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## National News

### Texas Tomorrow Fund Hires Plan Manager For New College Savings Program For Texas Families

(AUSTIN)—Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander announced that the Texas Prepaid Higher Education Tuition Board has signed a contract with Atlanta-based Enterprise Capital Management, Inc. to manage investments for a new college savings program the state will offer Texas families beginning later this year.

"Other states' college investment programs are being advertised and sold in Texas, but I believe Texans want a Texas plan," Comptroller Rylander said. "Starting very soon, Texans will be able to invest in their children's future and also invest in Texas."

Texas' new Section 529 college savings plan, named for a section of the Internal Revenue Service code that authorizes tax-free college savings plans, will let families invest for their children's future education in an array of mutual funds offered by the plan manager, under the direction of the Texas Prepaid Higher Education Tuition Board, chaired by Comptroller Rylander. The savings can be used for tuition and also for other college expenses like room and board, books, computers and supplies.

"This new savings program will complement the Texas Tomorrow Fund prepaid college tuition program—not replace the Texas Tomorrow Fund," Rylander said. "Parents will be able to enroll their children in both the prepaid college tuition program to lock in tuition and required fees at today's prices, and in the new Section 529 college savings program to pay other college expenses."

"I want our hard-working Texas families to have as many options as possible to save for college," Comptroller Rylander said.

"More than 132,000 families have signed up for the safety and security of the Texas Tomorrow Fund, which guarantees to pay college tuition and required fees, no matter how much those costs increase. Other families have asked for a college savings plan that lets them earn a potentially higher rate of return and save for all of their children's college expenses," Rylander said.

Unlike the Texas Tomorrow Fund, which guarantees to cover participants' college tuition and required fees, the Section 529 college savings plan offers no guarantee that parents' investments will earn a sufficient return to cover their children's college costs and no guarantee that parents will not lose money on their investments.

The Enterprise Group of Funds, comprised of 24 mutual funds with more than \$4 billion in assets under management, helped pioneer the concept of providing retail investors special access to leading institutional investment money managers for each investment style and sector.

Enterprise Capital Management, Inc., the registered investment advisor for both the Enterprise Group of Funds and Enterprise Accumulation Trust, currently manages approximately \$7 billion in assets and is a member of The MONY Group Inc., a holding company for its member companies, which provides financial protection and asset accumulation products and services.

More information about Texas' upcoming Section 529 college savings plan will be available soon on the Texas Tomorrow Fund Web site at [www.texas-tomorrow-fund.org](http://www.texas-tomorrow-fund.org).

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## Ms. Wilson Named Assistant Principal



Melody A. Wilson

At the regular July meeting of the Board of Trustees, Ms. Melody A. Wilson was named assistant principal at an Early Childhood/Pre-K Montessori Center in the Aldine School District in Houston, Texas. Melody's mom and brother Mark, along with other family members and a host of co-workers attended the meeting as she accepted her new position.

Melody is a 1987 honor graduate of Dunbar-Struggs High School where she participated in many academic and

extra-curricular activities. In 1992 she received a Bachelor of Science degree from Baylor University in elementary education. From 1993-95 Melody did Post Baccalaureate studies and received certification in Montessori Education at Baylor. She received a Master of Science degree in educational administration with Mid-Management certification from Prairie View

A&M University in 1998. Melody is a charter member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority

at Baylor, a member of Phi Delta Kappa, and the American Montessori Society. This will be the beginning of Melody's 10th year as an educator.

Melody is a member of Brookhollow Baptist Church in Houston where she is active in the music and college ministries. She is the daughter of Mary Jo and Robert Wilson. Melody's entire family and friends are proud of her accomplishments.



**If you find mistakes in this publication, please consider that they are there for a reason. We publish something for everyone, and some people are always looking for mistakes.**

## Unfair lending practices help perpetuate the homeownership gap --by Julianne Malveaux

Not a week goes by when I don't get an e-mail from someone peddling home loans, or home-loan refinancing, on the Internet. The rates are going down, they scream, exclamation points all over the place. Loan guaranteed, they shout, casting the net as widely as they can to get me to respond. Since I'm a homeowner in an area that is gentrifying, with property values spiraling upward, I'm fresh meat for lenders looking for hot prospects.

With the mortgage interest rate down to 6-42 percent for 30-year loans, and even lower for shorter-term mortgages, financial planners say this is a great time to buy or to refinance. But, unlike me, too many African-American borrowers find the doors to conventional lending shut in their faces.

A new report from the Center for Community Change says that African Americans and Hispanics are disproportionately represented in the subprime home-refinance market. That means they are paying at least 1 to 6 more percentage points than their white counterparts pay. Data from 331 metropolitan areas show that while 17 percent of whites borrow money in the subprime market, nearly half (49 percent) of African Americans, 30 percent of Hispanics and 28 percent of Native Americans get

subprime loans.

Alarming, the disparity actually grows for upper-income borrowers. Higher-income African-American homeowners do comparatively worse than their lower-income counterparts. Lower-income African Americans were only twice as likely to get subprime loans as whites, but upper-income African Americans were three times as likely to get subprime loans.

How can we explain this disparity? Most lenders say the subprime market is a function of the risk they take when they provide money to borrowers whose credit is not pristine. But Freddie Mac, one of the publicly chartered secondary mortgage-market enterprises, says that as many as 30 percent of those who get subprime mortgages could benefit from conventional mortgages and from great savings.

Further, in many cases the quality of your loan is a function of who you know. Some people with "good" credit end up with costly subprime products because they have had so many negative experiences with conventional lending that they shy away from seeking credit from them. Instead, they respond to the television and radio ads that seek them out, help them to consolidate their credit or improve their homes and charge them interest up the yin-yang.

This is important because homeownership is often the way that lower- and middle-income families amass wealth. A much higher proportion of whites possess homes than African Americans and Latinos, with 71 percent of white families owning their homes in 1999, but just 46.5 percent of African-American and 45.2 percent of Latino families owning theirs, according to census data.

The difference helps explain the wealth gap, and it has wide-ranging effects. Families that own homes have resources they can borrow against during financial difficulty, for tuition or for other needs. While the income gap has been narrowing, the wealth gap has not, and at least part of that has to do with the homeownership gap.

The American dream has always included homeownership. But many people of color can't participate in the American dream except at high-interest, subprime rates. This inequality must end.

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Dr. Julianne Malveaux, The Progressive Media Project

## Head Start Enrollment Opportunities Still Available

LUBBOCK - Community Development Institute Head Start enrollment opportunities are available for 3 and 4 year olds at its Estacado Village, Greenfair and Evans locations. Head Start is a quality early childhood education program for income-eligible families designed to aid pre-school children in developing their educational, physical, and social potential in preparation for public school. Enrollment is based on need. Classes are scheduled to begin August 19th.

Parents wishing to complete an application for their child will need the following documentation: proof of all household income for the past 12 months, the child's birth certificate, Social Security card, current immunization records, proof of disability (if applicable), and legal guardianship papers (if applicable.) Children

must be 3 or 4 years old by September 1st to be eligible for enrollment. Enrollment opportunities are available for children with disabilities.

CDI - Head Start operates 5 Head Start centers in Lubbock and Slaton: Broadway Head Start Center, 2323 Broadway (in First Christian Church); Estacado Village Head Start Center, 512 North MLK; Green Fair Head Start Center, 2902 A Weber Drive; Windcrest Village Head Start Center, 1001 N. Indiana; and Evans Head Start Center, 1200 E. Geneva in Slaton. Parents may apply at any location or at the CDI - Head Start main office located at 1708 15th Street.

CDI - Head Start does not discriminate based upon race, color, sex, national origin, disability, or religion. For more information contact 806-763-5261.

