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Giving the Gift

of Learning LUBBOCK - Red Raider

Readers is offering the opportuniry to help a child fall in love with a book for the first time. The Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center program is asking for volunteers and donations of books.

The Red Raider Reader program gives many families their first introduction to reading aloud to their children. Volunteers read to children in the wanting room of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Pediatric Clinic as parents wait for their child's well-check visit.

Donna Bacchie, M.D., M.S., pediatrician at the health sciences center and director of Red Raider Readers, said reading aloud shows children that books are fun, while providing parents with a model for effective, enjoyable ways to share books with their young children.

"Red Raider Readers is affiliated with the national program, Reach Out and Read.

Red Raider Readers and Reach Out and Read train doctors and nurses to advise parents about the importance of reading aloud and to give books to children at pediatric check-ups from six months to five years ofage, with a special focus on children growing up in poverty," said Bacchi.

"By building on the unique relationship between parents and medical providers, Red Raider Readers helps families and communities encourage early literacy skills so children enter school prepared for success in reading."

For more information about Red Raider Readers> contact Libby Camp, assistant director of Red Raider Readers, at (806) 743-4481 ext. 246 or email libby.camp@muhsc.edu.

Community Meetings

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We would like to publish your monthly meetings. If you would like for an auntuiscement to appear in this paper, please get it to us in writing by mailing it to: Community Meetings C/O: Southwest Digest

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Neugerbauer Gets \$16 Million for Marsha Sharp Freeway in **House Transportation Bill**

Washington, DC-Congressman Neugebauer won a major victory for Lubbock highway improvements in securing \$16 million for Lubbock's Marsha Sharp Freeway

Neugebauer worked for inclusion of the funding in the House version of the new federal highway reauthorization bill, which passed the House Friday by a vote of 357-65.

project.

"This road is important to Lubbock so it's important to me," said Neugebauer, "The Marsha Sharp Freeway will be the main link between the Technology Park at Reese Center, Texas Tech, regional medical centers and downtown Lubbock for the entire south plains region. This project improves different aspects of Lubbock roads because safety, mobility and air quality will all improve. I look forward to seeing this project through to its completion."

The Texas Department of Transportation is scheduled to assist in funding this project, which will complete the freeway between

> Chicago and Salem Avenues. When complete. the Marsha Sharp Freeway will provide a limitedaccess highway between Loop 289 in southwest near downtown. This major crosstown route serves many important

trip generators that are the heart of Lubbock's economy. The Marsha Sharp Freeway is

Lubbock's number one transportation priority. Congressman Neugebauer's efforts have ensured additional funding for the project, and he has brought these federal transportation dollars back home to Lubbock. Randy is doing a great job, and we appreciate his leadership and his hard work in Washington," said Lubbock Mayor

Mark McDougal.

Neugebauc also scored another victory relating to transportation. In February, he won Science Committee approval of his amendment to increase transportation educational opportunities for women and minorities. Neugebauer s amendment creating the Garrett Morgan Technology and Transportation Program, was included as part of H.R. 3551, the Surface Transportation Research Lubbock and 1-27 1 and Development Act of 2004. The amendment also increases funding levels for FY 2004-2009 for the program, which aims to improve the preparation, especially women and minorities, in science, technology, engineering and mathematics through curriculum development and other activities related to transportation.

Neugebauer worked with the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee to incorporate this amendment into the final highway reauthorization bill. 1026 Longworth HOB, Washington, D.C. 20515

three rolls of scrolling messages (202)225-4005, fax (202) 225-9615 beneath an Estacado sign. Hisey said, "I am very exit-

ed, and I think it is a good thing not only for the school but for the community. It is a great first impression of what a great school we have. She also said

school year. It will feature

that all the other high schools have one, but ours is the best.

· Those breaking the ground included: school board member, Vernita Holmes; Co-





President of Student Council, Hector Limon Jr; Vice Principal John Gatica; Coach Louis Kelley: Head Cheerleader, Kendra Williams; Lee; and Hisey Other Estacado principals and the Varsity

Cheerleaders attended the cere-

Young Bashuan Williams, a ninth grade student at 0. L. Slaton Junior High School, needs our help! Theater Arts is one of his favorite extra-curricular activities, and he enjoys playing basketball - his favorite sport.

At present time, Bashaun is taking classes and workshops to prepare him to compete this summer in Orlando, Florida. This came about because of his efforts in a Talent Search, with 400 other contestants, and he was selected one of sixteen, and will give him an opportunity to reach his dream.

In order to compete, he will

need to be in Orlando to compete in a national talent convention June 29 through July 5, 2004. The world's top agents, casting directors, and scouts will be there looking for talented young actors.

Now here. where we can help Bashaun Williams. He will need financial assis-

tance from people like you who are willing to help young people like Bashaun Williams. The total cost of the classes and trip to Orlando, Florida is approximately \$4,500. He will need sponsors. He will tell you that no amount given for this effort is too small. If you contribute \$100 or more toward this effort, your name will be placed in the Official American Modeling & Talent Convention program booklet. The sponsorships are tax deductible.

If you want to help this young fellow achieve his goal, then make your checks to: Anderson Talent Agency, and mailed to: Bashaun Williams,

5211 43rd Street, Lubbock, Texas 79414.

Bashaun will tell you he was 9 years of age when wanted to be an actor. He has grown up producing short movies and commercials with his friends around the neighborhood. He begun this journey in acting in the Drama program at Iles Elementary School.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Williams.

Bashaun Williams needs our help! Will you help this young fellow who has begun achieving his goal in life? Hope there are those who will reach out and help this young fellow.

Birthday Party Set for Ms. Annie Mae Jones

A Ground Breaking

Experience, Digital

Estacado High

A ground breaking

By Marcus Nerios, EHS publi-

ceremony was held at Estacado

High School on Tuesday, April

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The ceremony was opened

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Marquee Bought for

Saturday afternoon, April 17, 2004, the family of Ms. Annie Mae Jones will gather at the Lubbock Housing Authority Party Building, 515 North Zenith Avenue, to celebrate her 90th birthday.

Ms. Jones was born April 18, 1914, and her birthday will be on Sunday. She is a longtime resident of Lubbock, Texas.

The birthday celebration will take place from 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Family and friends are invited to attend' or just come by and wish Ms. Annie Mae Jones a Happy Birthday!

19th District Meeting

The American Legion will hold their 19th District Spring Convention April 17-18, 2004, in Muleshoe at Ben Richardson Post 403. The first meeting will begin at 3:00 pm on Saturday. Registration is \$15. Guests will be the Muleshoe Mayor and Philip Wendt, District Director for the South Plains Boy Scout Council.

