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## 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 Wednesday of each month, from 12:00-1:00pm at the Chairman Hill Restaurant, 512 E. 23rd St. 806-535-8081
- 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
- Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm
- Booker T. Washington American Legion Post #88 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, Mae Simmons Community Center
- Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Market Alumni Center
- Dunbar-Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 6:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar-Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center at 1301 East 24th St.
- West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturday of each month at 7:00 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations
- Texas Juneteenth Cultural & Historical Commission - Lubbock Affiliate meets at Patterson Branch Library every 3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm
- West Texas Native American Association meets 2nd Saturday each month at Groves Library, 5520 19th Street, 7:30 p.m.
- West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men meets the 3rd Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Parkway Neighborhood Center.
- The Parkway & Clery-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 pm at Hunt Elementary
- Chairman Hill Neighborhood Association meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm, at the Elementary Cafeteria

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## "The Strength Of A Woman" Will Be Held Saturday Evening!!!

The first annual event of "The Strength of a Woman," which is a tribute to the womb that gave birth to all mankind, will be held at The Bridge, former Posey Elementary School, 1301 Redbud Avenue, Saturday evening, May 9, 2009, from 7:00 p. m. until 9:00 p. m.

This special event is sponsored by the B.L.A.C.C.C.C. B.R.I.C.C.C.C., Each One Reach One, and the Southwest Digest.

"This is a way of showing our appreciation for women who are the womb of our civilization, and the many contributions they have all made to mankind," said Donnell Hooper, liaison of the special project and coordinator.

"Since this day has been set aside to honor all mothers and

women, then this became an opportunity to show our appreciation with such an event," he continued.

Appearing on this program will include: Queen Mother J. J. Campbell, Queen Mother Betts, Queen Mother Harris, Queen Mother Pat Perez, Queen Mother Angelina Hightower, Queen Mother Linda DeLeon, Queen Mother Dr. Trejos, Queen Mother Ms. Ann Bush, Young Queen Sister Peoples, Tech Queen Kathleen McPherson, Tech Queen Mother Erlene McNeil, Queen Mother Sister Lachelle, and Queen Mother LaShaka Hooper.

The strength of a woman is one of the most powerful forces on earth next to the reverence of

God's Undisputed Power. Women deserve the utmost respect from all of mankind. Why? Because women are the first teachers of mankind - male and female.

The strength of a woman is expressed and exercised in ways that has served and saved men and our children from the callousness of a capitalist society of Greed, Jealousy, and Envy. A woman's most powerful Strength is: "The Way She Loves!"

So this Mother's Day Eve, Saturday evening, May 9, 2009, at The Bridge, formerly Posey Elementary School, 1301 Redbud Avenue, from 7:00 p. m. until 9:30 p. m., all women of the community will be honored.

Again, its being sponsored by B.L.A.C.C.C.C. B.R.I.C.C.C.C., Each One Reach One, and the Southwest Digest.

So come and help pay Tribute to all women for truly indeed the Woman is one of God's most precious creations.

A buffet will be served by Chief Tyrone of Holiday Inn. For more information, call (806) 762-3612. There is no admission charge. All is free!

"So come and be with us, and enjoy the evening set aside to honor all women," says Donnell Hooper.



**HAMPTON, Va. (AP) —** A former Hampton University student armed with three guns followed a pizza delivery man into the student's former dorm early Sunday, shot the delivery man and a dorm monitor, then turned the gun on himself, university officials said. All three survived.

No current students were injured and both victims and the alleged shooter were expected to recover. Officials could offer no motive for the shooting.

Hampton President William R. Harvey, who said he arrived within 15 minutes of the shooting, told a news conference the campus shooting could have been much worse.

"I think we are very, very fortunate. This could have been another - you fill in the blank," Harvey said.

The 18-year-old former student, who is from New York City, apparently parked his car off campus to avoid a vehicle checkpoint at Hampton's main gate, then followed the pizza delivery man on foot and inside a freshman dormitory, Harkness Hall. Once inside, he shot the pizza man and entered the monitor's office and fired three shots at him, then shot himself. Hampton University Police Chief Leroy Crosby said Crosby said he didn't know what prompted the shooting.

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## Burgess & Quigley Honored By W-WAT



Fredrick Burgess



Jonathan Quigley

Two young men of the Lubbock community were honored at the Greater Saint James Baptist Church where he was saved and baptized at the age of 10. He continues to attend Bethany Baptist Church where he was baptized at the age of 10.

He became a member of the Greater St. Missionary Baptist Church in 2006 under the leadership of Rev. J. H. Ford. He is a member of the Inspirational Choir and is instrumental in the work of the Youth Ministry. He also participates in the Lovely Sunset District and State Congress.

He is eager to advise since he has been involved in the Youth Ministry at St. Luke, he has grown and is thankful to be a servant of God. He is President of M-WAT.

He is currently a student at South Plains College and is majoring in Business Administration.

Presentation of gifts were made by Sister Melaine Jackson, Sister Paula Pope, and Sister Patricia Harvest.

Remarks were given by Sister Tamara Quigley and Sister Kathleen McCullough.

Pastor E. L. Harris was host pastor who gave the benediction.

Other guest churches were: Greater St. Luke Baptist Church, Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Sold Out For Christ of Austin, New Hope Baptist Church of Shallowater, Pleasant Grove Baptist Church of Tahoka, Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, Rising Star Baptist Church and First Progressive Baptist Church.

Burgess, who was born in Midland, is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Alvin J. Burgess. He was born April 30, 1991.

At the age of 2, he was a youth of the New Direction Community Fellowship Church where the pastor was Rev. Marshal D. Harris. He was baptized at the age of 7, and participated in all youth activities including the Youth Choir, Praise Team and Mime Team.

