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Local News

Back-to-School Supplies Still Available

The South Plains Food Bank has distributed more than 1,800 bags of school supplies collected during this year's "Stuff the Bus" campaign, which began August 9 in Lubbock.

Officials say more bags are still available, however, and families in need of supplies for their back-to-school children may call Trine at the Food Bank for more information: 763-3003. Donations of supplies or money to buy supplies are still welcome.

Last year, more than 2,500 students, kindergarten through senior high school, received the supplies they needed to start to classes. Since 1991, the Food Bank has helped more than 16,000 children prepare for the first days of school.

Area School Districts to be Featured on Lubbock's PBS Television

Three Lubbock area school districts will be featured on rebroadcasts of The Windmill Cafe television shows on KLTXTV, Channel 5 (Cox Cable Channel 4 in Lubbock) on consecutive Saturdays, beginning Sept. 6.

The programs were produced during the past school year and have been previously televised one time each by the Texas Tech University station. The rebroadcast schedule calls for Shallowater Independent School District to be featured at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 6. The show on Lamesa ISD will be aired at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13. The current series will conclude with the program on New Deal ISD at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20.

The series include visits to the school districts and interviews on education topics and various activities. Superintendents, students, and faculty are included in the shows.

Community Meetings

Lubbock Area Client Council Second Saturday, 1:00 pm • Mae Simmons Community Center • Hub City Kiwanis, Every Tuesday Night, 7:00pm, 1708 W. 26th St. • Dunbar Alumni Association 2nd Sat. Day 4pm • Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 2nd Tuesday, 7:30 • Forgotten West Riders, First & Third Monday, 7:00 pm, T. J. Patterson Library • East Lubbock Chapter AARP, Every 1st Thursday at 1 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center, Oak and 8th St. • Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 pm, TCU Market Center • Dunbar Manhattan Institute Neighborhood Association, Every Third Thursday 6:30 pm, 1305 East 24th Street (outreach center party house) • West Texas Native American Association, 1st & 3rd Friday on following month, 7:00 pm, 700 Park Educational promenade and Performance • Texas Forestry Council & Historical Foundation Lubbock Chapter, March 1st, 1st • Parkway Branch Library 3rd Tuesday, 7 p.m. • West Texas Native American Association meets 2nd Saturday each month in Groves Library, 5520 20th Street, 7:30 • West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men meets the 3rd Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Parkway Neighborhood Center • The Parkway Chapter of Cherry Post Neighborhood Association meets 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 pm at Parkway Neighborhood Center.

We would like to publish your monthly meetings. If you would like 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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Meet the New Leadership Team at Estacado High School

This is a new school year, and there is a new leadership team at Estacado High School. The new administration wants the public to know of their "open door" policy and are there to help all students.

The Estacado High School Student Council has new officers for the 2003-2004 school year.

Parents and friends of Estacado High School are encouraged to visit and find partici-

pate in activities which involve the school. If you are not a member of the Parents, Teachers Association (PTA), then join as soon as possible. Our young people need all of us.

Here they are, the new Leadership Team of Estacado High School, and the new officers of the Estacado High School Student Council.

ESTACADO HIGH SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF 2002-2004



Back row, l-r: Juan Gatica, assistant principal; George Love, assistant principal; Ernesto Mediano, assistant principal; and Kevin Booe, assistant principal. Front row, l-r: Stacy Caviel-Watson, magnet specialist; Paul Frazier, principal; and Yee Hisey, associate principal.

ESTACADO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL 2003-2004



Back row, l-r: Anissa Parson, head cheerleader; Stephanie McGrew, president; Kerberly McDaniel, parliamentarian; and Kendra Williams, secretary. Front row, l-r: Hector Lunon, vice president and Andrew Aguilar, treasurer.

Huge Success for Kango Golf Associations 1st Annual Cookout and Car Wash

The Kango Golf Association's first annual cook-out and car wash was a huge success! The members want to thank the community for their participation and contribution. A special thanks to Charity Bolden, Phylcia Isaac, Anissa Parson, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Parkway neighborhood Center for all their hard work and time.

Also, we thank the following businesses: United Supermarkets, Wal-Mart, Lowes Supermarket, Arthur Kinney, Sr.

"Pallet Repair," Charles Woodruff, Lumper Services, and Ossie Curry Funeral Home. Also, Limousines of Lubbock, Thanks to the Southwest Digest for taking time to recognize Kango Golf Association.

Ossie Curry is president. The Tournament Director is Charles Bolden. For more information, call (806) 765-6711.

Here are some photos of this first annual affair:



Octogenarian Banquet Set Here to Honor Citizens in Lubbock, Sept, 13th

The members of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church are sponsoring a program to honor those members 80 years of age or older. There will be an Octogenarian Banquet on Saturday evening, September 13, 2002, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the PYCO Banquet room, 2901 Avenue A.

"We want to do something for those who have made many contributions to the church and community who are 80 years of age or older," said Ms. Slurd Devenport, chairperson.

A special recognition will be present-

ed to each of the sixteen people who are being honored.

