Boyfriend Charged With Toddler’s Death

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NEW CITY OF TAMPA BLACK HISTORY COMMITTEE OFFICERS

The City Of Tampa Black History Committee, Inc. held its Committee Mixer and Installation Ceremony on Tuesday, April 28, 2009 in the Mascotte Room of the Old City Hall. With the recent retirement of Bettye Greene Johnson, a new president and other officers were elected. City Councilwoman Gwen Miller conducted the installation ceremony. From left to right are: Assistant Fire Chief Tom Forward, Parliamentarian; Tonja Brickhouse, Department of Solid Waste and Environmental Program Management, Advisor; Lenoir Russell, Housing and Community Development Division, Vice President; Frank J. Crum, Office of Cable Communication, President; City Councilwoman Miller; Linda C. Williams, Wastewater Department, Secretary; Gregory Hart, Minority Business Development Office, Treasurer; and Debbie Mercer, Office of the City Clerk, Assistant Treasurer. (Photography By Brunson)

Printers Celebrate 10 Years Of Service

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Father And Son Team Celebrate 10 Years Of Service

More than a decade ago, a Tampa businessman found himself at a crossroads of his life. He had to decide if he would remain with a company or venture into business on his own.

After much thought, Sol Davis, Sr., decided to enter the business arena and opened the doors of Sol Davis Printing on May 1, 1999. His son, Sol Davis, Jr., had already been introduced to the business, as the child of a single parent, he spent many hours beside his father.

“I thought about graduating and starting a career of my own. But I realized that my father was building a legacy and I had to take advantage of it and do my due diligence to be a role model for other Black men.”

I want to say thank you to my dad because a lot of other African American males don’t even know who their father.

“I was thoroughly thrilled to my grandmother, Mrs. Willie Mae Lane, for supporting us and teaching both me and my dad the values of hard work, dedication, determination, and honesty,” Sol Davis, Jr., said.

Sol Davis, Sr., graduated from Tampa Bay Technical High School in 1977 with a passion for design. It was also during his senior year in high school that he became a father.

His own father died when he was 7 and his mother raised 6 children. He knew by her example that his role as a parent dictated that he find employment.

Davis' first job was with Dupree Printing Company. He left there and worked at Semco Company and was later hired by Consolidated Press. From Consolidated he partnered with a co-worker to open Corporate Printing. After years, he stepped out alone.

“I was thoroughly trained in the printing aspect of the business. But, I had to learn the financial aspect of operating a business. I learned through trial and error,” Davis, Sr., said.

From the first day of business Sol Davis Printing has been a full service establishment.

The company’s motto is to provide the service to the customer and deliver it on time at a competitive rate. Davis said that philosophy will never change.

They also realize that in order to remain on the cutting edge, they must continue to have up-to-date equipment and be able to provide the services that their customers want. The business has a 5-color press for large printing jobs and other presses to handle smaller jobs.

It remains in his original 11,000 square foot office at 5205 N. Lois Avenue. The company has a staff of 13 employees.

Davis, Sr., said the future of the company does not focus on the number of offices available throughout the city, but the service the business provides.

Being a full service business, Davis said not only can his company provide the usual printed materials, but they also have the capacity to prepare books for self distribution.

“If a person brings us his book, we can format it and produce it for them to distribute,” Davis said. Other organizations operating over the Internet are located in other states do not offer that personalized attention.

Davis, Sr., said, “I am very thankful to our customers, who without their support, we wouldn’t have reached this point. We want to let them know that we are grateful for their support.”

After opening the business ten years ago, Davis placed a photograph of a man reaching down to help another up in his office. He has passed that philosophy on to his son.

Sol Davis, Jr., said something he read sums up his idea of giving back, “It does no good to ride the elevator of success, if you don’t send it back down for someone else.”

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" Bucifiled Bert" Owens
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Scholarship Program three
years ago.

Last year, five lucky stu-
dents received scholarships
during Dream Seeker on the
Mother’s Day event.

This year, Owens said his
dream's scholarship
recipient, Phillicia Darns,
will be the 2009 Mistress of
Ceremony.

"She is very ready for the
challenge. The speaker will be
Gary Baldassari. He
worked on 18 Super Bowls
and was audio director of the
pre-game, national anthem,
and the post game for 10
years at Super Bowls in
Tampa. He recorded and
mixed live at the Whitney
Houston National Anthem,
which is now double plat­
num."

Others expected to appear
at this year's event are B. K.
Jackson, Marcus Bordea,
Military, and others.

"Her legacy is very impor-
tant to me, no matter if I
have to get some new sponsors. I'll
do whatever it takes. Failure
is not an option. It's very
important to acknowledge
their achievements."

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Features

East Tampa Project Unites Men With Vision

When Jean Loiseau met Terrance Bradford, it seemed like fate. Both men had a vision for East Tampa and the youth of Tampa. Both men wanted to make a difference in the lives of a lot of people, and both are humble.

When Mr. Loiseau and his wife, Margareth, purchased land on the corner of 22nd Street and Giddens Avenue some years ago, they didn't have immediate plans for the site.

They bought the land before the area where the Ross Store was developed. We saw things happening in the area that caused us to reject offers to sell the land to others. Mr. Loiseau said he and his wife, who founded Zagora International, had checked several properties in Tampa before settling on the site that would become the Zagora Retail Center.

The center will contain a Quiznos Franchise, a Caribbean Bistro, Ice Cream Shoppe, and a clothing store. Mr. Loiseau said he will also have an office at the center.

"While in Tampa, my wife and I were looking at different businesses and did some market surveys," said Mr. Loiseau. "We found that spot because we got the property at a good price and it fit into what we were trying to do. We wanted that area because it is a mixed community and there were other construction projects going on in the area. We also thought the vitality in the area was great. When we saw the Walgreen's Store nearby, we knew it was a great plan."

Mr. Loiseau said the plan is to open the retail center and Quiznos in October and the others stores in December of this year.

"We're happy to have an African American contractor on the project, and he's a great man. I'm very pleased with him and his work. Everyone we've worked with have been great people."

Bradford, CEO of Pro-Fit Developers, grew up in West Tampa, and said it was through faith and believing in God, he was able to get this project.

"When I met Mr. Loiseau, I found him to be a very organized and detailed man. I attribute that to his military background. I had to make sure I earned his trust."

"I think we're the right people for the job. Integrity says a lot about how successful you are. I visit the site daily to see what's going on."

"I also have a project underway on Taliaferro just off Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard. I'm building a professional office center that will also house my office. I also have other projects underway, including some new home construction and consulting. I also serve on the mayor's Energy Task Force. Right now, my life is just a dream."

Both men said they have a vision for young people in the area. Mr. Loiseau said what he has in mind is to get young people involved in various projects in the area, as well as offering them more opportunities.

"I plan to visit area schools to get our youth involved locally and internationally. Through different ventures, I've been doing this for 28 years."

As a youth, Bradford said he envisioned having a future where he could make a difference.

"My first passion was to become an architect. I love designing things and creating something from start to finish."

Bradford said the Zagora project is right on schedule, and his goal, along with that of Mr. Loiseau, is to do more in the community and continue to work with youth and community groups.

Mr. Loiseau and I have plans to work together in the future on projects that won't necessarily have anything to do with construction or development."

Both men said they are also excited about how many jobs will be generated from this project.

Organization Brings Life To Tampa Bay's Black History

The Tampa Bay Chapter of the Association for the Study of African-American Life and History, Inc. (ASALH) brings Black History alive with two major activities this year.

"We are one of the nation's newest chapters," said President Fred Hearns, "but we're also one of the most active." The group is a member of the international ASALH organization founded in 1915 by the recognized "Father of Black History," Carter G. Woodson.

The local chapter has two major upcoming activities: May 20th, 5-8 p.m., Florida Emancipation Day Celebration in partnership with the Tampa Bay History Center (TBHC) at the TBHC's new building at 8001 Old Water St. in Channelide; and the 2009 Civil Rights Bus Tour, July 30th-August 3rd to Montgomery, Selma and Tuskegee, Alabama. The deadline for registering for the Alabama Civil Rights Tour is May 30th (see ad in this issue).

The May 20th Florida Emancipation Day Celebration includes a reading of the document signed by President Abraham Lincoln that recognized that date in 1865 when Florida's slaves were set free.

Dr. Sydel LeGrande, a past member of the board of the ASALH organization, will be joined by several other distinguished participants.

Among proclamation readers will be: Tampa City Council Chairman, Thomas Scott, Hillsborough County Commissioner Chair, Ken Hagan, Hillsborough County School Superintendent, MaryEllen Eila, Woods and Wanton Chapter of the Buffalo Soldiers' Frank Bell and Tampa Bay History Center Board of Trustees Chairman, Atty. George Howell.

The program will be capped with a panel discussion and question and answer session, led by moderator, Atty. Warren Hope Dawson, titled, "55 Years After The Brown vs. Board of Education Decision - Where Are We Now?" Members of the George Edgecomb Bar Association and the Fred Minnis Bar Association will join School Board Member Doretha Edgecomb on this panel.

Admission to the History Center's galleries will be offered at half price to all May 20th program visitors.

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“CONGRATULATIONS, MR. PRESIDENT! JOB WELL-DONE!!”

Now, having said that, let us get down to the business of saying just a bit more.

We were shaken by the reminder that, at the end of his first 100 days, George W. Bush amassed a 62 percent support ratio by Americans across the country. We are soberly reminded, on the jubilant occasion of Pres. Barack Obama’s 10th day in office, Wall Street chose to take a tender reminiscent of certain darker days in the past. Whenever a person coughs, as of late, we nervously look over our shoulders. Moreover, we are too mindful that our education system, postal system and too many of our traditional mainstays have begun to crack at the seams.

So, what has this new president given us that his predecessor had taken away? He has given us hope! He has the ability to take place thorough our nation, overthrow the things we could make. He has, at least thus far, endeavored to give us our nation back! For this, we are grateful!

The Plane! The Plane!

T he people in New York must have thought they were re-living 9-11 with the 104 passengers of Flight 93 who died in the crash of the second plane. They were frightened and ran from their offices as a Boeing 747 flew above the Manhattan skyline. Many of the people were rightfully frightened and it didn’t help much when they observed the two F-16s accompanying the plane. It was an incident that resulted in President Barack Obama issuing an apology. As it turned out, the aircraft was the backup for Air Force One and had been authorized to take part in a classified, government-sanctioned photo shoot. The problem is the government failed to notify the people. The panic is quite understandable because the citizens of New York will never be able to recover from the psychological scars of 911. Louis Caldera, Director of the White House Military Office stepped up to the plate and took responsibility for the 73rd error. But that did little to appease President Obama. One could tell from his facial expressions that he was not a happy camper. And rightfully so!

The old expression of wishing I were a fly on the wall when President Obama closed the door is an understatement! I’m sure that Caldera and his entire staff wished they had worn milk bone underside-to wear to work that day because President Obama was HOT! Of course, there are those who would willingly blame President Obama. They would blame him for not “knowing” what’s going on in his administration.

But, I can’t help but wonder if that was an attempt to undermine his popularity and distract him from his agenda. If it were, then it most likely didn’t play out the way its originators thought it would.

The reason for this is that President Obama is a man of integrity. President Obama stole their thunder by stepping up to the plate and apologizing to the citizenry of New York. After all, it did happen on his watch and he took the ultimate responsibility. But, I would be willing to bet that no one behind those closed doors has any desire of being in that position any time in the near future.

Hatshepsut: She Who Would Become King

M eet an ancient vestige (someone who has passed in the history books and pretends to be the opposite sex)! Many of you think such behavior was a recent phenomenon. Well, you are wrong.

Nearly two years ago, archeologists found the mummified body of what forensic scientists believe in all probability is that of the great Hatshepsut, female ruler of Egypt from 1479 to 1458 B.C. Called the “greatest female ruler of all time,” Hatshepsut ruled during Egypt’s 18th dynasty as a man.

The daughter of Thutmose I and Ahmose (daughter of Ahmose Nefertari), Hatshepsut became the co-ruler of Egypt with her father, who also proceeded. However, because her father was adopted by King Ahmose (Hatshepsut’s grandfather), only Hatshepsut and her heirs could claim direct lineage to the throne.

However, when she married Thutmose II, her step-brother (intermarriage was common at that time) and had a daughter, but no sons, by tradition, Thutmose, II’s son, Thutmose, III by another wife (Isis) could, therefore, claim the throne. (Are you following me?) Consequently, because Thutmose, II died at an early age and Thutmose, III was too young to rule, Hatshepsut initially took control of the throne, on her stepson’s behalf. Her rule lasted ultimately for 21 years, during which time she appointed Thutmose III to a “second-in-command role.

Historians point to the fact religious beliefs at that time “dictated that the king’s role could not be adequately carried out by a woman.” Therefore, Hatshepsut probably never would have remained on the throne and dressed as pharaoh to draw attention from her gender.

Indeed, Hatshepsut wore the “classic regalia” of a king, which included the “head-cloth of the pharaoh as a spinx,” a sign of the uraeus cobras, a pharaoh’s kilt (long dress) said a pharaoh’s false beard. Why?

Imagery in ancient obelisks, monuments, statues and temples depict Hatshepsut as a pharaoh, even though her stepson, Thutmose, III, reportedly attempted to chisel off or erase all evidence that Hatshepsut ever served as...
President Barack Obama: The Bold And The Gifted

For more historians may call him reckless. He has a hankering to see the Washington Wizards play the New York Knicks. He rules his Secret Service advisors and President Barack Obama — the most powerful man in the history of the world — looses to the midst of thousands of unsuspecting fans before he darts away, unadorned bunch and watchs the game, smacking chewing gum to the side of his mouth. John F. Kennedy would have done that. Both Teddy Roosevelt and even Franklin Delano Roosevelt, on his good days, would have done that, too. It’s called the “K ­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­&nbs...
Brown And Dungy: A Dynamic Duo

I wonder if there ever comes a time when you’re too old to have heroes? If not, then I would have to say that the two men who come closest to representing that ideal to me would have to be Tony Dungy and Rev. Abraham Brown.

It has been years since I had the pleasure of being in the company of either man. But, what I remember most is their shared humility and ability to be a friend to every person they encountered.

I recall the first time I met Dungy in 1996. We stood on the patio of a restaurant overlooking a gorgeous view of Tampa Bay.

