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Maya Sanders Was One of 3,000 Youth Selling Lemonade In Lubbock



Maya Sanders, left, is shown working at her Lemonade Stand on Saturday morning, May 5, 2012. She will tell you what a wonderful time she had. She was one of three thousand Lubbock youth who participated in this exciting day of learning about owning your own business.

Maya Sanders, 8 years old third grade student from Roy Roberts Elementary, participated in Lubbock's Lemonade Day, inspiring young entrepreneurs all around the city.

Maya's Lemonade Stand was located in front of "Hair by Pamela" inside the Hair Emporium. Maya donated 10% her earnings each to her church Greater St. Luke Baptist Church and Meals on Wheels. She loves helping others and someday hope to be a business owner, in the medical field, or a teacher.

Maya wants to thank all who came out and supported her and a special thanks to Mrs. Linda Harvey and Mrs. Betty Domingo for volunteering their help.

First Black Female NASCAR **Driver Seeks Community Support**

She is the daughter of Pam and Mark Sanders.

Nationwide -- Professional racecar driver Tia Norfleet has visions of giving to a community that supports her. As the first, youngest and only African-American female driver on the NASCAR circuit, Tia Norfleet has set the stage

opening the doors of diversity in a highly controversial and predominately male oriented sport.

With lawsuits that have been filed as well by other minorities, which have accused NASCAR

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Tia Norfleet

Estacado High School Matadors 2012 State Track Team Did Well This Year!



2012 ESTACADO HIGH SCHOOL MATADORS TRACK TEAM: Left to right - Shaquille Bogus, Robert Johnson, Adrian Adame, Ti Russell, Raymond Rios, and Damodrick Rutherford. Photo courtesy of MGC Videos.

Estacado High School represented Lubbock in great fashion. They had athletes in 9 events and medaled in 4. Out of over 100 - 3A schools in Texas, we were well represented as an outstanding school with an outstanding athletic program. We thank Coach Jones, Coach Galdean, Coach Perez, Coach Thurman, and Coach Isaac for their hard work in training these fine athletes.

Place - 23' 1.5"

Triple Jump - Ti Russell - 5th 3rd Place - 1:27.78 Place - 46' 4.75"

High Jump - Ti Russell - 8th Place - 6' 4"

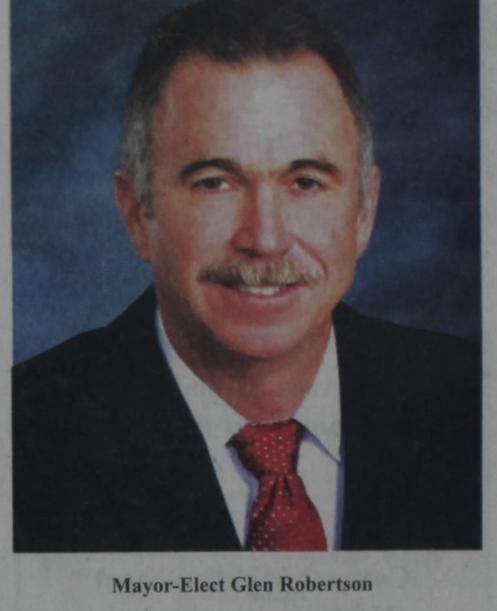
4 x 100 Relay - Adrian Bogus - 2nd Place - 21.58 Adame, Damodrick Rutherford, Robert John Johnson, Shaquille Bogus - 5th Place - 42.03 800 Meter Run - Raymond

Rios - 2nd Place - 1:53.82 4 x 200 Relay - Adrian Adame,

Long Jump - Ti Russell - 3rd Robert Johnson, Damodrick Rutherford, Shaquille Bogus -

> Girl's 400 Meter Dash - Sahari Freeman - 5th Place - 58.09 200 Meter Dash - Shaquille

> 4 x 400 Relay - Adrian Adame, Damodrick Rutherford, Robert Johnson, Raymond Rios - 9th Place - 3:26.38.



New Lubbock Mayor Will Be Sworn In Saturday Morning, May 19, 2012

Glen Robertson defeated incumbent Mayor Tom Martin by a 30-point margin on Saturday, May 12, 2012.

He will be sworn in on Saturday morning, May 19, 2012,

beginning at 10:00 a.m. Robertson has made it known that after building a concensus with council members, he says: "I'm going to be a proponent of night meetings; I like them. I think it's a good idea. I would like to shorten the meetings up, here again it's going to take a consensus on the rest of the council. We'll start working on

that immediately," Martin, who served as mayor for two terms and elected in 2002, received 6,603, or 34.85%, while Robertson received 12,456 votes or 65.35% of the votes. A total of 19,059 votes were casted.

Robertson has expressed gratitude to Martin and departing city councilmember Jim Gilbreath for their services to the city of Lubbock.

Replacing Gilbreath is Latrella Joy who defeated Randy Sanders 1,381 votes to 1,194 votes for the District 6 seat.

In the District 4 seat, a runoff will be held with Paul Beane, the incumbent, and Jim Gerit. This run-off election is set for

Beane received 2,416 votes or 45.7%; Gerit captured 2,230 votes or 41.60%. The third candidate, Dwight Fullingim received 714 votes or 13.32%.

The City of Lubbock has scheduled a Special City Council meeting for this Saturday, May 19, 2012 to canvass the election results and deliver the oath of office to the new City Council-elect.

The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. inside the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 1625 13th Street.

Mayor-elect Robertson says he is very excited about the outcome and will work hard for all citizens of Lubbock.

Camp Meeting Held Each Wednesday-Friday



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Welcome! Welcome! Welcome! A Camp Meeting: Whom So Ever Will Come, Let Them Come!"

It will be held at the Crown lifechurchrev.gladysmaesmith. of Eternal Life Church, 2510 Birch Avenue. Services are held Wednesday through Sunday evenings, beginning at 7:00 p. m. until 9:00 p. m. . For more

information, call either (806) 747-6383 or (806) 368-2871.

The web site is: www.Acrownofeternal-

Special services will be held on the fourth Sunday, May 27, 2012, with Sunday morning services beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Praise God! Amen!

Gov. Perry Reappoints Wilson as **Texas Health and Human Services Commission Inspector General**

Austin, Texas -- Gov. Rick Perry has reappointed Douglas Wilson of Pflugerville as Inspector General of the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) for a term to expire February 1, 2013. The Inspector General works to prevent, detect and investigate fraud, abuse and waste in state health and human services programs. Wilson is the first African American to hold this position.

Wilson, the current HHSC Inspector General, was appointed to this position last year by Perry. He previously served as Deputy Inspector General of Operations for HHSC, and past Deputy Director of the Office of the Attorney General Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. He is a board certified public accountant, and a board member of the Young Women and Young Men of Destiny leadership program. Wilson is a member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.



Douglas Wilson

Douglas is a graduate of Dunbar-Struggs High School, class of 83. He has been married to Frianita Rhodes since 1992. Their son, Demetrius, is a Junior at Pflugerville High School.

Wilson received his Bachelor's degree from Texas State Univer-

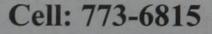
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First Black Female NASCAR Driver Seeks **Community Support** Continued from Page 1

of racial discrimination, many people wonder why and how can Norfleet compete in this division of racing. "It is sheer passion and instinct that drives this youngster to want to compete in this sport, she was born to compete," says Isaac Hayes, spokesperson/CEO of the online fund raising organization, Tiapower.com.

Norfleet comes from a family with a history in racing. Her father Bobby Norfleet made his NASCAR debut at the Portland International Raceway road course on March 26, 2000, where he competed against NASCAR driver Bill Lester making that race historical. It was the only time in NASCAR history that two African-Americans drivers have competed at the same time.

With many accolades of her own including being spokesperson for the Safe America Diving program, and appearing in commercials such as the Verizon wireless, numerous magazine ads and radio and television interviews. Tia Norfleet has given Black women everywhere new hope in following their dreams.

The million dollar question that many people ask is, will the NASCAR community accept Tia for who she is, and that is according to Hayes, a true competitor. "Our goal is to raise funds needed for everyone to out," says Edward

Williams, founder of the medium sized marketing company Team Tia.