Those honorees are: Charlie Bell Pratt, Lovie Jean Cunningham, Ora Jean Keys, Eva Lee Cade, Elsie Young, Dorothy Nash, Mary Ella Tucker, Rose Wilson, Ruby, Neal, and Nellrine Fletcher.

Also, Lena Walls, Florence Limbrick, Evangelist Luebertha Walker, Rudolph Belvin, Handle John Byrd, and Charlie Mae Johnson.

Rev. Danny Poe is pastor.

The Cochran Firm Wins Largest Settlement for an Environmental Pollution Case in U.S. History

Johnnie L. Cochran, Jr. Helps to Bring More Than \$700 Million to Approximately 18,000 Plaintiffs

ANNISTON, Ala. In a landmark case involving approximately 18,000 plaintiffs, The Cochran Firm announced that they have reached a \$700 million environmental case settlement against defendant Monsanto, Pharmacia and Solutia, Inc. The plaintiffs, consisting of Anniston, Alabama residents, allege that they have suffered severe medical injuries, resulting from claimed exposure to the toxic industrial chemical known as polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). This PCB lawsuit is double the monetary settlement won against Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) in the famed environmental pollution case highlighted in the motion picture "Erin Brockovich."

"The settlement is a result of our efforts to fulfill those promises we made to the thousands of Anniston residents we met with two years ago," said attorney Johnnie L. Cochran, Jr., senior partner of The Cochran Firm. "This case was truly a labor of love, as we had vowed to do what we could to help clean up the Anniston, Alabama community."

In addition to property damage due to the exposure to PCBs, plaintiffs, including adults and children have also specified 10 different health categories into which they claim their medical injuries fall, including cancer, liver disease, neurological disorders and heart disease. The \$700 million historical settlement will include numerous commu-

nity programs and other benefits that will enhance and protect the well being of those affected.

Judge U.W. demons, Senior Federal Judge in Birmingham, Alabama, who presided over the case, was instrumental in bringing about the settlement and will continue to monitor the total clean up of the community through a special master, to be appointed.

Other attorneys involved in this monumental case include Jock Smith, Keith Givens and Sam Cherry of The Cochran Firm as well as Jere Beasley, Rhon Jones, David Byrne and Mark Englehart of Beasley Allen law firm.

About The Cochran Firm

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

Fashion Fun

by Shirley Roberson
Popular Colors for Fall



Color has always played an important part in fashion. More often than not, color can very easily make or break an outfit.

It is to your advantage to know what the in colors are and what colors look best on you. Remember these colors when adding to your fall collection.

- CHOCOLATE PLUM
- COACH BLUE
- SLATED GRAY
- CAMEL
- EGG PLANT

This fall chocolate is the number one choice of color, and ladies PINK is going to follow us into the cooler, colder months.

Pink looks absolutely stunning with cozy warm colors such as navy, forest green, black, gray, burgundy, etc.

COLORS, COLORS, COLORS, MIX IT, MATCH IT, AND HAVE FUN DOING IT!

Fashion Tip — Always wear a smile
Fashion...Just for the fun of it



CHATMAN HILLS CORNER

by Clarissa Jay

Sunday morning at 10:10 a.m. until 11:10 a.m. The Praise Team followed with a spirit filled effort. Praise God for Praise Team!

The morning scripture was read by Rev. Charles Wilson. Prayer was offered by Rev. Marcelle McCutcheon.

Pastor Moton delivered a powerful sermon. His subject was "You Can't Deny The Evidence." His scripture text was Acts 14:13-21.

Announcements of the morning were read by Sister Brenda Gipson. All visitors were welcomed by Sister Anna Chatman.

Members of the Martin Luther King Seventh Day Adventist Church completed a revival last week. Guest minister was Pastor Bernard Penn of Springfield, Mass.

It was reported to be a spirit filled week long revival. Minister James Roberts is pastor.

Revival services will be held

at New Hope Baptist Church with Dr. S.J. Gilbert, Sr. of Houston, Texas as evangelist. The services will be held September 15 thru 17, 2003. Services will begin at 7:00 p.m. nightly.

New Hope Baptist Church, Annual Men and Women's Day will be held on Sunday afternoon, September 21, 2003.

More information will be forthcoming.

The members of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church will sponsor an Octogenarian Banquet on Saturday evening, September 13, 2003, at the PYCO Banquet Hall, 2901 Avenue A. The program will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Those Octogenarians being recognized are Charlie Bell Pratt, Lovie Jean Cunningham, 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.

Let us continue to pray for those who are sick and shut-in this week in our community as well as those who have lost loved ones. God is able!

Among those on the sick list this week include Virginia Hereford and Linda Henderson, a patient in UMC, room 368.

It was reported we lost a very good citizen to the city of Texarkana, Texas. She is Sister Fannie Melton. She was in Lubbock early last week, but is gone at this report. Wish her the very best.

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The mission of Family Outreach is the prevention of child abuse and neglect and the strengthening of family life.

