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## Obama chooses Sen. Joe Biden to be running mate

By LIZ BIODI, Associated Press Writer



**CHICAGO, Illinois (CNN)** -- Sen. Barack Obama has selected Delaware Sen. Joe Biden as his running mate, according to his official Web site and a text message the campaign sent to supporters on Saturday. Barack has chosen Senator Joe Biden to be our VP nominee," the text message, sent at around 3 a.m. ET, said.

"Joe and I will appear for the first time as running mates this afternoon in Springfield, Illinois -- the same place this campaign began more than 19 months ago," Obama said in an e-mail sent to supporters Saturday morning. "I'm excited about hitting the campaign trail with Joe, but the two of us can't do this alone," he wrote. "We need your help to keep building this movement for change."

Before the text messages were distributed, multiple Democratic sources confirmed to CNN early Saturday that Obama wanted the Delaware senator as his vice president.

Watch Biden and Obama at 3 p.m. ET on CNN.com Live. On Friday, CNN learned three Democrats who had been considered contenders for the No. 2 spot, New York Sen. Hillary Clinton, Indiana Sen. Evan Bayh and Virginia Gov. Tim Kaine, had been ruled out. Watch CNN's John King break news of Biden being Obama's VP pick.

Biden was long considered a possible choice for vice president, but the buzz surrounding him intensified after he returned earlier this week from a two-day trip to the Republic of Georgia after Russian troops invaded.

Sen. John McCain's campaign quickly reacted to word that Biden would be Obama's running mate, calling attention to Biden's past comments about Obama's experience.

"There has been no harsher critic of Barack Obama's lack of experience than Joe Biden," McCain campaign

spokesman Ben Porritt said in a written statement.

"Biden has denounced Barack Obama's poor foreign policy judgment and has strongly argued in his own words what Americans are quickly realizing -- that Barack Obama is not ready to be president."

In a debate during the Democratic primary contest, Biden raised questions about Obama's foreign policy experience.

"Who among us is going to be able on day one to step in and end the war? Who among us understands what to do about Pakistan? Who among us is going to pick up the phone and immediately interface with Putin and tell him to lay off Georgia because Saakashvili is in real trouble. Who among us knows what they're doing? I have 35 years of experience," Biden said.

During another debate, moderator George Stephanopoulos referred to some of Biden's comments on Obama.

"You were asked, 'Is he ready?' You said, 'I think he can be ready, but right now, I don't believe he is. The presidency is not something that lends itself to on-the-job training,'" Stephanopoulos said.

"I think I stand by that statement," Biden replied.

Biden, in a July interview, said he would choose Obama's judgment over John McCain's war record and foreign policy experience.



Eugene Thurman Upham, Jr.

*Eugene Thurman Upham, Jr. . . First who played guard exclusively to enter Hall. . . No. 1 draft pick, 1967. . . Won regular left guard job as rookie. . . Played in 307 games altogether. . . Possessed size, speed, intelligence, intensity, exceptional leadership ability. . . Extremely effective leading sweeps. Played in 10 AFL/AFC title games, three Super Bowls, seven Pro Bowls. . . All-league seven years, second-team All-NFL four other times. . . Born August 15, 1945, in Robstown, Texas. . . Died August 20, 2008, at age of 63.*

## Lubbock school districts see most positive results on ACT

By Deborah Javalanche-Journal

The 2008 graduates of Lubbock's three school districts earned a composite score on the ACT college entrance exam that equaled or exceeded state and national averages, according to data released Thursday.

The ACT is one of two college entrance exams that students nationwide can take, with the SAT being the other. Students are tested in English, math, reading and science.

School district officials said they were pleased with ACT scores and that teachers will continue to work hard to prepare students for the test.

Frenship High School graduates earned higher scores compared to the state and national averages in all subjects tested. The state and national averages in English are 19.8 and 20.6; math 21.2 and 21.0; reading 20.9 and 21.4 and science 20.5 and 20.8.

"First of all more and

more kids are taking the ACT and SAT. Our high school really has a focus on college readiness," said Linsae Snider, a spokeswoman for Frenship Independent School District. "We start in the eighth grade."

Coronado and Lubbock high schools scored above state and national averages. Estacado and Monterey high schools scored below the state and national average in all four subjects.

"We have shown growth, and our district as a whole scored above the state in all four subjects areas as well as the composite," said Pam Leftwich, student assessment coordinator for Lubbock Independent School District. "As far as the nation, Lubbock ISD scored higher than the nation in math and science and the composite score. There are always areas where we can improve."

## 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, 805 MILK Blvd., 806-771-1215
- Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00pm at the Patterson Branch Library
- Hub City Kiwanis meets every Tuesday, 7:00pm, 1708 Avenue G
- Danbar 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 AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mico Simmons Community Center
- Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TLU Market Alumni Center
- Danbar/Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 6:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Danbar-Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center at 1301 East 24th St.
- West Texas Native American Association Post 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 Tuesday at 7:00 pm
- West Texas Native American Association meets 2nd Saturday each month at Groves Library, 5520 19th Street, 7:30 pm.
- West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men meets the 3rd Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Parkway Neighborhood Center.
- The Parkway Guadalupe & Cherry-Peak Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 pm at Hunt Elementary.
- Chattman Hill Neighborhood Association meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm, at the Elementary Cultural.