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Taking a page out of the country's 44th President Barack Obama's playbook, going grassroots to make history. Williams said "If President Obama can raise \$700 million, surely we can raise \$5 million to get Tia on the track. We have a good team and I think with the public's help we can get Tia on the track and testing in two weeks.

"To ensure the success of this effort to fundraise," says Hayes, CEO of Tiapower.com, "we have inked a lucrative deal with Alvin Kline, the social media guru and wed success agency team to head this unique grassroots online crown funding campaign."

Hayes continues, "I am confident that Alvin Kline along with Team Tia and the additional benefits and memorabilia we are offering the donors Tiapower.com should allow us the chance to find out." As Tia prepares to take the wheel, the world holds on and wonders if the community that she supports will support her. The answer awaits at the finish line.

For more information or to schedule an interview, please contact Issac Hayes at (877) 239-4924 or contact@tiapower.com or visit www.tiapower.com

New Light Baptist Church News

On Sunday morning, May 13, then the offering was taken up. 2012, church service got started at New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road, where Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson is the pas-

Church School started at 9:45 a.m. with Rev. Jackson teaching the lesson entitled: "The Good Shepherd" and its scripture come from John 10: 1-18. Sister Brenda Manahan taught the youth lesson. Breakfast was served to those in attendance afterward.

Morning worship started at 11:00 a.m. with the praise team leading the way.

Rev. L. C. Lee led the pulpit devotion. There was the song "Oh, I Want To See Him" that was sung. The responsive reading came from Proverbs 31:10-31 and was read by Rev. Lee.

. The altar call was led by Rev. Jackson and Sister Angela Mosley led the song "My Soul Loves Jesus.

Sister Lacey Thompson read all the morning announcements and told of all the upcoming events that will be taking place. There was the pastoral period that was held by the pastor and

The choir sung "Midnight Cry" and was led by Sister Ambra Jackson and Sis. Alvera Johnson. Sister Mosley sung a song entitled: "Still Standing" The theme song, "Amazing Grace" of the church was sung . Rev. Jackson preached the sermon entitled: "A Mother's Love Is Unconditional" and its printed text comimg from Luke 2:7. The song "When I See Jesus." was sung after the sermon and was led by Mother Cavanaugh, Sister Johnson and Sister Mosley.

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

Pray for God to continue to keep all his children in his arm of protection. Pray for those that has lost a love one recently that the lord will keep them lifted up in his spirit. Remember when prayers goes up blessings come down and we all could use a blessing.

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK: "If it had not been the lord who was on our side.

Psalm 124:1

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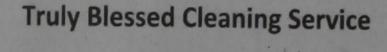
Pattersons Attend Ranger Game Last Friday In Arlington



Among those who were in attendance at the bseball game between the Texas Rangers and Los Angeles Angels last Friday evening, May 11, 2012, in Arlington. Shown above are two of the Patterson family, T. J. Patterson, III, left, and T. J. Patterson, Sr. The photo was taken by T. J. Patterson, II.

The Pattersons were guest of Jeff Austin, a former resident

The Texas Rangers won the game by a score of 10-3. It was rain delayed for nearly two hours. The Pattersons are shown in front of the area called 'Home Plate.' They reported a wonderful time as they sat near the third base line.





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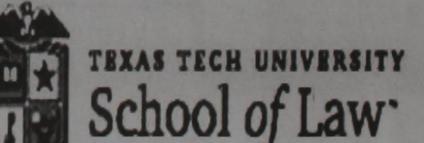


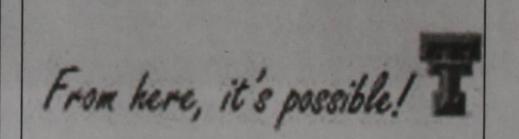
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From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith Here We Go Again, A Black Uncle Tom???

Here we go again: Walter Williams in one of his recent column distributed by Created Syndicate title:"Liberals do blacks no favors by pushing racial animosity." It appears this old educated alleged Uncle Tom black man cannot help himself from thinking negative about African Americans.

An Uncle Tom is described as a black who is overeager to win the approval of whites (as by obsequious behavior or uncritical acceptance of white values and goals).

Williams is constantly kissing and massaging the rear end of a white balloon as it relates to anything negative said against those who are his alleged mental and financial slave masters.

Williams wrote: MSNBC's Chris Matthews in a recent debate with former Republican National Chairman Michael Steele, called the Republican Party the "grand wizard crowd." Williams noted Grand Wizard is the title given to the leader of the Ku Klux Klan. Williams also noted that it is truly misinformed to call Republicans the party of the Klan. He said that through-

out our history, most Klansmen and most racists have been Democrats. Allow me if you willto give him a few points for kissing the rear side of the sun making his teeth brown as it brings darkness upon the face of the earth.

Williams also quoted a few Democratic figures that was alleged to have made racist quotes: The late Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., a former Klansman, wrote during World War II: "I shall never fight in the armed forces with a Negro by my side...Rather I should die a thousand times, and see Old Glory trampled in the dirt never to rise again, than to see this beloved land of our become degraded by race mongrels, a throwback to the blackest speci-

men from the wilds." When Lyndon J. Johnson was in the House of Representatives, he said that President Harry Truman's civil rights program was "a farce and sham-an effort to set up a police state in the guise of liberty. He continued: "I am opposed to that program. I have voted against the so-call poll tax repeal bill...I have voted against the so-called anti-lynching bill."

When Johnson had become senator, he observed, "These Negroes, they're getting pretty uppity these days, and that's a problem for us since they've got something now that they never had before, the political pull to back up their uppityness."

Williams continues: It's not just white liberals in the media who are stirring up racial animosity; they have help from black politicians. He noted that during last year's debate on the debt ceiling, Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, D-Texas said that argument over the debt ceiling was proof of racial animosity toward Obama. Rep. Andre Carson, D-Ind., said the tea party wishes to lynch blacks and hang from

William noted that to their Continue on Page 4

"There are two ways of exerting one's strength: one is pushing down, the other is pulling up."

Booker T. Washington



"What Would Jesus Do?"

John 115:9 - 13 -- Jesus said, as the father have loved me, so have I loved you: continue you in my love. Greater love have no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

Seven people was trapped in a mountain cabin, in A HARD WINTER COLD.

Each had a log of WOOD FOR THE FIRE; this is how the STORY GOES. Their fire dying out; for the need of one's PRECIOUS WOOD. Each had what it took to keep it ALIVE; IF ONLY HE OR SHE WOULD!!!

*** WHAT WOULD JESUS DO???***

There was a PREACHER setting there: holding onto his LOG OF BIRCH. He said within HIMSELF, why should my log be used? THEY'RE NOT OF MY CHURCH!!!

Matthew 5:16 -- Jesus said, Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

And there was a WHITE LADY setting there, she held her log BACK. Because one of the faces around the fire: IT WAS BLACK!!!

1 John 4:20 -- If a man say, I

love God, and hates his brother, he is a liar: for he that love not his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?

Then there was a POOR MAN setting there, owning nothing in the WORLD; but that HICKORY STICK. Saying within HIMSELF, why should I warm THE MIGHTY RICH???

1 John 2:15 -- Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

And there was a RICH MAN setting there, HIS LOG LIKE HIS MONEY HE DID ADORED. Saying, why should I use my log? TO WARM THE GOOD FOR NOTHING POOR!!!

1 Timothy 6:10 -- For the love of money is the root of all evil: while some coveted after, they have erred from the Faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

Then there was a BLACK MAN setting there, HIS JAWS CLENCHED VERY TIGHT. Saying within HIMSELF; NOW IS MY TIME; TO GET EVEN WITH THE WHITES!!!

*** WHAT WOULD YOU DO???***

Luke 6:27 -- Jesus Said, I say unto you which hear, Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you.

Then there was a SPANISH MAN setting there, this is how he played THE GAME. Saying within HIMSELF: these are not MY PEOPLE; OUR LAN-GUAGE IS NOT THE SAME!!!