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In 2003, The Avalanche-Journal And Its Make Kids Count Sponsors Will Keep The SPOTLIGHT ON KIDS

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Name: _____ Grade: _____
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Did you include a good quality photo of the child?
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SPOTLIGHT ON KIDS RULES

- No purchase necessary. Nomination forms will appear periodically throughout the year in the Avalanche-Journal and in Make Kids Count sponsor brochures to school buses. Forms also are available at the A-J Information Center, 710 Avenue A.
- Nomination forms can be mailed to: Spotlight On Kids, P.O. Box 4971, Lubbock, TX 79409, or can be dropped off at the A-J Information Center, 710 Avenue A.
- All information, including a reproducible photograph of the child, must be included. INFORMATION AND PHOTOS WILL NOT APPEAR IN THE A-J WITHOUT VERIFICATION AND SIGNATURE FROM A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN. Photos will be returned ONLY if a self-addressed stamped envelope is included.
- Only one Spotlight On Kids nominee will appear in the A-J each day.
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- By entering, each contestant of their representative acknowledges acceptance of the rules and agrees to be bound to them.

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Way To Go Tanner Moore!

When asked Tanner Moore, "How do you feel about the award?" he said, "I feel honored to be recognized for my achievements. I will continue to work hard and strive to be the best I can be. I will continue to be a good student and a good person." Tanner is a 10-year-old boy who lives in Lubbock and is currently in the 4th grade at Lubbock Elementary School.

Grade: 3rd

Spotlight on Kids
Meet sports enthusiast Tanner Moore, A2

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WE THANK GOD FOR JESUS "OUR SHEPHERD"

"PSALM 23:1, THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD, I SHALL NOT WANT." THE LORD IS ALL OF OUR SHEPHERD; AND WE SHALL NEVER EVER WANT, HE SUPPLIES ALL OF OUR NEEDS; AND EVEN THINGS THAT WE DON'T.

HEBREWS 4:16, LET US THEREFORE COME BOLDLY UNTO THE THRONE OF GRACE, THAT WE MAY OBTAIN MERCY, AND FIND GRACE TO HELP IN TIME OF NEED.

WE BOLDLY SAY, GOD IS OUR SHEPHERD; WE CAN REST IN GREEN PASTURES, HE IS LEADING US BESIDE THE STILL WATERS; BECAUSE HE IS THE MASTER!!!

ISAIAH 49:10, THEY SHALL NOT HUNGER NOR THIRST; NEITHER SHALL THE HEAT NOR SUN SMITE THEM; FOR HE(GOD) THAT HATH MERCY ON THEM, SHALL LEAD THEM, EVEN BY THE SPRINGS OF WATER SHALL HE(GOD) GUIDE THEM.

HE SAID, IN JOHN 10:11, I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD; AND THAT WE CAN SEE, AND WE KNOW OUR SHEPHERD'S VOICE; AND HE SAID, FOLLOW AFTER ME.

JOHN 10:11, JESUS SAID, I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD; THE GOOD SHEPHERD GIVETH HIS LIFE FOR THE SHEEP.

HE RESTORES OUR SOULS, AND SENT US OUT TO SPEAK: IN HIS NAME SAKE, THOUGH WE WALK IN THE SHADOWS OF DEATH; HIS SPIRIT WE DO TAKE.

LUKE 4:18,19, JESUS SAID, THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE HATH ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR; HE HATH SENT ME TO HEAL THE BROKENHEARTED, TO PREACH DELIVERANCE TO THE CAPTIVES, AND RECOVERING OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET AT LIBERTY THEM THAT ARE BRUISED, TO PREACH THE ACCEPTABLE YEAR OF THE LORD.

WE SHALL FEAR NO EVIL, BECAUSE GOD'S ROD AND STAFF IS WITH US, WE HAVE THE PROTECTION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT; AND I KNOW THAT'S ENOUGH!!!

PSALM 16:8, I HAVE SET THE LORD ALWAYS BEFORE ME; BECAUSE HE IS AT MY RIGHT HAND, I SHALL NOT BE MOVED.

GOD PREPARED A TABLE BEFORE US; IN THE FACE OF ALL OF OUR ENEMIES, OUR HEADS IS ANOINTED; OUR CUPS RUNS OVER; WE ARE WELL PLEASED.

1 CORINTHIANS 10:21, YE CANNOT DRINK THE CUP OF THE LORD, AND THE CUP OF THE DEVILS; YOU CANNOT BE PARTAKERS OF THE LORD'S TABLE, AND OF THE TABLE OF DEVILS.

**** YES A MAN WILL ROB GOD; AND GOD-DON'T WANT YOUR MONEY!!!!

(WHICH TABLE ARE YOU EATING AT? DO YOU KNOW? OR DO YOU EVEN CARE? NOW IS THE TIME TO GET YOUR HOUSE IN ORDER; WE ARE LIVING THE LAST AND EVIL DAYS. WILL YOU BE ABLE TO STAND? WILL YOU HEAR? WELL DONE MY GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT).

SURELY GOODNESS AND MERCY, WILL FOLLOW US ALL THE DAYS OF OUR LIFE, BECAUSE GOD LIVES IN OUR BODY'S HOUSE; ALL THE DAYS OF OUR LIVES.