### NAME THAT BEAT: 30 YEARS OF BLACK MUSIC TRIVIA IN ONE NEAT LITTLE RED BOOK



Authors author Steve Postone (right) and Stanley D. Postone (left) were recently at a local Burger King restaurant discussing the history of music with a young fan. The young musician had just bought "What's Your H.I.H.?" and was proud to have published their names in the book. "What's Your H.I.H.?" is the ultimate trivia book featuring 30 years of Black music - the historical, the contemporary, the classic and the new. The book is available at all major bookstores and online.

Burger King Corporation incorporated "What's Your H.I.H.?" in its national musical celebration celebrating Black music, past, present and future. Difficultly titled, "30 Years of Black Music 1970-2000", the original celebration is now in June 2002 and runs through September. Says Steve Postone, executive vice president and chief global marketing officer, Burger King Corporation, "Burger King Corporation is committed to celebrating the things our customers, employees and partners value. The '30 Years of Black Music 1970-2000' campaign allows us to share a truly unique and meaningful experience with the accomplishments and historical significance of the Black music community."

# Fashion Fun

by Shirley Roberson

## LEATHER

The feel and look of leather is fantastic, and one of the many great things about leather is that it never really goes out of style.

It's classic, beautiful, durable and warm, what more could you possibly ask for?

Unlike other material leather breathes and is often called your second skin.

On the fashion scene it is well respected and appreciated. A wide selection of leather goods are always at your fingertips, luxurious soft Black Italian Lamb is more popular here in West Texas because the leather is relaxed, untrained and natural with a silky appearance and feel. Italian Lamb look dressy, yet it can be worn both dressy and casual.

The best thing about leather now is that it too comes in so many of the latest colors, cuts and designs. Leather blazers are once again on the fashion rise,



nothing looks more powerful than a pair of designer jeans and a blazer. Leather blazers also look great with ankle length skirts and mini skirts, a complete leather suit would certainly be a bit difficult to ignore, you will be noticed.

A gorgeous smile and some leather couldn't hurt any situation, so ladies this fall think, full length coats, short fitted jackets, shoes, boots, gloves, hats, belts, etc. consider it wise to think of these items in beautiful breath taking leather. A lady who wears leather is often defined as a lady with good taste.

**NEXT Issue... EMBELLISHED SUITS**  
Tip... For you total fashion look, always wear a smile  
**FASHION, JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT**

# The Wheels on the Bus and Things to Come

LUBBOCK - Texas Tech University is experiencing tremendous growth this school year and that's creating changes in both the on and off campus bus routes. The university community excitedly awaits the arrival of its newest members and eagerly looks forward to what the new members will contribute to its family.

Leigh Mauer, Student Government Association external vice president, said the Student Government Association in partnership with Citibus and the Division of Student Affairs has expanded both on and off campus bus routes in anticipation of Texas Techs record fall enrollment. Red Raider EXPRESS bus passes will not only provide students access

to and from campus on Citibus, but will also permit students with Red Raider EXPRESS passes to ride anywhere Citibus serves Lubbock at no extra charge. John Wilson, Citibus general manager, says the on-campus budget increase will provide more buses on campus and extended service hours that will provide more frequent service and help with overcrowded buses. "Nighttime service hours will be extended to 3 a.m. which will help with the increase of students who will be attending night classes" Wilson said. "We will also extend the service hours of the BA Shuttle and add a bus to both the red and green routes."

There are thousands of students that take advantage of the Red Raider EXPRESS bus route along Fourth Street and Indiana Avenue. The off-campus budget increase will help overcrowded buses during peak class time hours. "We will be adding one bus to the Indiana Avenue service

and one bus to the West Fourth Street service," Wilson said. "This will provide more frequent service when the majority of students have classes"

All Texas Tech students will be permitted to ride the off-campus Red Raider EXPRESS free of charge during the first week of classes in the fall semester. A Red Raider EXPRESS bus pass cost only \$50 for both fall and spring semesters and can be purchased from the complexes along the Red Raider EXPRESS bus routes.

Michael Shonrock, Ph.D., vice president for student affairs, said the budget increase totals \$400,000 and is funded through fund balances and reserves from the Office of the Vice President of Student Affairs and the Office of the Vice President of Operations. Supplemental funding is also provided through off-campus bus pass sales in partnership with apartment complexes on Fourth Street and Indiana Avenue.



## JAY'S CORNER

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. Billy R. Moton is pastor. If you interested in finding a church home, then come and worship with New Hope Baptist Church. You will glad you did so. See you Sunday morning!

Services began last Sunday morning with Sunday School beginning at 9:30 a.m. All officers and teachers were at their post of duty. Students received thirty minutes of instruction. At 10:15 a.m., teachers and students marched to the main auditorium for high points of the morning lesson.

Last Sunday was Youth Sunday and the youth were in charge of the morning devotion program at 10:45 a.m. They were assisted by the Praise Team.

The Youth Choir marched in the morning procession. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Aubrey Brickey. After a selection by the Youth Choir, the morning scripture was read by Brother Ron Williams. Brother James Lewis gave the morning prayer.

There was another selection by the Youth Choir. The responsive reading was done with the congregation standing and led by Sister Brittany Wilson.

After the singing of the morning hymn, Pastor Moton gave his pastoral observation about God's business. Another selection was sung. Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "Great Is Thou

Faithfulness." His scripture text was Lamentations 3:22 & 23. It was another dynamic sermon. Praise the Lord for the word.

After an invitation to discipleship wa extended, announcements of the morning were read by Sister Coquis Smith. All visitors were welcomed by Sister Marshinda Blakes.

Let us not forget those who are sick and shut-in in our community and other places. Your visits, telephone calls and precious prayers are welcomed. "And whatever things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive." Matthew 21:22.

Among our bereaved families is the family of Brother Vernon Martin, an uncle of Brother Johnnie Martin, who was funeralized Monday, August 5, 2002, in San Antonio, Texas.

God is able. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted." Matthew 5:4.

Annual Men and Women Day will be held at New Hope Baptist Church on Sunday, September 15, 2002. The theme is "Making Room to Pray." Guest church will be the New Jerusalem Baptist Church.

The Women Missionary Society will be held Sunday, August 26, 2002, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

The National Baptist Convention will be held in Philadelphia, Pa. September 2 through 6, 2002.

The Women in Red Banquet will be held at the University Medical Center's McInturf Conference Center on September 27, 2002. Rev. Betty O'Neal is the guest speaker. For more information, contact either Presidents Margie Thomas or Billie Caviel, chairs.

Don't forget to listen to the New Hope Morning Broadcast if you are unable to attend church services. The Broadcast begins at 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. over Radio Station KJAK, 92.7 FM.

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Competitive Sealed Proposals

FOR

**TTUHSC El Paso - Clinic Expansion & Repair**

for

The Texas Tech University System  
Lubbock, Texas  
Project No. 98-53

Competitive Sealed Proposals will be received for the following project:

Texas Tech intends to design and construct a 43,000 sq. ft. 3rd floor addition to the existing clinic in El Paso, TX with a total project budget of \$10,400,000. The scope of work includes replacement of the existing HVAC system including fresh air ductwork, hydronic piping, and fan-oil units. Responding firms must use one of the four prequalified mechanical firms.

By:

**Ms. Jean Cailton**  
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Office of Facilities Planning & Construction  
Texas Tech University System  
Box 42014  
Administration Building  
15th and Akron  
E. Basement, Room 5  
Lubbock, Texas 79409-2014

until 3:00 PM CST, September 11, 2002

Proposals received after closing time will be returned unopened. Proposals may not be withdrawn within sixty(60) days after the opening date.