If you have an announcement you want to appear in this paper, there are three ways to get information to us:

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## Bethel A.M.E. Church Has Three Day Celebration

Photos by H.Hutch



Bethel A.M.E. Church held it's annual Friends and Family Day. The event started with Ship-Slip, Hamburger, Horseback rides, basketball on Friday August 9, to Saturday August 10th with a Bonquet at UMC Meador Trust Conference Hall. Where we were treated to variety of music and dance. To close out the celebration with a Sunday Evening services where the Word was brought by Minister Zairvens Patterson a young man that began his spiritual walk at Bethel A.M.E. Church. The day was concluded with food and drink under a tent with Friends and Family.



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# Chatman Hills Corner

By Doris Reynolds

School has begun and as we drive to and from our many businesses during the day, let us remember the school doors are open for another school year. Take your because these young people are excited about the beginning of the new school year.

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The Federation of Choirs will meet

Sunday afternoon, September 28, 2008, beginning at 2:30 p. m. at the Rising Star Baptist Church where the host pastor is Rev. H. Culver. This is the monthly meeting of this organization, and all are invited to attend. Sister Bennie Sims is president.

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Church services were well attended last

Sunday morning, August 24, 2008, at the New Hope Baptist Church where Rev. B. R. Moton is the proud pastor.

Services got underway with Meditation and prayer. The Praise Team was on point singing God's praises. After the morning scripture and prayer, the New Hope Choir sang two selections: "Thank The Lord" and "Open The Blood Gates of Heaven."

### New Light Baptist Church News

On Sunday August 24, 2008 services started at New Light Baptist Church where Rev. Kenneth Jackson is the pastor.

Sunday school started at 9:45a.m. with Sis. Alvera Johnson teaching the lesson titled: A confident Life Heb. 10:19-29 32-36. The question to ask is How can I have confidence in my christian life?

Morning worship started at 11:00a.m. with the devoted praise team leading the way.

The pulpit devotion was led by Rev. L. C. Lee with the responsive reading coming from PSALM 136: 1-14.

The seniors choir went in the choir stand singing

We've come this far by faith. They also sang The lord is blessing me and I'll Go. Amazing Grace was sung before the sermon.

Sis Hood read all the announcements and told of all the upcoming events that will be taking place.

Rev. Jackson preached the sermon titled: Your Day Is Coming Rom. 14:11-13; Gal. 6:7&8. After the sermon Mykieval Jackson Our Father Which Art In Heaven.

Sis. Angela acknowledged all the visitors that was present.

Continue to pray for the leaders of our Black Church Fellowship, and those that are sick, shut-in and have lost a love one

Pastor Moton delivered a dynamic sermon entitled "Choose Which Side You're on!" His scripture text was Matthew 12:30 and recently. Pray not only for those in our community and surrounding counties but also those that are leaders to whom is given authority over our country.

Let's continue to come out to the weekly meeting and help to support not only the church but one another.

Scripture For Week: Study to show thyself approved unto God a workman that needs not be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth.

2 Timothy 2:15

### Meet Pastors Johnny & Pat Perez Of The Church Of The Blessed



Meet the Pastors of the Church of the Blessed. The Church is located at 1809 34th Street. They invite those looking for a Church Home to come and visit with their congregation. The number of baptisms is 40. The Church of The Blessed is still visiting the Lubbock County Jail with it's Jail Ministry where there were 24 saved and continuing. Prayer at the Lubbock County Jail is held at 5:00 a. m. Monday through Friday. Saturday evenings English Services begins at 7:00 p. m.

### YOUR INVITATION TO A NEW BLESSING!

Pastors Johnny & Pat Perez and the family at Church of the Blessed invite you to join them for service this week

## Church of the Blessed

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### FASHION FUN

By Shirley Zimka

#### IT'S ALL ABOUT THE COLORS

IT'S ALL ABOUT THE COLORS: this fall season 2008 is bringing in rich vibrant hues that have a powerful influence from our natural surroundings. From brilliant blues to deep, glaucous, to forest green, to blue based black and royal blue. These shades are the most popular among the top designers. Autumn hues of gray, charcoal, brown and

shades are being paired with tones of the more vibrant colors like warm red and burnt orange. Twilight blue is the new navy emerging too fast. Additionally, the new weathered rose is soft with brown undertones and is very versatile with other basic colors.

Colors that used to be in the background are now in

the forefront, showcasing the more intense shades. Ladies embrace the new colors and have fun mixing them with your current basics.

