

Community Meetings

This is a Ket of what is happening in Lubbock, to help complete the unfinished. commonity-building work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

- African American Chamber of Commerce, Lubbook meets on the 3rd monday of each mot 0, from 5:30-6:30pm at the Parkway Community Center, 465 MLK Blvo., 806-771-1815
- Lubbock Area Chint Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00pm at the Patterson Branch Library
- Hub City Kiwanis meets every Tuesday, 7:00pm. 1708 Avenue G.
- Eunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 1:00 pm
- Bocker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse
- Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm. Patterson Library
- East Lubbock Chapter A * RP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center
- Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumri meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Merket Alumni Center
- Durbur/Manhattan Heights Neighb thood Association meetevery 3rd Thurrday at 6:00 pm 1303 East 24th St. (outreach center/party house)
- West Texas Native American Association Put Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturday of each month at 7.77 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations.
- Texas Junetcenth Cultural & Historical Commission - Lubbook Affiliate meets at Patterson Branch Library every 3rd Thursday at 7:00
- West Texas Native American Association meets 2nd Saturday each month at Groves Library, 5520 19th Street, 7:30 p.m.
- West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men meets the 3rd Monday evening. at 7:00 pm at the Parkway. Neighborhood Center
- The Parkway Guadalupe & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each mo.th at 7:30 pm at Hunt Eleme sury.
- Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm, at Iles Elementary Cafeteria,

there are three ways to

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Dunbar Panthers were



After capturing four State Basketuall Championships in the 1950's and 1950's in the All Negro League in Prairie View University, they (Panthers) had a very successful

playoff trail for the fourth time in ten years here Saturday night, turning back Abilene, 76-52, behind William Malone's 29-point outburst."

Here is a photo of this 1960 Dunbar Panthers: from left Ralph He lge, and Alvin Daniels In the local newspaper, a story was written which said: to right, front row: Edward Loggins. Eddie Duson, J. D. "Coach Ernest Mallory's Dunbar Panthers hit the state kobinson, Robert Madison, Clyde Scott, and Joe if were allowed to compete in the UIL?

MeWilliams. Back row: left to right standing: Melvin Taylor, Johnny Johnson, L. V. Jackson, James Austin, William Malone, Coach Ernest P. Mallory. Robert Deary,

Can you imaging what they would have accomplished

Alderson students volunteer at Parkway Neighborhood Center



Volunteers work on the mural on the gym wall at the Parkway Neighborhood Center.

ers from Alderson Middle School participated in National

Youth Service Day. Groups from all over the nation gath-

cred at different locations around the country to volunteer

their services in a variety of ways. Here in Lubbock, vol-

unteers met at the Parkway Neighborhood Center, 405 N.

Martin Luther King Blvd



Young paint a section of the trash in the Parkway neighborhood.



Xaavion Mims and Porcha Jakeefe Faulk, Susan Upchurch and Robert Acosta collect

Saturday, April 22, 2006, nine students and two teachpain a 50 foot long mural on the wall of the gym. The mural begins with the word "imagine" on the left side of the wall and depicts various images including musical instruments, a diploma, a rainbow, a surrise and the words "dream", "achieve," and "hope."

Erin Kniner, the program director for the Volunteer Center of Lubbock, organized the event, and Christy The volunteers picked up trash around the center and Norfleet, a Texas Tech University employee, designed the worked in the flower beds pulling weeds. Others helped mural.

Many thanks go out to the Alderson students who participited in the event. These students gave up their time to be a part of something that has a direct impact on their neighborhood! The Alderson students who volunteered were: Robert Acosta, Anthony Arcos, Mimi Elchelberger, Ja Kefce Faulk, Kaven Martinez, Xaayion Mims, Jamequa Willard, Jazale Wright, and Porcha Young. The teachers who accompanied them were Susan Upchurch and Butty

Remember When... "Mr. and Miss Dunbar 1957"

Bezel Bailey and Bettye Jo Smith

Don't Miss Dunbar's 7th All-Class Reunion

July 13-16, 2006



Smylie Wilson to host fundraiser

held at Smylie Wilson Jr. High, 4402 are raising money for People to the International Kids Foundation

People to People International is an organization founded by former President Dwight D. Eisenhower in the hopes of bringing the youth of the world together to enhance oultural understanding. The youth involved travel to other countries and interact with youth from other countries in sports and at their schools

This particular event serves as both a fund raiser and a service project. Each year, the Apphusadors choose a worthwhile organization to which they either docute time or ceeds will up to the international

The first annual People to Kids Foundation which helps fund People Music Extravaganza will be necessary medical care for needy children all over the world. The rest 31st Street on April 29th at 7:00. We of the proceeds will go to scholarships to aid worthy students to par-People Goodwill Ambassadors and ticipate in the People to People pro-KERNETT

> Musical acts consist of both Ambassadorial talent and local inicut. This event is designed with the family in mind Before the performance, the Ambassadors will be selling sausage wraps and bricket sundwiches just out side the auditorium. So ... for good food and entertainment for a good cause, juin as on Saturday, April 29th for a night of Daniely fun.

Dicket costs are \$7.50 in advance or \$10.00 at the door If you have any further questions or need tickets please contact Nancy Klermine at 7/4/2694 or Tubbi Wischkaemper at 549-3855.

If you find mixtakes 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.

By Doris Reynolds

Fir Avenue, will sporsor a pro-Time And A Season." Acrs 2:1-

will be Sister R. Sampson. Characters of the special skit for all of us." are: Ushers: Sister Bobbie Harris and Sister Faye Parker; Acting Minister, Brother Jerrell; "I'm here, but I'm hored', Brother C. Newton; 'Child who sleeps on the pew," Brother J. Hunter; "The distracting worshipper," Sister L. Hightower, and "The Prayerful worshipper," Sister S. Barnett.

Supt. W. David Haynes, pastor, will give Words of names of the pastors since the Exhortation.

SOth The Anniversary of the New Hope Baptist Church was held Sunday moreing. April 16, 2006, at 10:45 a. m. The theme for the celebration was "We Will Trust The Word Of God

For Victory." Isaiah 40:1-8. Rev. B. R. Moton, pastor, delivered a dynamic anniversary sermon. His subject was "A God Who Will Still Roll

Service of Christ Temple text was Isulab 8:18. In his cer-Church of God in Christ, 2411 mon, Pastor Moton reminded location since 1929. those in etter lance stones repcram which will be called resent burdens. "Some are "Order In The House!" The heavy Some can kill They can will taget Sunday a ternoon, topic for discussion will be: even stand in your way. They, April 23, 2006, at the Christ "To Everything There Is A too, can Lien you from Jesus," said Pastor Moton.

Mother H. Flenring is the those in attendance, "The love conductor. The topic speaker of Jesus will roll stones away. Jesus showed his love by dying

A special welcome was given by Sister Mattie Beaty. Brother R. J. Givens gave an occasion which reminded those present why here was such an occasion.

