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Appreciation Services Set for Rev. Danny Poe

The officers and members of the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 2202 Southeast Drive, will show their appreciation for their paster, Rev. Darmy Poe, in the 2nd Annual Appreciation Services for him on Sunday Afternoon, December 14, 2003, beginning at 3:30 p. m.

Guest speaker for the appreciation services will be Rev. Billy R.

Moton, pastor of Yew Hope Bapaist Church. "We want to

show our appreciation for what Rev. Pow has done for us over the past two yers," said Brother

E. J. Donaldron, chairman of the steward board.

Annual Christmas Party Set for Dunbar-Manhattan Association

The Dunbar/Manhattan-Heights Neighborhood Association is hosting its annual Christmas Party. All neighbors are asked to join them in the fun, food, and fellowship on Saturday evening, December 13, 2003, beginning at 6'00 p. m. The party will be seld at their neighborhood building ie Simmons Outreach Center", 1303 East 24th street, next door to the Mae Simmons Swimming Pool.

Members are asking to please join hem and have a great time. For any questions or additional information, riesse call Sandra Dailey at (806) 747-4076 or the Outreach Center at 306) 747-8732.

Clothing Give-Away for Needy Set Here

A clothing give-away for needy families and persons will be held Saturday, December 13, 2003, beginning from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p. m. or until ali items have been distrib-

This event will be held at the Purkway Neighborhood Center, 405 N. MLK Hivd. The telephone number is (806) 763-3963.

The contact person is Gladys Williams, and may be contacted at (806)762-1809 at home; cell number is (806) 535-1923. The church number is (306) 763-7561.

This event is open to all persons who are in need.

Community Meetings

 Lubbock Area Clig Saturday, 1:00 pm & Man Center *Hub City Klww Night, 7:00pm, 1708,744 Alumni Association 21 Booker T. Washington Post 808 2nd Thereta West Riders, Firm & TUIL AS pm, T. J. Patterson talk and Chapter AARP, Every Le Line pm, Mae Simmon Oak and 8th Sa Alumni 3rd Ta Center # Du Point Neighborhood Association recent the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Parkway Neighborhood Center.

We would like to publish your monthly meetings. If you would like for an announcement to appear in his 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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Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus Have Arrived in Lubbock

Santa and Mrs. Claus have arrived at Santa Land in Mackenzie Park to listen to the wises of area children as of Wednesday, December 10, 2003. Children from Lubbock and surrounding communities are invited to help Lubbock City Council member Frank Morrison greet the Clauses and officially open Santa Land.

The City of Lubbock has hosted Santa Land for the past 47 years, and as always admission for both young and old is free. Santa Land is open nightly from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m., and the last night for visitors is December 23. The entrance for Santa Land is the East Broadway entrance on the south side of Mackenzie Park. Those driving the "Lights in the

Canyon" display will find Santa Land after they exit the exhibit on the road out of

Mackenzie Park. More than 23,600 visitors attended Santa Land last year to see the festive holiday village with its 60-foot lighted Christmas tree, animated displays, traditional holiday scenes, and Santa and Mrs. Claus greeting their visitors. Live entertainment will keep guests in the holiday spirit each night, and Santa Land commemorative mugs will again be available for sale in the refreshment stand. For those who need a snack, hot chocolate and treats will be sold. Keepsake photos of children visiting with Santa Claus can be purchases for \$5.00 each, however, parents are also welcome to bring

their own cameras.

The City of Lubbock and the Parks and Recreation Department are grateful corporate sponsors for their for their help in underwriting the costs for Santa Land and for oringing this annual event to the children of Lubbock. This Year's sponsors are Mike Temple Electric, Incr. WesTex Federal Credit Union, American State Bank, Wentz Orthodonties, Cox Communications, David Dunn Repair Service, PanTex Lumber, Kelly Moore Paint, KLLL, Mix 100, Rock 101, Beat 104.9, Target, Wal-Mart, Solid waste Services, AAA Firewood, Ambercrombie Lumber, BearLake Fencing, Quilts-n-More, Holland Gardens, and the 6666 Ranch.

