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NATIONAL NEWS At a Glance

Hispanics to Outnumber Blacks by Year 2020

WASHINGTON, D.C.—According to the latest population projections released by the Census Bureau last week, Hispanics will replace African Americans as this nation's largest minority by the year 2020. The bureau projects that blacks will number 45.4 million by 2020 and Hispanics will total 51.2 million. The proportion of whites will also decline. White Americans currently account for 83.3% of the nation's total population. But, if the Census Bureau is right, that percentage will decline to 78.2% by 2020. The report also suggests that the biggest factor influencing population changes will be immigration. Disproportionately, immigrants go to California, New York, Texas, Florida, New Jersey and Illinois. The largest number of immigrants are expected to be Spanish-speaking. But Asians are also expected to grow rapidly within the next 30 years. The experts are unclear as to whether the population shifts will lead to greater or less ethnic strife.

Blacks Get Less Care but Survive as Well as Whites

BOSTON, MASS.—The results of studies published recently in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* revealed that blacks get less medical care than whites but they tend to survive major ailments just as well as whites. One study of over 33,000 people treated at Veterans Affairs Medical Centers found that white heart attack patients were twice as likely as blacks to be treated with surgery or angioplasty. Nevertheless, blacks had a slightly better heart attack survival rate. The surprising results suggest that blacks are genetically better able to survive certain ailments or that some advance medical treatments are not as effective as doctors believe. Regardless, Harvard Medical School Dr. John Ayanian suggested that treatment may allow patients to feel better even if it does not prolong their lives.

Aristide Blasts Clinton Haiti Policy as Racist

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The exiled president of Haiti, Jean-Bertrand Aristide, last week denounced Clinton administration policy toward his country, labeling the policy "racist." Aristide was particularly upset with Clinton's continuation of Bush administration policy in which refugees from Cuba are eagerly accepted in the U.S. while refugees fleeing the oppressive regime in Haiti are forced to return. According to Aristide—who was overthrown by the country's current military regime—the U.S. policy toward Haiti is "really a way of saying we don't care." The ousted leader is also frustrated that the U.S. has not done more to restore him to power. Meanwhile, a Clinton spokesperson said, "Our policy remains to restore democracy and restore President Aristide" to Haiti.



"Are Blacks Like A Bucket Of Crabs?"

by Candida Johnson

If you leave a bucket of crabs overnight unattended, when you wake in the morning they will still be in the bucket, because they spent the night pulling each other down. This statement was made by a friend's grandfather, Charles Russell, who compares

African-Americans to the creatures. How many of us are guilty of pulling down brothers or sisters in order to make ourselves feel superior?

The example of the crabs remind me of the more militant-than-thou African-Americans I've been running into lately. You cannot help but to wonder who these people are trying to convince, White America or themselves? These more militant-than-thou Blacks seem to think the only way to be truly black, is by condemning all that is black.

Take, for example, all those constantly putting themselves on a black pedestal complaining about black brothers and sisters in Lubbock. Black people in Lubbock don't do this. Black people in Lubbock don't do that. Raise your hand if you're tired of brothers and sisters popping into town and being devastated because we don't worship the ground they walk on. Excuse me... Just because you went to Dallas or Houston last summer and read a book on Farrakhan it does not make you an expert on being black.

I've heard all types of theories as to why black people in

Lubbock don't have money to roll in. Some more-militant-than-thou blacks say black people in Lubbock don't help each other. I even had a white teacher tell me this when I was in high school. I almost left Dunbar believing this fib. My eyes were opened when I received a scholarship from the Lubbock Juneteenth Committee. If it were true that black people in Lubbock don't help each other, I never would have gotten the scholarship. All those associated with it were black and from Lubbock.

A rumor going around Texas Tech is that Black people in East Lubbock are poor, uneducated and envious of black Tech students. One Tech student told me when he comes to East Lubbock to tutor he hides his Tech backpack because he doesn't want some jealous East Lubbock brother jumping on him. At one point violence between East Lubbock residents and Tech students (namely football players) was really bad. Since I was one of the few black people from Lubbock who actually took up for our neighborhood, I was called to a meeting in which the athletic director and a few football players were in attendance. Before I went to the meeting I asked some of my childhood friends why there was tension between Blacks at Tech and East Lubbock. Their reply was, "The Tech students walk around with chips on their shoulders acting as if they're better than everyone because they're in college and not from Lubbock." While I felt this was no reason for conflict I did understand where they were coming from. I've faced a great deal of persecution because I refuse to join in on the East-Lubbock-bashing my Tech acquaintances spend hours at a

time engaging in. They seem to forget that when they talk about East Lubbock they're talking about me, my parents and all my relatives. I get offended. They don't care because they believe they are more "black" than Lubbock blacks because they have a FM soul radio station. (Well we've got an AM) At the meeting the football players expressed how jealous those "Eastside people" are of them because they're asked them was it the people from East Lubbock or was it them and their better-than-everybody attitudes which was causing them to get their butts kicked every weekend at Crystals? Nevertheless I had to leave the meeting early because they got pretty hot. However my point was and still is, if you go into a store putting your hands in your pockets and peeping around every aisle, someone is going to think you're shoplifting. If you go to Tech and each time you meet someone black from Lubbock you assume you're better than them, that attitude is going to come across. Why would black people in Lubbock be jealous of black Tech students? It's not like they think the students are going to stay and actually try to make a difference. We realize our businesses donate to black organizations at Tech who load up on vans, drive into our "scary neighborhood," pick up donations and drive right back to Tech. All the while cracking jokes about the Bingo Hall and twenty year old cars. It would be nice if these brothers and sisters would take \$2.00 dollars of our donated money, buy gas, drive to East Lubbock and spend one day pulling up our youth.

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Teaching Team Develops "Hands On" Aspects for Success in Science Classes Students and Instructors Work Together on Projects

The Estacado Science Department is continuing its tradition of going to the 'head of the class' when it comes to leadership and professional activities.

Caylene Caddell, Joanne Cunningham, Pam Thomas, along with Assistant Principal Patu Blide made a presentation at the commissioner's MidWinter Conference January 24 and 25. The program was "Science is A Verb!" The focus was reaching minority students through exploratory science.

Caddell and Cunningham presented "Field Biology from a Student's Perspective" at Texas Tech's Science Day March 26. Student participants were David Barrientos, Brocric Lemons, Diana Marquez, Rosie Perez, Toshia Randle, and Tamara Richard.

Cunningham and Mona Pelkey made a presentation at the Fifth Annual Panhandle Area Science conference called "Hands-On, Eukaryotic Cells."

Caddell and Starla Ewan will be graduate assistants for the ASSIST Program at West Texas A&M this summer. They will be teaching teachers the 'finer points' of geology, water quality, and field biology.

Students in Caddell's and Cunningham's classes have been teaching elementary students about bacteria, fungus, and protista by presenting projects and designing labs for them.

Fifth and sixth graders from Hunt and Jackson elementary schools enjoyed learning how to stain microscope slides as well as watching all sorts of 'critters' through the video microscope.

Bill Jolley recently had an article published in the *Journal of Infection and Immunity* entitled "Characterization of Neuramidases Produced By Various Serotypes of Pasteurella haemolytica." The article was coauthored by D. C. Strauss and Dr. C. W. Purdy.

Jolley's research is involved with the effects of the bacteria, *Pasteurella haemolytica*, on cattle and other farm animals.

Pam Thomas had an article published in the American Society for Cell Biology Newsletter which was devoted entirely to Education and the role of the scientific world in the classroom. The article, "How the ASCB Affected A Teacher, A School and A Community!", examined how the summer fellowship program had been instrumental in changing attitudes about science and the approach to science teaching at Estacado.

Jolley's classes recently taught principles of aerodynamics to sixth graders at Parkway Elementary. The students learned the principles of designing their own airplanes!

Jolley and Thomas also gave a 'Sound Seminar' to Mrs. Gil's sixth grade students at Parkway Elementary. Students got to experience lots of musical instruments—everything from the guitar to the baritone.

Thomas has also been chosen for the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology High School Teacher Fellowship, a twelve week research position for this summer.



Pam Thomas



Bill Jolley



Caylene Caddell



Mona Pelkey



Starla Ewan



Joanne Cunningham



Alleged Drug Dealer Wanted by Authorities

Last week, the U.S. Attorney's Office released information that Alberto Cespedes Delgado, also known as "Porkey," is at large and is wanted by the U.S. Attorney's Office in regard to drugs.

His name was released following the opening of a sealed indictment which did bear his name, along with the other alleged drug dealers who were arrested in a sting operation on April 8, 1994.

