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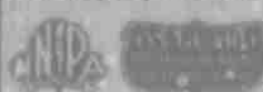
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## Dunbar basketball had a 9-3 record in 1971



The Dunbar High School Panthers Boys Basketball team may not be the Dallas Mavericks or the Miami Heat, but they stood their ground in 1971. During the season, the Panthers were 9-3. In that year, they defeated the Estacado High School Matadors twice: 62 to 38

and 95-72. The Golden Tors of Lamesa High School gave the Panthers a hard time. Their coach was Coach Curtis Gipson.

Here are those mighty Panthers: Front Row: left to right: Kenneth Burrows, Edward Davis, Alexander

Johns, Larry Collins, Larry English, Ray Charles Tillman, Don M-Graw, and Glen Davis. Front Row: left to right: George Smith, Charles Ray Knowles, Ronald Dean Giveus, Gary Howard, Lester Newman, and Jerry Williams.

### Community Meetings

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

- African American Chamber of Commerce, Lubbock: meets on the 3rd Monday of each month, from 5:30-6:30pm at the Parkway Community Center, 405 MLK Blvd., 806-771-1815
- Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm at the Patterson Branch Library
- Hub City Kiwanis meets every Tuesday, 7:00pm, 1708 Avenue G
- Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm
- Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon
- Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Library
- East Lubbock Chapter AAKP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mac Simmons Community Center
- Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Market Alumni Center
- Dunbar/Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 6:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm, at the Dunbar-Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center at 1301 East 24th St.
- West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturday of each month at 7:00 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations.
- Texas Juneteenth Cultural & Historical Commission - Lubbock Affiliate meets at Patterson Branch Library every 3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm.
- West Texas Native American Association meets 2nd Saturday each month at Groves Library, 5520 19th Street, 7:30 p.m.
- West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men meets the 3rd Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Parkway Neighborhood Center.
- The Parkway Grudalope & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 pm at Hum Elementary.
- Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm, at Hum Elementary Cafeteria.

## McDougal to receive 2nd Annual Community Champion Award

Former Mayor of Lubbock, Marc McDougal, will be presented the 2nd Annual Community Champion Award Friday night, June 16, 2006, at award banquet in the Banquet Hall of the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

During his tenure as Mayor of Lubbock, he wanted to develop a plan to bring the north and east parts of Lubbock in an equitable posture. Therefore, the creation of the North & East



McDougal

Lubbock Community Development Corporation (CDC) was established. The mission of this CDC is to create, facilitate and promote development in north and east Lubbock.

The CDC is a charitable, tax-

exempt corporation that was created in February, 2004 as part of the city's vision to spur growth in the target areas.

Since its inception, the CDC has conducted homebuyers education workshops, provided financial literacy counseling and helped citizens achieve the American dream of home-ownership.

This year, the CDC began construction of the neighbor-

hood's first single family residential sub-division since 1954 when the Manhattan-Heights Addition was begun. This new development is called King Dominion.

John Hall is executive director of the CDC.

J.J. Patterson, former City Councilman, received the initial award in 2005.

## Crooning in tune

These young Dunbar High School students appear to be practicing for an upcoming concert. They are: Margaret Gentry, Charles Knowles and Ricky Floyd, who were members of the Dunbar Choir. They were doing some practicing when Glen Davis, left, came by to give them a helping hand.



## Mr. and Miss Juneteenth crowned



The 2nd Annual "Mister & Miss Juneteenth Scholarship Showcase" was held Saturday evening, June 10, 2006, at the Estacado High School Auditorium.

Dehidrick Henderson, son of Debra Henderson, was crowned "Mister Juneteenth" and Kierra Godfrey, daughter of Craig & Latrice Godfrey, was chosen as "Miss Juneteenth."

Henderson is a 17 year-old junior at Estacado High School. His interests include reading, attending church and basketball. He has a 3.8 grade point average.

With a 3.84 grade point average, Godfrey is a sophomore at Monterey High School. Her interests include singing, family time and she loves shopping.

## Remember When...

"Mr. and Miss Dunbar 1971" were

John Mayse and  
Glenda Lawson

Don't Miss Dunbar's  
7th All-Class  
Reunion  
July 13-16, 2006



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# Chatman Hills Corner

By Doris Reynolds

The members of the Smith Temple Church was blessed to have sponsors of the Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. to attend worship services Sunday morning, May 26, 2006. Pastor D. A. Smith delivered a spiritual message. Following services, a delicious dinner was served for the special guest. Many words of joy were expressed by those in attendance. All were invited to come again and worship with the members of Smith Temple Church.

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This is the week of the Annual Juneteenth Celebration. The Man & Woman of the Year will take place tonight, Thursday, June 15th, at Mae Simmons Community Center beginning at 7:00 p. m. This annual event is sponsored by the Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Friday evening, June 15th, at 7:00 p. m., the Second Annual North & East Lubbock CDC Champion Award at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. The Senior Citizens Breakfast will be held at the Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center at 7:30 a. m. Saturday morning, June 17th. At 10:00 a. m., the Annual Juneteenth Parade will kick-off at the United Supermarket parking lot at 2630 Parkway Drive. Following this event, activities will get underway in Mae Simmons Park. Sunday morning, Juneteenth Services will be held at the

Mount Gilead Baptist Church, beginning at 11:00 a. m. Also, at 3:30 p. m., church services will be held at the Gazabo in Mae Simmons Park. From 5:00 p. m. until 8:00 p. m., a Jazz Fest will be held at Mae Simmons Park. Closing out the week long activities will take place Monday, June 19th, beginning with a Job Pilgrimage at the Bryon Martin ATC, from 9:00 a. m. until 3:00 p. m. The African-American Chamber of Commerce Juneteenth Luncheon will be held at the KoKo Palace, from 11:30 a. m. until 1:00 p. m. Juneteenth Closing Ceremonies will be held at Mae Simmons Park at 7:30 p. m.

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If you get an opportunity attend all of the remaining ceremonies you can. When you attend, think of why you are celebrating. Thank God, we can celebrate!

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Scores of Ushers from the Greater Fort Worth District of the Tenth Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church will be in Board Meeting and Training in Lubbock. This session is hosted by the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. Eddie L. Everline, Jr., pastor.

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Rev. Eddie L. Everline, Jr., pastor of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, will deliver the Pastor & Wife's Anniversary Sermon at the St. James Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon, July 2, 2006, beginning at 3:30 p. m.

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Let us continue to pray for those in our community who are sick and shut-in. Among them include Sister Joan Y. Ervin, a Christian lady who has been on the road working for her church and community for years.

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Also, don't forget those who have lost loved ones. Among them include Brother F. Jenkins, who lost his mother, Mrs. Annie L. Jenkins. She passed away in Lufkin. Services were held Saturday morning, June 10, 2006. May God continue to bless this family and others.