In 2002, he became a member of Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. J. H. Ford. At present time, Burgess is active in the Youth Minister Choir and Usher Board. He is a participant in the Lovely Sunset District and State Congress. He serves as Vice President of M-WAT which began in the fall of 2006 by Brother Quigley and himself.

At present time, he is a senior at Estacado High School, a member of the National Honor Society, and Student Council. He plans to attend Wayland Baptist University after graduation and pursue a degree in Radiology.

Quigley, son of Evette Simmons and Jay Don Quigley, was raised by his beloved grandmother, Jonell Johnson. He has

## Cleavers Surprise Bobbie Patterson at Her Birthday Affair!



Elder and Mrs. Leroy (Gloria) Cleaver of Wichita Falls, Texas, surprised a relative, Bobbie Patterson last Friday, May 1, 2009, at Furr's Cafeteria, 2801 30th Street, as she celebrated her birthday. Her family surprised her with a happy occasion.

Among them present were T. J. Patterson, husband; daughter, Sheila Harris; sister, Sandra McKenzie; brother and sister-in-law, Hillary and Debra Hutchinson.

Elder and Mrs. Cleaver were attending nding a Convocation at Agape Church of God in Christ, and decided to find a nice place to as Furr's and found their relatives.

Elder Cleaver, who is a cousin to T. J. Patterson, was also an instructor for the Tuskegee Airman. At one time, he attended Dunbar High School here.

It was a glorious evening. Bobbie Patterson was elated. "We thank God for this effort and my family," she said.

## 2009 Juneteenth Celebration Set

The 30th Anniversary of the Lubbock Juneteenth Celebration Festivities will begin Friday, June 12, 2009, with Reflections of Juneteenth a Opening Reception and commencing on Saturday, June 20, 2009, with the Freedom Parade and park activities.

The Celebration is for everyone! So come out and enjoy great food, music, and live entertainment. The week long event will be celebrated with many activities as we remember, honor, and celebrate our ancestors who paved the way to Freedom.

This year's celebration theme is "A Change Has Come."

The 2009 Schedule of Events include the following:

Freedom Parade, Health Walk, Vendor Booths, and Youth Day

This year will include activities in Lubbock Joyland. There will be an opportunity to enjoy unlimited rides from 2:00 p. m. until 7:00 p. m. on Saturday, June 20, 2009, which is Juneteenth Celebration Freedom Day.

By paying \$10, one may receive your Juneteenth Celebration armband to enjoy unlimited rides.

For more information, call 763-2719.

The public is invited to attend this Annual Celebration.

## Sister Griffin & Rev. Smith Speak Each Week At The Crown of Eternal Life Church



Sis. Lucinda-Griffin

Pastor Gladys Mae Smith will be ministering at A Crown of Eternal Life Church, 1301 50th Street, Suite B, on Monday night from 7:00 p. m. until 10:00 p. m.

The Church is sponsoring his Music Ministry each Monday night. Praise God Amen.

There will be Music, Music & Music. Also, there will be anointing, anointing & anointing!

We are inviting all of you to come and the Word by Pastor Smith who has begun through her Church to let everyone know Jesus loves all of us!

There will be Blazing Bolding Blessing. Also encouragement testimonies, BBB, The Best of Monday Night and the Best on Thursday nights as well.

Sister Lucinda-Griffin will be speaking and ministering on Thursday evenings, from 7:00 p. m. until 10:00 p. m.

Th pastor and founder, Rev. Smith, encourages as many as

can be in attendance. If you have any questions, please call Rev. Smith at either (806) 747-0289 or (806) 283-5935.

Her website is: www.AcrownofEternalLifeChurch.Com. Her email address is: gladysmaesmith@yahoo.com.

If you have any questions about booking at the church, call between 11:00 a. m. and 3:00 p. m.

"Our church doors are open, and welcome all of those who are looking for a Church Home," says Pastor Smith.

"Just come by and hear Rev. Butler and Sister Griffin as they are here on Mondays and Thursday nights," she says. God loves all of his children and is always standing by to be there for all of us," continued Pastor Smith.

"God is able in all we do," says Pastor Smith.

"We are opening our doors for all of those who will come and be with us each week," says Pastor Smith.

"We are just excited about what we are doing, and are hoping we will help many in our community. It's just good to do the Master's work," she said.

## 2009 Texas Annual Client Council Conference

The Texas Client Council Conference hosted by Legal Aid of Northwest Texas and the Lubbock Area Client Council was held at the Embassy Suites in Lubbock on April 16 - 18, 2009.

George Alan Elliott, the Managing Attorney of the Lubbock Office, Rose Wilson, President of the Lubbock Area Client Council and President of the Texas State Client Council, welcomed attendees at the Conference who came from throughout the State of Texas.

Speakers from several local community organizations

# Chatman Hills Corner

By Doris Reynolds

The Volunteer Center of Lubbock will host its 11th Annual Celebration of Service Luncheon recognizing youth volunteers at 11:45 a.m. on Wednesday, May 13, in the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center Banquet Hall.

During the 2008 - 2009 Youth Connection program year, 13,659 youth contributed over 92,463 hours supporting the efforts of 240 agencies and raising \$149,185. The program will highlight the service activities of 36 area middle and high schools. Project notebooks documenting and illustrating visual accounts of the activities carried out on each campus will be available for viewing. Monetary awards for future service projects will be presented to all schools that complete reporting requirements.

Hey Cheerleaders! It's All Class Reunion time at Estacado

High School. There will be a Pep Rally on Friday, June 16th. Please call or email Dorsita Price Tates at (806) 535-4017. tate6@att.net.

We need YOU to be a part of the Pep Rally!

The Lubbock Area Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance will be held at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 2202 Southeast Drive, on Sunday evening, May 31, 2009, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Supt. W. David Haynes is president. Rev. Sonia J. Scott is host pastor.