He was a newly hired, highly respected NFL head coach, and I was a young, unknown reporter.

But to him, my status didn’t matter. He showed me the same respect and gave the same time he offered the members of larger media outlets. No airs or fronts, just a gracious individual offering genuine hospitality to a complete stranger.

Those were the same qualities I discovered a few years later when I had the opportunity to interview Rev. Brown. He had the same unassuming persona. Cordial, thoughtful with his words and dignified without being pretentious. A class act.

Each man possessed characteristics that I both admired and respected. As time went on and I was able to observe how each one governed his professional and private life, I realized that they were each true and authentic in their respective appearances.

They didn’t carry dual faces or hidden agendas. They were the real deal.
Group Meets To Discuss Historic Preservation Plans

CWSKRPP MEMBERS

The Citizens Who Support Keeping Rogers Park Public (CWSKRPP), met last Monday with city officials to discuss plans for preserving the history of Rogers Park and Golf Course.

Dennis Fernandez, City of Tampa Historic Preservation Director, and Urban Design Division; Kenny Sims, Golf Operations; Tampa Sports Authority and Heather Wolf-Erickson and Regina McBride-Smith, both representing the City of Tampa Parks and Recreation Department met with the Rogers Park group. Fernandez provided an update to the group and Rev. Thomas Scott, City Council Chairman, on their request to have Rogers Park and Golf Course registered and designated as a national, state and Tampa historic site.

As part of this process, the group is asking everyone who would like to help preserve the history of Rogers Park and Golf Course to gather any articles, photos, artifacts, and other items about the early history of Rogers Park and Golf Course, and contact Fernandez at (813) 274-8060, and speak with Nicole Barry to arrange having your items logged in and returned to you safely.

As part of its plan, a request that a public park, with picnic tables and grills, be located along the river adjacent to Rogers Park Golf Course to re-establish a public park in that area.

Fred Hearns, CWSKRPP Committee Member, and Ms. Erickson informed the group that work has already begun to thin the trees and brush in the park area to open up a view of the river.

“...will be a beautiful canopy of shady trees in a naturally beautiful location that is sure to make the African American and general community proud and will be an asset for the entire community to enjoy,” said James Ransom, spokesperson for the CWSKRPP.

Hears added, “having a park in this location is long overdue and we look forward to having a ribbon cutting celebration that all citizens will be invited to attend.”

Sports Authority director of Golf Operations, Kenny Sims told the group that several projects, including interior painting and new gutter installation are among several improvements and upgrades underway at the golf course clubhouse building.

Other CWSKRPP Committee members who attended this meeting included Ms. Gwendolyn Tucker, one of the first female golfers to ever play at Rogers Park; Rufus Lewis, Curtis Green, Arlanders “Goat” Alford, Willie James, Carolyn Wilson, Debora Barr-Howard, Eddie Adams, Jr., Bennie Johnson, Janice Williams, Dwight Bolden, and Mrs. Mary Alice Dorsett.

The group invites anyone interested in preserving the history of Rogers Park and Golf Course to attend its next committee meeting scheduled to be held next Monday, May 4th at the 34th Street Church Of God on the corner of 34th Street and 21st Avenue at 6 P.M.

Nominations Begin For East Tampa Group

Nominations for the East Tampa Community Revitalization Partnership (ETCRP) Community Advisory Committee are now being accepted. This is the first step in the 2009 nominations and elections process. All interested persons wanting to serve on the ETCRP Community Advisory Committee must complete the Community Revitalization Partnership Agency Advisory Committee Application and Sunshine Law and Ethics Code Acknowledgment Form.

Any questions are to be directed to the 2009 ETCRP Nominations Committee Chair, Ronald T. Brookins at (813) 446-2225.

Applications are available at the East Tampa Development Office, 3606 North 62nd Street (813) 362-3807 and online at Tampagov.net.

Public Invited To Comment On Criminal Justice Program Proposals

Hillsborough County has been allocated a one-time $2,076,074 grant to fund programs that reduce crime. The grant is being awarded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance - Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, and made possible through funds from the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009.

On April 17, the Hillsborough County Public Safety Coordinating Council Executive Committee — charged with making recommendations on how to use these types of grant monies — reviewed and approved two program proposals to submit for funding: Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office Fingerprint and Mugshot System and Temple Terrace Police Department equipment to help search for and catalog criminals.

The programs are managed by the Hillsborough County Criminal Justice Department. As part of the grant requirements, residents can review and comment on these program proposals from April 22 - May 6 during regular business hours at the Hillsborough County Criminal Justice Department Center Building, 24th Floor, 601 E. Kennedy Blvd., in downtown Tampa.

During this time, comments about the program proposals should be submitted in writing by mail: Hillsborough County Criminal Justice Department, Center Building, 24th Floor, 601 E. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, FL 33602, or fax to Office of the City Clerk, (813) 274-8306. You can also email to Sonya.Johnson@Tampa.gov.net.

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Councilman Scott To Discuss Political Future At Press Conference

In response to widespread speculations and questions about his political future, Tampa City Councilman Rev. Dr. Thomas Scott is scheduled to discuss his future public service plans at a press conference on Monday, May 4, at 12 noon. The press conference will be held at Tampa at the Chester Ferguson Law Center, 1610 N. Tampa Street on the second floor in the Smith Boardroom.

Local community leaders and residents have urged the veteran elected official to run for the 2011 Mayor of Tampa as well as various other local and state offices, which become available in 2011 and 2012. Scott has served as Chairman of the City Council for the past year and was recently reelected as Chairman to continue leading the Council. Scott has brought tremendous leadership, style and grace to the Council.

Chairman Scott serves as a County Commissioner with distinction for 10 years from 1996 to 2006 and as Chairman for 3 years: 1998, 2002, and 2005. He has also served on the Aviation Authority, Hillsborough County Hospital Authority, Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority, Florida Sports Authority, State Fair Authority, Tampa Convention & Visitors Bureau, Tourist Development Council, Emergency Policy Board, Expressway Authority and many more boards and agencies.

Chairman Scott has weighed all of the aforementioned options and will announce his plans at the press conference on Monday, May 4th at 12 noon. His number one priority is to continue serving the residents of Tampa and Hillsborough County.

Chairman Scott is the Pastor of the Thirty-Fourth Street Church of God, where he has served as Senior Pastor for 29 years. He is married to Marva Laster and they have three children and 10 grandchildren.

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Household Chemical, Electronics Collection Successful

BY IRIS B. HOLTON
Sentinel City Editor

Last Saturday, the City of Tampa’s Department of Solid Waste & Environmental Program Management hosted the first of its biannual Household Chemical and Electronics Collection Day. The event took place in a vacant parking lot on Bird Street, marking the first time this location had been utilized.

During the collection, more than 900 people took advantage of the opportunity to properly dispose of unwanted electronic equipment and household chemicals. The first electronics and household chemical collection was held last October. During that collection event, 44 tons of hazardous materials and 34 tons of electronics were diverted for improper disposal.

Ms. Tonja M. Brickhouse, Director, Department of Solid Waste & Environmental Program Management, said the new location was made to lessen the time that customers waited in line to dispose of unwanted items.

“We had a record number of 957 citizens served. That’s the most ever in any collection event, 44 tons of harmful materials and 34 tons of electronics was diverted for improper disposal,” Ms. Brickhouse said. The tonnage information was not available at press time. She further stated that the next collection day is scheduled for October 24, 2009. However, her department is discussing whether a special collection day will be planned after June 12th when the transfer from analog to digital television takes place.

Some households will purchase new television sets and will have a need to discard the old sets. However, televisions, radios, cell phones, computers, and other electronics are harmful to the environment and must be disposed of properly.

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Readers Comment on President Obama’s Press Conference

BY IRIS B. BOLTON
Sentinel City Editor

On Wednesday night, President Barack Obama held a press conference to discuss his first 100 days in office. During the speech he stated, “We are off to a good start, but it is just a start. I am proud of what we have achieved, but I am not content. I am pleased with our progress, but I am not satisfied.”

With those words, President Obama let the country know that while progress is slowly being made, the country still has a battle ahead to not only return to its former status, but to build a foundation that will support the country through tough times. Some Sentinel readers who listened to the speech shared their comments.

Ms. Ann Porter said, “I thought he handled it in a highly professional manner as usual. President Obama appears calm, cool and always collected. His answers were right on cue; his speeches were right on cue; he is a pleasure to have a president who can speak to all of the issues off the top of his head at the level of clarity and understanding that he has, is not just impressive, it is stunning!”

“CNN put up an electronic board that showed what President Obama was doing on almost all of his first 100 days; that was staggering! He can’t keep that pace up through his entire first term and as his efforts begin to produce results he should be able to back off, but if he does, he won’t have anything to do in his second term!”

“We have a real president! America and the rest of the free world and not so free world are very fortunate that Barack Obama came along when he did. Just pray that the Secret Service can keep him alive and I believe all will be well.”

Ed Racker said, “I don’t know how anyone could have listened to a president and have a problem with anything he said! To have a president that can speak to all of the issues off the top of his head at the level of clarity and understanding that he has, is not just impressive, it is stunning!”

Marion Lewis said, “I thought his speech was very focused on the real issues and he has actually worked on the things he promised during his campaign. We have made some improvements, but President Obama realizes that there is still a lot of work to do.”

Donald Dowridge, Jr., said, “Within President Obama’s tenure as the leader of the free world and the world as a whole, it can be said that he has moved with assertiveness and fulfilled a number of his campaign promises. We can also say thanks to President Obama for the Stimulus package that has just about saved the educational arena and, is on the verge of creating jobs throughout this land.”

“President Barack Obama has proven well with the majority of the American people in his first 100 days and I, along with my family, is still beaming at casting a vote for President Barack Obama.”

Howard Harris said, “It is a pleasure to have a president who can speak without making ear grating grammatical errors. President Barack Obama shot cannon sized holes through his critics, charges of socialism and fascism by explaining that The typical president has two or three big problems, we have seven or eight, including the greatest economic crisis since the Great Depression.”

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Man Accused Of Killing Toddler On Suicide Watch

The man Hillsborough County Sheriff's deputies arrested in the death of a toddler is on suicide watch at the Orient Road Jail.

Deputies report that Angel Robles, 25, was the only person at home with Isaiah Ian McGuire from 2:20 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. Tuesday when he called for an ambulance.

Detectives said the 11-month-old toddler was transported to University Community Hospital, where he was pronounced dead. An autopsy revealed multiple internal injuries and a head injury that was fatal to the child.

The cause of death was determined to be blunt force trauma, and Robles was charged with first-degree murder and aggravated child abuse.

Detectives said Dr. Mainland with the Medical Examiner's Office determined that the injuries occurred within minutes to an hour.

In an interview with detectives, Robles said he did not inflict the injuries on the child.

He is reported to be the live-in boyfriend of the child's mother.

Robles was arrested at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday on the charges. It was also reported that Robles has been involved with sexual battery, and the Tampa Police Department has reopened an investigation into the death of Robles' child in 2008.

According to family members, Robles and Isaiah's mother, Tequaneshia McGuire, 19, had been seeing each other for a year.

The child's grandmother, Nicole McGuire, said she never felt comfortable with Robles.

"The baby never felt good around him at all. The baby's father is very subdued right now. This is the second child he's lost."

"I talked to her constantly about Angel and she just wouldn't take my advice. There were a lot of markings on the baby that were suspect and his explanations weren't satisfactory to me. I believed he had been abusing the baby before."

Nicole McGuire said they were planning a Sponge Bob party for little Isaiah on the 16th to celebrate his first birthday.

The mother said she had no clue as to what was going on. This was her only child.

The family has asked Ray Williams Funeral Home to assist them with arrangements and services have been planned for next Saturday.

USF Installs Emergency Sirens To Enhance Campus Safety

Since establishing the new Division of Public Safety in January 2008, the University of South Florida has implemented a number of initiatives aimed at strengthening campus safety and ensuring a secure environment for students and university employees.

The most recent addition to the Division of Public Safety efforts includes the installation of an Emergency Notification System (ENS) on the Tampa campus.

The ENS consists of eight emergency warning stations stationed throughout campus, which each have a siren, loudspeaker and strobe light.

Once the ENS installation is completed, basic information will be disseminated to the university community, to include a public demonstration facilitated by USF President Judy Genshaft and other campus leaders, and scheduled to take place early in the fall semester.

Other upgrades to the Division of Public Safety that have strengthened campus safety include:

- Combined dispatch: Police, campus security, and parking enforcement formerly operated three separate dispatch operations on campus. All three have now been consolidated into one Public Safety dispatch system.
- Mo-Bull: In August of 2008, administration required registration for the "Mo-Bull" service, making subscription to the emergency text messaging system mandatory. Currently more than 50,000 students, faculty and staff are registered for this free service — approximately a 238% increase over initial enrollment.
- Tactical response team: Last year, the police department created a tactical response team specially trained to be the first responders in an emergency operation.
- Training: Security officers and parking enforcement personnel are receiving additional training in traffic control, CPR, first aid, and elevator rescue during power outages.
- Bicycle patrol officers: Police have added bicycle patrol, increasing officer visibility and mobility on campus. For more information contact Lara Wade at (813) 974-9060.
Princess Diana Event To Benefit Five Tampa Bay Charities

TAMPA — Dresses and royal memorabilia of Diana, Princess of Wales, will be featured at “An Evening of Royal Distinction” on Saturday, May 2, 2009, from 6:20 p.m. (sharp) until 9:30 p.m. The event will be held in Hyde Park Village, 720 Village Circle in Tampa. The dress code is black tie optional.

Proceeds benefit the following charities: The Foster Children of Tampa Bay, Hispanic of Tampa Bay, Tampa Bay Academy of Hope, Vinny Lecavaller Pediatric Cancer Foundation, and 50,000 Homeless Children of Tampa Bay. Come meet and hear some of the children who represent these charities whose lives have been touched by people like you.

Historical artifacts from one of the most beloved and popular royal figures of all times, Diana, Princess of Wales, will await guests with an evening of culture and entertainment hosted by Dr. Russell T. Bain, Pediatrician. Tampa Bay resident, Maureen Rorech Dunkel, will share her 11-year journey with the dresses of a very special princess.

The evening will feature wine, champagne, hors d’oeuvres and a mini orchestra. Guests will be treated to red carpet photos plus there will be a silent auction, royal and sports memorabilia.