The RFP and further information can be obtained by accessing the Texas Marketplace  
<http://espd.tbpc.state.tx.us/1380/sagency.cfm>  
GSC Class item No 914-99

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For additional information contact the Texas Tech University System:

Project Manager: Debbie Griffin, Contact via phone (806) 742-2116, Fax 806-742-2241 or e-mail: [debbie.griffin@ttu.edu](mailto:debbie.griffin@ttu.edu)

## Orientation & Open Houses

<p><b>Aug 14</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Evana Junior High 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. (7th grade orientation in auditorium)</li> <li>•Honey Elementary 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. (open house)</li> <li>•Parsons Elementary 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. (open house)</li> <li>•Waters Elementary 5 - 6 p.m. (open house)</li> </ul> <p><b>Aug. 15</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Hutchinson Junior High 7 p.m. (7th grade orientation/open house)</li> <li>•Monterey High School 7 p.m. (new student orientation)</li> <li>•Estacado High School 6:30 p.m. (open house)</li> <li>•Alderson Academy 3:30 - 5 p.m. (open house)</li> <li>•Arnett Elementary 5:30 p.m. (open house)</li> <li>•Bayless Elementary 6 - 7 p.m. (open house)</li> <li>•Bean Elementary 3 - 4 p.m. (meet your teacher)</li> <li>•Bowie Elementary 5:30 - 7 p.m.</li> <li>•Bozeman Elementary 4 - 5 p.m.</li> <li>•Brown Elementary 4:30 - 6 p.m.</li> <li>•Dupre Elementary 4 - 5:30 p.m. (meet your teacher)</li> <li>•Hardwick Elementary 6 - 8 p.m.</li> <li>•Harwell Elementary 4 - 6 p.m.</li> <li>•Haynes Elementary 5 - 6:30 p.m. (meet your teacher)</li> <li>•Hies Elementary 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. (meet your teacher)</li> <li>•Jackson Elementary 5:30 p.m.</li> <li>•Masden Elementary 5:30 - 7 p.m. (meet your teacher)</li> <li>•Murfee Elementary 5 - 6:30 p.m.</li> <li>•Overton Elementary 4 - 5 p.m.</li> <li>•Parkway Elementary 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.</li> <li>•Ruzh Elementary 5 - 7 p.m.</li> <li>•Slaton Junior High 7-8:15 p.m. (7th grade orientation)</li> <li>•Smith Elementary 4:30 - 6 p.m.</li> <li>•Stewart Elementary 5 - 7 p.m.</li> <li>•Wester Elementary 5:30 - 7 p.m.</li> <li>•Whiteside Elementary 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.</li> <li>•Williams Elementary 6 - 7 p.m.</li> <li>•Roscoe Wilson 4 - 6 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Aug. 16</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Guadalupe Elementary 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.</li> <li>•Hodges Elementary 5 - 7 p.m.</li> <li>•McWhorter Elementary 3 - 5 p.m.</li> <li>•Ramirez Elementary 3 - 5 p.m.</li> <li>•Tubbs Elementary 5:20 p.m.</li> <li>•Wheatley Elementary 4:30 - 6 p.m.</li> <li>•Wheelock Elementary 4 - 6:30 p.m.</li> <li>•Wolfe Elementary 2 - 4 p.m.</li> <li>•Ballenger Early Childhood 9 - 10:30 a.m.</li> <li>•Mahon Elementary 9 - 10:30 a.m.</li> <li>•Martin Elementary 9 - 10:30 a.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>Aug. 17</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Irma Junior High 7th grade orientation</li> </ul> <p><b>Aug. 22</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Wright Elementary 6-8 p.m.</li> </ul>
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Elementary Schools	Start	End
Roscoe Wilson Campuses	7:55 a.m.	3:30 p.m.
All other elementary Campuses	7:55 a.m.	3:00 p.m.

Secondary (Junior and Senior High Schools)		
Lubbock High	Start	End
(Monday - Thursday)	8:40 a.m.	4:40 p.m.
Friday	6:40 a.m.	12:40 p.m.
All other Campuses	8:40 a.m.	4:00 p.m.

Early Childhood/Head Start Programs		
Ballenger, Mahon, Martin	Start	End
	8:15 a.m.	2:15 p.m.

**Dunbar/Struggs High School Class of 1982 Reunion**  
**has been set for Sept. 7th**

For those interested in helping, you may contact either Steven Devenport (806) 763-3110 or Danny Douglass at (806) 791-3256.



# CHURCH DIRECTORY



**WE THANK GOD FOR JESUS WHY BLESS AMERICA**

ISAIAH 58:1, THE LORD SAID, CRY ALOUD, SPARE NOT, LIFT UP THY VOICE LIKE A TRUMPET, AND SHOW MY PEOPLE THEIR TRANSGRESSIONS.

GOD DID BLESS AMERICA; IT STARTED OUT ON PRAYER, FAITH AND LOVE, BUT NOW ITS A LAND OVERFLOWING WITH HATE, AND ANOTHER MAN'S BLOOD.

ISAIAH 1:4, AH SLEAFUL NATION, A PEOPLE LADEN WITH INIQUITY, A SEED OF EVILDOERS, CHILDREN THAT ARE CORRUPTERS: THEY HAVE FORSAKEN THE LORD.

IT STARTED IN THE 60'S, WHEN CHRISTIANS WANTED MANKIND TO HAVE RIGHTS, NOW DISOBEDIENCE IS EVERYWHERE; AMERICANS CHILDREN DISOBEY LEFT AND RIGHT.

GALATIANS 6:7, BE NOT DECEIVED; GOD IS NOT MOCKED(PLAYED WITH): FOR WHATSOEVER A MAN SOWETH(PLANT), THAT SHALL HE ALSO REAP(RECEIVE).

AFTER GETTING AMERICA ALL HER RIGHTS; WHICH ARE HER WRONGS, AT THE RATE SHE IS GOING; SHE IS CURSED; FROM NOW ON.

ROMANS 1:21, 22, 25, BECAUSE THAT, WHEN THEY (THE CHRISTIANS) KNEW GOD, THEY GLORIFIED HIM NOT AS GOD, NEITHER WERE THANKFUL; BUT BECAME VAIN (DREAMERS) IN THEIR IMAGINATIONS, AND THEIR FOOLISH HEART WAS DARKENED, PROFESSING THEMSELVES (THE CHRISTIANS) TO BE WISE, THEY BECAME FOOLS. WHO CHANGED THE TRUTH OF GOD INTO A LIE, AND WORSHIPED AND SERVED THE CREATURE (THE DEVIL) MORE THAN THE CREATOR (GOD), WHO IS BLESSED FOR EVER. AMEN

\*\*\*\*\* SHOULD GOD BLESS AMERICA OR ALL SINNERS? \*\*\*\*\*

AMERICA HAS MORE CHILDREN ABUSING; THAN ANY COUNTRY UNDER THE SUN, ITS FROM THAT MOVE: CALLED MY RIGHTS; THAT IS WHERE IT CAME FROM.

MARK 9:42, JESUS SAID, WHOSOEVER SHALL OFFEND ONE OF THESE LITTLE ONES THAT BELIEVE IN ME, IT IS BETTER THAT FOR HIM THAT A MILLSTONE (OR CAR) WERE HANGED ABOUT HIS NECK, AND HE WERE CAST INTO THE SEA.

AMERICA HAS MORE ADULTERY; AND HOME WRECKERS, UNDER THE SUN, MY RIGHT TO MY BODY; IS WHERE THAT GREAT SIN CAME FROM.

PROVERB 6:25, 26, LUST NOT AFTER HER BEAUTY IN THINE HEART. NEITHER LET HER TAKE THEE WITH HER EYELIDS. FOR BY MEANS OF A WHORISH WOMAN (LIKE AMERICA) A MAN IS BROUGHT TO A PIECE OF BREAD (LOW); AND THE ADULTERESS WILL HUNT FOR THE PRECIOUS LIFE (IT KILLS).

RAPES AND ROBBERY IN AMERICA; IS THE HIGHEST. UNDER THE SUN, FROM THE MY RIGHT TO HAVE WHAT'S WHERE IT CAME FROM.