Looking back over the years in reference to the history of the New Hope Baptist Church, the following are the beginning: Ray, G. H. Washington first pastor of New Hope; Real E. C. Wade, Rev. F. W. Criglar, Rev. S. M. Meters, Jr., Rev. Al L. Dunn, who served for 29 years; Rev. S. C. Nash, and Rev. B. R. Moton, present pastor.

There have been seven pastors of the New Hope Bapti t Church, In the beginning, it was called the Mi. Calvary Baptist Church, and was organized in 1927. The building

The Senior Usher Board Stones Away!" His scripture moved from 18th Street to Avenu: B, and is presently

> The Federation of Choirs Temple Church of God in Christ, 2411 Fir Avenue, where He continued by reminding the host paster is Supt. W. David Havnes. Services will begin at 2:30 p. m. The public is invited to attend. Sister Bennie Sims is president.

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Let us continue to pray for thos; who are on the sick and shut-in citizens. At this report, Brother Eddie P. Richardson is recoperating from his leg injun, in University Medical Center, room 362, where he is undergoing rehab treatment. Brother Eric Strong, executive director of Upward Bound, is at home recuperating from a recent surgery. At this report, he is doing nicely.

There are those who have lost loved ones this week. Among them include the family of Sister Florence Mae Collins, a longtime resident, who passed away here Thursday, April 12, 2006, at Bender Terrace Nursing Home. Her uneral services were held Tuesday morning, April 18, 2006, at the Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church.

In Remembrance

James Ray Jackson Berkeley, CA. : (Special). Constal services were held for

a former Lubbock resis dent, James Ray Jookson, of the Berheley Mount Zior. Missionary. Baptist Church

Dwayne Eason presiding on Thursday morning, April 20, 2006

VIN Reverend

Interment was held in Rolling Hills Memorial Park in Richmand, CA. and r the direction of Fouche's Hudson Funeral Home in Oakland,

He was born September 29, 1944 in Midland, Texas, He was reared by his step-father and mother, E. S. and Jamesola Haney.

James graduated from Dunbar High School in

Lubbook. He attended the University of Oklahoma where he played for the Sooners. He was drufted by the Onkland Raiders and played for one and one-half years. He was subsequently employed by the Bay Area Rapid Transit -District (BART) and retired in 2003 after 35 years of service.

James met his future wife, BerthacFelder, at Dunbar High-School. They were married October 20, 1965, To this union, two children were born: Mecca and Jan . , Jr.

He was preceded in douth by his tathen E. S. Haney, and a brothes, canis Hancy.

James leaves to cherish his memory: his beloved wife, Berthn; daughter, Moden; son, James, J. (Carla); grandchildien: Jacques, Amari and Trinity; a loving mother, Mrs. Jamesola Han : of Lubbock; At an early age he accepted brother, L. V. Jackson of Lubbock; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



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Applications being accepted for national basketball camp

Applications are now being Jamison. evaluated for The Ten All Star Summer Basketball Camp. The 18 foreign countries attended camp is by invitation only. Boys and girls ages 10 through 19 are ball scholarships are possible eligible to apply.

Past participants include: Michael Jordan, Dim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Grant Hill, and Antawn

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CO, Bridgeport, CT, Babson Park, FL, Gainesville, GA, Champaign, III Manchester, IN, Towson, MD, Ypsilanti, MI, Glassboro, NJ, Schenecady, NY, Hickory, N. Leban, TN, Blacksburg, Va., Lyndonville, VT, and Beloit, WI

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Supt. W. David Haynes,

FRIDAY May 5, 2006 at 7:30pm and SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2006 at 3:30 pm

Theme: "Building in God's Will" Psalm 127: 1

Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.

Guest Speaker: Supt. Luther Chambers, Philadelphia, PA

Youth babysitting class offered Saturday Make your babysitting expe- Sitter! Cost per person is \$40, for information.

Saturday, April 28 from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. for youth ages ten to fifteen years old. Super Sitters teaches youth to become reliant, confident and responsible while caring for young children. Sharon Evans, R.N. will instruct students using a combination of mini-lectures, games, demonstrations and hards-on experiences. Through this class participants will learn the skillnecessary to become a Super

Full Armor Ministries to present "Silhouette Of A Godly Woman"

The Full Armor Whole "E" Women will present "Silhouette of a Godly Woman" Friday evening, Mry 12, 2006, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at the St. John United Methodist Church's Garden Room, 1501 University Avenue.

For those interested in attending, tables are \$200, seating for 8. individual tickets are \$25.00 per

For additional information, call Shannon Spencer at (806) 747-7724.

Bishop Leroard Chatham ispastor of Full Armor.

rience a great one! The and class size is limited to a Lubbock Municipal Garden and maximum of 30 students. Pre- is located at 4215 University Arts Ceater will host a "Super registration is required, and par- Avenue and is open Monday, Sitter" Babysitting Class on ticipants should bring a sack Wednesdays and Fridays from Call or come by the Garden and Arts Center to regis-767-3724. Maxey Community Center will also be offering this class on June 10, call 767-3796 gc to www.lubbockgac.org.

The Garden and Arts Center 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m.ter! For more information, call 9:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. For more information, call 767-3724 or

Who is this **Panther Football** Sweetheart?

The Southwest Digest received many positive comments about the photo of the Dunbar Panther Football Sweetheart of 1954. How many of you remember the Panther Sweetheart for 1957? She was Barnestine Pine. She was a member of the Dunbar Pep-Squad, Office Club, Annual Staff, and N.

If you see her, tell her you saw her photo in the southwest Digest, and let her know she was a member of the Class of 1957 of Dunbar High School.

Up until the 7th All-Class Reu..ion of Dunbar High School, the Southwest Digest will continue bringing back history for you to recall.

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2006 JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

The 27th Annual Juneteenth Celebration is vastly approaching and the Juneteenth Committee needs volunteers to help with preparations for this upcoming event. If you are interested in volunteering and/or participating in an event, please contact Tonya Johnson at 744-2495 for more information or return this form to: Juneteenth Celebration Committee, PO Box 3221, Lubbock, TX 79452. Help needed in the following areas:

Scholarship Showcase Reception

Basketball Tournament Set-Up Crew

Freedom Health Walk Park Activities Parade Entertainment Other

We are currently accepting applications for vendors, for more information please contact Maxine McCormick, 763-6161. You are also invited to participate in our Juneteenth Celebration Parade, which will be held Saturday, June 17, 2006 at 10 a.m. A \$100 cash prize will be awarded for the best parade vehicle or float based on creativity, showmanship, and artistic design. For more information please contact Maurice Williams, 744-5496.



SOME PEOPLE TALK ABOUT A BETTER LUBBOCK •

Tom Martin Is Making It Happen!

"Tom worked to secure Lubbock enough

water for the next 100 years." -Andy Hernandez

make Lubbock a safer place." - Pat Benson

"Tom cut our property tax rates and froze taxes for seniors, he's looking out for everyone."

"As a former police chief, Tom knows how to

- Ceciley Cox

"Tom's ideas for the Milwaukee project are bringing more retail businesses to Lubbock."