Fashion tip... always wear a smile

Fashion...just for the fun of it

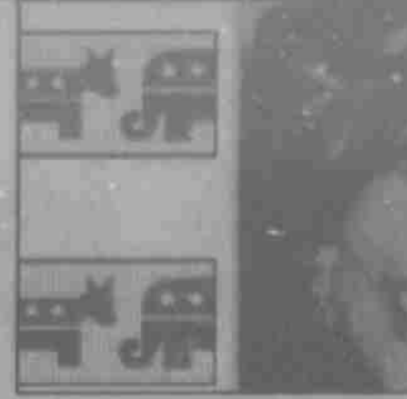


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After the invitation to Discipleship was extended, the morning announcements were read by Sister Elaine Lindsey. Sister Totsey Bass welcomed all visitors.

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Several members of New Hope Baptist Church requested special prayer this week. They were Sister Vickie Kendrick, Brother Charlie Knighten and Brother Everett McCutcheon.



### RUBY TANNER OBAMA NATIONAL DELEGATE

Being a Democratic Activist was not for me, but I could hardly wait for the March 4, 2008, Primary and Caucus, to come around to Texas. The night of the Caucus I was voted as the Secretary, which then caused me to volunteer at the Democratic Headquarters, where I was nominated to be on the Lubbock Credential Committee. This led me to stand in as an acting Precinct Chairperson, which later I was voted in as a actual Chairperson. I called not only my Precinct Delegates, but 3 other Precincts to make sure that all new Delegates would attend our County's Convention here in Lubbock. I have now taken my first 6 hour training class to become a Polling Agent for any of our City's Elections. Also, I campaigned at our State Convention in Austin, Texas to become a National Delegate for Senator Barack Obama. Our Senate District 28, has 46 Counties including Lubbock, in which we have only one Delegate to attend the National Convention, to vote for Obama. I was blessed to win this very honorable position. So, August 25th - 28th, in Denver Colorado, I will be attending this historical event. Not only will I put in our Senate 28 vote for Obama, but I will be wit-

nessing this amazing occasion. I would like to thank all of my supporters for making this possible. (Thank you Sue Weninger for starting me on my way).

All of the above activities are because of BARACK OBAMA, who has brought a new change, and a new dream in my life as he has to many across the country. I am driven to help elect BARACK OBAMA, a passionate, hopeful, strong, and intelligent man of change, for our next President of the United States of America.

Let's remember to get out and register to vote, ages 18 years and up, to help make this impossible dream come to pass (I am told that if the young people get out and vote for Obama, he will take the President's Office by a land slide). Let us remember to NOT only vote for BARACK OBAMA, but please don't walk off, until you have voted for every Democratic person that is running for a position on the ballot, in order to help Obama run this county. You will see names like Dwight Fellingim, running for Congressmen, and Rick Noriega, running for Texas U.S. Senator.

God Bless.....  
Ruby Tanner

### The Williams & Fullbright Family Reunion will take place this Saturday, August 30, 2008 from 10:00a - 6p

It will be held at the Crosbyton Senior Citizens Center, in Crosbyton. The address is 119 N Berkshire (directly behind Citizens National Bank at the flashing light). The reunion will be held in the memory of Mother Dorothy R Terrell, the Lord called her home on June 8, 2008. She was the organizer of the reunion over 30 years ago. It started at her home with just her children and a couple years later the other family joined in with us. She is truly missed, but her love and dedication will inspire us to continue the tradition on.

Anyone that would like to attend that know Mother Terrell is invited and to be a part of the memorial service that will take place at 10:20 that morning. In the name of the Lord we are going to have a good time ....

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FROM THE DESK OF PARSON D. A. SMITH  
"The Uncertainty in America"

Last week I expressed the idea as it would appear that the Sovereign Lord is releasing holy energy upon the mind that challenges America to get it house in order. Could the hand-writing be on the wall and Americans are not able to neither read nor interpret the script? Again the question: "Will young Americans help change the 400 years African Americans have suffered under the influence of a European Baal? Or could it be that America has chosen to follow the direction of the former Soviet Union?"

Will Americans in their quest for racial identity miss the real deal and allow Mexico to reclaim the land that it claims legally belong to them? Will America in its pursuit for ethnic identity allow France to reverse the contract for the portion of America it bought for a "little of nothing"? Will the Asians whose forefathers worked for a small amount of money in the laundry business and were mistreated after World War II demand a payback through China at an extreme interest rate on the money America has borrowed to finance a war and etc. and the selling out of the American middle class through the export of decent paying jobs. Will the Middle Easterners keep on purchasing commercial property such as hotels, shipping of

goods and working poor Americans (white, Hispanics and blacks) for wages less than an American company would?

I made the statement: "The way America presents itself in the next few months will determine its future. Well it appears there is a certain class in America who wants to keep its claim to superiority of race as they try to run under the radar of public scrutiny. One of these creatures of ill-will toward others who does not look like him took a swipe at Barack Obama." MSNBC.com reported Jerome Corsi's anti-Obama book, "The Obama Nation: Leftist Politics and the Cult of Personality," claims the Illinois senator is a dangerous, radical candidate for president. The book is a compilation of all the innuendo and false rumors against Obama—that he was raised a Muslim, attended a radical, black church and secretly has a "black rage" hidden beneath the surface.