According to the U.S. Attorney's Office, Delgado, on the day of the "sting" operation, called their office to see if his name was on the sealed indictment list, and he was told that it was. He allegedly responded by saying, "I'll turn myself in in about 30 minutes." He never did report to honor the indictment.

Information reveals that all of his possessions were gone from his residence upon an on-site investigation by authorities. Among them was a boat.

If anyone knows his whereabouts, please advise the U.S. Marshal's Office by calling (806) 743-7655 or the Drug Enforcement Agency at 798-7189 or 763-7175.

It is reported that Delgado is considered to be "armed and dangerous."

Monroe/Patterson Announce Engagement and Wedding



Ursula Yolanda Monroe and T.J. Patterson, Jr., Esq. will be married August 6, 1994 at Our Lady of the Assumption Church in Beaumont, Texas.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of the late Norward and Mable Jacobs Monroe, and is currently attending the University of Texas School of Law. She also graduated from the University of Texas at Austin, Texas with a degree in History and Government.

The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Patterson, Sr. of Lubbock, Texas. He is a graduate of North Texas State University in Denton, Texas and in May, 1990, received his Doctorate of Jurisprudence from Thurgood Marshall School of Law at Texas Southern University at Houston, Texas.

Patterson presently serves as the Chief of Narcotics Control and Vice Interdiction Section in Financial Crimes, Attorney General Office.

Lubbock Students Receive Automotive Awards at SPC Banquet

LEVELLAND—Doug Coody, Larry Saiz and Jesse Parra, all from Lubbock, were named outstanding automotive service technology students during the recent South Plains College Automotive and Diesel Service Technology Awards Banquet.

They were among 11 students selected by the faculty based on cooperation in the classroom, attitude, attendance and quality of classwork.

Other recipients of automotive awards are Willie Torres from Levelland, Patricia Alcalá from Brownfield, Danny Mendoza from Muleshoe, and Dwaine Powers from Stephenville.

Outstanding students in the diesel service technology area are Johnny McGlasson from Sundown, Michael Ariaga from O'Donnell, Pete Luna from Seminole and Jared Simpson from Amarillo.

Gilbert Segura from Levelland received the Mechanics Choice Award from his fellow students.

Ruby Jay's Corner



Services at the New Hope Baptist Church—the Church Where The People Really Care—had good services last Sunday morning. The proud pastor is Rev. Billy R. Moton. Sunday School began at 9:30 a. m. It was Youth Sunday, and they were in charge of Sunday School. Sister Margaret Moton began the services. Sister Alma Colquitt and classes participated. High points of the lesson were given by Rev. Bobby Johnson. It was Mother's Day, and the young people did acknowledge the occasion.

The honor roll students received their report which was lovely.

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Sister Hattie Gipson was in charge of the morning devotional period, and the youth led in the special effort.

The Youth Choir marched in the processional singing "Love Will Make You Free." Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Johnson. A selection, "We Worship You," was sung. Scripture was read by Eric Walker who read St. John 1:5. Prayer was given by a youth.

Responsive reading was done with the assistance of the entire congregation. The morning hymn was "I'll Fly Away." Pastoral observations were given by Pastor Moton. He always has something positive to advise the congregation. Another selection, "Worthy Is The Lamb," was sung.

Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "A Mother Who Kept Her Promise To God." His scripture text was 1 Samuel 1:24-28. It was a powerful message. We often make promises and don't keep them. God is still good to us.

The rest of the services were in the usual manner.

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There will be a bridal shower for Johanie L. Walker, director of the Youth Choir, Saturday, May 21, 1994, from 5:00 p. m. to 7:00 p. m. at George Woods Community Center, located at East Zenith Avenue and Erskine Road. Everyone is invited to attend.

They led the way! This is a salute to Black women. Join us in this special effort which will be a banquet to honor them (women) Friday night, May 27, 1994, beginning at 7:00 p. m. at the Ko'Ko Palace (Danny's Catering). Rev. Lemuel Thuston, a powerful preacher and preacher of the word, will be guest speaker. Tickets are \$15.00 each.

This affair is being sponsored by the Women Missionary Society of the New Hope Baptist Church. You are invited.

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Pastor Moton passed out lovely roses to all mothers in last Sunday morning services at New Hope. Men present gave their wives a rose also. Deacon Swain had the privilege of giving a rose to the first lady of New Hope—Sister Margaret Moton.

You can imagine that the husbands had to say sweet words to their wives. This made it so precious.

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Last Saturday evening, Mary Ann Jones of Dallas, Texas surprised her mother with a birthday party in Fellowship Hall of New Hope. She was really surprised! Everyone present really did enjoy it.

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Keep praying for the sick and shut-in citizens of the community. Ollie Guy is home from the hospital. Sister Mabel Biggers is still in the hospital.

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Our love, prayers and sympathy go out to all of the bereaved families. There were several last week.

Among them were Earnest Jones, Larry Anderson, II, and Sister Willie Mae Goff.

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The Mary Newton family lost her daughter in Midland, Texas last week. Let us pray for this family.

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This writer, RUBY JAY, would like say "Thank You!" FOR ALL THE LOVELY GIFTS AND CARDS received on Mother's Day. Love you! God is so good to me and all of us. Until next week, take care!

Nelson Mandela Makes History



Nelson Mandela made history recently by being released from prison and becoming the first black president of South Africa.

Mandela made history by becoming the first president of and by all South African people. Representatives from over 200 governments including our Vice President and First Lady attended his inauguration. Mandela was inaugurated at the same place where he was sentenced to prison years ago.

SPC Lubbock Announces Winners of Student Awards Banquet

LUBBOCK—Twenty-four students from South Plains College's Lubbock campus were honored during a recent student awards banquet.

"We want to congratulate these students on their outstanding achievements during the year and for their leadership and dedication to studies," said Dr. Dick Walsh, SPC provost.

Lubbockites named outstanding students in the allied health department are Amada Garcia from Lubbock, child development; Quinlan Thornburn, human services; Tony Ware, radiologic technology; Michael Latham, respiratory care; Christina Gaspard, surgical technology; and Mitch Young, vocational nursing.

Recipients of awards in the business administration department are Lubbockites Denise Ford, accounting associate; Mary Brown, general secretary; Donna Morris, legal assistant; Jenny Matthews, legal secretary; Gregory Lovell, marketing and management; Beth Garrett, microcomputing; Connie Mersievsky, word processing specialist, and Carol Motl from Shallowater, medical secretary.

Industrial technology recipients are Brent Respondek from Idalou, automotive technology; Barbara Whiteside from Slaton, certificate automotive technology; and Billy Pickens from Slaton, electronics technology. Philip Astley from Magill, Australia, received an English composition award.

Student Council scholarship recipients are Lubbockites Joan Blackmon, marketing and management; Michael Burch, radiologic technology; Blanca Camargo, respiratory care; Guadalupe Saldana; Georgia Simon, vocational nursing; and Lay Wyatt, respiratory care.

Summer School Set at Mary & Mac

Summer School will begin at Mary & Mac Private School June 1, 1994 through July 29, 1994, with lots of fun activities and field trips.

For more information please call 744-4057. The summer hours will be 7:30 a.m. through 5:50 p.m.

Mary & Mac Private School is located at 307 East 24th Street.

Ribbon Cutting Set for the Chatman Community Health Center

A significant occasion in Lubbock's history will take place Sunday, May 15, 1994. The Chatman Community Health Center will celebrate its construction at a ribbon-cutting and dedication ceremony at 3:00 p.m. Citizens of Lubbock are invited to be a part of this history-making occasion.

The center is located at 2301 Cedar Avenue.

The clinic will be open for the public to see from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday and will be ready to accommodate patients the following Monday morning.

This project is a joint effort between the City of Lubbock, University Medical Center, and The Chatman Foundation Board.

According to Harold Melvin Chatman, a goal of \$725,000 was raised by the three organizations with the Chatman Foundation Board responsible for \$225,000.00. "We are most thankful for what has been done, and now we will cut the ribbon on Sunday," continued Chatman.

The original facility—which was called the Chatman Hospital—was the brainchild of the late Dr. Joseph Alvin Chatman, and was built in 1945.

Oops! We Goofed!

In last week's edition of the Southwest Digest, we reported that Lisa S. Baker, Miss Black Texas Tech University, was a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. She told the Southwest Digest that she had only done volunteer work for the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

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SPC AUTOMOTIVE PROGRAM AWARD WINNERS—Seven students in South Plains College's automotive service technology program were named outstanding students in their respective sections during a recent awards banquet. Seated from left are Dwaine Powers from Stephenville, Patricia Alcalá from Brownfield and Willie Torres from Levelland. Standing from left are Doug Coody, Larry Saiz and Jesse Parra, all from Lubbock, and Danny Mendoza from Muleshoe.