15 New Playgrounds Open in Lubbock Parks

Lubbock's children received an early Christmas present last week with the completion of the last of fifteen new or refurbished playgrounds in neighborhood parks across the city. The City of Lubbock's Parks and Recreation Department began construction of these enhancements in February 2003 with \$1,750,000 in funds from the Parks Capital Project budget and using General Obligation Bond funds set aside for park improvements.

Neighborhood playgrounds are a high priority in the Parks and Recreation's Open Space Master Plan, which was revised and approved by the City Council in 2001, after extensive input from Lubbock citizens. This project addressed this priority by replacing obsolete playgrounds with new equipment in eight existing parks and creating seven new playgrounds in the new parks being developed by the City.

Although the components in each playground are simi-

The City of Lubbock,

District, has added new sign-

ing and striping at the inter-

section of Frankford Avenue

and Spur 327 to allow double

right turns in the northbound

direction. This new improvement will allow significantly

more traffic to get through this intersection especially in

working closely with Texas

Transportation- Lubbock

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lar, each design is unique to the neighborhood and was customized after numerous meetings with residents and children who live in the surrounding area. Some of the designs highlight a theme such as outer space, a sailing

ship or a seascape, which is carried through the design using colors and surfacing. Other residents created age-appropriate play areas for their playgrounds

that are physically separated to allow increased enjoyment for each age group. All of the new playgrounds have rubberized surfacing for year round

ADA accessibility, and they meet the latest standards for playground safety.

The seven parks receiving new playgrounds were:

-Alex & Verna Cooke Park -18th Street and Kirby Avenue -Dr. Armando Duran Park -36th Street and Kewanne Avenue -Richard Lopez Park -Auburn Street and Chicago

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route. With the planned clo-

in the next few weeks, this additional right turn lane at

Spur 327 will be needed.

sure of northbound traffic on Frankford at 49th Street with-

Avenue

alternate

-Naomi Reagan Park -Colgate and Olive Avenue -Gladys Sims Park -Marlboro Street and King Avenue

-Jack & Mary Neli Strong Park 81st Street and Avenue

-Underwood Park - 74th Street and Elm Avenue

The eight parks where new playgrounds replaced obsolete play areas were:

-Carlisle Park - 28th Street and Avenue X -Judge Walter Davies Park -North Avenue N and Clemson Street -A. B. Davis Park - 40th Street and Nashville Avenue -Jan Jennings Park - 73rd Street and Winston Avenue -Maxoy Park - HUB City Playground - 30th Street and Nashville Avenue -N. B. McCullough Park -88th Street and Flint Avenue -M. C. Overton Park - 14th Street and Avenue U

-Will Sedberry Park - E. 16th

Street and Guava Avenue

New Signage to Lubbock Streets These traffic changes allow traffic to turn right or go through out of the middle northbound lane. while the outside (curb) lane still is a right turn only lane.

"You Really Got Me!"



Mrs. Bobbie Gean Patterson, right, appears to be telling a longtime friend, Mrs. Ruby Donaldson, "You really got me!" This happened at a surprise retirement on Saturday evening, November 18, 2003, at the University Medical Center's McInturf Center. More than one hundred family, friends and former co-workers were present.

Also looking on is her son, T. J. Patterson, Jr. who is holding his daughter, Laurine. A daughter, Shelia Harris, is seen at right.

More photos are printed on page of this issue. (photo courtesy of Nancy Neil)

Five Blessed Generations

This is the five generations of Modenia "Mother Dear" Roberson. She is shown holding Jazzmyne Jerkeysia. Standing, from left to right are : daughter, Bennie Veern Morrison; her son, Kyron Jerome Morrison; and his daughter, Kyretha

Latrice Morrison. They came and visited over the Thanksgiving weekend from Dallas, Texas. Mother Roberson said: "I theak God for the family coming together once again, and there was not a death or sickness in the family."



Kyron said: " thank God for the opportunity to bring the other four family loved ones together, and being part of this family!"