If this is not enough, this alleged creature of evil fuel by racial animosity acquired through the fertilization of the "seven deadly sins" speaks in the negative about Obama's mother (a definite NO! NO! In the black community - something that will allow you to sing with a choir - figure out which one!). This male child

name Corsi speaks of Obama's mother marrying Obama's African father and later marrying someone from Indonesia - whom he describes as "a second man of color to be her mate."

This man of satanic knowledge and more than likely rather than non-likely to believe in genetic superior of the "white race" speaks negatively of Obama's African family mentioning his father's polygamy and alcoholism, his sister's birth in Indonesia. He claims Obama received extensive Islamic religious education as a boy in Indonesia, education that was only offered to the truly faithful.

Believe it or not, MSNBC.com reports that this alleged white male supremacy thinker's book has started with swift sales and is No. 1 on the New York Times' hardcover nonfiction best-seller list. This is the same "piece of work" that caused the downfall of John Kerry.

For the record, great John McCain (the man who voted against having a Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday and the man who does not know how many houses he own) has a web ad that mocks Barack Obama as "The One" has a darker design. This ad pictures Obama as the antichrist. This ad is said to have been viewed nearly 1

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## WE THANK GOD FOR JESUS

"America left God too soon"

Written by Evangelist Billy "E.J." Morrison, II - Your brother in Christ Jesus always.

Jeremiah 8:7,8a, the Lord said, yes, the stork in heaven knows her appointed times; and the turtle and the crane and the swallow observe the time of their coming; but my people know not the judgment of the Lord. How do you say, we are wise, and the law of the Lord is with us?

America was found on the word of God; it was to be her only guidelines.

But we wanted our rights; like Adam in the garden, he wanted to use his own mind.

John 8:31,32, Jesus said, if you continue in my words, and then are you my disciples indeed; and you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Mankind can only be free in Jesus Christ!

When the churches marched against the law, and didn't obey the policeman's.

This was disobedience in America: she wanted rights; and became a troubled land!

1-Peter 2: 13-16, submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake; whether it be to the king (president), as supreme, or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him (policeman) for the punishment of evildoers

(marchers), and for the praise of them that do well. For so is the will of God, that with well doing you may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not using your liberty for a cloak of maliciousness, but as the servants of Lord. Honor all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God Honor the king.

Blessed are the peacemakers; curses are the troubles makers!

When the children watched the adults; and the policeman they didn't obey.

The children use the right things; now to be disobedience to parents today!!!

Matthew 15:14, Jesus said, let them along: they are blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch. America has misled her people!

Now America is bringing forth her fruits; it's her sins from her labor.

The right to rob steal and kill their families; and even their neighbor!!!

Galatians 6:7,8, be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man sow (plant) that shall he also reap (harvest). For he that sow to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that sow to the spirit shall of the spirit reap life

everlasting. America can go to the moon, do body transplants, and thinks she is smart.

She doesn't want God any longer in their homes, courts, churches, and hearts!!!

Isaiah 57:20,21, the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt. There is no peace, said my God, to the wicked.

America is so proud of herself, she kicked god out of her schools

Now she's in trouble in every way; because, her leaders play the fools!!!

Romans 1:18,21a,22, for the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth (the leaders) in unrighteousness. Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful, professing themselves to be wise, they (the leaders) became fools.

America kicked God out too soon!!!

America has school kicking, wild fires, floods, and terror killings disasters of all kinds. The high price of gas, now you can hear her crying out to God all the time!!!

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# St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Church services at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, were well attended last Sunday morning, August 24, 2008, where the proud pastor is the Reverend Edward Canady.

Church services got underway with Superintendent Sister Shirley Jackson in charge. The subject of the morning lesson was "Living Responsibly." The scripture text was James 4:1-

12. The lesson was taught and reviewed by Pastor Canady. What a wonderful lesson it was for all who were present.

The key verse was: "Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded." James 4:8

The morning devotion got underway at 11:15 a. m. with Deacon Edward Williams and Brother Gerald

Jackson in charge. A continuation of prayer was done by Sister Annie Stanley.

The St. Matthew Baptist Church Choir sang out of their hearts and souls. It was a blessing to hear them sing God's praises.

Rev. Canady delivered the morning message. His subject was "Self Examination." His scripture text was Psalm 51:10. A wonderful it as for all in attendance.

Remember all who are sick and shut-in this week. Just think, it could very well be you and I this week. God is able!

Let us remember our weekly Church Services: Wednesday evening, Mission Ladies, 5:00 p. m. Also Wednesday evening, Bible study at 6:00 p. m.; Friday evening, Choir Rehearsal,

6:30 p. m.; Saturday morning, Usher meet at 11:00 a. m.

The St. Matthew Baptist Church will have a Bar-B-Que on Saturday, August 30, 2008. Delivery will start at 11:00 a. m. All are invited to come by 2020 East 14th Street or call 744-7154.

If you are looking for a Church Home, then come and

visit with the members of the St. Matthew Baptist Church. You will be glad you did. The faults I see in others' lives are often true to me; So help me, Lord, to recognize my own hypocrisy!