- Connie Lawrence

"Tom Martin helped put LP&L and Lubbock back in the black."

- IQ Warnick

"Tom got the state to finish the Marsha Sharp Freeway 12 years early."

- lack Strong, Fmr. Mayor



Early Voting May 1 through May 9

Election May 13





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We Thank God for Jesus

Cain is yet killing Abels today!

Written by Eungelita elliv "B.J." Mornson, III. Your prother in Christ Fesus always.

what he that resp.

*** And America Says She

Loves Her Children!!! ***

Marthew 23A137-38 - Jenus Jerusalem (Church), you that killthe prophets and stone them which are sent unto you. How offer would I have gathered my children together even as a mother han (Dumb Chickens). Behold your house (America) is

This country was built on trested in Ged with an their minds and bears.

heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with a'll your strongth. This is the first

Galaxiesas 507 - To not have in America with the money. Pers. and God is not a solv. A for. But America is a business course whiteless a min how to that they Drago will make a uses steal unother year's simperty. But then This America sixed to nery all man will need to 30 back to and combin the true God, and the state and buy mother. The you know that is a firt Brt now, money to America knops on it less the Devil kill its own chil- stricting, and the rich gety richer. drea with a few called Gracidil and the drug dealers gets more time in prison, but there is anoth-

> I Timothy 6:10 - For the love of money is the root of all faults one to another, and pray evil which while some coveted one for another that you may be after. They have erred from the faith. And pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

America as you know, we are on the wrong track, and going the wrong way. It's because we left unto you desolate don't want to hear, and do what found in the poor side of town. the word of God sayall!

Jereminh 3:13 - The Lord frich, and the word of Almighty anid, only acknowledge your God. The seeple prayed and iniquity that you have transgreesed against the Lord your God, and has scattered your Mark 12:30 - You shall love ways to the strangers under the Leed your God with all your every green tree, and you have not obeyed my voice.

> *** Does Amarica Want To Hear God??? ***

America strayed away f.or. (We know the drug dealers God's word, and wanted to hear don's bring in drugs. It's the big other names such as Light Beer, light,

Wine, Cigarottes, Scotch, and

Proverbs 2011 - Nuc is a mocker. Strong drink is inging. and Wanspever W. deceived thereby is not wise (A Fool)!!!

The Devil neers a body, Somewhere he can live and confrol everyday. It takes more than Jul to say "No to Drugs," We er fool ready to take his placeff;) need to pray!!!

> James 3:16 - Confess your healed, the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth (Accomplishes) much!!

*** America Needs God's Strength!!!! ***

The Devil's drugs are not They are in the West, South and North. He is everywhere. He's all around!!

Matthew II:26-30 - Jesus said, come unto me, all of you | thre inbour (weary) and are heavy lades (oppressed) and I will give you rest. Take my yoke (The Holy Bibls) upon you, and learn of me. For I am meek and lowly in heart, and you shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my by den is



From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

Reconquista

More than 6 years ago in vidious remarks and comparison as to a meist were made of this writer by leaders of the Mexican-American community because of the allusion to the Reconquista'-Mexico's Dream of 'retaking' the Southwestern United States.

Truth has a way of avenging itself. The action of the people and the conduct of its leaders "south of the border of the United States" as it apply to illegal immigration is enough to confirm my prediction and be extricated from the jaws of cthnic Sas. However, the following article is testimony to the truth I spoke and the true intent of the Mexican government and some American citizens who true loyalty is to there father's native land: Mexico.

The caption of the La Voz de Aztlan (Morch 26, 2006) by Ernesto Cienfagos read: "Azthan Arising: 700,000+ March in Los Angeles - "La Gran Marcha" surpasses all expectations.

Emesto continues Yesterday's march and rally for immigrant rights in downtown Los Angeles is the largest in the city's history. Never has the "City of Angels" seen so many demonstrators filling the streets of the city's center. The sleeping giant has finally; awaken giving rise to a new immigrant civil rights movement of unprecedented portions ... The size of the pro-immigrant march and rally surprised the world and the nation.

to Mexicanos and other Latinos? It simply means that we now have the numbers, the political will and the organizational skills to direct our own destinies and not be subservient to the White and Jewish power structures. It means that we can now undertake bigger and more significant mass action to achieve total politica and aconomic libera-

A major reason for the great auoce of "La Gran Marcha" was the strong participation of labor unions and the Catholic Church. This same alliance contributed to the success of the Lech Walesa's "Solidarity Movemen' in the Republic of Poland. This can be done in Aztlan as well. If the racist "Sensenbrenner Legislation" passes the US Senate, there is no doubt that a massive civil disobedience movement will emerge. Eventually labor uraon power can merge with the immigrant civil rights and "Immigrant Sanctuary" movements to enable us to either form a new political party or to do heavy duty reforming of the existing Democratic Party. The next and final steps would follow and that is to elect our own governors of

What is Aztlan? It is the mythical birthplace of the Aztecs and is regarded in Chicano folklore as an area that includes California, Arizona, Meyada, New Mexico and parts of Color do and lexas.

all the states within Az.ian.

Many people believe there is a movement to transfer power to the ethnic Mexican community in the Southwest. Studies have shown that within the next 20 to 30 years Latino will comprise more than 50 percent of the population of California. This and other cultural and social developments will open the door for "self determination" and the What does the immense suc- aim to create a sovereign state, out firing a shot from a gun. tially be called the Republic of the North. It would combine the America: Southwest (the states mention above) with the northern Mexican states and eventually merge with Mexico.

> If this idea becomes reality and it seems like it may because the najority of those in Congress are afraid of Vicente

Fox as a 'possum is an axe handle" including (bring it on) President Bush. They will allow his to beppen through a "guest works, or amnesty program,"

Here is a scenario of the tellout when this does happen: Lubbock will be a part of the Northern part of Mexico. Lakeridge will become a winter nome for the Mexican president. The Whites and Jews will no longer be in charge but will become subservient. Lubbock's Preston Smith International Airport will become Vincente Fox International in honor of him being the real President of the United States. Texas Tech will be the Northern University of Mexico and the ski resorts of New Mexico will be respicted to the Mexican elite. Blacks who the Mexican elite think look and have the characteristics of monkeys and American Hispanics who refuse to work in advancing the cause of the motherland will be reduced to the level of mixing jobs George Bush say we will not do. Religion will be controlled from Rome. There would not be any Methodist, Baptist, Holmess, Church of Christ, Jewish Temples or the like.

The above may seem like a far-fetched story. However, if the government of Mexico allow Mexican citizen to have dual citizenship and as stupid as our leaders seem to be, it could be just around the corner, that is "Reconquista!" Vicente Fox and the Mexican government are on the way to defeat America with-

cess of La Gran Marcha" mean The sovereign state would ini- The above scenario has a problem! Will black male warriors and his middle-class blue-eyed white males cousins iet this happen? What about that new fire breathing JSX Stealth Jet Fighter with 360 degree eyes, skin you connot see, flying at a speed nearing quicker than quick. roake a U-Turn at 1200 miles per hour? Think about it!