Galatians 6:10 -- As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

And there was a FOREIGN MAN setting there, saying, they should GIVE TO ME. I'M new in this country; I'M THE MINORITY!!!

Proverb 21:27 -- The sacrifice of the wicked is abomination: how much more, when he brings it with a wicked mind?

And when the morning came, it was PROOF OF HU-MANTY'S GREAT SIN. For they didn't DIE FROM THE OUTSIDE COLD; BUT FROM THE COLD HEART WITHIN!!!

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St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Another wonderful day of services was held on Sunday morning, May 13, 2012, at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, where the proud pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

Sunday School started at 10:10 a.m. with Superintendent Sister Shirley Davis in charge. It was truly a wonderful morning of learning about God's word.

The teacher of the morning's lesson was Sister Susie Davis.

What a wonderful lesson it was. It was reviewed by Pastor

The subject of the morning's lesson was "Following Good Leaders." The Unifying Topic was "The Good Shepherd." The scripture text was John 10:7-18. The main thought was John

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted at 11:00 a.m. with Deacon Edward Williams and Deaconess Ethel

Williams in charge.

The St. Matthew Baptist Church Choir sung out of their hearts and souls. Pastor Canady entered the church with the selection "Because of Who You

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "A Mother's Love." His scripture text was 1st Kings 3:23-27.

Thanks for an outstanding word, Pastor Canady!

The weekly meetings will be we will be expecting your presheld at St. Matthew Baptist Church are:

Mission meets at 5:00 p. m. on Wednesday evenings.

Bible Study is also held on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.

Choir Rehearsal is held on Saturday afternoons, beginning at 2:00 p. m.

The Ushers meet on Saturday mornings at 11:00 a.m.

Remember if you belong to anyone of these organizations,

Canady.

beginning at 10:00 a.m.

The menu will include the

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ter Annie Stanley, who is a patient at Lake Side Covenant.

Thought For The Week: "Good Mothers not only tell us how to live. They show us!"

God Bless each of you!

Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast want you to think about these words.

There's a story about a man who tied his money belt full of gold, around his waist right before he jumped over board from a sinking ship. Later, the divers found him at the bottom of the sea with the weighty gold still in the money bell around his waist.

There's another story about a millionaire who was buried in a new Cadillac, diamond rings on his finger, and a ten dollar cigar was being lowered into the grave, a bystander remarked, "that is living!"

Few of us would agree. Real living is measured by how much we accumulate, but rather how well we use what we possess. Our living is measured by our Stewardship instead of our sav-

ings. Luke 16:1-2.

In another example, those of us who have spent most of our lives trying to be weighty Gold Wise, you are headed in the wrong direction. Have you made a mess of your life? Life is not over yet! There is still time to get up and back to living with the right goals in mind.

Thought of the Week: "You cannot serve God and mammon.

"Let's Pray"

Father, may our use of material things, be to further your cause, and to help others indeed through Christ Jesus, we pray. AMEN"

Thanks for reading our article this week and each time we publish one. Also, keep smiling, Precious Saints.

Keep your eyes open and guard against every sort of covetousness." Luke 12:15

Covetousness is more than simply the desire to have money or certain things, which could have their proper use and pur-

pose. It is the "inordinate desire for wealth or possessions," according to one dictionary. It can involve the insatiable, greedy urge to have things -- perhaps those belongings to someone else -- simply for the sake of having them, without regard for ones own needs or the effect on others. A covetous person allows the object of his desire to dominate his thinking and actions to such an extent that it in essence becomes his god. Paul equates a greedy person with an idolater, who has no share in God's Kingdom -- Ephesian

5:5; Colossians 3:5. Interest-

ence. God bless you with all you

do for St. Matthew Baptist

were read last Sunday morning

Church!! The morning announcements

by our First Lady, Sister Shirley

The St. Matthew Baptist Church will sponsor a Bar-B-Que on Saturday, May 19, 2012,

following:

ingly, Jesus warned against "every sort of covetousness." Why? Because covetousness comes in many forms.

Sometimes it gets really difficult, but with God it is much easier to travel.

Thanks for your many prayers.

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

May Bless each of you!



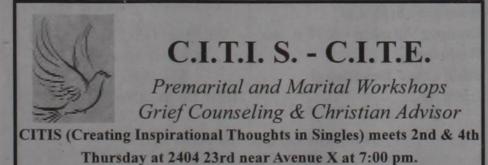
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Obsequies

Sakarrah Miller

Funeral servces were held for little Sakarrah Miller Saturday morning, May 5, 2012 at Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, with Rev. W. Davs, pastr, offciatng.

. Interment followed at Peaceful Gardens Memorial under the direction of Griffin Mortuar & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Miller, 8 months of age, of Lubbock departed this life on Saturday, April 28, 2012.

She was born August 28, 2011 to the parentage of Shirmarian Rene Jennings and LaCarl Miller in Lubbock, Texas.

Sakarrah was in the capable hand of the Hospice of Lubbock Care Team.

She was preceded in death by her aunt, Deanne Jennings.

She leaves to cherish her memory her mother, Shirmarian Jennings; father, Lacarl Miller; maternal grandparents, Charles and Kathryn Jennings; parental grandparents, Darrell and Jimmie Ann Lawson; one sister,



Samerrah Paige Dickson; one brother, Keshawn Miller; maternal great-grandmother, Mother Wilma James; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lillian Miller; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held for Annie Woodard Services were held Saturday afternoon, May 5, 2012 at Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funera Home of Lubbock.

Woodard, 80, of Lubbock departed this life on Thursday, April 26, 2012.

She was born on August 1, 1931 to the parentage of Chester McGowan and Ruth Mae Woodfork in Somervillie, Texas where she lived until her graduation from high school in 1948.

Annie dedicated her life to Jehovah, her God, on August 6, 1966 and served Him faithfully until she fell asleep in death. Annie spent most of her time being a full time wife and mother, but did work for Texas Instruments for some time and retired from the company in 1990.

Saturday morning, May 5, 2012

with burial followed

Resthaven memorial park.

in Resthaven's Abbey Chapel

Ms. Green was born on Sep-

tember 25, 1916 in Bryan, Texas

to Johnny and Alabama Walker

. She is survived by her sister,

She was preceded in death by

Pallbearers were Christopher

Pearlene Scott of Lubbock and

several nieces and nephews.

her parents and seven siblings

Scott, Bryan Scott, Shelby

Walker, Fred Roberson, Robert

Adams, Jr., and Robert Lamp-

Johnny Walker, Jr., Ardee Hunt,

Tex Williams, and Edwin Scott,

Parson Smith

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May 29, 2012!!

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Honorary pallbearers were

Edna Green

Edna Green, 95, of Lubbock passed away on April 29, 2012 Funeral services were held on

Annie Woodard



She leaves to cherish her memory eight children, Chloe Purifoy (Earnest), Roy Perkins, Jr (Irene), Brenda Taylor (Michael, Sr), LaWanda Walker, Felicia Jordan (Danny), Tyree Woodard, Jr (Belinda), Loneta Bailey (Johnny), and Roxie Bailey (Tim); 29 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Willie Mae Nelson

Funeral services for Willie Mae Nelson were held Friday afternoon, May 4, 2012, at in Lyons Chapel Baptist Church with Rev. Wendell Davis, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry funeral Home of Lubbock.

Nelson, 83, of Lubbock died April 29, 2012, at Trust Point Hospital.

Nelson was born February 19, 1929, at Lake Providence, La., to Willie Garrett and Mary Hawthorne.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Eddie Nelson; father and mother; and two brothers.

She is survived by four daughters, Betty Ford, Velma Johnson,



Flora Butler and Elnora Young; 11 grandchildren; 50 greatgrandchildren; 20 great-great grandchildren; nieces, nephews and cousins; and a very special family, Mr. and Mrs. James Wolfe and family

ATTEND CHURCH SERVICES!!!

Billy R. Myles, Jr.