The public is invited to attend.

Congrats! Wilbert & Earline Locke for their 24th Wedding Anniversary on May 26, 2009.

The Lockes are going on a cruise.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in citizens of the community.

Among them include Sister Charlie Bell Pratt, Sister Doris Ragland, Sister Emma Rogers, Sister Eloise Smith, Sister Lillie Smith, Sister Mary Ella Tucker, and Sister Bernice Wright.

Let us not forget Brother Al Cavie and Brother and Sister Clarence (Joan) Ervin. All have made outstanding contributions to our community over the years.

Plans are underway for the Annual Juneteenth Celebration. Word comes that the route of this year's Parade Route has changed. Hopefully, the new route will be forthcoming in the next issue of the Southwest Digest.

Let us support and encourage those who are working with this annual event!

## FASHION FUN

by Shirley Roberson

### HOBO BAGS

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Fashion tip...always wear a smile.

Fashion...just for the fun of it

### Activities At Local Libraries This Week

#### Local Children's Author at the Mahon Library

Local author Michael Davis will read and sign copies of his book *Bumperly Bumper Bee* at the Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 9. A portion of the proceeds from each book sold supports the education of children with dyslexia. For more information, call the library at 775-2838.

#### Gardening Storytime at the Patterson Branch Library

The Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive, invites children to a special storytime at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, May 12 at 6:30 p.m. Bring size 8 knitting needles and worsted weight yarn. For more information, call the library at 767-3300.

#### Learn to Knit at Groves Branch Library

Come to the Groves Branch Library, 5520 19th Street, and learn the basics of Continental style knitting on Tuesday, May 12 at 6:30 p.m. Bring size 8 knitting needles and worsted weight yarn. For more information, call the library at 767-3300.

### What A Fellowship!

**Slaton, Texas** -- The Slaton Chain of Fellowship of Church's First Annual Banquet and Celebration will be held May 23, 2009 at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church's Fellowship Hall, 887 Flint Street. Rev. C. C. Peoples is host pastor. This banquet will be given in honor of Mrs. Vivian Peoples. For more information regarding the Banquet and Celebration and/or tickets/donations: Contact Minister Equilla Morgan at (806) 549-4372 or Minister Ruby Doss at (806) 747-4823 or 368-2130.

Thirty-nine years ago, four Pastors came together and said, "Let's form a fellowship of churches, and in a very short time, The Slaton Chain of Fellowship of Churches was organized.

The Pastors among the first to start were Pastor C. C. Peoples, Pastor Edward Canady, Pastor M. A. Brown and Pastor Jessie Brown.

Thirty-nine years later, Deacons are still praying, Choirs are still singing, and Preachers are still preaching.

All are very excited about this upcoming effort on Saturday, May 23rd, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Rev. Ed Jennings, former Pastor of Triumph Baptist Church.

Special guest singers will be The King Sisters, who have sung before.

Sunday afternoon, My 2, 2009, the guest speaker will be Rev. Floyd Green, Jr. who is the former Pastor of Gospel Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Tickets are \$10.00 for Adults and \$5.00 for children age 10 and under.

The following churches will be involved this year: Mt. Olive First Missionary Baptist Church, Triumph Missionary Baptist Church, Freewill Missionary Baptist Church, and First Church of God in Christ.

# VOTE MAY 9!

tion, please call the library at 767-3733.

#### Teen Program at Patterson Branch Library

The Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive, invites teens to the library to play the video game *Guitar Hero* on Thursday, May 14 at 4 p.m. Call 767-3300 for more information.

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#### "Twilight Thursday" at Groves Branch Library

The Groves Branch Library, 5520 19th Street, invites teens to a meeting of our Twilight book group on Thursday, May 14 at 4:45 p.m. We will be discussing the fourth book in the Twilight series, "Breaking Dawn" by Stephenie Meyer. For more information, call 767-3733.

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### New Light Baptist Church News

On Sunday morning, May 3, 2009, church services got underway with a lot of excitement at New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road where Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson is the proud pastor.

Church School started at 9:45a.m. with Sis. Alvera Johnson teaching the lesson entitled: "The Spiritual Family" with the scripture text coming from Ephesian 1:3-14.

The morning worship started at 11:00a.m. with the Praise Team leading the way.

Rev. Jackson led the pulpit devotion. The Senior Choir marched in the choir stand singing "Thank You, Lord." The responsive reading was read by Rev. Jackson and it came from 1 Corinthians 11:23-

30. The altar prayer was led by Rev. Henry Edom with the choir singing "What A Friend"

Sis. Rochelette Hood read all the morning announcements and told of all the upcoming events which will be taking place. There was the pastoral period which was held and then the offering was taken up. The Senior Choir sang two beautiful selections which was very spiritual up lifting. "Amazing Grace" was sung before the sermon. Rev. Jackson preached the sermon entitled: "Standing On The Word Of God" with the scripture text coming from John 6:65-70. After the sermon a selection entitled: "When I See Jesus" was sung.

There was the invitation to discipleship that was extended and several went up for prayer.

PRAY FOR STRENGTH, WISDOM, KNOWLEDGE, and UNDERSTANDING. PRAY FOR THE BEREAVED FAMILIES. PRAY THAT GOD CONTINUES TO USE HIS CHILDREN IN A SPECIAL WAY.

We were on program at Shiloh in Ralls for the Installation Service of Rev. & Mrs. Kenneth Hightower. We were glad to be in attendance.

**Scripture For Week:** Grace, mercy and peace will be with you from God the father and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the son of the father in truth and love. I rejoiced greatly that I have found some of your children walking in the truth as we received commandments from the father.