Saturday will be highlighted by discussion on the Boy Scouts of America. Sunday we will cond at a memorial service followed by the district business meeting.

The American Legion is made up of veterans who continue their service to America by still serving their communities. Veterans whose involvement in the community creates and supports the feeling of camaraderie which makes The American Legion the nation's largest and the most respected organization of wartime veter-

Families Reading to Kids With F.R.E.D Volunteer Tutor Children who grow up with parents who are actively and positively Training

financial resources.

The Lubbock Area Coalition for Literacy will offer training for prospective volunteer tutors dedicated to helping adults learn to read. The session will be Thursday evening, April 22, 2004, from 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm, at Godeke Branch Library.

For more information call 747-7323 (747-READ) to register or obtain more information about the free tutoring and classes.

Loop 289 and Quaker Avenue.

involved in their children's lives tend to do better in school, have higher lev-The sign ups for the program will els of self-esteem, healthier relationships with peers, healthier sex-role development and access to greater

F.R.E.D. is a 4 week program designed to encourage family members to read to their children on a daily basis. The Lubbook County Partners for Parenting Coalition and Texas Cooperative Extension will offer this program during May for interested

The program is structured so that parents will read to their children a missirum of 15 minutes a day fer the first two weeks and minimum of 30 minutes a day for the last two weeks. Families are presented with a participant packet that contains an introduction to the program, reading log, tips for reading aloud to their children, and recommended book lists.

be offered on Thursday, April 29th at the Science Spectrum 2579 S. Loop 289 from 6:00-8:30 pm at the "Dia-de los Ninos' celebration.

All interested families and kids are encouraged to participate.

Upon completing the program parents and their children will be invited to a party to celebrate their participation in F.R.E.D. at that time, they will be asked to turn in their reaning logs

complete an exit survey. The celebration will be held Thursday, June 3rd (location to be determined).

For more information call the County Extension Office at 775-1680.

Looking Back Over the Years

In a recent story, this picture was featured in the Thursday, April 1, 2004, issue of the Southwest Digest. It was reported the young Dunbar High School student, Frances Bolden Eddins, right, was seen with an unidentified child in July 1957. Since that report, the Southwest Digest has received the name of the

The young child is Beverly Wilson, who graduated from Dunbar

unidentified child.

High School in 1973. Both will be in attendance of the upcoming Dunbar High School Ali-Class Reunion set for July 8-11, 2004 here in Lubbock.



Fashion Fun

by Shirley Roberson

Shoes, Stepping Pretty

reprint by popular demand

At one time fashion conscious women needed only three pair of shoes, blacky navy and bone, with these basic colors you could successfully coordinate any out fit in and simple, not at all affected by the expectations and demands of society. As the old saying goes, time changes things, it certainly does. Shoes, fashion and time changed coherently.

Ladies, spring is here bringing with it blue skies, sun shine and heat waves.

Everything is clear, holy bright, light and quite colorful, and that is exactly what this season shoes reflects. Have you been shoe shopping recently? shoes will put a smile on your face and joy in your hearty its like

being in a fantasy worlds so much to see, choose from, try on and shoes enhances your ability to exercise the art of match-

Dressy or casual, sanyour closet. Life was plain dals or pumps, the correct selection of shoes will by all means compliment your total look. Don't settle for plain, regular shoe necessities. Get busy have fun!.....the simplest styles in shoes are heavily decorated, air brushed, hand painted, hand stitched, nail heads, clear and colored stones, brilliantly sequenced, scrap less, back less, sling backs and flip flops, square toes, rounded toes, pointed toes, opened and closed toes and in between the toes.

Flats, semi-flats, high heels, low heels, heels that are wide, narrow, rectangular and triangular, shoes,



shoes, shoes, beautiful, gorgeousy dazzling shoes.

Colors far beyond your imagination. Where ever you're going, what ever you're doingy the right shoe's will, let you de it in style.

Don't leave home half stepping, step proudly, step holdly and remember to always step pretty. FASHION TIP.....Always wear a smile FASHION JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT



by Clarissa Jay

Those in attendance of the surprised birthday party of Bethel African Methodist. Sister Bessie Cox last Tuesday evening, April 6, 2004, in the Fellowship Hall of Pethel African Methodist Episcopal Church. She was really surprised and had to have help in blowing out all those candles. It was reported there were 78 candles on the delicious birthday CAKE.

This writer wishes Sister Cox a belated birthday!

The Tenth Episcopal District, African Methodist Episcopal Church Ushers and Nurses Organization will hold its Annual Leona "Tiny" Hawkins Scholarship Banquet at the Holiday Inn on Loop 289. The theme this year is "Western Round-Up." The Scholarship Banquet will be held Friday evening, April 23, 2004 beginning at 7:00 p.m. The attire is Denim and Lace. Mrs. Ora Jean Keys and Mr. Eric Strong will do excerpts from Paul Lawrence Dunbar's poetry,

r The Annual Business meeting and Worship services will be held Saturday, April 24, 2004, at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 2202 Southeast Drive. The Rev. Danny R. Poe is the host pastor and Sister Sarah Bunion is host president. Sister Bunion also serves as president of the Northwest Texas Annual Conference Ushers and Nurses Organization.

Rev. Danny Pos, pastor of Episcopal Church, will deliver the Church Anniversary Sermon at the Rising Star Baptist Church Sunday afternoon, April 18, beginning at 3:30 p. En. Rev. Hiawatha Culver is host pastor, and Rising Star Baptist Church is located at 2420 East Cornell Avenue.

The 78th Church Anniversary Committee of the New Hope Baptist Church would like to honor their senior members and friends who have witnessed their 78th birthday or more while laboring in this part of God. mortal vineyard.

If you are, or will be 78 years of age-or more as of April 18, 2004, you are a candidate for Special Recognition on that date.

Seats are still available for the "Load The Bus For Alabama" which is set for May 21 through 24, 2004. If you are interested in going to Talledega, Alabama, time is running out as this is a first come, first serve effort. If you are interested, then contact either Sister Cynthia Hatcher, Sister Branetta Cooper or Sister Margaret Moton.

A job well done by Pastor James Clark and members of the Mount Vernon United Methodist Church for their outreach in providing food for many in the community last week. As you can see Pastor Clark, there are many in our community who are homeless and are without foodstuffs. Job well done! This

writer saw what you have done, but better still God saw!

Rev. and Mrs. Anthony Sims who were the former pustor and wife of Carter Chapel CME Church, visited in Lubbock over the Easter holidays. They attended morning wership at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church. They left Lubbock in 1991. He is now pastor of the New Jerualem United Methodist Church in Denton, Texas.

