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NATIONAL NEWS

Protesters Challenge Clinton at Philadelphia Summit
Describing President Clinton's Summit on America's Future as a sham designed to cover up the crisis of widening poverty, downsizing and corporate layoff, the destruction of welfare and food stamp entitlement and racist immigrant bashing, a broad network of organizations held a mass demonstration in Philadelphia on April 27. The demonstration was timed to coincide with the President's Summit. Leaders of the protest decried what they claimed to be the hypocrisy of the President who is promoting volunteerism while eliminating the right to welfare assistance. "In the next weeks more than one million immigrants will lose their Food Stamps and SSI; 500,000 families of disabled children will be cut off from their benefits; and millions of impoverished people will lose AFDC benefits," explained Teresa Gutierrez of the National People's Campaign. "This (was) nothing but a publicity stunt designed to put a human face on the massive assault on the fundamental rights that millions have fought for in the last 60 years," Gutierrez further asserted. The demonstration was sponsored by more than 200 groups and prominent individuals from among students, civil rights and women's organizations as well as trade unionists, the gay community and seniors.

New Trend in Internet Use
A recent survey from AT&T indicates that people's use of the Internet to locate old friends, relatives, and past loves is so extensive that it constitutes a significant new trend in online behavior. It further suggests that it is as important to many users as activities like surfing (the Internet) or e-mail communication. The online survey involving 9,600 subscribers of AT&T WorldNet Service revealed that nearly 40 percent of the respondents have used the Internet to locate someone from their past, and more than 50 percent said that they are aware of the Web's many resources for helping them reconnect with lost contacts. The survey also indicated there is a large, pent-up demand for tools that locate people with whom they are no longer connected. More than 92 percent of those responding said they'd like to seek out someone from their past. Although many indicated they had turned to the Web to do so, 33 percent of respondents said they didn't know how to effectively use the resources of the Internet to find people from their pasts. "People have discovered that the same technology that enables them to search for and access information, exchange ideas, and make purchases, can also help them reconnect with someone important from their past," said Dan Odeite, director of Content Services at AT&T WorldNet Services. To learn about and use the people-finding resources available, go online to <http://www.att.net>.

WWII Veteran Receives Navy Cross
Robert Jones, 71, of Newport News, VA, has finally received the coveted Navy Cross for his valor and courage displayed during a WWII battle in the Pacific Ocean, more than 50 years ago. On Oct. 29, 1944, Jones was a young 19-year-old among a small group of Black sailors recently trained to operate the 20mm anti-aircraft gun. On this day, a Japanese dive bomber attacked the aircraft carrier USS Intrepid CV11. Petty Officer Jones started firing his portside gun at the incoming plane and, although it was apparent that the bomber was headed directly for his gun tub, remained at his post, firing his weapon until the plane crashed into his tub, severely burning him. However, like too many other Black men in the armed forces, Jones' act of heroism went unacknowledged. After seeing a documentary in which another survivor of the attack was honored in the early 1980s by President Reagan, Jones' daughter took her father's case to Congressman Robert C. Scott (D-VA) who verified the authenticity of Jones' military history. On April 30, 1997, Secretary of the Navy, John Dalton, awarded the Navy Cross, the Navy's highest combat honor, to Jones in a brief ceremony at the US Capitol.

ARLEE JACKSON NAMED MELVIN JONES FELLOW



Mr. Arlee Jackson has been named by the Lions Clubs International Foundation as a Melvin Jones Fellow. This was made known by William H. Wunder, Ph.D., Chairman, Board of Trustees of the Lions Clubs International Foundation, in a letter dated March 24, 1997. This special presentation was made at a district meeting Plainview, Texas last month.

The Melvin Jones Fellowship honors Melvin Jones, the founder of Lions Clubs International. It is the highest form of recognition conferred by the foundation. It is largely due to the growth of the fellowship program the LCIF has been able to meet humanitarian needs in communities worldwide.

As a Melvin Jones Fellow, Jackson's name has been added to the listing of all individuals in the program. These names are electronically shown in continuous rotation in the LCIF Recognition Room at International Headquarters in Oak Brook, Illinois. This exhibit stands as a tribute to

a growing network of individuals who are committed to the humanitarian service.

Mr. Jackson told the Southwest Digest, "This is a great honor, and will be ever grateful for being considered a Melvin Jones Fellow."

Mr. Jackson, who is a retired educator in the Lubbock Public Schools, is secretary-treasurer of the Century II Lions Club. He has been a member of the Lions Club for nearly thirty years. He is also member of the Deacon Board of the St. John Baptist Church where Rev. Solomon Fields is pastor.

Mr. Jackson is also president of the St. John Baptist Senior Choir and serves as president of the Federation of Choirs.

This announcement was also made at the monthly meeting of the Federation of Choirs last month at the Community Baptist Church. The Church said: "Amen!" following this announcement. It was read by Ms. Joan Y. Ervin, secretary.

RECRUITMENT SET FOR LUCILLE S. GRAVES HEAD START

Beginning June 3rd through June 25, 1997, a recruitment will be held at the Lucille S. Graves Head Start Center to recruit young children between ages of 3 and 5.

The center, located at 902 East 28th Street, will be recruiting from 8:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

The following documents are required with an application: birth certificate, shot record, Social Security Card, and Medicaid Card.