Tickets can be purchased by calling (1-727) 846-1844 or by e-mail at luca fan79@sol.com.

Hillsborough Students Excel On Writing Test

The Hillsborough County students outscored their counterparts in all Tampa Bay area school districts on the state writing test and exceeded the state average in all grades tested.

In the scores released Thursday, Hillsborough County students also matched or exceeded the scores for all districts of comparable size. The writing test is given to students in grades 4, 8 and 10.

Fourth graders showed the greatest improvement, with 18 percent more students than last year scoring a 3.5 or higher.

USF/Patel Elementary School improved the percent of students scoring a 3.5 or higher by 45 percent over last year. The school average in all grades tested.

Fourth graders showed the percent of students scoring 3.5 or higher by 45 percent over last year.

Seven schools showed increases of 30 points or more. 31 schools improved by 20 to 29 points. 85 schools made double-digit improvements.

72 percent of schools record- ed a 4.0 or higher.

4th graders increased the percent scoring 3.5 by 37 percent.

Rampello 8th graders scored higher by 7 points. Other schools did better.

Martinez were 5.0 or higher.

Bartels, Benito, Farnell, and Martinez were 5.0 or higher.

Sulphur Springs Elementary School 4th graders increased the percent scoring 3.5 by 9 points.

Brovard Elementary School 4th graders increased the percent scoring 3.5 by 10 points.

Mean scale scores for Bartels, Benito, Farnell, and Martinez were 5.0 or higher.

On Writing Test

56 percent of schools scored 3.5 or higher.

Grief Ministry Invite The Community To Share In A...
Tampa Mother Proud Of Daughter’s Achievements

Rose Moore (left) stands with daughter, Jhessye, holding her achievement as an inductee into Who’s Who Among Students.

Rose Moore has no problem bragging about her children. Her daughter, Jhessye, has once again reached a high level of achievement.

Last month, Moore was nominated and won Who’s Who in American Colleges Honors Society. Over 300 inductees were celebrated at the awards ceremony.

Those 40 honorees were selected out of more than 5,000 students in attendance at UCF.

Moore is an alumnus of G. S. Middleton High School, and is currently a senior at UCF, majoring in Biology with two minors, one in Environmental Science and the other in Film Studies. Her plans are to become an environmental biologist and promote awareness to the masses through film and the media.

Jhessye Moore is the youngest of three children. Her mother, Rose, is a teacher with the Hillsborough County Adult Education Program.

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In The Spotlight

JAIDE
Our Spotlight this week is directed at the lovely Jaide. This young lady is certainly not camera shy as she loves to model, and has no problems showing her best to whoever is taking her photos. When she’s not modeling, Jaide can be found spending time with friends and family. Jaide has the kind of personality that easily attracts people, but she’s also very careful about who she calls a friend. But just to make your day complete, we will make sure you never forget Jaide as this week’s Spotlight feature.

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Happy birthday, Diva.
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Love you, Sunshine.

St. Petersburg - The Weed and Seed 13th Annual Family Fun Day Festival will be held on Saturday, May 2, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the James B. Sanderlin Family Service Center, located at 2335 22nd Ave. S. There will be entertainment, giveaways, medical screenings, agency presentations, inflatable games, music, food and ice cream. Some of the featured performers are the Original Florida Spirituals and the Mighty Sons of Zion, Eloop entertainment, Ella Jet and much more.

“This inter-generational event continues to bring together community residents, police, social service agencies and organizations, churches, neighborhood associations, city officials, health care providers, friends and family for a day of positive interaction, sharing and uniting at no cost to the community, in a drug- and crime-free venue,” said Dr. Darrell Davis, for Midtown Economic Development, Goliath J. Davis, III.

The festival provides an avenue to educate residents about the valuable resources available to them through the city, social services, health care, and the faith community. It is an ideal event to market services that are needed and available in the community. Services include free screening for bone marrow, blood pressure checks, diabetes, and for cholesterol.

The event is co-sponsored by the United States Attorney’s Office for the Middle District of Florida, the St. Petersburg Police Department, the James B. Sanderlin Center, and the City of St. Petersburg.

Library Invites Public To Annual Spaghetti Dinner

St. Petersburg — Celebrate Children’s Book Week with Mayor Rick Baker at the St. Petersburg Public Library Annual Children’s Book Week Spaghetti Dinner at the Johnson Branch Library, 1059 18th Avenue S., on Monday, May 11.

Mayor Baker will read a special story at 6 p.m. in the library’s community room. Then the crowd will parade next door to the Enoch Davis Center where they will be served a free spaghetti dinner. Each child who attends will receive a free book.

The St. Petersburg Public Library Spaghetti Dinner has become a tradition in the community as a highlight of Children’s Book Week and is a great opportunity for children and parents to share a reading experience.

For reservations, please call the Johnson Branch Library at 893-7115 by 6 p.m. May 9. Adults must be accompanied by a child.

National Kidney Foundation Of Florida Offers Free Health Screening

A free health screening will be held for people at risk for kidney disease, for Florida residents with diabetes, high blood pressure or a family history of kidney disease. A free health screening, blood pressure measurement, blood and urine tests will be conducted for those who qualify (valued at $350). Open to the public.

The event will take place on Sunday, May 3, 2009, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m., at the Wilbert Davis Boys & Girls Club, 3616 Sarah Street.

Twenty six million Americans — 1 in 9 adults — have chronic kidney disease and most don’t know it. In Florida 1.8 million people are suffering from chronic kidney disease and 21,000 of them are in kidney failure requiring dialysis treatments for survival. Early detection and treatment, including lifestyle changes and medications, may SLOW or PREVENT its progression to kidney failure and lessen the risk of cardiovascular disease.

For additional information contact the National Kidney Foundation of Florida at 1-800-927-9659.

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Boys And Girls Club Youth Teams Win Championship Games


Boys and Girls Club Rattlers won championship games during the Boys and Girls Club Championship Day. The event was held at the Salesian Boys and Girls Club. Both teams went 12-0 for the season.

Jackson has been involved with the children since 1976. Since being with the Boys and Girls Club, he has worked under two sisters - Bertha Gary and Shirley Foster. "I have learned a lot from the two sisters on how to deal with the kids. This has helped me and my wife to open our home doors."

"Our boss, Todd Cole lets us know how important the Boys and Girls Club is to our community. I wish more community leaders would get involved," Jackson said.

Knowing the importance of being involved in the lives of young people, Jackson, a former point guard for H.B. Plant High School, is proud of the fact that his words of encouragement had an impact on the lives of some professionals - Mike Williams, and Joey and Steve Graham, to name a few.

Former USF Player Displays Skills For NFL Scouts

BY LEON B. CREWS
Sentinel Staff Writer

Trecto Belemy won all kinds of accolades as a line-backer at the University of South Florida. Standing 6'3" tall and weighing 245 pounds, he definitely had the size to play at the next level. What Belemy soon discovered was in spite of all his success in college, that didn't guarantee he'd be drafted by the NFL.

"I knew I still wanted to play in the NFL, and if given the chance I was sure I'd land a job somewhere."

Belemy decided to sign with a Sports and Entertainment Corporation, King Cobra, and that move proved to be the right one.

"Thanks to King Cobra, I've been given the opportunity to try my skills to NFL scouts. I learned quickly that no matter how good you think you are, that doesn't guarantee a thing. So many athletes try to enter the NFL every year, and so many of them end up doing something else."

Stoney Woodson, Jr. started off his athletic career as a baseball player, and excelled in that sport. However, when he arrived at Middleton High School, he started playing football his junior year.

After graduating in 2004, Woodson went on to attend South Carolina University under the guidance of Steve Spurrier. He excelled in his position as a cornerback, and looked forward to a professional career.

Returning to Tampa, Woodson sat with his mother, Vinda, as they listened to all the names being called on both days of the NFL draft.

"I think play in New York," Belemy decided to sign with a Sports and Entertainment Corporation, King Cobra, and that move proved to be the right one.

"I'm so happy to be playing for the Giants. I was beginning to think about going in as a free agent until I got the call."

"Those were my first words. We were very excited for him. I think he'll do well in New York. We haven't discussed whether I'll go with him when he leaves, but we will be going to watch him play in New York."

Woodson said now it's time to work hard, get to the mini camps, and get ready to play. He's scheduled to be in New York on May 7th.

"I thought I would go to the San Francisco 49ers. I'm just happy that my dreams have come true to play in the NFL."
How Good Was Bucs’ Draft?

Just how good was the Buccaneers’ 2009 players draft? Besides the team, nobody really knows.

Fans, sports writers and sportscasters can’t get too beyond the Bucs first draft pick. The world knows by now that the Bucs’ first-round pick was African American quarterback Josh Freeman.

Freeman, a three-year starter from Kansas State, is 6’5”, 240 pounds and has a guide missile for a throwing arm. Yet, Buc fans don’t believe he was worthy of a first-round pick. It doesn’t matter that Bucs General Manager Mark Dominik and Coach Raheem Morris are absolutely ecstatic.

They know that their franchise quarterback will need some learning time, but the Buc brains trust is completely sold on him. These people say that if they had had the first overall pick in the draft, Freeman still would have been their guy.

The Bucs already have Luke McCown, Brian Greise, Byron Leftwich and Josh Johnson under contract to play quarterback. What will they do with five quarterbacks? Will they keep three and cut two others who played significant roles in the team’s run to the Super Bowl.

The second question is, could Freeman be the second coming of Doug Williams, who at one time was the Bucs’ franchise?

Kentucky Derby Is All Set

Tomorrow, Saturday, the annual running of the Kentucky Derby will take place with a full field. If nothing happens between now and post time, 24 thoroughbreds will parade into the starting gates. I Want Revenge out of the 13th box is the team favorite. Pioneer of the Nile and Friesian Fire are the second and third favorites. They will break from the 16th and 6th box, respectively.

Woods And Manning Paired

The Indianapolis Colts’ star quarterback and pro golfer Tiger Woods played together in the PGA Quail Hollow Championship Pro Am. The two had a great time playing together. Woods played like a pro golfer and Peyton Manning played like a pro football player.

Tiger got down to the serious business of trying to win his second victory of the year and his second since he had reconstructive surgery.

Cards Waive Edgerrin James

EDGERRIN JAMES

PHOENIX — The Arizona Cardinals granted running back Edgerrin James’ wish to be released on Tuesday and cut two others who played significant roles in the team’s run to the Super Bowl.

While James’ move was anticipated, the release of cornerback Rod Hood and defensive end, Travis LaBoy was not.

The moves clear salary cap space for the Cardinals, who want to sign new deals with linebacker Karlos Dansby and safety Adrian Wilson, and eventually with unhapsy wide receiver Anquan Boldin.

Bucs Have Freeman’s Number

Former Kansas State and Grandview High School QB Josh Freeman chose his own number with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

No. 5

Freeman, the Buccaneers’ first-round draft pick, wore No. 1 at Kansas State. Throughout the 33-year history of the Bucs, the No. 5 jersey has usually been worn by kickers and punters, although quarterback Bruce Gradkowski wore both No. 5 and No. 7 during his short Tampa Bay tenure.

No player on the current roster had been assigned No. 5.

The Bucs will hold a mini-camp for rookies this weekend at the team facility.

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Jets Officially Cut Ties With Favre

NEW YORK — Brett Favre was released from the reserve-retired list by the New York Jets on Tuesday night, making the quarterback a free agent if he decides to again come out of retirement.

When Favre was dealt to New York from Green Bay in August, there were conditions in the trade that required the Packers to be compensated if the Jets moved the three-time MVP. Those no longer apply if he signs elsewhere.

The 38-year-old Favre, who spent one disappointing season with New York, had requested the move several weeks ago through agent Bus Cook, but insisted he has no plans to come out of retirement for a 19th season.

Bolts’ Phillips Cited For Misdemeanor Battery

SAN DIEGO — Chargers linebacker Shaun Phillips was cited for misdemeanor battery for allegedly striking a security guard in the face at a downtown hotel early Sunday morning.

It is Phillips’ second run-in with the law in three seasons.

“IT’s disappointing to hear about the issue involving Shaun Phillips. We’ll continue to monitor the situation and let the legal process run its course,” general manager A.J. Smith said in a statement.

Neither Phillips nor his agent responded to phone calls, texts and e-mails.

San Diego Police spokeswoman Monica Munoz said Phillips was not arrested.

According to a police report, Phillips was cited by an officer at about 1 a.m. Sunday after a security guard at the Ivy Hotel reported that he had been struck in the face. The security guard was identified as Robert Van Cleave of Pacific Beach.

Minor League Team Offers Vick $200 A Week To Play

ALBANY, NY — Michael Vick has a place on a minor league football team if he can get reinstated by the NFL.

The Albany Firebirds, an arena football 2 franchise, have offered the 28-year-old quarterback a one-year contract at the league standard: $200 a week plus a $50 bonus for a win.

The Firebirds’ contract offer requires that Vick donate $100,000 to a local humane society.

NBA Fines Adelman, McMillan, Rivers For Criticizing Referees

NEW YORK — The NBA has fined three coaches for publicly criticizing referees during the NBA playoffs.

Houston’s Rick Adelman, Portland’s Nate McMillan and Boston’s Doc Rivers all were penalized $25,000.

Adelman and McMillan are facing each other in a first-round series that the Rockets lead 3-1. Both coaches were fined for comments after Houston victories.

Judge Orders Rodman To Pay Vegas Casino Employee

LAS VEGAS — A federal judge in Las Vegas has ordered former NBA star Dennis Rodman to pay a former casino employee $225,000 for grabbing and humiliating her at work in March 2006.

A lawyer for 28-year-old Sara Ure says Rodman never responded to the civil lawsuit filed against him in November 2007.

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Ure is a former beverage manager at the Hard Rock Casino. She accused Rodman of grabbing her and forcing her to dance, holding her against her will and slapping her backside in front of subordinates and patrons.

Jets Contacted Burress’ Agent Before Draft

FLORHAM PARK, NJ — The New York Jets, in the market for a wide receiver, called Plaxico Burress’ agent before the NFL draft to look into the former Giants star’s legal troubles.

Burress was released by the Giants on April 3, just over four months after the Super Bowl hero accidentally shot himself in the thigh with an unlicensed gun in a New York City nightclub.