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Rev. B. R. Moion, pastor of the New Hope Baptist Church, delivered a dynamic sermon last Sunday morning, June 11, 2006. His subject was "God Is Still In The Deliverance Business." His scripture text was Exodus 8:15-16.

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The Children's Choir of New Hope sang out of their hearts last Sunday morning. Let us keep encouraging these young people as they continue to work for the Lord. Sister Anna Chatman read the morning announcements. All visitors were welcomed by Sister Tatianna Phillips.

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Let us all be careful during the remainder of the week as we get ready for many activities during the annual Juneteenth Celebration. Be careful how you drive and where you go.

## In Remembrance

**Charles Burrell**  
Funeral services for Charles Burrell were held last Saturday morning, June 10, 2006, at the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church with Rev. J. H. Ford, pastor, officiating. Burial was held in the Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

He passed away Saturday, June 3, 2006, in his residence.

He was born in Spur July 9, 1945 to Mr. and Mrs. James Burrell.

He leaves to mourn his passing: a wife, Thelma Burrell of Lubbock; two sons, Stacy of Arlington and Chad of Dallas; two daughters, Charlene Burrell of Lewisville and Gravardo

Burrell of Fresno, California; his mother, Clarice Burrell of Lubbock; two brothers, William and Don of Lubbock; a sister, Ann Crowder of Lubbock; seven grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends.

**LaTasia Monique Foster**  
Funeral services for LaTasia Monique Foster were held last Saturday morning, June 10, 2006, at the Agape Temple Church of God in Christ.

Funeral services for LaTasia Monique Foster were held last Saturday morning, June 10, 2006, at the Agape Temple Church of God in Christ. Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

She passed away Sunday, June 4, 2006, at Backenridge Hospital in Austin, Texas.

## Choir musical next week

Christ Temple Church of God in Christ will be holding a Choir Musical Service next week on Thursday, June 22, 2006 at 7:30pm. Featured Soloists will be Sister Rosemary Sampson, Sister Kathy Newton, Sister Linda

Hightower and Sister Brenda Wright. Voices of Faith, a musical group from Lubbock, will be featured as well. Other invited guests will be featured. Choir President-1st Mother Myrta Haynes and Pastor-Supt. W. David Haynes.

## Big reunion planned for Soto family this Friday

U. S. Army retired Sergeant First Class Gilbert G. Soto, Sr. and wife, Marr will be hosting in Lubbock this year's Soto Family Reunion June 16 through 18, 2006 at the Parkway Neighborhood Center. The children and grandchildren have been honored with the planning and accommodations and approximately 200 family members from throughout the United States of America are expected to be in attendance.

Gilbert and Maria, along with their children, moved to Lubbock in 1966 with many hopes of a bright future. As longtime residents of the Cherry Point Addition of east Lubbock, the

couple requested that the event be held close to their home and among friends. The Soto family has called East Lubbock home for nearly forty years.

Special thanks are extended to their children and grandchildren who took time and energy to make this event a heart-warming success.

## Free micro-chips offered for Lubbock pets

There are few things more stressful for pet owners than having a pet run away. Now Lubbock Animal Services is offering pet owners in Lubbock some peace of mind. Every first and third Wednesday of each month, from 9 a.m. - Noon, Animal Services is offering free micro-chipping for dogs and cats (owners must purchase a city registration tag for \$5.00). This free micro-chipping is limited to the first 50 animals

each event day. Call Gail at 775-2056 to reserve a spot. Pet owners must meet a few requirements:  
• Owners must be a resident of the City of Lubbock  
• Proof of residency is required  
• A current rabies certificate is required  
• Limited to Two (2) animals per household  
• Cats must be on a pet taxi or other carrier

• Dogs must be on a leash  
• Owners must purchase a city registration tag for \$5.00 (cash or check only)  
• Micro-chipping is a unique identifying tool that is internationally recognized and used by many cities across the United States.  
Animal Services is located at 102 Municipal Dr. Micro-chipping is made possible by a grant from the Lubbock Area Foundation.

## Citizens encouraged to take part in "Mayor's Night In"

Frustrated because you don't think City Hall is listening? Have concerns but feel like no one cares? Or have something you want to brag about? This Monday, June 19th, Mayor David A. Miller wants to hear your comments and concerns during

the first "Mayor's Night In." From 6 p.m. till 9 p.m., Lubbock residents will have the chance to spend some one-on-one time with Mayor Miller. Can't make it this Monday? The "Mayor's Night In" is scheduled to take place the third Monday of

each month. It starts this Monday, June 19, 2006, at 6 p.m. in the City of Lubbock Municipal Building, 1625 13th Street. You can sign up at the door so don't miss this chance to voice your concerns and comments to Mayor Miller.

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North East Lubbock Community Development Corporation





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Your age is your greatest risk, but colon cancer is one cancer you can avoid. Simply by getting tested. And, there are no symptoms in the beginning, so you could have it and not even know it. So no excuses, okay? Talk to your doctor and make colon cancer testing a priority. For a free information kit, contact us at 1-800-ACS-2345 or [www.cancer.org/coloncancer](http://www.cancer.org/coloncancer). This is how you prevent colon cancer. This is the American Cancer Society.

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LUBBOCK COLON CANCER PREVENTION TASK FORCE

**FASHION FUN**  
by Shirley Roberson

**Satin Butterfly Skirts**

Butterflies are in the air, they're flying high - gathering, fluttering, clustering, landing perfectly and unbalanced on this season's beautiful shiny satin, light fitting skirts. Count me in, they are absolutely gorgeous. When it comes to butterflies the selection is fantastic. The vibrant colors are to die for! Hand painted or hand stitched, the choice is yours. There's something special about a lady that appreciates the beauty of a butterfly. EASY TO FIND, THEY'RE EVERYWHERE!

FASHION TIP: Always wear a smile! FASHION - Just for the fun of it!



# Church News



## We Thank God for Jesus

### Free At Last! Free At Last! Free At Last!

Written by evangelist Billy "B.I." Monson, III - Your brother in Christ Jesus always.

John 4:31-32 - Jesus said, if you continue in my word, they are you my disciples indeed, and you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.

I was raised in a loving Christian home under the word of prayer. But then I got grown and wanted to do my own thing, and left prayer there!!!

Proverb 23:13-14 - With hold not correction from the child for if you beat him with the rod, He shall deliver his soul from hell.

When I lived in the world pig pen, it was what I thought to be alright. Then Jesus came into my life that I began to walk in the light.

Psalm 51:12 - Restore unto me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free spirit.

At one time, I walked with the world's thinking, with the shall overcome crowd. They had me on the wrong road, thinking I was to be Black and proud!!!