The Lake Dunbar Cleanup Challenge

On January 28th, 1997, Dunbar Junior High Science Academy was presented with a \$750.00 Environmental Challenge Grant sponsored by H-E-B Grocery Co. and the Texas General Land Office, in conjunction with the non-profit Texas Conservation Fund. The objective of this grant is to propose a consistent plan that will keep the lake area litter-free and involve both students and the community in a worthwhile, on-going project, entitled "The Lake Dunbar Cleanup Challenge."

Dunbar Junior High School is the science academy magnet school for the Lubbock Independent School District. The campus is located on the edge of Canyon Lake #6 and is ideal for use as a natural resource laboratory for young people. The Dunbar faculty and student body have nicknamed Canyon Lake #6, "Lake Dunbar." The ninth grade classes have been sorting and

measuring the litter collected on the southwest side of the lake this spring semester. The students are currently organizing and analyzing their data, and are now formulating a long-term plan for the challenge of keeping this parkland area litter-free. Students have requested permission to present their conclusions at the June 5th Lubbock City Council Meeting.

The Environmental Challenge grant program has given the Dunbar students the opportunity to engage in hands-on science activities while also providing a valuable community service. To date, the students have removed from the lake area 1881 pounds of litter. The students have been working under the direction of the ninth grade science teachers: Jim Crites, Steve Figue, Steve Hooten, and Kristen Whittenburg. The next cleanup days will be May 14th and 15th.

Egyptian Nubian Classified as White Challenges the U. S. Government Racial Classification System

Dr. Mostafa Hefny, an Egyptian Nubian and a naturalized American citizen, is contemplating filing a lawsuit against the U. S. government. Hefny has discussed the matter with several attorneys and has settled on a Bloomfield Hills, Michigan law firm. Dr. Hefny said he plans to file the lawsuit as soon as possible, the delay in filing is due to his law firm's busy schedule.

Dr. Hefny's complaint is based on the United States' definition of white and Black persons. The complaint says according to the U. S. Government Directive No. 15 of the Office of Management and Budget, a white person is "A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa or the Middle East," and a Black person is "A person having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa."

Dr. Hefny is physically a Black person; his hair is kinky, his facial features are African and his complexion is darker than that of most African Americans. Dr. Hefny is considered a Black person by the international community. He also has written statements from many U. S. scholars which state that he is a Black person and that the Nubian are indigenous Africans or Black persons. He also has many U. S. newspaper and magazine articles which recognize him

as a Black person.

Hefny states, "Classifying me as white and classifying Egyptian Nubians in general as white defies science, logic and common sense. Additionally, classifying people of the Black race as white, contrary to their heritage, is a serious civil rights issue. The NAACP, African-American members of Congress and civil rights leaders should make sure that any provisions of federal or state laws which mandate that a person is to be classified as white, when in fact this person is of the Black race, be struck down or modified."

"My powerful former employer has tortured me, has repeatedly violated my constitutional and civil rights, and has stripped me out of everything I worked very hard for, when I defined and classified myself as a Black person. I want to tell the court and the American people what my powerful former employer did to me so that what happened to me never happens to anyone again. This lawsuit is about principle not money, and I intend to carry it all the way to the U. S. Supreme Court if necessary. A lot of people will be helped by this lawsuit and I want to help," he added.

Dr. Mostafa Hefny holds a doctor of philosophy in education from Wayne State University (1995). He was a Bilingual Resource Teacher

with one of the intermediate school districts in Michigan from 1981 to 1994. In 1984 he represented Wayne State University in England as assistant conference coordinator of a three week education seminar co-sponsored by London Education Authority and Wayne State University. In 1987 he was appointed by the Michigan State Board of Education to the five-member state-wide Bilingual Education Advisory Committee.

Dr. Hefny has lectured on African cultural and historical issues at national and international conferences including The First Canadian Pan African Conference in Toronto in 1993 and The Sixth Annual Cheikh Anta Diop Conference sponsored by Temple University in 1994. In 1996 he was one of a selected group of Black intellectual leaders from North, Central and South America to speak at an international Black conference in Costa Rica (he canceled due to an emergency). Hefny's Ph.D. dissertation was the first in the U. S. to thoroughly discuss the race and origins of ancient Egyptians and to conclude that they were Africans. Dr. Hefny is currently writing a book entitled: "The Race and Origins of Ancient Egyptians: The Opinion of Scholars From 450 B.C. to 1998 A.D."

Amalgamated Publishers and PdC - Pineau des Charentes Sponsor Opening Reception at NAMD 45th Anniversary Conference

On April 17, more than 200 people gathered at Chicago's Swissotel for the Opening Reception of the National Association of Market Developers (NAMD) 45th Anniversary Conference. Reception guests included local Chicago dignitaries, members of the National Newspaper Publishers Association, African-American entrepreneurs and corporate marketing executives. The NAMD Opening Reception was sponsored by Amalgamated Publishers, Inc. (API) and PdC.

Some 400 African-American professionals convened for three days of NAMD panel discussions and presentations. Conference highlights

included:

- Congressman Jesse L. Jackson, Jr.'s review of the economic and political challenges of the 21st century.
- An outline of the prospects for building a global Black community in cyberspace covered by Herb Boyd, National Editor of The Black World Today, an electronic, Internet publication, Barry Johnson, President of MSBET, a joint venture between Microsoft and BET, and Joseph Mouzon, VP Marketing for Net Noir.
- The presentation of NAMD Legend Awards to 45 NAMD leaders and founders who pioneered the concepts of ethnic target marketing, urban affairs, affirmative action and

related disciplines.