PROVERB 14:12, THERE IS A WAY WHICH SEEMETH RIGHT UNTO MAN, BUT THE END THEREOF ARE THE WAYS OF DEATH. \*\*\*\*\* AMERICA LOOK AT YOUR HEADLINES!!!! AND YOU WANT BLESSINGS \*\*\*\*\*

(SCHOOL SHOOTINGS, DRUGS AND CHILDREN, CHILDREN IN JAILS, KIDNAPPING AND KILLING CHILDREN, TEEN PREGNANCY, MURDERS, RAPES, BURGLARY/WHITE COLLAR CRIME—STEALING, AND MANY YOU KNOW).

AMERICA IS LIKE NINE-VEH; HER MANY SINS IN GOD'S NOSTRILS IS A STENCH. GRACE AND MERCY AWAITS AMERICA; AND ITS TIME FOR HER TO REPENT!!!

ISAIAH 1:5, 18, 20, WHY SHOULD YE BE STRICKEN ANY MORE? YE WILL REVOLT MORE AND MORE: THE WHOLE HEAD IS SICK, AND THE HEART IS FAINT. COME NOW, AND LET US REASON TOGETHER. SAITH THE LORD. THOUGH YOUR SINS BE AS SCARLET, THEY SHALL BE AS WHITE AS SNOW; THOUGH THEY BE RED LIKE CRIMSON, THEY SHALL BE AS WOOL. BUT IF YE REFUSE AND REBEL, YE SHALL BE DEVoured WITH THE SWORD: FOR THE MOUTH OF THE LORD HATH SPOKEN IT. WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY B. MORRISON, III, YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST JESUS.



## from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith God's Spiritual Embroidery

I was reading a story told by a gentleman who was looking back over his life as a small boy with his mother. He wrote that he would sit at his mother's knee and look up from the floor and ask what she was doing. She informed him that she was embroidering. He told her that it looked like a mess from where he was. He said that as he watched his mother work within the boundaries of the little round hoop she held in her hand; he would complain to her that it sure looks messy from where he sat.

She would smile at her son, look down gently and say, "My son, you go about your playing for a while, and when I am finished with my embroidering, I will put you on my knee and let you see it from my side."

The mother's son wrote that he would wonder why she was using some dark threads along with the bright ones and why they seemed so jumbled from his view. A few minutes would pass and then he would hear his mother's voice saying, "Son, come and

sit on my knee." This he did only to be surprised and thrilled to see a beautiful flower or a sunset. He could not believe it, because from underneath it looked so messy.

While on his mother's knee she said to him, "My son, from underneath it did look messy and jumbled, but you did not realize that there was a pre-drawn plan on top. It was a design. I was only following it. Now look at it from my side and you will see what I am doing."

Many times through the years you perhaps have looked up to your Heavenly Father and said, "Father, what are You doing?" He answered, "I am embroidering your life."

Perhaps you have said, "Lord, it looks like a mess to me. It seems so jumbled. The threads so dark. Why can't they all be bright?"

If you quietly listen, you will hear God the Father saying "My child, you go about your business of doing My business, and one day I will bring you to Heaven and put you on My knee and you will see the plan from My side."

This story and analogy are

likened to three pastors of the Wesleyan tradition who decided that Lubbock needs some "spiritual embroidery revival" from their perspective. These men who bow at the name of Jesus designed a plan of action for a revival and seal it with prayer on the church ground.

However, the Evil One counteracted their plan with the intent to disrupt their action for a "spiritual embroidery revival." Let me put it another way. He who is the Devil moved in to deceive.

He who is the adversary pointed the needle of accusation. He who is the angel of light went out to misrepresent. He who is the tempter used deception to destroy. He who was to be an impediment, set in motion a plan to deter. He who is the enemy used stalling tactics to oppose.

However, Tuesday night, August 6, 2002 at Carter Chapel, God's spiritual embroidery revival begins to come together. From the underside there seemed not to have been enough human thread. God said, "My sons," go play awhile and wait until I finish my embroidering.

On Wednesday night, August 7, 2002 at Smith Temple, the embroidery ring (God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost) and the human threaded souls were set on fire with the Spirit from on high. The voices of the mass choir echoed heavenly while the instruments reverberated at the articulation of the instrumentalists.

Thursday, August 8, 2002, at Mt. Vernon, the cloth of the embroidery ring was decorated with the word of God from four fine young pastors of the city. Earthly food was served so that we might enjoy the Heavenly Word. Visiting choirs help flower the decoration.

The "spiritual embroidery revival" concluded where it began at Carter Chapel on Friday, August 9, 2002, with the evangelist declaring that because of whom we were and because of our steadfastness we have moved from our Super Wall Mart to God's Heavenly Mart.

Yes the three preachers, Rev. Christopher Neal, Dr. J. C. Dark, and Parson D. A. Smith went about doing God's earthly business so that one day they will see the plan of God's business on the other side.

## ANNUAL CHOIR DAY SET AT MOUNT OLIVE

Slaton, Texas — The Mount Olive Baptist Church, 887 Flint Street in Slaton will hold its Annual Choir Day on Sunday afternoon, August 18, 2002, beginning at 3:30 p.m. Special guest will be Barbara Watson-Jackson and Raymond Foster, Jr.

The choirs and their directors are: Inspirational Choir, Equilla Tyson; Teen Choir, Tonya Smith; Children's Choir, Lena Hall and Karen Peoples; Adult Praise Team, Miranda Robertson; Youth Praise & Worship, LaDonna Scott; Male Chorus, Equilla Tyson; and Children's Spirit of David Dancers, Cora Trotty-Faulks.

Rev. C.C. Peoples is pastor. President is Brenda Trotty and Minister of Music is Equilla Tyson.

## The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

Are we facing crises without fear? The 23rd Psalm says: "Even when we walk through the dark valley of death, I will not be afraid."

For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power and love. And a sound mind. There is no fear in love, perfect love casteth out fear. Fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love. Fear none of these things which you may be suffering now. The devil shall even cast some into prison, and ye shall have tribulation. Remain faithful even when facing death. He said, "I will give you the crown of life and a glorious future."

Paul said, count it all joy when you fall into divers temptation. Are you of what may take place tomorrow? Remember the Lord didn't give us the spirit of fear. Who did?

Many are faced with problems day by day, and they seem to get larger and larger. And we seek to solve them on our own strength, and things keep drifting into chaos. The answer is in Jesus. We have to day by day go on our knees and ask forgiveness, and pray for each other and our church families.

Pray for the President of the United States of America, our leaders, our young men, our school children, teachers, counselors, especially those who are behind prison bars. All need intercessory prayer. What we ask in prayer, believing, we will receive.

Let's make our one desire that the Lord will take away our lust and greed, and cause our lives to become bright and shining symbols of all

that's great and good as we struggle toward new found Brotherhood. Our answers will not come from the U.S. Government, the Supreme Court, judges, nor men in high places. But these problems we are experiencing today, if peace is to come it will be through God Almighty. He will shape the Destiny of this nation.

If in God we totally trust for all men, freedom and justice, it will be so. If we would humble ourselves and pray. II Chronicles 7:14.

If you have a place of worship to enter today, be grateful Saints. We're not dodging suicide bombers, and maybe its not the preachers nor the deacons. Nor your sisters or brothers, but check it out, it may be you are standing in the need of prayer.

Enter your place of worship today with Praise and a Prayer.

Keep reading, Saints. You will receive a blessing. Pray for us. Don't forget your drive by prayers. It is so important.

### "Food Drive"

Don't forget to help Sister Christene Burleson when she comes to you. It is all for a very good cause. Thanks in advance for your complete support.

Let us hear from you. You may do so by writing to us: Outreach Prayer Breakfast,

2132 East 30th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79404, We can pray about it.

Yes, we have some bad boys, but we have a good God.

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president; and Sister Joyce Ross, secretary.

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12:00 Noon and 6:00pm



"God Our Father, Christ Our Redeemer,  
Man Our Brother"  
Pastor: Danny R. Poe

## I KNOW I'M SOMEBODY



cause God don't make no junk!!

