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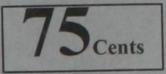
After 46 years of Excellence, Success and Hard work, the Estacado High School All-Class Reunion Will be held Thursday, July 11, thru Sunday, July 14, 2013. Last Day of Registration is July 5, 2013! For more information call, Linda Hunter Davis - (806) 790-7155 or Angie Knight - (301) 800-6465

All Former Graduates or Students are asked to attend!

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### Community Meetings

\* Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.

- \* Hub City Kiwanis meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p. m., Mt. Vernon UMC, East 23rd & Cedar Avenue
- \* Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm.
- Booker T. W Washington American Legion, Post 808, meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon.
- Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Branch Library.
- \* East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mae Simmons Senior Citizens.
- \* Lubbock Chapter of Black
  Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday,
  5:30 pm, TTU Market Alumni Center.
   \* Dunbar Manhattan Heights



Taraji P. Henson Taraji P. Henson Gives Inspiration

## East Lubbock Gateway District Set For East 19th Street & Avenue A



**Town Hall Meeting Scheduled to Discuss East Lubbock Gateway** An important town hall meeting is scheduled for Tuesday night May 21st at 6PM at the Mae Simmons Community Center, located at 2400 Oak Avenue. The meeting is opened to all East Lubbock residents and supporters of East Lubbock from throughout the city. The meeting will be held to introduce the East Lubbock Gateway Project and to gain additional ideas you would like to see incorporated into the gateway. The property stretches for almost a half-mile along Avenue A, from 17th Street to 23rd Street. Bricks for the gateway's fencing will be donated by LISD, following the scheduled demolition of Phyllis Wheatley Elementary and the partial demolition of Ella IIes Elementary. Signage near the main intersection at 19th and Avenue A will list many of East Lubbock's amenities. For more info, or to help with this historic town hall, please call the Roots Historical Arts Council at 928-4268.

Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 7:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center, 1301 E. 24th Street.

\* West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturdays of each month at 7:00 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations.

\* The Unified Juneteenth Commission of Lubbock meets every Monday evening at Patterson Library, 1834 Parkway Drive, beginning at 6:00 p. m.

\* West Texas Chapter of 100
 Black Men of West Texas meets
 3rd Monday evenings at 7:00 pm
 at Lanier Center, 2nd Floor, TTU
 Law Center.

\* The Parkway & Cherry-Point Neighborhood

Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evenings, 7:30 pm at Hunt Elementary School.

\* Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm at Iles Elementary Cafeteria.

CITIS (Creating Inspirational Thoughts in Singles) meets 2nd & 4th Thursday at 2404 23rd near Avenue X at 7:00 pm

\* If you have an annoucementabout your organization, please advise by calling (806) 762-3612 or e-mail swdigest@sbcglobal.net.

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## To DCPA Students Last Week

On Friday, May 3, 2013, Dunbar College Prep Academy had the privilege of hearing many inspiring words from the actress, Taraji P. Henson. The students were very excited to hear what she had to share with them. Since 2011, Taraji P. Henson has appeared on the CBS crime-suspense series "Person of Interest." She has also been in many movies that the students were familiar with like "Baby Boy," and "Think Like a Man." Taraji P. Henson was Oscar nominated for Best Supporting Actress from "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button" in 2008.

Ms. Henson gave many motivating words to the students such as "Dream Big and Always Strive to Reach those Dreams!" She said that she grew up in the hood, but that did not keep her from pursuing her dream of being an actress. Other encouraging words that she shared were "make sure you do not surround yourself with people that are going to bring you down; instead make sure the people that are around you will support your dreams." Ms. Henson took the time to answer student questions; she stated that DCPA was the first middle school that she had ever spoken at.

The students at DCPA will not forget the day that Taraji P. Henson took time out of her busy schedule to visit their school and share her inspiring words with them!

While in Lubbock, Taraji was guest speaker for Mentor Tech's 11th Annual Celebration at Texas Tech University on Friday evening, May 3, 2013, in the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

## AACLC Plans Reception For Tubby Smith

The African American Community Leadership Council (AACLC) is hosting a welcome reception for Tubby Smith, Texas Tech University's new Head Basketball Coach, and his wife Donna on Thursday, June 27, 2013. AACLC is requesting financial support and participation from Black businesses, organizations, churchs and individual in t he community to help share in the event.

The first meeting was held on

May 2, 2013. The next meeting will be held Thursday evening, May 16, 2013, beginning at 6:00 p. m. at the Patterson Br anch Library. There are a number of committees who need additional support. Everyone is encouraged to attend the planning meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact either Quincy White at (806) 775-2015, or Earnest Merritt at (806) 771-3815, ext. 2108.

Your help is appreciated.

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## Dr. Damon Herbie Hill, Jr. First Speaker At Gentlemen's Ball

of Allen by Brother Victor Roberson. Brother Ralph Hodge will present the occasion. A special tribute will be given by the American Cancer Society by Jeff.

Dr. Hill will speak on the theme, "Behold How Good It Is For Brethrens to Dwell Together." Psalms 133.

ately after the program. Master of Ceremonies will be Quincy White.

Dr. Hill, who was educated in the Lubbock Independent Schools, graduated from Dunbar High School in 1966. He received his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees from Prairie View A & M Uni-Continue on Page 2

The Ball will begin immedi-

## Brandon Knighten, Jr. Learning About Buiness In East Lubbock





## Dr. Damon H Hill, jr.

The First Annual speaker for the Sons of Allen Gentlemen's Ball will be longtime physician, Dr. Damon Herbie Hill, Jr., on Saturday evening, May 25, 2013 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, beginning at 7:00 p. m.

He will be introduced by Rev. Eddie Williams, pastor. The first annual program will consist of the history of the Sons



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**GIRLS TRACK TO STATE:** Three relay teams and one individual from the Estacado Girls Track Team qualified for the State Track Meet in Austin. The girls making the trip to State include: Enashe Moses-Carter, DeAnna Brannon, Lateefia High, Mayes, Sahari Freeman, Desiree Johnson (alternate), Shatoria Parks (alternate), and Oddessy Blackmore. The 4x100 relay team is composed of Freeman, Blackmore, High and Mayes. The4x200 relay team is composed of Brannon, Moses-Carter, High and Mayes. The 4x400 relay team is composed of Brannon, Mayes, High and Freeman. Sahari Freeman will also compete in the 400 meter race



Pictured above is Little Master Brandon Knighten, Jr., age 9 months, is shown standing on the front of his Grand Paws 2002 Saturn, Matthew Fillmore, while attending "Customer Appreciation Day", last Saturday afternoon, May 3, 2013, at Kwiko-Foods & Liqour Store. Although he is very young, he appears to be extremely happy over his learning experience.