- Major corporate partners at the NAMD Conference included Seagram Americas, Northern Trust Bank, Anheuser Busch, Philip Morris, Nike, Food and Wines From France and Pepsi.

API is the advertising sales representative for African-American newspapers nationwide. PdC - Pineau des Charentes is a robust and flavorful wine that combines fresh, young wine with aged Cognac. For information on the National Association of Market Developers write NAMD Chicago Chapter: 6 N. Michigan Ave., Ste. 909 Chicago, IL 60602 / Phone: 773-874-3773.

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

The Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance will host the 1996-97 Baccalaureate Service for graduating Seniors of Lubbock High Schools Sunday, May 18, 1997 at the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church at 6 p.m. Mt. Gilead is located on the corner of Fir and 26th Street. The Rev. J. Jerome Johnson is pastor.

This will be a rewarding service for the graduating seniors and as well as for the parents and friends that will attend this service. Historically, this was a great day for "people of color" because it gave time to reflect upon the past, evaluate the present, and gave rise to an

educational environment in the future that would lift the future of "people of color" economically, politically, and socially that would enrich all of life. The preacher at these services would remind the graduates to keep God central in their life. He would say to them that the nature of being human is that there would be moments of high joy and moments of deep pain, but most of their life would be lived on a plateau, somewhere between extreme joy and great heart. But if they walked with God regularly on the plateaus, they would be able to find God at all

times. He would remind them to believe in themselves without being egotistical and to live up to their highest standards.

This message that stirred the hearts of many in the past will be reinforced by the able and capable pastor of Pilgrim Baptist Church, Rev. Wilbur Tanner. The Rev. Solomon Fields, pastor of St. John Baptist Church will refresh our memory as to the reason why there is an occasion of this nature.

For more information call President D. A. Smith at 748-1212.

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Ruby Jay's Corner

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church

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Last Sunday was Youth Sunday, and the young people really did a splendid job. All classes were in their various classes for minutes of instruction. The classes reassembled singing "Oh, How I Love Jesus." High points of the lesson were given by Sister Brenda Gipson's Class. They were well given as the young people did well.

Secretary's Report: Youth Department - Juniors and Seniors tied for the Attendance Banner. Adult Department: Class No. 1, Men's Class, retained the Attendance Banner. Adult Class No. 2 lost the Offering Banner to Class No. 4.

There were two visitors in Sunday School. One of them was Brother and Sister Harry Stockley's daughter who was visiting her mother on Mother's Day.

Members of the Sunday School said welcome home to Pastor Moton and Family.

Following the devotional period last Sunday morning, which was under the direction of the Youth Department, the Youth Choir marched in the processional singing, "Can't Nobody Do Me Like Jesus." Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Jeff Brown. A song, "We'll Worship Your Holy Name," was sung. Scripture was read by Jankia Vines and prayer given by James Lewis. Another song, "I'm Pressing My Way," was sung.

The morning responsive reading was done with the congregation standing and led by Natilie Ayers. The morning hymn was "On The Battlefield." Pastor observations were given by Pastor Moton. At this time, flowers were given to mothers of the church. A special one was given to the senior citizens. Sister G.H. Davis brought

joy to everyone Sunday morning as she was able to be a church member on Mother's Day. She was looking pretty. Her niece, Johnnie Mae, got her to church. Thank you, Lord!

Pam Moton dedicated a song to the mothers. It was called "I Won't Complain." When you think of the words to this song, it let's you know how good God has been to all of us.

Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "The Testimony Of The Seed." His scripture text was St. Matthew 13:31-32. He told all of us about it. It was a wonderful sermon.

During the Mother's Day weekend, there were several visiting relatives here from out-of-town. Among them Carolyn Rollison of Houston, Texas, Donna K. Davis of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Mary Ann Davis of Dallas, Texas.

Sister Dorothy Kinner visited her mother in Fort Worth, Texas last weekend.

Norma "Baby" Austin really enjoyed a surprise last Monday night from her church, Mount Gilead Baptist Church. They had a joyful time in the Lord. She felt good. She has been shut in so long.

Memorial services were held for John Arthur Franklin of Grosse Pointe, Michigan at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church last Friday morning. He was the son of Mrs. Rosie Wilson and Sister Ruby Tucker is an aunt, as well as others relatives in Lubbock, Texas.

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New Community Coordinator

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Obituary



MARILYN WILSON

Funeral Services were held Saturday, May 10, 1997 for a former resident of Lubbock, Texas, Marilyn Bolden Wilson, at St. Matthew Baptist Church with Rev. R.S. Stanley, pastor, officiating. Burial was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of

Jamison Funeral Home.

She died Monday, May 5, 1997 in Medical City Hospital in Dallas, Texas. She was born August 9, 1959 in Lubbock. She married Jeffery Thomas Wilson in 1989. She was a member of the Baptist denomination.

Survivors include her husband, Jeffery Thomas Wilson of Tucson, Arizona; three daughters: Nekisha Bolden, Joelyn Ann Bolden, and Kamesha Bolden, all of Lubbock, Texas; two sons, Reginald Freeman, III and Everett both of Lubbock, Texas; her mother, Mrs. Katie Bolden of Lubbock, Texas; several aunts and uncles.