Last Sunday morning, services were well attended at the New Hope Baptist Church, the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. B. R. Moton is pastor. If you are looking for a church home, then come and visit with the members of New Hope at anytime. You will be glad you did

Sunrise services were held on Sunday morning, April 11, 2004, Easter Sunday morning. The morning scripture was read by Rev, Cheryl Martin. Rev. Mercelle McCutcheon offered the morning prayer. After the Senior Choir sung several selections, Pastor Moton delivered the Easter sermon. His subj ect was "Jesus Prayed For Me From The Cross." His scripture text was St. Luke 23:34-39.

Let us continue to whisper a prayer for the sick r:nd shut-in. Just a telephone call can mean so much.

Don't know of any bereaved families at this report.

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CHURCH DIRECTORY





JOHN 15:13, JESUS SAID, GREATER LOVE HATH NO MAN THAN THIS, THAT A MAN LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIENDS.

WHEN I WAS LOST IN SIN; I LOOKED ON A WOMAN, I WANTED HER FLUSH, BUT IT WAS JESUS' EYES THEY SPIT IN: BECAUSE MINE WAS FULL OF LUST.

MARK 15:19, THEY SMOTE HEM(JESUS) ON THE HEAD WITH A REED, AND DID SPIT UPON HIM, AND BOWING THEIR KNEES WORSHIPED HIM.

I HAO MANY SINS: AND SPOKE SO MANY FILTHY UNGODLY WORDS, BUT IT WAS JESUS' MOUTH THEY SLAPPED; AND NEVER WAS GUILE HEARD.

LUKE 22:64a, WHEN THEY HAD BLINDFOLDED HIM(JESUS), THEY STRUCK HIM ON THE FACE, IT WAS MY BACK THAT LAID WITH OTHER WOMAN, COMMITTING ADULTERY, BUT IT WAS JESUS' BACK THEY BEAT; TILL IT LOOKED LIKE MENACE MEAT.

MATTHEW 27:26, THEN THEY RELEASED HE BARAB-BAS UNTO THEM: WHEN HE HA SCOURGED(BEAT) JESUS.

HE DELIVERED HIM TO BE CRUCIFIED. IT WAS MY MIND, THAT THOUGHT MANY FIETHY AND UNGODLY THINGS, BUT IT WAS JESUS' MIND THEY CROWNED WITH THRONGS OF SO MUCHERAIN.

MATTHEW 27:29, WHEN THEY HAD PLATTED A CROWN OF THORNS, THEY PUT IT UPON HIS(JESUS') HEAD, AND A READ IN HIS RIGHT HAND; AND THEY BOWED THE KNEE BEFORE HIM, AND MOCKED HIM, SAY ING, HAIL, KING OF THE JEWS.

IT WAS MY HANDS THAT STOLE THING: IT WAS BECAUSE I WAS A THIEF, BUT IT WAS JESUS HANDS: THAT THEY NAILED TO THAT OLD TREE.

****IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN YOU AND ME**** MY FEET THAT DANCED FILTHY DANCES, I KNEW THEY SHOULDN'T BE, BUT IT WAS HIS THAT THEY NAILED, TO THE CROSS; OUT ON CALVARY.

JOHN 20:25b, HE(THOMAS) SAID UNTO THEM, EXCEPT SHALL SEE IN HIS HANDS THE PRINT OF THE NAILS AND PUT MY FINGER INTO THE PRINT OF THE NAILS AND TRUST MY HAND INTO HIS SILE, I WILL NOT BELIEVE. I WALKED THAT UNGODLY WALK; SIDE BY SIDE WITH

MY FELLOW MAN, BUT IT WAS JESUS' SIDE THEY PIERCED; AND OUT HIS PRECIOUS BLOOD RAN. JOHN 19:34, ONE OF THE SOLDIERS WITH A SPEAR PIERCED HIS(JESUS) SIDE, AND FORTHWITH CAME

SHOULD HAVE BEEN YOU AND MENLY STATE PHATS WHAT LOVE IS - IT GIVE, AND IT WILL ASK

TOTHING IN RETURN, THAT IS THE SPIRIT WE ALL SHOULD HAVE; AND FROM IT WE SHOULD LEARN. PHILIPPIANS 2:4,5, LOOK NOT EVERY MAN ON HIS OWN THINGS. BUT EVERY MAN ALSO ON THE THINGS OF OTHERS. LET THIS MIND BE IN YOU, WHICH WAS ALSO IN

GOD GAVE THE BEST HE HAD; HIS SON JESUS' DEATH ON CALVARY, AND THAT IS THE WAY, AND THE ONLY WAY, ALL MANKIND CAN BE FREE

JOHN 3:17, JESUS SAID, FOR GOD SENT NOT HIS SON INTO THE WORLD TO CONDEMN THE WORLD: BUT THAT THE WORLD THROUGH HIM(JESUS) MIGHT BE SAVED. **NOBODY, TRYING TO TELL EVERYBODY, ABOUT ESUS BODY DIED FOR EVERYBODY**

WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY BI, MORRISON, HI YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST JESUS.

The United States global war on terror-

ism" is defined by Henry C K Un (the author of The Abduction of Modernity - The race toward barbarism) from the views of historian Bernard Lewis, (a scholar of Islamic culture at Princeton University) as follows: "A defensive effort to protect its way of life. beyond the attacks from enemies with alien cultural and religious motives, to attacks from those who reject modernity itself," Liu declares "to Bernard Lewis, Western civilization stands for modernity. This antimodernity attitude, he warns, is what lend support to the ready use of terror by Islamic fundamentalists."

Samuel P. Huntington (Albert J. Weatherhead, III University Professor Ph.D. Harvard University, author of 'The Clash of

Conflict or Barbarity Civilizations") is summarized in this manner: "World politics is entering a new phase, in which the great division among humankind and the forminating source of international conflict will be cultural Civilizations-the highest cultural groupings of people are differentiated from each other by religion, history, language and tradition. These divisions are deep and increasing in importance. From Yugostavia to the Middle East to Central Asia, the fault lines of civilizations are the battle lines of the future. In this emerging era of cultural conflict the United States must forge alliances with similar cultures and spread its values wherever possible. With alien civilizations the West must be accommodating if possible, but confrontational if necessary. In the final analysis, however, all civilizations will have to learn to tolerate each

Some elements of truth rang out in the hypothesis of Huntington in the city of Falluja, Iraq the week past. Militants, dismembered, burned and hanged on display from a bridge, Americans, who were providing security for food deliveries in

from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

the violent Sunni triangle. When question about Islam's view of mutilating bodies of enemies in wartime, Sheikh Faysal Mawlawi, deputy chairman of the Council for European Council for Fatwa and Research wrote "it is permissible to mutilate the dead only in case of retaliation. If any one cuts the ear of another his ear is to be cut in return. If he inflicts any physical damage on anyone, he should be retaliated against in the same manner. In case of war, Muslims are allowed to take vengeance for their mutilated strugglers in the same way it was done to them."