LMHMR Encourages Awareness

Lubbock Regional Mental Health/Mental Retardation Center continues to encourage community awareness concerning the In-Home and Family Support Program. People with mental illness, mental retardation, autism or children under age four with a developmental delay may be eligible for financial assistance if they have unmet needs related to their disability.

This program is intended to assist with special needs to maintain the person with a disability in his or her home, and to increase the person's independence. Grants of up to \$3600 are available annually to purchase services or items related to the person's disability. Services or items that can be purchased may include health care, attendant care, purchase of therapy/mobility equipment, modifications to the home, etc.

Contact Michelle Jones, at 766-0282, for more information regarding services for persons with mental retardation, autism and for children under four years of age with a developmental delay, or Cheryl Pursell at 766-0233 for more information regarding services for persons with mental illness.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters Need Minority Volunteers

Did you know Big Brothers/Big Sisters has 176 children waiting to be matched with an adult? And did you know that of those waiting, 145 are boys?

Our agency exists to aid children from single-parent families who need the friendship of a special adult in their lives. Volunteers from all social, financial and ethnic backgrounds are needed. Married couples are also allowed to be matched with a child.

What is required to be a volunteer? Our volunteers are asked to spend 3-5 hours a week for at least one year with their match. We encourage volunteers to involve the children in routine activities. No money is required. Remember, most rewarding activities can be experienced by giving of yourself—not your money.

If you are interested in a unique relationship between a child and a volunteer, please contact our agency to find out more about the application process. All inquiries are welcome!

Think about it. How many chances do you get to really make a difference in the life of a child? Big Brothers/Sisters can give you that chance. So, call today and volunteer!

WHAT IS HAPPENING LOCALLY To Complete The Unfinished Work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



AQIP is a networking process for organizations engaged in an overall community-building approach to addressing the root causes or all types of its among Black and similarly-situated minorities. AQIP's overall objective, via this interorganizational coalition, is to begin immediately to transform the discrete communities within Black America, through pro-instituting "togetherness," into such Shining Cities of Hope that all therein not only will be motivated to want to learn and become productive parts of our then-wonderful communities, but also there will be a greatly lessened desire, or "felt need," to abandon support for Black-led organizations that opened economic and other doors, Black-owned businesses and professional entities, Black churches, etc. by inordinately intergrating and/or invading the communities and social and other institutions developed by (and for) other ethnic groups. AQIP has a redemptive mission of completing the "unfinished work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr." The information listed below about your organization should (as best possible) be focused on what your group is doing to help complete this "unfinished work."

This is a public service courtesy of the Southwest Digest. We will list your meeting date, time and place; special activities, annual meetings, etc. Anything else will be considered advertisement and will be charged as such. Such as hand-bills, brochures, promotions, etc. This is necessary, because of the inflated cost of doing business. We have to pay our expenses. There will also be a charge for photos, other than news events. For more information about getting your announcement on this page, call Eddie P. Richardson at 762-3612

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

The African-American Women Empowering meets Saturday at 12 Noon at 2812 Weber Dr. We, Community Center

East Lubbock Chapter AARP Every 1st Wednesday at 1 pm at Main 2000 Community Center, Oak and 8th St.

The Dunbar International Alumni Association meets in Dunbar cafeteria as announced. More about their meetings.

Agape Temple Church of God in Christ will be hosting Free Dinner for the Homeless and Needy every 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month from 4:00 p.m. to 6 p.m. The church is located at 4510 Ave. Q. Bishop W. H. Watson is pastor.

Interdenominational Ministers Fellowship Alliance Every First Thursday—6:30 p.m. Smith Temple Church 6508 Avenue P

The African-American Business and Professional Coalition meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. 820 Ave H, Suite 5

Guadalupe Economic Services Corporation Issues Commodities Sec'd Monday & Tuesday's Parkway Drive & MLK Blvd. Call 766-7363

Free Health Screening Tuesday, 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Green Fair Manor Apartments Call either Debra, Lee or Rudy—762-8793 For additional information call: 767-2911

Health For Friends Stethoscope Clinic for FREE Glucose & Hypertension Screening Every Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon at Cathedral of Praise, 2011 E. 13th Lubbock, TX Sponsored by Lutheran Social Services of Texas in cooperation with Cathedral of Praise Question? Call Health For Friends 765-2639 Cathedral of Praise 763-6900

NAACP Monthly Meeting Every Second Saturday Evening 6:30 p.m. Smith Temple Church 6508 Avenue P

The Girl Scouts of Greenleaf Manor meet each Wednesday at 2812 Weber Drive at 4pm. All interested girls are asked to be present.

Exodus Into Manhood a Black Men Support Group Meeting time: 8:00 p.m. every Saturday at 2812 Weber Dr. Theme: "Visions for Black Men" For further information contact: Marvin 769-0051, Leon 784-0115, or H.D. 763-5552

Health For Friends, Every Thursday, 9:00am - 12:00 noon at Cathedral of Praise 2011 East 13th Question? Call Health For Friends at 765-2639 or Cathedral of Praise at 763-6900

Lubbock Emancipation Juneteenth Committee Inc. Time: 7:00p.m. Where: 820 Ave H, Suite 5 April 14 & 28 & May thru June every Thursday

Parkway Manor Care Center News

Mary Lani came last Sunday to offer Communion to the Catholic residents. She is a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church.

Members of New Zion Baptist Church came last Monday evening for religious services, and to visit the residents. There were nine members present.

Rising Star Baptist Church had members to come last Tuesday evening to visit the residents and hold religious services.

Ann Day of SPAG came several times this week to visit with the residents. We always appreciate her so much for the help she gives to the residents.

Letha Alexander visited her sister and brother, Minnie Keeton and Jack Stevenson, on last Thursday afternoon. What a lovely time they had together.

Jeanine and Gloria Wilson visited David Wilson last Wednesday afternoon.

Brother Birmingham and Brother Leonard, who are members of the Hope Deliverance Temple Church, came last Wednesday to visit with the residents.

Jennie Ann Jordan and Shirmita Borgers visited their mother and grandmother, Luville Wiggins, this week.

Elmer Graves visited her sister, Lula York, and other residents on last Friday afternoon.

The staff of the Parkway Manor Care Center appreciate the faithfulness of those who visit as well as the churches who come and hold religious services. The residents look forward each week to seeing each of you present in this care center. We are just most appreciative of what you have done and what you will continue to do.

"The Lesson of The Year" The years have taught me many things, but none so sure as this: that shelter, solace, joy and strength are always where God is.

So now when hope and courage fail, and only fear is strong. My heart will sing, as in the past, an unforgettably song.

God is my refuge and my strength. I will not be afraid, and though the night be wild and dark, I'll meet it undismayed.

Rev. Norma Owens, A. D. & R.; Rev. W. H. Stephens, Assistant A. D. & R.

The Afro-American Community Self-Help Program

How this NEW Afro-American SELF-HELP PLAN fights RACISM and wins. As long as Afro-Americans have been living in the United States, they have been subjected to prosecution, persecution, humiliation, degradation, and even death, only because they are Afro-Americans. Despite ALL efforts by Afro-Americans to alleviate these injustices, Afro-Americans haven't solved the many problems resulting from racism. These problems, some of which are poor health care, decaying neighborhoods, unemployment, police brutality, still exist and are getting worse. Afro-Americans cannot rely on the racist United States government to solve Afro-American racial problems, primarily because the United States government fosters, practices, and encourages racism. Furthermore, the United States cannot solve its own indigenous problems let alone Afro-American problems. Afro-Americans must reassert the basic United States ideal: SELF-RELIANCE, AND SELF-DETERMINATION. Afro-Americans have long since lost faith in the United States, the Afro-American Church, private institutions, and the United States political process. By creating and executing an Afro-American SELF-HELP program, supported only by Afro-Americans will be strong evidence Afro-Americans can reformulate the process of their participation in this society. This new plan will better address Afro-American needs, by beginning at the neighborhood community and even individual levels. basically, it will be developed by Afro-Americans, they will stress making equal justice, equal opportunity, and improving the quality of Afro-American life a reality. The ultimate goal being to develop and expand ways to connect Afro-American concerns to the planning resources, and institutional capacities of the larger society. This, because so many types of the public sector's support have not been provided to Afro-Americans their neighborhoods or communities. The act of Afro-Americans helping themselves will have the potential for solving Afro-American problems, and those problems that heretofore have been insoluble. This Afro-American approach is a very new way of dealing with Afro-American racial problems in a racist society. The United States has been and still is very good at creating Afro-American racial problems, very inept, negligent, and indifferent in providing solutions for these problems. This practice by the United States, has produced false hope, anger, apathy, and frustration among all Afro-Americans. This SELF-HELP PLAN of and by Afro-Americans is a practical local effort toward making all regional, national, and other systems in this society accountable and responsive to Afro-American concerns. As a free enterprise system, the United States as a society rests on the ability of individual citizens to freely exercise this spirit, and for each to participate in the shaping of his or her destiny. This Self-Help plan is an expression of that spirit. The development of Afro-American individual and group initiatives into viable political, economic and cultural units will have a positive effect, and will be

very beneficial to the United States. It will show that Afro-Americans can demonstrate they are competent in complex problem solving.