Burress, 31, faces at least 5-1/2 years in prison if convicted on a felony weapons charge. He’s due back in court on June 15.

Jets general manager Mike Tannenbaum said late Sunday night that “consistent with our normal approach of performing due diligence, we contacted Drew Rosenhaus several days ago, prior to the draft, to inquire about Plaxico’s pending legal situation.”

Tannenbaum added that the Jets haven’t spoken with Rosenhaus about Burress since ESPN first reported Sunday that the Jets had internal talks about the possibility of signing Burress.

Commissioner: All-Star Game In Orlando’s Future

ORLANDO — NBA commissioner David Stern says the Orlando Magic will host an All-Star game soon in Orlando’s future.

Stern said before Game 5 of the Sixers-Magic series Tuesday that “without question, there is an All-Star game in Orlando’s future.”

Stern could not give a year the city would host, but said he hopes it would be announced before the 2010 All-Star game at the new Dallas Cowboys Stadium.

Stern toured the construction site of the Orlando Events Center earlier in the day. The Magic’s new arena is expected to open for the 2010-11 season.

Stern also said he does not see the All-Star game moving out of the country anytime soon because there are too many NBA franchises trying to host the game.

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Steelers' Holmes Arraigned On Marijuana Charge

PITTSBURGH — Pittsburgh Steelers receiver and Super Bowl MVP Santonio Holmes was arraigned Wednesday following a traffic stop. Holmes’ attorney, Robert DelGreco Jr., appeared at the brief hearing where charges were formally presented. Holmes did not appear, nor was he required to.

DelGreco said he planned to challenge the constitutionality of the stop, but did not elaborate.

“I will be filing a suppression motion. That will be a public record and we’ll go from there,” he said.

Police said they found three marijuana-filled cigars in Holmes’ car when he was pulled over Oct. 23. Holmes was stopped because his car was similar to one they were looking for in a drug sting.

Holmes was cooperative and alerted officers to the drugs, police said.

Melo Leads Nuggets

DENVER — With a little help from the hometown kid, Carmelo Anthony is finally moving on. Behind Anthony’s 34 points and the floor leadership of Chauncey Billups, the Denver native who came home this season and galvanized a city and a team, the Nuggets advanced to the second round of the NBA playoffs, 107-96 over the New Orleans Hornets on Wednesday night.

After five straight first-round flameouts, ‘Melo led the Nuggets to their first playoff series win since 1984. They’ll face the Dallas Mavericks in the second round.

“That monkey is awful heavy sometimes,” Nuggets coach George Karl said. “I’m just happy for ‘Melo.”

Monkey?

“It took me five years to get that gorilla off my back,” said Anthony, drafted third overall by the Nuggets in 2003 after leading Syracuse to the national title in his only college season. “And it’s a great feeling. I’m just going to soak this time up, this moment.”

Jayson Williams Hospitalized After Violent Rampage in NYC Hotel

NEW YORK — Ex-New Jersey Nets star Jayson Williams was hospitalized for a psychological evaluation Monday after being tasered by police following a violent rampage in his Manhattan hotel room, PIX News has learned.

Police say they responded to a call from the Embassy Suites in Battery Park City about a suicidal man creating a disturbance in Williams’ room. According to the Daily News, when cops arrived they found a suicidal, violent Jayson Williams who apparently trashed his hotel room.

After an EMS crew arrived, responding officers were forced to use a taser to subdue Williams, police said. The former NBA star was then taken to St. Vincent’s Hospital where he was given a psychological evaluation.

Dwight Howard Suspended

ORLANDO — Dwight Howard’s elbow has given the Orlando Magic’s playoff hopes a major hit.

Howard was suspended for Game 6 of the Magic’s playoff series against the Philadelphia 76ers for his elbow on Sixers center Samuel Dalembert, the NBA announced Wednesday.

The two got tangled up going for a rebound in the first quarter in Game 5 on Tuesday night. Replays showed Howard threw an elbow that hit Dalembert above the shoulders.

“‘Melo has a great feel,” Nuggets coach George Karl said. “And it’s overall by the Nuggets in the entire series. ‘Melo leads Nuggens to their first round flameouts, ‘Melo led the Nuggets to their first playoff series win since 1984. They’ll face the Dallas Mavericks in the second round.

“You’re Invited to our Open House

Please join us to learn more about HART’s plans for Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) in Hillsborough County.

We welcome your comments and input!

When: Tuesday, May 12, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Where: Seminole Heights Baptist Church, 801 East Hillsborough Avenue, Tampa, FL 33604 (next to I-275)

What: Drop by anytime between 4:00 and 7:00 p.m. to learn more about HART’s plans for Bus Rapid Transit Improvements. A formal presentation about the project will be held at 5:30 p.m. We look forward to hearing your comments.

The North-South Corridor BRT Project Design and Environment (PD&E) Study plans to provide BRT service from Marion Transit Center, University Area Transit Center, Telecom Park and Hidden River Corporate Park via Nebraska Avenue and Fletcher Avenue. Benefits of BRT service include:

• Longer hours and more frequent service
• Faster travel and better service reliability
• Real-time passenger information
• New stations and unique vehicles

The North-South Corridor Traffic and Signal Analysis will provide a comprehensive traffic study to identify potential impacts and signalization priorities for BRT operation.

How to Get There: The meeting location is served by HART Route 2 - Nebraska Avenue and Route 34 - Hillsborough Avenue.

Plan your trip online at www.goHART.org or by calling (813) 254-HART (4278).

For more information regarding this meeting, please contact the HART Engineering Department at (813) 449-4715 or hays-evonj@goHART.org.
MR. EMERSON WILLIAMS, JR.

Homegoing celebration for Mr. Emerson Williams, Jr. of 6801 N. 47th Street, who passed away Thursday, April 23, 2009, will be held on Saturday, May 2, 2009, at 11 a.m. at Rest Haven Funeral Home, 5002 N. 34th Street, Tampa. The family will receive friends from 7 - 8 p.m. on Friday, April 24, 2009, at the church and 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 25, 2009, at Sunset Memory Gardens, 34th Street, Tampa. Interment will follow in Rest Haven Memorial Park.

SISTER CLAUDIA JONES

Homegoing service for Mrs. Claudia Jones, who passed away on April 29, 2009, will be held on Monday, May 4, 2009, at 11 a.m. at Progress Village SDA Church, 7909 Flower Street, Tampa. Interment will follow in Sunset Memory Gardens, Highway 301 in Thonotosassa, Florida.

Visitation for Sister Claudia Jones will be held on Sunday, May 3, 2009, at Rest Haven Funeral Home, 5002 N. 34th Street, Tampa, from 2 - 7 p.m. The family will receive friends until 7 p.m. on Sunday, April 26, 2009, at the funeral home.

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Homegoing service for Mr. Philip (Phil) Speights, Jr., who passed away on Monday, April 20, 2009, will be held Saturday, May 2, 2009, at 11 a.m. at Harmony Funeral Home. 

MR. NATHANIEL MACK, AKA "PRETTY"

Homegoing service for Mr. Nathaniel "Pretty" Mack, who passed away on Tuesday, April 21, 2009, at 11 a.m. at Harmony Funeral Home, 5002 N. 34th Street, Tampa, from 7 - 8 p.m. on Friday, April 24, 2009, at the church and 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 25, 2009, at Sunset Memory Gardens, 34th Street, Tampa. Interment will follow in Rest Haven Memorial Park.

A HARMON BURIAL
**FUNERALS**

**THERE WILL BE NO PUBLIC VIEWING.**

The family will receive friends, Friday, May 1, 2009, from 2 to 7 p.m. at Ray Williams Funeral Home. Arrangements entrusted to Ray Williams Funeral Home, Rhodes & Northern, Owners.

**MRS. MIRIAM LEE WINGATE**

Mrs. Minnie Lee Wingate of 5049 E. Shadowlawn Avenue, passed away on Friday, April 23, 2009. Homegoing services will be conducted Saturday, April 25, 2009, at 11 a.m. at Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church, 2708 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, Tampa. The remains will repose at 10 a.m. on Friday, April 24, 2009, at Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church. The funeral cortege will proceed to 2708 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, where the funeral service will begin at 11 a.m. The family will receive friends from 4 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 25, 2009, at Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church. The interment will follow in Plant City Cemetery.

**MR. DAETRICE L. MILTON**

Funeral services for Mr. Daetrique L. Milton of 10077 Anna Lee Ave., Tampa, who went home to glory on Thursday, April 23, 2009, will be held at 1 p.m. at New Birth Missionary Baptist Church, 4618 N. Florida Avenue, Tampa. The remains will repose from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 25, 2009, at New Birth Missionary Baptist Church. The family will receive friends at the church from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. prior to the funeral service.

**MRS. EVANGELINE G. CONLEY**

The homegoing service for Mrs. Evangeline Conley will be Saturday, May 2, 2009, at noon at Mt. Olive Baptist Church, 604 W. Ball Street, Plant City. The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 2, 2009, at Mt. Olive Baptist Church. The funeral service will begin at 12 noon. The interment will follow in Plant City Cemetery.

**MR. HENRY JAMES SMITH**

Funeral services for Mr. Henry James Smith, affectionately known as "Jim," of 841 N. 47th Street, Tampa, who departed this life on Wednesday, April 29, 2009, will be held at 1 p.m. at Peck Street Missionary Baptist Church, 2007 E. Himes Avenue, Tampa. The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 2, 2009, at Peck Street Missionary Baptist Church. The funeral service will begin at 1 p.m. The interment will follow in West Haven Memorial Park Cemetery.

**MRS. KATHRYN ANN TERRELL**

Mrs. Kathryn Ann Terrell of 1912 Old Sawmill Road, Brandon, passed on Thursday, April 23, 2009, surrounded by her family. Kathryn quietly and peacefully joined her Heavenly Father, Jesus Christ, and transitioned to her eternal home. Funeral service will be held on Saturday, May 2, 2009, at 11 a.m. at Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church of God In Christ, 2313 E. 27th Avenue, N, Bishop Morris Duke, Sr., with Elder Lorenzo Salvage, officiating, and Elder Tommy Jones, eulogist. Interment will follow in Hillsboro Memorial Park Cemetery.

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**FridAy, May 1, 2009**
BROTHER WENDELL CORNELIUS "SANDY" YOUNG

Homage to celebration for Brother Wendell Cornelius "Sandy" Young of 2308 N. 2nd Street, who passed away April 15, 2009, will be held Saturday, May 2, 2009, at 2 p.m. at St. Peter's Apostolic Church, 2303 E. Elliott, Bishop R. J. Jordan, pastor, Bishop R. Huey of The Glorious Church of North Carolina, officiating, eulogist. Internment will follow in Floral City Cemetery, Floral City, Florida.

He was preceded in death by: his father, Elder Henry Joe Young, Jr; and grandparents, Henry and Gladie Young.

He leaves to cherish memories of him: his mother, Betty J. Young; a son, Wendell C. Young, Jr. and Detorrio Young; a brother, Wilbert Glenn Young and wife, Carolyn of Hillsborough County; uncles, Nathaniel Mobley and wife, Carolyn of Tampa; cousins, Marilyn Walker and husband, Jerry; nieces, Nathaniel Mobley and wife, Carolyn of Tampa; cousins, Ted Felton of New York, and Wallace E. of Tampa; aunts, Cecelia Diggs of Tampa; Detroit Langston, Jr., Delia Langston, Shaker Langston, Bratt Langston, Detrich Langston and Albert Young and wife, Bette; and a host of other family and friends.

Brother Young worked construction with his father at Young's Paving and Sealing at the church at approximately 1:45 p.m. "A WILSON SERVICE"

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BARRY ANDREW KEATON

Sunrise: May 4, 1973
Sunset: April 19, 2008

In memory of

On May the 4th, he would have been celebrating his 25th birthday, but God had other plans.

Not a day goes by that we don't miss his smile and laughter. He will never be forgotten by his family. We love you always, we hope we will see you again one day.

Come out and celebrate with family and friends on May 3rd at 3 p.m. at Rowlett Park, a blast from the past.

His mother, Betty; sisters and brothers, Tasha, Monica, Jamal and Stanka.

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On May the 4th, it will be twenty years since you've been gone. We love and miss you. From, your wife, Juanita Sails; children, grands and great grands.

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HUBERT 'BOO BOO' DAVIS

12/2/65 – 4/22/07

Gone, but not forgotten. We love you and miss you very much. It's been two years since you've been gone. We love and miss you. From, your wife, Louise Davis; and David.

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JASPER HARRIS (MOSE)

Remembering you today and everyday on your birthday.

From, your wife, Louise Harris; children, grandchil­dren, and the Hudson family.

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IDELLA C. MITCHELL
September 29, 1923 – May 2, 2008

Just a Memory Away

Your loving daughter, Margaret Bell and family.
MOTHER MINNIE KENNEDY
Sunrise: May 1, 1909
Sunset: December 31, 2002

Good morning mommie, seven years ago your flight #93. Today mommie, you landed in the garden with the Lord making your

Happy Mother’s Day honey, you will always be our mother. Thanks for loving, caring and understanding me. Your dinner was
baked chicken, green beans, yellow rice, Pepsi and sweet potato
pie. Mommie, my heart extends to you in heaven. Everlasting love.

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Cobb Co. Dad Accused Of Killing Infant Son

MARIETTA, Ga. — An Austell father has been charged with felony murder in the death of his infant son.

Cobb County Police said 25-year-old Morris Monroe Blue, Sr., was arrested Monday in the death of a 6-week-old baby.

Police responded to a 911 call Sunday and found the toddler unresponsive. The infant was pronounced dead at a local hospital.

There is no word yet on the exact cause of death or if Cobb County Sheriff's Department investigators are looking into anything.

Cobb County Sheriff's Office spokesman Scott Gresham said the investigation is ongoing.

Police said the child was found in the living room of a home in the 2600 block of Elliott Road.

On March 24th, Federal authorities arrested Pablo Barrio, 54, as the key subject of Operation Dual Identity, a joint investigation involving a major car cloning scheme.

Barrio was placed on house arrest on April 16th and escaped during the morning of April 28th from his residence.

On Thursday, Tampa Police were searching throughout the East Tampa area for two men in a home invasion and shooting.

Police Charge Woman With Animal Cruelty

Tampa Police arrested a woman Wednesday evening, charging her with animal cruelty.