2 JOHN 3 & 4



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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# Church News



## FROM THE DESK OF PARSON D. A. SMITH

Today's America (especially conservative white America) appears to have become monomaniac in its idea as it relates to the betterment of all races in America and particularly Hispanic and African Americans. The idiosyncrasy of these social misfits in a society that is becoming increasingly whole is to lead a global world thought and impression that African Americans and Hispanics are at the lowest social stratum and must be subject to the thought processes of their rabid ideas.

Case in point: In oral arguments April 29, the right-wing of the Supreme Courts indicated a desire to strike down or weaken Section 5 of the landmark Voting Rights Act of 1965. That provision requires a number of Southern states (including Texas) with a history of discrimination against minority voters, and there political subdivisions, to obtain advance clearance from the U. S. Justice Department before making changes to election procedures.

A small community located outside of Austin, Texas bearing the name Canyon Creek and the heart of Northwest Austin Municipal District Number One, is the focus of a Major Supreme Court battle over one of the federal government's most useful and most effective tool in preventing voting discrimination

against minorities. Because of the whole of Texas attitude toward African Americans and Hispanics, it was tagged as a state (along with 15 other states of the South) that was likely to discriminate against minorities and whenever a change wanted to be made it must ask for approval from the Justice Department before any changes could be made in how elections were conducted.

This utility district and its community of 3500 residents, 80 percent of whom are white, philosophically somehow must feel they are more enlightened than the resounding majorities of Democrats and Republicans in Congress who thought it necessary in 2006 to extend the advance approval requirement for 25 more years. President George Bush and a Texas Republican signed the measure into law. No wonder Texas' governor, Rick Perry, continues to make a fool out of himself and his kind throughout America.

African Americans and Hispanics must be aware of two U. S. Supreme Courts justices who allegedly appear to lean toward those who are of their group and ideology. These justices have at least 55 Bishops of the church organizations they are affiliated with who are opposing President Obama being invited to speak at the University of Notre Dame's

commencement and receiving an honorary doctorate May 17, 2009. What's more important? A honorary doctorate from Norcie Damo or being the leader of the free world and having been elected by young highly intelligent white Americans who see no color but a person for who they are.

If the former is not enough, what is coming up may bring on an imminent reaction. Talk radio show hosts are saying "illegal aliens are the carriers" of the swine flu virus. Some of the talk show host are said to have been using the spread of the virus to renew arguments that immigration from Mexico is a threat to America. Talk show hosts is said to have referred to the flu as "fajita flu." Some radio show host have called Mexican immigrants "criminals" and say that "illegal aliens" are the carriers of the flu like virus and those illegal immigrants who go to emergency rooms are "condos for Mexicans." Such remarks by radio talk show hosts and political bigots have no place in our society.

By now the world is aware that we are amassed by corporate thieves. These thieves' diets are beyond "neck-bones" and "tortillas!"

Guess who these slop jar characters are?



## We Thank God for Jesus "Our Mother Is Our Hero!!"

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

**Luke 1:28** -- The angel came unto her, and said, Hail, you that are highly favored, the Lord is with you: Blessed are you among women.

The Lord put the baby in the mothers; some preachers, presidents, labours and queens. Some become worth their salt in gold, and many become Dope Phenos.

**Ezekiel 18:4** -- The Lord said, Behold all souls are mine as the soul of the Father, so also the soul of the son is mine, the soul that sin, it shall die.

All the children belong to God, and he loves them with the same love. This is the Love God gave his Son Jesus, who he sent from above!!!

**John 3:16** -- Jesus said for God so love the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in him shall not perish, but have everlasting life.

Even when we through God gave us the meanness Father and Mother in the world. WE INVOLVED OTHER CHILDREN WE WANTED OUR WAY, LIKE OTHER BOYS AND GIRLS!!!

**Proverbs 4:13-14** -- Take fast hold of instruction, let her not go, keep her, for she is your life. Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men.

There were seven of us Children: Our Father left when I

was about ten years old. Mother raised us, WITH THE HELP OF GOD. THIS IS HOW THE STORY GOES.

Every Sunday, we were in Church, and we know all the RULES. We were to listen and learn. MOTHER WOULD SPANK. WHEN YOU ACTED A FOOL!!!

**Proverb 22:15** -- Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child, but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.

\*\*\*\* THE MORRISON AND BAILEY BLOOD LINE, WHEN TOGETHER NEEDS HELP!!!! \*\*\*\*

One of Mother's RULES WAS: DON'T TALK BACK, THAT WAS A NO! NO! YOU WOULD GET SLAPPED OR GET A WHIPPING HOWEVER IT GOES!!!

Mother always told us to tell the Truth, even if it kills you. And times when we didn't, a spanking was coming, AND SHE TRIED TOO!!!

\*\*\*\* IN THIS DAY AND TIMES, OUR MOTHER AND FATHER WOULD HAVE STAYED IN JAIL!!! \*\*\*\*

O. T. Apocrypha: Ecclesiastes VII, 23, a horse not broken becomes headstrong; and a child left to himself will be wilful. Cocker (Pamper) your child, and he shall make you

afraid; play with him, and he will bring you to heaviness. Laugh not with him, lest you have sorrow for him, and lest he gnash your teeth in the end. Give him no liberty in his youth, and wink not at his follies. Bow down his neck while he is young, and beat him on the sides (Buttocks) while he is a child, lest he wax stubborn, and be disobedient unto you, and bring sorry to your heart.

Mother did men's jobs at the compress quarters; in order to make ends meet. She was a good BREAD WINNER; we wore use clothes, and had good food to eat!!! We didn't go to the major stores, which sold the new thing down town. We shopped at used clothing stores, and were PROUD TO WEAR THEM AROUND!!!

**Proverbs 31:10, 14, & 28** -- Who can find a virtuous woman? Her price is far above rubies. She is like the merchant ships; she brings her food from afar. Her children rise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and praises her.