The sheikh is said to have quot-

ed the Quranic verse: "If ye punish, then punish with the like of that wherewith ye were inflicted. But if ye endure patiently, verily it is better for the patient."

Responding to an United States sentiment is the 2nd Battalion, 1st Marine Expeditionary Force with a planned operation with the code named "Vigilant Resolve" who will pacify Fallujah residents who dragged the four bodies through the streets, hanging of two charred Americans corpses from a bridge and a cultural show of resistance from Sunni Iraqis.

Peoples of the world must understand "barbaric acts" to Americans or others of the like persuasion are not acceptable and will not go unpunished!

St. Matthew

Sunday morning, April 11, 2004, the members of St. Matthew Baptist Church had a glorious time in the Lord. Rev. Edward Canady is the proud

Services begun at 10:00 a. m. with Sunday School. The morning lesson was taught and reviewed by Pastor Canady.

The morning worship services begun at 11:20 a. m. Devotions were led by Brother Albert Ray Wilbon and Sister Louise Simmons. The spirit was

The Senior Choir provided the morning selections, and what a wonderful job they did

in praising the Lord in songs Pastor Canady delivered the morning message. His subject was "It Is Finished," His scriptures text was St. John 19:30. It'l was very inspiring and enjoyed by all who were in attendance.

After the morning services, Easter eggs were given to all in the Fellowship Hall because of the inclement weather.

The Adults Annual program will be held Sunday afternoon, April 18, 2004, beginning at 3:30 p. m. The theme for the program is "A Clean Heart." Come and hear Bishop Lee of Lyons Chapel Baptist Church.

Let us pray for our sick and shut-in citizens. Among them is Brother Gerald Jackson who is a patient in University Medical Center.

Let us pray for the Wilbon family who lost a loved one last week. Services were held for McKinley "Sleepy" Wilbon, at St. Matthew Baptist Church on Monday afternoon, April 12,

Thought For The Week: "Chrises resurrection is the guarantee of our own."

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members and friends of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met in the home of Sister Annie Mae McBride on Saturday morning. April 3, 2004, at 9:00 a. m. The morning devotion was led by the groups with a solo by Sister Annie Day. What a time we had in the Lord. Our teacher, Sister Elnora Jones, brought the morning lesson. Her subject was "Set Free To Do Something Better." Her scripture text was I Corinthians 8:32-36; Galatians 5:1. Come and hear this teacher, you will be glad you did.

I his needs to be said today, because "Christ is alive, Saints." He

II Chronicles 7:14 - Obey God and turn from your wicked ways. You will find that our Lord is not short on his promises to forgive our sins and heal our land. On that cross, he said, Father, forgive them. He is waiting for us to put our trust in Him, and know that He is a God who can change things thought impossible, turn from bringing wicked devices to g past turn from evil, stop cheating. Stop lying, stop being jealous of your Brother or Sister. Stop talking down your people. Did you know we are perfectly

made in the image of God. You know why our Lord did not let those fellows stone that woman who they caught in adultery. He was on His way to the Cross to die for their sins and that woman's sins. Tha's why we need to stop judging. We are spending too much time

judging. When we look around one day, you will be standing alone, just judging empty buildings and vacant lots, while others will be busy doing positive things, Christ died for us all and the worst of us still have a charices because he lives. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and all these things you're fighting for, lying for and almost dying for, He will give to us free. Seek God's face, turn from doing wicked

My Brothers and Sisters, when the church prospers, the body of Christ prospers. It does not matter what church you belong, the body prospers, the total body together, all believers. Let's get together and seek the face of our God and stop our sinful ways. This writer believes we can fly, because we are eagles, and are able to soar above the garbage and sins of the world.

Just A Thought: "You can go to church 52 weeks a year, 52 Bible studies, tote around a five pound Holy Bible, but if the word of God is not in your heart and ulfapplied by you in the world, it means nothing, Saints! It has no meaning!"

"Freedom is never given by the oppressor, it must be demanded by the oppressed."

For all of you who are not feeling well, there's healing in the word of God. Speak the word in faith believing and you will receive what you believe St. Mark 11:22-26. God bless you today is our prayer. Christ is alive, today! Glory Hallelujah!

Don't forget your drive by prayers on your way to church." Pray for other churches as you pass on your way to your church. Pray for your Pastor that the Lord gives him a word from heaven. You see, Dear People, it's not about us. What's important is God is getting the Glory from our worship.

Thanks for reading, Precious People!

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president; and Sister Elnora Jones, teacher.

Brother E. Harvest, Rev.

J. H. Ford is pastor.

Bethel **African Methodist Episcopal** Church

2202 Southeast Drive 806-744-7552 Pastor's study 806-741-0208 dpoebethel@aol.com

Intercessory Prayer 8:30am Church School 9:30am Morning Worship 10:50am Evening Worship 6:00pm Wednesday Bible Study 12:00 Noon and 5:00pm



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Greater St. Luke Baptist Church Will Celebrate 83rd Anniversary

The Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church, 306 East 26th Street, will celebrate its 83rd Anniversary on Sunday, April 18, 2004, beginning at 3:00 p.m.

The theme selection is "The Purpose Driven Church", St. Mark 16:15. The guest church will be the Mt. Rose Baptist Church of Sweetwater, Texas, Rev. C. L. Walker

is pastor. Chairpersons are Sister C. Evans and

Mr. Olive First Missionary Buptist Church 887 Film Street Slaton, Texas

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April 11, 16, 18, 2004

"THE TEST OF TIME"

"Therefore schoolever heareth these sayings of mine; and diseth them. I will liker how with a wiseman, which built his home upon a rock; and the rolls descended, and the floods come; and the winds hier, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock. And exervone that hearth these sayings of name, and dooth them not shall be likened arms is findish men, which built his house upon the send: and the rain desperded, and the floods come, and the winds blev, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great





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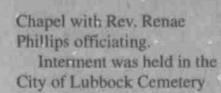


Sherryl Ray Davis

Lamesa, Texas — Funeral services for Sherryl Ray Davis were held at the First Baptist Church of Lamesa on Tuesday morning, April 6, 2004.