According to the report, Nicole Thornton, 37, purchased a dog called "Black Girl" for her son's birthday last year. When the dog got too big to keep inside, she chained him up outside.

Deputies responded and located the woman walking in the area. The woman said she was driving her car and exited, saying she did not want to be part of the incident. She said Gainer drove off and may be heading to his home in North Port.
Crime

Man Facing Drug Possession, Fleeing To Elude Charges

DAJUAN SMITH

On Tuesday morning, Temple Terrace Police reported that an officer observed a car sitting at the intersection of Fowler and 56th Street that appeared to be unoccupied.

The officer approached the car and found the driver sleeping in the driver's seat. He awoke the driver and had him step out of the car. When the driver got out of the car, the officer said he smelled marijuana. He searched the car and found crack cocaine.

The driver, identified as Dajuan Smith, 26, was arrested and charged with possession of cocaine with intent to sell or deliver, driving while license suspended, habitual traffic offender, and violation of probation. He also had an active warrant for fleeing to elude — high speed and driving while license suspended.

He is currently being held without bond.

Officer Shoots Suspected Drug Dealer

JEFFERY LEE

CLEARWATER - On Monday, undercover detectives from the Clearwater Police Vice/Narcotics Unit arranged to purchase a trafficking amount of cocaine from Jeffery Lee in the McDonald's parking lot on 1680 Gulf-To-Bay Boulevard.

Once the transaction was completed, officers moved in for the arrest. Two police vehicles pinched Lee's vehicle at the intersection of Fowler and 56th Street to prevent him from leaving.

Lee, 19, accelerated his vehicle and pushed one of the police vehicles out of the way. At least one officer was directly in the suspect vehicle's path. In fear for his life, he and another officer fired shots at Lee's vehicle.

Lee was struck by the gunfire and officers summoned for Fire and Rescue to respond to treat Lee for his injuries. He was treated and transported to a local hospital where he is listed in critical, but stable condition.

Lee will be charged with two counts of aggravated assault on a law enforcement officer and fleeing and eluding. Additional drug charges are pending.

The officers involved in the shooting have more than 20 and 13 years of experience. Due to their undercover assignment, their names will not be released. Both have been placed on paid administrative leave.

6 Arrested In Prostitution Sting

The Tampa Police Department's District III squad conducted a prostitution sting along Nebraska Avenue in the area of Columbus Drive this week that resulted in the arrest of six women on prostitution charges.

Arrested in the sting were Patricia Warren, 26; Kennitha Christian, 26; Chaka Powell, 25; Danielle Scott, 41; Almetha Allen, 36, and Tanya Simmons, 20.

Deputies Seek Armed Robbers

PINELLAS COUNTY - Pinellas County Sheriff's deputies are investigating an armed robbery that occurred around 5:38 a.m. at the Waffle House, 2551 54th Avenue, North.

According to deputies, two armed men entered the restaurant, went up to the counter and demanded money. After they received the money, both men fled. Witnesses said they drove away in a 1990's model red Honda Accord.

The suspects are described as a Black male and a Hispanic male, both wearing hoodie sweatshirts, and dark pants.

Police Arrest Man After Incident With Live-In Girlfriend

On Monday night, Hillsborough County Sheriff’s deputies said Nathaniel Lee Mitchell, 46, and his live-in girlfriend got into an argument over money.

The argument escalated when Mitchell reportedly assaulted the woman by hitting her and trying to choke her.

Sheriff's Office spokesperson, Debbie Carter, said Mitchell pulled a knife on the woman in the kitchen and threatened her. When he put the knife down, she tried calling 9-1-1, but Mitchell took the phone from her. He then drug her through the house, outside, and started choking her again.

Deputies arrived and arrested Mitchell on charges of battery, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, domestic battery by strangulation, and tampering with a witness. He is currently being held without bond.

Police Need Help To Identify Theft Suspects

LAKELAND - The Lakeland Police Department is investigating a theft that occurred at Lowes, 3600 North Road 86 on April 18th.

Police said two suspects removed a generator and a lawn blower from Lowes.

Anyone who can help identify these suspects is asked to contact Crime Stoppers or the Lakeland Police Department at (863) 834-6900.

UNCLE SANDY

8, 64, 30 When facing adversity, 1, 13, 49, a wise man prepares for the worst, 2, 15, 32, and prays for the best. 24, 28, 43.

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The weather was great and MacFarlane Park filled with supporters of the Darrell Jackson Family Foundation. The event was the 5th Annual Rep Yo City Basketball Tournament hosted by NFL player, Darrell Jackson.

The 2-day event provided live entertainment by DJ Shizm and M&M and food and fun for the entire family. (Photography by Brunson)

Adding cheers and life to the all day event were Cheer Girls Entertainment represented by Drema and Candice, kneeling; and Angela, Maggie, Tomasa, Eva, Faith, Toni and Danielle.

Rep Yo City 2009 Basketball Tournament host Darrell Jackson.

Young hoopers ready to represent their cities are: Anthony Brown, B.B. Walden and Larry Barton, aka, L.A.

Lil Vinny and Lil Preston were enjoying themselves in the park.

Doshenece, Ursula, Robin, Selma, Cieara and Adreauna at MacFarlane Park.

Carla Johnson was Director of the event and Pete Shaw was the Assistant Director.

Simone, Janice and Prystal took advantage of the wonderful spring weather to enjoy the Rep Yo City Basketball Tournament at MacFarlane Park.

Live entertainment was by M&M and DJ Shizm.

Tosha, Tesha, Pshanti and Amariya were at MacFarlane Park for the 5th Annual Rep Yo City Basketball Tournament.

Former National Football League and Tampa Bay Storm linebacker, Darion Conner, 41, was sentenced to 15 years in prison Thursday for driving while intoxicated and killing a bicyclist in September 2004.

Conner received the sentence four years ago, but an appeals court overturned it and ordered a retrial for a mistake made during the original trial.

Conner has already served nearly 4 years in prison and will get credit toward his overall sentence for that time.

Records indicate Conner drove a Toyota Landcruiser that struck Jonathan Conklin on September 4, 2004 as he rode his bicycle. Witnesses told authorities Conner's vehicle served erratically on Linebaugh Avenue before he struck the 32-year-old man.

Conner's blood alcohol level was .027, more than three times the legal limit.
Residents Share Opinions On President’s First 100 Days In Office

BY IRIS B. HOLTON
Sentinel City Editor

On January 20th, President Barack Obama was sworn into office as the 44th President of the United States. He recently completed his first 100 days in office on Wednesday, April 29, 2009.

In addition to inheriting a failing economy, the collapse of national businesses and banks, President Obama has also had to contend with a pirate attack on an American ship and a possible health epidemic. As the first African American president in the history of the country, President Obama’s every move has been scrutinized.

Some Tampa residents share their opinions on his accomplishments during his first 100 days.

Elder Michelle Patty said, “With all that has come his way from inherited problems to those that have developed since he has been in office, I think President Obama is doing an excellent job. The pressure he is under is showing the people who had doubts and thought he wasn’t experienced enough that he is the right president for this season that we are in.

“Those who have doubts about him can now feel comfortable and we should all do our part so that this great nation will become what it is supposed to be.”

Curtis Stokes, President of the Hillsborough County Branch NAACP said, “I think President Obama is doing a great job. When you look at what he promised and what he has delivered. On health care he promised to provide health care for everyone and he’s addressing that issue, he is trying to revamp the nation’s education system so that anyone who wants to can get a college education, he’s brought about the stimulus package, and with terrorism he’s traveled overseas to try and build or restore a better relationship with nations around the world.”

Hakim Aquil said, “This is the first time in history that the critics, analysts, and experts are saying that President Barack Obama has done more during his first 100 days in office, than any other president with the exception of President Theodore Roosevelt.

“I think that he was really prepared for this mission and he is never at a loss for finding a solution to a problem.

“What I really like about him is that when something goes wrong, he quickly accepts responsibility. I think this speaks to his honesty and helps to keep his ratings up. And I believe he will continue to do enough good things to outweigh the bad.”

Ms. Candy Lowe said, “President Obama has really impressed me with the way he has put his team together. In areas where he is not as sharp, he has gotten people who know what they are doing. He has the ability to influence others and that is commendable. I have been most impressed in the manner in which he has gone to other countries and met with other leaders and those meetings have been overwhelmingly impressive.”

Ms. Alison Ankuma said, “I think that he has done a great job and being the first Black president, he has come under more scrutiny than the previous presidents. The fact that he has such a high approval rating validates that the majority of Americans like the direction in which the country is going.”
Local

10-Year-Old Scores At Top Of His 4th Grade Class

BY LEON B. CREWS
Sentinel Staff Writer

Being a single parent is tough, and keeping two growing boys at task is even tougher. But for Tiffany Covington, she's managed to not only keep her sons focused, but her 10-year-old, Thomas, has scored in the top 95% of his 4th grade class at Sheehy Elementary.

"Thomas is currently on a 6th grade level in school has been moved to advanced classes.

"I'm proud that we have been blessed with this wonderful, well mannered child. I can't take all the credit for his success, because it takes a village to raise a child and Thomas is also blessed to have a dad. Willio Romulus, that takes part in his school work and after school activities. He also has his grandparents and great-grandparents, aunts and uncles. They've encouraged Thomas to aim for his best and the rest will follow."

Ms. Covington said her son's dreams are to one day become a professional football player, but he knows that the window of opportunity is not just limited to that future.

"He also has a dream of maybe becoming a doctor or lawyer. He hopes to be able to meet his favorite football teams (The Buccaneers and Dolphins or the Cowboys). But he also says he would be honored if he could meet President Barack Obama. Thomas says he wants to attend the University of South Florida someday or the University of Florida so he could be a Bull or a Gator."

Ms. Covington wants to thank the teachers at Sheehy Elementary for all they’ve done for her son, as well as his kindergarten teachers, and after-school instructors.

"I also want to thank the coaches of the Pee-Wee and Super-Midget Nuccio Jaguars and his Belmont Heights baseball coaches."

Ms. Covington's other son is Joseph Romulus.

Middleton Alum Is Outstanding Graduate Of Univ. Of Florida

William L. Atkins is the Outstanding Graduating Senior Leadership Award recipient of 2009 at the University of Florida, Gainesville. He is receiving his Bachelor of Science Degree in Recreation, Tourism and Parks with a specialization in Recreation and Event Management on Saturday, May 2, 2009.

Atkins' success at the university began when he became a Florida Citron, eventually being selected as a Presidential Host, a Student Government Senator, and a Preview Orientation leader in 2005. He was initiated into the Theta Sigma Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. in the spring of 2005, where he later became treasurer and scholarship chairman. He continued his involvement with the campus and community through the College of Education's College Reach-Out Program, serving as a tutor and head counselor. He also was UF's Homecoming Soulfest Executive Director, responsible for planning the largest multi-cultural extravaganza in the Southeast.

In 2007, Atkins was elected as the Administrative Vice President of the National Pan-Hellenic Council and was the associate general chairman of UF Homecoming.

Even with all of his curricular activities, Atkins had time for several internships including one with the Office for Student Activities and Involvement and another for Multicultural and Diversity Affairs. He also worked as the Government Relations assistant for the Office of the Vice President for University Relations.

Atkins' other accomplishments include winning several awards, being Mr. Black Student Union 2005, being the 2007 Black Student Union Homecoming King, being tapped into the Florida Blue Key Leadership Honorary in the Fall of 2006 and inducted into the University of Florida Hall of Fame in 2009.

He plans to continue his education at the University of Michigan, pursuing a master's degree in Higher Education Administration. He wants to become a college administrator, begin doctoral studies in the field of education and ultimately become a professor.

A 2004 Middleton High graduate, William is the son of proud parents, Wallace and Annie Atkins and nephew of Gwendolyn Atkins. He attends Mt. Calvary SDA Church and Holy Outreach For Christ.

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Happy Birthday, Baby!!

XAY And GLISELLE

They said you're foolish, but we have a bond that made moves on your behalf when you had no bond. I love you daddy. Happy 30th birthday.
Your Queen.

Happy Birthday To 2 Divas!

TANYA And TYESHA

Happy birthday Tanya, May 2 is your day. Celebrate life, God bless you.
Tanya will be celebrating at C. J. Mills Field Saturday, followed by a crab-sha-la feast.

DARNEL WILLIAMS

I love you mom, always. I would like to give a special 28th birthday shout out to me, myself, Darnel, a.k.a., Fatboy.
So, for all y'all family and friends and everyone else who forgot about me, just keep looking over your head. And for anyone who's trying to get to know me and doesn't mind writing, hit me up.
Darnel Williams. AT19033 G2213, Santa Rosa CI, 5850 East Milton Road, Milton. FL, 32583.

MS. NOTHELA And TONY

Wishing my man a happy birthday on May 1st.
Love, your 1st lady, Ms. Nothela and kids, Suge, Mama and Tonio.

Derrick Ealy, Jr. (Tank)

Special birthday wishes are going out to Derrick, who will be turning 7 today, May 1st. He will be celebrating with family and friends.
Derrick attends Beulah Baptist Church, where he sings with Beulah’s Beamers. And he recently received awards for Academic Excellence and Perfect Attendance for the 3rd nine weeks grading period.
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each new sun and hope and
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refuses to give ground, and
faith with happiness is bound.
I could not wish you more — no less — than heav­
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Sunday School Lesson

Chosen And Blessed

In life, every individual has a need of being chosen. When growing up and participating in various events it was always hurtful not to be chosen. Who wants to live life not being chosen? Not only do many people want to be chosen they also want to feel a part of something that is special and meaningful. People make choices based upon how they see themselves fitting into a situation or on how they see others fitting in with them.

This is certainly true when choosing a lifetime spouse, a career, and a church. The subconscious thought is, how do I fit in and will this work for me?

This notion of being chosen is something that exists before time. This is the message Paul is trying to convey to the church in Ephesus, which is this week’s lesson (Ephesians 1:3-14).

Paul lets the people know that they have been chosen by God (vs. 4). He did not just wait to see you and see what it is you can do for Him. God had already made up His mind that He wanted you. He was predestined or predetermined that God would choose you as His own.

In choosing you and bringing you into His family (vs. 3), He also knew what kind of person He desired for you to be. He chose you to be holy and without blame (vs. 4). While you may have been born under different circumstances and you have made some choices that are not pleasing to Him or against His will, He still chose you.