They all enjoyed the weekend with George and Mary Stevenson, B. J. and Jeffothel Morrison and other family (Photo Courtesy of R. J. Morrison, III, Kyron's Father)

Three TML President's San Antonio

The three ever Africar American presidents of the Texas Municipal League's (TML) Board of Directors are shown above. They are, from left to right: Dock Jackson, Council member City of Bastrop and president-elect; Jackie Levingston, center, Mayor Pro Tem City of Groesbeck and immediate president; and T. J. Patterson, right, Council member City of Lubbock, first African elected.

The trio has just left the dias of the final session of the Annual Conference in the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center in San Antonio, Texas held November 19-22, 2003. They are joined on the executive committee of TML by

Terry Henley, Mayor Pro Tem City of Meadows Place and president of TML and Lloyd Neal Jr., Mayor of Corpus Christi and former president of TML.



Fashion Fun

by Skirley Roberson

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Wedding Vows Set for Denson and Cato



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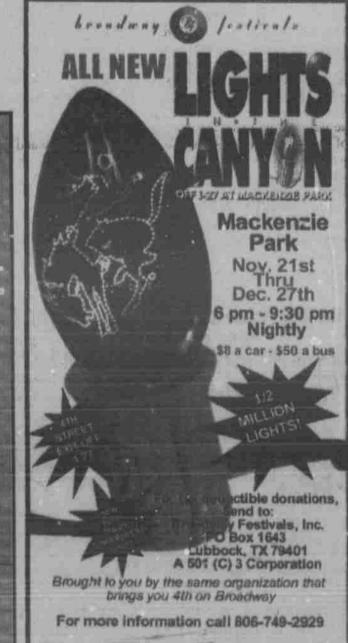
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Wedding vows have been set for Clarence Edward Denson and Mary Emma Cato on Saturday afternoon, January 10, 2004, at the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church.

The pair will exchange their commitments to each other and their vows to God.

A reception will follow immediately after the ceremonies.



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by Clarissa Jay

The New Hope Baptist Church, "Church Where The People Really Care," is Covenant Health System, located at 2002 Birch Avenue, and Rev. Billy R. Moton is the pastor. If you are looking for a church home, come and visit New Hope or any of the fine churches in our city. You will be glad you did so.

Service got off last Sunday morning with a very spiritual morning after the meditation and prayer. This was followed by the Praise Team who brought the spirit of the hour.

The morning scripture was read by Rev. Cheryl Martin. Rev. Charles Wilson offered the morning prayer. Selections were sung by the New Hope Choir.

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Billy R. Moton. His subiect was "Are You A Living Testimony of The Power of God?" His scripture text was St. Luke 8:26-56.

Announcements of hour were read by Sister Winnie Jackson.

A special prayer goes out to those who are sick and shut-in. Among them

include Brother Harry Stokley who is a patient at room 871 S; Brother Virgil Johnson, Brother Cedric Johnson, the mother of Sister Margaret Moton, Sisilee Groce, and Sister Joan Y. Ervin, a patient at University Medical Center, room 452.

There are those among us who have lost loved ones. Sister Callie Howard lost her brother, Juland Benson, last week. Final rtes were held Tuesday, December 9, 2003, at Resthaven's Abbey Chapel. with Pastor Moton officiating. God is able.

Mrs. Mattie Beaty spent the Thanksgiving holidays with her son in Oakland, California. She reported a wonderful visit and holiday season.

The second anniversary of Pastor Danny Poe, pastor of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, will be held Sunday afternoon, December 14, 2003, beginring at 3:30 p. m. at the church, 2202 Southeast Drive.

Rev. Billy R. Moton, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church, will deliver the anniversary sermon.

This writer received word that the Lubbock State School is looking for groups and individuals to sing carols during first three weeks of December. Volunteers are needed for holiday parties on Sunday, December 14, 2003. For more information or to volunteer call Kathleen McCutchan at (806) 741-3532.