## water wisely

**Q. What is water run-off?**

**A.** Water run-off is typically caused by over-watering, aiming sprinklers in the wrong direction, or watering on a windy day. Your lawn is like a paper towel. It can only absorb so much water in a given period of time. If you apply too much water too quickly, the water that your lawn is unable to absorb will become water run-off. It is critical that you visually observe your lawn to verify your sprinklers are watering the grass and not the sidewalk or street and to observe that you are applying the proper amount of water to your lawn. Also, shut off your sprinkler system on windy and rainy days. By following these simple tips, you will help us prevent water run-off.

**Q. How do I know how much water to apply on my particular kind of grass?**

**A.** This applies during the growing season. See chart below.

Types of Grass	Watering Frequency
Buffalo Grass	Every 2 weeks
Tex-turf-10	Every 7 to 10 days
Bermuda	Every 4 to 6 days
Fescue	Every 4 days

With the exception of Fescue, which needs to be watered approximately every 2 weeks during the winter months, the above grasses go dormant in the winter and do not need to be watered.



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### Religious Poems Sought from Lubbock-Area Poets

Good news for sincere poets! The Texas Poetry Alliance is offering a \$1000 grand prize in their annual spiritual poetry contest open to the public. There is no entry fee and everyone is invited.

To enter, send one poem 21 lines or less:  
Free Poetry Contest  
3412-A Moonlight Ave  
El Paso, Texas 79904, or  
you may enter at  
www.freecontest.com.

The deadline for entering is August 24, 2002. A winner's will be sent to all entrants. The editors reserve the right to publish the winning poems.

# Southwest Digest



**Serving the South Plains and West Texas Since 1977**

The Southwest Digest will celebrate its 25th Anniversary on Wednesday evening, September 4, 2002, with a banquet at the University Medical Center's McInturff Conference Center, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Speaker for this event will be Mayor Marc McDougal. He is a young man who exemplifies the principles of the Southwest Digest, and are looking forward to hearing from him.

The Southwest Digest would like for you to support our effort with the purchasing of a table for this event. The prices are as follows:

- GOLD (Red) \$1500
- SILVER (Blue) \$1000
- BRONZE (White) \$500
- General admission \$25

The deadline for purchasing one of these tables is Tuesday, August 27, 2002. Dress is business casual. You may send your check to:

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Thank you in advance for your cooperation toward this effort. As we look back, we are reminded that the Southwest Digest was born on September 11, 1977.

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# Strength for Today hope for Tomorrow

by Gerald Jackson

**Question:** What does the Bible say about cremation?

**Answer:** According to the Bible, Jews and Christians buried their dead. I have been able to find three occasions where burning is spoken of in Scripture. The first is found in Leviticus 20:14 where God commands Moses to burn those in immorality. The second is found in Joshua 7:16-25 where Achan and his family were stoned and then burned. This was due to Achan's theft and lying to conceal his theft. The third occasion is where Saul and his sons bodies were burned by the valiant men of Israel. This is found in 1 Samuel 31:7-13.

God commands that the man and the women should be burned. I assume the burning would take place while they were still alive since there is no

*We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.*

mention of any other form of death. If for no other reason, they should have been burned for being stupid. Imagine the man who thinks it is a good idea to marry his bride and his mother-in-law. It shouldn't take a declaration of God to convince this man or these women that this is a bad idea. Nevertheless, God has a way of eliminating this level of stupidity from the gene pool.

The case of Achan stealing, harboring the stolen goods and making his family an accessory to the theft is handled by stoning and then burning. The stoning was according to the Law of Moses (Deuteronomy 17:2-5). It would appear that the burning could have been symbolically a method of cleansing the evil that had infected God's people. In both cases burning appears to be a means of detouring others from carrying out the same sins.

Cremation was practiced by the Greeks and some Romans during the time of Jesus. This was their customary method of burial for the dead. The Roman historian, Tacitus, writes about the custom (History volume 5).

I have been asked this question about cremation more and more in recent years. I am not sure that I know the reason(s) why. It could be that those who are burdened with the loss of a loved one are being required in advance by them to cremate their body. If you believe that this request violates Scripture then I can understand the dilemma. I want to be careful and not go beyond what is written in this matter (1 Corinthians 4:6). I

do not have the liberty to impose what God does not impose, neither does anyone else. I can neither condemn or condone the practice of cremation. What I would encourage you to do is follow the example of burial that you see written in the Bible. Then you know you can't go wrong. If however, you are feeling guilty or fearful about a loved one being cremated, let me assure you that if that loved one died in Christ, God has the ability to raise him or her from the dead, scattered ashes and all. He is an all powerful God. Paul says we are to be comforted by the knowledge that those who die in Christ will be raised to be with Him (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18). Hopefully this information will give you strength for today and hope for tomorrow.

Grace and peace  
Gerald



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## Today's Housing Quandaries... Tomorrow's Solutions

LUBBOCK - Texas Tech University is anticipating an enrollment record this fall. While that's putting some stress on on-campus housing, there are solutions in the works.

Students currently without residence hall rooms are being placed in temporary rooms made possible by convening study lounges in the residence halls into private rooms. These students have the option to cancel their housing contract, if they desire, without penalty. As soon as space becomes available, either because of cancellations, withdrawals or no-shows, these students will be relocated to a permanent residence hall room. Staff members of Housing and Residence Life and administrators of the Division of Student Affairs are doing everything possible to work with and ease the transition for incoming students from high school to college; in order to assist students searching for off-campus housing, a link to [lubbockapartments.com](http://lubbockapartments.com) has been placed on the department's Web site. But what about the future? Scan Duggan,

director of Housing and Residence Life, says that over the next 10 years, the university will be implementing phases of the department's master plan which includes reconfiguring traditional-style residence halls into suites and adding new suites and town homes to Carpenter/Wells.

"In 2005, 204 suite-style beds will be added to on-campus residence," Duggan said. "By 2010, Texas Tech will have added on a total of 1,320 suite-style rooms and 30 apartments. The construction of the new 1,116 suite-style rooms and 30 apartments will cost about \$61 million."

Duggan also listed a few benefits of living on campus which include convenience to classroom buildings and a variety of dining facilities; several opportunities to become involved in the residence hall and Texas Tech communities, endless chances to meet new people and make new friends and opportunities to live among other students with the same major in a residence hall learning community.

### In Remembrance...



FREDONIA BARNES

Graveside services were held for Fredonia Barnes last Monday morning, August 12, 2002, in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Rev. Leon Armstead who officiated.

Arrangements were under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home in Lubbock.

Ms. Barnes died Friday, August 9, 2002.

She was born September 9, 1905, in Marlin, Texas. She was a homemaker, and was a member of St. Mark Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Cassandra Young of Dallas, Texas; and a grandchild.



LINDA WILLIAMS

Funeral services were held for Ms. Linda Joyce Williams last Monday afternoon August 12, 2002, at the Mount Gilead Baptist Church with Rev. J. J. Johnson, pastor, officiating.

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

Ms. Williams died Tuesday, August 6, 2002.

She was born August 22, 1948, in Clarksville, Texas. She moved to Lubbock, Texas in 1950. She attended Ella Iles Elementary School and Dunbar High School. She majored in child development at South Plains College. She worked as an assistant director at Vanda Early Learning Center.

She joined the St. Luke Baptist Church in the early 1980, where she taught Sunday School. She was a member of Mount Gilead Baptist Church.

She is survived by a son, Matthew of Lubbock, Texas; a daughter, Linda Diane Brown of Lubbock, Texas; five sisters: Debra Dixon, Alice Kay McConic and Paula McConic, all of Lubbock, Texas, and Karen Williams and Regina McConic, both of Dallas, Texas; a brother, Rickey McConic of Lubbock, Texas; and three grandchildren.