God choosing you has nothing to do with you. Being chosen by God has everything to do with His will. He chose you because He wants you. He saved you because He wants you. He heals you, why? Because it is His will.

Many people choose individuals for many reasons. Some people want only smart people around them. Some choose because of position, status and title. Some choose because of the popular place to be or because of what belonging there can do for them.

In the church people must always remember that when God chose them, they were not in a position to offer Him anything then and they are not really able to offer Him anything now. Therefore, when people come to unite with the family of God who some think are not worthy, the church must not stand in the place of judgment but stand with open arms to welcome them home.

God did not choose you to be a part of His family as children, He also chose you to be blessed. Because you are a part of His family He wants you to live a life like a member of His family should. Therefore He blesses you with all the spiritual blessings in Heavenly places (vs. 1).

Your blessings were also predestined (vs. 11). When He chose you He came into His family He also chose to bless you. Since you are predestined to be blessed with the inheritance, your blessing is not determined by your worthiness.

God has chosen all those whom He wills to be adopted into His family. He adopts a person because of His choice and not because of a person deserving. You must know that you are His and He has blessed you. You have everything you need to live the life the Father has predestined for you to live. As you live, live knowing who you are and He has everything you need.

Preparation & Pray

Pastor ALEC F. HALL

Sunday Morning Church School @ 9:30 A.M.
Sunday Morning Worship @ 11:00 A.M.
Thursday Night Youth Bible Study @ 6:30 P.M.
Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting & Bible Study @ 7:00 P.M.
A surprise luncheon was held on Thursday, March 26, 2009 at Reihla Baptist Institutional Church to congratulate the COACH Foundation, Inc. Executive Director, Reverend Willie G. Dixon, for a job well done for 28 years of services of “Helping People to Help Themselves” in Tampa and the State of Florida.

The surprise luncheon as planned by his wife, Mrs. Maryse C. Dixon, friend, Mrs. Ida Campbell and COACH President Ms. Annette Jenkins. They contacted hundreds of Dixon’s former students, co-workers, family members, friends, pastors, business associates, city, county, states and national elected officials

This was one time that COACH Dixon found himself speechless. People attended from Tallahassee, Sarasota and Atlanta, Georgia.

Dixon stated, “Most people don’t recognize a person until after they die. So he had to go to the room to see if he was still alive.” He further said, “It is better to give people their flowers and words of encouragement while they are alive and can hear their words of encouragements.”

Dixon is a retired school teacher, former drug addict of over 20 years, and ex-offender. However, he boldly, proclaims he has been “drug free” since June 1975 the day his late friend, Judge H. Ryder sentenced him to a 20-year sentence.

While in prison he accepted Jesus Christ on August 14, 1976, at 3:34 PM, released from Zephyrhills Correctional Institution on November 20, 1979, homeless, without a car and $25.00 and a desire to live as a productive citizen. With this desire he was allowed to return to the same prison as an employee for Pasco Adult Education and then by the Pasco-Hernando College to teach an employability class to the inmates in Zephyrhills Correctional Institution.

Dixon is in the process of publishing his book, “From Death to Life.” How prison saved his life and Jesus saved his soul.

His goal is to sell a million copies of his book in order to donate a share of the profit to prison ministries and non-profits. Another of Dixon’s goal is to establish a mini loan program to assist offenders after their release.
Members of G.R.I.T.S. (Girls Raised In The South) organization recently sponsored a Bachelor's Auction as its annual charity fundraiser. The event was held on April 19th at the University of South Florida College of Education, TECO Room. G.R.I.T.S. was founded in 1998 by a group of women sharing a common goal of serving the community with special emphasis on youth. (Photography by Brunson).
Happy Birthday to the May celebrants: J. Walker, Mrs. Essie Chaney, Ms. Eloisie Griffen, Mrs. Anna Harris, Mrs. Christine Taylor (Clarkston, GA), Mrs. Jacqueline Brown, Nathaniel Lewis, Stephanie Washington, Jennifer Reed. Chelsea Bentley, William Williams, Joe Matthews, Reginald Butler, Darrell Days, Jehremy Boyd, Octavia Wright, Michael Little, Evander Boyd (mem.), Janice Anthony, Patrick Tim, Lonnie Thompson, Jr., Garland Grishy, Jacquelyn King (mem.). Cynthia Armstrong, Dave Osterberg, Sharon Bailey, Deanna Lawrence, Renee Swearinger, Jennifer Scott and Lemoyce Tillor.

Happy Related Birthday
Happy related birthday wishes to Bernard Washington (April 28). Mrs. Gwendolyn Tim, Lonnie Thompson, Jr., Garland Grisby, Osterberg, Sharon Bailie, Cynthia Armstrong, Dave Osterberg, Sharon Bailey, Deanna Lawrence, Renee Swearinger, Jennifer Scott and Lemoyce Tillor.

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Griffen, Mrs. Anna Harris,

Mr. Donald White, who is confined at Tampa General Hospital.

Sympathy
Sincere condolences to the following families in the loss of their loved ones: the Jordan, Chaney, Ellis, House and Wharton families. May God have a blessing on them.

Congratulations!
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Foreclosure Workshop Held At Middleton High School

Middleton High School was the location of the 4th Foreclosure Workshop sponsored by U.S. Congresswoman Kathy Castor. Homeowners were given the opportunity to receive help and ask questions about problems they were having making mortgage payments. (Photos by Brunson)

Quinton Robinson, Chloe Coney, Grace Miranda, Fred Myers, and Ernest Coney were among those who attended the workshop.

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Tina Washington, Detra Smith-Vazquez, and Rolando Vazquez attended the workshop held at Middleton High School.

Jody Jenkins and Elsa Suarez, of the CDC of Tampa, Inc., were in attendance at the workshop.

Charlie D'Amico, and Jackie Chaney-Wilson, (seated), Tasha Hicks, Martha Williams, and Cynthia Upson attended the Foreclosure Workshop held at Middleton High School.
Institute On Black Life Hosts Leadership Conference

Members of the University of South Florida’s Institute on Black Life recently held a conference entitled, “Leadership in the 21st Century: The Role and the Road.” The guest speaker was Ms. Farai Chideya, of the NPR News & Notes. The Honorable Lisa Campbell and Dr. Ted Williams served as moderators.

Other speakers who attended the conference held at the Embassy Suites USF on April 17th, included: the Honorable Mayor Pam Iorio; Otis Anthony, Director, Diversity Management, Polk County School Board; Ms. Candy Lowe, of Candy Lowe Tea Time; Dr. Bart Banks, Director, Hillsborough County Aging Services; Dr. Paullette Walker, National V. P. of Delta Sigma Theta, Inc.; Henry Bell, President, National Coalition of 100 Black Men; Ann Darby, former Mayor of Winter Haven; Glenton Gilzean, Jr., founder, Educate Today; and Africana Studies Graduate Students; Rayshana Black and Reginald Eldridge. (Photography by Bruson)

Ms. Farai Chideya, nationally recognized author and journalist, left, was the guest speaker at the conference. She is shown with Rev. Gerald White and Dr. Cheryl Rodriguez.

A large crowd attended the leadership conference sponsored by the Institute on Black Life at the University of South Florida. Among those attending were: Brother Ali S. Muhammad, Brother Keith Muhammad, Sister Tonya S. Muhammad and Brother Tayyib Rashid X.

Author Sydell Sales and Ms. Patricia McDonald attended the conference at the University of South Florida presented by the Institute on Black Life.

Ms. Celeste Roberts and Ms. Camilla Hippolyte were among those who attended the leadership conference held at the University of South Florida.

Ms. Andrea White, Senior Manager of Public Affairs at Bright House Networks, left, and Ms. Joyce Russell, Hillsborough County African American Liaison were in attendance at the conference.
Students at the Hillsborough Community College, Ybor Campus, held a Moment of Awareness for fellow student, Ryan Darkins Davis, who has been missing for more than two weeks.

The event was held at 1 p.m. on Thursday in the Courtyard between N. 15th Street and Palm Avenue. The students came together to raise attention to the missing man and to remember Carl Walters, whose body was found on April 7th.

Darkins Davis and Walters were last seen together two days before Walters' body was found. (Photography by BRUNSON).

Several students were on hand to wish for the safe return of Ryan Darkins Davis and to honor the memory of Carl Walters at Hillsborough Community College, where both young men were students.

Sister-in-law Olivia Davis, brother, Paul Davis, mother, Mrs. Robin Harris Darkins, and sister, Tierra Davis, attended the Moment of Awareness for Ryan Darkins Davis. They are shown standing beside a photograph display.

LaToya and Jasmina Shoats attended the Moment of Awareness at Hillsborough Community College remembering Ryan Darkins Davis, who has been missing for more than two weeks, and Carl Walters, whose body was found on April 7th.

Among those attending the Moment of Awareness for the two young men were: Lisa Robinson, Lisa Hale, David Norwood, Reva Rosario, Yolanda McCloud, Jon Frazier, II, and Steven Smith.

Members of the African American Student Union hold photographs of the two students.
From TONIA TURNER

The possibilities are endless when using edible flowers is as extensive as your imagination. Try these:

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- **Cocktails & Hot or Cold Beverages**: Float a blossom on top after you’ve poured the drink.
- **Ice Cubes**: Serve the flower ice cubes with iced tea or any chilled beverage.
- **Jams, Jellies & Syrups**: You can garnish plain jellies at the table by mixing in petals.
- **Oil & Vinegar**: Steep petals in oils and vinegars to impart flower essences into the condiments.
- **Garnish**: You can garnish cupcakes with fresh strawberries and whipped cream for a stunning dessert.

### Rose Ice Cubes

12 spray roses (the small ones)
12 twist ties & floral tape
2 wooden skewers & ice tray

**DIRECTIONS**: To keep the roses submerged in the ice trays, build a framework that will weigh them down. Cut the spray roses, leaving about 2 inches of stem, and use twist ties to attach the stems to the skewers. Place the roses, which are attached to the skewers, upside down in their individual ice compartments of the tray. Tape down the skewers at the ends of the ice tray to keep everything from floating when you add water. Add water to the ice tray and freeze overnight.

### Floral Liqueur

4 cups vodka or brandy & 1 cup sugar & 1 - 2 cups flowers

**DIRECTIONS**: Place lightly bruised petals in a jar with vodka or brandy and steep for 2 days. Then, add sugar and steep for 2 weeks, shaking vigorously once or twice a day to let sugar dissolve. Strain and filter into clean decanter.

### Flower Butter

1/2 - 1 cup chopped fresh or dried petals & 1 lb. sweet unsalted butter

**DIRECTIONS**: Finely chop flower petals and mix into softened butter. Let mix stand for several hours at room temperature, then refrigerate for several days to bring out the flavor. Can be frozen for several months. Wonderful on breads or used in sugar cookie or pound cake recipes.

### Flower Honey

1/2 - 1 cup fresh or dried petals & 1 lb. honey

**DIRECTIONS**: Add chopped or crushed flowers to honey. Loosely cover jar and place in a pan half full of gently boiling water. Remove from heat, and let sit in the hot water for 10 minutes. Remove jar from water and let cool to room temperature. Allow jar of honey with flowers to sit for 1 week. Flowers can then be strained out if desired. Will last indefinitely in a cool dark place. Use in tea, salad dressings, on croissants, scones, muffins and bread.

### Flower Oil

1/2 - 1 cup fresh or dried flowers & 1 qt. vegetable oil

**DIRECTIONS**: Add flowers to bottle of oil and place in a pan of water. Simmer water with bottle in it gently for at least 30 minutes. Remove from stove and cool. Cover bottle tightly, and let steep a week before using. If dried flowers are used, they may be left in the oil. Fresh flowers should be drained after one week as they lose their color.
Recipes

Candied Flowers

1 egg white (use powdered egg whites)
100 proof vodka
superfine granulated sugar
thin artist's paintbrush
edible flowers: violets, pansies, rose petals,
lilac, borage or scented geraniums
wire rack

DIRECTIONS: Beat egg whites until frothy.
Add a couple of drops of vodka to help the
flowers dry quicker. Using fresh picked edible
flowers, paint each flower individually with
beaten egg white using the artist's paintbrush.
When thoroughly coated, sprinkle with fine
sugar and place on the wire rack to dry. Flowers
are completely dry when stiff and brittle to the
touch.

Idea: Try a chocolate cake decorated with
fresh raspberries and candied rose petals.

Bergamot: The petals are spicy and are used in fruit salads, soups, punch bowls or herbal teas.
Borage: Slight cucumber flavor. Star shaped flower dresses up salads and cold drinks.
Calendula: Add to souffles, rice dishes, omelettes and breads.
Chamomile: Tastes sweet, is good for tea or sprinkle over salads.
Dandelion: Very nutritious having more vitamins and minerals than most vegetables. The flowers are great in salads, dipped in batter and fried, and fermented as Wine.
Daylilies: Excellent in stir fries, soups and salads.

Hibiscus: Crystalize and use on cakes, mousses or mix them with salad leaves.
Lavender: Flavor cookies, sorbets and jelly. Preserve in oil, use to make tea.
Nasturtiums: Use on salads, stuff with cheese or guacamole.
Panier: Flavor sugar, oils and vinegars. Stain them in wine, put into syrups, sorbets or custard. Garnish cakes, salads, soups and a punch bowl.
Rose: Crystalize the petals, then make rose-petal jam, rose drop candies, syrup or honey of roses. Never eat florist-grown roses as they usually contain toxic chemicals.

Violet: Use in salads or crystalize and used for decorating cakes, cookies and desserts. Or use to make floral ice cubes to add to a summer punch bowl.
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What Are Common Feelings Associated With Depression?

According to the National Institute of Mental Health, people with depressive illnesses do not all experience the same symptoms. How severe they are, how frequent, and how long they last will vary depending on the individual and his or her particular illness. Here are common symptoms people with depression experience:

- difficulty concentrating, remembering details, and making decisions
- fatigue and decreased energy
- feelings of guilt, worthlessness, and/or helplessness
- feelings of hopelessness and/or pessimism
- insomnia, early morning wakefulness, or excessive sleeping
- irritability and restlessness
- loss of interest in activities or hobbies once pleasurable, including sex
- no pleasure left in life any more
- overeating or appetite loss
- persistent aches or pains, headaches, cramps, or digestive problems that do not ease with treatment
- persistent sad, anxious, or "empty" feelings
- thoughts of suicide, suicide attempts
- irritability
- aggression or impulsive behavior

*thoughts of suicide, suicide attempts

While these are common symptoms of depression, they may also occur in patterns. For example, a person may experience depression with mania or hypomania -- a condition sometimes called manic depression. Or the symptoms may be seasonal in the case of seasonal affective disorder.