HUD Names Lubbock "Best Practice" for Decent Housing

The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has selected the City of Lubbock's Community Development and Housing Department to receive the national Best Practice in Decent Housing rating.

The City's Community Development and Housing Department was ranked in the top quartile of Texas cities that were included in a recent HUD study. The study was based on

continuum of care, economic opportunity, decent housing, suitable living environment, program requirement, consolidated planning, reporting and overall performance. In the letter of notification, HUD's acting Director Carlos R. Renteria said, "We were particularly pleased with your achievements in Decent Housing because together with its private, nonprofit and public organization partners, the City has been able to capitalize success-

fully on a limited amount of funds available for affordable housing."

HUD will produce a fact sheet on the City's Best Practice which will be distributed as a model nationwide. It also will be posted on HUD's web page with appropriate links to Texas and Lubbock. Representatives from the City's Community Development and Housing Department have been invited to Washington D.C. this summer to share their program with other cities.

For further information, contact Nancy Haney, 767-2301.

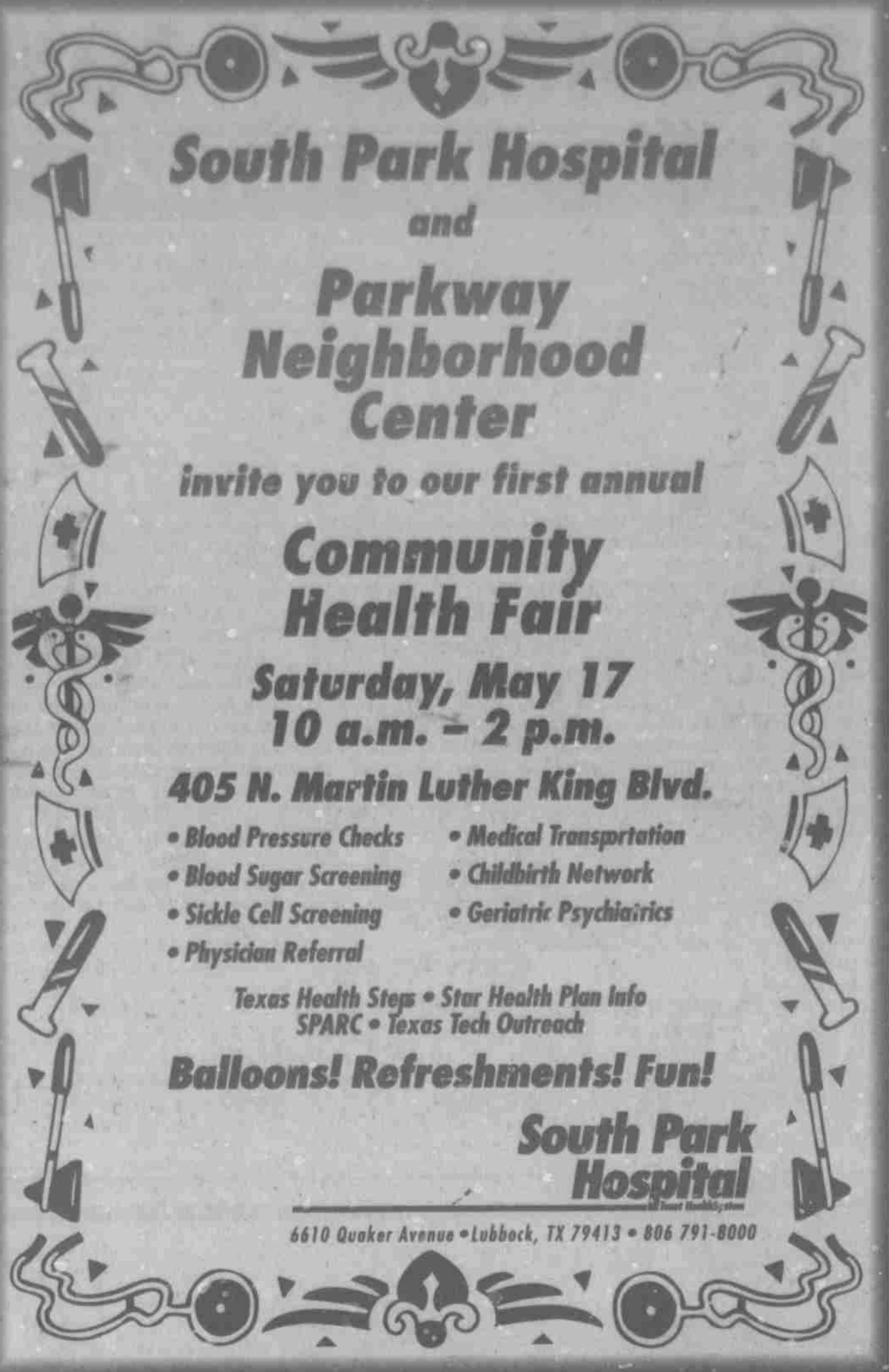
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HOPING FOR A DRILL TEAM OF YOUNG LADIES!! THIS N THAT...has been meeting with a concerned group of citizens...over the past year...and a concern for ...A DRILL TEAM...involving young ladies of the community...It has been identified that young ladies...between the ages of 14 and 18...don't have many opportunities to participate in...RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES...Therefore...the committee has been working on this...DRILL TEAM...and...hopefully...it will become a reality...More on this later!!

JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION NOT FAR OFF!! THIS N THAT...advises that the annual...JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION...is less than...ONE MONTH AWAY...A meeting will be held...THURSDAY NIGHT...at Mea Simmons Community Center...beginning at 7p.m. Be there...and get involved in this annual effort...

LEGAL MATTERS

by Attorney General Dan Morales

ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE

IT IS A SAD FACT, but many of our fellow Texans have no health insurance. Many of these people are your neighbors, typical working people who have good jobs but do not get insurance benefits from their employer. Many are children who are not covered by their parents' insurance.

Regardless of the reason, these people are forced to rely on overburdened hospital emergency rooms and a shrinking public health system for their most basic health care needs. We at the Office of the Attorney General want to be sure that you understand the kinds of charity health care that are available if you don't have insurance.

Non profits must give back

Several years ago, a state law was passed which requires tax-exempt, non-profit hospitals to spend about 4 percent of their annual revenue on community benefits, including charity care for the citizens in their communities. For the first time, these hospitals are accountable to the public for the millions of dollars they receive in tax exemptions each year and are required to return something back to the communities they serve.

Each non-profit hospital is required to post information about its charity care program in the emergency room, general waiting areas, the business office, and other areas commonly used by the public. Also, non-profit hospitals are required by law to tell you about their charity care programs and how you can apply for assistance. You can apply for help even if you don't find out about the program until after you have received your bill.

This service applies to both emergency room and non-emergency hospital care. It also applies to outpatient care you receive at clinics sponsored by the hospital. Ask your hospital about coverage for the cost of preventive care, such as prenatal visits, vaccinations, and health screening. In addition to helping you and your loved ones stay

healthy, these programs are very cost-effective and help the hospital keep down health care costs for all of us.

Charity care: rights and requirements

The hospital has a right to ask questions about your ability to pay to determine if you qualify for help. Each hospital sets its own eligibility requirements within limits set by state law, so you may not qualify for assistance at every non-profit hospital. You are responsible for providing necessary financial information to the hospital so that it can assess your eligibility for assistance.

Non-profit hospitals are also required to conduct an assessment of health care needs in their communities, and to develop a plan to meet these needs. The hospital is required to ask for input from you and your neighbors in the community when doing this assessment. You can obtain a copy of the community assessment from the hospital or from the Texas Department of Health.

Charity care is not a substitute for private health insurance or for government-sponsored health assistance programs. Hospitals will usually require insurance, Medicare, or Medicaid payment first. They provide charity care only if you have no insurance, are ineligible for other assistance, and cannot afford to pay for your treatment.

Your rights as a patient

Remember, the law requiring charity care and community needs assessments does not apply to all hospitals. Public hospitals were already required to provide charity care. Private sector for-profit hospitals have no such legal obligation, although some provide indigent care on a limited basis. However, all hospital emergency rooms are required to provide emergency care regardless of your ability to pay. If you are not sure whether your local hospital has a charity program, ask at the admissions desk.

IN CINQUE

by Renetta W. Howard



A few days ago, a recipient of SSI (Supplemental Security Income), asked me to transport her to the doctor's office as she had been placed on a heart monitor and feared that she would be confined to the hospital, possibly on that day. I obliged, knowing that she was ill and did not have any means of transportation. I waited for her as she visited with her doctor. Upon completion of her examination, she advised me that she was being permitted to return to her home instead of being placed in a hospital, but that she would have to have several prescriptions filled which would cost her a dollar each. She would have to borrow the three dollars because she would not have any money until her SSI check arrived on the first day of the next month. She stated that she was supposed to pay the doctor a dollar, but she never did because she really could not afford it. I decided to let her have the three dollars since I knew her condition. So, I transported her to the drug store to have her prescriptions filled.

At the drug store, we went in and the lady gave her prescriptions to the pharmacist and I browsed around the store as I usually do when I have my own prescriptions filled. In a few short minutes, the counter lady, called the lady to tell her that she had marks on her Medicaid card already and it would not be possible to fill these prescriptions this day. I could not believe what I was hearing. The lady said, "She can only have five marks a month and she has used hers." I said, "Are you saying that if this lady was dying and needed medicine to save her life

right now, that she cannot have it?" She said, "She has used all of her marks, but I will see what they say." So the pharmacist got on the computer and plugged into the welfare Medicaid system, I suspected. After a lot of questions and answers and possible pleading, it was decided that the lady could have part of her prescriptions filled until the first of the next month, then she could come back and get the rest. I paid the three dollars and we left. She was happy and I was disgusted. It would appear that when a doctor is of the opinion that you need certain medications, especially when a person is a recipient of welfare because of a disabling condition, that there should not be a question about it and especially when the person in need is right there to get it and use it. If the Medicaid agency was as scrupulous about investigating the medicines given and not given and billed for in hospitals and the home health agencies every welfare recipient could be entitled to twice as many prescriptions as currently allowed.

The current state of welfare is embarrassing and degrading. One should not have to lose one's self-respect because of becoming indigent. The new welfare law should help recipients to gain self-respect instead of losing it. The new law has not been a 'god send.' It is time that we get 'in cinque' and find out exactly what is happening with the new law. It needs an overhaul. The aspects of it that are degrading need to be struck down. The social workers who must administer these drastic changes should protest. They are on the front line and know what is happening and how it is affecting the recipients. This is one of the first moves to the establishment of a two class system: the very rich and the very poor.