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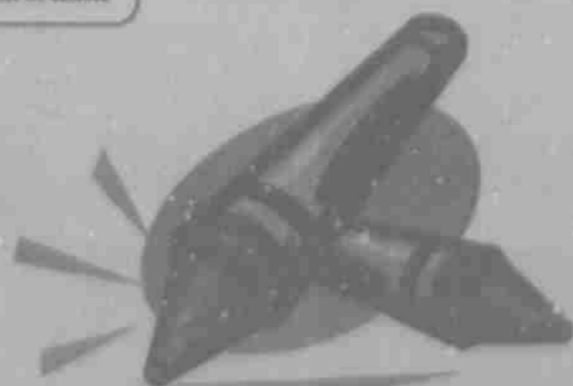
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## Ask the Attorney General



Ask Attorney General John Cornyn

### Advanced Care Planning

Q: My husband and I are not as young as we used to be and while we have made a will, we have been told that we should also make a "living will" in case of a medical emergency. Can you give us some helpful information about this?

A: First let me say that it is very wise of you to plan for this type of instance. As Attorney General, I am prohibited from providing legal advice to private individuals. However, I can offer some basic information about the options available to you.

Planning for possible scenarios that involve life or death is some thing that we do not like to think about. However, it is prudent to plan contingencies for potential

medical needs, if not for us, then for our loved ones. They may face the daunting task of making tough decisions on our behalf that could have been made much easier with proper planning. This type of planning is commonly referred to as "advance care planning."

The first and most important step in advanced care planning is to have an open discussion with your family and perhaps a close friend. Most experts believe that a close friend should also be included in the process. Sometimes it's easier to consult a non-family member in these types of situations given a family's emotional ties. You may also wish to include a trusted physician as he or she will be able to advise you as to your various medical options. After you discuss your plans, you should draw up the appropriate legal documents, commonly referred to as Advance Directives. Advance Directives are legal documents used to convey a person's medical wishes when that person is unable to make decisions. These include the Texas Directive to Physicians, Families or Surrogates (formerly known as a "living will"); the Medical Power of Attorney; and the Out-of-Hospital Do Not Resuscitate.

**Directive to Physicians, Families or Surrogates (DPFS)** This document allows you to indicate your medical wishes if you are unable to due to a terminal illness or irreversible condition. With this directive, you have the option of refusing life-prolonging treatment in the event that extraordinary medical measures are required to keep you alive. You can also choose to stay on life-preserving medical devices. This document only goes into effect if it is warranted by your medical condition.

**Medical Power of Attorney (MPA)** An MPA differs from a DPFS in that it appoints a specific person as the decision-maker if you are unable to make your own decisions. This document is important in the event that circumstances arise that were not taken into account in the DPFS. The MPA is different from a general power of attorney in that the appointee does not have authority to make financial decisions.

**Out-of-Hospital Do-Not-Resuscitate Order (DNR)** A DNR is used in instances when a person is living with a terminal illness and does not want 9-1-1 emergency care. This directive applies to any setting, whether it be in a hospital, nursing home or a grocery store. You may choose to wear a bracelet that indicates to EMS workers that they should not attempt resuscitation.

Advanced Directives can be obtained and filled out without the help of a private attorney, but it may be advisable to consult with one. If you need assistance in contacting a private attorney, you can call the State Bar of Texas Lawyer Referral Service at (800) 25-9690. You can also search for an attorney and find additional information on their web site at [www.texasbar.com](http://www.texasbar.com). The Texas Young Lawyer's Association and the Texas Department of Health each have useful information and forms on Advanced Care Planning. You can visit their Web sites respectively at [www.tyla.org](http://www.tyla.org) and [www.tdh.state.tx.us](http://www.tdh.state.tx.us). My office has also published a brochure that give more detail on each of these options. It is available in the News and Publications section of our Web site at [www.oag.state.tx.us](http://www.oag.state.tx.us). You can order a copy by calling (800) 252-8011.

## Camp Lo Biography

"We're laying down something cats never heard before"

Legions of hip-hop fans stand patiently waiting for... something. Their faces are a sea of different colors—brown, white, tan, gold, black representing diverse ethnicities—and they stand side by side, chilling. As the first ripples of music drift across the night sky, heads begin to nod in unison; the crowd is instantly mesmerized. The music is a mixture of attitude and high drama, with thick back-room bass lines wrapped around polished, flowing rhymes. The smoke clears, and two figures emerge from the darkness. Dynamite (formerly known as Chiba) and Emerald Suede, the enigmatic cats from Camp Lo. Can you dig it?

energetic song, filled with distinctly tight beats and flowing rhymes, set their sound apart from countless other rap artists. The instant hit quickly became a timeless classic, and "Luchini" is still banging on the radio stations and dance floors.

This dynamic duo has been on the scene for almost a decade. After producing "Uptown Saturday Night" through Profile Records, they fell victim to the growing controversies between large record labels and artists with a creative vision. In 1996, Profile Records stopped releasing rap music and sold their label to Arista Records, confining Camp Lo to produce Arista music, rather than their own unique sound. Dynamite comments, "Arista wanted us to change our sound, our hooks, they wanted to find beats for us. They wouldn't let us find our own producers." After fulfilling their contract, Camp Lo moved on to Stimulated/Loud Records and, after producing the double sided single "Cookers" and "Trouble Man," they decided to follow their hearts and are now producing their own music independently.

Amidst the struggle, however the Camp Lo duo has remained focused on music. In the four years since their debut album release, they have been working hard, constantly writing and recording new tracks from Emerald Suede's Bronx Studio. Their record label may have changed,

but the Camp Lo formula remains the same. The voices are Dynamite and Emerald Suede, and the producer is Ski of Original Flavor, also known for his intelligence behind Jay-Z's notable debut album, "Reasonable Doubt."

Camp Lo hits the scene this spring with their long awaited sophomore album, "Let's Do It Again"

Their infectious, groundbreaking neo-soul sound has all the elements essential for an instant hit—smooth flowing rhymes, contagious melodies and bass that will drive everyone to the dance floor. The feel good vibe is what it's all about, a sentiment Dynamite aptly dubs "glow." He explains, "Me and this cat like to feel good 24-7. 'Glow' is a spontaneous, natural high that comes about when something moves the soul, like a game winning shot in the NBA finals, a hot song on your walkman, or the look of wonder in a child's eyes."

Dynamite and Emerald Suede always have their ears and eyes open, but their roots can be traced back to hip-hop as well as the sounds of innovative soul artists including Stevie Wonder and Earth, Wind and Fire. They are also largely influenced by the film industry, and coin their music as "Hollywood," reminiscent of the trend-setting characters from Black Hollywood and the social life-style of the swinging '70s. They even have aspirations to direct movies in the future. Their attitude, style and captivating style offer something for everyone, and Dynamite explains, "We're trying to reach the cats that are feeling the neo-soul sounds of artists like India, Arie and Talib Kweli, but can appreciate the fact that we were one of the first to introduce that whole style to hip-hop."



camp lo

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#### DESIGN CHANGES TO THE MARSHA SHARP FREEWAY

#### TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND CITY OF LUBBOCK

Public Hearing: Thursday, August 29, 2002, Cavazos Junior High School Auditorium at 210 North University Avenue in Lubbock.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the City of Lubbock will host an Open House beginning at 6:30 PM, and conduct a Public Hearing beginning at 7:00 PM, Thursday, August 29, 2002. The Open House and Public Hearing will be held in the auditorium of Cavazos Junior High School located at 210 North University Avenue in Lubbock. The purpose of this Public Hearing is to present proposed design changes to the current and approved design of the new Marsha Sharp (U.S. Highway 82/East-West) Freeway in Lubbock. The original environmental documentation for the freeway was approved in July 1995. A new environmental document re-evaluating the project, potential environmental impacts to the human and natural environments in light of the proposed design changes to the freeway has been prepared. These design changes are intended to more closely customize the design of the Marsha Sharp Freeway to the character and needs of Lubbock.

The limits of the freeway project extend approximately 8.75 miles across the city of Lubbock from approximately 1.25 miles southwest of Southwest Loop 289 to approximately 0.5 mile east of Interstate Highway 27. Project limits also extend along Southwest Loop 289 from Slide Road to just north of 34th Street.