PSALM 1:1,2 BLESSED IS THE MAN THAT WALKS NOT IN THE COUNSEL OF THE UNGODLY, NOR STAND IN THE WAY OF SINNERS, NOR SIT IN THE SEAT OF THE SCORNFUL. BUT HIS DELIGHT IS IN THE LAW OF THE LORD; AND IN HIS LAW DOETH HE MEDITATE DAY AND NIGHT.

WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY B.J. MORRISON, III, YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST JESUS-ALWAYS.



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

the dream can become an illusion . . . because the dream has not enforcement powers. The dream has no budget for priorities."

Senator Joe Lieberman, D-Connecticut, spoke of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. as "the voice of Moses." He said, "In a certain element, I was listening to the voice of a modern American Moses."

Why would these modern day leaders in this great country have to speak such language in 2003? A fairly simple answer is while conditions for black Americans have changed a great deal, the symbols of slavery still exist.

History points out that since the time of the American Revolution, the United States of America has been known the world over as the "land of the free." While freedom was auto-

matic for white Americans and conditioned for others of the "white race," it pointed toward something definitely missing from the democratic political philosophy of this great nation.

The past vividly reflects and today's society is dealing with a tradition of racial discrimination that contradicts America's international reputation. The primary victims of the past and the present are black Americans. Young black males in particular are made slaves through the criminal justice system. Black senior citizens who have had to work for low wages are made victims of economic slavery. Their Social Security check, which usually range from \$530 to \$700 is not enough to meet minimum existence in today's world. When these Senior Citizens apply for food stamps, they usually get the

minimum of \$10 per month. Yet, a member of another racial group coming from another country can get all of the free goodies and medical care. The national news media should check these agencies and let the truth be known to the people of the United States who are paying taxes how indigent black Americans are being treated as of 2003.

I would encourage black Americans not to be complacent. You must stand up and fight are you will die a slave. Slavery comes in many forms. I encourage you to always remember to VOTE! You can change things at the ballot box. Your vote does count. Go to the polls on Saturday, September 13, 2003, and vote! Ask your preacher if he or she voted? No vote, no pastor church.

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

"A Prayer Of Deliverance For Our Children and Families"

Father, in the name of Jesus, we come before you in prayer and in Faith, believing that your word runs swiftly throughout this earth. For the Word of God is not chained or imprisoned. We bring before you the many thousands of boys and girls who are imprisoned. We come before you for the families of those who are involved.

Father, stretch forth your hand from above. Rescue and deliver our precious people out of great waters of destruction from the hand of hostile people whose right hands are right hands raised in taking fraudulent oaths. They are

mentally distressing and subverting whole families by teaching what is wrong for the purpose of getting base advantage and disreputable gain. We speak to the Pharaoh of America.

In the name of Jesus, let our people go! Execute justice, precious Father, for the oppressed. Set the prisoners free. Open the eyes of the blind. Lift up the bowed down, heal the broken hearted, lift up the humble and those who have been falsely accused. Turn the hearts of the disobedient. Again, do this, to the wisdom of the upright, and the knowledge of the will of God. In order to make ready for you, Lord, a people perfectly prepared in Spirit, adjusted, disposed, and

placed in the right moral state.

Father, you say in your word to refrain our voices from weeping and our eyes from tears, for our prayers shall be rewarded, and our people shall return from the enemy's camp, and come to themselves revering your name, Father. Those who err in spirit will come to understanding those who rebel will accept instruction; in the right way. Father, you contend with those who contend with us, and you give safety and deliverance to those whom we intercede for in Jesus' name, AMEN.

Just A Thought: Proverbs 18:22 — "The man who finds a wife finds a good thing." This writer is not sure if a man that finds a same

sex mate is a good thing. This writer hasn't found it in the scriptures. Just thinking!

Keep those drive by prayers going, Precious People! Keep reading your Bible! Especially II Chronicles 7:14 and Mark 11:22-26.

Thanks for reading, Saints! The Outreach Prayer Breakfast will meet Saturday morning, September 6, 2003, at 9:00 a.m. in the home of Brother and Sister Sango Nash, 2312 Cedar Avenue. All of you are so welcome!

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president; and Sister Elnora Jones, teacher.

Revival Service

**New Hope Baptist Church
2002 Birch Avenue
Lubbock, Texas
Rev. Billy R. Moton, pastor**

"Times of Refreshing"

**Guest Speaker
Evangelist Dr. S. J. Gilbert Sr.
Pastor Emeritus of the
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September 15-17, 2003 7:00 P.M.

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Rev. B. R. Moton, pastor**

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Rev. Willburn G. Tanner, pastor**

**Saint John Baptist Church
Rev. Solomon Fields, pastor**

St. Matthew Baptist Church News

Sunday morning services, August 31, 2003, were very spiritual and in good attendance. Pastor Edward Canady presided over the services. The morning scripture was Job 1:13-20. Pastor delivered the morning sermon. His theme was "If It's Not One Thing, Its Another." It was an awesome sermon.

*** Pastor Canady's brother, Willis Canady of Waco, Texas, was visiting with Pastor Canady and the St. Matthew Family last Sunday morning.