Proverbs 6:16-17 - These six things do the Lord hate. Yet, seven are an abomination unto him. A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood.

\*\*\* Yes, The World Is Robbing God!!! \*\*\*

This is my Right Thing: It of the Devil, and the Christians believed in what he says, but

everybody have rights only in Heaven, and Jesus said, 'Tis the only way!!!!

John 14:6 - Jesus said, I am the way, the truth and the life. No man comes unto the Father, but by me.

I had fights to drugs, alcohol, diamonds, women, cars and fine clothes, but I didn't have peace, joy, and happiness. There was white hate in my soul!!!

Matthew 8:31-33 - Jesus said, therefore, take no thought for saying 'What shall we eat? Or what shall we drink? Or what shall we be clothed? But seek you the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.

\*\*\* Try Jesus And He Will Make You Free!!! \*\*\*

Maybe it was Abraham Lincoln of the Civil War times - the man who set you free. But I'm going to tell the whole world that it was Jesus who liberated me!!! Or maybe it was Martin Luther King, Jr. Was it him who died to make you free? But like I said, I'm going to tell the whole world: It was Jesus who set me free!!!

\*\*\* Who Was It That Made You Free??? \*\*\*

You see by the law of nature, I should have long been dead -

sleeping in my grave, but Jesus, who sent the Holy Spirit into my life (Thank God For Jesus), I'm now saved!!! You see, I'm now walking with Jesus, and he is my shining life all the day and all night!!!

John 8:36 - Jesus said, if the son of man, therefore, shall make you free, you shall be free indeed!

You see, didn't nobody have to give up their seat while riding on the City Bus. My freedom came from above - sent by God. And God said that was enough!!!

You see, didn't nobody have to become beaten and hit with the policeman's Billy clubs. But my freedom came from God when he sent his only son-to-ashed his own blood!!!

\*\*\* Who's Binoe Was Shed For Our Sins??? \*\*\*

You see, didn't nobody have to be bitten by the Policeman's vicious dogs. But my freedom came when Jesus died and died on that old mean and hateful cross. But my freedom came the Sunday morning when Jesus Christ there arose from the dead!!!

Galatians 5:1 - Stand fast, therefore, in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.



## From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

### America needs a change in leadership

This writer is very concerned about the state of our country. If America keeps its present course, we will soon be a third world country morally, socially, and economically and all other negatives that make one-third world.

This country course of action appears to be dictated by the leaders of Mexico, England, India, China, Saudi Arabia and the CEO's and stockholders of large corporations.

Americans elected George Bush to be their leader. It appears George is following the tenets of Nero of Rome. He is fiddling as he drinks the poison of corporate America, while the American middle-class is being consumed with the fires and economic of illegal immigration, outsourcing of jobs, increasing cost of student loans, a Roman like Supreme Court, a overly taxed health and social services system, a drying up of social security and an on!

Leaders of the world have no respect for America's president. They treat him like a weak cowboy headed toward the sunset. Vicente Fox is protecting the upper echelon of Mexico's future while he sucks 10 billion dollars a year from Mexicans he send to the United States. He actually is in charge of the proxy of stupidity for a majority of the members of the United States Senate—both

Democratic and Republican. I am embarrassed that our leaders would bow and kiss the backside of a Mexican Baal.

Did Americans take note of how the Premier of China on his first visit to America as a head of a Republic, stopped and dine with the leader of Microsoft and Washington State upper echelon while making a brief visit with the United States President, George Bush.

Have the people of Lubbock noticed the million ton of goods that are shipped from China on the Burlington Northern rail lines daily? The people that make these good earn about 50 cents an hour under cruel working conditions. Corporate America support these inhumane treatment of humans because of greed and the president of the United States runs away from economic inequities like a dog infested with fleas.

During the Clinton Administration, I wrote how the Senate of the United States act like little children in handling Clinton problems. I expressed how I once respected what I thought was the greatest political institution in the world. However, this present Senate is about as mindless and out of touch with the American people and reality as a Chihuahua in a Raccoon hunt. Are you aware that a study of

the Senate bill on illegal immigrants would allow up to 193 million new legal immigrants - a number greater than 60 percent of the current United States population in 20 years. Someone, please advise me as to who is running the United States Is it Vicente Fox and his sly administration or George Bush and his cowardly Senate and useless as the mammary glands on a bull, Attorney General?

Where are those people who claim to be the watchers of human rights? Cannot they see the slave treatment bestowed upon the poor Mexicans of Mexico who are in America illegally? Where are the elite and educated Hispanic in America? Why are they sitting back and letting their people be exploited for the gain of corporate America. Have they been so Anglicized and blond haired that they will let their own help exploit the poor Mexicans of Mexico? Do American Hispanics know that the action of the Clinton Administration in free trade help start the madness of illegal immigration because of job lost in Mexico?

To my fellow moderate and conservative friends—we perhaps need a shake up in Washington to save our middle class backside. Cowards cause this writer great concern about the future of America.

## Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The word Vision is what we all need. The scripture says where there's no vision, the people perish. Catch the vision of the new going to the right direction and walk therein. New opportunities, see yourselves on new paths and with new interests. Look for newer and better methods. Welcome new ideas and your contact with new things will revolutionize your life. It will put you in a world where dreams of harmony and plenty by a reality. You will be filled with enthusiasm for all things new and right.

My vision is renewed by divine love, and we see all men through the eyes of love. What a beautiful vision through the light of Christ. Our vision is focused on truth. Keep your eyes looking heavenward. Bring into the field of vision that

which you would behold the Christ in all people. A high vision that looks past appearances and see the power of God at work. See the goodness of God being brought into manifestation.

We have a high vision of you and for you. We see you as a radiant spiritual being. We behold the Christ in you. We see shattering the fears and doubts of the past. We see you entering into the New Year with high vision. We see the unfolding before you like a dawning light, happier and more prosperous and successful than ever before. What ever your goals are for now, what ever the overcoming you hope o make, what ever the dreams you long to see come true, have the vision and the faith to know that all things are possible to you. God is

with you as you enter the new. God will give you overcoming power and strength. God's love upholds and supports you. God's spirit is in you and gives you high vision, and the assurance of fulfillment of your deepest longing, your deepest dreams with a high vision.

Go for it. God will see you through! We love you, and thanks for reading, Saints. We are praying that each of you will be blessed by doing so.

For those hurting people in his city and beyond, remember God loves you. Continue to stand on his word!

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burselen, vice president; Sister Elnora Jones, teacher; and Sister Rosianna Henderson, secretary.

## St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Church services at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2270 East 14th Street, were well attended last Sunday morning, June 11, 2006. Rev. Edward Canady is the lead pastor.