"Vengeance"

Vengeance is mine saith the Lord. Hebrews 10:3. Vengeance belongeth unto me and I will recompence, saith the Lord, and again, the Lord shall judge his people. We are stripped of everything sometime, but our pain! Are you wondering what's going on with this world?? There are larger jails, more prisons, burglar alarins, bars on doors and windows, police officers on school campuses, and still can't prevent the killing. None of the above will bring peace. America, What You Have Sown; you will reap in this world. If there's no justice, there will be no peace! Rubbing the name of Jesus out of things does not make them better. Look

back, People, you know the answer, and we do to. The answer is in Jesus. Face it, are hurting at mis time, rememmight be too late.

- Here are some thoughts: "How foolish we're when we try to lide our motives and intentions from Go 1."
- * "Without God, this world is doomed!"
- · "People, we must bring back Godly principles. What more will it really take??"
- · "Denying the truth never changes it. Sin is never remo ed by denying its existence."
- . "The Church at its worst is still best!"

to believe an absolute lie."

For all of God's people who People, while we can, tomorrow ber today you can make it, because Jesus said you can! What a might God we serve! "Keep praying!"

> Let us not forget there are many in our community who are sick and shut-in. If you are able to move around and do for yourself, you need to praise the Lord! There Lie so many who can't do as well as you can.

At the same time, let us not forget those families who have last loved ones this week. God is always able!

Sister Dorothy Hood, presibetter than the world at its dent; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president; Sister ELNORA . "When you throw the Bible out Jones, teacher; and Sister the absolute truth, you begin Rosiana Henderson, secretary.

Manhattan Heights Church of Christ

763-0582 · Tyrone N. DuBose, Minister 1702 E. 26th St. (corner of E. 26th St. and Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.)

Bible Class - 9:00am Worship - 10:15am Evening Worship - 5:00pm Wednesday: Bible Class & Devotional - 7:00pm

Sunday:

God's Plan for Saving Man All have sinned - Florens 3:23 Jasus Christ died for our sins - 2 Cor. 5:21; Acts 2:36 We must do God's will and obey him to enter heaven -Matt. 7:21; Heb 59 How do we aboy him?

Hear the gasowl - Romana 10:17 Believe Jesus Christ is the son of God - Mark 16:16 Repent of your sins - Luke 13:3 Confess - Romans 10:10 Be buplized for the largiveness of your sine - Acre 2:38 Se faithful until death - Rev 2:10

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St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Church services again were well attended at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, last Sunday morning, April 23, 2006, where the Rev. Edward Canady is the proud pastor.

Sunday School bean at 10:10 a. m. with Superintendent Sister Luclla Harris was in charge. The morring Sunday School lesson was entitled "Where is Peace Found?" It was taught by Sister Harris, and reviewed by Pastor Canady. What a wonderful time

all had in the Lord!

The morning worship service t.gun at 11:15 a.m. The morning devotion was led by Deacon Edward Williams and Brother Vincent Bailey.

The St. Matthew Baptist Church Senior Choir sung out of their hearts and souls again. They enjoy singing God's praises!

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "Then Said I, Here Am I, Send Me!" His scripture text was Isaiah 6:8. What a time

Our sick and shut-in list includes many in our community. A church member, Sister Oretha Moore, is shut-in at this report. Your precious prayers will be

Thought For The Week: "If we could earn our Salvation, Christ would not have died to

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Lubbock Community Young Adult Showcase presents "NEAR THE CROSS"

Directed by LeGene Brooks

SUPER SUNDAY April 30, 2006, 6:00pm Doors open at 5:30pm with a pre-Show by Hope Deliverance Temple at 5:30pm

SPECIAL APPEARANCES by Mayor Marc McDougal, Souncibman Floyd Price, Texas Tech Football, Receiver Joel Filmi, The King Sisters and many more.

FULL ARMOR MINISTRIES Bishop Leonard G Chatham 4201 Ave J (42nd and I-27)

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Intercessory Prayer 8:30am Church School 9:30am Morning Worship 11:00am

Wednesday Bible Study 12:00 Noon and 6:00pm



"GOD OUR FATHER, CHRIST OUR REDEEMER, MAN OUR BROTHER"

Vote May 13 in the City Elections

Delta Theta Chi Annual Garage Sale

8a.m.-5p.m.

Join your neighbors for a tribute to Griffin Mortuary

THE WELCOME MAT HAS BEEN LAID. The East Lubbock community is giving Griffin Mortuary a spectacular evening out, a celebration of apprenciations. Honoring the business for its first two years of immaculate service to the community. A service the Griffin Family has generouslly provided with compassion, dignity and style. Please come and be apart of this special occusion, as the community pay tribute.

You can expect great entertainment, laughter, good food, good people and a extremely good

For more information, call Shirley Roberson at 806-773-

Where: The KOKO Palace 5101 Asta O Lubbook, Texas Cost: Ticket Donation 520.00 Reserved tables available. Limited setting, so reserve now!

Two Estacado students given awards for their artworl

by Kelly Williamson

art. They have been invited to New York or Washington D.C. to receive their awards and workshops and art shows.

media viece emitted The End. Junior Cayla Barrientos won a Silver Award for her self-perbeing planned to send the two

received national Scholastic Art. money to get there. Some peoand Writing Awards for their ple are trying to have a show for people to buy some of my art, and Mr. Gatica (assistant principal) is trying to get a emotions go free on the canattend events that include sponsor. I want to go because vas," Barrientes said. She said there are these workshops that she wants people to take in the Senio: Daniel Flores won a we can take and we'll get to see amotion of her self-portrait. Gold Award for his mixed different works of art," Flores

Actists and Writers, Inc. said empty in her own little block trait. Fundraising efforts are that each year 200, 000 works world." of art are submitted to the 80

"I was just really excited sand works of art are forwarded just two hours to complete his and felt honored that I won a to nationals. From these, piece of art, and he admin that Two Estacado students have national award . . . I need 1,200 artists were awarded gold and silver awards this year.

"Art is my expression, my emotion. It's my way to show the world who I am. I let my "The background is turquoise, and my eyes are kind of hal-The Alliance for Young lowed. It's kind of like she's

to Nav York or Washington regional and regional-at large mixture of photography, digital nized at the Estacado programs. Twen v-five Cou- manipulation, and set. It took Recognition Ceremony on May

he didn't put a lot of thought into the title, The End. "I just do what I feel. I was experi-

"Art is freedom. I don't have to worry about what others will think of it. I can just do what I want don't have to be helo back. My art is this whole to your face kind of thing; the things people don't see every day," I lores said.