\*\*\*\* AS THE OLD FOLKS SAY, THE PROOF IS IN THE PUDDING!!!! \*\*\*\*

(My oldest sister, Mattie Joice, is a homeowner and a rent lady. My oldest brother, Luanzy Lee, worked the same job for over 30 years. My sister, Bobbie

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# St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Church services were again well attended last Sunday morning, May 3, 2009, at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 east 14th Street, where the proud pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

Church services got underway at 10:10 a. m. with Superintendent Sister Shirley Davis in charge. The subject of the morning lesson was "The Spiritual Family." The scripture text was Ephesians 1:3-14.

The key verse was Ephesians 1:5: "Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will."

The morning devotion got underway at 11:15 a. m. with Deacon Edward Williams and Deaconess Ethel Williams in charge.

Rev. Canady preached a powerful sermon. His subject

was "Choosing Life Or Death, The Choice Is Yours." The Inspirational Song was "Love Lifted Me." Again, we had a wonderful time singing God's Praises.

The weekly meetings are as follows: Wednesday evening, Mission Ladies meet at 6:00 p. m. and Bible Study begins at 7:00 p. m.

Friday evening is Choir Rehearsal, beginning at 5:00 p.

m. The Ushers meet at 11:00 a. m. each Saturday morning.

Let us remember our sick and shut-in members of the community. Among them include Sister Lola Byrd.

As we have always made known, today it may be them and tomorrow it could be you.

So if you know of someone who is ill or shut-in, pray for

them or if you have an opportunity, call them or even visit them.

If you are looking for a Church Home, why not come and visit with the congregation of the St. Matthew Baptist Church. Our doors are always open, and we will be looking forward to having you with us. May God continue to bless you as your prayer.

Thoughts For the Week: "Better is poor man who walks in his integrity than a man who is perverse in speech, and is a fool. It is not good for a man to be without knowledge, and he who makes haste with his feet misses his way. When a man's folly brings his way to ruin, his heart rages against the Lord."

Proverbs 19:1-3  
God Bless each of You!

## Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast met last Saturday morning, May 2, 2009, in the home of Sister Annie McBride at 9:00 a. m. All had a delicious breakfast home made style, and those who are present know what I really mean. There was no lesson on Saturday morning. You see, the Ladies just spoke on things which have happened in their life. Prayer went for ward for those with problems. We thank God for His Word!

(A few words on the gifts of teaching.)

God has given each of us as a believer at least one spiritual gift to build up the body of Christ and to minister in our hurting world.

In our gifts is prophecy, we'll proclaim God's views of right and wrong. If it is service, we will desire to meet other's needs. The gift of teaching has those characteristics organized, whether in conversation or in a more formal setting, we will seek to communicate information clearly so the listener can follow. God has wired us to analyze material and present it logically. We want others to under-

stand not simply the conclusion, but the steps leading to it. We also desire to help them think matters through.

Our priority is to know the truth. So we ask questions in an attempt to validate the accuracy of what we learn.

We will also inquire about the trustworthiness of our source of information. We derive great delight from standing and researching and are strongly motivated to share what we learn. Truth is presented not simply to share knowledge, but with the goal that God will transform the hearer's life.

With this gift comes a strong desire to know what the Lord has to say. While we may recognize the value of other's experiences, reading about them is not our main concern nor are we especially motivated by personal illustration. All of the spiritual gifts can be used in the workplace, in our communities, and in our homes. Allow the Spirit to direct your teaching ability for god's glory and others gain.

Come by when you can, and hear our teacher, She's the best in these parts. Sister Elnora

Jones is her name. In the mean while, pray for your neighborhood, churches and schools. Do your drive by prayers!

Here are some verses which will help you this week:

**Psalms 119: "Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord! Blessed are those who keep his testimonies, who seek him with their whole heart, who also**

do no wrong, but walk in his ways!"

Thou hast commanded thy precepts to be kept diligently.

O that my ways may be steadfast to keeping thy statutes!

Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all thy commandments.

I will praise thee with an upright heart, when I learn thy righteous ordinances. I will observe thy statutes: O forsake me not utterly!

How can a young man keep

his way pure?

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president; and Sister Elnora

Jones, teacher. May God bless each of you this week. God is able!

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# Obsequies

### Alfred Lee Andrew Lusk

Funeral services were held for Alfred Lee Andrew Lusk Friday morning, May 1, 2009 at Divine Love Baptist Church.

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

Lusk, who was known as "Foot", age 60, of Lubbock passed away Friday, April 24, 2009 at his residence.

He was born in Pelham to Tysium and Lavera Lusk on January 13, 1949. Alfred was a graduate of Pelham High School.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his mother, Lavera Lusk; daughter, Tikisha Wilkerson (Derrek Wilson); two



sons, Lavaster "Eugene" Cooper and Micheal Hawkins, four brothers, Tysium Lusk, Willie Lusk, Tom Lusk, and Roger Lusk; two sisters, Annie Lusk (Menton), and Laverne Conner; three grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

### Pink "Greyhound" Tillmon, Jr.



Services for Pink "Greyhound" Tillmon, Jr. were held last Friday afternoon, May 1, 2009, at Wesley Memorial COGIC.

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

Known as "Greyhound", Tillmon, Jr., 80, of Lubbock, passed away Tuesday, April 24, 2009, at UMC.

Pink was born June 3, 1928, to the late Pink, Sr., and Liddie B. Tillmon, in Calvert.

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memory are his two sons, David (Brenda) and James (Belinda); three daughters, Ellen Alexander (James), Annie, and Cheryl; one brother, Q.C. Tillmon (Willie Mae), one sister, Doris Young (Richard); one brother-in-law, Felix Rodgers; one sister-in-law, Mennie Smith; 17 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; his beloved dog, Tiny; and a host of other relatives and friends.