She is survived by her parents, Jessie Ray and Pauline

Davis, both of Lamesa, Texas; two brothers, Ronnie Davis of Irving, Texas and Wilford Fitzgerald Davis of Ft. Worth, Texas; and a host of other relatives, church family and



under the direction White Funeral Home of Lubbock. He passed away last

Saturday, April i0, 2004. A lifelong resident of Lubbock, he attended the Life Program at Estacado High School. He participated in the

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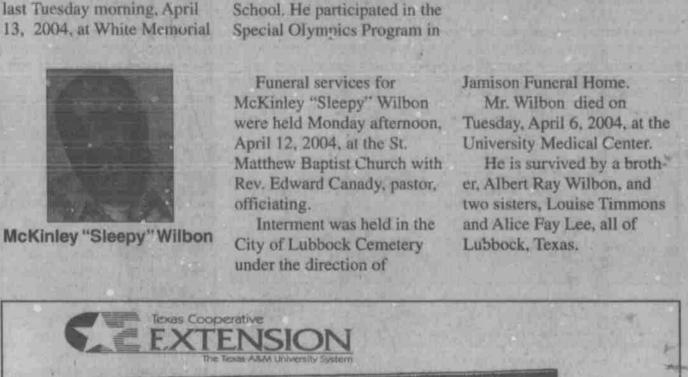
He leaves to mourn his passing: his foster mother, Brenda Cato of Lubbock, Texas; special caregiver, William Mitchell; maternal foster grandmother, Edith Cato of Quannah, Texas; a foster brother, Junior Moya of Lubbock, Texas; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

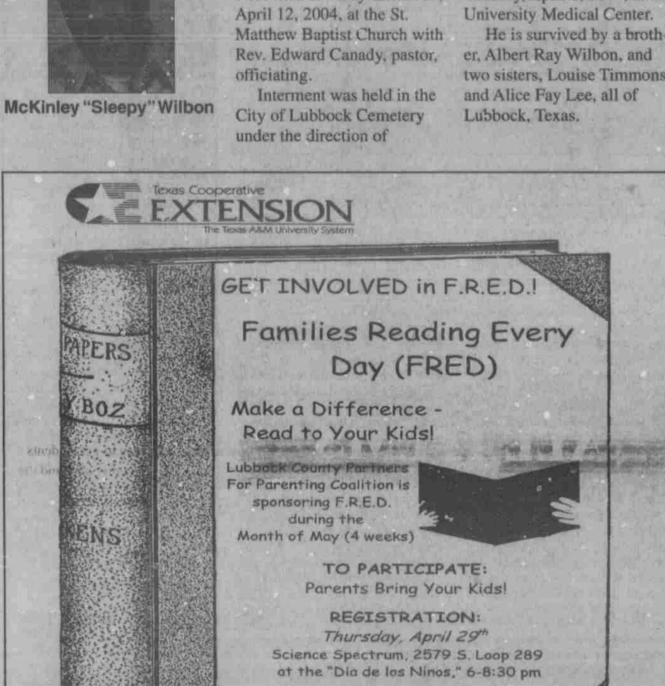


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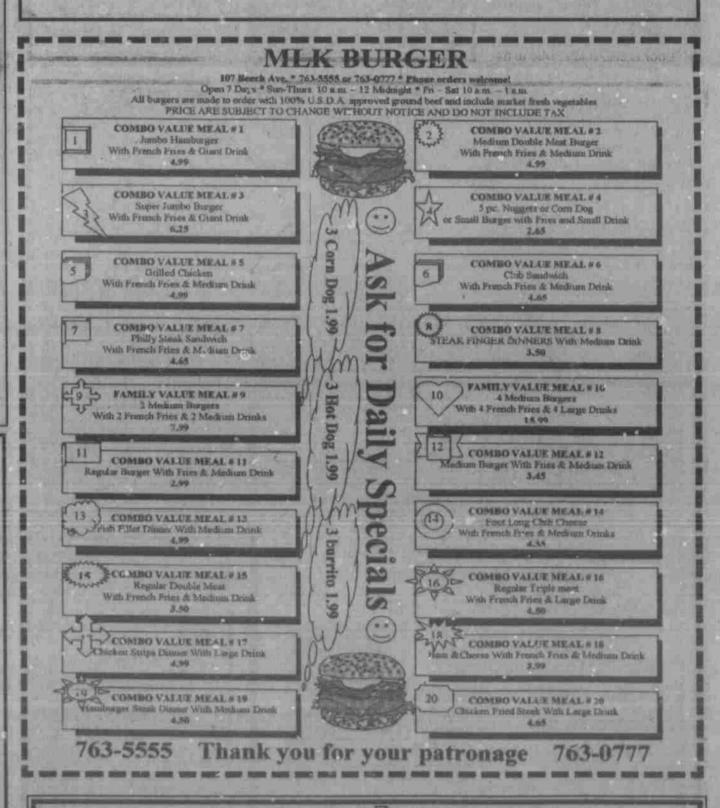
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Africa American Organ Donors Improve Survival Rates for Black Recipients

Kidney Transplant Gives Second Chance to Husband and Father of Two

(Richmond, Virginia) - While more than 12 percent of the U.S. population is African American. 35 percent of patients waiting for kidney transplants are Black, says the Coalition on Donation, a nottor-profit alliance dedicated to increasing the number of organ and tissue donors. This staggering percentage may be attributed, in part, to the escalating number of African Americans with conditions that can lead to the need for an organ transplant; such as diabetes, high blood pressure and heart disease. Despite this rapidly growing need, there remains a critical shortage of African American organ donors.

To raise awareness about this public health crisis, the Coalition is releasing powerful, rew radio and print public service advertisements (PSAs) that urge African Americans to become organ and tissue donors. Debuting in April - Donate Life Month - the ads feature Derrick Floyd, a 39year-old kidney transplant recipient and father of two, who recently celebrated 14 years of marriage.

"Since the transplant, they're so many things I can do walk my dog, go to the park with my family. Having a new kidney has given me another chance at life," Floyd said. "I can never forget that I'm alive today because someone, at some point said. "I'm going to become an organ donor."

In addition to these PSAs, the campaign includes; · An informational brochure targeting African Americans; · Web-based resources for consumers and healthcare providers.

· The participation of partner organizations at the local, state and national levels.

Statistically, African Americans have the best chance of being matched for a kidney transplant if the donor is also Black. Due to tis-

sue matching, kidney transplants are most successful when the donor and recipient share similar ethnic backgrounds. So, for many

patients awaiting kidneys, the lack of available organs means longer waiting periods on transplant lists and in too many instances, years spent at dialysis centers.

"I realize that the Black com-

munity is inundated with important health messages," says Tina Evans Caines, Chair of the Coalition's National African American Campaign. "The good news is that with organ and tissue donation, you have the power to save fives. But, once you make the decision to donate - tell your family so they'll know your wishes. If you need ideas on how to

talk to your family, visit www.donatelife.net."