Sunday School got underway at 10:15 a. m. with Superintendent Sister Lucille Harris in charge. The morning lesson was taught and reviewed by Pastor Canady. The subject of

the lesson was "Finding Wisdom." What an inspiring lesson for all to witness.

The morning worship services began at 11:15 a. m. with Deacon Edward and Brother Gerald Jackson in charge. The St. Matthew Baptist Church Senior Choir was at their post of duty and sung out of their hearts and souls.

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "Keep Your Hands Clean." His scripture text was Job 1:7-10. What an inspiring message for all of us who were in attendance.

Thought For The Week: "Grace is an unearned blessing given by God to an unworthy recipient."

## Eighth anniversary of Canadys to be celebrated



Rev. and Mrs. Edward Canady

Church will celebrate the 8th Appreciation Services of their pastor and wife, Rev. & Mrs. Edward Canady, June 15, 16 & 18, 2006. Services will get underway each evening at 7:30 p. m. with the Sunday afternoon services beginning at 3:30 p. m.

Thursday evening, June 15th - Sponsors are: Ushers, Mission and Brotherhood. Mistress of ceremonies will be Sister Lorene Conaway. A welcome will be given by Brother Vincent Bailey. Guest churches are: Free Will Missionary Baptist Church of Slaton, Rev. Jimmy Doss; Greater St. Mark Baptist Church, Greater Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Rev. S. N. Godfrey; and Divine Love Baptist Church, Rev. Kenneth Burns. Friday, June

16th - Sponsors: Sunday School and Adult Choir. Sister Barbara Johnson will be mistress of ceremonies. Brother Albert Wilbon will give the welcome. Guest churches are: Greater St. Luke Baptist Church, Rev. J. H. Ford; Bethlehem Baptist Church, Rev. Roy McCoy; Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church of Lorenzo and Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Rev. Larry Slaughter.

Closing services will be held Sunday afternoon, June 18th. Sponsors are General Church and Pastor's Aid. Mistress of ceremonies will be Sister Nina David. A welcome will be given by Sister Ortha Moore. Guest churches are: New Light Baptist Church, Rev. James C. Vananugh; First Progressive Baptist Church, Rev. Homer Avery.

## Moore family in concert

The Moore Family will be in a family reunion in Oklahoma City during the week of June 15-19. During the reunion, the Moores will be honoring Mrs. Desma Moore, Lubbock's pioneer musician and director of the Federation of Choirs.

The family will be involved in many activities during the week, including a concert on June 18, 2006 at 4:00 pm held at the Mt. Sinai COGIC, located in Oklahoma City at 2214 N. Bryant. Family members from Los Angeles, Sacramento, Long Beach, Houston, Dallas, Lubbock, San Antonio, Denver, CO, & Washington DC will be gathering in memory of their parents, sisters, and nephew.

## Join your friends and neighbors for a tribute to Griffin Mortuary

THE WELCOME MAT HAS BEEN LAID. The East Lubbock community is giving Griffin Mortuary a spectacular evening out, a celebration of appreciations. Honoring the business for its first two years of immaculate service to the community. A service the Griffin Family has generously provided with compassion, dignity and style. Please come and be apart of this special occasion, as the community pay tribute.

You can expect: great entertainment, laughter, good food, good people and a extremely good time!

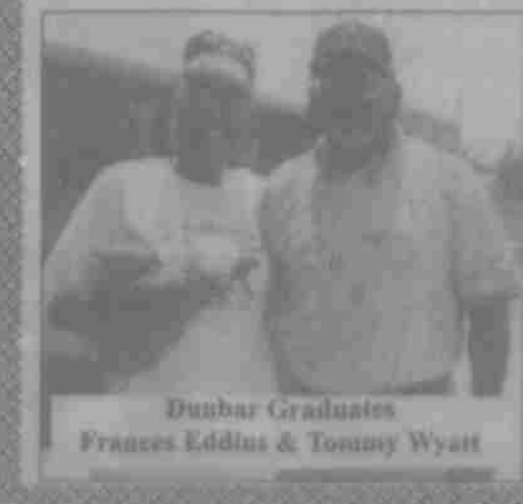
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## DUNBAR ALL-CLASS REUNION VII

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### July 13-16, 2006



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# Rise Academy excels on TAKS

Every one of Rise Academy charter school's students passed every TAKS test for the 2006 school year, according to results just released from the state's testing service. In addition, a high percentage of Rise students achieved a "commended" score (92 percent correct or above) on one or more of their tests. For example, a phenomenal 70 percent of the Rise sixth graders and 61 percent of third graders scored at the elite "commended" level in reading.

Rise students in grades third through six took the TAKS test this year. The Lubbock charter school currently enrolls students in grades pre-k through sixth.

"We're back to Exemplary!" enthusiastically remarked Rise

director, Richard Baumgartner. "Last year, we had more pass rates in the 90s or at 100 percent, but we did poorly in science. That dropped us from our Exemplary rating for 2004. But we're back now! You can't do better than 100 percent in every subject at every grade level. These kids have done something quite remarkable."

Baumgartner also emphasized the fact that a high percentage of Rise students took the regular TAKS tests, as opposed to the state's alternative test, the State Developed Alternative Test, or SDM. "Some campuses inflate their pass rates on TAKS by finding ways to classify students as special Ed so they can take the

alternative test," said Baumgartner. Overall, Rise Academy's SDM rate is less than 10 percent.

Rise Academy is an independent, public charter school. The school has open enrollment, and is unable to selectively " cherry-pick" students. Over ninety percent of Rise students are low-income minority children residing mostly in east and northeast Lubbock neighborhoods.

As a charter school, Rise Academy must conform to all Texas Education Agency rules, with exceptions for teacher certification requirements and pay scale. Currently the academy serves 166 students in grades pre-k thru 6th, with future expansion to 8th grade.

# Parks annual photography competition underway

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The Parks and Recreation Department and the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce announce their call for entries for the Third Annual Parks and Recreation Giant Side Photography Competition and Exhibit. The exhibit consists of photographs taken in a City of Lubbock park or park facility, including Lake Alan Henry and is hosted by the Garden and Arts Center at 4215 University. New this year to the competition is the "Lubbock the Giant Side of Texas" category sponsored by the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce. Entries in this category should be larger than life or one of kind images from our City parks - spectacular sunsets, historic structures, expansive landscapes... the sky's the limit! In addition, entries will be accepted in three regular categories: Nature, Wildlife, People, and

Places (architecture, abstracts, etc.). The competition is open to anyone with classifications for Youth (18 years and under) and Adults. There is not an entry fee, but regular entries are limited to three per person with two additional photographs allowed in the Giant Side category.