### Obama Seeks to Change Crack Sentences



WASHINGTON (AP) -- The Obama administration joined a federal judge Wednesday in urging Congress to end a racial disparity by equalizing prison sentences for dealing and using crack versus powdered cocaine.

"Jails are loaded with people who look like me," U.S. District Judge Reggie Walton, an African-American, told a Senate Judiciary subcommittee hearing. Assistant Attorney General Lanny Breuer said the administration believes Congress' goal "should be to completely eliminate the disparity" between the two forms of cocaine. "A growing number of citizens view it as fundamentally unfair," Breuer testified.

It takes 100 times more powdered cocaine than crack cocaine to trigger the same harsh mandatory minimum sentences.

Sen. Dick Durbin, an Illinois Democrat who chairs the subcommittee, said, "Under current law, mere possession of five grams of crack -- the weight of five packets of sweetener -- carries the same sentence as distribution of half a kilogram of powder or 500 packets of sweetener."

Durbin said more than 81 percent of those convicted for crack offenses in 2007 were African-American, although only about 25 percent of crack cocaine users are African Americans.

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**Varicella Vaccine (Chickenpox):** All students entering kindergarten and 7<sup>th</sup> grade will be required to have 2 doses of MMR vaccine if they have not had the disease. If they have had the disease a written statement is required with month and date and should be provided to the school.

**Tetanus, Diphtheria, and acellular pertussis-containing vaccine (Tdap):** All students entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade will be required to have one dose of Tdap vaccine if it has been five years since their last dose of tetanus-containing vaccine. Students in grades 8-12 are required to have a booster dose of Tdap if it has been ten years since their last dose of a tetanus-containing vaccine.

**Meningococcal Vaccine (Menactra):** All students entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade will be required to have one dose of meningococcal vaccine.



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### 6th Annual Educators Hall of Fame Set May 26th

The African American Chamber of Commerce will sponsor its 6th Annual Educators Hall of Fame on May 26, 2009 at Jay Gordon Room at Lubbock Independent School Board Building, 1628 - 19th Street.

Those persons to be recognized are: Mildred Lusk, Arlee Jackson, Rosa Llanas, Donald George, Ada Bell Jackson, and Walter Rinehart.

Previous inductees are: 2008: Julio T. Llanas, Ella Iles, Dr. William Marcy, Dr. Ralph Ferguson, Percy Hines, Dr. E. C. Struggs, and Celestine Kyle.

2007: Reva Alexander, Dr. Aretta Marbley, Mary Jo Henderson-Wilson.

2006: Samuel Ayers, Nora Hutchinson, Lottie Fay Riddle Barrow, Rose Mediano, Wayne Havens and Mae Phea.

2005: James T. Braxton, Jr., Curtis Gipson, Gloria Carter, Margaret Randle, Nettie Edwards, and Vernita Holmes.

2004: Dr. Charles Henry, Bobbie Gene Bailey-Patterson, Virgil L. Johnson, Dorothy Phea-Norville, Louis Kelly, and George Scott, Jr.

For more information, contact Regi Davis, President/CEO, African American Chamber of Commerce. regi@msn.com. You may call him at (806) 535-8081.

Tickets are \$25.00 each or \$300, per table.

"We want to continue this very positive program which is designed to show those professional educators, we appreciate what they have done. Without the efforts of these professionals, many of our young people would not have made it," he said.

### Blacks Match Whites in Voting Rates in 2008

WASHINGTON (AP) -- Nearly one-fourth of voters in last November's election were minorities, the most diverse election ever, fueled by high turnout from black women and a growing Hispanic population, an independent research group found.

The study by the Pew Research Center, released Thursday, also showed that for the first time blacks had the highest voter turnout rate of any racial or ethnic group among people ages 18 to 29. Analysts said it remained to be seen how fully the strong minority participation, a reflection of both changing U.S. demographics and enthusiasm for Democrat Barack Obama, would carry over to future elections.

In 2008, about 65 percent of blacks went to the polls, nearly matching the 66 percent voting rate for whites. Black women had the highest rates of participation among all voters at 69 percent.

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# Editorials • Comments • Opinions



## THIS 'N' THAT

by T.J. Patterson

**HOPE YOU WILL VOTE ON MAY 9TH! THIS N THAT** ... is hoping as many as can will go to the ... **POLLS** ... and cast your precious vote for ... **PROPOSITION 12** ... which will determine whether ... **LUBBOCK COUNTY** ... will become ... **WET OR DRY** ... on Saturday ... May 9, 2009 ... between 7:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. ... No matter how

you feel about this situation ... **PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: "WORKING TOGETHER** ... in the community ... will make sure some ... **GOOD THINGS** ... will happen ... and end results will help ... **ALL OF US!**" **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! THIS N THAT** ... wants to say ... **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY** ... to all ... **MOT HERS** ...

in Lubbock and other areas ... As ... **THIS N T THAT** ... would always say ... **MOTHER** ... is the beginning of my civilization ... May God continue to ... **BLESS ALL MOTHERS!!!** **GET INVOLVED! THIS N THAT** ... ask for all of us to ... **GET INVOLVED!!!**

a dog pound being built in Mackenzie Park. Please don't let Mackenzie Park go to the dogs! A Councilman Klein initiative, Council voted 5-2 for an Emerald City dog pound (3.5-million estimate). Mayor Martin and Councilman Leonard voted no to the Mackenzie Park location.

This is very obscene at many different levels, and it does not serve the people that need the animal shelter. It is not centrally located; a couple of blocks from the present dog pound.