The freeway design is comprised of two main lane roadways (each with two travel lanes) separated from major cross arterial streets by highway (grade separation) bridges. The freeway design permits uninterrupted flow of traffic on the main lanes within the limits of the project. Complementing the main travel lanes, freeway frontage roads will typically be comprised of two and three one-way lanes.

The freeway design changes to be presented at the public hearing are intended to emphasize local access to properties adjoining and on the periphery of the freeway, to accommodate changes in the Master Land Use Plan of Texas Tech University, reduce

the cost of building the freeway, and improve the operational efficiency of traffic interchanges among other design improvements. Although the proposed design changes for the most part upgrade local access to and from the freeway, there are a few changes that reduce this access. While a few changes may reduce local access to and from the freeway, the principal trade-offs are overall improved access to the freeway's main travel lanes and improved operational efficiency of the freeway.

Before the start of freeway right-of-way acquisitions, the right-of-way boundaries along U.S. Highway 82 were typically 110 to 120 feet in width. The right-of-way width of the new freeway varies substantially within the project limits. These variations in right-of-way widths range from approximately 270 feet through undeveloped segments of Texas Tech University to approximately 450 feet at other locations. Still greater right-of-way widths are necessary at large traffic interchanges such as Loop 289 where right-of-way widths are more than 800 feet at some locations. Approximately 90 percent of the right-of-way needed to build the freeway has been purchased. As a result of the proposed design changes, approximately 326 fewer acres of right-of-way will be purchased than was planned for in the 1995 Final Environmental Impact Statement.

Copies of the freeway's Environmental Re-evaluation of the 1995 Final Environmental Impact Statement which includes maps and drawings showing the freeway's location and proposed freeway design changes are available for inspection and copying at the Lubbock District of the Texas Department of Transportation at 135 Slaton Road in Lubbock. Maps and drawings showing the project's location and geometric design are also on file with the City of Lubbock at the Lubbock Municipal Building at 1625 13th.

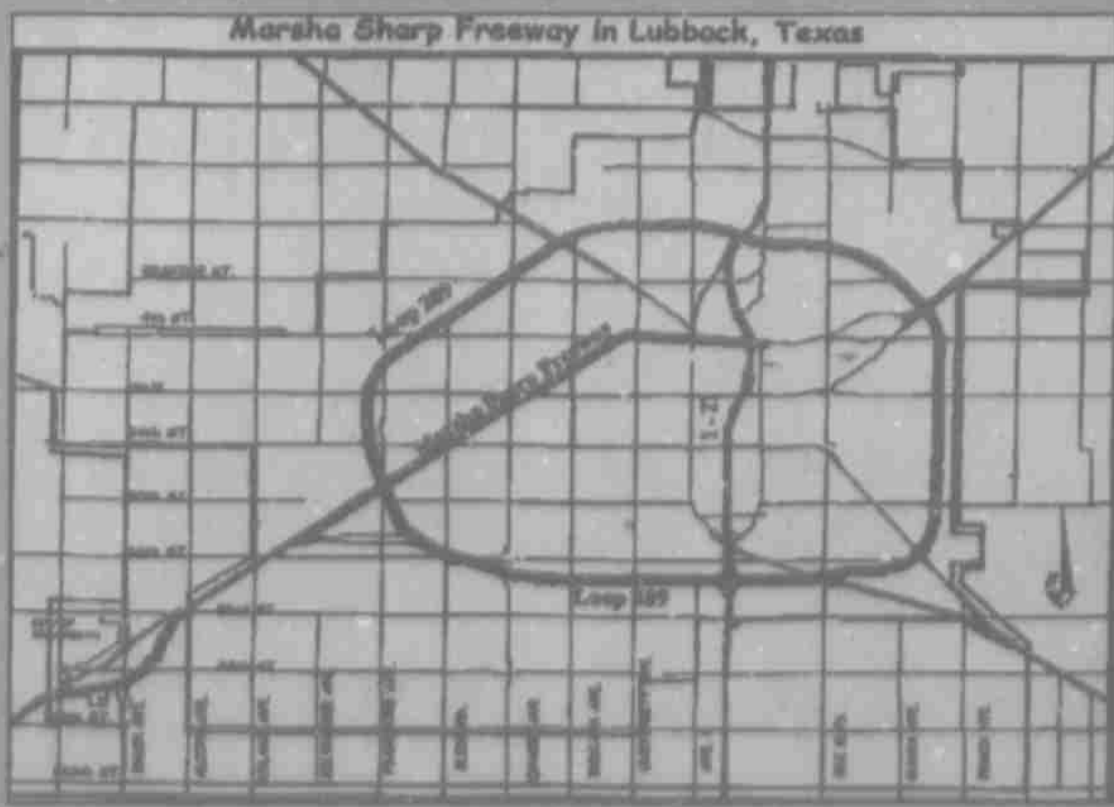
Following the approval of the Final Environmental Impact Statement in 1995, TxDOT began the process of purchasing right-of-way and relocating business families, and individuals. Approximately 700 relocations have occurred to date. The freeway's proposed design changes would cause

the relocation of an additional business near the western end of the project while one less business relocation would occur near Slide Road. Approximately seven additional families would be relocated as a result of the proposed design changes. Relocation assistance is available to all businesses families, and individuals displaced by this project. Information about the state's Relocation Assistance Program, the benefits and services information concerning the relocation assistance office as well as information about the ongoing schedule for right-of-way acquisition and tentative construction schedule can be obtained at the Lubbock District of the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) located at 135 Slaton Road in Lubbock.

Verbal and written comments may be presented at the Public Hearing, or submitted to TxDOT by Monday, September 9, 2002 at 5:00 PM to Mr. Vin. Frank Phillips, P.E., Consultant Contract Administrator, Texas Department of Transportation, at 135 Slaton Road in Lubbock. Comments can also be mailed to Mr. Vin. Frank Phillips, P.E., Consultant Contract Administrator, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 771, Lubbock, Texas 79408-0771 (mail must be received by the Texas Department of Transportation by 5:00 p.m. Monday, September 9, 2002).

The freeway would encroach on two floodplains and lie adjacent to a third floodplain. The freeway crosses a portion of one wetland playa lake and drains storm and runoff waters to wetlands in the Yellow House Canyon in Lubbock.

Persons interested in attending the hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact Davis Melton, Environmental Coordinator, at 806-749-4416 by 5:00 PM, Friday, August 23, 2002. Because the public hearing will be conducted in English, any requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made by 5:00 PM, Friday, August 23, 2002. The Texas Department of Transportation will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.



## Multi-Cultural Diabetes Expo 2002

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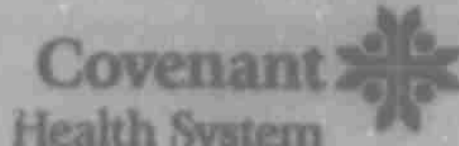
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# Editorials • Comments • Opinions



## "More of the Same Old Tired Tale!"

If I could make all parts of Lubbock competitive self-sustaining market places, I would, but I can't.

Wish I could. If I could utilize land in the eastern one third of the city, the underutilized land, I would also develop the undeveloped areas of the eastern one third of the city. I would also do the same for downtown Lubbock and the Overton area as well as north and northeast Lubbock, and see the differences in the appearance, development at different points of Lubbock and try to figure out why the differences. One area where land is running out and other areas with vast amounts of

vacant land. It makes one wonder why the potential is not being fulfilled equitably across the city. The eastern shores of Lubbock has the prettiest natural terrain and natural beauty. What a shame to go to waste. But life is like that. These are the changes we must go through, and if you do not understand, my friends, I am sorry for you. It is really a shame when the total city can not participate equitably on a tax paying basis and not be able to compete at the market place with its goods and services. For Lubbock to totally be Lubbock for all of its citizens, it has to be Lubbock for all of its citizens across the board with access to all of its resources for all of its citizens. We cannot play racial games for Lubbock to truly move ahead. It will have to move into the future collectively working together for the good of all of us.