Thought For The Week: "If you must compare yourself with someone, compare yourself with Christ."

## Outreach Prayer Breakfast

II Chronicles 7:14 & Mark 11:22-26

It is said that a large number of our young Black men and boys are being killed all over the country. According to reports, most are drug related. The picture looks gloomy for our people, knowing that we already have a shortage of men. This writer can see that there will be even fewer boys for our girls to marry when they become of age. Sometimes, we feel so hopeless, but Mothers, no matter how low your boys and girls fall don't give up on them!

When we search the scriptures, II Chronicles 7:14 and Mark 11:22-26, to find if there is any word from the Lord, for such a time as this. We can take fresh courage in the word of God.

If my people who are called by my name would humble themselves and pray. Seek his face and

turn from wicked ways.

Mark 11:22: Have faith in God, and you can speak to your mountains and say move and have no doubts in your heart. It will be done for you. You have to believe. Keep faith in God. And when you stand

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Dear NELD/CDC Board Members:

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Please let me know if you are able to attend by replying to this email or calling me at 806-747-5937.

Thank you,  
Veronica Pinner



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# Obsequies



Tyrone "Weenie" Young.

Tyrone "Weenie" Young, 43, of Kalamazoo, Mich., formerly of Lubbock, departed this life on August 8, 2008 at Bronson Hospital in Kalamazoo, Mich. He was preceded in death by his parents, John A. Young, Jr. and Neva J. (Young) Burrell; and a sister,

Verdell Mitchell. Tyrone is survived by his daughter, Tiesha "Ty-Stick" Norris of Lubbock; two sisters, Wanda Tungate of Kalamazoo, Mich.; and Stephanie Young of Lubbock; one brother, David Wiggins; and a host of relatives and friends.

Memorial service were held 11 a.m. Saturday, August 23, 2008 at Parkway Drive Church of Christ with Ray Jordan officiating. A private disposition will follow under the direction of Griffin Mortuary.

## Longtime Community Worker Passes Barbara Sommerville



Barbara Sommerville Memorial services

Memorial services were held Wednesday afternoon, August 27, 2008, for Barbara Sommerville at the FirstUnited Methodist Church with Keith Wiseman officiating.

Her body was donated to Texas Tech Medical School.

She was born in Clarksburg, W. Va. on August 27, 1922. She moved to Lubbock in 1952 to serve as Youth Director of the Northwest Texas Conference. In 1962, the United Way established the Guadalupe Neighborhood Center, hiring her as its Executive Director.

Following the

1970 tornado, the Parkway Neighborhood Center was established, and under her leadership, the two centers worked to provide, for all ages, academic-based after-school programs in a safe and stimulating environment, expanding into computer training classes, literacy programs, dance classes, sports leagues, and summer activities.

She retired in 1994. In January 2006, the centers were renamed in honor of her.

She was a mem-

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### Health Opportunities

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ber of First United Methodist Church and continued to be active in the Allegro Music Club.

the United Methodist Women, and Cornerbar Sunday School Class.

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Worship - 10:15 am We Must Do God's Will And  
Evening Worship - 5 pm Obey Him To Enter Heaven  
Wednesday: Matthew 7:21; Mark 5:9  
Bible Class Devotion - 7pm How Do We Obey Him?  
Hear The Gospel - Rom. 10:17  
Believe Jesus Christ Is Son  
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Romans 1:18,21a,22, for the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth (the leaders) in unrighteousness. Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; professing themselves to be wise, they (the leaders) became fools.

America kicked God out too soon!

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## THIS N THAT

by T.J. Patterson

### THIS N THAT

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PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: 'WE may not know the

REASONS... for our heartaches... but the wisest CHOICE... is to trust GOD.'

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TWO YEAR COLLEGE MAKES GOOD SENSE IN EAST LUBBOCK! THIS N THAT... had an opportunity to attend a VERY EXCITING MEETING... several weeks ago about the

development of a TWO YEAR COLLEGE... in East Lubbock... Those present... were very excited about this potential effort... as it would only add to more positive development in East Lubbock... There's no doubt about about it... LUBBOCK... has some outstanding educational institutions... such as Texas Tech University... Wayland Baptist University... Lubbock Christian University... and South Plains College... but there is not one which is identified to... EAST LUBBOCK... Another meeting is set for September 5th... at Lubbock City Hall... to further discuss this possibility... THIS N THAT... was glad to be invited to such an initiative... thanks to... AMANDO GONZALES... for his vision... Hopefully... this will become a reality... because develop neighborhoods by prestigious education facilities... Continue Page 6

## THINK ABOUT IT!

### II Banquet To Support Israel Hospital II

by Eddie P. Richardson

There is a local effort to raise funds for the new Trauma and Rehabilitation Center at Assaf Harofeh Medical Center in Israel. The event will take place September 5th at 7p.m. at McInhrill Center of U M C Hospital. Assaf Harofeh Medical Center is the third largest hospital in Israel serving a population of half a million people. In order to meet constant new challenges and be able to treat better victims of terrorism and possible warfare, the hospital has decided to build this new structure. This effort

Assaf Harofeh is more than a medical facility where patients regain their health; it is an educational center. Medical Students Affiliated with the Tel Aviv University Sackler School of Medicine, Assaf Harofeh is a teaching and training facility on the intern, resident and post-graduate levels and in all specialties of modern medicine. Furthermore, it is part of the American Program in which students acquire credits which are applicable in the U.S.