There is so much inadequate knowledge among Afro-Americans concerning Cooperative, or SELF-HELP type programs, mainly because Afro-American education is totally controlled by white people. Such control discourages Afro-American cooperation and unity. No white individual nor the white-controlled United States government has ever encouraged Afro-Americans to unite and/or work together for Afro-American progress. A recent Summerhill Group study indicated that all Classes of Afro-Americans must work together to solve Afro-American problems. As it is today, the Afro-American middle-class does not associate itself with the Afro-American underclass as a result, Afro-Americans are always divided. This division is caused by the "Uncle Tom" Afro-American who misleads Afro-Americans for the benefit of white people. The "Uncle Tom" Afro-American is the arch-enemy of Afro-Americans and Afro-American unity. The Afro-American "Uncle Tom" is a far greater threat to all Afro-Americans than any white person. These Afro-American "Uncle Toms" must be exposed, denounced and discredited, no exception. It will make the difference between Afro-American progress and no progress. The problem with Afro-American groups is always the incompetence of Afro-American leadership. Afro-American leadership is always controlled by white people. White people do not have the ability to solve their own problems let alone Afro-American problems. No white person or group of white people have ever really solved any Afro-American racial problem. White people involve themselves in Afro-American problem solving only to better control Afro-Americans. White people give money to Afro-American projects for the sole purpose of controlling that project. Afro-Americans must work together and learn to unite; it is the only way to cope with racism in a racist society.

We have established the Afro-American Economic Fund for the express purpose of funding or financing Afro-American Self-Help projects. The Afro-American Economic Fund can, in certain instances obtain grants for Afro-American Community Self-Help programs. In addition to money grants the Afro-American Self-Help program will be given technical and legal assistance, program related investment loan guarantees and investment loans publicity, and validation of Afro-American Self-Help programs. This Afro-American Self-Help (AASH) program shows the need for understanding, support and cooperation among all Afro-Americans. The process of ongoing Afro-American unity must be accomplished by objective skillful planning. This planning must be done by those Afro-Americans who are capable of unity planning, regardless of skin color, education, wealth, etc. Cooperative bridges must be built between all Afro-Americans. This must be done because all Afro-Americans have one thing in common; THEY ARE ALL VICTIMS OF RACISM. The

following is a brief of the program to be initiated by Afro-American Self-Help:

I Afro-American Rights, Responsibilities, and Participation: The authority and/or responsibility to participate in the direction, control of the decisions that affect the Afro-American community its institutions or its interest.

II Afro American Community Development: Physical development Residential, Non-Residential, Community Property, Community Property Management, Community Preservation Afro-American Economic Development. The utilization of the production, distribution, and consumption of goods and services. The distribution and retention of income so as to aid Afro-American empowerment, and increase opportunities for the Afro-American and their communities.

III Services: Education, Health and Medical Care, Transportation: Issues of access, cost, equity, and appropriate forms of public and private conveyances

IV Summary: Specific segments of the community's or neighborhood's population's concerns, requirements, and problems.

The aforementioned Afro-American Self-Help concerns are central to the Afro-American program. To implement our Afro-American Self-Help program requires money. Therefore we are asking and appealing to you and all Afro-Americans to support this program which will benefit all Afro-Americans. This Afro-American program should begin with Afro-Americans supporting their own. On a community level door to door canvassing, mailings, various fund raisers, and other methods can be used to help the community. We are asking Afro-Americans to become a member partner of Summerhill Group and pay membership dues or make regular donations. All monies paid to Summerhill Group for Afro-American Self-Help are tax deductible. Furthermore, if any Afro-American who contributed to our Afro-American Self-Help program is not satisfied with what we're doing we will gladly refund their money. We need Afro-American professionals for suggestive input on various subject areas.

We also need the names and location of any Afro-American community or neighborhood in the United States, plus the name of a responsible person in that community, send them immediately. You Afro-Americans must get involved in this AFRO-AMERICAN SELF-HELP PROGRAM NOW. Start taking steps TODAY to begin AFRO-AMERICAN UNITY. Foreigners are coming to the United States in great numbers at a rapid pace. Many of these foreigners are infringing on the Afro-American gain by the fourteenth amendment, using this amendment to their advantage with the approval of the United States government. Even white women are now claiming that they are a minority, which is not true. Tomorrow may be too late, HELP US...HELP YOU...HELP US. For any information concerning this AFRO-AMERICAN SELF-HELP program write: Summerhill Group P O Box 36692, Los Angeles, California 90036

Illustrious Commandress Visits Relatives in Lubbock

Maryland Habely Young graduated from Dunbar High School in 1961. She spent a week in Lubbock recently visiting her mother, Willie Myrtle Habely. She came to Lubbock after spending 3 days in Denver, Colorado attending a Testimonial Banquet and festivities for the Imperial Commandress of the Daughters of Isis. Daughter Maryland Young was elected to this position in December, 1993.

She has lived in Clinton, Maryland (a suburb of Washington, D.C.) for 14 years. She is a Special Education teacher in Suitland, Maryland.

On July 23, 1994 a Commandress Ball will be given in honor of Illustrious Commandress Maryland Young in Clinton. Daughter Young will be in St. Louis, Missouri in August to attend International Shrine/Daughters Convention.



Maryland Habely Young, Illustrious Commandress MISR Court #193 Daughters of Isis—PHA



Willie Mae Goff

Final rites were read for Mrs. Willie Mae Goff on Friday, May 6, 1994, at the 20th & Birch Street Church of Christ with Minister Gerald Jackson officiating.

Interment was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under the direction of Curry Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Oliver Walker, Gregory Newman, Sherman Goff, Robert Earl Goff, Jonathan Hutchins and Kerry Childers.

Honorary pallbearers were Albert Stiggers, Roosevelt Carroll, David Hightower, Andrew Davis, Alvin Wright, and Charlie Patton.

OBITUARIES

Mrs. Goff was born to the late Walter and Mary Bowman on March 8, 1913 in Palestine, Texas. She attended Bethel High School where she met Johnnie Goff and later married him in 1933. He preceded her in death on March 5, 1983. To this union six children were born. They moved to Lubbock, Texas in 1947 where she resided until her death on May 2, 1994.

She leaves to cherish her memory: three sisters: Vashti Goff and Lula Parker, both of Waco, Texas and Easter Sanders of Dallas, Texas; one brother, Bennie Bowman of Houston, Texas; three sons: Johnnie Goff and Bennie Goff, both of Oakland, California, and Robert Goff of Lubbock, Texas; three daughters: Bernadine Newman of Phoenix, Arizona, Joyce Goff of Atlanta, Georgia and Mary Ann Hutchins of Richland, Texas; seven grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.



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There Is Still Around!!!

by Eddie P. Richardson

On Saturday, May 7th, 1994 I had the opportunity to attend a session of spring graduation at Lubbock Christian University with my mother, sister, nephew and ex-brother-in-law. We attended the graduation of another one of my nephews, Lee Edward Lott, who graduated summa cum laude in mathematics.

This brother went to the Army, worked and obtained a degree at not too young an age. Over 120 students graduated. One of the most important things was the fields—the majority of them graduated in business-related fields, nursing and other health-related fields, biology and chemistry, and

of course preaching and religion. But the most important thing was the number of honor designations: summa cum laude—CPA 4.0–3.8; magna cum laude—GPA 3.79–3.65; and cum laude—3.64–3.5. When one sees these kind of things it shows that hope is still alive and our young minds do not need dope in their veins but hope in their brains. We need to help, support, encourage our young people, talk to and with them, show them we care and want to see them succeed.

The more care and creative, positive attention we give our children at an early age, the better their chance to make it in the productive world.



IN CINQUE

by Renetta W. Howard

Everyone is concerned about the violent acts of our kids and thus a discussion of "kids killing kids" is commonly heard wherever one goes. Many of the people discussing the matter are guilty of the kinds of actions or omissions which foster crime and leads to kids killing kids; DISCIPLINE!