This year's judge is local photographer Tricia Earl. There will be prizes awarded in each category, and the winners will be featured on the Parks and Recreation, Lubbock Chamber of Commerce and Lubbock Convention and Visitors Bureau website, and in promotional information and brochures. All entries should be framed and matted for exhibition and brought to the Garden and Arts Center, 4215 University, on Thursday, June 29 from 4:00-9:00 p.m. or on Friday, June 30 from 9:00 a.m.-Noon. Included with your entry form should be a 4" X 6" photo or a digital picture on a CD.

An opening reception and awards ceremony will be held during the First Friday Art Trail on Friday, July 7, 2006, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at the Garden and Arts Center. Mayor David Miller will be announcing the

winners in an awards ceremony at 7:00 p.m. during the reception. For more information or to receive an entry form contact the Garden and Arts Center, 767-3724, or go to the Parks websites at: [www.playlubbock.com](http://www.playlubbock.com) or the Garden and Arts Center website at: [www.lubbockgac.org](http://www.lubbockgac.org).

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### These boys can DANCE!



This young Dunbar High School student, Anthony Wilson, was surprised by the photographer as he was caught "getting it on" dancing at a social held at the Mae Simmons Community Center following a game in 1971. He appears to be asking the question: "Am I good?"

This photo shows how well the young people enjoyed attending Dunbar High School, a school which should not have been closed.

### Pep Rallies big at Dunbar



No matter what sport was involved at Dunbar High School in 1971, pep rallies were big. The student body was always behind the Dunbar Panthers.

Helping out with a pep rally in 1971 were these five students. They are, from left to right: Ricky Cooke, Winnie Morgan, Ronnie Sneed, Pamela Cunningham, and Linda Henderson.

### Dunbar's 440 Relay Team



If you would ask these young fellows who were members of the 440 Relay team of the Dunbar Panther Track Team in 1971, they would tell you they were really fast. Those members were: Wyatt Ward, William High, Ronnie Lawson, and Cleo Johnson.

## American Red Cross urges action on minority drowning disparity

PRNewswire - As we head into the summer season, the desire to combat the sun's rays with a splash in the pool or at the pond will be an irresistible draw, especially for children. Yet for many, seeking the cool comfort of water can have tragic consequences.

Unless children receive proper water safety and swimming lessons - pools, water parks and even bathtubs can be dangerous places. According to the CDC's latest study on water-related injuries the drowning rate in the US averages to nine people per day. Moreover, a disproportionate number - more than 40% - of those deaths are predominantly in communities of color. A startling statistic considering studies show minority children actually have less exposure to water-related environments.

In a recent two-part series entitled "In the Minority," Aquatics International magazine examined the disparity in minority drowning rates and found, "... black children between the ages of 5 and 19, are 2.6 times more likely to drown than whites."

Roughly 5,000 drowning and near drowning accidents are reported in the US each year. Compounding this tragic figure is the fact that most of these accidents could have been prevented with proper training. That is why the American Red Cross is encouraging everyone, especially those with children, to be mindful of water safety.

The American Red Cross is asking that you join us in spreading the word on the need for swimming lessons and water safety. Making communities aware of a few simple rules can help ensure water is a safer place for everyone.

- Learn to swim and swim well. One of the best things anyone can do to stay safe is learn to swim. No one should ever swim alone.
- Never leave a child unattended near water. Adults should keep children within arm's length.
- Be equipped before entering the water. Always keep basic lifesaving equipment by the residential pool and know how to use it. A first aid kit, cell phone and phone list with emergency contact information are recommended.

- Know when you've had too much. If you, or someone you are swimming with, appears to be too cold, too far from safety, had too much sun or too much strenuous activity, it is time to head for shore or signal for help.
- Know what you're getting into. Never swim in an area that does not have a lifeguard.
- Learn first aid and CPR. It is important that every household have at least one person who can perform this lifesaving skill.

The significance of swimming and water safety can be seen in our everyday lives; such as the case with Red Cross Water Safety Instructor Laura Chapman. As Chapman welcomed New Orleans evacuees to the Houston Astrodome after Hurricane Katrina, she was met by many of her fellow students who told of being able to use the water safety skills she taught them to survive the flood when others could not.

"Miriam, one of the girls, ran up

to me and said 'Miss Laura, Miss Laura, I used my life guarding skills!' and I knew that meant that she swam out," Chapman said. "Another one of the kids told me the same thing, and when I asked him where his momma was, he told me 'she didn't know how to swim.' I took that to mean that she did not make it."

In every community across the country the Red Cross has a swimming program for all ages and skill levels. It is never too early or too late to learn this lifesaving skill.

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# Editorials • Comments • Opinions



## THIS N' THAT

by T.J. Patterson



## Think About It!

It's time to re-evaluate our position

by Eddie P. Richardson

**GOOD TO SEE PASTORS AND MINISTERS INVOLVED!** THIS N THAT was glad to see local **BLACK PASTORS & MINISTERS** involved in the recent discussion of the spending of the **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDS** which monies were not distributed in District Two like these Pastors and Ministers wanted to see. They also advised the **MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL PERSONS** they wanted to see the **PUBLIC HEARINGS** held during the evening hours as they have been done in past years, as this would allow more local citizens to participate. Hopefully, since the monies requested for the **NORTH & EAST LUBBOCK CDC** (in the amount of approximately \$150,000) will be re-allocated during the month of January, 2007, **THIS N THAT** is hoping these local Pastors and Ministers will continue to **STAND** for what is right for all of the citizens of Lubbock.

**SCOTT IS OUR ALL AMERICAN!** **THIS N THAT** wants one of our own - **BRYAN SCOTT** - to know that he is our **ALL AMERICAN**, and we appreciate what he has done on the track this season. He is a student at Texas Tech University, and ran a very good race in the 400M hurdles finals last Saturday in Sacramento, California, where he

competed against some of the best in the United States of America. All are proud of what he did, and will be looking forward to hearing more about him in the future. Just think, a graduate of Eastwood High School who grew up on Globe Avenue on the hill! **BRYAN SCOTT**, you made us all proud, and as you said, "**MY ISSUES ARE WHAT DEFINE ME RATHER THAN MY VICTORIES. GOD HAS A PLAN FOR ME; IT'S JUST NOT MY TIME YET.**" That is well said, young man.

**WHERE DID EAST LUBBOCK BEGIN?** **THIS N THAT** was approached by a long time resident - **WILBERT LOCKE** - who asked, "**WHAT YEAR DID THE NAMES OF EAST LUBBOCK STREETS CHANGE FROM EAST AVENUE A, EAST AVENUE B, & EAST AVENUE C?**" At one time, all streets east of Avenue A had an East in front of it. In those days, there were no **ASH, BIRCH & CEDAR STREETS**. **THIS N THAT** would like to hear from those of you who know when the streets were called "EAST". This is a very good question. Need your assistance. Thanks, Brother Locke!