*** The Fifth Sunday program was held last Sunday afternoon. The speaker for the program was Rev. Sister N. Davis. Her theme was "Jesus Calls Disciples" Scripture text was Matthew 10:1-4; Matthew 3:13-19; 9:1-6/ 10:1-12 and Luke 6:12-16.

It was a wonderful afternoon of serving the Lord.

*** The Sunday School Department was sponsor a Fish Fry on Saturday, September 20, 2003. The Ushers will have a Bake Sale. Your support will be appreciated.

*** Thought For The Week: "Those who are good for excuses are good for little else."

Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church

2202 Southeast Drive
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Pastor's study 806-741-0208
dpobethel@aol.com

Intercessory Prayer 8:30am
Church School 9:30am
Morning Worship 10:50am
Evening Worship 6:00pm
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In Remembrance...



Dorothy Ellen Diamond

Funeral services for Mrs. Dorothy Ellen Diamond were held last Friday morning, August 29, 2003, at New Hope Baptist Church with Rev. Billy R. Motor, pastor, officiating. Interment was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow, Texas under the direction of Jamison Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Mark Johnson, Robert Johnson, Albert, Jr. and the Staff of Jamison Funeral Home. Honorary pallbearers were

Brother Curtis Gipson and Deacons of New Hope Baptist Church.

She was born to the late Mr. Albert and Mrs. Eliza Ellen on June 20, 1918, in Pittsburgh, Texas.

She moved to Lubbock, Texas in 1940, with two children. Allen Reynolds and Doris Faye Reynolds. She later met and married in 1945, the late Plural Diamond. To this union, one child, Bobbie Diamond, was born. She preceded her in death.

Mrs. Diamond was a faithful member of New Hope Baptist Church until her health failed.

She passed away on Sunday, August 24, 2003, in her residence.

She leaves to mourn her passing: a son, Albert Preston Reynolds of Lubbock, Texas; a daughter, Doris Faye Reynolds Williams of Los Angeles, California; a sister, Mrs. Roberta Alien of Lubbock, Texas; seven grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



Vonda Kay Washington

Funeral services for Vonda Kay Washington were held last Thursday morning, August 28, 2003, at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church with Rev. Danny Poe, pastor, officiating.

Interment was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow, Texas under Jamison Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Tommy Rashaw, James Rashaw, Dennis Rashaw, Cleo Lawson, Jessie Stevenson, and Cedric Rashaw.

Ms. Washington was born September 11, 1965 to the late Robert and Jeanette Washington. She was a member of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

She passed away on Saturday, August 23, 2003. Her parents preceded her in death.

She is survived by her grandmother, Nellrine Fletcher of Lubbock, Texas; a brother, Tommy Rashaw of Lubbock, Texas; and a host of cousins, uncles, other relatives and friends.

Strength for Today
by Gerald Jackson
hope for Tomorrow

Question: What will it take to remove the effects of slavery from African-Americans?

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Finally, slavery has taught some of us that we should never allow the circumstances to develop again that gave birth to the possibility of our enslavement. Sadly, it hasn't taught all of us.

efforts to make us perpetual slaves made, African-Americans a strong people. Remember, we were the only race that survived the honor of slavery in America. There were unsuccessful attempts to enslave other groups

of people, but our ancestors were physically, mentally and spiritually strong enough to endure the hardships of slavery. It would be foolish to discard the very thing that assures us of our potential. Finally, slavery has taught some of us that we should never allow the circumstances to develop again that gave birth to the possibility of our enslavement. Sadly, it hasn't taught all of us.

Rather than proclaiming that we have the ability to rise above our circumstances by dedication, discipline and desire, we are being told the equivalent that people should just wait on "Massa" to give us what we need. This attitude perpetuates the victim mentality. Some of us have become slaves all over again and don't know it. Whatever happened to "I can do all things through Him (Christ) who strengthens me." (Philippians 4:13)?

To be continued.

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Gerald P. Jackson



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First, I need to say that we shouldn't want to rid ourselves of all of the effects of slavery. Some of the effects were and are good for us. Before ya'll start shouting "Uncle Tom" and make me show my ethnicity, allow me to explain. Slavery gave African-Americans an appreciation of freedom that only the enslaved can fully appreciate. Slavery also made the need for a messiah very real for us. Our forefathers understood the powerful need for someone to deliver us. That need has been passed on to every generation since that time until now. In spite of the intent to continually enslave us,

Let me refresh our education. It wasn't the white people who first enslaved us, it was our own people. Black people were profiteering from the enslavement of other blacks. Secondly, some are still doing it today. When our African-American leaders help us to develop and maintain a victim mentality (i.e., "I can't get ahead because the man is holding me back.") and do not empower us with the ability to get up from the pit of destitution it is equivalent to them profiteering from our enslavement once again.

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Racial Profiling-- Wrong Then, Wrong Now

By Wade Henderson

On the morning of Jan. 31, Aquil Abdullah, a member of the U.S. national rowing team and the single sculls winner in the 2002 U.S. national rowing championship, found out what it takes to be a target in Attorney General John Ashcroft's war on terrorism: a Muslim name.