Funeral services were held for Billy R. Myles, Jr. were held on Saturday, May 12, 2012 at Bethel A.M.E. under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Myles, Jr., 57 of Lubbock departed this life on Monday, May 7, 2012 at Odyssey Hospice. Myles was born in Dallas, Texas on April 18, 1955 to the parentage of Earline Locke and Larry Long.

Billy graduated from Skyline High School in Dallas, Texas

. He was preceded in death by his wife, Gertrude Hawkins in Myles.

> He leaves to cherish is memory his mother, Earline Locke (Wilbert); dad, Larry Long (Mildred); two daughters, Courtney Meadows and DeShondra Hatton; brothers, three Anthony Long (Katrina), Rev. Roy Locke

> > Thank God For

Jesus

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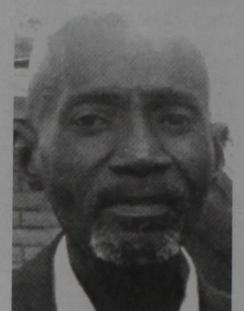
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(Madean), and Harvery Locke (Christine); four sisters, Kathy Richardson (Larry), Sherry Locke, Donna Washington, and Denise Richards (Fritzgerald); two granddaughters, Destiny Hatton and Dashanetta Hatton; and a host of other loving relatives and loyal friends.

Funeral Services Will Be Held For Sister Christene

The Southwest Digest learned this week that a longtime resident of Lubbock, Sister Christene Burleson, passed

Burleson

Funeral services will be held Saturday morning, May 19, 2012, beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, where the pastor is Rev. Wendell Davis.

Sister Burleson served for many years as Vice President of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast. According to Sister Dorothy Hood, President of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast, Burleson enjoyed working this organization. From time to time, she would host our breakfast meetings."

This Was A Cry For Justice -But Was Anyone Listening?

Ellaville, GA - Jackie Carpenter always believed she was a 'woman of faith' - but when tragedy struck her family, she faced the stunning realization that her faith did not even begin to measure up. Scheduled for release this fall, A Cry for Justice by Triple Horse Studios is an emotionally-charged movie that tells the true story of the worst time in Jackie Carpenter's life when her son was fighting for his freedom after being charged with felony murder.

Jackie Carpenter was an ordinary businesswoman and mother when her phone rang that fateful day in 2008. Believing she had been blessed with an almost-perfect life and family, Jackie's idyllic world changed the instant she received her daughter-inlaw's frantic call telling her that her son had been arrested after he accidentally shot and killed a would-be thief while protecting his property. Little did she know the long, hard fight that was ahead, trying to prove his innocence.

After her son was arrested, Jackie had trouble dealing with that inner voice that asks: What happens when a good person who serves God as a Bible teacher and church organist is struck by a tragedy and assaulted daily by Satan? What happens when you turn to God but cannot hear Him speak? What happens when you pray for a miracle and nothing happens? What happens when a person of faith discovers she lacks the faith to overcome tragedy?

A Cry for Justice is based on Jackie's two books that tell her story. The Bridge: Between Cell Block A and a Miracle is Psalm 91 came first and told the story of how Jackie brought her family through the initial crisis. Georgia Justice: A Journey to Continue on Page 8

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By Renetta Howard

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People who packed pistols in

There are companies which

money without our knowledge.

Just when you feel that you are safe and 'home free,' you learn that there is still danger lurking near you. It all leads to technology and a way to find yourself in danger; financial danger. Using technology is so common place now, especially transactions which involve money, until we seldom have money in our possessions now. Instead of money or currency, we make most of our transactions with credit cards and/or debit cards. They are light and easy to carry and are accepted just about anywhere. We can travel abroad and use most of our credit cards if not the debit cards. When we travel, we may take along a few traveler's checks just for backup.

We take a lot of pride in our cards and spend cautious moments protecting them and our accounts to make certain that they are not stolen as they are, or through identity theft. It seems that since technology has blossomed so much and in some instances much simpler and less sophisticated than in the past, that identity theft has blossomed in the same identical way.

Each time that we feel that strides have been made to protect our interest and we begin to feel safe, there are individuals making those same strides to make sure that our safety is short lived. For every bit of progress in technology, there is a down side which affects us all and the most current billion dollars losses of J P Morgan Chase is not encouraging.

Credit card companies and banks issue cards to us to use in our money transactions, but they do not tell us that our cards have embedded in them all of our information which can be readily swiped with radio frequencies. Some cards profess that theirs are fully protected, but when you know that people with millions of dollars have been

Re-elected Trustees to be Sworn-in at **Next Board Meeting**

Mark Blankenship, Melissa Collier, Dan Pope and Mario Ybarra, the four Lubbock ISD School Board Trustees who were re-elected to their current positions on May 12, will be sworn-in on May 24.

Vernita Woods-Holmes, whose race was uncontested, will also take the oath of office on that date.

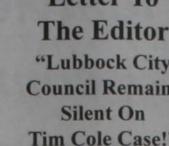
UNITED SUPERMAR-KETS SUPPORTS **NEW SPC NURSING EDUCA-**TION CENTER WITH \$150,000 GIFT

LEVELLAND - United Supermarkets has joined South Plains College in its efforts to graduate more registered nurses and licensed vocational nurses with a \$150,000 contribution to the college's new Center for Nursing and Allied Health Education that will open this sum-

The funds will be used to equip the 27-room nursing skills lab that is a central component to the 36,000 square foot facility for the college's nursing pro-

"We are extremely delighted to be a partner with South Plains College in its new Center for Nursing and Allied Health Education," said Robert Taylor, CEO of United Supermarkets, LLC. "This facility will help train more than 125 students each year who will be providing healthcare services for communities throughout our area, and we are proud to be able to play a small part in making this happen.

"We are grateful to South Plains College for helping meet Continue on Page 9



5/14/12

This letter is in response to the "This N That" column and a letter written by City of Lubbock, Councilman Victor Hernandez to Ms. Ruby Session mother of Tim Cole in your most recent publication. The passive attitude demonstrated by the City of Lubbock, ousted Mayor Tom Martin, the majority of the City Council, is a tragedy because they have never acknowledged, much the less taken responsibility, to this day for mistakes and the wanton, deliberate framing of Tim Cole. Nothing can erase the pale of guilt tarnishing forever the face of Lubbock and it's elected.

They remain silent, still, consciously. The rest of the Nation and the world have seen Lubbock's guilt, but this City and Council remain silent. Councilman Paul R. Beane on his radio show on KFYO called the guilt that fits squarely on the City -"phony baloney guilt". With representatives like this, we do not need enemies. Beane has declared war on the poor and minorities with each of his ordinances passed by the Coun-

We the affected community have the integrity and wisdom to come together and decide for ourselves the best way to honor Tim Cole. We have the resources and skills necessary to remember Tim forever and to never forget the evil that took his life. We do not need anything from the City of Lubbock, or any politically motivated Councilman offering a cheap water fountain

Letter To The Editor "Lubbock City **Council Remains** Tim Cole Case!"

Dear Editor,

cil.

I saw the work horses, the champions for Tim Cole who

THIS N THAT

T. J. Patterson

LETTER TO THE EDI-TOR WRITTEN ABOUT TIM COLE CASE! THIS N THAT is glad to know there are people in our LUB-BOCK COMMUNITY who are concerned about situations which happen and are concerned because nothing has been done with urgency to correct the posture.... As mentioned

in the letter by ARMANDO

GONZALES who makes it known than something should have been done by the LUB-BOCK CITY COUNCIL without any hesitation since GOVERNOR RICK-PERRY had given him a pardon.... Of course TIM COLE is dead and gone and the words out in the United States of America that there are citizens who are not doing

worked years to arrive at his pardon. In my estimation they are Attorney, Jeff Blackburn, Attorney, Kevin Glasheen, the Innocence Project, the myriad of law students who researched time unending, Fred McKinley who wrote, "A Plea for Justice: The Tim Cole Story", and the Lubbock Avalanche Journal. On my talk shows, I had the great privilege of interviewing many of these Champions and I could see the resolve and dedication they possessed.