Those that voted for the **Continue on Page 8**



## THINK ABOUT IT!

What's Next For Us?

by Edsdie Richardson

For some reason, the East and North sections of Lubbock are more likely to be blessed with things that other parts of Lubbock rejects or do not want. For some strange reason, especially East Lubbock will always unfortunately be blessed by receiving things others do not want. For example, objects or items that are eye sores, bad smelling, unattractive, unsanitary, noisy, and all the negatives that come with these items and programs. But never none or any of the revenues, for many years this has been the case of what others do not want for some strange reason. We are gifted with what others do not want and told we should be happy. We are being blessed with other rejects and in some

cases even asked we gave you people this and that. So what more do you people want. The answer to that is now and has always been if you know what you want then for sure you know what I don't want. Believe me, I want the same thing you want.

At this particular time, the pressing issue is the proposed dog pound in McKinzie Park where the at one time best swimming pool in the Lubbock area was located. At one time, this was the largest park area in Lubbock. Oh, yes, it was, at one time, a segregated park. Blacks and Browns were not allowed in or on the park. We have come a long way since the civil rights laws have been in force. The park is now owned by the city

and the park has always been a park. Since it's inception it has been a people park by people for people.

The pressing issue now is the proposed dog pound. As time goes by a full fledged pet store, state of the art type pet store which is not in standing with the original donational of the land which was given to be designated as park land with the understanding that it would remain a park. A dog pound and pet store were not a part of the original agreement, even with the park being segregated at that time which was the law. Dogs are not allowed without being on a leash. City Council when you voted to put the dog pound in McKinzie Park did you consider your constituents the

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### White House Announces Deadline for Fall Internship Program

The White House today announced that applications for the Fall 2009 White House Internship Program are due by Tuesday, May 26. Those selected to participate in the program will gain valuable job experience and an inside look at the life of White House staff while building leadership skills.

In addition to normal office duties, interns will supplement their learning experience by attending a weekly lecture series hosted by senior White House staff, help at White House social events, and volunteer in community service projects.

The 2009 Fall Internship program runs from September 8 to December 18, and the submission deadline is May 26, 2009.

Those interested in applying to the White House Internship Program must be:

US Citizens  
Eighteen years of age or older before the first day of the internship.

Enrolled in a college or university (2-4 year institution) or must have graduated from college in the past two years.

OR  
A veteran of the United States Armed forces who possesses a high school diploma or its equivalent and has served on active duty at any time over the

past two years.

Interns will be placed in a departmental office for their internship. Below is a list of departments in the Office of the President and the Office of the Vice President where interns could be placed.

White House Department of Scheduling and Advance  
The Office of Cabinet Affairs  
The White House

### Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

This is the time when all of us must take a stand and voice our disapproval with our local government! We who live on the East side, Guadalupe, Jackson, and the North side have always had to put up with the will of the elite. The word elite refers to those few who are in power and decide for the many what is best for us, when, where, and how. These elitists are accustomed to the East side and North side not making any noise, not even a

whimper. We must stand up now and tell the City Council that we will NOT accept a dog pound in Mackenzie Park. The residents in KN Clapp Park did not want it there and the Council backed down after Floyd Price and Linda DeLeon objected to the pound being built there. What is the difference between Clapp Park and Mackenzie Park in regards to a dog pound? I say it is US. The Council does not care what we think or feel. Help us to demonstrate against this toilet of

## In Cinque

by Renetta Howard



Howard

Spring has barely sprung and the whole country, perhaps the whole world is now concerned about the virus causing what is called the Swine Flu, a combination of swine, bird and human Flu. It seems that it all started when a pig farmer in Mexico came down ill with Flu symptoms and the medical care which he sought was not sufficient to keep him well and alive. In the meantime, he traveled to a densely populated city in Mexico where he traded and the rest has become history in bordering states of America and on to other cities in this country and in foreign lands.

fatality in the United States and that was a 22 month old baby whom had been to Mexico. Fear of a pandemic has caused people all over the world to attempt to take precautions that will prevent them from getting the Swine Flu. They also want to stop calling it Swine Flu and call it by its viral name, A (H1N1), in the media, which is the same name given the Spanish Flu in the 1918 pandemic and the Russian Flu in 1977 which was isolated in northern China. Regardless to what it is called, it is here and no one has any idea how long it will stay or the total damage that it will cause as viral Flu is unpredictable.

The last recorded pandemic was the "Hong Kong flu" H3N2 in 1968 according to the Disease Control Center, but the World Health Organization has raised

its alert twice in this week above the stage of 3 in a six stage rating. The situation is such that public places frequented by individuals such as banks, are putting antiseptic hand solutions on counters for their customers to use and some have tissues as well. We have been warned to wash our hands and cover sneezes. Many people are wearing masks and respirators. According to the Center for Disease Control, there are some things that we can get "in cinque" and do to stay healthy.

Stay informed: Check the news and websites regularly for information as it becomes available.

Avoid coughers and sneezers: Influenza is thought to spread mainly person-to-person through coughing or sneezing of infected people.

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### Hampton Shooting Continued from Page 1

The monitor, who suffered two gunshot wounds in his arms and a third in the leg, has been released from the hospital, Harvey said.

"He feels, as I do, that he was extremely lucky and blessed," Harvey said of the monitor.

The other two, including the alleged shooter, were in stable

condition. The shooting victims are 62 and 43. The university did not release their names.

Hampton police are leading the investigation and requested s office. Police were applying pressure to his wounds, he said.

Hampton police Cpl. Paula Ensley said Sunday afternoon the suspect had not yet been charged.