Abdullah attempted to board a flight at Newark International Airport and was told that he was on a "no-fly" list. That meant that he would be detained and possibly prohibited from flying. He would also be subject to a check with the databases of the FBI, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) and other law-enforcement agencies. All this because this 29-year-old African-American world-class athlete with a degree in physics from George Washington University is named Abdullah rather than Smith or Brown or Peterson.

Beyond the indignities and inconveniences suffered by Abdullah and countless others like him, we need to also ask: Does this practice make us safer? According to many counterterrorism experts, the answer is no.

In October 2001, senior U.S. intelligence officials circulated to American law-enforcement agents worldwide a memorandum entitled "Assessing Behaviors" which emphasized that focusing on the racial characteristics of individuals wastes resources and might divert attention away from suspicious behavior by someone who did not fit a racial profile.

After all, Timothy McVeigh, who committed the worst act of terrorism on American soil prior to Sept 11, was a Caucasian with a crew cut, and Richard Reid, the man who boarded a trans-Atlantic flight with explosives in his shoes, was a British citizen of Jamaican descent. Neither of these men fit the stereotype of a terrorist.

The federal government's post-Sept. 11 profiling of Arabs, Muslims and South Asians as suspected terrorists has added a disturbing new dimension to a problem that has plagued African-American and Hispanic communities for many years. The discredited practice of stopping motorists because they are "driving while black or brown" continues.

Even though blacks and Hispanics are targeted by law enforcement at a higher rate for drug investigations, government statistics show there is no empirical basis to believe they commit more drug crimes. African Americans represented approximately 12 percent of the U.S. population in 2000 and were 11 percent of all illicit drug users. While Hispanics constitute about 13 percent of the population, they were 10 percent of illicit drug users. In addition, for the past two decades, drug use among black youths has been consistently lower, per capita than among white youths. Despite mounting evidence of its ineffectiveness, racial, ethnic and religious profiling continues unabated. Justice Department statistics show that in 1999, police were more than twice as likely to search a black or Hispanic driver as a white driver. But according to the department's statistics and a new study by Ohio State University sociologist Richard L. Lundman, police were no more likely to turn up drugs and other contraband in cars driven by black men than white men.

Lundman and his colleagues analyzed data from 80,534 individual interviews from the 1999 National Crime Victimization Study, including 7,034 people who were stopped by police in the last 12 months. Lundman asserts that whether one uses citizen-reported data, police-reported data or observer-reported data, the conclusions are always the same: African Americans are more likely to be stopped and have their cars searched than whites.

Profiling — whether used as a tool in the war against drugs or the war against terrorism — damages the faith minorities have in the American justice system. Disparities in law enforcement fuel the perception that the criminal-justice system is unfair to minorities. There is a well-grounded fear among minorities that the police will assume the worst about them.

Profiling is deeply ingrained in the culture of law enforcement. Not simply a matter of bad apples or a few rogue cops, profiling is systemic and demands reform at the highest levels of policymaking.

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THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

Compiled and Edited by Dr. Michael Ward
August 31 - September 6

It Happened...

- * Tuesday, September 1, 1752: The Liberty Bell arrived in Philadelphia, from London, where it was cast.
- * Wednesday, September 2, 1752: Last day of the Julian calendar in Great Britain and British colonies. It was replaced by the Gregorian calendar. Jack was designed to correct the problem of an extra leap year day, and was named after Pope Gregory. Eleven days were dropped, so there was no Septemb. 1-3 through September 13. The next day was September 14. In England, people rioted, thinking the government had stolen 11 days from their lives.
- * Thursday, September 3, 1783: The Treaty of Paris was signed, officially ending the US Revolutionary War.
- * Tuesday, September 3, 1833: The "New York Sun" became the first daily newspaper. It sold for one cent.
- * Monday, September 5, 1836: Sam Houston was elected president of the Republic of Texas.
- * Monday, September 3, 1838: Famed African American abolitionist Frederick Douglass escaped from slavery, traveling from the slave state of Maryland to the free state of New York by train and steamboat, disguised as a sailor.
- * Friday, September 2, 1864: Union General William T. Sherman completed his famous "March to the Sea," capturing the city of Atlanta, GA. It had been evacuated the day before by Confederate forces.
- * Sunday, September 1, 1867: Robert T. Freeman became the first black to be graduated from Harvard Dental School.
- * Tuesday, September 5, 1882: The first Labor Day parade was held in New York City.
- * Tuesday, September 4, 1888: The name "Kodak" was registered by George Eastman of Rochester, NY and he patented his roll-film camera. On Tuesday, August 31, 1897 Thomas Edison received a patent for the Kinetoscope, a device for viewing moving pictures without sound. Ninety years later, on September 2, 1987 Phillips introduced the CD-video.
- * Friday, September 6, 1901: President William McKinley was shot by deranged anarchist Leon Czolgosz at the Pan American Exposition in Buffalo, NY. McKinley died eight days after the shooting, and was succeeded by Vice President Theodore Roosevelt. Czolgosz was put to death by electrocution 45 days later.
- * Tuesday, September 2, 1919: The Communist Party of America organized in Chicago, IL.
- * Friday, September 1, 1939: World War II began when Germany invaded Poland. On Sunday, September 3, 1939 Great Britain declared war on Germany, with France following six hours later in declaring war on Germany. Two days later President Franklin