Discipline is the key word to crime prevention where youthful crime is concerned. Further, if there is enough youthful discipline it may very well curb some of the adult crime as well. Too many young children do not and have not experienced discipline, especially where they should first come into contact with it, at HOME.

Too long, teachers and schools have been erroneously blamed for youngsters taking the wrong path, but the blame should be properly placed; at the foot of PARENTS.

Parents, whether they are in the home, together, separated, never together or planning on a union, have the first line of responsibility to discipline their children for living in a social world. That first social world is HOME.

Children need to learn how to get along at home. If they can get along at home, then they usually have few problems getting along away from home. Teachers can tell instantly which children in their classes have been disciplined and which ones have not. Often, talking to parents is revelation.

Parents who discipline their children seldom apologize or make excuses for their children's actions. On the other hand, the parents who do not discipline their children, do not want anyone else to do it either and they make excuses for their children. Excusers are usually abusers. They teach violence. Parents need to get "in cinque" and stop teaching their children violence.

This & That

VERY LOW TURNOUT! THIS N THAT...as well as others...keep up with the local political process...are wondering...WHY THE TURNOUT...during the...CITY OF LUBBOCK & LUBBOCK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS...did not have a...LARGER NUMBER OF VOTERS...to go the...POLLS...Could it be...there were no...ISSUES...which were relevant...to the...LUBBOCK VOTERS...or...the...VOTERS NOT INTERESTED IN CITY & SCHOOL GOVERNMENT...With approximately...10,769 VOTES...in the...MAYORAL ELECTION...9,788 IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE RACE...and...15,595...in the...AT-LARGE SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION...those numbers are approximately...12%...of the...more than...100,000...REGISTERED VOTERS...in our city...These numbers...are very important...since there will be some...KEY ISSUES...to come up this year and perhaps the HALF-CENT SALES TAX EFFORT which very well be called come...JANUARY, 1995...So really...there are more than 85%...of the electorate...who has not said...WHO THEY WILL VOTE FOR...AND DIDN'T VOTE FOR ANYONE...either in the...CITY MAYORAL OR AT-LARGE SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS...Something has to be terribly wrong...about this process...or people just don't care about the electoral process...THIS N THAT...recognizes that this is a...VERY SERIOUS POSTURE...and should cause concern for those persons who are...ELECTED OFFICIALS...city or school...Even the vote...for the...MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE...was low...in our estimation...as only...9,788 VOTES...were cast...Now...if you would really...CALL IT LIKE IT IS...there were no...CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES...discussed in the...VARIOUS FORUMS...THIS N THAT...did make one...and...IT WAS A BORING FEW MINUTES...SPENT WITH THOSE CANDIDATES TO SEE...what they had to say...Surely...the...RUN-OFFS...will bring some excitement...for the voters...

CONGRATS!! THIS N THAT...would like to say...CONGRATS...to...DAVID R. LANGSTON...for a successful effort...or another term...Also...to...BOB CRAIG...and...ROY GRIMES...on their victory...

HOPE HE WILL CONTINUE! THIS N THAT...would hope that...VIRGIL JOHNSON...would stay in the political posture...as

he...no doubt...GAINED A LOT OF LUBBOCK POLITICS...over the past few months...One thing...THIS N THAT...is sure that he learned...is that when people say they will...SUPPORT YOU...pay close attention to what they really say and really mean...Some perhaps...didn't even go to the polls and vote...Just think...his...22%...could have very well been...MUCH HIGHER!

FOURTH WOMAN ON CITY COUNCIL! THIS N THAT...says...CONGRATS...to...WINDY SITTON...who won her race...for...City Councilwoman...from District 3...on last Saturday...She becomes the...FOURTH WOMAN...to hold such a position on the Lubbock City Council...Past women...were...CAROLYN JORDAN...JOAN BAKER...and...MAGGIE TREJO...who was the...FIRST HISPANIC...ever elected.

INTERSTATE AT FOURTH STREET SITE!! THIS N THAT...still believes that the only site...for the...PROPOSED MULTI-PURPOSE ARENA...near the South Plains Fair...should be the only one...that is...if the...VOTERS OF LUBBOCK...would like to have one...This...would certainly enhance the...CITY OF LUBBOCK...and when people...land at the...INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT...they will be able to see that...we are a most progressive city...

ATTEND RIBBON CUTTING! THIS N THAT...would like to encourage...ALL OF YOU...to attend the CHATMAN COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER ribbon cutting...come this...SUNDAY AFTERNOON...May 15th...at the location...2301 Cedar Avenue...This is a beautiful structure...and...what it will be utilized for...will make it more...BEAUTIFUL...

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D. C. KINNER THE BARBERS SAYS: "SCHOOL...will be out...in a...FEW WEEKS...and our...YOUNG PEOPLE...will need our...HELP...WILL YOU GIVE THEM A HELPING HAND?"

Dear Editor

Stephen McIntyre's comments in the May 5 issue regarding the editorials that Jay Harris has written in the A-J over the years about South Africa were right on target.

Steve got it exactly right. Jay Harris has never understood Africa in general, or South Africa in particular, or African Americans here at home. Apparently Harris never will understand, since he seems to understand less and less as he ages. Harris has traveled widely, and ordinarily we say that travel broadens a person. Harris is living proof that travel can narrow a person, too.

Harris, who was a sports writer in his early days, should stick to editorials about less complex things, like the east-west freeway, the multi-purpose arena, and the "soon to be built" international cultural center, and leave South African matters to more capable people.

At least the old gent's term as the A-J's active "Editor Emeritus" will be over at the end of this year, and then maybe he will not inflict himself and his views on the people of Lubbock so often.

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We may be critical of some things that are written. But, at least you will have the satisfaction of knowing they are truthful and to the point. People will react to that which is precise, and we will publish these articles as precisely and factually as is humanly possible. We will also give credit and respect to those who are doing good things for the Lubbock Area and the people. We will be critical of those who are not doing as they have said they would, and this, we think, is fair.

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Crazy Horse

by Stephen C. McIntyre

Folks complain constantly about the Government and then very few show up to vote. A failure to vote is a vote for the status quo that everyone across the political spectrum whines about in the press. In South Africa, El Salvador...folks line up for hours for the chance to vote. Sometimes while standing in line they are attacked with guns and bombs. They flee and return later to vote. They return in massive numbers to vote.

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The American College of Surgeons (295,000), National Medical Association (17,000 African-American physicians), American Medical Women's Association (13,000), and Physicians for a National Health Program (PNHP) are groups of health care providers who have endorsed single-payer health care reform.

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Physicians for a National Health Program (PNHP), research summary on single-payer systems, 246 pp., (312) 554-0383.

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5/7 1970 U.S. Court of Appeals affirms the right of law enforcement agents to seize evidence not mentioned in a search warrant.

5/8 1970 N.Y. construction workers beat protesters to police lock on. The workers then march to City Hall to raise the flag that had been at half-mast in memory of the students killed at Kent State on May 4th.

5/9 1968 U.S. Army Military Intelligence teams infiltrate the Poor People's March.

1969 The FBI illegally taps NSA

staffer Morton Halperin at White House request.

5/10 1969 100,000 demonstrate against Viet Nam War, Washington, D.C.

5/10 1969 Halp requests more FBI wire-taps of White House staff and asks that no written records be kept.

5/11 1970 FBI memo orders program of infiltration, intimidation, and disruption against the Black Panther Party.

1973 Pentagon Papers case dismissed.

1991 Bob Marley dies.

1992 President Reagan says that he can't make Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday a national holiday because it would begin "a trend towards too many holidays."

5/12 1846 U.S. declared war on Mexico.

1936 Black rebellion in Harlem.

1967 FBI memo reports a conversation between Birmingham, Ala., Police Commissioner Connor and Alabama Klan Grand Dragon Robert Shelton in which Connor tells Shelton that the police will not interfere with the Klan's plans to assault Freedom Riders.

1970 Halp, on Kissinger's orders, requests two more FBI wire-taps.

5/14 1836 Treaty of Velasco granted Texas independence.

1961 Led by FBI provocateurs, racists incinerate a bus and beat Freedom Riders in Birmingham, Alabama.

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Watch *The Fly* Away at 7:00 on Monday nights on PBS, Channel 5.

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Alliance to End Childhood Lead Poisoning, 2nd Annual National Conference, Washington, D.C., May 16-18, (202) 543-1147.

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If it is possible to create a new South Africa, maybe there is hope for Lubbock. It is totally as to whether the powers that be will allow democracy to flourish or will continue to try to control the people.