Councilmen Todd Klein reminds me of "Action Jackson" in the 1988 movie where the anti-thesis hero always arrives after the fight to take the credit. Why has Klein offered this now? Everyone on the Council, including Floyd Price (the only Black person on the Council) has had ample opportunity to bring this forward from years ago. But, they have been passive and ignored this issue. At least three opportunities were given by Attorney Jeff Blackburn to the Council to offer a formal apology and release information for the benefit of the family. Neither Klein, nor Price, nor Beane, nor Mayor Martin did the "right thing" when it would have counted.

My good friend the late Eddie Richardson (Southwest Digest) told me, "You have to decide what team you are going to play for, that is the only way you can tell if you win or lose. You can't play on both teams". I abide by

his advice. I give that same advice to Councilmen Hernandez.

Under the best of circumstances (Councilman Hernandez sympathizing with the family) the nature of political survival does not allow Councilman Hernandez to fully advocate and struggle for 100% justice for Tim Cole and family. Councilman Hernandez believes that a "disclaimer" must be attached to any formal apology from the City. Obviously, he is torn between "doing the right thing" and being fiscally responsible. He does not regret having to use the disclaimer but depends on its use as part of an official resolution for an apology. I know Victor is a good man doing the best he can.

I know what team I am on. It is time for the public to decide what team Klein, Price, and the rest of the Council are on. From their non action it is obvious they are not on our team.

Armando Gonzales Med

(Thanks for your input into this issue which has gained national attention. There's no doubt about it, there should be no hesitation on doing something immediately about this man who has given his life and a mother and family who have lost a precious son and brother. Hopefully, something will be done in the seating of this new City Council. Ye Ed)

what they could do to let the world know we are concerned with what happened This family lost a SON & BROTHER Hopefully this new may or and city council will move in a speedy direction about this situation Anyway THANKS to ARMANDO GONZALES for standing tall!! Shall we wait and see what will take place?? Remember the THE NATION IS WAITING TO SEE WHAT WILL TAKE PLACE IN LUBBOCK, TEXAS ABOUT THE TIM **COLE SITUATION!!**

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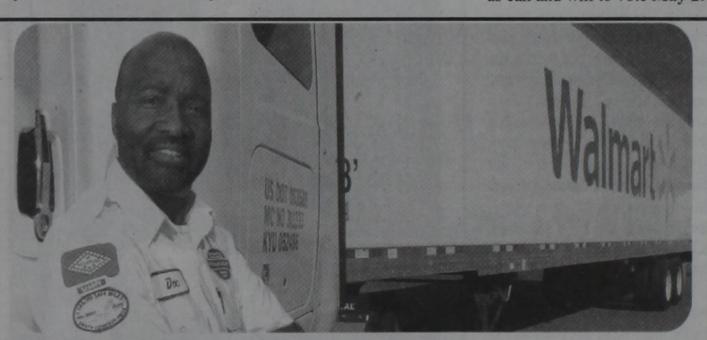
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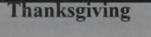
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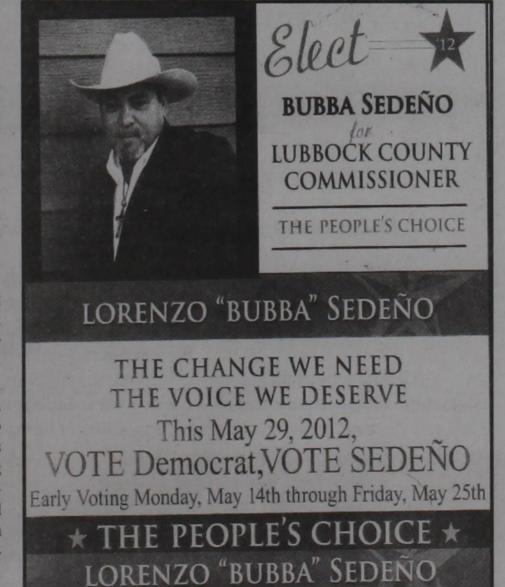
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Authorities Charge 13 FAMU Students For Hazing; Could Face Six Years In Prison

Champion's bruised and battered body that killed him as he was pummeled by fellow Florida A&M University marching band members during a hazing ritual aboard a charter bus last fall.

Instead, his death was caused by multiple blows from many individuals. That inability to pinpoint which blow ultimately caused the 26-year-old drum major's death led authorities to charge 13 defendants Wednesday with hazing rather than more serious counts like manslaughter or second-degree murder.

"His death is not linked to one sole strike but it is attributed to multiple blows," said State Attorney Lawson Lamar at a news conference announcing the charges.

Champion's mother, Pam, said she was glad charges were brought but disappointed they weren't more severe.

"I thought it should send a harsher message," she said.

Some legal experts said they believe Lamar could have filed manslaughter, or even seconddegree murder counts against the participants who conducted the hazing after the FAMU marching band had performed at a football game against its rival school.

"The prosecutor in this case had an opportunity to do something, to send a stronger message, a deserved message based on the conduct," said Tamara Lave, a University of Miami law professor. "And the prosecutor didn't."

Lamar said his office didn't have the evidence to bring more serious charges.

"The testimony obtained to date does not support a charge of murder, in that it does not contain the elements of murder," he said. "We can prove participation in hazing and a death. We do not have a blow or a shot or a knife thrust that killed Mr. Champion. It is an aggregation of things which exactly fit the Florida statute as written by the Legislature."

Former Miami-Dade prosecutor Michael Grieco said Lamar's decision not to file the more serious charges may have been influenced by the Casey Anthony trial. Lamar's office charged the Florida mother with first-degree murder for her daughter's death even though the medical examiner couldn't conclusively tell how she died. A jury acquitted Anthony of murder.

"He clearly has learned from the recent prosecutorial missteps on another high profile case in central Florida and kept it appropriate," said Grieco, who is now a defense attorney in private practice.

Eleven defendants were charged with hazing resulting in death, a felony, and misdemeanor offenses that all together could bring nearly six years in prison. Two others face misdemeanor charges.

It was not immediately clear whether those charged were all students or whether they included faculty members or others involved in the road trip.

Their names were being withheld until all of them were ar-By Wednesday afternoon, two were in custody in Tallahassee: 23-year-old Caleb Jackson and 24-year-old Rikki Wills.

Hazing in Florida was upgraded to a felony in 2005 following the death of a University of Miami student four years earlier. Chad Meredith was drunk and died trying to swim across a lake at the behest of his fraternity brothers. No charges were filed, but a civil jury ordered the fraternity to pay Meredith's parents \$12 million.

Champion had bruises on his chest, arms, shoulder and back and died of internal bleeding, Lamar said. Witnesses told

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Champion

emergency dispatchers the drum major was vomiting before he was found unresponsive aboard

The prosecutor gave no motive for the beating. But witnesses said Champion might have been targeted because he opposed the routine hazing that went on in the marching band or because he was gay, according his family's attorney.

While the most sensational hazing cases have typically involved fraternities, sororities or athletic teams, the FAMU tragedy in November exposed a brutal tradition among marching bands at some colleges around the U.S.

"The death †is nothing short of an American tragedy," Lamar said. "No one should have expected that his college experience would include being pummeled to death."

Champion's death has jeopardized the future of FAMU's legendary marching band, which has performed at the Grammys, presidential inaugurations and Super Bowls and represented the U.S. in Paris at the 200th anniversary of the French Revolution. FAMU, based in Tallahassee, has suspended the band and set up a task force on curtailing hazing.

Hazing has long been practiced in marching bands, particularly at historically black colleges like FAMU in the South, where the band is often as revered as the football team and members are campus celebrities.

Much of the hazing reported at FAMU has involved students trying to get into certain cliques within the band, and it has typically included punching, slapping and paddling.

