiddler on the Roof") and determined hero during the inflatious Hollywood anti-communist blackfist era died of an aortic ancurysm

\* Monday, September 12, 1677 -Steven Bilco, in Pretoria, South Africa, at age 30. Black South African revolutionary leader Steven Biko died while in police custody, shackled on a filthy floor in a police tospital. He had been driven there naked in a truck 700 miles from Port Elizabeth, where he had been braten nearly to death by Afrikaner police. Bike had been the leader of South Africa's "Black Consciousness Mc rement," and was one of the most outspoked opponents to apartheid. the official government policy of nicial segregation and expression. The political latting led to internaponal protests, a United Nationsimposed arms embargo, and economic senetions by the US and other nations. Apartecid was abolished in South Africa in 1991, and in 1994 Nelson Mandels was alcoted the country's first black head of government. The five police officers

\* Trenday, September 8, 1981 - Roy Wilkins, lengtime executive director of the NA ACP and black advocate for societal integration, at age 80.

\* Friday, September 13, 1996.

Tupor Shekur, in List Vegas, NV at age 25. The thursel black mp artist had sustained gun that wounds six days earlier in a drive-by shooting on the Las Vegas Ship, Topac had just finished filening "Gang Related" later rentiled "Criminal Intent."

Sign of the Zodiac
VIRGO (August 23 to September
22), the sixth sign of the zodiac,
symbolized by a virgin. The planet
Mercury rules Virgo, which is an
earth sign. Astrologers say that
Virgoans are detail-oriented analytical, intelligent, and hard wrking. They handle complex jons
well because they are flexible and
are good organizers. The typical
Virgoan is excellent at research and
inductive reasoning, although he or
she sometimes gets caught up in
details and misses the bigger pre-

\* It's A. Fact: On the morning of Tuesday, September 11, 2001 — forever to be known as "9-11" — Americans awakened to one of the most tranmatic days in our nation's history, At 8:45 am American Airlines Flight 11, a Boeing 767 earrying 92 people, was deliberately crashed into the North Tower of the World Trade Center in New York City. The jet plane had been hijacked by terrorists enroute from Boston, MA to Los Angeles, CA. At 9:03 am United Airlines Flight 175, a Boeing 767 carrying 65 people, likewise hijacked enroute from Boston to Los Angeles, crashed into the South Tower of the WTC. At 9:38 am American Airlines Flight 77, a Booing 757 carrying 64 people, crashed into the Pentagon in Arlington, VA. enroute from Washington, DC to Los Angeles, At 10:10 am United Airlines Flight 93, a Boeing 757 carrying 45 people and hijacked enroute from Newark, NJ to San Ermeisco, CA, crashed in a field southeast of Pittsburgh, PA Passengers had apparently caused the crash while foiling the plan to mash the plume into either Camp David or Congress. Each of the planes was fully-loaded with jet fuel, causing explosions and fires. Over the course of the day, both

grounded all domestic flights, and President George W. Bush was kept in secret isolation in the pir hooard Air Force One. The final estimate of the number of people killed was 3,214, 2823 workers. and visitors in the WTC towers. 125 personnel in the Pentagon, and 266 nirplane crew and passengers. As horrific as the events of 9/11 are, the loss of life was not as great as some other events in history. Worldwide, over 3,000 people die each day in vehicle crashes. An estimated 7,000 Union and Confederate soldiers died in the 3days Battle of Gettysburg Caring the Cavil War. As many as 3,000 black people were killed when winte citizens attacked them in the Talsa, OK riots of June 1921: US bembing in our hunt for Osama bin Luden and al Queda in Afghanistan ollowing 9/11 caused 3,000 to 4,000 civilian casualties. Official figures show 11,435 demas from hear in France during the first 3 weeks of August this year. The events of 9/11 have scarred us and changed us. We live today with

WTC towers collapsed, the FAA

cies, and a "Patriots" Act" which both protects us and threatens our civil liberties. September 11, 2001 haunts us in part because it was not an accident, not a natural disaster not an act of declared war. It was a startling act of maller, laying open America's vulnerability and perhaps ungestioning cer role in the

a billions-dollar and growing scou-

nity industry, a Homeland Security Department with 22 federal agen**Texas Receives Highest Ratings** 

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(AUSTIN)— Texas
Comptroller Carole Keeton
Strayhorn today announced,
"Texas received the highest
possible ratings from all three
of New York's top rating
firms on our short-term
notes."

High bond ratings mean lower interest rates for short-term notes sold every year at this time. That translates to millions of dollars saved in decreased debt service costs for Texans.

"The money from the sale of these notes helps the schoolchildren of Texas," Strayhorn said. "By helping fund Texas school districts at the beginning of the school year, the note sale makes it possible to avoid strapping the districts for cash until tax payments come in."