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Not unlike the Blacks in the deep South, the Mexican-American in Lubbock County was received by most of the dominant white population not as a fellow human being, but in the words of one Ostrander—as

"a species of farm implement that comes mysteriously and spontaneously into being coincident with the maturing of the cotton, that requires no upkeep or special consideration during the period of its usefulness, needs no protection from the elements, and when the crop has been harvested, vanishes into the limbo of forgotten things—until the next harvest season rolls around."

Blacks and browns residing in Lubbock County have long suffered from, and continue to suffer from, the effects of racial discrimination.

Graves v. Barnes, 378 F. Supp. 640, 653-54 (W.D. Texas 1974), vacated and remanded.

White vs. Register, 422 U.S. 935 (1975) (vacated and remanded in light of legislative reapportionment).

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Stephen C. McIntyre is a Lubbock lawyer.

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SPORTS

Jim Brown: Unbought and Unbossed

by Samuel K. Atchison

For anyone over 35, the name Jim Brown is synonymous with greatness on the gridiron. For nine seasons, as the star fullback of the Cleveland Browns, Brown played with a dominance that left teammates and opponents alike shaking their heads in amazement. Possessing size and speed, quickness and power, he established records which have yet to be broken.

In recent years, however, Brown's life has taken a decidedly different turn. After experiencing success as both an actor and businessman in the years immediately following his retirement from the NFL, he determined to commit himself to helping to stop the violence on the streets of South-Central Los Angeles.

Using his own money, Brown developed a life-skills program called "Amer-I-can", for use in his work with South-Central's notorious street gangs. The program has proven effective and has since been employed successfully in prisons, community organizations, among white supremacist groups, sex-convicts and "gang bangers" across eight states.

Reflecting what Brown characterizes as his "interest in the economic development and collective empowerment of individuals and communities at large" The Amer-I-can Program, Inc. is a for-profit initiative, designed to assist individuals of all races in becoming self-sufficient.

As described in Brown's recent statement before the Juvenile Justice Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Amer-I-can is comprised of eight components, including motivation, habits, attitudes and conditioning; goal setting; problem solving and decision making; emotional control; family relationships; financial stability; effective communication; and employment search and retention.

Brown asserts that Amer-I-can is comprehensive in scope, and thus "Can be employed as a singular training model or as a supportive service to any existing program, whether it be in a correctional facility, school, or community organization." In addition, law enforcement officers have been successfully trained—by ex-convicts—"and noted its positive results in their own life skills development."

The goals and approach of The Amer-I-can Program, Inc. mirror the personality of the company's founder. At 58, nearly three decades after his retirement from professional football, Brown remains a force to be reckoned with.

Though seasoned and mature, he has retained the brazen self-confidence which characterized his youth. Indeed, he says that though the world around him has changed—coming around to his way of thinking—he has remained the same.

He cites, for example, his involvement in the Black Economic Union, a non-profit organization he founded in the 1960's, for the purpose of providing seed money for fledgling black businesses. Established at the height of the civil rights movement, the BEU was a virtual anomaly, focusing on economic self-determination at a time when the traditional civil rights establishment was pursuing concessions and set asides from white businesses.

Today, of course, self-help and empowerment are buzzwords employed by the plethora of non-profit organizations seeking grant funding to provide job training. Here again, Brown is ahead of his time, using his own money to seed the Amer-I-can Program, while eschewing the pursuit of foundation support.

"I don't look for funding," he says with disdain. "I don't beg. I don't believe in handouts. I'm a businessman providing a service."

He doesn't have to worry about providing quantitative measures to justify the viability of his program, he asserts. Those who contract for his company's services—correctional facilities, schools, employment programs, etc.—will see for themselves the changes wrought in the lives of those they serve. When that happens, he says, they can write their own reports.

As a veteran of the non-profit wars, I can't help but resonate with Brown's approach. All too often, service organizations are like crabs in a barrel, fearful that any one of them will climb to the top. By seeking to work with such organizations and not compete against them Amer-I-can provides a viable alternative. As for Jim Brown, he walks it like he talks it. You can't ask for much more than that.



L'EGGS HITS THE HOOPS IN SUPPORT OF CIAA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL. COLOR ME NATURAL, the newest brand of hosiery from L'EGGS Products, sponsored scholarship checks for each of the semi-finalist teams in the recent CIAA Women's Basketball Tournament. Cynthia Johnson (center), L'EGGS representative, presented the checks to Dr. Talbert O. Shaw (left), president of Shaw University, and Dr. William R. Harvey (right), president of Hampton University. COLOR ME NATURAL, designed for women of color, was recently introduced and the line features nine complementary shades and two sheer styles.

LUBBOCK TENNIS ASSOCIATIONS (Youth Development Program)

TO ALL MEMBERS: As you all know, it's only a couple of months left of school, so this means we'll begin our summer session of the tennis program you all participated in last summer. We would like to remind everyone that this will be our first summer to participate in summer tournaments. I recently met with other program directors in several areas of the west Texas community, and decided that we would play practice matches against different teams in areas such as Abilene, Wichita Falls, and Snyder. These will be matches to determine the progress of my entire class. Students that show improvement and motivation, will become eligible to play in a tournament scheduled by myself and my former high-school coach in Deer Park, TX located right outside Houston, TX. My personal goal is to see improvement in a high percentage of the class, though we will only be able to let only the students that show vast improvement enter into any tournaments. I also participated in several workshops, as well as conducting a short court session with the Boy's and Girls Club. So we will have a great deal more skill building techniques to use this summer. We will also be involved in local tournaments, a minimum of two. - Rhon Knighten
Class Schedule Two Sessions: Mon.-Sat. 11:00 am-2:00 pm and 4:00 pm-7:00 pm
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Second Baptist Church Offers Summer Program

In a world where our children are increasingly exposed to violence, Second Baptist Church of Lubbock wants to be a part of the solution. This summer we are offering a series of Peace Schools—designed to give children, grades 4-6 completed, the opportunity to learn, on their level, skills in self-esteem, communication, problem-solving, conflict resolution and management of negative feelings. Skills will be taught through music, games, drama and play.

Registrations are now being accepted for enrollment in Peace School I, June 13-17th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Cost is \$12.00 per child.

We welcome all children to join us for this very special week, however, registration in each group is limited to fourteen children. Parents will need to make arrangements as soon as their child has decided that he or she wishes to participate. We look forward to helping children create a world of peace in which to live.

Head Start/Prekindergarten Registration

Registration for the Lubbock Independent School District programs for four-year-old children will take place in August. Students must be 4 years of age on or before September 1 and must meet low-income guidelines to qualify for the programs.

Head Start registration will be from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. on August 2 at the Ballenger Head Start campus located at 40th Street and Avenue L. To register, please bring the child's original birth certificate, social security card, and an up-to-date immunization record. You must also bring a utility bill or rent agreement for proof of address and a recent payroll check stub or 1993 Income Tax Records for proof of family income. If the family is receiving food stamps, medicaid or AFDC, please bring those documents also. Head Start is a full day program in which children attend school five days a week from 8:10 a.m. until 3:15 p.m. Head Start provides medical, dental, nutritional, parent involvement and social services for the students and families. Bus transportation to Ballenger is also provided for the students from 16 elementary schools located in north, east, and south-central areas of the city. These are the schools that have had a Head Start program in past years.

Prekindergarten registration will take place on August 3 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. at Arnett, Bean, Brown, Dupre, Harwell, Hodges, Hunt, Jackson, Mahon, McWorter, Ramirez, Tubbs, Wheatley, and Wolfarth elementary schools. To register please bring the same as above. The Prekindergarten Program is a half-day program in which children attend either a morning session from 8:10 to 11:10 or an afternoon session from 12:15 to 3:15.

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Curiosity and Simplicity

from the Desk Of Parson D.A. Smith



Each time I read the life of a wealthy investigator in the Bible by the name of Zaccheus, I am fascinated with the way and how he found a new relationship with God. Let me share with you some of the highlights of this amazing story.

The Lord Jesus Christ had concluded His work in Galilee and had moved into a period of teaching in Perea, east of the Jordan River, as He made His way southward toward Jerusalem. Crossing the Jordan into the borders of Judea, He came to Jericho, where huge crowds followed to hear His teaching and see His miracles. At Jericho He healed two blind men, one a beggar named Bartimeus. This increased the intensity of interest in Him, both on the part of those who had seen and heard Him before, and among those who had only heard reports of His doings. Zaccheus seems to have been in the latter group.

"And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. And behold, there was a man named Zaccheus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich" (Luke 19:1-2). Zaccheus was a chief among the publicans—

probably a district supervisor or customs house manager at this important center of tribute. And he was rich. But he seemed to recognize that he needed some things that money could not buy.

"And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature. And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him; for he was to pass that way" (Luke 19:3-4).