Richard Sigal, a retired sociology professor at the County College of Morris in Randolph, N.J., who holds anti-hazing workshops at schools, said he could not recall another hazing

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Plainview High wins robot competition at SPC



NEW CHAMPIONS - The robotics teams from Plainview High School claimed the Tin Man VIII competition held recently at South Plains College. Shown on front row from left are Trae Griego and Grant Ratliff. On the center row, from left, are Jacob Grimaldo, Brett Ferguson, Christian Valles and Edgar Hernandez. On the back row are, from left, David Barkley, Taylor McCasland, David Bolding and Edgar Arellano. (SPC Photo/Wes Underwood)

REESE CENTER – The The Punisher – Dillon Whiteley B-52 Flying Fortress team from crowned champions in the Tin Man VIII South Plains College Robotics Class Robot Battle. The event was held Friday (May 4) in Building Six on the Reese

The contest featured nine teams representing students in the electronics technology program from both campuses and three teams from Plainview High School.

The Orange Teams represented the Reese campus. Participants were Gargamel - Jaxon Bean of Plains, Luis Contreras of Lubbock, Matt Thomas of Katy and Luke D. Robertson of Snyder; Copperhead – James F. Hennesay and Manual H. Garcia, both of Lubbock, James A. Anderson of Childress and Jake W. Hargett of Coleman; and Wonka's Revenge - Geno Olivarez of Spur, Ryne Trout of Snyder, Taylon Garrett of Anton and Leslie Bullard of Amarillo. Wonka's Revenge lost in the finals to the team from PHS.

The Blue Teams represented the Levelland campus. Participants were Hellachopper -David Little of Lubbock and Aaron Moore of Brownfield:

of Plains and Eulid Escamilla of Plainview High School was Levelland; and Honey Badger -Roger Smith of Whitharral and Lucas Johnson of Whiteface.

The Red Team represented Plainview High. Participants were American Muscle: The rise of the fallen - Brett Ferguson, Kalen Riley, Taylor McCasland and John Thoebe: Plainview Punk - David Barkley, Edgar Hernandez and Edgar A. Hernandez; and B-52 Flying Fortress - Trae Greigo and Grant Ratliff.

A panel of three judges was

comprised of Krystyn Scott, an SPC alumni from Water Valley; Andrew Ruiz, Registrar at SPC; and Mike St. Clair, instructor in Industrial Manufacturing at

The Electronic and Manufacturing Technologies Program includes the Robotics course as part of the electronics curriculum. Industrial robotics is emphasized throughout curriculum.

For more information, contact Bill Tackett, instructor in electronics technology at Reese, at (806) 716-2297.

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Estacado vs. Andrews May 18-19, 2012

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Game #2 - Saturday, May 19, 2012 - Estacado HS Baseball Field -1:00 p.m.

Game #3 (If necessary) - 30 minutes after Game #2

Applications are now available for the 2012-2013 South Plains College Basic Firefighter Academy at www.southplainscollege.edu/fireacademy.

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St. Luke Baptist Inspirational Choir Celebrates Its Annual Day Program June 10th



The Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church Inspirational Choir will host its Annual Day Celebration on Sunday afternoon, June 10, 2012 at 306 East 26th Street, Lubbock, Texas, beginning at 3::30 p.m. The theme is "O taste and see that the Lord is good", Psalm 3: 4:8. Rev. J. H. Ford is pastor.

Officers of the Inspirational Choir are: Sister VeLinda Harvey - President; James Nickerson - Vice President; Sister Carrie Carter, 1st Assistant vice President; Sister Mish Manahan - Secretary; Sister JoAnn Dedrick - Treasurer; and Parliamentarian - Sister Deborah Drones

The community is invited to come and bring someone with you!

Homeless Man Commits Crime Just To Go Back To Prison

Columbus, GA -- Lance Brown was hungry and homeless, so he decided to get thrown in jail by hurling a brick through a glass door at the Columbus courthouse building.

Brown, 36, spent nine months in jail before his April trial. On Tuesday, he was sentenced to another month behind bars, and three years of probation that includes a six-month stay in a halfway house.

Brown's case illustrates the struggle prosecutors face when dealing with homeless defendants who resort to crime to seek the safety of prison. They weigh whether to devote scarce resources to prosecuting a lowerlevel offense with the burden that comes with upholding the law and deterring others from breaking it.

Faced with more nights on the street, Brown said he thought lofting the brick through the building would give him at least a few hours in a place where "someone's going to offer me a sandwich and drink."

U.S. Attorney Michael Moore said he had little other choice than to charge him with malicious mischief, a crime that carried a 10-year maximum prison sentence

"The unfortunate circumstances in which Mr. Brown found himself cannot be a justification for destroying property of the United States," Moore said. "And while I am personally saddened by Mr. Brown's plight, I regret that he chose to violate



the law instead of taking help from those who offered it."

Brown was previously convicted of bank robbery and released from a North Carolina prison in July. He headed to the courthouse in downtown Columbus with a strange request for his probation officer: He wanted to know what he could do to get back behind bars. The officer, Billy Johnston, offered him a list of social services, but it didn't take long for Brown to come up with his own answer.

He threatened to kill the president, a threat officers didn't deem credible.

Then he stormed from the building, found a brick and heaved it through the front door, tearing a gaping hole in the glass

thorities and soon indicted by a grand jury on a charge of malicious mischief.

At his two-day trial in April, prosecutors called seven witnesses, including Johnston, who carefully recalled what led to Brown's outburst. They also showed the jury a series of pictures of the damaged door and the brick he used.

Defense attorney Victor Arana called only Brown to the witness stand. He wanted to tell jurors about his attempts to avoid homelessness.

He said he became homeless after suffering a nervous breakdown and being kicked out of a local shelter because of a fight with another resident.

It took the jury only about 20 minutes to convict him, and at Tuesday's sentencing hearing,

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that cost about \$1,400 to fix, court records show. He was immediately arrested by federal au-

Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Organization



Opportunity to Comment on the **Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Organization's** Amendment #2 to the FY 2011 - 2014 Transportation Improvement Program

Residents of the Cities of Lubbock and Wolfforth and Lubbock County citizens living within the Metropolitan Area Boundary of the Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) are encouraged to review and comment on the Amendment #2 to the FY 2011 - 2014 Transportation

Improvement Program. Written comments will be received until close of business, Wednesday, June 13, 2012.

Public Forums will be held as follows:

May 31, 2012 Citibus Downtown Transfer Center 801 Broadway Lubbock, Texas 4:30 - 6:00 PM

June 14, 2012 City Council Chambers Lubbock City Hall 1625 13th Street Lubbock, Texas 8:30AM

Amendment to the FY 2011 - 2014 Transportation Improvement Program - Included Projects:

Interchange - Marsha Sharp Freeway and Milwaukee Avenue - Include project Interchange - Milwaukee Avenue and Spur 327 - Advance Year of Expenditure

Locations of Draft Revisions:

Lubbock MPO Office 916 Main, Suite 445 Lubbock, Texas 79401 Lubbock City Hall 1625 13th Street Lubbock, Texas 79457

Lubbock County Courthouse Wolfforth City Hall Public Information Office Main St. and Texas Avenue Commissioner's Office Lubbock, Texas 79408

328 East Hwy US 62/82 Wolfforth, Texas 79382

The Revisions may also be viewed on the Lubbock MPO's website Comments may be sent to Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Organization, 916 Main St., Suite 445, Lubbock, Texas 79401 or via email to

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In the 1st semester of the year we had guest speakers and facilitators who dealt with the young people on Being Leaders, Followers and Servants in society. In the 2nd semester we had a 10 week course that was offered by Stacy Cain and the folks of Toast Masters about having strong Communications skills. To encourage higher education we toured Texas Tech, Lubbock Christian University, Byron Martin Center and Vista College. Of course we also took fun field trips like bowling, horseback riding, local TV stations and Shrek, The Musical.

Our meals were provided by churches, community groups, individuals and our own Seasoned With Love Catering. I am so grateful to everyone who did so much throughout the year. It is simply not possible to mention everyone that made a difference for our students over the last year.

The Bridge of Lubbock is an amazing place that is doing great things for young people, families and many others in the town. The program I started, The ROK, 11 years ago at The Bridge, has reaped so much goodwill and assistance from our affiliation with The Bridge. I am so grateful to have the opportunity to oversee both programs.