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Classification Confusion

By George Wilson
Special to the NNPA

Just a few days ago the world was stunned when 21-year-old Tiger Woods won the Master's Golf Tournament with a record score. Immediately after Woods' victory, there was great jubilation in many parts of the African-American community. The euphoria was caused by the fact that someone who looked like many African Americans had broken down a barrier in the world of sports. While many were basking in "the brother's" accomplishment, Woods repeated his position that he is not solely an African American even though his father clearly qualifies. Woods, like many others is a product of a mixed marriage between an African American and in this case a person of Asian descent. In the early days of America, to be classified Black only required a small amount of African-American blood (1/16th). More importantly, if you had "the look," it didn't matter about your bloodline, you simply took your place with other people of color.

On the heels of Woods' victory and the discussion of how he and others of similar circumstances should be classified, the House of Representatives got into the act. The House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight held hearings on the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) definition of race and ethnicity. The OMB has issued Directive 15, a new way of classifying Americans. The idea is that when the next census rolls around, there will be two changes in how survey takers can describe themselves. The new options will be: 1) 'Multiracial or biracial' and 2) 'Check more than one category.' Several civil rights organizations, including the NAACP, The Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under the Law, and The Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies have written letters to OMB officials expressing their opposition to the addition of 'multiracial' classification on the year 2000 census.

During the hearing, representatives of the Census Bureau were joined by members of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) on separate panels. Among the witnesses for the CBC was

Congresswoman Carrie Meek (D-FL). Meek began her presentation by telling the committee about her experiences growing up in a segregated Florida and how she had to attend graduate school in Michigan because no graduate school in her home state would admit African Americans. Perhaps, if Meek had used the definition that some would prefer, she could have avoided a trip to Michigan by claiming her Indian heritage. "I understand how Tiger Woods and the rest of them feel. But no matter how they feel from a personal standpoint, we are thinking about the census and reporting accuracy so that government and other agencies can make accurate decisions. Historical discrimination has been assigned to a single racial category, more than likely those who are Black. There is no court or any legislative legal record of discrimination against multiracials," Meek observed.

At the root of this debate over classification is the desire of some to push aside one part of their background in exchange for an identity that they think will provide greater access to the mainstream of society. Unfortunately, as Congresswoman Meek noted such efforts will not produce the desired results. "Individuals like Mr. Woods who designate themselves as multiracial on the Census form will not reduce by any amount the discrimination they will face. Usually, the amount of discrimination a person feels is based on appearance and not on racial classification. The multiracial classification will just make it more difficult to identify where discrimination has taken place," he said.

OMB, the House of Representatives and others say they just want to include Americans who go unrecognized. In my years on the planet, it seems clear to me and others that this country has had little difficulty in defining someone's race. Adding another classification would only serve to further muddy the murky waters of race relations.

LEGAL MATTERS

by Attorney General Dan Morales

NEW CAR, USED CAR, OR LEASED CAR: MAKING THE RIGHT CHOICE

MOST TEXANS THINK about getting another vehicle every few years. The problem is not lack of choices—rather it is how to make sense out of all the choices available to us. The first choice is whether the "new" car should be new, used, or leased.

As a consumer service, we at the Office of the Attorney General have put together these common sense tips to help you determine which choice fits your individual circumstances best.

New car guidelines

If you plan to keep a car for a long time, you might consider buying a new car. For the first several years it will be under warranty, and, once the car is paid for, the cost of running it should be fairly low (assuming no major mechanical problems occur). While the payments may be higher than for a leased or used vehicle, in the long run buying a new car may still be the most economical way to go.

Used car guidelines

The biggest advantage to buying a used car is the initial price. Because you don't have to pay for the sharp drop in value that occurs the moment a new car is driven off the lot, the price can be very cheap. But that isn't the whole story. There are disadvantages to buying a used vehicle.

For example, you may not get the latest safety and convenience features (depending on the age of the vehicle); you may not know its complete maintenance and repair history, and you may not know the driving habits of the previous owners.

Leasing a car

Leasing has caught on largely because of rising new car prices. Last year, leasing accounted for more than 30 percent of all the new cars rolling off dealer lots. Late model used and program cars are also being leased, in part due to the large number of leased new cars being returned to dealers after the usual 3-year lease period.

Personal driving habits are the best guide to whether you should lease a vehicle. Leasing is appropriate for people who expect to trade in

every few years, who don't have much money for a downpayment, who don't put high mileage on their cars, or who need a car that always looks showroom ready.

The advantage of leasing is having low payments compared to a car purchase. The disadvantage is that you do not own anything of value when the lease expires. Leasing generally requires a good credit record.

Trade in or sell?

Once you have decided which kind of car you want, it's time to get the best value for the vehicle currently in your possession. A good starting place is to do research to find out what your car or truck is currently worth. Consult the Kelley Blue Book and NADA Used Car Guide to get a rough value on your trade-in. Consider the condition of your old vehicle when setting what you consider a fair offer. Negotiate the value of your trade-in vehicle just as you will the cost of the new vehicle, and shop around for the best trade-in offer. Wash the car and clean the interior before showing it to the dealer.