**SUPPORT JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION!** **THIS N THAT** is asking all of you who will go out

and celebrate this year's **LUBBOCK JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION**, as there have been citizens who have worked untiringly so there would be a celebration. In order to show your appreciation, just show up and help with the celebration. If you are of African-American descent, you should be happy to be a part of this historic celebration. **SO, SUPPORT JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION!**

**PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS, "RIGHT & WRONG CAN NEVER BE PARTNERS!"**

**IN HONOR OF THE LATE GEORGE SCOTT, JR!** **THIS N THAT** has learned that the upcoming **DUNBAR HIGH SCHOOL 7TH ALL-CLASS REUNION** will be in honor of the late **GEORGE SCOTT, JR.**, who served as Dunbar's principal, coach and teacher. He was also active in his church and the community and was employed at Texas Tech University in the Dean's Office of Student Affairs. **THIS N THAT** is glad to see this activity in his honor. He was a fighter and believed in what he was always fighting for, regardless of the obstacles in his path. He was a brother who stopped by Lubbock from Oklahoma, but couldn't leave because he wanted to help young people.

Up from slavery, we (Blacks) have made many, many positive advances in sports, entertainment, business, politics, religion, education, and many other areas. But, on the other hand, we failed many degrees in the negative area, i.e. drug usage and selling, stealing, being slick, young people failing to get an education, breaking the law, failing to respect self and others, including people, property, feelings, concerns and anything else.

In times past, we had plenty of shotgun weddings if a young fella got a young girl pregnant. There was a problem as the girl's father got his shotgun. The young fella had to marry the girl in order to give the baby a true last name. These days, however, young fellows go around and pregnant a young girl just for the sake of it, and even have the nerve to brag about how many girls have had babies for him. It appears to have become a past time event. Just think a few

years ago, this would not have happened, because of a concerned father. He had to marry, get a job, and take care of baby and mother. But this is no the case today! What a pity!

What those sorry jokers fail to become men, and you don't become a man by making sure a young girl is pregnant. When a young fella supports this child, then he is on his way of becoming a man. Dropping a baby with no job, no Social Security card does not make a man. Keep in mind, flies, frogs, skunks, and all animals, whether mammals or reptiles, can produce offspring.

Young Black females have problems finding future husbands and future family partners, because so many of our young men, in that age group, are in the judicial system, namely: jail, parole, or probation which are bad situations for them at present and in the future. Many of these Black males are in the system and being prepared, educated, and being able to or wanting to have a job. On the other hand, so many of them think that by being slick is more than being educated or having a job.

We (Black Folks) need to go back to the drawing board and re-evaluate our situation, and maybe in some cases, we may need to go back to the basics.

In this day of super highway, internet, computers, etc., in most cases, we are not classified by our human division by numbers. And if, in the near future, if we can't function our assigned numbers, we will be forever lost and left behind and tossed aside.

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**Closing Thought:** "We can prepare for the future and be ready for come what may, or we can not prepare and be ready for the future and watch the world pass us by. It's up to us! Grow and move ahead or watch the world go by leaving us behind."

**Nuf Sed! Why Not?**

## Shrill immigration rhetoric won't help unemployed Blacks

By Earl Otari Hutchinson

The disjointed assembly of black academics, civil rights activists, and black conservatives that gathered at the National Press Club in Washington D.C. in late May had only one goal in mind, and that was to stop passage of the Senate's immigration reform bill. They formed what they called the Choose Black America Coalition. The Federation for Immigration Reform, which has been the loudest and most relentless in opposing any concessions to immigration rights groups, sponsored their news conference. The Coalition didn't stop the bill, but it sent another noisy message that many blacks opposed immigration reform.

Coalition members vowed to stage rallies, join the Minuteman Project, patrol the border, and publicly denounce black Democrats and civil rights groups that back immigrant rights. Their rage against immigration reform again boiled down to one thing: jobs.

At the press conference, every speaker charged that illegal immigrants take jobs from blacks. The Coalition did touch a sore nerve with the jobs question.

Though a May Pew Research Center poll found that blacks by a bigger percentage than whites are sympathetic toward the plight of illegal immigrants, it also found that blacks by a far bigger percentage than whites are terrified that illegal immigrants take jobs from them.

At the moment the illegal immigration issue became the topic of intense national debate some blacks finger-pointed illegal immigrants as the main cause of the massive economic ills in poor black communities. And even with the passage of the Senate immigration reform bill, the finger pointing hasn't stopped. If there's any group that illegal immigration may have had a damaging economic impact on it is young black males. But how damaging an impact has that been?

More than forty percent of American born blacks work in the cleaning and maintenance, food preparation, light manufacturing, and transportation industries.

That's double the figure for whites that work in those industries. These are also the industries that the greatest number of illegal immigrants work in.

Immediately after the Katrina debacle, black workers bitterly complained that labor contractors reneged on their promise to hire them for clean up and repair jobs in the hardest hit Gulf regions in Louisiana, Alabama, and Mississippi. Instead they tracked in thousands of undocumented workers. Homeland Security temporarily suspended sanctions against employers that hired undocumented workers. The Gulf clean-up flap was no exception. According to the Pew Hispanic Research Center, illegal immigrants make up more than ten percent of the construction trades.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics current population survey, more than half of the nearly four million immigrant workers American businesses hired in the past five years have been illegal immigrants. The BLS calculates that this resulted in the loss of more than half million jobs to American born workers, the majority of whom were under age 20.

The numbers are not smoking gun proof that illegal immigrants have displaced tens of thousands of young blacks from jobs. If there were no illegal immigrants to fill jobs, many employers would still find dodges to skirt discrimination laws and not hire young blacks. And, given the bottom level wages, and lack of benefits, many young blacks would not take these jobs even if they were available. Still, the sheer number of jobs lost due to illegal immigration is just enough for some blacks to make the inferential case that illegal immigration has adversely affected blacks.

The black immigration opponents say the answer is to jail the immigrants, kick them out, and militarize

the border. This is inflammatory and delusional.

Employers will continue to put the welcome mat out for cheap labor, illegal or otherwise. And when they can get away with it exploit them shamelessly. Katrina is an example of that. At the same time that black workers complained that illegal immigrants took clean-up jobs from them in the Gulf area, two federal class action suits were filed that alleged that thousands of migrant workers worked brutal 12-hour shifts removing dangerous toxic wastes from buildings and were sick.