Fundtaisers will be announced as soon as plans are finalized. Flores' mixed medir is a The 'wo students will be recog-

"I want to go, but I'm not than me." sore I can got the money," Barrientos said. "I'm excited. It was very unexpected because

Interview conducted by Angela Vasquez and Thomas

Last Week's Crossword Puzzle A v wers: Potters

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Animal Services plans "Texas Two Step" adoption

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Lubbock Animal Services is spay or neuter, vaccinations. All adoptions are done by recently had a litter that you looking for a few dance part- including a city I.D. tag, application. While you're at cannot keep, bring the litter to nem this Spring. This May 5th micro-chip identification, and a Animal Services, be sure to Animal Services and receive a and 6th, Animal Services will "welcome home" kit. People enter their hourly drawing for free spay and neuter for the host a Texas Two Step 60 years and older who bring a a free spay or neuter. Call mom and dad. The litter must Adoption. The first step photo I.D. only pay a \$10 775-2058 for more informa- be between 8 and 12 weeks old. micro-chip fee. Adoption tion. Services at 401 N. Ash, and the hours on Friday, May 5th are 9 Adoptions cost \$60 and include - 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 6th. city resident and your pet animals.

Donations are welcome at Also, from now until May Animal Services, with all donasecond step is adopting a pet. a.m. - 7 p.m., and from 10 a.m. 15, 2006, if you're a Lubbock alons going to the care of the

Lubbock Colon Cancer Prevention Task Force partners with Market Street to hold Colorectal Cancer Health Fair

Prevention Task Force will hold a Price's presentations will be Dr. person's risk for cancer. colocactal cancer awareness qualth Davor Vugrin, who will speak fair at United Market Street, 50th Street and Indiana, on Saturday April 29, 2006 from 11a.m. to 2 p.m. The primary focus of this health fair is to provide the public with information regarding screening guidelines, facts and figures, and healthy dietary choices.

Tyra Carter, United Supermarket Corporate Dietician, will present information on healthy food choices to lower the risk of colorectal cancer. Caleb Price, chef at Chez Suzette, will conduct two cooking classes and prepare two healthy dishes that compliment Carter's presentation and information beginning at 11:30 a.m. and a second at 12:30 minerals, phytochemicals, antioxi-

briefly about screening and reducing the risk of colorectal cancer at answer questions.

Sciences Center Library will be at the concierge counter to help the public search the internet for colorectal cancer information and related issues such as patient information and treatments.

Cancer Society, increasing one's diet with five or more servings of fresh fruits and vegetables daily increases the intake of vitamins,

The Lubbook Colon Cancer p.m. Preceeding Carter's and dants and fiber which reduces a

Colon cancer is one of most cor mon cancers among men and women. Over the next 10 years an 11:20 a.m. and 12:20 p.m. Medical estimated 100,000 men and professionals and colorectal cancer vomen in Texas will be diagnosed survivors will also be available to with colon cancer and approximately 40,000 will die if seme-The Texas Tech Health thing is not done. This disease affects every rice, sex and age, but risk increases with age. The fact is that over 90% of these cancers can be prevented from occurring, and most deaths can be avoided with tools that we already have, but According to the American everyone needs to be pro-active anu gu involved.

The Lubbock Coton Cancer Prevention Task Force encourages all Lubbock citizens to attend and participate in this event.

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Cinco de Mayo Celebration at Children's Reading Club at the months of June, July and August. the Patterson Branch Library

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Library

The Godeke Branch Library, 6601 Quaker Avenue, will host a movie night on Tuesday, May 2 at 6:30 p.m. We're showing an interesting film you may have missed in 2005, about the daughter of a brilliant but somewhat insane mathematician who lears that she may have inherited her father's mental illness. Starring Gwyneth Paltrow, Jake Gyllenhaal, and Anthony Hopkins. For movie title or further information, cail the library at 792-6566 for more information.

Book Discussion at Groves Branch Library

The Groves Branch Library, 5520 19th Street, will host a discussion of the book Night by Elie Wiesel at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 4. Refreshments will be served. Copies of the book are available for checkout. For more information, please call 767-3733.

Gode'te Branch Library

The "Rocking Horse Reading Club" will meet at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 4 at the Godeke Branch Library, 6601 Queker. Children ages 3 and up are invited for a story, movie, discussion and, if time purmits, a craft. For more information, call 792-6566.

A Call for Homeschool Movie Nigat at Godeke Branch Artwork at the Godeke Branch

6601 Quaker, will exhibit art by homeschool students during the

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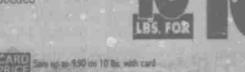
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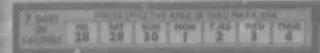
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VERY GOOD BEGIN-NING! THIS N THAT salutes the effort by a Texas Tech University alumnus, KENT an endowment scholarship in memory of GEORGE SCOTT, JR., who was the test Binck Monterey High School. Tara will scholarship is for \$1,000 a year. Fince is hoping the scholarship will grow each year, and that some young Black str deat would benefit from this effort. This special presentation was made at the 60 family and friends. DON-ALD SCOTT, son of George Scott, summed up the event by thanking all who were present, and the belp of Kent Hance for this historic if endeavor. REV. J. MARCUS friend. Globetrotters, told of past experiences with his friend, George grow, and more young Black students will benefit.

ORDER FOR STATE CHAM-PIONSHIPS BY PANTHERS!

THIS N THAT was advised by a LATTLE LEAGUE NEEDS former Dunbur Panther, ARTHUR "D. D." KINNEY, one of the dates mentioned about HANCE, for providing funds for the State Chempionships was wrong. Instead of winning in 1954, it was 1953. Also in 1.57, not only did the Panthers win the administrator at Tech. The initial State Championship, but their recipient is TARA EVANS, who record was 32-01 THIS N THAT is a graduating senior at really appreciates in the input This newspaper will continue to enroll at Texas Tech this fall. The highlight DUNBAR RIGH SCHOOL as we approach the upcoming 7TH ALL-CLASS REUNION, set for July 13 thru 16, 2006. If you have not registered, time is running out!

CITY ELECTIONS NOT Lubbock Country Club last FAR OFF! THIS N THAT Saturda afternoon, April 22, and wants to advise those of you who was attended by approximately are registered voters, that it will not be long before THE CITY ELECTIONS will be upon us. This year, on May 13, 2006, voters will elect a new MAYOR to assets - OUR CHILDREN. Will replace current Mayor Marc you help? McDougal. McDougal will not H. FORD, who served as Scott's seek re-election. If you want to BARBER SAYS, "CORRECpastor for 24 years spoke about know more about who is running the life of George S. ot. A long for this office, there will be COMMUNITY FORUM at HAYNES, a well known former Hant Elementary on Monday meraber of the Harlem evening, May 1 at 7:00 p.m. If you have questions, then please attend and get involved. Scott Hance said, "He did a lot Romember, if you don't vote, you for Tech and he did a lot for don't have any right to say anyrace relations." THIS N THAT thing about what is going on, is hoping this endowment will because you didn't exercise your Friday afternoon, April 28 at 2:00 precious vote. If you attend the p.m., in honor of Arbor Day. The forum, THIS N THAT highly A CORRECTION IS IN recommends you take an active role by asking questions.

MARTIN LUTHER KING GRADERS.