There are several types of manic depression. People with bipolar II disorder have at least one episode of major depression and at least one hypomanic -- mild elation or high -- episode. People with bipolar I disorder have a history of at least one manic -- extreme elation or high -- episode, with or without past major depressive episodes. A patient with unipolar depression has major depression only but does not have hypomania or mania.

Is Depression Difficult To Diagnose?

It is estimated that, by the year 2020, major depression will be second only to ischemic heart disease in terms of the leading causes of illness in the world. But patients with depression sometimes fail to realize (or accept) that there is a physical cause to their depressed moods. As a result, they may search endlessly for external causes.

In the U.S., about 14.8 million adults suffer from major depression, according to the National Institute of Mental Health. The suicide risk in people with this type of depression is the highest rate for any psychiatric state. For people between the ages of 10 and 24, suicide is the third leading cause of death. Unfortunately, most people with clinical depression never seek treatment. Left undiagnosed and untreated, depression can worsen, lasting for years and causing untold suffering, and possibly suicide.

What Are The Warning Signs Of Suicide?

Depression carries a high risk of suicide. Anybody who expresses suicidal thoughts or interests should be taken very, very seriously. Do not hesitate to call your local suicide hotline immediately.

Call 1-800-SUICIDE (1-800-784-2433) or 1-800-273-TALK (1-800-273-8255) or the deaf hotline at 1-800-855-8517. Contact a mental health professional immediately.

Warning signs of suicide include:

- thoughts or talk of death or suicide
- thoughts or talk of self-harm or harm to others
- aggressive behavior or impulsiveness

Previous suicide attempts increase the risk for future suicide attempts and completed suicide. All mention of suicide or violence must be taken seriously. If you intend to have a plan to commit suicide, go to the emergency room for immediate treatment.
Acne And Adults

CDC issued a travel warning recommending that people avoid non-essential travel to Mexico. CDC continues to issue interim guidance daily on the website and through health alert network notices.

What Is Swine Flu?
Swine influenza (swine flu) is a respiratory disease of pigs caused by type A influenza viruses that causes regular outbreaks in pigs. People do not normally get swine flu, but human infections can and do happen.

What Are The Signs And Symptoms Of Swine Flu In People?
The symptoms of swine flu in people are similar to the symptoms of regular human flu and include fever, cough, sore throat, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue. Some people have reported diarrhea and vomiting associated with swine flu. In the past, severe illness (pneumonia and respiratory failure) and deaths have been reported with swine flu infection in people. Like seasonal flu, swine flu may cause a worsening of underlying chronic medical conditions.

How Does Swine Flu Spread?
Flu viruses are spread mainly from person to person through coughing or sneezing of people with influenza. Sometimes people may become infected by touching something with flu viruses on it and then touching their mouth or nose.

What Should I Do To Keep From Getting The Flu?
First and most important: wash your hands. Try to stay in good general health. Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious food. Try not touch surfaces that may be contaminated with the flu virus. Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

Are There Medicines To Treat Swine Flu?
Yes. CDC recommends the use of ospanamivir or zanamivir for the treatment and/or prevention of infection with these swine influenza viruses.

U.S. Human Cases Of Swine Flu Infection

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Colon Cancer Risk Lowered By Calcium

It’s bananas! Those yellow fruit goodness and other calcium filled food has sliced the risk of the development of colon cancer and other tumors. Women who consumed the smallest intake of calcium, some 1,881 milligrammes daily, had the lowest calcium intake of some 1,530 milligrammes a day, had a 16% smaller risk of developing colon cancer and other tumors.

For men, those with the highest intake of calcium some 1,530 milligrammes daily, had a 10% smaller risk of developing.

From: Health News

Acne And Adults

The American Academy of Dermatologists recommends these following tips for the proper care and treatment of acne:

- To prevent scars, do not pop, squeeze or pick at acne; seek treatment early for acne that does not respond to over-the-counter medications.
- Gently wash affected areas twice a day with mild soap and warm water. Vigorous washing and scrubbing can irritate your skin and make acne worse.
- Use "non comedogenic" (does not clog pores) cosmetics and toiletries.
- Avoid alcohol-based astringents, which strip your skin of natural moisture.

- Shampoo hair often, daily if it is oily, though African-Americans may prefer to wash it weekly.
- Use medication as directed and allow enough time for acne products to take effect.

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Lil Ochi Island Restaurant in Ybor City is where families gathered on Easter Sunday to enjoy Jamaican style cuisine. (Photos by Julia Jackson)

Helping to serve the Easter Sunday meal were Jessica Gallimore, Kenneth Vassell and top chef, Noel Barnes.

Deloris Thomas and Juliet Brown were at Ochi Island Restaurant for the Easter Sunday Brunch.

Lil Anaya James, 5 years old, utilizing utensils to prepare her own food, while cousin, Evanya Wilson is available for assistance.

Sponsor of the Easter Sunday Brunch was Anthony Brinson.

Helping with all restaurant needs were Norma Wilson and Kerry Ann Mendez.

Dawana Benjamin, Sharon Burnett and TaShana W. Kirkland were among guests in the restaurant.

Easter Sunday Brunch was enjoyed by Millie Vassell, JoAnn Williams, Brittney and Brianna Williams.

One of the families enjoying Brunch at Ochi Island Restaurant was the Young Family: Patrick, Joyce, Kirk and Francis.
Entertainment

**Terrence Howard To Iron Man 2: Karma’s A Bit**

LOS ANGELES — Safe to say Terrence Howard is still pissed about being bounced from *Iron Man 2.* The Oscar-nominated star played superhero sidekick Lt. Col. James Rhodes opposite Robert Downey. One of “the things everyone except Robert Downey Jr. in the original movie said was, ‘They put it all in the storehouse and you honor my contract,’” — Howard was quoted as saying.

“He’s a little bit sad,” Howard said last month. “He’s not bitter. someone a little inadept. They didn’t keep their word. They didn’t keep their promise.”

The 40-year-old *Hustle & Flow* star has a good reason to be angry, given that his character’s role in the sequel is expected to expand, getting his own tricked-out suit to become the here War Machine.

“I’ve seen the *Iron Man 2* script, I know what’s going to happen, but I’m not telling anything. I believe in karma. When someone does something wrong, you don’t have to get them back. Everything right will return the favor for you.”

Still, Howard harbors no ill will for Cheadle, who gave Howard one of the biggest breaks of his career by helping him land a part in 2004’s *The titl e But the lyrics were too syrup and marijuana. I can’t put on it.”

His character’s role in the original movie was “a street disciple and political voice of hip-hop,” he said. “I was able to get his message across.”

“It tends to scare people and offend them,” he said. “That’s what’s supposed to do. A record is supposed to do that every once in a while.”

**Lil Wayne Charms The Ladies Of ‘The View’**

Lil Wayne had a pretty uneventful day in court Thursday, but on Friday morning (April 24), he had a chance to possibly make new fans while sitting down with the ladies of ABC’s “The View.”

While on the show, Wayne talked about getting his GED and subsequently attending the University of Houston as a psychology major. He also told the hosts that he switched to taking online classes via the University of Phoenix.

While the women on the show seemed charmed by Wayne’s Southern swag, they could not get over his diamond grille.

“Thank you for the form of braces,” the MC said with a grin.

For the most part, the interview was light and

**Nas Says Grammy Nod Shows He’s On Right Track**

ATLANTA — Although rapper Nas received backlash over his racial epithe-titled album before switching it to “Untitled,” he says earning a Grammy nomination for his controversial disc encouraged him to keep speaking his mind.

“It showed that I’m here and my voice is relevant,” he said on Thursday night during an event held by BMI, a performing rights organization. “It shows my work is appreciated.”

Some like the Rev. Jesse Jackson criticized Nas, calling his original title choice, which used the N-word, morally offensive and too degrading. Nas decided to changed the title but the lyrics stayed the same for the gold-selling album, which was released last summer.

Nas, who calls himself a “street disciple and political voice of hip-hop,” feels he was able to get his message across.

“We Made You”

**Eminem Says Relapse 2 Is Almost Done**

Eminem got into detail about his forthcoming album, *Relapse,* (due May 19) during an interview with Shade 45’s *Angela Yee on “The Morning After” Sirius satellite radio show on Thursday, explaining why the album will only feature Dr. Dre and 50 Cent as collaborators.

Dre produced the majority of the album, save for one track Em did himself. The rapper said Dre’s handling the bulk of the production allowed him to experiment even more with his flow on this project, compared with his previous efforts: “I really got a chance to step away from the boards,” Em said. “I tried to pick the [Dre beats] that challenged me, rhythm-wise. I ended up experimenting with a bunch of different flows. I try to do that every album, but this time I had a chance to go all out with it. Make every flow different and pick unique beats.”

(Eminem has also put together an elaborate viral campaign for *Relapse.*)

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Snoop Dogg Denies Attacking Fan At Concert

Snoop Dogg has denied striking a fan - who is suing the rapper for millions of dollars - with a brass-knuckle microphone at a 2005 Seattle concert.

In a Santa Monica, California, court on Monday, Snoop (real name: Calvin Broadus), claimed he went straight to his tour bus immediately after Richard Monroe Jr, rushed the stage at the performance said.

Monroe has claimed that he was attacked and had alcohol poured on him during Snoop's performance of "Ima, I Can't [make] it out - a lot of bald heads."

Snoop testified that he did not hit the fan, and responded to the claims by telling the courtroom, "That's all I wanted to do...I'm gonna continue to do that."

Rick Ross Wants To Battle Eminem

Rick Ross is high on life. The reviews of his Deeper Than Rap album are in, they're positive, and the Miami slang sultan is all smiles. While he's headquartered at the Game (who also performed at the concert).

That part of the trial brought a moment of levity to the proceedings: When one person on the screen was difficult to identify, Snoop said to his attorney, "Man! I can't [make] it out - a lot of bald heads."

Monroe claimed he was hit by a microphone and attacked by bodyguards while onstage, and woke up nude, in a pool of blood, after the incident. He said he had gone onstage after what he thought was a request for a tribute member to join the performers.

Snoop testified that he did not hit the fan, and responded to the claims by telling the courtroom, "The best way for the injury not to have occurred was for him to stay in his seat and enjoy the show like the rest of the fans."

Scott Storch Recovering From Cocaine Addiction, $30M Loss

Scott Storch isn't dead. He's not in jail. The famed producer isn't even on the run from the police, as you may have heard through the grapevine over the past year. Storch has been focusing on rebuilding his life, because he did, in fact, hit rock bottom.

Lost in a three-year cocaine-abusing haze, he lost more money than most people reading this story will see in five lifetimes: $30 million. Yes, he blew almost his entire fortune on coke, cars, houses, lavish trips, partying and a series of what he calls "poor judgment decisions."

Earlier this month, Storch was arrested for grand theft auto for allegedly failing to return a Bentley he'd leased in 2006. And last year, Storch hit legal trouble after reportedly falling behind on both his child-support payments and his property taxes.

But he has come out of his white-powder fog. The producer says he is in recovery, and, as people who love his music will be elated to hear, he's back making music. On Wednesday night, MTV News caught up with the Grammy winner, who at one time could do no wrong in the studio as he supplied classic beats, not mere hits, for people like Dr. Dre and Snoop Dogg, 50 Cent, Fat Joe and Beyonce.

"I'm taking it back to square one," he said, sitting in a Miami studio. The boards in the factory displayed his name and his publishing company, Tuff Jew.

Plies Compiles A Collabo Wish List For New LP, Including Jadakiss

Plies' new single "Plenty Money" drops soon and, after that, he's going to shift his focus to a whole new album that he hopes to have out in late summer or early fall. But, unlike his previous three LPs, the Florida native will have guest rappers on this project - and he already has a handful of MCs in mind.

"Actually, right now I got a list of five," he revealed to MTV News recently. "I ain't really gonna go over that five in terms of this particular project, 'cause I don't want a compilation album. I know a lot of times I see a lot of artists that come out and they got people on their album that collectively may have sold 20 million records. And at that point, I don't really know if it's about you, but it allows you to tap into other people's markets that probably wouldn't have been checking for you. And for me, I just want to make good music. "But in terms of the top five that I got on there, that's one of the things I wanted to be a big surprise," he continued. "But I'm going into every session that I have had with all these other artists and I'm putting together something that's real, real special that I'm releasing probably the first week in June. Letting everybody know the top five, doing a countdown of all the artists I'm working with on this album."
Entertainment

Beyonce Not Quite Ready To Be A Mom

Earlier this year, Beyonce and Jay-Z celebrated their first wedding anniversary and it got a lot of people asking the power couple about their plans for children. Well, according to Beyonce - who plays a mom in her new thriller "Obsessed" - a baby is not on the list of short-term goals.

"Well, I think I definitely want to be a mother one day," she told MTV News at the junket for the movie. "And I will be - God willing - but not really (right now). I didn't really get the little urge (from playing a mom). It was more like, 'God, this is a lot of work.'"

Although Beyonce may not be ready to change diapers anytime soon, she did recently reveal that kicking butt in the flick wasn't easy for her - fighting is not really her style.

"I had so much fun, because I'm a lover - I'm not a fighter," Beyonce said about her fight scenes with co-star Ali Larter.

"But I got to fight!"

Although Beyonce doesn't like to fight in real life, she didn't mind doing it for her role as Sharon, whose husband's co-worker becomes, well, obsessed with him.

"Every time I play a character, I'm thinking about things that will bring out the rage or whatever emotion is necessary," she said.

"I think about those things in my own life."

Ali Larter Talks About Fighting Beyonce In 'Obsessed'

Ali Larter

This weekend's big winner at the box office was "Obsessed," which took in an expectation-defying $28.5 million. The thriller pits Beyonce Knowles' radiant new mother against Ali Larter's delusionally possessive woman in a bruising girl-on-girl battle in which Beyonce stands by her man by beating the crap out of the woman who tries to steal him away.