He is the proud son of Ayuna Murphy, mother; and Brandon Knighten, Sr., father, both of Lubbock. His grandmother is Sandra Fillmore. Both grandparents can't help but smile when they see their grandson smile! (Photo courtesy of Matthew Fillmore) www.swdigest.com

Howe wins 2013 SPC President's Student of the Year award



LEVELLAND - Cullen Howe was selected 2013 President's Student of the Year at South Plains College during the Student Awards Assembly held Thursday (May 2) in the Texan Dome.

The President's Student of the Year is given to honor a sophomore student who exemplifies excellence in academics, socially and has contributed most to the SPC campus environment.

Howe was presented the Outstanding Performance Theatre Award. He is listed on the President's List for fall and spring 2012 and he is a member of Phi Theta Kappa honor society. Howe is a member of Baptist Student Ministry, the Sharpshooter Band, the Symphonic Band, the Jazz Band, the Choir, the Brass Choir and the Jazz Singers.

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## **Atlanta Superintendent and Teachers Indicted in School Cheating Scandal**

indictment said.

Beverly Hall, the former superintendent of Atlanta Public Schools, and 35 other educators have been indicted by a Fulton County grand jury in a cheating scandal that involved large, unexplained test score gains in some Atlanta schools back in 2011. They were ordered to turn themselves in by Tuesday, April 2, 2013.

According to CNN, Hall resigned from her position in 2011, but continues to deny any role in the cheating scandal. Ac-

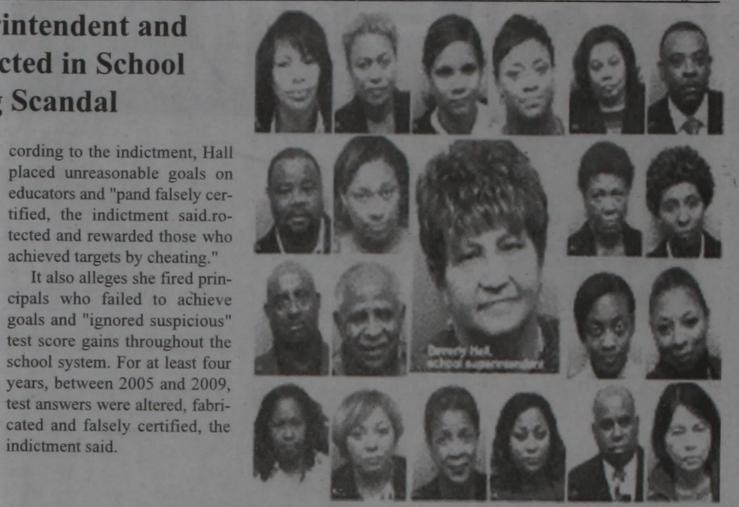
Howe is the son of Jerry and Kathy Howe of Dumas. He is currently pursuing a degree in Music Education. Upon graduating from South Plains College, Cullan plans to attend West Texas A& M University to complete his Bachelor's degree in **Music Education** 

#### Dr. Hill Speaker **Continued from Page 1**

versity. He taught five years in Biology in the Lubbock Independent School District, before entering Texas Tech Medical School in Lubbock.

Dr. Hill's Residency Training in Family Medicine at Texas-Tech Health Science Center in Lubbock. He has been in private in Lubbock since 1982. He has fulfilled his lifelong ambition of practicing medicine in hometown and being visible in his community for minority youth.

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**Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church** "We have invited and Welcomed our community to come and worship with us." Service time: Sunday School - 9:30 a. m; Morning worship - 11:00 am Bible Study - Wednesday 6:00 p m. Come and joins us in a spiritual experience! At 2202 South East Drive - Lubbock Texas 79404. Phone: Church (806) 744-7552 Looking forward to fellowship with you!

> **Pastor Eddie William First Lady Sister Janice Williams**

## **New Light Baptist Church News**

On Sunday morning, May 12, 2013, church services got started at New Light Baptist Church 3013 Idalou road where Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson is the pastor.

would be taking place. All birthdays were acknowledged. The WMU Dept. made a presentation to all Mothers. There was the pastoral period that was held by the pastor and then offering Church School started at 9:45 was taken up by appointees. The choir sung "Something Got A Hold On Me," and "We Don't Get In The Spirit.". The theme song was song "Amazing Grace", was sung before the sermon. Rev. Jackson preached the

sermon entitled: "A Mother's Love," and its printed text came from Exodus 1:8 & 16; 2:1-10. There was a song that was sung after the sermon.

The invitation to discipleship was extended. All visitors who were attendance were acknowledged by Sister Gloria Lee. Almighy God, please teach us to rely on your power when

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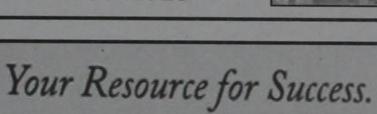
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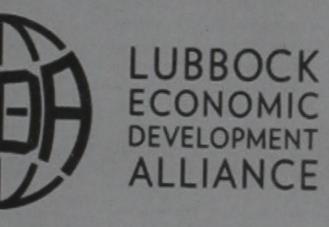
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#### He is married to Stephanie Richardson Hill for 33 years. He is the father to three successful children, namely; Dana Loraine Houston, Texas; Mary of Katherine of Hollywood, California; and Joshua G. of Lubbock, who is enrolled at Texas Tech School of Medicine, Lubbock.

Dr. Hill's honors include the following:

Delta Sigma Theta 'Man of the Year', honored by the Lubbock Council Boys & Girls Club; seasoned Honoree of MLK Little League; Texas Monthly Doctor of the Month 2005 for Family Medicine; awarded Justice Award from Covenant Medical Center; recognized for 30 years of service in the Covenant Medical System; member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity; and Charter member of 100 Black Men, Inc.

Dr. Hill is current honor of Lubbock Medical Associates, LLP. He is newly Family Medicine Section Chief Covenant Medical Center.

Dr. Hill remains resident in minority area of hometown, cur-

a. m. with the Superintendent of Church School teaching the lesson entitled: "Sure Hope" and its scripture came from 2 Peter 1:2-15, 20, 21. Sister Bridgette Dewberry taught the youth lesson.