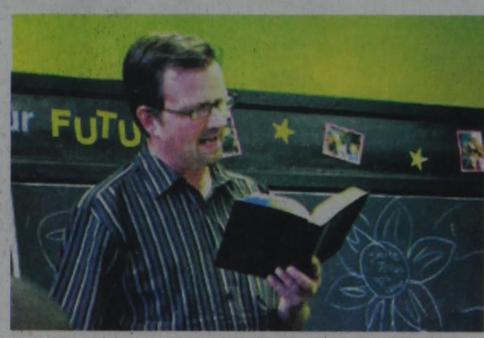
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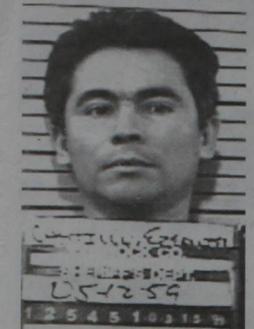
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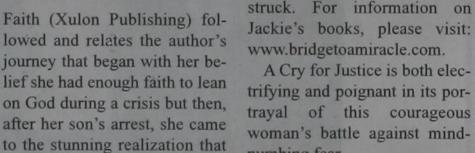
His defense attorney argued that he should be released with time served. Prosecutors didn't disagree.

When it was Brown's turn to talk, he issued a warning of sorts to the FBI agents and federal prosecutors in the courtroom.

"You can keep that probation," he said in a brief but rambling statement. "I will probably make you guys chase me all around the country a few times."

Prosecutor Mel Hyde was then asked what he thought about Brown's statement. He grimly advised the judge of his hunch.

"I think you can probably take Mr. Brown at his word," he said.



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President Obama endorses gay marriage

President Obama on Wednesday, May 9, 2012, endorsed gay marriage, becoming the first U.S. president to voice support for same sex-couples to legally

Obama said he had concluded 'personally" that same-sex couples should be able to get married. He said he came to the conclusion after years of conversations with friends, family and neighbors, as well as with members of his staff who are in samesex relationships.

"At a certain point I've just concluded that for me personally it is important for me to go ahead and affirm that I think same-sex couples should be able to get married," Obama said in an interview with ABC's Robin Roberts.

The announcement is a landmark for the gay rights movement, which has battled for for same-sex marriages.

But the sudden shift by Obama in an election year on the explosive issue could pose a risk to the campaign by alienating socially conservative, independent voters who do not support samesex marriage.

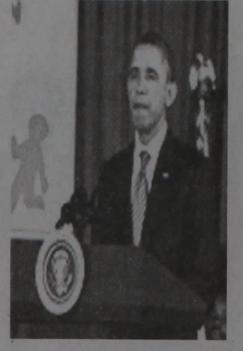
Obama's public statement on the issue follows Vice President Biden declaration on Sunday that he is "absolutely comfortable" with gay marriage. Education secretary Arne Duncan also said earlier this week that he supports gay marriage.

The acknowledgment comes on the heels of an overwhelming vote in swing state North Carolina, which defines marriage as legal only between a man and a woman, and comes just days after Obama held his first official campaign rallies.

Obama, who had previously said his views on gay marriage were "evolving," opened the interview with Roberts by talking about the conversations he's had on the issue.

"I have to tell you that over the course of several years as I have talked to friends and family and neighbors — when I think about members of my own staff who are in incredibly committed monogamous relationships, same-sex relationships, who are raising kids together," he said.

He also mentioned "soldiers or airmen or Marines or sailors



President Barack Obama

who are out there fighting on my behalf and yet feel constrained, even now that 'Don't ask, don't tell' is gone, because they are not able to commit themselves in a marriage."

Obama said even his daughters decades to win legal recognition had come around to accepting "a generational" concept.

> "You know, when I go to college campuses, sometimes I talk to college Republicans who think that I have terrible policies on the economy, on foreign policy, but are very clear that when it comes to same-sex equality, or you know believe in equality, they are much more comfortable with it," he said.

"You know, Malia and Sasha, they have friends whose parents are same-sex couples. There have been times when Michelle and I have been sitting around the dinner table and were talking about their friends and their parents, and Malia and Sasha, it wouldn't dawn on them that somehow their friends' parents would be treated differently," he said. "It doesn't make sense to them, and frankly that's the kind of thing that prompts a change in perspective."

Obama acknowledged the shift could hurt him politically, saying it could "put us at odds with the views of others." He cited his religion as another reason for his decision.

"When we think about our faith, the thing at root that we think about is, not only Christ sacrificing himself on our behalf, but it's also the Golden Rule, you know, treat others the way you would want to be treated," Obama said. "And I think that's what we try to impart to our kids and that's what motivates me as president and I figure the most consistent I can be in being true to those precepts, the better I'll be as a as a dad and a husband and hopefully the better I'll be as president."



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Author To Give Away 100 Free Copies of His Book "Black Business Secrets" At 2012 Black **Enterprise Conference in Chicago**

Chicago, IL -- To encourage entrepreneurship amongst African Americans, Dante Lee, author of Black Business Secrets: 500 Tips, Strategies and Resources for the African American Entrepreneur, is giving away 100 free print copies of his book at the upcoming Black Enterprise Conference in Chicago, Illinois.

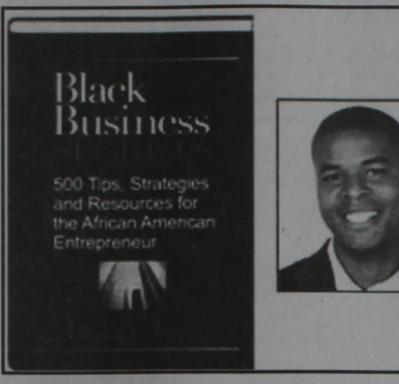
The conference will be held this year in Chicago, Illinois, at the Chicago Hilton at 720 South Michigan Avenue on Wednesday, May 23rd - Saturday, May 26th. Lee will give the books away during a book signing that will be held at his company's booth in the Dealmaker's Expo (Exhibit Hall) on Thursday, May 24th at 3pm.

Lee comments, "According to federal statistics, Black business owners are five times more likely to fail in business than their white counterparts. Therefore, my goal is to help as many entrepreneurs as possible to become more successful in business."

He continues, "That's why I've decided to give away 100 free copies of my book in print. I really want to help others experience the success that I've had in business, and my book is a very powerful tool to help people better understand sales, marketing, public relations, and more."

> **About "Black Business** Secrets"

Published by SmileyBooks and written by Dante Lee, Black Business Secrets is dedicated to transforming the devastating



Census Bureau statistics that African Americans are much more likely to fail in business than their white, Asian, or Latino counterparts due to lack of fundamental business education, and insufficient economic development and resources. Any entrepreneur of any race can benefit from the book, but the content has been specifically designed to challenge and inspire African Americans because their need is greater. For more details, visit www.BlackBusinessSecrets.com

About Dante Lee Dante Lee is a 30-year old marketing guru, a PR maven, an award-winning business coach, and a best-selling author. He has been showcased in Ebony magazine, Black Enterprise magazine, MSNBC, CNN, and "The Mo'Nique Show". His compa-

cluding BlackNews.com, Black PR. com, BlackHistory.com, and many more. His offices are in Columbus, Ohio, USA and Metro Manila, Philippines. For more details,

www.DanteLee.com About The 2012 Black Enterprise Conference

The Black Enterprise Entrepreneurs Conference + Expo attracts more than 1,500 attendees annually. Entrepreneurs from all over the country come together to take in everything the conference has to offer - from informative sessions, high-powered speakers, and networking opportunities, to essential tools for emerging and established entrepreneurs. Featured speakers this year will include Daymond John, Tavis Smiley, Nadine Thompson, and many more. For nies, Dante Lee International more details, visit www.Blackand Diversity City Media, own Enterprise.com/ec

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the educational needs of our region for more than 50 years, and to our guests in the Levelland and Lubbock areas for their continued support, which makes this gift possible."