- D. Roosevelt announced US neutrality in the hostilities, but on Friday, September 8, 1939 he declared "limited national emergency" due to the war in Europe. The US entered WW II when Japan bombed Pearl Harbor on Sunday, December 7, 1941. Italy unconditionally surrendered to the Allies on Wednesday, September 8, 1943, the first of the Axis powers to surrender. World War II ended with the formal surrender of Japan aboard the USS Missouri on Saturday, September 2, 1945.
- * Friday, September 5, 1975: President Gerald Ford survived an assassination attempt by Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme in Sacramento, CA.
- * Tuesday, September 6, 1988: Lee Roy Young became the first African American Texas Ranger in the force's 165-year history.
- * Friday, September 1, 1995: The Rock & Roll Hall of Fame opened in Cleveland, OH.

In Sports History:

- * The first professional football game, with the Latrobe YMCA defeating the Jeannette Athletic Club, was Tuesday, September 3, 1895.
- * Baseball's Tinkers, Evers & Chance appeared together for the first time on Monday, September 1, 1902.
- * Cassius Clay, who went on to become heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali, captured the Rome Olympic light heavyweight gold medal on Monday, September 5, 1960.
- * Professional baseball's 100,000th game is played, according to historians (Indians vs. Senators), on Friday, September 6, 1963.
- * Swimmer Mark Spitz became the first Olympian to win seven gold medals, at the Munich games in 1972. The 1972 Olympics were marred, however, by the tragic slaying of 11 Israeli athletes by terrorists on Tuesday, September 5, 1972.
- * Black baseball greats Ken Griffey Sr. and Ken Griffey, Jr. became the first father and son to play together on the same team, on Friday, August 31, 1990. Both hit singles in the first inning for the Seattle Mariners. Then, on Friday, September 14, 1990 they hit back-to-back home runs in a game against the California Angels.
- * Cal Ripken, Jr. broke Lou Gehrig's record of playing in 2,130 straight games, on Wednesday, September 6, 1995.

Born:

- * Sunday, September 5, 1847: Jesse James, legendary outlaw of the American West, in Missouri. Son of a clergyman, he was an elusive bank and train robber.
- * Monday, September 3, 1866: Alain Locke, black scholar and activist. An intellectual, he served as president of the American Association for Adult Education, and was the first African American Rhodes Scholar. He died in 1954.
- * Friday, September 1, 1933: Ann Richards, elected 45th governor of Texas in 1990.
- * Saturday, August 31, 1935:

- Eldridge Cleaver, black activist and one of the founding members of the Black Panther Party. He became a Republican prior to his death in May 1998.
- * Friday, August 31, 1945: Itzhak Perlman in Tel Aviv, Israel. Famed classical violinist, polio victim, he has won 14 Grammy Awards.
- * September 4: Hip-Hop singer JeLana LaFleur (Quad City DJ's) is 29.
- * September 6: Rapper roxy Brown is 23.

Died:

- * Wednesday, September 5, 1877: Crazy Horse (Tashunka Witko), last great Sioux warrior and chief was fatally bayoneted by a soldier while in custody at Fort Robinson, Nebraska, at age 27. On September 4, 1886 Apache Chief Geronimo (Goyathlay) surrendered, ending the last major US-Indian war.
- * Sunday, September 1, 1912: Samuel Coleridge Taylor, African-British classical composer, at age 37.
- * Thursday, September 3, 1970: Vince Lombardi, legendary coach of the football Green Bay Packers, in Washington DC at age 57.
- * Thursday, September 1, 1977: Ethel Waters, actress and singer. She was the first African American to win an Academy Award, as best supporting actress for her role in 1939's "Gone With The Wind."
- * Friday, September 5, 1997: Mother Teresa, missionary and Nobel Peace Prize winner, of a heart attack, at age 87.
- * Sunday, August 31, 1997: Diana Spencer, Britain's Princess of Wales, at age 36. She was killed in an early-morning car crash in Paris, France. She and her companion Dodi Fayed were being chased by aggressive paparazzi (photographers) at the time of the crash. Princess Diana's funeral on Saturday, September 6, 1997 was attended and viewed by millions of people.

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. According to astrologers, Virgoans often have a great concern for health, hygiene, and dietary issues. They may be sensitive to the environment. The typical Virgo also likes to be well-groomed and keep his or her surroundings tidy.

It's A Fact!

Actually, the first Labor Day parade was not held on a Monday, but on Tuesday, September 5, 1882 in New York City. Sponsored by the Central Labor Union Carpenters and Joiners Union, the parade and picnic was a protest rally in favor of the 8-hour day. Over 10,000 workers, all men, participated in the parade. In 1894, Congress voted the Labor Day holiday to be the first Monday in September each year.

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by Renetta W. Howard

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Most incoming freshmen have no idea what to do with all of the freedom that they have received from being away from home without the family disciplinarian being around as many colleges will tell parents that they will not hear from them about their child's behavior unless they go to the hospital or to jail. Then they will call them.