Donations are needed at the Salvation Army as plans are being made to feed 50 people on Christmas Day. Donations are needed to meet this demand. The dinner will be held at the Salvation Army Homeless Shelter and Family Services building, 17th street and Avenue J. For more information, call Maj. Mark Satterlee, commanding officer, at (806) 765-9434.

Hillary Hutchinson returned from attending the funeral services of an uncle, Charlie Douglas Hutchinson, in Hubbard, Texas last Saturday. Services were held at the Lovely Hope Baptist Church with Rev. Floyd Thomas, pastor, officiating.





Charles "HOP" Hobdy Sales Consultant for Gene Messer Ford Lubbock, Texas "You Don't Have to Walk!"

Charles "HCP" Hobdy graduated from the former Dunbar Senior High School in 1970. After graduating from high school, he attended the United States Air Force and served his country for three years. He attended college studing Family Studies. He became a counselor for ten years for the State of Texas. Charles is currently employed with Gene Messer Ford as a certified sales consulant, allowing him to sale thirteen different models of cars located in Amarillo, Dallas and Lubbock. Charles says." Regardless of your financial status, I will get you in a car," "You don't have to walk." Drop by Gene Messer Ford and give Charles the challenge to get you in a car of your

In Remembrance...



Huland Benson

Funeral services were held for Huland Benson last Tuesday afternoon, December 9, 2003, at Resthaven's Abbey Chapel with Rev. Billy R. Moton, pastor of



Arlene Harris

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Arlene Harris last Tuesday, December 2, 2003, with Gerald P. Jackson officiating at the 20th and Birch Church of Christ. The eulogy was given by Ben Myers of Dallas, Texas.

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

Pallbearers were Bobby Adams, Zebbie Lethridge, L. V.



Charlie Douglas Hutchinson

Hubbard, Texas - Funeral services for Charlie Douglas Hutchinson were held last Saturday afternoon, December 6, 2003, at the Lovely s Hope Baptist Church with Rev. Floyd Thomas officiating, Rev. David Wright delivered the message of comfort.

Interment was held in Valley View Cemetery.

Honorary pal!bearers were Robert Hutchinson, Victor Q. Hutchinson, Denzil D. Franklin, Deleano R. Hutchinson, Lindberg Carey, Jr., Walter E. Simpson, Jr, James E. Simpson, Calvin D. Edwards, Richard C. Tailey, and Justin G. Galbreath.

He was born January 31, 1914 to the parentage of Rev. Preston Hillary and Orvella (Chatman) Hutchinson in Washington County, Brenham, Texas. He attended public school



Sarah "Big Mama" Johnson

Funeral services for Mrs. Sarah "Big Mama" Johnson were held last Thursday afternoon, December 4, 2003, at the 20th and Birch Church of Christ with ten minister officiating.

A longtime resident, Mrs. Johnson passed away here Friday, November 28, 2003, in University Medical Center.

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

New Hope Baptist Church, offi-

Burial was held in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direc-

tion of Resthaven Funeral Home, Mr. Benson passed away last Thursday, December 4, 2003.

He was born December 30, 1932, in Chilton, Texas. He married Emma Jean in 1978, and preceded him in death on February 24, 2001. He enjoyed raising hogs for over 35 years. He had retired from ADM Compress after working there for over 26 years.

Also preceding him in death

Jackson, Charles Bridges, Milton Lee and Carey Childers.

Honorary pallbearers were George Rainwater, David Russell, J. W. Carroll, and Gene LAwson.

She was the fifth child born to John and Amanda Hannon on July 9, 1906, in Paris, Texas. She lived her early childhood and young adult years in Boswell, Oklahoma. There she met and married Paul Harris on December 16, 1922. She lived there several years while having two of her four children -Parilee and Dillard. In 1932, they moved to Lubbock, Texas where her last two children were born — Alma and Marjorie. Paul and Arlene were happily married for sixty-nine years.

Arlene obeyed the gospel in 1933. She was a faithful member of the 20th and Birch Church of

united with Union Baptist

Harris in 1932.

is his father, August Benson; his mother, Ocie Benson-Cook; and a brother, August Benson, Jr.