The School of Nursing, the largest in Israel, was one of the first to be established here. Affiliated with the Hebrew



University's Hadassah Medical School in Jerusalem, the School's more than 400 students enroll in the 4 year academic course leading to a B.A. Degree in Nursing. A large number of post-graduate courses are given as well as special teaching classes for new immigrants to aid their absorption.

The school of Physiotherapy, the first of its kind to be established in Israel, is one of only two such schools in the country. In 1950, following a severe outbreak of polio, Assaf Harofeh became the national center for pediatric physiotherapy and post-polio rehabilitation. The School, associated with Tel Aviv University, offers a 4 year course leading to B.A Degree in Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation Science. New Immigrants Up-Date Skills AHMC is located in one of

the fastest growing regions of Israel where more than 60,000 newcomers have chosen to make their homes. This, it seems that the hospital's responsibilities are to provide more than simply health care, but also to facilitate employment opportunities for the 11,000 new immigrant doctors and other health care professionals who have arrived in the past ten years and need re-training in order to attain the high standards of western medicine practiced here. AHMC has contributed to this goal by initiating many teaching and training programs whereby some of these doctors have learned to up-date their skills while others have opted for re-training in other medical-related fields. Hundreds of new immigrants have already successfully completed these programs.

## In Cinque

by Renetta Howard



Howard

come into play, from the deplanning of Michelle Bema at the Denver airport to the most recent Obama campaign attacks by John McCain. As Michelle Obama, the presumptive Democratic first lady and the Obama children arrived in Denver; there was speculation as to whether she will retract some of her previous statements made in previous media encounters. Her statement that this is the 'first time she has ever

been proud' in/of America since her husband is a presidential candidate, to her mention of fear during the campaign, has been dissected and re-dissected by the media. There are those who would say that what she said was not fully comprehended by the media and those who see and understand what she said as a negative throw-back on the Obama candidacy. Aside from the perspective viewpoints about Michelle Obama, there are the negatives attributed to Obama choosing Senator Joe Biden as his running mate instead of Hillary Clinton. McCain refers to Senator Biden as his personal friend and feels that

he will campaign well for Obama, but at the same time, he has an advertisement attacking Obama saying that Hillary Clinton has been robbed. On the other hand, the Clinton supporters feel that Hillary Clinton has been robbed of the nomination for President and there is speculation that there will be trouble with the voters who staunchly support her. It is believed that many of the Clinton backers will vote for McCain rather than Obama. Some have said that Obama is not ready to lead this country. He does not have enough experience to lead this country. What they really mean is

that they are not ready for Obama. Charlie Reese has said about a month ago that the only way that Obama will sit in the White House is as a guest. There are many Americans who feel that way and they have a right to their feelings whether they are sane or insane, right or wrong. One thing is certain, however, whatever the outcome of the convention and/or the election in November, it will tell the world something about the United States of America.

Will the world know if we are truly a country that believes in truth, equality, justice and the ideals of democracy or will the world know that we are great patriots of lip service with no real commitment to the ideals that we speak of as portraying this country as a world leader in humanity? It is time for us to get 'in cinque' and really put our hearts and actions where our mouths are. August 24, 2008

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A special thank you to Judd and Patti Gaither for their hospitality both nights. We want to thank each of you family members for helping us to get this Family Reunion together by ordering T-shirts, preparing food, keeping the building clean in and outside, getting music set up, decorating building, keeping the trash together, getting keys to the building, and turning the keys back on time.

There was a talent show, and our announcer was Patricia Minter. The program consisted of Gospel Music, singing and dancing. The entire lady had an opportunity to participate by standing and dancing to the song. All had a good time closing out the talent show. The talent was all in the family, and everyone got down.

Another year has come and gone. We want to acknowledge our Auntie's and Uncle: Thelma Joe Jackson, Willie L. Minter, Sr., Katherine Gilbert, Margallene Thomas, Earnestine Minter, Lorine Minter and Emma Jean Benson who have gone to



glory. These are the children of Maxie and Rosie Lee Minter.

We want to thank Jehovah God for you all. It is a blessing for each one of you who are still living.

Again, we want to thank everyone for coming home for the 2008 Minter & Reed 15th Family Reunion.

We need a theme for the July 2009 reunion. Contact Effie Nelson if you have any ideas.

It will be 365 days before our next Family Reunion. Information will be sent to family members about the next Family Reunion in January, 2009.

A special thank you to Ms. Patricia Harvest. Family members, let's keep praying for each other. Keep our prayer line open, and stay connected

with Jehovah God. Prayer is power. God is good all the time. God is smiling on our family. A family that prays together stays together. Keep our prayer line open and stay connected with God. Lubbock family members will be looking forward to seeing you all next year, July 2009.