Immigration opponents have refused to press government officials and business leaders for more job funding and training programs, and to toughen enforcement against job discrimination. That would dent the job crisis among young Blacks. But it would remove the issue of black joblessness from their arsenal of weapons to bludgeon the public and elected officials on the perils of illegal immigration. The worry over black joblessness also enables them to con a few blacks into expressing support for ultra-conservative groups such as the Minuteman Project, a few of whom turned up at the National Press Club. The crisis of black unemployment is very real. But dumping the entire blame for that crisis on illegal immigration won't solve it, and neither will shrill rhetoric from a rump black anti-immigrant group.

Earl Otari Hutchinson is a columnist, an author and political analyst.

### In Cinque

by Renetta Howard

It has been reported that a very few of the senior citizens who are eligible for Plan D of the Medicare program have taken advantage of it. This is due in part to the very confusing nature of the program and the failure of persons in the government who are administrators to make it clear to senior citizens.

The program needs to be overhauled to clear up all of the unanswered questions that are preventing people from taking part in the program. Some people are just not able to purchase any more insurance of any kind. There are those seniors who already have some insurance, which may not be adequate, but is all they can afford. Money plays a large role in purchasing power when you are on a fixed income.

Aside from having to live on a fixed income, many seniors who are unable to purchase Plan D, often have assets which prevent them from being eligible and they know this, so why go through telling someone else all of your business to know that the answer is that your premiums will not be paid for you. The truth will be known about the

asset if that information is withheld, because every individual who receives Medicare in any form, has an identifiable social security number which is in the government's file. All of us are in the file cabinet. We are a number in the greater order of things.

One of the most disturbing things about the recruitment of seniors whom the government feels should sign up for Plan D based on their income, is the fact that the so-called insurance recruiters are attempting to sign individuals up for complete Medicare coverage, an HMO, rather than just Plan D. Many individuals decide to not pay the premiums when they receive their policies to find that they are

expected to pay \$100. or more per month for coverage when it has been advertised as \$35.00. The policies costing \$100 or more are for complete coverage of a Medicare HMO, not just Plan D. The irony of this is, that those people who signed up for HMO Plan D and already had health coverage with another insurance company, will not be able to return to the original company if they keep the coverage from the new company, which in most instances is an HMO. We need to get 'in cinque' and speak with someone in the Social Security Office if we are not sure what we are getting into with the Plan D, not the new insurance company representative.



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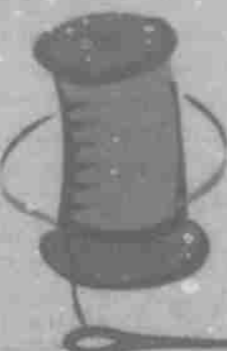
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### Basketball Sweetheart 1971



How many of you remember this young lady who was selected as the Dunbar High School Panther Basketball Sweetheart in 1971? She was Marilyn Peppers, who was a junior.

In this photo, she appears to be inviting all Dunbar graduates and former students to register for the upcoming 7th All-Class Reunion which will be held here July 13 thru 16, 2006. Deadline to register is June 24th.

## Chambers, Scott earn All-American honors

Althea Chambers and Bryan Scott earn All-American honors on final day of NCAA Track Meet in Sacramento, California last Saturday, June 10, 2006, as members of the Texas Tech Red Raiders Track team.

The 2006 NCAA Championships wrapped up with Chambers finishing sixth in the 800 M finals, and Scott taking eighth place in the 400 M hurdles final.

Chambers, in her last race as a Red Raider, finished sixth in the 800 M finals with a clocking of 2:05.64, her second-best time of the season, the fifth-best time of her career and the fifth-best time in school history. Chambers ends

her Texas Tech career with the top five marks in school history including the school record of 2:05.21.

Scott, on the other hand, clocked a 50.69 to earn an eighth-place finish. He also earned the first All-American honor of his career to go with two Big 12 titles, a Midwest Regional title and four All-Big 12 honors. His season-best time will stand at 49.83, the third-best time in school history.

"My losses are what define me rather than my victories," said Scott, a Lubbock native and Estacado High School graduate. "God has a plan for me; it's just not my time yet."

## Fundraisers scheduled for elderly and disabled

The Adult Protective Services Silver Star Board will be holding a series of fundraisers in June, giving the people of Lubbock a chance to step up and help protect some of our society's most vulnerable members - the elderly and the disabled.

The Silver Star Board is made up of a group of dedicated individuals, from the Lubbock area, who recently joined together to give generously of their time to help APS in its mission. APS, an agency of the Department of Family and Protective Services, is the state agency tasked with investigating abuse, neglect and exploitation of the elderly and disabled.

"We are absolutely thrilled to have the Silver Star Board up and running in Lubbock," said Greg Cunningham, spokesman for DFPS. "These folks have taken up such an important cause in helping APS. As the elderly population continues to grow, their task will become even more important; and, I know they are up to the challenge."

One of the first public efforts of the board will be a fundraising initiative to stock the APS's Silver Star Room. The Silver Star Room holds a collection of necessities APS staff uses to supply elderly and disabled clients who have been removed from abusive or exploitative environments.

Supplies in the room are running low, so the board is asking the public to help by contributing critical items to replenish the supplies. The drive will gather personal toiletry items, adult undergarments and cleaning supplies. These items will be used to help the city's elderly.

"Some of our clients are removed from such difficult circumstances that they need all the little things we take for granted," said Marivel Alvarez, program administrator for APS. "Little things like soap and shampoo can make such a difference to them in these difficult circumstances."

There will be a fundraiser this weekend: June 16th from 10am to 6pm and on June 17th from 10am to 2pm. The fundraiser will be held at the following local United Grocery Stores: Market Street at

50th and Indiana; 2630 Parkway Drive; 4th and Slide Road; and 29th and Brownfield Highway. There will be persons representing the Silver Star Board at the entry of each of these locations to accept financial donations or personal hygiene/toiletry items, cleaning supplies, and undergarments for our elderly. The purpose of this fundraiser is to replenish our Silver Star Room. We are planning a ground breaking for the Silver Star Room at a future undetermined date, sometime soon.

On June 15, 2006, an information shoring was held at the Wayland Baptist University Auditorium, located at 2602 West Loop 289, Suite 120, from 2:00 to 3:00pm. The event was in recognition of World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. The purpose of this event is for various area agencies, which provide services to the elderly and disabled, to share services they offer to this population. Anyone interested in attending and sharing may contact Marivel Alvarez at 806-698-6969, ext. 235.

Monetary donations for the Silver Star Room are to be made out to the West Texas Opportunities, Inc., and mailed to WTO, P.O. Box 1308, Lamesa, Texas 79331. Other donations (toiletry/personal hygiene items, undergarments, and cleaning supplies) may be mailed or delivered directly to the Silver Star Room, located at 5121 - 69th Street, Suite B4/B6, Lubbock, Texas 79424.