Or you may choose to sell your old car, then use the money as a downpayment. This will probably bring you a better price than you can get by trading in. On the other hand, your taxes will probably be higher if you take this approach, since you will be paying on the full price of the new car rather than on a price discounted by the trade-in. Sources of information Many new and used car price listings and buying guides are available, including the Consumer Reports new car guide, Consumers Digest, the Kelley Blue Book, Edmunds Used Car Prices, and the National Automobile Dealers Association Official Used Car Guide. These cover repair histories, dealer costs, customer satisfaction ratings, and related costs. They are available at the public library and at bookstores, and many are also available on-line. Since most car prices are set by dickering with the dealer or current owner, this information will help you determine a fair starting offer.

PEGGY SCOTT - ADAMS SHINES BRIGHT AT HOUSE OF BLUES



Blues singing sensation Peggy Scott-Adams attracted a full house during her recent performance at L.A.'s House of Blues.

Adams has been knocking audiences dead with her powerful vocals since her days when she was performing with Jo Jo Benson. She took a slight break from the industry to enjoy married life. She is back now with her new album titled Help Yourself, (Miss Butch Records/Mardi Gras Records), which has enjoyed #1 position on Billboard Magazine's blues charts for 10 consecutive weeks.

Help Yourself, also included the #1 single "Bill," the controversial song which touches on the theme of bisexuality. The crowd went wild as Peggy began crooning:

"All you ladies out there, turn up your radio. Girls, I'm about to tell you something you may wanna know."

Among the ladies in the audience to go wild at the opening of her hit song, was singing sensation, Vesta, who was captured backstage with Peggy after the show. The ladies were thrilled to meet each other, as they exchanged hugs and informed one another of their mutual admiration.

Captured (l-r) are: Peggy Scott-Adams, Jimmy Lewis, President of Miss Butch Records, and writer of the hit single, "Bill," and recording artist Vesta. Photo Courtesy: Public Relations+.

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GOD told them what to do; AND IT WAS NOT TO EAT THE FRUIT OF THE TREE, Adam was the one GOLD TOLD; AND HE TOLD EVE: READ IT IN GENESIS 2 & 3.

1 Peter 5:8, Be sober (WISE), be vigilant (AWAKE); because your adversary THE DEVIL, is as a roaring lion, walking about, seeking whom he may DEVOUR.

ADAM'S REFUSAL TO OBEY; BROUGHT SIN TO EVERY MAN, WOMAN, BOY, AND GIRL, THAT IS WHY JESUS WAS BORN; TO DIE FOR THE SINS OF THE WHOLE WORLD.

Romans 6:23, FOR THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH; BUT THE GIFT (NO CHARGE) OF GOD IS ETERNAL LIFE THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD.

THIS DISOBEDIENCE HAPPENED AGAIN IN THE 60'S; MAN DOIN HIS THING, THE DISOBEDIENCE CAME FROM FLESH; THE LEADER WAS MARTIN LUTHER KING.

MARK 8:33, JESUS SAID, GET THEE BEHIND ME, SATAN: FOR THOU SAVOUREST NOT THE THINGS THAT BE OF GOD, BUT THE THINGS THAT BE OF MEN.

*****WILL A MAN ROB GOD????*****
MARTIN LUTHER HEARD JESUS WORD'S; MATTHEW 4:19, HE SAID FOLLOW ME!!! JESUS WAS NOT A TROUBLE MAKER; OR A LAW BREAKER; TO LEAD A MOB INTO THE STREETS

Romans 13:2-4, LET EVERY SOUL BE SUBJECT UNTO A HIGHER POWER. FOR THERE IS NO POWER BUT OF GOD: THE POWER (THE GOVERNMENT & POLICE) THAT BE ORDAINED OF GOD, WHOSEVER THEREFORE RESISTETH THE POWER, RESISTETH THE ORDAINED OF GOD; AND THEY THAT RESIST SHALL RECEIVE TO THEMSELVES DAMNATION (CRIME). FOR THE RULERS ARE NOT A TERROR (FEAR) TO GOOD WORKS, BUT TO THE EVIL. WILT THOU THEN BE AFRAID OF THE POWER? DO THAT WHICH IS GOOD, AND THOU THAT SHALT HAVE PRAISE OF THE SAME: FOR HE IS THE MINISTER (THE LAWS) OF GOD TO THEE FOR GOOD. BUT IF THOU DO THAT WHICH IS EVIL (ROB OR MOB), BE AFRAID: FOR HE BEARETH NOT THE SWORD (POWDER) IN VAIN: FOR HE IS THE MINISTER OF GOD, A REVENGER TO EXECUTE WRATH (VIOLENCE) UPON HIM (OR THEM) THAT DOETH EVIL.

Galatians 4:16, AM I (BILLY B.J.) THEREFORE BECOME YOUR ENEMY, BECAUSE I TELL THE TRUTH???

FROM BEING DISOBEDIENT; FROM THE WORD OF GOD! THERE IS TROUBLE IN THE LAND, AND FROM NOT DOING WHAT GOD SAID; AMERICA'S CURSING IS AT HAND!!!

DEUTERONOMY 28:15A, 16-20A, BUT IS SHALL COME TO PASS, IF THOU WILT NOT HEarken UNTO THE VOICE OF THE LORD THY GOD: CURSED SHALT THOU BE IN THE CITY, AND CURSED SHALT BE IN THE FIELD. CURSED SHALL BE THY BASKET AND THY STORE. CURSED SHALL BE IN THE FRUIT OF THY BODY, AND THE FRUIT OF THY LAND, THE INCREASE OF THY KIND (COWS), AND THE FLOCK OF THY SHEEP. CURSED SHALT THOU BE WHEN THOU COMEST IN, AND CURSED SHALT THOU BE WHEN THOU GOEST OUT. THE LORD SHALL SEND UPON THE CURSING, AND VEXATION, AND REBUKE.