Breakfast was served to those in attendance afterward.

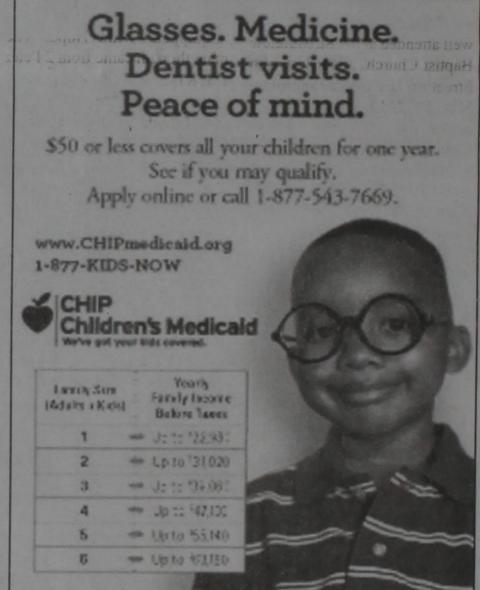
Morning worship started at 11:00 with the devoted Praise Team leading the way. There was a testimony period that was held during the devotion and several individual testified about the goodness of God that's happening in their life's.

The song, O, I want To See Him, was sung. Rev. Jackson read the responsive reading that came from Proverbs 31:10-31. He also lead the altar call prayer and the song, Have Thine Own Way" was sung .

Sister Linda Green read all the weekly announcements and told of all the upcoming events that

rently residing proudly in home of his parents where he can remain visible for the minority youth of the East Lubbock area.

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## **Mae Simmons**

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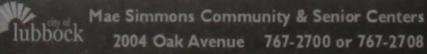
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An article by Douglas Martin that was emailed to me by one of my friends caught my attention. The caption was "James R. Dumpson, a Defender of the Poor Dies-at 103."

Mr. Dumpson was described as the first black welfare commissioner in the "nation's history and the first social worker to oversee welfare in New York when Mayor Robert Wager appointed him in 1959.

The writer noted soon afterward his appointment he made known his views about welfare in response to an editorial in the Daily News, which asserted, "Ladies have babies by assorted gentlemen so as to keep the relief checks growing fatter each year."

test for public assistance was a ham D. Beame, Edward I. Kock and David N. Dinkins. He was citizen's need, not morals. With the second black commissioner only a few exceptions-and he acknowledged there were excepin New York City government. tions-people on welfare, par-(The first was Arthur Ford, whom Mr. Wagner appointed ticularly children, desperately commissioner of water supply, needed the support, he said. He gas and electricity in 1954.) And argued that virtually every adult he was the first black dean of a would rather work and that most considered employment as elenonblack school of social work, at Fordham University. Mr. ment of personal dignity. "There's no comfort in living on Dinkins, who appointed Mr. N.J.

subsistence level," Mr. Dumpson said. "There's no comfort in constantly having to establish eligibility. No comfort in the necessary intrusions into your private life to find out if you qualify for assistance."

He also spoke on the national stage. In 1964, when Senator Barry M. Gold water of Arizona, who would soon be the Republican presidential nominee, suggested that welfare recipients were lazy, Mr. Dumpson said such statements had "no place in the kind of war on poverty I am advocating." He called Mr. Goldwater "the wealthy cowboy" without mentioning him by name.

Besides Mr. Wagner, Mr. Dumpson held high posts under Mayors John V. Lindsay, Abra-Mr. Dumpson said the only

Dumpson to two cabinet positions, said Mr. Dumpson had influenced the city's antipoverty polities for more than a half century. "We don't realize what history is being made until later," Mr. Dinkins said. "We look back on it and now and say, 'Damn, he was a hell of a cat'-and indeed he was."

Worried about welfare costs, Mr. Dumpson strived to combat welfare fraud. In 1975, as administrator of the city's Human Resources Administration in Beame's administration, he set up a computer system to ferret out welfare recipients who were on city and state payrolls or receiving unemployment benefits. He eliminated 2,599 people from the welfare rolls.

James Russell Dumpson was born on April 5, 1909, in an area of Philadelphia known as Hell's Half-Acre. His father was a bank messenger, and his mother, who had been a teacher before marriage, pushed her five children to get an education.

To finance his own education, at several colleges, Mr. Dumpson worked summers as a waiter in a hotel in Cape May,

2 Timothy 3:1-2 -- Know this also that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, trucebreaker, false accusers, incontinent fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasurer more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof; from such turn away.

God warned us in his word's things to happen in the last days. And the CHURCH SEES these things, AND LOOK THE **OTHER WAY!!!** 

Ecclesiastes 3:1-2a; 7b -- To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven. A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted, a time to keep silence, and a time to speak."

The CHURCH SEES THE SIGNS; and they know its

CHURCHES have only one thing on their mind, MONEY **HUNGRY MINDS!!!** 

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

\*\*\*\* WILL THE **CHURCHES ROB GOD???** 

Philippians 2:5 -- let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus. CHURCHES see the Father's KILLING THEIR CHILDREN AND THEIR WIVES. Then turn the Gun upon THEMSELVES AND TAKES THEIR OWN LIVES!!!

Matthew 24:12 -- Jesus said, because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax (GROW) cold.....But many CHURCHES ARE BUSY; with PASTOR AND WIFE'S **ANNIVERSARY, AND WAYS TO MAKE MONEY WHILE** THE WORLD IS IN MIS-ERIES.

Matthew 15:7-9 -- Jesus said, you hypocrites well did E sai'as prophesy of you, saying, This people draw near with there mouth, and honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me, but in vain they do OFFS TO THE LAST DIME

trines the Commandments of men.

Mark 8:33 -- Jesus said, get thee behind me, Satan: for you savoureth not the things that be of God, but the things that be of men.

\*\*\* WILL THE **CHURCHES ROB GOD???** 

The CHURCHES don't need another PROGRAM OR AN ANNIVERSARY. They see the **TROUBLES IN THE LAND;** AND NEED TO GET ON THEIR KNEES!!!

Luke 12:54-57 -- Jesus said, when you see a cloud rise out of the west, straightway you say, there came a shower, and so it is. And when you see the south wind blow, you say. There will be he at, and it came to pass. You hypocrites, you can discern the face of the sky and the earth; how is it that you do not discern this time. Yes, and why even of yourselves judge you not what is right.