At this juncture, parents are made to feel insecure if they have law-abiding tendencies, and just put the care of their child into the hands of the school administration and God. Then there are those hovering parents who have never felt content with how their child was treated from kindergarten on up unless they had their say. Because of this, college professors and instructors are getting much more flax from parents these days than mere was in previous years. This is an after effect of school bussing.

Many parents rode the bus with their children the first day or so of school during the elementary school days. Those who did not ride the bus, was on a close trail behind the bus on the way to the school. These are the parents whom all of the teachers knew. Aside from being at school, every week in some positive role, these parents attempted to keep abreast of every thing that their child did.

Once in high school, these parents backed away just a little bit; long enough to permit attendance

at the junior and senior proms, because they attended every ball game, every play and every program in which their child performed. The child went home every night after his activity and heard the comments from the family about his performance.

College students will be treated as though they are adults and it is very difficult for parents to keep tabs on them like they did when they were home. Few matrons in the dormitories will keep the strict eye on our children that we would. Their moral maturity is put to a test in college. If there is a flaw in their character, it will be recognized or rectified, as young men and women feel that the number "18" magically makes them "grown." We must get "in cinque" and let our children know that they must follow rules and directions wherever they are regardless to their desires.

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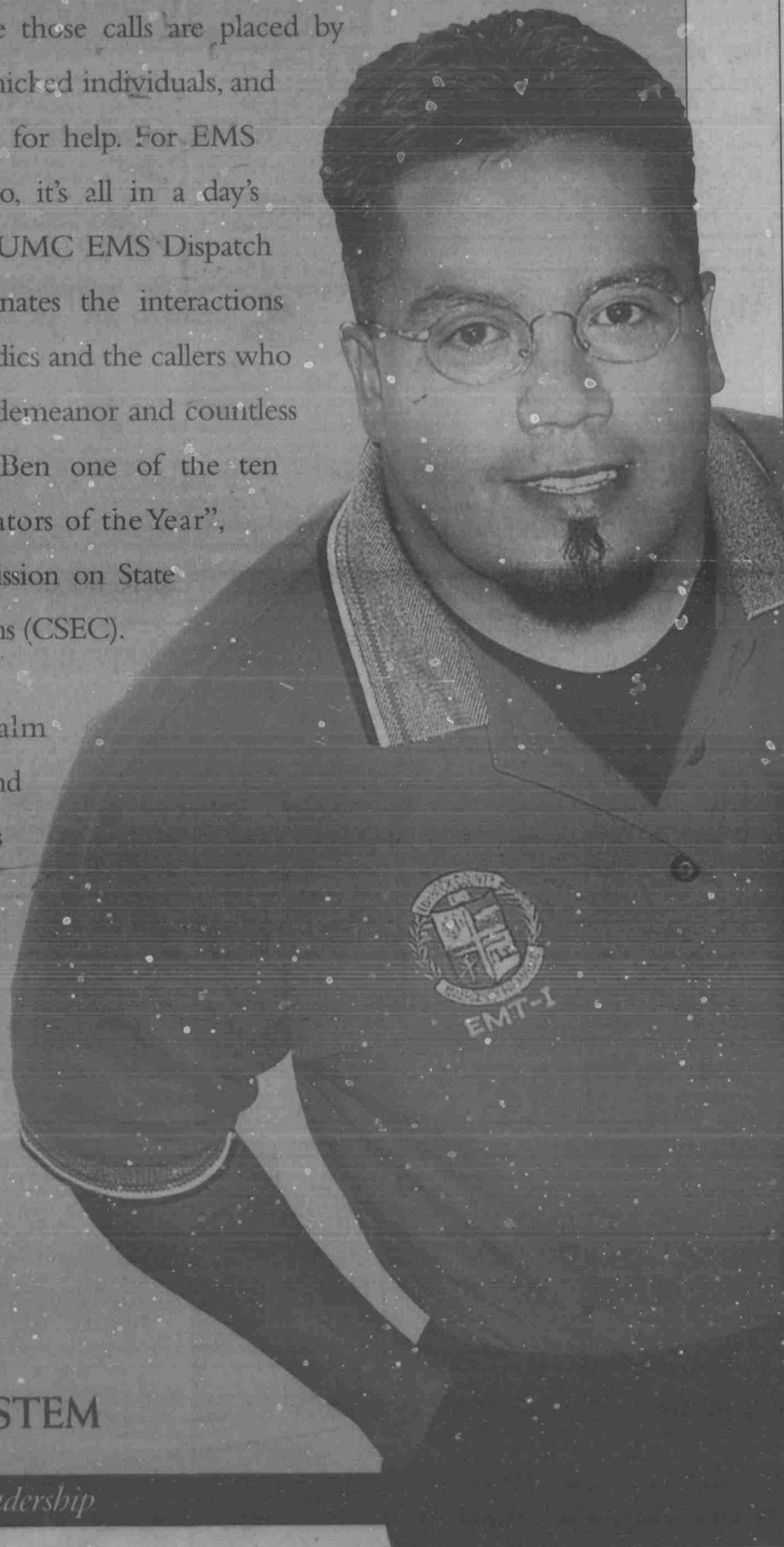
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