VOLUNTEERS! THIS THAT has learned the MARTIN LUTHER FING LITTLE LEAGUE in in dire need of VOLUNTEERS. These are our young boys and gi. Is who participate, and the lengue needs you to help in volunteering. "FIS N THAT has learned that there are approximately FOUR CITI-ZENS who are at the park until 10:00 p.m. each evening with the players. This a difficult and tiring job for anyone to do, so why not go by and let them know you will be glad to serve as a VOLUN-TEER, and help them out! Your participation will be most apprecinted. Why not go by this week and get involved in helping our young people? Remember when an adult helped you? So now it is your time to VOLUNTEER and help some of our most valuable

PENNY HASTINGS THE TION may mold us, but ENCOURAGEMENT

motivate us!" DEDICATED MOMENT FOR STUDENTS! THIS N THAT is glad to see the DEDI-CATION OF A DESERT WIL-LOW TREE on the campus of Parkway Elementary School. This tree dedication will be on school is located at 406 N. Zepith Avenue. This willow will be dedicated to the graduating FIFTH

Immigration training and rally April 30 - May 1

tion made by immigrants in Texas and the United States, area-wide churches will hold a march and will coincide with nation-wide demonstrations against legislation like HR 4437, the Border Protection, Antiterrorism, and Illegal Immigration Control Act of 2005, and calling on the U.S. Senate to pass legislation that provides for reasonable border protection, protects worker rights, works toward the reunification of families, and makes provisions for a pathway to citizenship.

The march will begin at 11:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in the 100 block of North Avenue P. From there, marchers will proceed to the Lubbock County Courthouse said Ricardo Cortez, a leader with and the Federal Building, and delegations will deliver resolutions to

immigration reform that recognizes and Representative Randy worker in 1979 to earn die money the important economic contribu- Neugebauer asking for realistic and he could not earn in Mexico, but workable reform. The march is expected to draw community representatives from Levelland. rally on Monday, May 1. The event Brownfield, Plainview, Crosbyton, Post, and other cities in the region.

> "We're appalled that legislation like HR 4437 could pass, especially in such a short time period," said Tavita Dorow, a WTOS leader with Covenant Presbyterian Church, "It would make criminals out of Christians by penalizing faithful citizens who perform acts of mercy. Its provisions for border cafety are unrealistic in terms of cost and practicality, and it fails to do anything meaningful to create a worker program or pathway to citizen-

"We're workers, not criminals," WTOS - Central Lubbock Church of Christ. Mr. Cortez came to the

Calling for comprehensive the offices of Senator John Cornyn United States as an undocumented became | citizen in 2004. "So many undocumented immigrants work under false social security numbers and they all pay sales tax. I contributed to the economy of the United States for over 25 years before becoming a citizen,"

The West Texas Organizing strategy will hold two education sessions on immigration issues the night before the march, or Sunday, April 30. at 6:30 p.m. These sessions are for people who want to learn more about the history of immigration in the country, the myths about hamigration, what the Judeo-Christian religious traditions teach about immigration, and about current legislation being considered. Sessions will be held simultaneously at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church and at Our Lady of

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Lubbock's old airport terminal. Children ages 5 and up are invited to the Silent Wings Museum for an afternoon of kite

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Cost: \$8 (includes Museum Admission and all supplies) Ages: 5 and up.

**Participants are responsipants can opt to test out their ble for their own travel to Mackenzie Park



Think About It! It's too late to stop now!

by Eddie P. Richardson

the author, this aligorial is being verun from a previous beings who make decisions and issue of the Southwest Digest

For too long, we have waited 1 r some ne else c do for us what we should do for ourselves. We have to stop complaming, mouning, and grouning, last our forces together and work collectively for the good saying "them", "they , "someone" should or outs do his or do with you? It takes a village.

free, home of the brave, affirmative action, equal opportunity, diversity, civil rights, equal access, all created equal and many other beautiful slogans and sayings. America would be perfect if il of this played out to be true or fret. Sut unfortu- What about the privately

Due to the hospitalization of nately, this is not true because we are de ding with human unfortunately human beings have differences, opinions. agendas. Now, that's where the differences of opinion come in.

Remember the Kings

land had been lying vacant until of all of us. We have to stop a long denied area of town made pians to upgrade the area. Apparently, here have been polthat, Now, really, what is wrong ities played. This is because this Jim Gilbreath, chairman; and area is a so-called minority America is the land of the area. Even the proposed cul-desac funds for this pat of the city was promised for a proposed new business was constructed were gone. The question is why did the money leave this areas of the city and apparently spent in the Milwaukee Avenue area.

manced "Ty by near the Slaton Highway and Martin Luther King Blvd. Even the Lal 4 project? The master plan for the local take project and methods, etc., but, most of all, the recent bond issue passed by voters in 1999. Now all of a sudden an apparent snag with "vet lands". If this was a fact, Dominien project which the '4 would have been mentioned in the lakes master plan. Two council persons played a major role in this plan before becoming council members, namely; Phyllis Jones, a sub-committee chairperson. These are some things where questions need to be answered. This needs to be done as we approach the New year!

Closing Thought: "We will he judged by the law of liberty." James 2:12

Nuf Sed, Why Not?

by Renetta Howard It appears that Mr. Bush's war the ongoing shakeup in the White in a lavish office in Washington in Iraq is now a 'dead horse.' We House may just have something D. C. No matter how many stars may talk about how wrong it has to do with the political arena sur- the generals calling for Mr. been to get into it in the first rounding Mr. Bush's next steps in Rumsfeld's resignation have,



Howard

know for cernever were any weapons destruction in Iraq. Bush has repeatedly told us how

he was misled with inaccurate information causing him to invade Iraq. It sounds similar to the United States entry into World War I and World War II; U-boats attacked and Pearl Harbor bombed. Wrong messages and late messages cause war.

Are we getting the message that President Bush has his eye on attacking Iran now? They have elected a president and his name is not Mr. Bush, but one could get that idea if ou did not know any better. Mr. Bush feels that the Iranians are preparing to make nuclear weapons and he se mingly has no confidence in the United Nations and their ability to deal with Iran.

That leads one to believe that

CIRCULATION AUDIT BY VERIFICATION



do to help to bring our troops nations. If Vice President Chaney Defense, Mr. Rumsfeld while at least six generals call for his dismissal due to poor management of the Iraq War and ignoring the advice of field commanders, what does that leave us to believe?