The Coalition on Donation's outreach to the Black community has been endorsed by some of the nation's leading African American organizations, specifically the National Medical Association, National Urban League, NAACP, National Newspaper Publishers Association and Congressional Black Caucus Healthcare Braintrust.

Founded in 1992, The Coalition on Donation is a not-for-profit alliance of national organizations and local coalitions across the U.S., dedicated to inspiring all people to Donate Life through organ and tissue donation. Its vision is an organ or tissue transplant for everyone in need.

To learn more about how to Donate Life or request a free copy of the brochure You Have the Power to Donate Life, visit www.donatelife.net or call 1-866-LETS-GIVE (1-866-538-7748).

South Plains Obedience Club of **Lubbock Hosts AKC Dog Agility Trials**

The South Plains Obedience Training Club of Lubbock will be hosting two days of American Kennel Club All Breed Dog Agility Trials. The event will be held at the South Plains Pairgrounds Livestock Pavilion. May 1st and 2nd. Trial hours will start at 9:00 am and end approximately 4:00pm each day. Approximately 100 pure bred dogs from surrounding states will be judged at this event, many of which are the top agility trained dogs in the country.

Agility is one of the newest AKC events and is open to every breed. Dogs must be at least one year old to compete. In an Agility Trial a dog demonstrates its ability to negotiate a complex course which will include a walk over a bridge, jumping through

objects, going through tunnels, weaving through a line of poles and pausing on command. There are different height categories so each dog is tested fairly on the course. Each exhibitor and dog team will be judged at one of 3 different levels of competition, Novice, Open or Excellent. The dogs competing in these classes are working toward AKC Agility

There will be free canine educational material available at these trials. No admission fee will be charged for this fan filled and educational event. Agility is a fast paced sport that is exciting for the dog, handlers and spectators. Don't miss it! For more information call 794-1256 or email at spote@compuserve.com.

Mentoring Students, Changing Lives, the Mentor Tech Program

The Lauro Cavazos and Ophelia Powell-Malene Mentor ing Program, known as Mentor Tech, aspires to enhance the quality of educational experiences of black and Hispanic students through advocacy, campus and community involvement, programs and services.

The second annual Mentor Tech Scholarship Banquet takes place on April 19, 2004 at 6 p.m. in the Helen DeVitt Jones Sculpture Court at the Texas Tech University Museum, Program participants will be recognized for their involvement and recipients

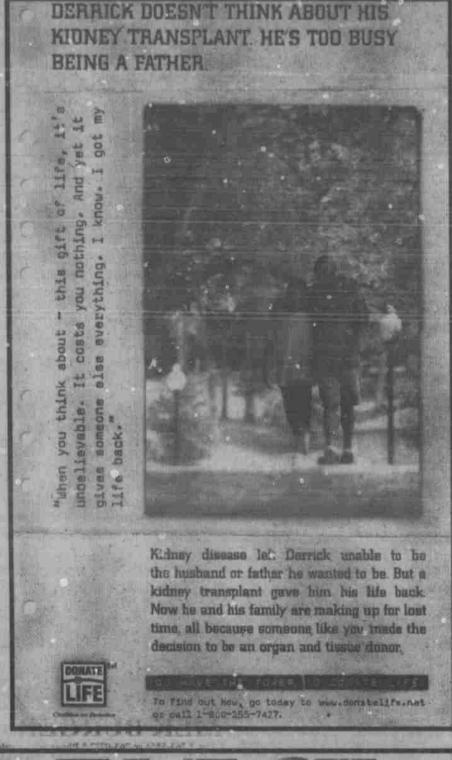
of the coveted "Of the Year Awards" will be announced. Four \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to deserving students. Enrique Barrera Ph.D., associate professor in mechanical engineering at Rice University, is the keynote speaker.

Individual tickets are \$25, studeat tickets are \$12 and tables of eight are \$300. For tickets or more information contact the Office of Community and Multicultural Affairs at mentor@ttu.edu or (806)742-8671. Proceeds will benefit scholarships for student participants of

The program honors Lauro Cavazos Ph.D., the first graduate to serve as president of Texas Tech University and Ophelia Powell-Malone, the first black undergraduate to enroll at Texas Tech University. The program is housed in the Texas Tech University System Office of Community and Multicultural

First-year students are paired with faculty, staff and graduate students according to their academic, professional and cultural interests. The program aims to provide student participants with a network of support to improve the retention and eventual graduation rates of black and Hispanic students at Texas Tech.

The Mentor Tech program is an excellent way to get students involved in the university and the community. It helps them develop interpersonal skills and provides them with a network of people to use as a guide to prepare them for the future.







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WITNESS the Honorable Violet C. Otero, DIV. VI, District Judge of the 13th Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Sandoval County, this February 5, 2004.

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We hope you had u happy and joyous Easter. To the gardeners, we hope you were able to take advantage of Good Friday to prepare your gardens and set out your plants and trees. Hopefully, all will produce a bountiful harvest. Have hope, treat them tenderly as they grow, and look to the rainbow and thank God. And you will have an aboudant crop.

The election is nearing. I hope that you are registered. but that is not the really the problem! We have the registered eligible voters. The problem is getting them to actually go to the polls and vote. Early voting is a plus, and we should utilize it.

The sad thing is the people who complain the most do not vote. Vote and you have a say, fail to vote and you do not. If you pass on your right to vote, keep your mouth shut... you have sacrificed the legitimacy of

Look to the Rainbow

by Eddie P. Richardson

your right to complain.

Stop saying "them" or "they" ought to do this or that. Change your tune to "me, we, and us." Be a part of the positive factor and leave the negative behind. But before you go full-steam-ahead, learn the facts, be informed, and know what you are talking about. Nothing is worse than a fool running loose at the mouth.

You must begin at the bottom of the stairway to learn what is on each floor. If you take the elevator you can get to the top, but you won't know where you have come from or where you have been. Your trip will be futile, and you won't have an understanding of the complexities of the situations. Remember, before you can lead, you must first follow. You can't teach what you don't know, and you can't lead where you don't go. Most of all, be informed. That Nut Sed! Why Not? works!

This holds true for our District Two City Council race. This time, we have a full-house as far as the number of candidates for our district race, Why?

Things are beginning to happen - good things, big

to crow about. Candidates are starting to jump on the bandwagon. They want to be able to say, "see what I did, without acknowledging the fact that the tone had been set. The train is already or the track and leaving the station. So why not keep the conductor on board? The conductor that got the train going in the first place.

T. J. Patterson is that conductor. He is the rainbow in District Two. Under his leadership, the train is running full speed ahead.