He is survived by three daughters: Roxanna Williams and Jeaniue Palmer, both of Lubbock, Texas and Patricia Williams of Austin, Texas; a son, Gary Shipman of Houston. Texas; one step-daughter, Effie Nelson of Lubbock, Texas; two sisters, Lovie Jones of Portland, Oregon and Callie Howard of Lubbock, Texas; eight grandchildren, and four greatgrandchildren.

Christ until she passed away. Her husband, Faul, served as an elder for the 20th and Birch Church of Christ for more than forty years. She served at his side as a diligent laborer in the gospel.

Her father, mother, four brothers, four sisters, her husband and her son preceded her

in death. She leaves to cherish he. memory: three daughters: Parilee Smith of Altadena, California, Alma Rainwater and Marjorie Harris, both of Lubbock, Texas; a faithful son-in-law, Ed Rainwater; and a loving daughter-in-law. Pearl Harris. Also remaining are fifteen grandchildren, thirty-two great grandchildren, fourteen great-great-grandchildren, a host of nieces and nephews. Finally, she leaves her spiritual family, friends and neighbors.

in Ellis County and Navarro. He Church, Pelham Community, as a young lad under the pastorage of the late Rev. Norman He is the sixth child of fif-

teen children. He leaves two sisters, Mattie Graves of Waco, Texas, and Myrtle Wright of Temple, Texas; a brother, Hubert Hutchinson (Susie) of San Angelo, Texas. Charlie met and married his

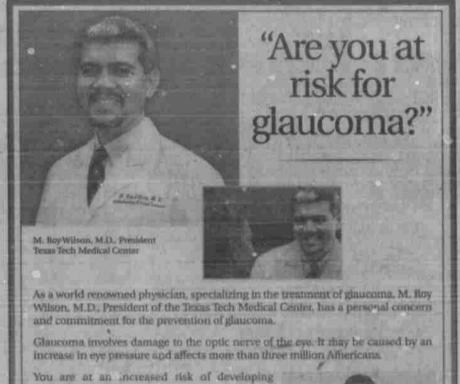
wife of 55 years, Theresa Glodene Evans, who departed this life on April 23, 1994. There were ten children born to this union.

He passed away on Friday, November 21, 2003

He leaves to cherish his memory: five of his seven sons: Charlie Edward (Ora) of Florida,

Walter Edward Simpson (Roberta) of Illinois, Dudley Eugene of Grand Prairie, Texas, Allen Douglas (Barbara) of Ferris, Texas, and Lewis Preston of Dallas, Texas; two sons . deceased - William Joseph (Joyce) of Los Angeles, Caiifornia and Hillary Thomas of Hubbard, Texas; three daughters: Karole Woods of Palmdale, California, Jacquelyn C. Schorea (Neil) of Pacoima, California and Gwendolyn Joyce (Kenneth) of Los Angeles, California; one sister-in-law, Elnora Blackshersmith of California; a nephew. Rev. David Brown; 37 grandchildren, 67 great-grandchildren, and many great-great-

grandchildren. He has a nephew in Lubbock, Texas who is Hillary Hutchinson, Jr.



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What the new prescription drug benefit will do for you. No sound bites. No spin. No politics. Just the facts.

Congress has just voted to add a prescription drug benefit to Medicare. While the benefit isn't perfect, it's an important step forward that we can build on in the future. Here are some important ways that older Americans and their families will be helped by this benefit:

- 1. It protects traditional Medicare:

 Nothing in the legislation undermines traditional fee-for-service

 Medicare. And anyone can stay in it if they choose.
- 2. All Medicare beneficiaries will have access to drug coverage:

 This is a guaranteed drug plan for all beneficiaries, regardless of where they live.
- 3. This new drug benefit is voluntary:

People can elect to keep any existing coverage they have, and no one will be forced to enroll in the new program.