Alvarez, a long-time proponent of the elderly population in Lubbock says that services for this population are lacking. The Adult Protective Services do the best they can with very limited resources. In order for this population to be adequately served and protected, it is mandatory that the communities provide support. The Silver Star Board consists of local caring individuals who desire to make a difference. They do this by giving freely of their time and personal resources. The organization asks the city of Lubbock and area residents to join us in this effort, so together we can make a difference in the lives of our elderly and disabled residents.

## 2006 Juneteenth Celebration Schedule of Events

### SATURDAY, JUNE 10

2nd Annual Mister & Miss Juneteenth Scholarship Showcase  
Estacado High School, 6:30 p.m.

### MONDAY, JUNE 12

3rd Annual Freedom Movement Walk-A-Thon  
Mae Simmons Community Center 5 p.m.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 13

Juneteenth Opening Reception  
Mae Simmons Community Center 6:30 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

Old Tyme Gospel Service  
Full Armor Ministries Church 7 p.m.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 15

Delta Sorority's Man & Woman of the Year Awards  
Mae Simmons Community Center 7 p.m.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 16

North & East Lubbock CDC Champion Awards  
Lubbock Memorial Civic Center 7 p.m.  
For Info Contact CDC at: 747-5934

### SATURDAY, JUNE 17

Senior Citizen's Breakfast, Mae Simmons Sr. Center 7:30 a.m.

### Freedom Parade

Departing United (Parkway) at 10 a.m.

### Opening Park Festivities

Mae Simmons/Canyon Lake Park: 12 Noon  
Health Fair Vendor Booths  
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### SUNDAY, JUNE 18

11 a.m. church service at Mt. Gilead Baptist Culinary  
3 p.m. church service at the park Gazebo  
5 - 8 p.m. Jazz Fest Mae Simmons/Canyon Lake Park

### MONDAY, JUNE 19

1st Annual Juneteenth Job Fair  
Byron Martin ATC - 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

African America Chamber Juneteenth Luncheon  
KOKO Palace 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Contact Regji at 535.3081 for info.

### Juneteenth Closing Ceremony

Mae Simmons/Canyon Lake Pavilion, 7:30 p.m.

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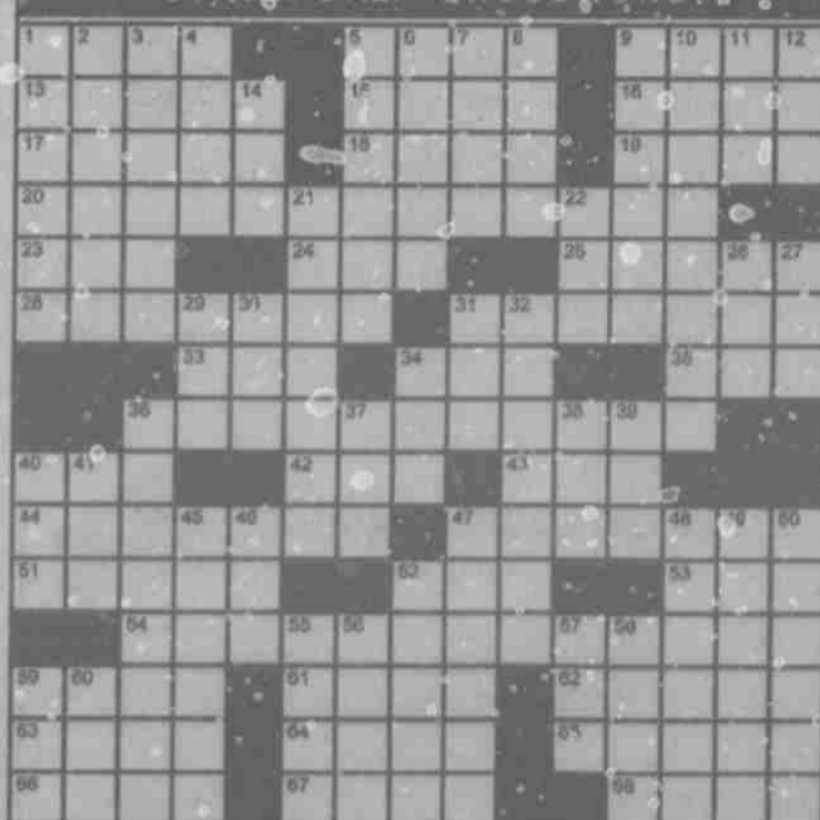
#### ACROSS

1. Daughter of Zeus and Demeter
5. Metal money
9. The street considered to be heart of U.S. financial market
13. Plural of obolus
15. Ancient Germanic alphabet character used in Scandinavia
16. Hipbones
17. 1969 movie "Easy \_\_\_\_"
18. Beyond what is natural
19. "Here With Me" performer
20. SE in NYSE
23. Poetic "ev-n"
24. She played Gidget
25. The Neverland's female visitor
28. Lattice-work for climbing plants
31. The simplest ketone
33. Goon
34. Wildebeest
35. What Carl Lewis did
36. Collection and study of money
40. Cassius Clay
42. Jack Sprat couldn't do this to fat
43. Individual Retirement Account
44. Having piquant and spicy taste
47. A salt of acetic acid
51. Verdi's "La Traviata", e.g.
52. "\_\_\_\_ the President's Men" movie
53. Short for Leonard
54. Equals 100 pence in U.K.
59. Alight, past tense
61. Gaelic
62. Hot chocolate
63. Money manufacturer
64. Wild swine
65. Imitating
66. Basic monetary unit in the Philippines
67. Whirling motion
68. Comfort

#### DOWN

1. Gibson Girl's undergarment
2. In passing
3. Done again

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4. Actor Baldwin
5. Most important points
6. 28,349 grams
7. Give them this and they will take a mile
8. Narcotic Enforcement Officers Association abbr.
9. Contraction
10. One who transfers ownership of property to another, pl.
11. "Put a \_\_\_\_ on it!"
12. Language of Laos
14. Irrigate
21. One who strengthens another by moral support
22. New England Patriots abbr.
26. Double helix
27. Japanese monetary unit
29. Baseball player Gehrig
30. A rapid escape
31. Santa \_\_\_\_, CA
32. Skin over nail
34. Greenwich, England time
36. Skittles
37. "Never \_\_\_\_ never"
38. Anger
39. Tom of "Tom and Jerry"
40. "Four score and seven years \_\_\_\_"
41. "Bite your \_\_\_\_!"
45. Cave
46. Water, in French
47. Act by nurse
48. Keys or Silverstone
49. Projections that fit into a mortise
50. Hire for work
52. "Very," as in tempo directions
55. Beaks
56. Rain particle
57. TV marker with dog in logo
58. Run slowly
59. Basic unit of electric current
60. Be untruthful under oath