Was something more than mere curiosity involved in Zaccheus' attempt to see who Jesus was? Was he convinced from what he had heard of Jesus that He offered something more valuable than momentary physical health?

In Zaccheus' first efforts to see Jesus he was unable because of the crowd that was following Jesus on the way to the Passover feast in Jerusalem. Crowds can be frustrating, even frightening and dangerous. The physical pressure of a crowd can crush out of the body life and breath.

There are other ways however, in which the pressure of crowds can keep people from seeing Jesus. "Peer pressure" can keep youth and young adults away from Jesus. Keeping up with the Joneses or keeping down with immoal community standards may keep many from Christ. There are those persons who cannot see Jesus beyond the faces of family or friends, or past the back of the heads of church members. The wisdom of Zaccheus is to be recommended: Climb up and look over for a clear view of the

Lord.

Because Zaccheus was little of stature, he plotted the course of the crowd and dashed ahead to take a balcony seat in a sycamore tree.

Zaccheus' natural solution for his problem reveals something of his character. He was determined, energetic, resourceful, and plainly indifferent to his public image. His shortcoming in height could have caused him to give up, but it didn't.

James W. Cox said "Zaccheus had a great emptiness in his life. He could hardly enjoy his money, living every day under the frowns and disapproving eyes of his fellow citizens. What could a million dollars or ten cents mean to him if he had to lie awake at night worrying about how he got it? Lush formal gardens, sparkling fountains, and marbled walls could scarcely beguile his dreams of children crying from hunger"...and something shattered the walls of Zaccheus' pride and sent a chill of despair to his heart.

Many of us would not have done what Zaccheus did. We are too stiff. We are too formal. We have too much starch in our souls. "Curiosity and simplicity," says Calvin, "are a sort of preparation for faith."



We Thank God for Jesus "Blessed or Cursed Is That Mother!!!"

The Southwest Digest would like to apologize to Mr. Morrison for leaving half of last weeks story out. Here is the story in it's entirety.

Deuteronomy 28:41, Thou shalt beget sons and daughters, but thou shalt not enjoy them; for they shall go into captivity.

We know that all MOTHERS ARE BLESSED; EVEN FROM THE BEGINNING OF TIME. HER WOMB HAS CARRIED THE WORLD'S MOST PRECIOUS GIFT; THE HUMAN MIND.

Jeremiah 17:9,10, The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins (the mind), even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doing.

THE LORD, HAS BLESSED SOME WOMBS TO CARRY PRESIDENTS, KINGS, AND QUEENS, AND SOME WERE CURSED TO CARRY KILLERS, ROBBERS, AND SOME DOPE FIENDS.

Proverb 22:6, Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Lord, we know you gave us the children: for THEY WERE SENT FROM ABOVE, WE DIDN'T TRY TO TEACH IT HATE; BUT GAVE HIM HIS RIGHTS, TO SHOW LOVE.

James 1:17, Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

Even after giving a CHILD EVERY THING HE WANTS, & YET HE'S SO MEAN, HE'LL BE READY TO SLAP YOU, BEFORE HE TURNS FOURTEEN.

O.T. Apocrypha: Ecclesiasticus, xxx, 8-12. An horse not broken becometh headstrong; and a child left to himself will be wilful. Cocker (pamper) thy child; and he shall make thee afraid: play with him, and he will bring thee to heaviness. Laugh not with him, lest thou have sorrow with him, and lest thou gnash thy teeth in the end. Give him no liberty (no rights) in his youth, and wick not at his follies (foolish acts). Bow down his neck while he is young, and beat him on the sides (hips) while he is a child,

lest he wax stubborn, and be disobedient unto thee, and so bring sorrow to thine heart.

***** BLESSED OR CURSED IS THAT MOTHER*****

Now he's 17; always DRINKING & CURSING, WANTS TO BE LIKE HIS DAD, HE'S NOW ONE OF THOSE PISTOL PACKERS; HE NOW THINKS HE'S BAD.

Psalms 32: 8-11, I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eyes. Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which have no understanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee. Many sorrows shall be to the wicked: but he that trusteth in the Lord, Mercy shall compass him about. Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for joy, all ye that are upright in heart.

HE WANTS TO LIVE THE LIFESTYLE, THAT HE'S SEEN ON TV, HE THINKS THAT'S THE WAY; BUT HE HAS NO MONEY TO DO IT YOU SEE.

John 14:6, Jesus said, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

AND WHILE TRYING TO ROB A CONVENIENCE STORE, THE OWNER HE DID KILL, HE'S NOW LOCKED IN A CAGE, LIKE A WILD DOG; HE'S TO DO 99 years.

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

***** YOU'VE CREATED A MONSTER!!*****

As I SEE THE CAGED TIGERS, THE SNAKES, GORILLAS & THING OF THE WILD, AS I SEE HIM IN PRISON, IN THAT CAGE; I SAY THAT'S SOME MOTHER'S CHILD.

Hebrew 12:8, But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons.

God is not through with us yet, So lets pray for one another. ALWAYS. Directed, Arranged, Produced, Guided By Our LORD JESUS CHRIST Written by Billy B.J. Morrison, III Your Brother in CHRIST JESUS ALWAYS!!!

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

Outreach Prayer breakfast met in the home of Sis. Christine Burleson at 9 a.m. What a meeting this was. Devotion: Songs of Praise; Scripture by Sis. Burleson—Romans 3:1-11. Prayers went up about all problems of this city and beyond.

Morning Scripture lesson by Sis. Mamie Young—Daniel 5:17-6:10 sub prayer.

Daniel Interprets the Writing on the Wall

Daniel answered, Keep your gifts, or give them to someone else, but I will tell you what the writing means. This speaker said they called for a praying man. Daniel, who prayed three times daily, said this is what it means, the writing on the wall. *Mene means numbered.* God has numbered the days of your reign, and they are ended. *Tekel means weighed—you have been weighed in God's balances and have failed the test.*

Parasim means divided—your kingdom will be divided and given to the Medes and Persians.

At this time Daniel was in his eighties and one of Baruch's top three administrators. He was working with those who did not believe in his God. How do you represent God on your job, of non-Christian workers? Remember you're not fighting this battle alone. God is with you, and if he's for you, who can be against, he's in control, "go for it," stamp on the enemy.

All will have to focus on Jesus as a *last* resort. Do it now before you are forced to *believe* and acknowledge Jesus is Lord.

Although Daniel knew about the law against praying, he still prayed three times a day, as he always had. Daniel had a disciplined prayer life. Our prayers are usually interrupted not by threats but simply by the pressure of our schedules. Don't let threats or pressures cut into your prayer time. Pray regularly, "no matter what." Read all the chapters. It will strengthen your faith.

Thanks, Sis. Young. Jeh well come. We love you.

Thought from Farokhan's speech in Dallas where more than 11,000 Black men gathered to hear him.

(I quote:) The Black man is capable of righteousness, heroism, wisdom, culture, and refinement, but when you remove a people of knowledge and try them in a grove of ignorance, you could expect that ignorant actions will follow. Black men must rise above the wound that have been inflicted on us, and say as God said, *Let us make man.*

Breakfast was cooked and served by Sh. Irma Cook. Come eat with us, an appetite is your invitation. Can we pray with you? If so, write P.O. Box 2223, Lubbock, TX 79403. It will make a difference. Or call.

Many here and ask in this city, God knows. Continue to trust in the Lord with all your heart, believe the Word, II Cor 7:14, Mark 11:22-26.

We shall overcome, keep smiling, it indicates you are at peace with yourself and the world. Love you and God bless you.

D. Hood, Pres. Ernestine Frazier, Sec.

Retirement Reception Set for Mrs. Laster

Olevia Laster, Center Director for Mae Simmons Community Center, is retiring after twenty-four years of service.

Olevia's care and dedication to the center and the users allowed her to get close to people. This is what Olevia loved, working with people and especially the children. Throughout the years Olevia dealt with a wide variety of problems, from the trouble in the seventies, to the first gang member coming to the center. Through it all Olevia's primary concern was for the children. Olevia represents the finest example of public service. She will be missed, but long remembered.

There will be a retirement party for Mrs. Laster on May 14th from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Mae Simmons Community Center.