Thanks to the Southwest Digest and staff for supporting the Minter & Reed Family Reunion with a summary, and pictures of our reunion as news in your newspaper. Thank you so very much.

We received word all family members and guest returned to their location safe and sound. Thank you, Jehovah God. We haven't had death in our family from July 200 - 2008. God is smiling on our family!

**Remember to send Family Reunion dues soon as you can for 2009. This will help and make sure we have the building in time.**

**This & That From Page 4**

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**HOPE TO BE BACK SOON! THIS N THAT** ..... has been under the weather for a few days ..... with an operation.... Will be back soon ..... and thanks to all of your precious prayers.... Will see you soon.

**Parson Smith From Page 3**

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If this is not enough if has been reported by James Tabor, chairman of the department of religious studies at the

University of North Carolina at Charlotte, that there have been viral emails that compare Obama to Nimrod, whom some evangelicals believes was the first evil king of world history and who is black.

Behavior by John McCain and his kind is very unfortunate! This goes a long way in fostering hate for someone who does not look like you do. Such racial and radically hatred for gain will lead to the destruction of America! In a real economic sense it has already begun and black Americans have not raised their hand in the destroying of their country.

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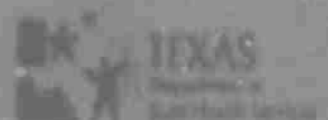
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## King Speech to Obama Speech: A Dream Realized?

By TONY LUTWAK

The dreamer in him envisioned a day when "Whites Only" signs would no longer hang in restaurant windows. A time when everyone's desire to vote would be respected. A time when blacks and whites would work, pray and live together.

He spoke of an America where people would be judged not by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.

"I have a dream," the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. proclaimed from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial on Aug. 28, 1963, "that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed — 'We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal.'"

The 45th anniversary of the iconic leader's most memorable speech coincides with the day when another African-American leader, Barack Obama, makes a historic speech of his own — accepting the Democratic Party's nomination for president of the United States.

Is the convention's timing merely, as Obama's critics might suggest, political choreography at its shiniest,

one more seamlessly staged performance by a "rock star" candidate?

Perhaps. And yet, it is also fitting. For if King inspired Americans to confront their bigotry or at least dream of a more perfect union, a candidate with Obama's profile surely seems part of that dream's fulfillment.

Does Obama's candidacy complete the circle, showing that we now live in a colorblind society? Many want to believe that our culture has moved beyond its racial problems, that the election of a biracial man would be a peculiarly American achievement — an affirmation of American ideals.

In some ways, the nation that Obama will address is visibly less divided along racial lines than King's America.

In King's day, racial inequality was legally sanctioned: Separate parks, restrooms, hotels, theaters, schools and drinking fountains were common in many areas; statutes forbade interracial sexual relations; African-Americans were beaten and lynched, sometimes with tacit public approval and even enjoyment.

The federal interven-

tions of the '60s — the Civil Rights Act, Voting Rights Act, Federal Fair Housing Act — reset the nation's parameters for "normalcy." Legal decisions, such as the Supreme Court's 1967 ruling knocking down a Virginia statute that barred whites from marrying nonwhites, opened the door to integration a bit more.

But in the 4 1/2 decades since King's speech, questions about the prevalence of racism in American life haven't abated, with blacks and whites deeply divided on how significant a role discrimination plays in keeping blacks from achieving parity with whites.

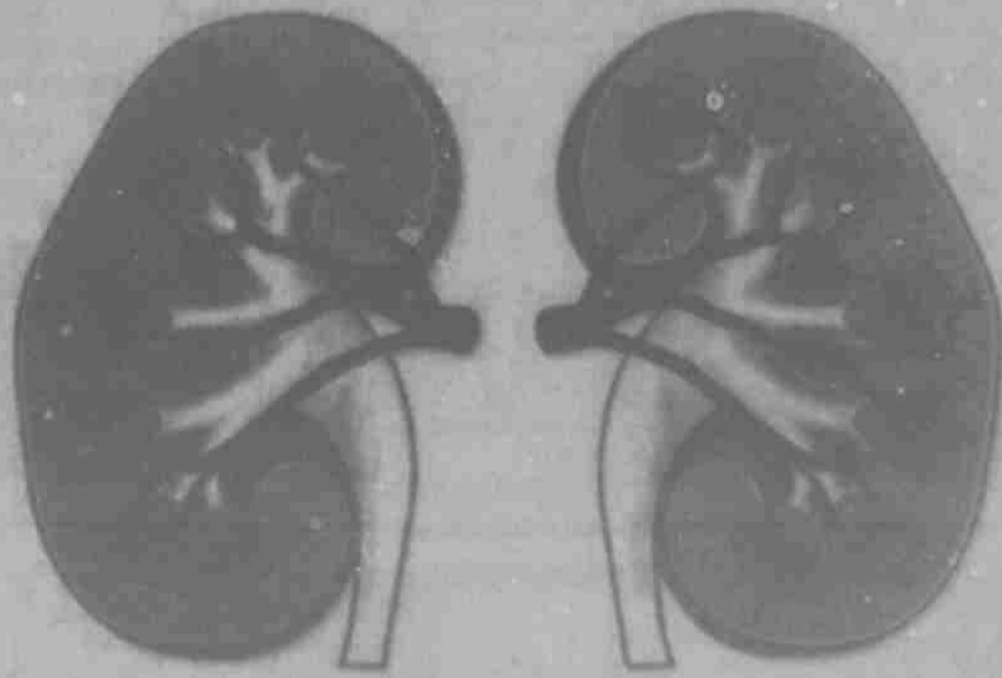
If the United States has entered a truly "post-racial" era, some wonder, then why do a few racial slurs made by a radio commentator (Don Imus) or over-the-top bits of sermons by a retired pastor (Rev. Jeremiah Wright) set off such alarm bells?