> It would appear that the individuals in the field would know more about their conditions, their needs and what they do not need while dodging bullets and roat side bombs in Iraq, a lot better than someone sitting comfortably

place and how much we need to dealing with the Middle Eastern they are apparently more knowledgeable about war in general shoots another friend while Mr. that he or the President or Vice cially since Bush's mends keep leaving the President. Is there merit in the White House, or are being voices calling for the impeachrelieved of some of their daties ment of President Bush? It seems tain that there and Mr. Bush continues to that it would be difficult to just stauncally support Secretary of impeach the President without impeaching the Vice President as well, as he supports and agrees with the President on every sting. If this happened, then the Speaker of the House-would become President, the President Pro-Tempore of the Senate the Vice President and the Secretary of State, Condeleezza Rice in line to be the first female President. We must get 'in cinque' and find out what our President has on his

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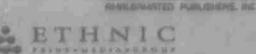
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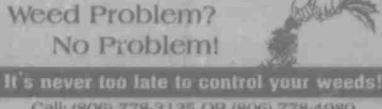
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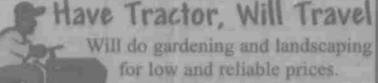


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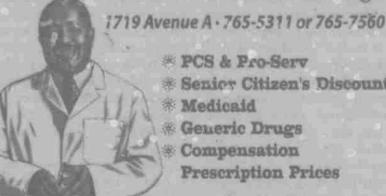
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Did Hurricane Katrina reveal a historic reality? Part 3

Courtesy of the Today show

Michael Eric Dyson, author of 'Come Hell or High Water,' explores the legacy of African-American suffering in the U.S. since slavery. Read an excerpt

Editor's Note: This is the third and final part of a story Today Show 11's heen almost five



months sines Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast and flooded most of New Octoms. But the rebuild-

ing efforts and slow in coming. In his new book called "Come Hell or High Water: Hurricane Katrina and the Color of P'vaster, author Michael Eric Dyson looks at how race may have been a factor in the response to the disaster and offers ideas for how New Orleans can return to its glory. Dyson was invited on the "Today" show to discuss the book. Here's the third part of the excerpt:

What made Kanye West's defense of the black poor so admirable is that it suggested the willingness of a rich black celebrity to sacrifice his reputation, perhaps even his livelihood, and surely his comfort, to speak out on behalf of his less-fortunate brothers and sisters. The week after he was fentured on the cover of Time magazine as the "smartest man in pop music," West made his stand against Brish and conservative social neclect on television. West's comments brough, a predictable firestorm of controversy and criticism. Television ingenue Kelly Carlson, star of the series "Nip/Tuck," was offended. "I don't think a lot of people this day and age dislike black people," the young white starlet said. "I mean I think we've kind of moved on from that. So to go on tacky, I think it's very low rent."

Obviously Carlson is unaware

as to why "fazy, ignorant blacks" didn't remove themselves from New Orleans when they heard the storm was coming. She must be oblivious to several incidents that occurred after Karrina 37 ack that support West's comments and that render hers mive at best, and, willfully ignorate at worst. As Tulane Universit professor Lawrence N. Powell contends, racial animosity for black folk flared when they were barred from the predominantly v.hite neighbornoor! of Gretna outside of New Orleans, and when a congressman celebrated nature's destruction of public housing. I don't how to get this coint

across without being blunt, but white supremacists have dropped the pretense of code-speak and are saying flat-out, "don't let them brck in," using the n-word for emphasis. These raw words echoed at the police blockade on the Mississippi River bridge connecting New Orleans with the West Bank of suburban Jefferson parish, where policemen from Gretna, a notoriously racist town, fired shots over the heads of Convention Center evacuees as they walked toward the on-ramp pursuant to instructions that buses were waiting on the other side to carry them to safety.... A friend who rode out the storm in Uptown New Orleans ... tells of witnessing gas station owners urging the military to keep blacks out. Several Uptown swells and white-shoe lawy is who huddled in the Ayatt Hotel across from the crowded misery inside the sodden and unsanitary Superdome were almost jubilant about the ethnic cleansing wrought by Katrina, so friends in the media report. Republican Congressman Richard Baker, representing a prosperous area of Baton Rouge, said this of the storm's aftermath: "We finally cleaned up public housing in New Orleans. We couldn't do it, but God did."

New Orleans rapper Master P television and say that, I think it's questioned whether West's comments were genuine or inspired by commercial interests. "I hope

promotional thing to sell records," Muster P commented. "I know he's got a new album out. right now." Master P'e personal his understanding of the critical relationship between polities and the relief for the poor he so desperately desired. We gotta save to ple. We need George Bush, we need the Mayor Jof New Orleans), we need the [Louisiana] Governor. I've tost people, I know how real it is. The um't shout a promotional thing with me. I've got loved ones out there missing." But unlike Carlson, West understood, indeed felt, the profound divregard for black life that the president's policies reinforced. And unlike Master P, West understood that one of the reasons more help hadn't gotten to the black poor more quickly is because of a delayed governmental response that had racial roots. West proved that his comments were anchored in reason and passionate commitment, and not a one-off rant that was more cathartic than critical, when he defended himself a week later. "People are like, 'Yo, aren't you scared that something's going to happen to you?" West said. "I was like, 'I can think of a lot worse things that could happen to me, like how about not eating for five days? Or our cuss words. They don't hear how about not knowing where my f*** family is? Everybody's always concerned about theysel ." West was critical of the nation's denial of poverty, but he warned that it would come back to haunt us. "I just feel like America's always been pushing the [impoverished] under the counter, trying to act like it's not really there. And what happens if you're cleaning the kitchen and you're always dusting something under the counter? If you spill

Not only did West redeem the sometimes sorry state of a hipbooze, broads, and bling-but his don't want to hear that sh** no Washington Wizards' Etan by Perseus Dooks Group. gesture signaled a political of all the comments made by the comments that Kanye West courage on the part of the black

something it's going come up

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blessed that is today all too rare. Many hip-hop artrate were encouraged by West's words, affirming that he echoed the sentiments of less-known artists. Still others took them as the occasion to challenge themselves and their peers so bridge the gap between their act and their practice. "We've been screaming this for five years," David Banner proclaimed about the critique of the Bush administration put forth by many ann artists. "You listen to your David Barners, Dead P. cz., listen to rap music period. This is



what rappers have been screaming all the time. The problem is America concentrates more on the pain in the music all the time. You just finally had somebody who has the power Kanye has, who said it at the richt time." Policy Southern apper T.L. chal-

lenged the tall-talking emcees, who brag about living a lavish lifestyle to furnish proof of their creasure in their philanthropy. "I called everybody's bluff who be talking all that ballin' sh**," T.I. said. "Popping all them bottles in the club ... talking about how much girls and jewelry and cars they got. Let's see how much money they've got for a good cause. Basically, I told everybody to put their money where their hop world careening on the gaudy mouths are, and if you ain't got Katrina. "I definitely agree with trinkets of its own success- no money to give to the cause, I Kanye West," said the

... 're." Chicago rapper Twista hallenged black people to embrace the poor, who are wrongfully neglected by the government. "They've been bogus, so what is everybody so shocked about?" Twista said of the political establishment. "I feel the response was real allow, but I look at my own harder than I look at them. I feel like us as black folks were supposed to stop what we was doing, put all that shee down and get these [issaster victums] straight."