Closing Thoughts For The Week: They say: "Knowledge is power." by Jean Paul Sartre, Laay: "Knowledge shared and applied is power! Knowledge not shared nor applied is wasted." by Dr. Romeo L. Taylor, Sr.



It appears that my name has been put on a health issues mailing list since the publication of the first article which I wrote concerning diabetes. I have been well armed regarding what various entities are doing to help to cradicate the disease. The last article dealt with the work of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation or JDRF which can be accessed on the internet at (www.JDFR.)

Since that time, I have received information from Medtronic MiniMed which has advised me that one day there will be a cure for diabetes. Until there is a cure, they are counting on the successful development of an artificial pancreas. "That's

because an artificial pansor that safely work together gersticks and shots."

This company states that they have devoted 20 years to development of an artificial pancreas and are already in clinical trials. They feel that this is the next best thing to an actual cure. They believe that they have the technology and resources to make the artificial pancreas a reality.

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FIRST ANNUAL MULTI-CULTURAL GOSPELFEST! THIS N THAT.....has learned about an upcoming eventwith a national flavorand will bring some national gospel singers to our city... It is called the ... FIRST ANNUAL MULTI-CULTURAL GOSPEL FEST 2004 ... which is set for ... November 20, 2004 ... at 3:00 p. m....in the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.... Featured artists scheduled to appear areTHE WILLIAMS BROTHERSwho are a Stella Awards and Grammy WinnersTIKE WILLIAMS & THE Spiritual ... also a Stella Award Winner... Funds from this effort will go toward ... THREE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS....... More on this in the very near future TICKETS will go on sale on July 31, 2004...

PENNY HASTINGS the barber says: "PEOPLE ... are like ... STAINED-GLASS windows. They sparkle and shine ... when the sun is out, but when the ... DARKNESS ... sets in ... their true beauty is revealed ... ONLY ... if there is light from within."

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MS. ANNIE MAE JONES! THIS N THAT ... wants to take this opportunity ... and wish ... MS. ANNIE MAE JONES ... a very Happy Birthday. A birthday party will be given in her honor on Saturday, April 17, 2004, ... from 1:00 p. m. until 8:00 p. m. Our friend will be ... 90 YEARS YOUNG ... on Sunday, April 18, 2004.. If you know this dear lady .. then go by and wish her well... THIS N THAT ... remembers when she worked hard for East Lubbock ... along with her side-kick ... the late ..MS. ROBERTA BASCUS.... May God continue to bless you ... MS. ANNIE MAE JONES!

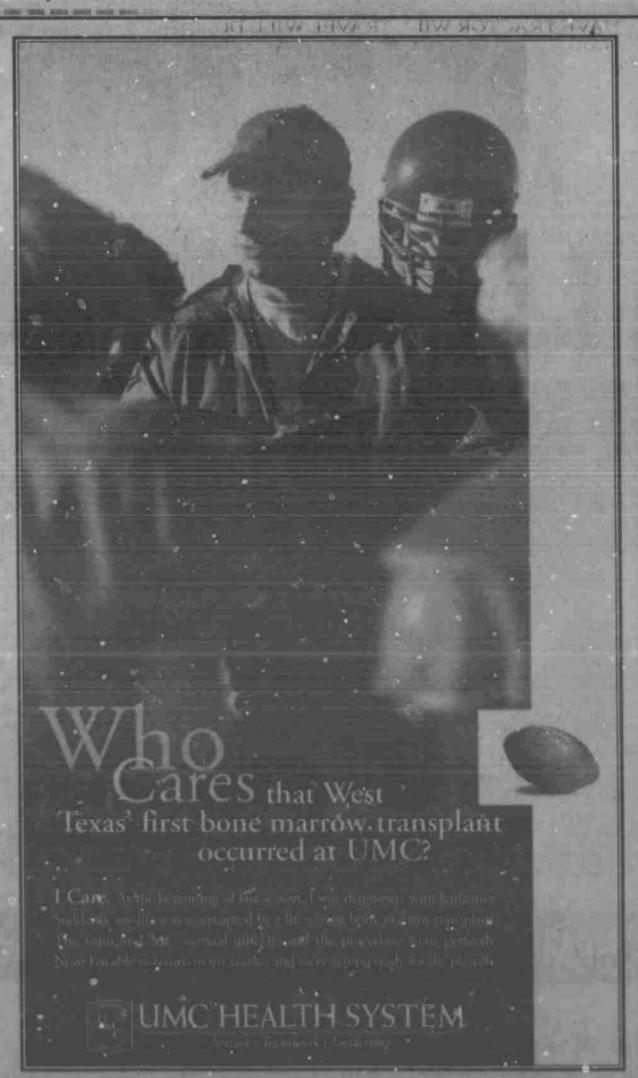
THANK GOD FOR THE RAIN! THIS N THAT ... is very thankful for the recent rains ... we have received in Lubbock... THANK GOD ... for this well sent rain which will continue to be of great benefit to all of us ... THANK YOU, GOD!

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Webster published the first dictionary of American English. Despite belief to the contrary, no mode in dictionary is in any way related to Webster, and a true

"Webster's Dictionary" does not exist today * Friday, April 17, 1758; A book of Latin poems, the name of which is not reliably recorded, was published by a black man named Frances Williams. He is said to have been the first African American to be graduated from a college in the Western hemisphere. Other account show the first black college graduate to have been either Edward A. Jones, who received a B.A. degree from Amherst College in August 1826, or John B. Russwurm who received a bachelor's degree

from Bowdoin College in

* Saturday, April 18, 1775:

September 1826

Paul Revere made his

tamous mi taight ride from Cambridge through "every Middlesex village and farm." Actually, Revers, a Boston silversmith, was not cotally successful in his ride, having been captured by the British. He was soon released. On Sunday, April 19, 1775, the American Revolution began with the Battles of Lexington and Concord. The American patriots lost at Lexington but defeated the British at

Concord * Saturday, April 18, 1868: Historically-black Hampton University was created. General Samuel Chapman Armstrong founded the Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, later called Hampton Institute, to educate newly-emancipated blacks. The mission of the privately-endowed co-educational school in Hampton, Virginia remains today to educate African Americans to be scholars and leaders. Home to more than 6000 students, the university offers a broad range of technical, liberal arts, pre-professional, professional and graduate degree programs

* Tuesday, April 17, 1900;

stamps was issued. The two-

The first book of postage

cents stamps were available in Cleveland Indians were really books of 12, 24 and 48 stamps. The first self-adhesive team in this regard. In June stamps were issued at Christmas in 1974. They were not successful and were discontinued, until new technology allowed their re-emergence in 1989 * Monday, April 15, 1912; At

approximately 2:20 AM in the morning the H.M.S. Titanic sank off the coast of Newfoundland, on its maiden voyage from Southampton, England to New York City. The "unsinkable" ocean liner with 2,227 passengers and crew had struck an iceberg in the North Atlantic shortly after midnight. Over 1500 people were said to have perished. Although the name "Titanic" stands today for maritime disaster, it does not rank in the top-ten list of shipwrecks. Some wartime casualty figures range up to 7060.