- 4. It helps those who need it most:

 The new benefit provides for
 comprehensive drug coverage for
 people with low incomes, at
 minimal cost to them.
- 5. It protects those with the highest drug costs:
 After a beneficiary reaches the

\$3,600 out-of-pocket limit, the federal government will pay for 95% of prescription drug costs.

- 6. It protects retiree coverage:

 The legislation provides financial incentives for employers (both public and private) so that people who already have good private coverage will not lose it.
- 7. It provides new preventive services:

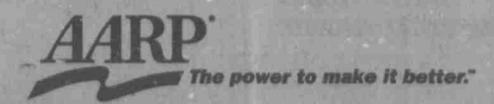
The legislation provides for new coordinated chronic disease management, preventive screening for heart disease and an introductory physical exam.

8. Discount card:

Beneficiaries can choose a Medicare discount card that will provide some immediate help with drug costs.

In addition, many low-income beneficiaries will receive a \$600 subsidy on their card.

And we promise to keep fighting to make your prescription drugs more affordable.





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In Cinque by Renetta W. Howard

With or without our blessings and in spite of our calls and e-mails to our senators and representatives, the massive Medicare bill passed through the Federal House of Representatives and the Senate, supposedly to make it possible for senior citizens to secure prescription drugs at a reduced or discounted price. This federal program is to go into effect in the year 2006.

Even though it will be two more years before this aspect of the bill goes into effect; it has made it possible for private insurance companies to sell you a card on an annual basis with which you can purchase

Medicare prescription drugs at a discount, possibly as early as April, 2004. During these two years, the strategic players in government and private insurance companies will have time to play with the components of the bill to best suit them. In the meantime, senior citizens will get some idea of how the program will or will not work. Once the federal program goes into effect, the private insurance card is surpose to become obsolete. It is going to be interesting to see what really takes place. It is also going to be interesting to find out how much these private discount cards will cost the average citizen. We know that there are some discount cards already in existence out there now. Some are available for purchase without any other insurance plan being involved and then there are those that are a part and parcel of primary and secondary insurance plans which are paid for by the insured party, or a Medicare supplement program for retirees paid for as a part of a pen-

How will the new discount cards fit in with the existing cards, or will there be a conflict? Depending on available prescription drug programs, it appears that all discount cards should be, but will not be created equal, because those in existence now are not providing equal benefit: for participants. It is going to be very difficult for Medicare to keep a standard allowance for each drug when different companies charge different prices for their products and different insurance companies give different percentages of discounts.

The next two years may find a lot more high priced drugs going OTC (over the counter). Claritin and Prilosec have led the way. We must get 'in cinque' and keep a sharp eye on the enactment of the recently passed bill which is suppose to help senior citizens pay for prescription

THIS N THAT

MLK MEMORIAL OPEN FOR PUBLIC! THIS N THAT advises the community of the recent ribbon cutting of the MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MEMORIAL . . . which was held Wednesday December 3, 2003 at noon at the Dunbar Historical Lake east of Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard ... on Canyon Lake Drive south of the waterfall This Memorial is called ... "FOOTPRINTS OF HISTORY" ..., and it pays tribute to THE EARLY TRAILBLAZERS IN

BLACK COMMUNITY WHO HAVE LEFT HISTORICAL FOOTPRINTS IN THE SANDS OF TIME The design for the Memorial . . . consists of a large State of Texas emblem surrounded by SIXTY SYMBOLIC FOOTPRINTS and the NAMES OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MADE CONTRIBUTIONS who have enhanced the lives of Lubbock citizens, THIS N THAT ... learned that this ... COMMEMORATIVE COMMITTEE has been working for more than ... FOUR YEARS and RAISED ALL OF THE FUNDS FRO THIS PROJECT. ... According to members of the committee this is an example of the ... PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS, INDI-VIDUALS AND THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

CONGRATS TO GREG INGHAM! THIS N THAT wants to say ... CONGRATS to one of our city professionals in this area . . . who has been selected to become ... CITY MANAGER of the City of Plainview and will take over come January 1, 2004, He is ... GREG INGHAM who will do well for his new city... CONGRATS GREG INGHAM! He is leaving the City of Levelland after twenty-two years....