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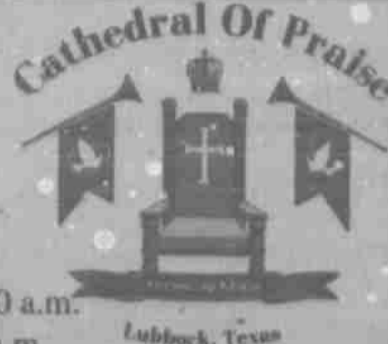
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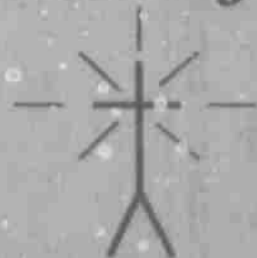
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May Issue of *Essence* Honoring our Men, The Seventh *Essence* Awards

FEATURES: "The Seventh *Essence* Awards"—He has ruled empires and run cities, built pyramids and created institutions. He has been a warrior in the village and an activist for the community. Yet rarely are the important and enduring contributions of the Black man celebrated in the media. This month in honor of the Seventh *Essence* Awards, *Essence* salutes for the first time, eight outstanding African-American men of achievement.

The 1994 *Essence* Awards recipients are: Benjamin Carson, M.D., Director of Pediatric Neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins, best known for his role in the highly publicized separation of the Binda Siamese twins from Germany. Spike Lee, The Reverend Jesse L. Jackson, Quincy Jones, Joseph Marshall, Jr., Executive Director and cofounder of the Omega Boys Club of San Francisco, a youth organization that emphasizes academic achievement and avoidance of drugs. Robert Moses, Director of the Algebra Project, a crusade that experts say could revolutionize mathematics education. Eddie Murphy and Denzel Washington. (Page 103)

The Seventh *Essence* Awards will be seen as a prime time special on the Fox Television network, Monday evening, June 6 from 8:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. (EST). Check your local listings for times in your area.

"The Age of Alfie"—What becomes award-winning actress Alfie Woodard best? A good

script and privacy. This month *ESSENCE* talks with Alfie Woodard and discovers why she lives for acting. (Page 70)

"Mama's White"—This month in two probing personal essays, a Black daughter and her White mother explore their love, their relationship and the sting of America's reaction. Lisa Jones, the author of *Bulletproof Diva: Tales of Race, Sex and Hair* and her mother, Heitie Jones, former wife of writer Amiri Baraka, explore racism and their love. (Page 78)

"Doing Time: Our Women in Prison"—49 Percent of the nation's 50,000 women in prison are Black. 80 percent of incarcerated women are mothers. 64 percent of women in prison have other family members who are also behind bars. 43 percent of incarcerated women were sexually abused. Who cares? This month *Essence* examines this critical issue and takes these women to heart. (Page 83)

CONTEMPORARY LIVING: "Living Single"—Many African-American women are facing a new reality—that many of us may never marry at all. This month *ESSENCE* takes a close look at single Black women and provides a few tips from experts on how women can deal with and enjoy being single. (Page 138)

BEAUTY: "Making Scents: The Essential Elements"—Sisters and fragrance have always been a traditional pairing. Whether it's memories of Grandma wrapped in delicious scents of vani-

la and cinnamon or Mom stepping out in a mysterious cloud of gardenia. This month *Essence* introduces new fragrance forms. (Page 22)

With a monthly circulation of 980,000 and 3.1 million readers, *Essence* is the country's prominent magazine for African-American women. Published by Essence Communications, Inc., *Essence* is the leading source for fashion, beauty, celebrity, career and health information, along with cutting-edge reports on issues affecting today's Black woman.

Auditions Being Accepted for ACTEEN

Auditions for ACTEEN, a performing group composed of high school teenagers, will be held on Saturday, May 14, 1994 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Hodges Community Center (41st and University).

Any Lubbock teenager who will be a high school sophomore, junior, or senior during the 1994-1995 school year is eligible to audition.

The audition will consist of theatre games, improvisation, and discussion. Interviews and call back auditions will be held on Sunday, May 15. These auditioning should prepare a monologue, poem, or song as part of the May 15 call back audition.

ACTEEN is a teen theatre which uses the Performing Arts to educate and inspire others about issues important to teenagers. For more information about auditions call 766-7416.

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Are Blacks Like... Continued From Pg. 1

I've noticed the very ones who spend their government loans on fancy clothes and walk around campus saying, "Those black people from the Eastside" (if you get their addresses and go to their homes in Dallas or Houston it usually turns out to be Farmland, TX. Two hours outside of the Dallas or Houston) they are the ones who live in government shacks. The five black people in their town don't own a can of beans as opposed to "Those Eastside people" not owning businesses in East Lubbock.

What about those more-militant-than-thou brothers and sisters who constantly show how black they are by complaining about what East Lubbock doesn't have? They dwell on what they saw the brothers and sisters do in California or Chicago do.

As a longtime East Lubbock resident I say...GET A LIFE AND GET OUT OF OURS unless you plan to help. My question to you is what are YOU going to do? We can talk until we're blue in the face about what Blacks in Lubbock do or don't do, but that's not benefiting anyone (but then again maybe it is.) Those pulling us down usually grow an inch or two each time they talk about how ignorant black people in East Lubbock are. In actuality they don't know diddly about our neighborhood or black people in general because they never associated with blacks until forced to. It's usually the ones who never

spoke to black people in high school who have become authorities on being black. Most went off to college and realized the reason they were so accepted by Anglos was because they had gotten to know the brother or sister through the years; not just the stereotype of what a black person is supposed to be. After this slap in the face the brother or sister believes he/she is an authority on being black. How can they be authorities when they've only been black for two or three years? (toddlers) Putting down other black people makes them feel as if they have suffered as much as those of us who have been black for 20-plus years in 4 or 5. (So still they're just a wee bit superior than the rest of us black people.)

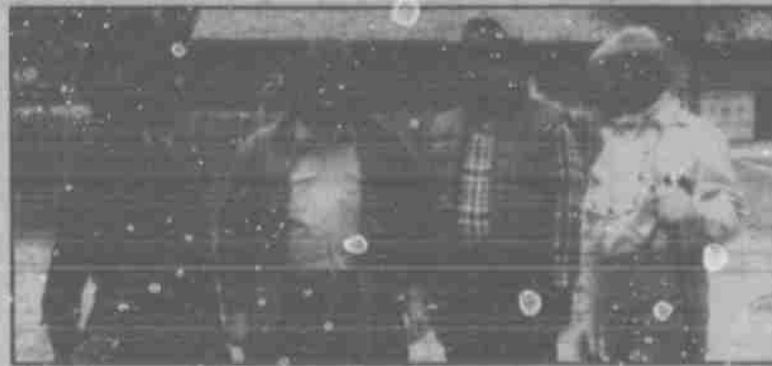
While the rest of us were being discriminated against they were the cool black guy or girl. Remember the ones who only hung out with Anglos and wouldn't ever look at you because he/she was afraid their friends would realize they were black? Now they have to face being black. The real world says a black man is just a black man no matter what his background.

My advice to these toddler brothers and sisters is to stop pulling us down because just like the crabs in the bucket we aren't getting anywhere. I suppose I shouldn't get angry after all they are just learning to walk.

Buffalo Soldier Stamp Ceremony and Recruitment Activity

Members of the Lubbock Community joined with Ken Pollard during the special stamp ceremony honoring the Buffalo Soldiers sponsored by the U.S. Post Office and the Ranching and Heritage Center. Pollard was in town to recruit Buffalo Soldiers as part of "Soldiers in Blue," a reenactment and service group sponsored by the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife. Lubbock men accepting the call to duty included Henry Crawford, Larry Harris, Bobby Manahan, and Walter Hibbler. For more information contact Walter Hibbler, of the Forgotten West Riders at 747-8904.

Ken Pollard, of the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife, is shown here with new recruits of the "Boots Straps" Buffalo Soldiers Drill Team. The newly-formed drill team is seeking dedicated youth from throughout the Lubbock area willing to be youth representatives and goodwill ambassadors for the Llano Estacado region. Pollard, a resident of Abilene, is the founder of "Soldiers in Blue," a Buffalo Soldier reenactment and service unit with recruitment outposts across the state. For more information on how you can become a member of "Boots Straps" contact Abraham Spires at 793-5468.



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Time for 2's

"Time for 2's" will be at the Mahon Library, Thursday, May 26 at 10:30 a.m. This is a storytime planned especially for two-year-olds. It is designed to integrate a toddler's first library experience with an adult's desire to find the best way to begin exposing a child to books and other library materials.

The concept of this storytime differs from those for older children in that a parent or guardian must accom-

pany the toddler for the entire session. Preregistration is required. There will be stories, finger plays, songs and getting-acquainted activities designed especially for the two-year-old.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting the Mahon children's department at 767-2838. No siblings please.

**City of Lubbock
Notice of Public
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The Lubbock City Council will conduct a Public Hearing to allow the citizens of Lubbock the opportunity to comment on the allocation of Emergency Shelter Grant funds. The Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, May 26, 1994 at 11:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 1625 13th Street, Lubbock, Texas.

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