Standard & Poor's, Moody's and Fitch Ratings analysts gave Texas' Series 2003 Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRANs) their highest ratings, SPI+, MIG1, and FI+, respectively.

Comptroller Strayhorn will sell \$7,5 billion in notes on this August 26 to cover cash flow needs because of the imbalance of revenue and expenditure needs during the year. This sale is up from \$5.825 billion sold in 2002, due to the growth in the state budget, the appropriation of virtually all of the Rainy Day Fund by the Legislature, and the depletion of General Fund cash balances.

"We were able 10 secure
high rating because Texas'
finances are - and have been managed in a prudent and
conservative way. I will see to
it that this tradition continues," Strayhorn said. Both
Strayhorn and the ratings

agencies were concerned about the use of the Rainy Day Fund to balance the budget in the recent legislative session. "Like hard working Texas families, we need to spend wisely, invest wisely and save for a rainy day. Building up the Rainy Day Fund reserve for a true emergency in this state will be one of my top priorities," Strayhorn said.

The state has issued TRANs each year since 1986 to help meet its financial obligations between the beginning of the new fiscal year in September and the arrival of tax revenues throughout the year, with franchise taxes coming in the following May. The notes are paid off before the end of each fiscal year.

### Book Publishers Tony Rose, Haki Madhubuti, Kasahun Checole and W. Paul Coates Presents the Glenn Thompson Award to QBR Publisher Max Rodriguez

August 2003 - New York
City - Four of the nation's
leading African-American
Book Publishers (Tony Rose,
Publisher S CEO of Amber
Books; Haki Madhubutii
Chairman & Publisher of
Third World Press: Kassahun
Checole, President of Africa
World PresSi Inc.: and W.
Paul Coates;

President of Black Classic Press) joined forces to honor Max Rodriguez. Publisher of QBR~ The Black Book Review and founder of the Harlem Book Fair, Max Rodriguez is the first recipient of The Glenn Thompson Ayards which was presented to him at the Schomburg Institute during the Harlem Book Fair reception held recently in New York City. The award was presented to Mr Rodriguez for his consistent leadership, dedication and support of the African-

American Book Publishing Industry, since QBR's launch a decade ago. Mr Rodriguez founded the Harlem Book Fair in 1998.

Haki Madhubuti is the 2003 recipient of Hariem Book Fair's 2003 Phyllis Wheatley Award; Tony Rose is the recipient of the 2003 BlackBoard Bestsellers African American Publisher of the Year Award.



## Harold P. Freeman Service Award Winner Announced

(August 29, 2003) The
Texas Division of the
American Cancer Society
announced today that UMC
Health System's Southwest
Cancer and Research Center
is the recipient of this year's
Harold P. Freeman Service
Award.

The award is presented annually by the Texas
Division of the American
Cancer Society for outstanding activities to reach the underserved populations in
Texas, It is presented in two categories; metropolitan and non-metropolitan markets,
UMC's Southwest Cancer and
Research Center received the award for non-metropolitan market,

Last October, UMC sponsored a series of community awareness events titled "Before Time Runs Out". The focuses of these events were to increase awareness related to cancer prevention, education, and treatment throughout the minority community.

The centerpiece of the weeklong campaign was a presentation of the play "Before Time Runs Out" which deals with an African American woman facing breast cancer. The play was written and produced by an African American playwright who lost his sister to breast

"UMC is committed to making a difference in the lives of others, especially those in underserved and atrisk communities," said James P. Courtney, President and Chief Executive Officer of UMC Health System.

"We are extremely honored to be selected by the American Cancer Society for this prestigious award. I am proud of the hard work and dedication of the physicians and staff of our cancer center. The recognition they've received through this award is well deserved."

The Harold P. Freeman
Service Award will be presented dering the annual
meeting of the Texas Division
of the American Cancer
Society on September 25,
2003 in Austin.

UMC Health System is
the leader in comprehensive
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Center, the UMC Southwest
Cancer and Research Center,
and the UMC Children's
Hospital.

## THANK YOU! A Well Planned Surprise Birthday Party

What a blessing to be recognized and share a happy surprise Birthday. Thank you, My Pastor, Rev. D.A. Smith, and wife, Ellar Church Family, My Friends, Relatives, and Youth who assisted with the Video.

A Special Recognition from the Lubbock City Council presented by City Councilman T. J. Patterson (always on time). A beautiful Certificate from Governor Rick Perry by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Priestly. Your

telephone calls, visits, cards, gifts, flowers, and money tree.

I am grateful for the warm Welcome in the elaborate home of Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Berry — front yard, through the house, and the beautiful backyard. At sundown, when all lights are a glow, you would think of Diseyland (Smile). They had the delicious Dinner catered. Thank you, Mr. and Mrs. Berry. God is good!

Friends, let us pray for peace, love, joy (smile) when you want to cry. God will do the rest.

Catherine McCormick