New Orleans tapper Juvenile.

best known in the mainstream for That Thang Up," lost his home and cars in the flood, but was critic. I of the poverty and correption that plagued his beleved hometown bear a Katrina, "Ail we lost was our home," he said. "A lot of people isst their fives. But we loct beyond a house or a door. We lost as environment. So we lost everybody. Everybody lost. We lost that spirit ... There ain't nothing like New Orleans. We got We was just about to go on strike with the teachers. The school board system was corrupt. Our police system is corrupt. Our judicial system is corrupt." Juvenile criticized the federal government but also suggested that, given the extreme poverty of many residents, the storm clouds f Katrina may have contained a silver lining. "It didn't take a hurricane for me to do nothing for New Orleans," he said, "cause like Chris Rock said, we was "**** up before the burricane hit. Y'all should've been sending us ... FEMA. We've been f***** up. For a lot of us that sh ** was a blessing."

Perhaps the most articulate, well-spoken supporter of Kanye West's perspective is an NBA athlete whose political bona fides were established long before

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Thomas, who raised cash and gathered supplies for the hurricane survivors. 'Had this been a rich, lify-white suburban area that got hit, you think they would have had to wait five days to get food or water? When the lurricane hit in Florida, Bush made sure those people got belo the next day. But now, when you are dealing with a migority poorer. class of blac's people, it takes five day? Then you still don't send help but instead send the National Guard to 'maintain order'? Are you sidding me?" The author of More Than an Athlete, a collecthe trend-setting single "Back tion of verse that assails racism, the death penarty, and materialism, Thomas has made a conscious choice to embrace the heroic legacies of outspoke athietes who made their marks in their professions as a springboard to raising social consciousness. "I admire athletes of the past, like Biif Russell, Muhammad Ali, Jim Brown, John Carlos and Tomraie Smith, Kareem [Abdul-Jabbar] - athletes who used their posispirit. We the smallest city, the tion as a platform to speak out on highest in poverty. We was the social issues and stand up for a lowest in the education system. cause Basketball is not my life. A quote I live by is: 'I speak my mind because biting my tongue would make my pride bleed.""

> Kanye West's words, and those of the figures who supported him, suggest that not nearly enough of us are invested in consistemly raising our voices for the voiceless. Narrow carrer interests. and risk aversion define our number. loo many of us are "safe Negroes" who don't realize that we can never really be said until all black people are safe. Kanye West saw his identity jied to the identity of the poor, and realized that the people who were drowning were "my people." That simple act of identification is the primal scream of recognition of kin through the bonds of shared history and conscience.

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KeKe Palmer aces the Bee...and the big screen

KeKe Palmer is a pre-teen in she's having a blast, just being 12.

every sense of the word. For nailing a handful of auditions. starters, she talks a mile a minute, "KeKe was very special," notes radiater limitless energy and is vir- Atchison. 'She was the cally kid hually addicted to Degrassi and who moved her eyes back and forth Moesha marathons on Noogin. And as if she was actually reading somethough she'll likely deny it, she thing that was [written] on the wall, blushes at the mere mention of which was powerful to watch. I newly-crowned R&B prince, Chris wasn't looking for a kid to whom I Brown. There's no denying that could dictate a part; I wanted someone who understood Akeelah and



KeKe Palmer stars with Angela Bassett and Laurence Fishburne in her new movie, Akeelah and the Bee.

home the top prize in a spelling bee by acing a word that seems quite simple to her now. 'My word was 'gorilla,' which is so easy, but when I was a kid, it was like, 'are there two 'ls' or one," laughs the star of 28th.

writer/director Doug Atchison's feel-good drama, Palmer portrays 11-year-old Akeelah Anderson, a gifted middle school student with an aptitude for words and a lackadaisical attitude about attendance. "Akeelah is kind of shy and insecure," notes Palmer, who leads the cast alongside Oscar noninces Angela Bassett and Laurence Fishburne as well as Curtis Amsstrong. "She's really affaid to let people know how smart she is: because she desn't want anyone to think she's trying to be better than them." After hours spent mastering the origins of multi-syllable brainteasers - think pulchritude, xanthosis and prestidigitation - Akcelah, once a reluctant contender, learns the value of sportanenship, focus and courage on her journey from her South Los Angeles neighborhood to the Suripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, DC.

As a third grader, Palmer took with whom I could have a collaborative relationship - she displayed all of those qualities."

Currently a home-schooled sev-

enth grader, the Illinois native initially believed the film's plot focused on a flying insect rather Akeelah and The Bee, opening April than a spelling competition. "At first, I thought, 'Is this movie about a bee?" she chuckles, "but once my family and I read the script, I just lasew I had to be a part of it." Speaking of family, Palmer, born Lauren Keyana, is the first to admit that hers is a top priority. In fact, the entire Palmer clan has relocated from their Midwest roots out to Hollywood to ensure that she has every opportunity to pursue her dreams. Sandwiched between big sister, Lordal, 17 - who blessed her with the nickname, KeKe- and her 5-year-old twin brother and siner, Lawrence and Lawrencia, she is grateful to be surrounded and supported by her purents and siblings. "I'm just so happy that my family is always there for me," she beems.

KeKe is a little wonder, she's been mised well and is so respectful," Bassett notes. "She's charisrouth, has a quick smile and great austiness as an actor." Most recently a member of Tyler Perry's all-star

Palmer won the title role after ensemble for Madea's Family Reunion, Palmer landed her first film role as Queen Latifah's loudmouthed niece in Barbershop 2: Back in Business when she was just nine years old. She later carned guest spots on Cold Case, ER, Strong Medicine and Low & Order: SVU and even shared the screen with William H. Macy for TNT's Wool Cap, the latter which earned her nominations for both SAG and NAACP Image Awards. "Even though I didn't win, I was just so happy and proud of myself for mak-

ing it that far," she says. With such a burgeoning resume, it's a wonder that she's never stepped foot in an acting class. "I didn't want to take acting lessons," she notes, "because I don't think any one can teach you how to act. You have to find that in yourself." Fishhume, who also began his career as a youth, agrees. "KeKe doesn't need any acting lessons. She's like me when I was 12 - she has a gift. She's got real talent, she's charming and very, very sensitive. I had such a great time working with

Along with her big screen adventures, Palmer, who contributed her voice to Akeelah and The Bee's soundtrack, is hard at work on her debut album for Atlantic Records. A fan of Ne-Ye, Beyonce', Alicia Keys, Ashanti and of course, the aforementioned, Chris Brown, she's thrilled about the prospect of topping the music charts and best describes her own sound is as "a mix of R&B and Hip-Hop." Oh, and she's sharing songwritie; duties with her sister, Loreal. The future is looking rather bright for this little sturlet.

"My hope for KeKe is that she have noom to grow as an artist," notes Busnett "and that she's able to transition smoothly from being a young actress to an adult actress. As for the little girls watching this film, I hope they'll learn that when they come to the table, they should come with all of themselves - all of their beauty, all of their talest and all of their integrity. Come with if!"

And what does KeKe Palmer want film audiences to walk away with? "I want other kads will feel inspired to be themselves and fulfill their dreams...that's what I'm doing

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