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: "JUDGE ... your neighbors by their QUESTIONS ... and not their ANSWERS!"

WHO WILL BE LUBBOCK CITY MANAGER? THIS N THAT ..., learned last Friday afternoon December 5, 2003 the Lubbock City Council have cut the list to . . . THREE to consider for the position of ... LUBBOCK CITY MANAGER. Those on this list are RICKEY C. CHILDERS ... City Manager of Longview, Texas TOMMY GONZALEZ Interim City Manager of Lubbock and WILLIAMA. PUPO, City Manager of Surpriser Arizona for three years. According to the Lubbock City Council close checks will be made on these individuals which will involve sight visits Hopefully ... this person will be chosen in the next few

GOOD TO SEE ALL CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS IN EAST LUBBOCK! THIS N THAT ... WHILE while driving around the East Lubbock area of the city as well as other parts of Lubbock has noticed a LARGE NUMBER OF PROPERTIES in East Lubbock ... have decorated their properties for the holiday season.... This is a very good omen that citizens in East Lubbock are looking for some real good things to happen over in this area in the ner future and guess what they are correct.... THINGS ARE GOING TO HAPPEN MORE!

weeks before the end of the year.

GOOD TO SEE THE TOWN HALL MEETING AT ESTACADO! THIS N THAT ... has been advised of an upcoming . . . ESTACADO HIGH SCHOOL TOWN HALL MEETING which is set for Monday evening December 15, 2003 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Estacado Auditorium According to the adgenda ... items to be discussed will include TAKS, ACADEMICS, UPCOMING EVENTS AND ATH-LETICS.... THIS N THAT is encouraging all who are interested in what is happening at ... ESTACADO HIGH SCHOOL will be in attendance and will take part in any of the positive discussion and ... better still become a POSITIVE PERSON in helping ... ESTACADO HIGH

HAVE YOU VISITED A PUBLIC SCHOOL YET! THIS N THAT is still encouraging as many as can

to ... VISIT A PUBLIC SCHOOL when you can and if you have time ... go by the office and visit with the principal and even have lunch ... that is if you have an opportunity THIS N THAT ... encourages all who can to become a part of this effort ... After all our young people wants to see as on their campus... So let's get busy and go by ...

HAVE SOME CHRISTMAS NEWS, PLEASE ADVISE! THIS N THAT wants you to advise of any activity happening in your ... FAMILY, SCHOOL, CHURCH OR ORGANIZATION. during Christmas Holidays... Let us let: folks know what you are doing... Okay? Okay?

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

Compiled and Edited by Dr. Michael Ward December 14 - December 20

It Happened ... * Wednesday, December 16, 1773: Boston patriots, disguised as Mobawk Indians, boarded three British ships and dumped 342 chests of tea off Griffin's Wharf in Boston harbor. The midnight "Boston Tea Party" was

in protest of the British Parliament's Tee Act of 1773. * Saturday, December 19, 1891: The first African American Catholic priest was ordained in the US, Charles Uncles of Baltimore, MD

" Monday, December 15, 1952; Christine Jorgenson was the first gerson to undergo a sex-change operation

* Sunday, December 16, 1990: an-Bertand Aristide, a 37old politically-active leftist Catholic priest, was elected presdont in Haiti's liest domocratic elections since Francois Duvalier's questionable election in 1957. Aristide, won a landslide victory with over 67% of the

vote. Saturday, December 19, 1998; President Bill Clinton was impeached on two counts of perjury and obstruction of justice, related to his illicit affair with Monica Lewinsky, Five weeks later, Co Friday, February 12, 1999, Clinton was acquitted on both articles of impeachment Friday, December 19, 2003; This evening marks the beginning of the annual Jewish holi-

day, Hannakuh

* Monday, December 14, 1503: The French astrologer and physi-cian Nostradamus, who published vaguely prophetic sayings which some have interpreted as predictions which have come true. According to him, the world will end in the year 3707. * Tuesday, December 14, 1897; Famed black opera singer Marian * * Saturday, December 16, 1972: Anderson, in Philadelphia, PA First Ludy Eleanor Roosevelt arranged a Lincoln Memorial concert for Anderson after the Daughters of the American Revolution refused to allow a black woman to sing in their hall. The Easter Sunday, April 9, 1939 concert drew 75,000 people. She

died in 1993.