The city as a whole is a body and when one part of the body is not well, the total body is not well. The depressed areas need help

from the non-depressed. Help, not leadership, help such as any necessary resource, guidance, advice, support, in general. Hands not handouts. That's the proleto now. We need to stop addressing the symptoms and get to the causes and start rectifying them together. We can make it happen. Rich, poor, Black, Brown, White and others working together for the betterment of the total city, not part of parts, but the total city.

If I could wave a magic wand, I would wave it over Lubbock and create a perfect total city, but I can't so I'll have to do the best I can. With the help of God and concerned citizens in Lubbock, it can be accomplished.

We are on our way now, but we have come a long way, train is on the track, that's why we are working so hard on drugs, gangs and violence to keep our community moving forward.



## In Cinque

by Renetta W. Howard

We are taught that the fall of the Roman Empire came about because it was in a constant state of deterioration within thus vulnerable to attack from without. Therefore, after years of immoral illegal and over-indulgence, socially, economically and otherwise, Rome was ripe for a fall. The belief that "history repeats itself" conjures up a strong notion about the state of these United States of America, especially with all of the flags one sees flying these days.

Flag-flying Americans are everywhere you look these days and yet there is so much crime in America during these flag-flying days. It appears that kidnapping, raping and killing little defenseless girls is the rage of the day. And a rage it is. It would appear that there is some correlation between the rise in Americanism and the rise of

crime in America.

Everyday, when you pick up the newspapers and magazines, there is usually a story about some terrible crime. Turn on your television and the stories are repeated. The discovery and arrests of some of the giant company CEOs seem to be taking a backseat to abductions and senseless murders. Congress' grandstanding on laws against mega thefts by corporate heads and filibustering on a bill for extending Medicare's coverage to medical drugs has not helped the dilemma that America finds herself in. The state of the Catholic church in America and abroad does not make for a pretty picture either, even with the aged and the unhealthy Pope traveling around the world to inject a renewed spirit among Catholics. The Catholic sex scandals have rocked the world.

The current dilemma has

many Americans stressed out and living in constant fear. Parents are afraid for their children, especially the little girls, young women and the young boys on one hand and senior citizens on the other. All of this is very strange when so many citizens, young and old, are singing praises to the Lord and/or preaching the gospel. Somewhere, the true meaning of loving your neighbor as yourself has gotten lost in the shuffle between what belongs to God and what belongs to 'Caesar'.

As a country we need to get 'in cinque' and take inventory of what America is really all about and work toward correcting many of the widespread wrongs in this country which are driving citizens to rage instead of the American dream of a home, neighborhood, and country where they earn a decent living and feel safe at home and during their daily activities, night or day.

## York Entertainment Gears Up

York Entertainment who has provided over 100 titles direct to dvd/video is gearing up for their new releases with "Parental

Guidance." The comedy directed by Lisa D. Washington tells the story of an urban family not only off the beaten path; they're on another road

entirely. Moments of laughter are provided as Scan, portrayed by DeWayne L. Barnes, is too embarrassed to have his upper crust girlfriend (Stacie Jae Johnson) over to meet his South Central family. Filmed entirely on location in Los Angeles, "Parental Guidance" begins a blockbuster season for York Entertainment.

Under the direction of Tanya York, the company formed in 1990 has produced a wide range for genre specific films. York has firmly established herself as a leader in urban entertainment by completing films utilizing some of the hottest names in music today. Ice T, Mac 10, Willie O., Kurupt, Kool Mo Dee, and Destiny's Child. Platinum selling artist, Mystical will make his film debut in the November, 2002, release, "Making Baby." Also slated for release this summer is "Jinx," a comedy starring Ryan Cameron, and "Proof Positive," an urban western.

York Entertainment has consistently provided opportunities in Hollywood for many minorities who might not have had the chance to write, star, or direct their own work. These films are represented by some of Hollywood's finest ethnic talent. With over three (300) titles in the York Entertainment library, over 30% have utilized the talents of these young minority movie makers in Hollywood.



The people to worry about are not those who openly disagree with you, but those who disagree with you and are too cowardly to let you know.

## THIS N THAT

GOOD TO SEE TONY SANCHEZ VISIT LUBBOCK! THIS N THAT ... was glad to see the campaign of ... TONY SANCHEZ ... Democratic nominee for the ... GOVERNOR OF TEXAS ... visit the City of Lubbock at the United Spirit Arena ... last Friday afternoon. ... SCORES OF CITIZENS ... were in attendance ... and as one prominent citizen said ... DIDN'T KNOW ALL THESE DEMOCRATS WERE IN LUBBOCK ... THIS N THAT ... reminds those who are concerned that there are many many ... DEMOCRATS ... who have not voted in the past elections ... and this could very well change come ... NOVEMBER 5, 2002. ... Also seen on this same ticket ... that is the ... DEMOCRATIC PARTY ... there will be other stars ... namely ... JOHN SHARP AND RON KIRK ... Both these men ... and TONY SANCHEZ ... should bring a large number of ... DEMOCRATS ... out to vote in November. ...

QUOTE OF THE WEEK! THIS N THAT ... heard a ... QUOTE OF THE WEEK ... from local photographer ... JOHN CERVANTEZ ... who told the ... SOUTHWEST DIGEST ... IT TOOK A MEXICAN CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR ... FOR ALL OF US (MEXICANS) TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO USE THE COMMUNITY ROOM IN THE UNITED SPIRIT ARENA.

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HAD A GOOD VISIT WITH SONIC PEOPLE! THIS N THAT ... who is staying on top of the development of the ... SONIC RESTAURANT DRIVE IN ... had a very positive visit with ... RON WARREN ... of Sonic about what is going on ... and it appears as though we will be getting there in the very near future. ... THIS N THAT ... reminds all of us we have come a mighty long ways ... but have a mighty ways to go ... but we will get there.

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: "SCHOOL BEGINS ... next Monday morning. ... AUGUST 19TH ... so be ... VERY CAREFUL ... when driving to and from your work stations. ... DRIVE CAREFUL!

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NHI AREA BANQUET VERY SUCCESSFUL! THIS N THAT ... attended the ... NATIONAL HISPANIC INSTITUTE AREA BANQUET ... AT THE University Medical Center's McInturf Conference Center ... and found it to be ... VERY SUCCESSFUL ... With a theme of ... SUCCESS IN RETROSPECT ... these young people did an outstanding job ... with the National Hispanic Institute. ... The young people also recognized ... 21 Role Models in the community and their guests. ... Those honored were ... EMILIO E. ABEYPTA, CATHY ALLEN, ERNESTO BARTON, GABRIEL BERMEA, GLORIA CALDERON, EVERARDO COBOS, M.D. MARIA H. (LINDS) DELEON, R VICKY GILL ESCAMILLA, ANA GARCIA, REBECCA (BECKY) GARZA, ROBERT GUERRERO, DAVID GUTIERREZ, ARCHIE LEE HALL, PAT HENDERSON, EMILIO, MARTINEZ, PETE MORENO, T. J. PATTERSON, ANTONIO Q. SALDANA, DAVID R. SMITH, M.D., DAVID J. VASQUEZ, AND DAVID VINSON. ... It was a very well planned program. ...

ST. JAMES MEN LOOKING GOOD! THIS N THAT ... observed the pastory Rev. E.L. Harris ... and men of the ... BROTHER HOOD ... working for our kids last Saturday at the ... UNITED SUPERMARKET ... on Parkway Drive. ... PASTOR AND MEN ... were helping to ... STUFF THE BUS ... A PROGRAM sponsored by the ... SOUTH PLAINS FOOD BANK ... so our kids will have the necessary school supplies this year. ... VERY GOOD JOB; PASTOR HARRIS AND MEMBERS OF THE BROTHERHOOD!

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