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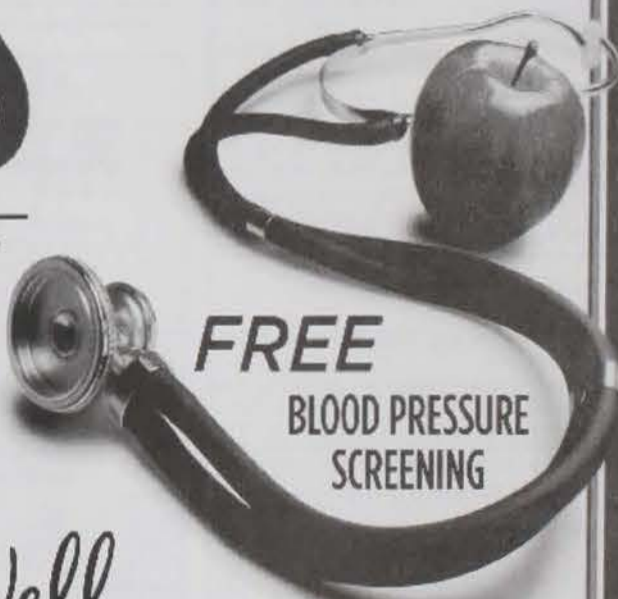
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We have now started our TV ministry which is bilingual on **Univision** every Saturday morning at 10:30 a. m. We invite you to tune in to see the wonders of God in this ministry.

Good news as well in the Jail Ministry. We have had an awesome respond from women and men giving their lives to the Lord experiencing the anointing of God in the cells. Praise the Lord!

And the most awesome part is to see these women and men come into our church in our services, and with tears in their eyes thank us for ministering to them while they were incarcerated. God has been good to us. We have got to get excited about serving God. Amen!!!

We also have upcoming projects for the community. Andy's

**Stimulus Funds**

Continued from last week

The government would be giving the American people far less money than these money institutions. Yes, I am saying that of the \$820 billion dollar stimulus package, 500 thousand or even \$1 million dollars should be given to each free citizen of America just as quickly as all the bailout money is being given out now!

The gift of the land from the government helped establish this country. The gift of the money will help restabilize this country. There should be a 10 year stipulation for people who have jobs and if they forfeit the money received. If they stop working at their job before the ten year period, for any reason other than major health issues. Poor job performance due to the money will also forfeit the money. Those who are homeless, been laidoff or fired must create new businesses and be registered within 90 days and operating within the year. The money is received or forfeit the money. This is no form of economical reparations. This is true economic stimulation for all the American people.

Now there are going to be some people who might say this idea is insane. Well, I think receiving a portion of the billions of dollars of bailout money directly from the federal government is well served but, the rest of the government bailout money that will reach the hands of the failed banks,



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Sincerely,  
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**Thank God For Jesus**  
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Dean, is a barber and beautician, and rent lady Josephia (J.R.), owner of a car lot. Deshae Mae had a greeting card company. Lula Beatrice is an airline stewardess with United Airlines for 20 years. And you know me, ol' B. J. I'M JUST A NOBODY, TRYING TO TELL EVERYBODY ABOUT JESUS DYING FOR THE SINS OF THE WORLD, AND GAVE RIGHTS TO THE CROSS TO EVERYBODY!!!

**Matthew 28:19** -- Jesus, aid, go, you, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

**Letter to the Editor**  
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Mackenzie Park location want to rid themselves of the problem a.s.a.p. This will place an unfair burden and sacrifice on the thousands of people that use Mackenzie Park regularly. More green space will auto industries, realtors etc., should get there in directly from the hand of the American people.

This will surely be our daily bread "ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN". Yes, I know men and women don't live by bread alone but, for sure a portion of the government bailout stimulus money will ensure the American people will be able to afford to buy their own.

**White House**  
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**What's Next For Us?**  
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people that voted for you and, most of all, the donor of the land and their heirs. Hats off to the Mayor and especially Councilman John Leonard, Floyd and Linda, where you on this!!!

Price and DeLeon led the effort last year to recruit opposition to the pound in KN Clapp Park. All media was utilized. Now, why is the dog pound okay for Mackenzie Park? This is ultimate hypocrisy.

The Council should spend money on humans, first. How about a shelter for the homeless, or a shelter for children after school, or rebuild the swimming pool?

Councilman Paul R. Beane has gone on record as saying that he would vote to reconsider Good for him. He has enough sensibilities to be responsive to the people. I hope the other members have enough sense to recognize this error, shame on them if they don't. Who puts a toilet in the kitchen?

Armando Gonzales

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**Fans Fixate on Beyonce as 'Obsessed' Takes in \$28M**

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Audiences were in the mood for some fatal attraction action at the box office.

Beyonce Knowles and Idris Elba's "Obsessed" debuted as the top weekend movie with \$28.5 million in ticket sales. The Sony Screen Gems thriller stars Knowles and Elba as a couple whose ideal marriage lands on the rocks after a psychotic temp played by Ali Larter begins stalking the husband.

The strong opening for "Obsessed" helped maintain Hollywood's hot streak, with overall revenues at about \$112 million, up 23.5 percent from the same weekend last year, according to box-office tracker Media By Numbers.

The busy summer season starts Friday with 20th Century Fox's spinoff "X-Men Origins: Wolverine," starring Hugh Jackman in the title role he played in three "X-Men" blockbusters.

Studios head into summer on a box-office tear, with receipts running at a record pace. Revenues for the year are at \$3.06 billion, up 17.4 percent over last year. Factoring in higher ticket prices, movie attendance is up 15.7 percent.

"We have never been in this



strong a position heading into the summer season, ever," said Paul Dergarabedian, president of Media By Numbers.

Zac Efron's "17 Again" and Channing Tatum's "Fighting" were neck-and-neck for the No. 2 spot. With Sunday estimates of \$11.7 million, the Warner Bros. comedy "17 Again" had the edge. After debuting in first-place a week earlier, "17 Again" raised its 10-day total to \$40 million.

Rogue Pictures' "Fighting," starring Tatum and Terrence Howard in the story of a rising star in New York City's under-

ground bare-knuckle fight circuit, debuted with \$11.4 million.

The two movies were close enough that rankings could change when final numbers come out Monday.

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