The WORLDLY MAN -- he makes plans for the PLAYworship me, teaching for doc- -- SO IT'S PRAYING TIME !!

HARVEST TIME !!! But the



Again church services were well attended at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street on last Sunday morning, May 12, 2013, where the dynamic pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

Church services begun at 10:00 a.m. with Sunday School. Sister Susie Davis, our Superintendent, was in charge.

The lesson was taught by Sister Shirley Davis, our teacher.

The subject of the morning lesson was "Life Worth Living."

The Unifying Topic was subject was "God's Plan And "Equipped With Hope." The main thought came from 2 Peter 1:3, KJV.

## The Sunday morning devo-

tion was conducted by Deacon Edward Williams and Deaconess Sister Ethel Williams.

Our pastor entered the church with the choir singing "We Have the St. Matthew Baptist Church Come This Far By Faith." What time it was!

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady. His

Purpose For Man Kind." His scripture text was Ruth 1:14-19.

The morning announcements were read by our First Lady Sister Shirley Canady. She always does a wonderful job. Praise god for her and all that she does. \*\*\*\*

Our weekly meetings held at are as follows:

The Missionary Society meets at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. This is a very interesting to attend. Come and see for yourself.

Bible Study is held on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p. m. This is another informative meeting for our members or for any other people who want to attend.

Choir Rehearsal is held on Friday afternoons, beginning at 2:00 p.m. If you can sing, and you want to sing God's Praises, then show up if you can or can not sing.

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Remember if you do not have a Church Home, then come attend the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street. You are always cordially invited to be with us each week.

God is amazing, and we become better people when we study his word. So come and study with us. You will be glad you did. By the way, bring a family member with you. All will be blessed because of your effort. God is just amazing!! \*\*\*\*\*

Let us continue to pray for

our sick and shut-in people of

Lubbock, Texas, and the United

Texas in 1991. Sister Betty

Kemp was elected as president.

In 1992, the second Outreach

Prayer Breakfast was organized

. The late Sister Lula Spence was

elected president. Their theme

was: "Aim to Bring Sunshine."

Their object was to: "Wit-

States of America. God is just so Great!

Praise God for what each of you have done in visiting our sick and shut-in. Today, it is some one else, and tomorrow it could be you or I. \*\*\*\*\*\*

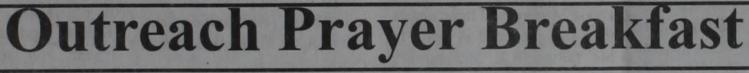
**Thought For Today:** "Being a Mom is a sacred partnership with God!" \*\*\*\*

Love your enemies! Do good to them! Lend to them! And don't be concerned that they might not repay. Luke 6:35

#### ness to t he Unsaved."

"Lift up your eyes, and look on t he fields; for they are white and already to harvest," St. John 4:35.

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Elnora Jones, teacher.



#### History of the Outreach **Breakfast of Lubbock** and Littlefield, Texas Purpose

As we as Black people have begun to celebrate Black History Month, we want you to know the purpose of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast. It is meant to meet in someone's home from time to time to spread love, food, sunshine, prayers, and faith.

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast was organized in 1976. God gave the late Mrs. Mary Ward a Vison to go into the homes of the sick and shut-in, prepare food and serve it. This project has brought sunshine into the lives of many down through the years. The first theme at that time was: "Spreading Sunshine."

Ms. Juanita Sowell was then first to open her door when she was sick and shut-in. The ladies brought food and prayed. This was the beginning of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast had its first article published in the first issue of the then called "Lubbock Digest."

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It was published September 11, Outreach Prayer Breakfast. 1977. The article had the community getting to learn about the fast organized in Littlefield,

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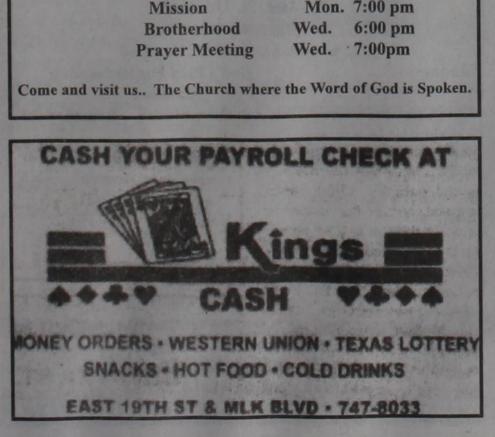


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#### **Johnnie Lee Hodge**

Funeral services were held for Johnnie Lee Hodge on Monday morning, April 15, 2013, at First Progressive Baptist Church with Rev. Shaun Avery, pastor, officiating.

Interment followed in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Hodge, 87, of Lubbock passed away on Wednesday, April 10, 2013.

Johnnie was born on October 1, 1925 to the parentage of the late Ralph and Julia Hodge in Lorena, Texas. Johnnie met Audrey Marie and united in holy matrimony on Oct. 17, 1949 and to this union nine children were born including five sons and four daughters. Johnnie and Audrey were married for 60 years. Johnnie was employed with Frito-Lay for 23 years. Johnnie was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Audrey; and five sisters.

He leaves to cherish his memories five sons, Milton Hodge (Nancy), Ronnie Hodge (Renee), Bobby Hodge (Shelia), Tommy Hodge (Shedina) and Reginald Hodge (LaQuita); four daughters, Helen Newman (Allen), Audrey Ann Hodge, Barbara Griffin (Willie) and Shirley Dunlap (Tim); two sons and two daughters from a previous marriage, Johnnie Hodge Jr.



(Pearl), Eddie Hodge, Evelyn Simpson and Wanda Bell (Paul); and several other relatives and friends. A special thank you to Snookie, Garner Jordan and Renee.

My Brother and His Little Red Wagon for Christmas. Every Xmas he got a Red Wagon. We were a close knit family. We were raised to play together! When the weather was fair, we played. When the wheel broke, we both had a hammer to fix the Red Wagon, because I loved the Little Puppies we would ride in the Red Wagon, and sometimes the wheel broke off. When we moved from the House in the country to Lubbock, I don't know many Red Wagons were left in a pile! (Smile).

Little Red Wagon was written by his sister, Julia Mae Burns.

#### Cerola "Cleo" Lewis

Funeral services for Ceola "Cleo" Lewis services were held on Tuesday morning, May 14, 2013, at Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, with Rev. Wendell Davis, pastor, officiating.