* Thursday, December 14, 1933; Acclaimed African American actress Cicely Tyson, in Harlem. One of her most famous roles has been as Miss Jane Pittman. * Friday, December 18, 1970: Noted black rapper DMZ, born Earl Simmons, in Baltimore, MD * Tuesday, December 19, 1972: Warren Sapp, all-star black defensive tackle of the football Tempa Bay Buccancers, in Orlando, FL

* Monday, December 14, 1799: George Washington, commanding general of the American Revolutionary Army and first president of the United States of estate in Mount Vernon, VA, at age 67. British ships were ordered to lower their flags and Napoleon of France wore a crepe mourning

* Monday, December 15, 1890; Sitting Bull, great American Indian leader, at Grand River, South Dakota, at age 59. He was killed along with eleven other tribesmen of the Hunkpapa Teton Sioux, either by Indian police in his home on the reservation or by soldiers in an Army jail, in a reported escape

* Saturday, December 14, 1963; Dinah Washington, gifted black vocalist, of an accidental drug overdose, in Detroit, MI, at age 39. Born Ruth Jones, she had 34 top-10 hits on the Billboard R&R

* Tuesday, December 20, 1988; Max Robinson, first black network TV anchor (ABC), from complica-tions of AIDS, in Washington, DC,

In Sports History:

* Saturday, December 14, 1915: lack Johnson became the first black world heavyweight champion The Mianni Dolphins had a 14-0-0 season, becoming the first unde feated team in National Football League history

* Sunday, December 16, 1973; O.L. Simpson, famous black ranning back, became the first ever to rush for 2000 yards in a single season in the National Football League

* Monday, December 15, 1980: The New York Yankee's African American star Dave Wmfield became the highest-paid player in baseball, with a 10-years contract worth \$15 million

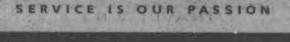
* Wednesday, December 14, 1988: The expansion basketball team, the Mismi Heat, won its first-ever game, beating the Los Angeles Clippers 89-88, after 17 losses. Three years later, on Tuesday, December 17, 1991 the Miam' Heat lost to the Cleveland Cavaliers by a record 68 points, 148-80

Sign of the Zodinc: SAUITTARIUS, the ninth sign of

the zodine, symbolized by an the planet Jupiter. According to astrologers, typical Sagittarians dislike being confined or tied down; they seek change, especially through travel. Sagittarians require freedom of thought and ideas, but they otherwise tend to be fairly conventional and respect tradition. Professious traditionally associated with Sagittarius include higher education; law; medicine; importing and exporting, or other activities that involve foreign countries; and publishing.

M's A Fact!

Flammkuh, sometimes spelled Channukah, is an eight-days religious holiday celebrated by people of the lewish faith, it commemorates the Macabees' victors over Greek religious persecution in the year 167 BC. Upon returning to the temple to rededicate it, the Jews found only one small flask of oil, yet by mirucle there was enough oil to light the Menorah (a candelabrum having nine branchea) for eight days. Called the "Festival of Lights," it is a happy and juyous festivity. Families gather at nightfall to rekindle the Menorah flames, share moals, renew lewish faith and practices, and exchange small gifts. In recent years, there apparently has been increasing interest in promoting Hannakus as a meaningful chemitive to



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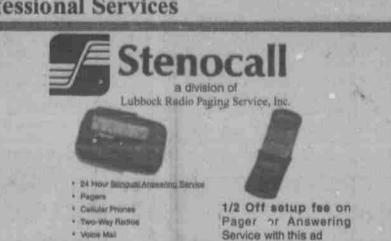
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These photos are conrtesey of Nancy Neil.