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from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

The Written Word

"But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing ye might have life through his

"-John 20:31

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But of all the books that have been written the Bible is different from any other. The inspired written Word of God with its message of salvation has been preached to the four corners of the earth and with it has come intellectual enlightenment, churches, schools and universities, medical advances and hospitals. People in the darkness of paganism have been released, for "They have seen the great light" -Jesus the Light of the world.

How thankful we should be that records were written by first-hand observers giving eyewitness accounts of Jesus' ministry on earth and the establishing of His Church. Each account was written with a purpose to let us know that Jesus was the Son of God who rose from the dead. For they wrote about Him whom they had seen and heard after His resurrection.

Many of us in the Wesleyan tradition observed His "Ascension" on the 8th day of this month of May. We believe that the resurrection of Christ from the dead is the crux of the whole salvation story. Paul the Apostle said, "If Christ be not raised, then is our faith vain...and we are of all men most miserable. But now Christ is risen from the dead." 1 Corinthians 15:17, 20.

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A good mother lives by faith, as Moses' Mother did, believing that he will love his angles keep watch over her baby as long as he live. Mother believe a way is already made, and it truly is, God provides mother with an intuition that enables them to see the shadow of coming events. She has an invaluable sense of feeling things. She lives with courage deep in her heart, that enables her to face lifes Firecrest battles in sickness, danger and even Death. She takes courage to wait, to watch and pray.

God bless Mother's and may children everywhere pledge to keep the smile's on mother's face and light in her eyes by striving to come up to her expectations of making life sweet for her, so that her later days will be filled with pleasant memories of the yesterdays gone by. Remember obedient children make mother's heart glad.

"Disobedient Children", you will pay for your actions against your parents Read Exodus 20:12 your days will be shortened on the face of this earth. Look at the condition of children in the world today. "Mother" walk straight before your children mothers they deserve your best, stay on your knees, please.

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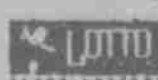
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Applications are available at 1628 Main
Street, Lubbock, Texas. Candidates must
be residents of Lubbock County and must
provide proof of residency when filing.
Elections will be held at the Board of
Directors' annual meeting on Monday,
May 19, 1997 at 6:30 p.m. at Main Street,
Lubbock, Texas. Community Housing
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YMCA TO SPONSOR HEALTH TESTING FOR WOMEN

The Lubbock Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) is making mammograms and Pap tests available to the medically underserved women in Lubbock and surrounding communities. Funding is provided by a federal grant from the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, Georgia and the Texas Department of Health.

This program began last summer

as a six month special campaign aimed entirely at providing breast cancer screenings. In September 1996 the YWCA received additional funding to continue the breast screening program and to begin providing cervical cancer screening services as well.

Program Coordinator, Amy Johnson, said "Many people will be surprised to learn that one out of

every eight women in the U.S. will develop breast cancer at some time in their lives. In the decade of the 1990's, it is estimated that more than 1.8 million women will be diagnosed with breast cancer. However, many of these women's lives will be saved through early detection."

"It is especially important for African American women to get regular mammograms as more African

American women die from the disease than do women of other ethnic groups," Johnson said. "This high mortality rate is most likely due to a lack of early detection of the disease since breast cancer actually occurs more often in Caucasians. Any woman who finds a breast cancer in its earliest stages has a much better chance of treating the disease successfully and going on to live a nor-

mal life."

According to Johnson, women can do three things to detect breast cancer as early as possible. First, they should do monthly breast self examinations. Second, they should get a yearly breast examination by a doctor or nurse. Third, they should have a mammogram. A mammogram is a low-dose x-ray that can detect breast lumps up to two years before they can be felt by a woman or her doctor. The American Cancer Society recommends that women between the ages of 40 and 50 have a mammogram every two years, while women over 50 should have a mammogram every year.

It is also important for women to get regular Pap smears to detect cervical cancer. No woman should ever have to die of cervical cancer because it is very treatable when it is found early.

The YWCA Breast and Cervical Health Initiative is helping women have access to these services. Currently the YWCA can provide a mammogram and Pap test free of charge to women who are eligible. Women are eligible for a mammogram if they are over 50 and a Pap test if they are over 40 and have no insurance or insurance that does not cover these services. In addition women must meet income guidelines. For example, you are eligible if you are single and make less than \$297 a week. If there are 4 people in your household and your household income is less than \$600 a week you are eligible.

All clients are assisted throughout the process to make sure their needs are being met and that they are able to access the care they need.

Please call Amy Johnson at the YWCA at 792-2723 to find out if you can benefit from these services!

Special Presentation to Councilman T.J. Patterson and Larry Isaac

Joel Franks, Dade Health Care Services, made a presentation to City Councilman T. J. Patterson and Larry Isaac, Recreation Center Supervisor for the City of Lubbock. This Presentation signified appreciation for their assistance with the community-wide health fair.

Also, Councilman Patterson presented the winner of the basketball which was given away at the health fair.

The presentation was held Wednesday, May 7, at the City of Lubbock Municipal Building, 1625 13th Street, Room 103 at 12 noon.



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