. Interment followed at City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary.& Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Lewis passed away on Wednesday, May 8, 2013, at Covenant Palliative Care.

Cerola was born April 13, 1954, to the late Minister Virgil Morris Sr. and Ada Buckley Morris in Silverton, Texas. She was raised in Turkey, Texas, until the family moved to Lubbock in 1963. She united with **Rising Star Baptist Church and** St. Matthew Baptist Church. Cerola attended Lubbock public schools, and after leaving Lubbock to live in Oklahoma, became a long haul truck driver as well as completing diesel mechanic school.

She returned to Lubbock in

#### **Former Estacado High School Football** Coach, John Peter Murray, Dies





1995 and opened the Cerola Deep Cleaning Services, where she cleaned hoarder homes for the elderly. Cleo had a passion for the elderly; she worked with the food bank to get food vouchers, organized multiple community clean-up missions, and was a member of the Parkway senior citizen committee and Parkway neighborhood association. She was anointed with a beautiful voice she used to glorify God

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In 1970 he took the position of head football coach at Lubbock Estacado High School where he coached five seasons before taking a position at H.M. King High School. After being with the Javelinas from 1976-84, he returned to King High School as Athletic Director and head coach until 1990.

Pete was a gifted athlete and coach. Honors he received include: Most Outstanding Athlete HSU 1956-57; Redskins training camp 1957; Lubbock Avalanche Journal Coach of the Year 1970; Coastal Bend Coaches Hall of Fame 1993; Gordon Wood Hall of Champions 2009; and HSU Athletic Hall of Fame 2010. In 2001 he was inducted into the Javelina Hall of Fame. He was also inducted along with the 1969 golf team, the 1969 foot-

#### Lee Earl Shed

Funeral services for Lee Earl Shed were held services will be held on Saturday afternoon, May 4, 2013, at St. Mark Baptist.

Church. Interment was followed at Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Shed, affectionately known also as Cookie, passed away on April 30, 2013. Lee was born on May 11, 1951 in Fairfield, Texas, to Belzora Armstead and Willie D. Strawther. He was raised by his mother, Belzora, and the late Reverend Dr. Leon Armstead. Lee attended Estacado High School and led them to their first regional baseball win.

Lee was the first EHS graduate to be scouted and recruited by a professional baseball team (Kansas City Royals) in 1970. Recruiting him as pitcher, this was the Royals' only visit to Lubbock. He was on the same farm team as Ron Washington, the current Texas Rangers manager. His professional hopes came to an early end after injuring his pitching hand.

As a true athlete, Lee continued to excel in both baseball and basketball for University of Texas in El Paso while in the US Army.

After graduating from Estacado High School in 1972, he enlisted in the US Army and served as Military Police (in The Republic of Panama) until his honorable discharge in 1977. Returning to Lubbock, he began his civilian career as a deputy sheriff with the Lubbock County Sheriff's Department. Upon

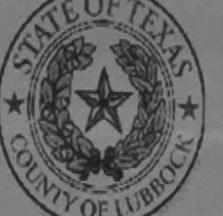


tions from South Plains College, including Electricity and Air Conditioning. Raised in a Christian home, Lee also invested time in his spiritual interests by studying in the Unchained Ministry Bible study program where he focused on books of the Bible.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Willie D. Strawther, Jr.

Lee is survived by his children who shall cherish his love and fond memories: Lesa L. Martinez (George Martinez); Crystal L. Morganfield (Lamaris Morganfield); his parents, Belzora Armstead and Willie D. Strawther, Sr.; his siblings, Joe E. Anderson, LaWanda G. Gordon, Pastor Venus Smitherman (George Smitherman), Clint Armstead and Minister Don W. Armstead; Evangelist M. Jewel Kelly; Mary Collins; Ann Parker and Tammy Sanders; Judy Shed and Willie D. Hayes; he leaves two grandchildren, Candice and Jaelyn. Lee also leaves to celebrate his memories his fiance, Dorothy Jean Jefferson, his companion of many years; and a host of blended family members.





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Abilene, Texas -- A memorial service for John Peter Murray was held Friday, May 10, 2013 in the Logsden Chapel on the Hardin Simmons University campus.

Murray passed away on May 4, 2013 in Ruidoso, N.M.

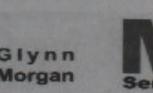
He was born on December. 22, 1933 in Lubbock, Texas to R.J. and Helen Murray. He graduated from Arlington High School.

He earned a BBA and MA from Hardin Simmons University. He was one of four NCAA Division I athletes to ever participate in two team victories on the same day, HSU over Texas Tech afternoon football and HSU over Midwestern State University evening basketball in 1956.

While at HSU he met Anita Louise Mullino. They were married on April 12, 1958 and were devoted to each other for the next 55 years. They have two daughters, Melissa Murray and Melanie Murray-Gerzik.

Pete coached at Brownwood High School for six years before becoming offensive coordinator for Texas A&I from 1966-69, during which time the squad went 35-8-0, won a national championship, and was national runner up. The Javelinas captured three Lone Star Championships during the span.

**Kathy Brown Ministry** 





squad. Whether you met him a moment or knew him a lifetime, you were struck by his generosity, loyalty and commitment to his family, friends, colleagues and student athletes.

ball team, and the 1976 football

Pete is survived by his wife, Anita; his daughters, Melissa and her husband, Kirke Mechem, and Melanie Gerzik, her husband Glenn, and their son, Benjamin; his brother, David Murray; and three nieces. Pete was preceded in death by his father, R.J. and mother, Helen Murray.

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building his career as a civilian, Lee acquired various certifica-

relatives and lifelong friends.

#### **Kenneth Sanders**

Abernathy, Texas -- Kenneth Wayne Ken Sanders, 51, died Saturday, May 4, 2013, in Amarillo, Texas.

Funeral services were held at Saturday morning, May 11, 2013, at the Abernathy Church of Christ with Rev. Clifton Peoples, pastor of Mount Olive Baptist Church of Slaton, officiating and Rev. B. R. Moton, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church of Lubbock, assisting.

Burial followed at the Abernathy Cemetery under the direction of Abell Funeral Home & Flower Shop of Abernathy.

Ken was born May 16, 1961, in Lubbock, Texas, to the parentage of A. L. Shorty and Minnie (Smith) Sanders.

He grew up in Abernathy and attended Abernathy Public Schools where he was active in all sports. After graduation he attended Panhandle State where he played football. He was added to the church at an early age. He later became a CDL truck driver. He was a jack of all trades and his passion was helping and serving others in all jobs.