In Sports History: * Monday, April 19, 1897; The first annual Boston Marathon was run, the first of its type in the United States * Tuesday, April 16, 1929: The New York Yankees became the first major league baseball team to use numbers on their uniforms. The

the pronecring major league 1916, the Indians took the field wearing large numbers on their left sleeves. The experiment lasted just a few weeks that season and, after a brief trial the following year, the practice was abandoned altogether until the Yankees and indians reinstituted the numbers in 1929, Actually, the first organized baseball club to wear numbers on their uniforms was the Cuban Stars, a barnstorming team from Cuba which played in the Negro Leagues, pictured with numbered uniforms as early as 1909

* Tuesday, April 15, 1947; Jackie Robinson made his debut as a Brooklyn Dodger. Starting at first base, he went hitless, but scored the winning run. The first African American to play in the modem baseball major leagues, he also won "Rookie of the Year" honors in his first season. Robinson died in October 1972. On Tuesday, April 15, 1997, his number, 42, was retired.

* Monday, April 18, 1966: All-star Bill Russell became the first black professional basketball head coach when he assumed the helm of the Boston Celtics

 Monday, April 21, 1986; Legendary black pasketball star Michael Jordan of the Chicago Bulls set a National Bask-tball Association playoff scoring record when he scored 63 points against the Boston Celtics

Born: * Sunday, April 15, 1894; Bessie Smith, in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The entertainer known as "Empress of the Blues," was the highest-paid black performer of her day when she signed with Columbia Records in 1923. Smith died in September

Died:

* Saturday, April 15, 1865; Abraham Lincoln, in Washington, DC, having lingered through the night after being shot by John Wilkes Booth, at age 56. President Lincoln is perhaps best remembered for his having issued the Emancipation Proclamation, which abolished slavery in the United States

* Saturday, April 19, 1975: Acclaimed African American chemist Percy L. Julian, in

Chicago, Illinois, at age 76. Dr. Julian is known for the synthesis and refinement of many useful medical products, including cortisone and other hormones

Sign of the Zodiac: TAURUS, the second sign of the zodiae, symbolized by the bull. According to astrologers, people whose birthdays occur between April 20 and May 20 are said to be born under the sun sign of Taurus. Taurus, an earth sign, is ruled by the planet Venus, named after the ancient Roman goddess of beauty and love. According to astrológers, the typical Taurean takes special pleasure in luxurious items and places. He or she is sensual and particularly loves to touch and taste. Slow, careful and deliberate, the Taurean doesn't like change. They often must learn the difference between caution and sheer stubbornness. Naturally stable, those born under the sign of Taurus need to work according to plan, and tend to prefer long-term relationships and

Sharpton's Ties With GOP Consultant Hypocritical

by Clarence Lusane



Call it a political wardrobe malfunction. A number of recent reports in the Village Voice and elsewhere have pulled the breastplate off the Al

Sharpton campaign and exposed a not-so-pretty picture underneath.

An investigation by veteran Voice investigative reporter Wayne Barren. filled with eye-opening details, outlines the alliance between the Rev. Sharpton's fanciful slapdash campaign for the Democratic nomination and a menage of Republican operatives.

Turns out that well-seasoned Republican consultant Roger Stone is providing the Sharpton campaign with critical strategic advice, financial resources and fellow travelers as campaign workers, according to the Voice report and other stories on Slate.com and in The New York

Stone's resume has included dirty tricks against the 1972 McGovern campaign, running elections for a wide range of Republican Party extremists, working as a registered agent for the former Philippines dictator Fernando Marcos and, perhaps most notoriously, organizing protests in Miami on behalf of President Bush during the disputed 2000 election.

Former Sharpton campaign manager Frank Watkins pulled no punches in referring to Stone as an "ultraright-wing sleazeball," an assessment that will find many

Stone's exact role in the campaign is deliberately murky but it is clear that he has shaped the political tone and tenor of it. By his and Sharpton's account, Stone brought in campaign manager Charles Halloran, an operative who has worked for Democrats but has become close to Stone in the last few years. Halloran managed losing the New York gubernatorial cam-

paign for right-wing billionaire Tom Republicans. Golisano. And just before taking over the Sharpton shop, he led an unsuccessful fight by the conservative (and white) United Bermuda Party to restore whites back in power

on the island. While denying some of the details in these reports, Sharpton is unapologetic. He not only acknowledges the involvement of these-Republican henchmen at all levels of his campaign, but he also brazenly defends his right to have them involved.

The controversy has generated a storm of debate.

Some have come to Sharpton's defense mainly by falling back on the specious argument that he is being held to a double standard part of Sharpton's retort, also.

However, listing a chronicle of sins and hypocritical statements by other candidates does not address the central issue of the unsavory strategic collaboration between a selfstyled progressive national black leader and pro-Bush right-wing

Remarkably, for all the heat that has been generated, few have expressed surprise that Sharpton is consorting with Stone and his crew.

There is an obvious contradiction for Sharpton to run on the claim that he is representing black interests while in fact working in cahoots with those who have been unrelenting foes of African-Americans, other people of color and working people.

How genuine is Sharpton's railing against the administration's wickedness? During the debates, Sharpton has emerged as a star and won props for his agility and his ability to articulate anti-Bush sentiments.

Sharpton came in second in the

Feb. 14 Washington, D.C., caucus, where he got 20 percent of the vote overall in a city that is 60 percent African-American. But the turnout was 3.5 percent of registered voters. not exactly a mass turnout for the Democrats or the reverend.

In South Carolina, the other area Sharpton focused massive effort, he received 10 percent of the overall vote and only 17 percent of the black vote. This in a state where black voters make up 47 percent of the voters.

In ongoing post-election press statements, Sharpton claims that he has done as well, if not better, than the Rev. Jesse Jackson did in 1984. But in 1984 and 1988, Jackson won easily in both places and with overwhelming black support.

financial security.

Sharpton seems to have little interest in what is most needed in U.S. politics: building a mass progressive movement that will pull policy out of the clutches of the extreme right and can bring pressure on the administration and Congress whether Republican or Democratic. Jackson made a feint in that direction with the National Rainbow Coalition that at one point did involve tens of thousands of activists across the country.

While it always seemed unlikely that Snarpton's campaign would ever achieve those heights, it has now sunk to lows that few could have anticipated.



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