The new educational center in Levelland will house the col-

Authorities Charge 13 FAMU Students In Hazing Case Continued from Page 6

case with so many defendants. Most cases don't result in criminal charges, and those that do typically end in plea bargains with little or no jail time, Sigal

Champion's parents have sued the bus company owner, claiming the driver stood guard outside while the hazing took place. The company said the driver was helping band members with their equipment.

The lawsuit described two types of hazing that took place on the bus.

In one ritual, students ran from the front of the bus to the back while other band members slapped, kicked and hit them. A student who fell was stomped and dragged to the front to run again.

In a ritual known as "the hot seat," a pillowcase was placed over the student's nose and mouth and he or she was forced to answer questions. If the student gave the correct answer, the pillowcase was removed briefly; a student who supplied a wrong answer was given another question without a chance to take a breath, the lawsuit said.

FAMU president James Ammons and board chairman Solomon Badger said in a joint statement that the school was working "vigorously" to eradicate hazing.

FAMU journalism major Victoria McKnight said she thinks the filing of criminal charges will curtail hazing during initiations into campus groups.

"Students on campus are going to be a lot more wary of what they do to pledges and their intake process," said McKnight, 22, of Miami. "Everybody is throwing out ideas on how to end hazing, especially this kind of brutal hazing."

lege's associate degree nursing, vocational nursing and physical therapist assistant programs. It will enable the two nursing programs to increase the number of students admitted into the programs by 50 percent. A grand opening and dedication for the

new facility is scheduled for

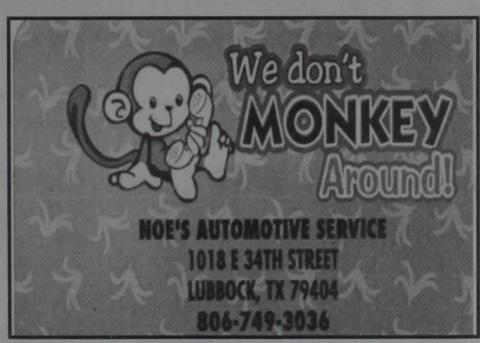
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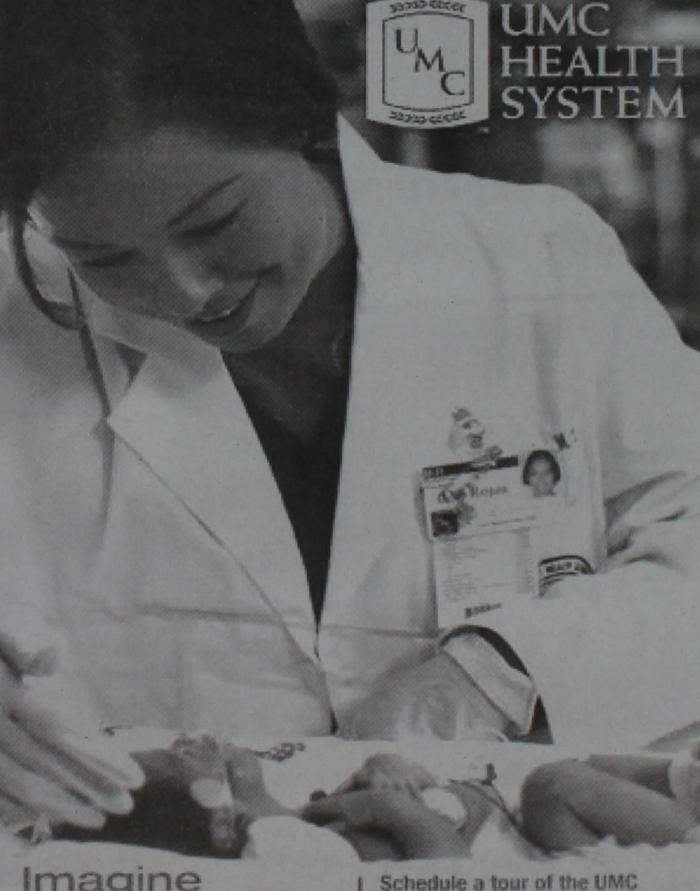
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6pm-7pm Late registration American Wind Power Center		11am-1pm	Mad Hatter's Luncheon, TBA (dress for brunch tea and wear your grandest hat)		
6pm-11:30pm	1701 Canyon Lake Drive Reception	2-3:30pm	Men's & Women's Basketball lies Elementary - 2401 Date Ave.		
	American Wind Power Center sponsored by the Classes of '65 & '66	4-4:30pm	Alumni Meeting Dunbar Alumni Bldg.		
FRIDAY, JULY 13, 2012 7am Golf, Meadowbrook Golf Course			1502 E. 27th St. (MLK & E. 27th) Elections of officers by ballot		
	601 Municipal Dr	7pm-1am	Banquet/Dance		
9am-12 noon Late registration Dunbar Middle School			Lubbock Civic Center semi formal/coat & tle (No Children Please)		
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Tiger Woods hits back at his critics

(CNN) -- When Tiger Woods won the Players Championship for the first and only time, he was at the peak of his powers.

In 2001, the tournament known as golf's unofficial "fifth major" was held the week before the Masters -- and Woods won both events as he became the only modern-day player to hold all four major crowns at the same time, albeit not in a calendar year.

This week, at the age of 36 and struggling to rediscover his best form, the American will again line up at TPC Sawgrass - but without the help of the man who helped him become the dominant force he was: coach Butch Harmon.

Already he has had to fend off questions about his painfully long process of swing changes, and a disappointing showing at Augusta last month and then again at Quail Hollow last week, where he missed the halfway

Hopes had been raised by his pre-Masters victory at Bay Hill, his first on the PGA Tour in more than two years, but since then his work with current coach Sean Foley has been questioned by former players such as Nick Faldo and Brandel Chamblee, both now TV pundits.

Bubba Watson talks faith and family Chamblee offered: "He needs to fire Sean, call Butch. He's literally lost the art of the game, and I think Butch could help him."

Faldo, who unlike Chamblee can call himself a major champion — six times over — is troubled by Woods' apparent lack of confidence.

"He just doesn't have the selfbelief, the self-confidence that he obviously had, the Tiger of old -- simple as that," the Englishman said.

Woods, for his part, insists that his work in progress is similar to previous frustrating periods rebuilding his swing with Harmon and then Hank Haney -



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- and he rebounded from those in a stellar career featuring 14 major titles and more than 80 professional victories.

"I went for probably almost two years without doing much with Butch before it kicked in, and about a year and a half with Hank," he told reporters ahead of Thursday's opening round.

"With Sean it's been almost two years. But I've been hurt for a majority of that, so I haven't been able to put in the time. In essence, it takes time.

"The fruits have been pretty good on the back side of it, and I think so far I've shown some nice consistency, and I'm still working. I just haven't had the time because obviously the injuries I've had."

Woods did admit that he might be thinking too much about his game, rather than just playing.

"Certainly it is (like that) when you're making changes," he said.
"I've done this before. I've been through this. I went through those periods where I wasn't quite where I wanted to be. I had some pretty good runs after that, and this is no different.

"It takes a little bit of time, and I keep building, and things eventually come around to where they feel natural and efficient. I think that's probably the most important word, is that you get out there and you feel efficient in what you're doing."

Woods' recent performances have highlighted another part of his game that needs work: his

putting -- having needed 33 in the second round at Quail Hollow, and also struggling in finishing 40th at Augusta.

"Absolutely. I'm not quite 100% comfortable with it. I've had to make some tweaks and some little bit of changes," he said.

"Augusta was nice to have happen, actually, in the big scheme of things. Just like it was at Dubai a couple of years ago when I couldn't cut the golf ball. I felt like I could have won that golf tournament, but not being able to cut it cost me eight or nine shots that week.

"Augusta was one of those things where it was just pretty glaring, some of the things I needed to work on. So get back to work and try and get ready for this week." Woods will be in a high-profile grouping on Thursday and Friday as he lines up alongside FedEx Cup series leader Hunter Mahan and another "Golf Boy" in Rickie Fowler, who won his first PGA Tour title at Quail Hollow last weekend.

Rory McIlroy, who returned to world No. 1 by reaching the playoff on Sunday, will partner Steve Stricker..

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