He lived in Abernathy and Lubbock before moving to Amarillo in July of 2012.

He married Janie Izaguirre,



He is survived by his wife; six children; six grandchildren; two brothers, Clarence Sanders of Ft. Worth, Texas, David (Kelly) Sanders of Amarillo, Texas; four sisters, Sandra Henry of Lubbock, Arnie Faye (James) Muhammed of Abernathy, Vanessa (Charles) Mathis of Sweeny, Texas and Lonnie (Marvin) Satterfield of Amarillo.

#### **Silent Wings Museum Presents Alert Today**

In the Atomic Age, civilians were ready to meet America's need. Come to the Silent Wings Museum on Saturday, May 25th from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to learn more about what life was like for kids during the Atomic Era. Participants will harness the power of rocketry, be a part of the Civil Defense team. and design their own Buck Rogers raygun. The class costs \$7 per person and welcomes visitors ages 8 and older. Pre-registration required by May 24, 2013 at 5:00 p.m., as spots fill up quickly. Call 806-775-3047 for more information

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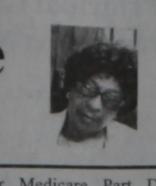
# In Cinque

**By Renetta Howard** 

The details of the new Medicare legislation have not been fully explained to the American people and when it is, some of us still will not understand it. There is some information floating about those individuals who do not currently have medical insurance that they will be able to apply for the government subsidy sometimes this summer. There is fear however, that too many eligibles will not apply.

The fear that not all eligible individuals will apply has some basis in truth. Many individuals with no income at all with which to pay the minimum premium will not be applying for the subsidized insurance. One reason for this is the fact that many of these people are not Medicaid eligible with some type of disability which would render them government medical insurance, yet they are unable to purchase insurance because of unemployment and an exhaustion of unemployment benefits. Once the benefits are exhausted, they are no longer a statistic.

There are a number of young people, some with college degrees who are too old to be carried on their parents' insurance policies and who are unemployed. If they are employed, they are not likely to have employment with medical benefits. If they earn enough to pay for the subsidized policies, they may sign up for it. Otherwise, this group of individuals with marginal income at best may not be candidates unless someone who cares for them and is able to pay the premiums, do it for them.



help for Medicare Part D. Medicare premiums are paid for eligible Medicare recipients and the maximum amount which they pay for any prescription is \$5.60, up \$2.00 from 2011. These beneficiaries have income which exceeds an SSI (Supplemental Security Income) grant which carries Medicaid coverage with it, but they are poor enough to benefit from some help.

The Medicare premium payment is about \$100 this year, per month. If an individual who is given help with the Part D has prescriptions as high as \$600 per month, the government is still saving money wherein it would spend the entire amount needed for the premium, the prescriptions, medical care and a grant for life's other necessities if they were SSI recipients. Part D help does help these poor individuals to keep body and soul together as long as they remain outside any medical facility. Medicare has its limitations when an individual needs hospital or respite care. Even if they have a Medicare supplement or an advantage plan, if not Medicaid eligible, they must pay out of pocket for respite care which is in most cases not affordable. In order to be Medicaid eligible, one must be willing to have a lien placed on some or all of one's valuable possessions. We need to get 'in cinque' and lobby for some leeway for individuals



A Message to the USDA: **Continue to Respect Black Farmers** By Benjamin Todd Jealous

There is no way to make up for decades of discrimination that crippled the proud history of Black farm ownership in America. But we can do our best to move forward.

In 1999 the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) agreed to settle the civil rights lawsuit Pigford v Glickman. The settlement promised to compensate thousands of black farmers who suffered racial discrimination at the hands of the USDA's farm loan program between 1981 and 1996.

In the last three years, Congress has started to provide monetary relief for black farmers who were left out of the original settlement. President Obama also agreed to compensate Native American, Hispanic, and women farmers who suffered discrimination of their own.

These initiatives have come under recent scrutiny, but many critics do not know the full story. The Pigford settlements only begin to make up for the long and ugly history of discrimina-

# THIS N' THAT

#### by T. J. Patterson

entitled .... "THIS IS YOUR LIFE" ..... This program was a collaboration between our youth and elderly of our community in bridging the generational gab. The names of the youth and elderly will be upcoming in our next issue...These youth learned about history, hobbies, and stories of the Residents' lives .... It was well done ..... and hope you will stay tuned for it!!



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who are eligible for help with

Part D Medicare, to be eligible

for respite care as well.

## **Vehicles Prohibited from Driving** on City Parks

With the warmer months upon us, the City of Lubbock and Parks and Recreation want to remind citizens that driving or parking vehicles on the grass or landscaping located in a City park or on City property is prohibited by the City of Lubbock Code of Ordinances Section 16-131. Driving on park property results in damage to both turf and irrigation sprinkler systems and can result in costly repairs. Citizens should hand carry items from the street or parking lot to

the interior of a park. This is also true for local businesses that offer bounce houses, climbing walls. tents, and other large items for party rentals or other activities in our City parks, some which may require permits or other City approvals. In addition, citizens should not park on the grass surrounding soccer fields and softball, baseball and little league ball fields. City of Lubbock Police Officers are able to ticket anyone parking or driving on City park land.

### "A Letter to the Youth"

I want to talk to you about addiction. Some may be addicted to drugs, some alcohol and some other obsessions! My addiction was money! I obsessed over to the point that I lost focus of everything I had been taught by my parents!

I hustled uncontrollaby to the point I lost my family, my kids, and my relationship with God!

Some may say being addicted with money is not a bad thing! I'm here to tell you that it is! When you compromise your belief in God and sin, you are giving up yourself! Anything that you do that goes against God's word is not worth having. My addiction for money cost me my freedom in the end, which I can honestly say has been the worst mistake of my life. Proverbs 3:5-6 says: "Trust the Lord completely, and don't depend on your own knowledge. With every step you take, think

about what he wants, and he will help you go the right way."

Young people, please make the choice to go the right way. Choose God, and life is so much easier!

> Sincerely, Inmate #1802937

tion against black farmers and

#### **Cerola Lewis Continued from Page 4**

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Virgil Morris Jr. and L.C. Morris; two sisters, Annie Davis and Katie Wiseman Mattox.