Why do we still hear about real estate agents who steer whites away from integrated neighborhoods, or how qualified black couples are turned down, without explanation, for an apartment rental? Why does the naming of a black CEO of a leading American corporation still raise some eyebrows?

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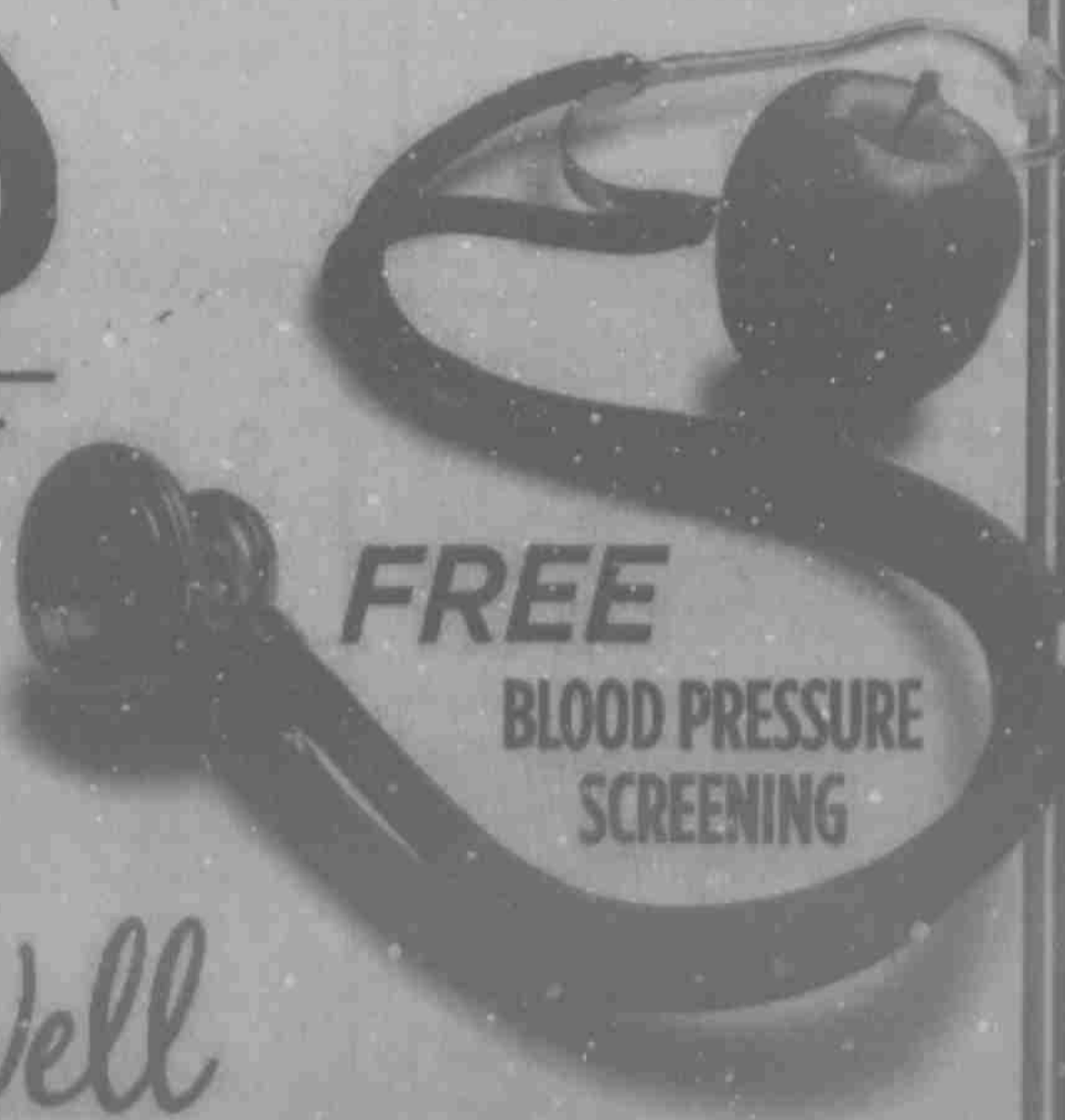
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