Cerola leaves to cherish her memory and celebrate her home: loving and devoted husband Jimmy Lewis; three daughters, Sonja Williams (Kevin) Spencer, Shakeitha Lewis (Charles), and LaTercia Lewis; one son, Shevelle Lewis (Shae); four Sisters, Mary Dean, Newton, Louise Ford, Hattie Watkins (Lewis), and Gladys Williams (Mannie); three brothers, L.V. Morris Sr., Joe Buckley (Myroa), Nelson McCarthy (Linda); twenty one grandchildren; fourteen greatgrandchildren; and multiple nieces, nephews, cousins, and other family and friends.

#### **New Light Baptist Church News Continued from Page 1**

times are hard. We offer ourselves to you in both joy and pain so that your power can be manifested in the earthen vessels of our lives. In the name of Jesus, who died for us; Amen.

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK: There is one body, and one spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism. Ephesians 4:4 & 5



joined the voters, or discrimination NAACP.This continued in the years that followed, and it had a devastating effect on farmers of color. According to the Census of Agriculture, between 1920 and 1992 the number of African American farmers declined from 925,000 to only 18,000.

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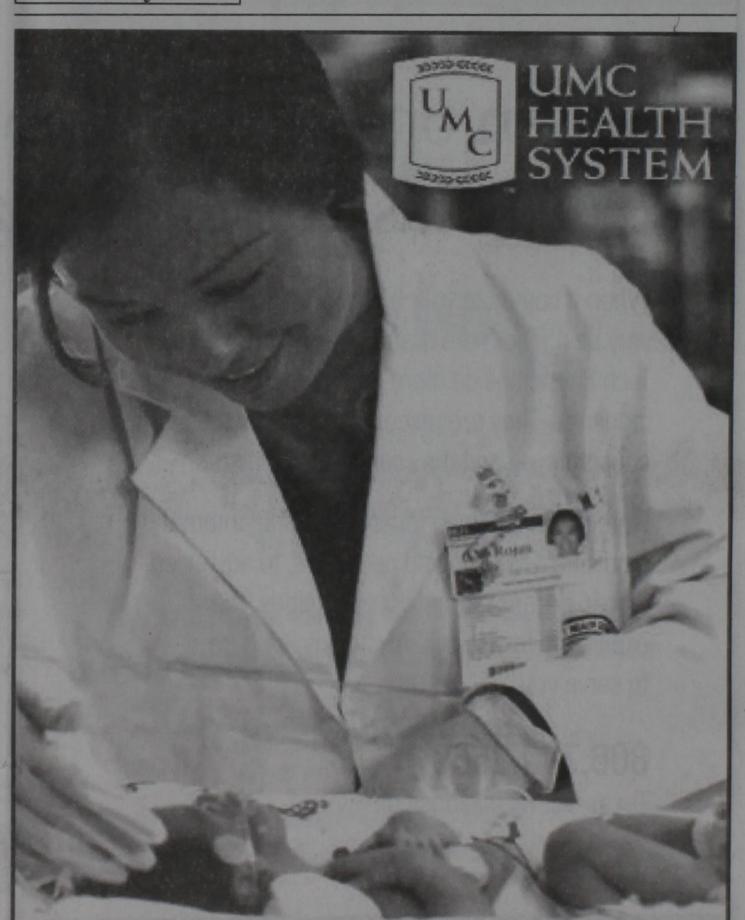
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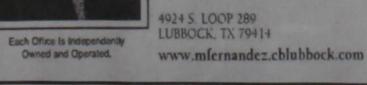
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## **Do You Know Your Estacado High School History?**



HERE SHE IS! - Pictured above is one of our outstanding teachers at Estacado High School. She is none other than Mrs. Lena Sheffield, who has passed, but she left so much for those of us who attended Estacado High School. We will never forget her!

She is shown, at left, with Cathy Cargill, who both were in deep conversation about the next meeting which took place in the 1969-70 academic school year. Mrs. Sheffield was a sponsor.

By attending the upcoming Estacado High School All-Class Reunion, July 11 thru July 14, 2013, you will be able to remember many interesting things which happened on the campus of Estacado High School when you were a student. That will be possible if you register to attend by July 5, 2013.

Ms. Sheffield contributed many of her personal Black History books and Estacado High School annuals to the Roots Historical Arts Council and Cultural to be used by Caviel African American Museum & Cultural Center, which is located 1719 Avenue A. For more information, please call either Dorsita Tate - (806) 535-4017 or Larry Alexander at (806) 831-8718.

## **Thank You For Being Our Valued** Customers

Customer appreciation day at Kwik-O Foods went very well. We were pleased to see that they accomplished their key goal, which was to recognize our local community and express gratitude by giving back to the community. Kwik-O Foods takes pleasure in serving the community and meeting your convenient needs. They take pride in their valued customers. On May 3rd Kwik-O Foods gave away free hot dogs, chips, cookies,

and drinks to everyone who attended the event. They had entertainment for all ages with the Budweiser and Miller Lite girls passing out free gifts, and the inflatable jump house for the kids every one had a good time. We would also like to give a sult of her, a valued employee. formal thank you to Erica Thomas the "store manager" at Kwik-O Foods for her investment and time she put into the event. The successful growth of Kwik-O Foods is the direct re-

#### **Black Americans** celebrate "JUNETEENTH" & freedom from slavery

In Lidia Celebrates America: Freedom and Independence (premieres Friday, June 28 at 10 pm ET on PBS), renowned personality Lidia Bastianich sets out, traveling across the country to celebrate freedom and diversity in America by exploring the experiences of several different ethnicities and cultures.

This one-hour program highlights our country's rich cultural heritage as seen through the lens of Americans celebrating independence and freedom. The subject resonates deeply with Lidia, who also reveals a moving personal account of her own immigrant experience to viewers. She's joined in her travels by her celebrity friend from the worlds of film, television, music, the arts, and food, including actress Anna Deavere Smith, opera singer Renee Fleming, singer Wainwright, chef Martha Jacques Pepin, and actor Alec Mapa.

In the segment with Anna Deavere Smith (best known for her roles on Nurse Jackie and The West Wing), Lidia and Anna explore the deeply moving and meaningful historical events surrounding the celebration of Juneteenth in an extremely poignant story about the freedom from slavery in the US. Every June 19th on the Gulf Coast, the town of Galveston, TX celebrates the Emancipation in a unique and profound way, a Gospel-led procession along Main Street from the old court house to the colored church. Lidia meets with Dr. Barbeque who demonstrates a traditional

## **30-Year Old Principal Gemar Mills Makes Remarkable Progress At Newark High School**

With a story that sounds a lot like Lean On Me - the hit 1980's film that starred Morgan Freeman, huge and remarkable progress is being made at Malcolm X Shabazz High School in crime-ridden Newark, New Jersey. All of this thanks to Gemar Mills, the school's 30-year old principal.

The school once had major problems with the students including violence, drugs, vandalism, and fire alarms going off daily - even though there where no fires. Because of this, the

dry rub brisket and Sam Collins, purchased who recently Stringfellow Orchards plantation to convert it into a historical museum. Sam shares how General Granger read the Emancipation Proclamation in the town of Galveston 2 years after it was written on June 19, 1865, marking the official end of slavery in the town. Anna also discusses with Lidia the oppression African Americans faced and how the promise of freedom is still being fulfilled slowly.

school was rumored to be on the verge of closure. So to implement an effective change, Princial Mills tried something new. He applied football-style structure and discipline to the entire student body and his staff.

And according to the performance numbers, it appears to be working. In fact, the school has seen major improvement and Mills is becoming a national icon for his work in education.

About Principal Gemar Mills Mills, who was once known as a high school football star, began his career at the young age of 22 as a high school math teacher and managed to acquire a 70 percent standardized test pass rate after only three years. By 25, he was serving as the Department Chairperson of Mathematics and in just one year was able to bring the department from functioning at 17% to 26%.

By 27-years old, he was promoted to Vice Principal of the school, and by 28-years old he was Principal. Because of his rapid progress with the school, he has been recognized by major news outlets like NBC News,



**Gemar Mills** 

CNN, the NJ Star-Ledger, and more. He's also working on a book called The Turnaround: 180 Days of Change, which he hopes will be a widely used resource for educators around the world.

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## **In Loving Memory**



Ms. Christine "Gibbs" Burleson April 5, 1928 - May 9, 2012



#### **1st Year Anniversary Celebration**

A year has passed since Jehovah God has called you to glory. Mama, we miss you greatly yet we know at God's feet you rest in peace and continue to care and smile upon us. You are loved beyond words and missed beyond measure. Sweetly tender, fond, and true, there is not a day, dear Mama,

That we do not think of you, no body can fill your place.

You left us suddenly without a word - It's been a painful year without you Mama We miss your voice, laughter, and jokes Life is just not the same anymore.

We and your love ones still feel that you are near us

Though we are separated, we hope to meet you again in heaven someday – so be looking for us and save a seat. Only if God could have given us a few more years with you, but we all know and understand that it wasn't His will - He knows what best.

Your life was a blessing, your memory a treasure. "A loving mother, a passionate and dedicated Woman of God. You will always live in our hearts, minds and we will always have our fondest memories of you – your loving

children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, family and friends.

**IN EVER LOVING MEMORY OF OUR BELOVED MOTHER AND FRIEND** 

Bobbie, Emmitt, Linda, Larry (deceased), Earnestine, Diane, Shelia, and Ricky

**Thank God For** Jesus **Continued from Page 3** 

Luke 16:8b -- Jesus said, the children of this world (THE DEVILS) are in their generation wiser than the children of light (CHRISTIANS).



**Attend Sunday School On Sunday Morning!** 

**Rapper Lil Wayne Finally Loses Mountain Dew Endorsement** After Using Offensive Lyrics About Emmett Till



PepsiCo, which owns and dis-

tributes Mountain Dew, has fi-

nally dropped their endorsement deal with rapper Lil Wayne just

two days after his publicist is-

sued what many called a "weak"

and "late" apology to the family of civil rights icon Emmett Till.

Lil Wayne had been under fire

for using some lyrics in one of

his songs comparing what hap-

pened to Till to a woman's vagina after a violent sex act.

After weeks of bad PR, PepsiCo

apparently felt the pressure and

eventually issued another state-

ment to the media saying that Lil

Wayne's lyrics "do not reflect the

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values of our brand," and that

they had parted ways.

Pepsico had signed Lil Wayne in 2012 to endorse the Mountain Dew softdrink in exchange for sponsorship of his upcoming "America's Most Wanted" concert tour, featuring rappers T.I. and 2 Chainz.

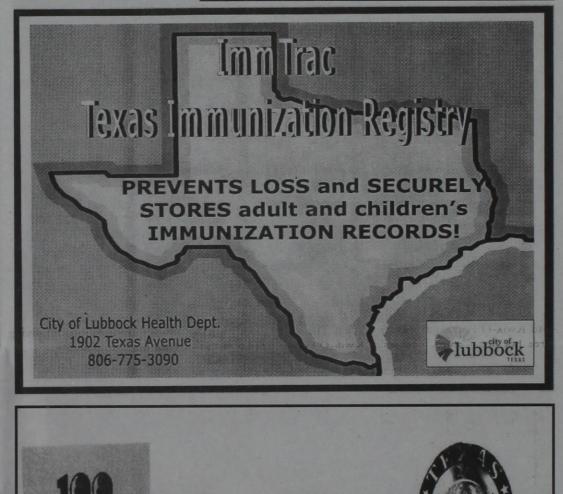
The split came 2 days after another controversy with PepsiCo, in which they had to pull the plug on a controversial television commercial that featured a goat reciting stereotypical slang phrases in a prison line-up of African Americans. The ad was criticized for being racist, and forpromoting violence against women.

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## Estacado's Freeman wins state in 400 meters

by Don Williams - Avalanche-Journal



AUSTIN- Sahari Freeman ran much the same race she's run all year and got the same result: No one could even threaten her this season over 400 meters, much less beat her.

The Estacado junior won a state title in the Class 3A girls 400 Saturday night at Mike A. Myers Stadium, hardly pushed as she circled the track in 55.78 seconds.

"I thought I was going to have a lot of competition," Freeman said.

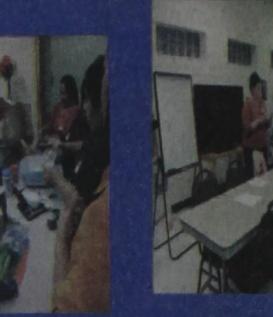
Not exactly. The Lady Mats' standout beat the silver medalist by more than a second - with 17,214 people looking on, and in just her third year after switching from middle-school sprinter to quartermiler and finding her niche.

"It feels great," she said. "My time was a little slower this time. I'm still happy."



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