The two eagerly dove into the chance for some fist-bashing, hair-pulling action during the film's climactic final fight. "We went for it like, 'You clock, I clock,'" Larter told MTV News. "A little head-butting, some kicks in there - we went for it. We got bruised up. We spent a week shooting it."

Larter came away impressed with the performance of the actress whose neck she tried to wring.

"Beyonce is amazing," she said. "She did it in four-inch heels."

The challenge for Larter herself - whose character, Lisa, develops an unhinged, ultimately violent attachment to her co-worker Derek, who happens to be married to Beyonce's Sharon - was to portray a woman on the edge without going too far. "You never want to play crazy," she explained. "You have to play from a place of love."

"You have to believe that what she's doing in her head is completely rational," Larter continued. "Even though it may seem crazy to the outside world, to her she's falling in love with this man and he's giving her signals. She really sees them and believes that they're meant to be together. Her behavior asks the question, 'How far will you go for love?'"

TRICK DADDY

Trick Daddy Says 'Next Day Air' Is 'Thug Fire'

Trick Daddy's "Count My Money" will be the first single from his upcoming "Next Day Air" soundtrack, due May 5.

"I want mine right now," Trick raps on the song. "Every dollar, quarter, every g-damn dime."

"Count My Money" is featuring the Murk Camp, my artists off of Dunk Ryder Records," he said of the song. "I was asked to get down with the soundtrack by the movie studio, and I worked with [director] Benny Boom a couple of times in the past, so it was only right that I got down with this project."

"The track is that same thug fire you're used to from Trick Daddy," he added. "Plus, I'm doing films right now. I just finished my first movie myself, "Vast Another Day" with Jamie Hector from 'The Wire' and Clifton Powell."

In that movie, Trick plays a street OG named Roman. "It's more than just music with me," Trick said.

Trick Daddy has an album coming out in the summer on his own Dunk Ryders label called Finally Famous. "My album comes out June 30, and it's going to be independent," he said. "It's all me behind it. Look for a lot of hits, look for records for the streets, look for that Trick Daddy vibe."

Jamaican Rapper Denied Permit For Grenada Concert

ST. GEORGE'S, GRENADEA — Grenada has barred a Jamaican rapper from performing because of his raunchy lyrics, a government official said Sunday.

Vybz Kartel, whose real name is Adija Palmer, was forced to cancel a May 2 concert planned to coincide with the local launch of his line of condoms, branded "Daggering," that are already being marketed in Jamaica.

Lyrics that seem to promote violence have raised concern and led the government to deny the rapper a performance permit, said Sen. Ann Peters, a junior health minister and chair of Grenada's national AIDS Council. She said officials were not aware of the condom launch.

Kartel favors the blood-driven fusion of reggae and rap known as dancehall that has stoked controversy across the Caribbean. In February, Jamaica forbid explicit references to sex and violence over the airwaves as well as videos depicting "daggering" — a dance style associated with dancehall music that features pelvic grinding simulating sex.

DREWS-MOVIE-REVIEWS

Obsessed — Beyonce stars in this drama about her husband (Idris Elba) being stalked by a jealous Ali Larter. Rainbow Films (St. Peters/Wall Parker — Stomp The Yard) produces another blockbuster. No. 1 at box office — $40M. [**][**]

The Soloist — Oscar-worthy Jamie Foxx plays a mentally ill musical genius who wants to be a mother one day, "Obsessed" being stalked by a jealous Ali Larter. Rainbow Films (St. Peters/Wall Parker — Stomp The Yard) produces another blockbuster. No. 1 at box office — $40M. [**][**]

The Haunting In Connecticut — Based on a true story, a family moves into a house haunted by ghosts. Not for Kids. [***~]

Observed And Report — A mall security guard does whatever it takes to impress his dream girl. Surprisingly funny. [***~]

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The Last House On The Left — A family of crazy prison escapees kidnaps two girls, rapes them and leaves for dead. A revenge killing you can feel good about. [***~]


Caroline — A racy animation about a girl who is terrorized by a witch. Too scary for kids. [***~]

Fired Up — Two high school football stars decide to join the cheerleading team to be around the girls. Well-written comedy. [***~]

Tyler Perry's Madea Goes To Jail — Comedy/drama starring Tyler Perry as Madea, 59-week-old Peter Parker (Ali Larter), Rainbow Films (St. Peters/Wall Parker — Stomp The Yard) produces another blockbuster. No 1 at box office — $40M. [***~]

He's Just Not That Into You — A comedy/drama about different relationships concerning women. Starts slow but turned out to be good. [***~]

The International — A crime thriller starring Clive Owens. Worth seeing! [***~]

The Uninvited — A teenage girl thinks the nanny killed her mother to marry the dad. A serious twist at the end. Worth seeing. [***~]

Underworld: Rise Of The Lycans — A single dad tries to make ends meet as a security guard. Well-written comedy. [***~]

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Caroline — A racy animation about a girl who is terrorized by a witch. Too scary for kids. [***~]

Fired Up — Two high school football stars decide to join the cheerleading team to be around the girls. Well-written comedy. [***~]

Tyler Perry's Madea Goes To Jail — Comedy/drama starring Tyler Perry as Madea, 59-week-old Peter Parker (Ali Larter), Rainbow Films (St. Peters/Wall Parker — Stomp The Yard) produces another blockbuster. No 1 at box office — $40M. [***~]

He's Just Not That Into You — A comedy/drama about different relationships concerning women. Starts slow but turned out to be good. [***~]

The International — A crime thriller starring Clive Owens. Worth seeing! [***~]

The Uninvited — A teenage girl thinks the nanny killed her mother to marry the dad. A serious twist at the end. Worth seeing. [***~]

Underworld: Rise Of The Lycans — A single dad tries to make ends meet as a security guard at a NFL gym. Pass on this one. [***~]
Today's Birthday — You're great at punch lines this year. You can up the whole situation in a few succinct, well-chosen words. You could become famous for doing this, and not just with your close friends. Watch what you say, Reharse.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Voice your concerns to the team; they might be able to help. On stage, you may want your rank to lead to your next promotion. There may be an opportunity between you, your friends and creativity, so use it.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Do the numbers yourself, just to make sure. Be responsible for your own money, or you won't have it long. No point in letting somebody else lose it for you.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Travel conditions are good. You may have obligations that prevent your taking off right now. If that's the case, stop by your travel agency. Get a brochure. Launch a plan.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Make time to sort your treasure, and find out exactly what you've got. You may need some fixing up, but you'll go well now, and you might get a loan. It never hurts to ask.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Your career may feel pretty well. Trust a hunch and follow through, just to make sure you're on the right path. Get a partner to check your work for errors you might have missed.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Your workload's increasing. If that's the case, stop by your travel agency. Get a brochure. Launch a plan.

Sentinel’s Top 20 Albums

1. Forever in a Day ... DAYZ
2. The Last Kiss ... Jadakiss
3. In A Perfect World ... The-Dream
4. Love VS Money ... The-Dream
5. 4UGK Life ... UGK
6. Lotus Flow3r/MLPSoUnd/Elkdr ... Prince/Brice Valentino/Andi VanWyngarde
7. No Pain No Gain ... Jamie Fox
8. Uncle Charlie ... Uncle Charlie
9. Baltimore ... T.I.
10. Boss Of All Bosses ... Slim Thug
11. Paper Trail ... T.I.
12. (Route Of Overcoming The Struggle) ... Fg Ride
13. I Am ... Sasha Fierce ... Beyonce
14. A Different Me ... Keyshia Cole
15. Princess ... Gorilla Zoe
16. Testimony: Vol. 2, Love & Politics ... India.Arie
17. Jennifer Hudson ... Jennifer Hudson
18. on the ropes ... Maysa
19. Feel Me Or Kill Me ... Pastor Troy
20. New Jack City II ... Bow Wow

Sentinel’s Top 20 Singles

1. Blame It ... Jamie Fox Featuring T-Pain
2. Dead And Gone ... T.I. Featuring Justin Timberlake
3. Nothin' ... Keri Hilson Featuring Lil Wayne
4. Rockin' That Thang ... The-Dream
5. Kiss Me Thru The Phone ... Soulja Boy Tell'em Featuring 2Pac
6. Janelle ... Pleasure Pleasure
7. Turn My Swng On ... Soulja Boy Tell'em
8. Magnificent ... Rick Ross Featuring John Legend
9.Untitled ... Sameul Soschulich
10. If This Isn't Love ... Jennifer Hudson
11. Ne-Yo's ... Ne-Yo
12. Ain't I ... Yung L.A. Featuring Young Dro & T.I.
13. Dey' N Nile ... Kid Cudi
14. I Got My ... Clarks Featuring Young Jeezy
15. She Got Her Own ... Ne-Yo Featuring Jamie Fox & Fabolous
16. There Goes My Baby ... Charlie Wilson
17. Capriccio ... Keyshia Cole
18. Holo ... Beyonce
19. Dearly Leg ... GS Goyo
20. Birthday Sex ... Jeremih

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***Weekly Hello***

Hello to: Rev. Lanelle (Kaye) Johnson, Rev. Betty Forest (Pastor, Good Hope M. B. Church, Gordonville), Rev. Dr. J. H (Leslie) Williams (Lakeland-Bartow), Debra O'Steen, Jeanette Clemmons, Carolyn Green, Barbara J. Taylor, Barbara Politte-Davis, Tonya Oldham, Dea. Rufus Slater and Sir. Judy Slater (Church of Refuge Dining Room, Florida Sentinel supporter), Clifford Johnson, Doris Murdock (Barrow), Clara Breland (Department of Revenue), Mary Ellen Givens-Jones and Cilla Brooks (Tampa), Lorrain Lott-Beasley, Stacie Williams, Beverly Henderson, Mrs. Helen Hallard, The Beatitudes, Mrs. B. White, R.N., Rev. and Mrs. John G. Hooks, Reggie Danal Ardis, Eld Session, Thomas Smith, Geraldine Horne, Florida Mai Griffin, Florida Hinson, Stanley Hawthorne (City of Lakeland), Vera H. Owens, Kathy Swanson, Ms. Geneva Ware and Mr. Alexander Jenkins, George Goody, Jr., Joynie Clayton and Valda H. Browning.

Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to the following May celebrants and wedding anniversary couples.

The flower for the month of May is the Lily of the Valley and the birthstone is the beautiful Emerald.

May Celebrants: Mildred Taylor-Blake, Gertrude Figgins, Betty Betty, Sammie Harris, Mr. Debonair, a valued community leader, Timothy “Tim” Randolph, May 3, 2009. How old are you? How old are you? Smile!!

New Mt. Zion

Mrs. M. B. Church

Dr. J. S. Hardie, Pastor: Dell Quarry, Audrey Austin-Young and Nathaniel Robinson, III.

Beta Sigma

Chapter Member

Ezrell Ferguson (Lake Wales), Terry L. Thomas (Tampa), and Barbara Woodard (Lakeland).

A Celebration Of Life

Tomb of the icon. Dea. Willie Arthur Bush, Sr., was funeralized on Saturday, April 4, 2009, from Mt. Gilboa M. B. Church, Bartow. Rev. Derek Terry, Pastor/Teacher extended words of comfort to the family and friends who traveled from near and far.

A devout member of Mt. Gilboa, Dea. Bush held various offices at his beloved church: Chairman, Deacon Ministry, Finance Committee and other administrative offices. A Union Academy graduate, he attended Tuskegee Inst. (University) majoring in tailoring and commercial education. Pastor/Teacher extended words of comfort to the family and friends who traveled from near and far.

The invocation and Benediction.

Dr. J. S. Hardie, Pastor: Dell Quarry, Audrey Austin-Young and Nathaniel Robinson, III.

The pronunciation of the marriage vows. The host-site was Victory Church in Lakeland.

Congratulations, Teresa and Samuel! May the blessings of the Lord be upon this union.

**Shaw-Nuf Shout-Out**

This week’s Shaw-Nuf Shout-Out goes to Cepedo McKay and Anointed Voices of Tampa, Florida. This group of talented and radical praisers was experienced by Yours Truly on Saturday evening at the Spring Banquet of Triumph Church and Kingdom of God in Christ in Bartow. The members of the group are young and YOUNGER!!! And they SAVE NO PRAISE...because they are SOLD-OUT for Christ. May the Lord continue to bless each of you!

Talk to Shaw-Nuf! Shaw-Nuf Talk wants to hear from you. Share exciting news and/or photos of your special events, graduations, birthdays, anniversaries, weddings, family reunions, church or community events, etc., with the readership of Polk County News. Send them to Shaw-Nuf Talk by sending an e-mail to: shawnutfalk@yahoo.com or calling (863) 513-9437.
Ambassadors For Christ Church Of The Living God, Inc. Celebrates Its First Anniversary

BY CYNTHIA E. ZORN-SHAW
Polk County Columnist

On Saturday, March 21, 2009, the Minister Bobby Shaw and Minister Maureen Shaw, Pastors of Ambassadors for Christ Church of the Living God, Inc. in Lakeland, along with the members, celebrated their First Church Anniversary. The host site was the St. David's Episcopal Church in Lakeland.

Some of the special guests joining in this memorable celebration were: The New Mt. Zion M.B. Church Youth Choir; Church of God Gospel Tabernacle Choir, Pastor Barbara Giles, Theresa Rogers, Katie Spann, John Shaw, Mary Shaw, Charles and Brenda Shaw, and Lillian Williams.

The Messenger of the evening was Elder Ricky Burgess of Church of God Gospel Tabernacle. Special remarks were given by Pastor Barbara Giles. (Photos by Shaw-Nuf).

Mr. and Mrs. Charles (Brenda) Shaw enjoyed the evening's festivities.

Some of the guests who enjoyed a delicious buffet-styled banquet after the worship service at Ambassadors For Christ Church Of The Living God, Inc. anniversary celebration.

Girls Inc. Of Lakeland Host Its Third Annual 100 Ambassadors Breakfast

BY CYNTHIA E. ZORN-SHAW
Polk County Columnist

Girls Inc. of Lakeland recently hosted its Third Annual 100 Ambassadors Breakfast. Numerous Ambassadors and agency supporters attended and enjoyed a delicious 'no-cost' hot breakfast, which was prepared and served by the Girls Inc. staff. Val Baker, of Polk Community College served as Mistress of Ceremony.

Among the program participants were Antoneisha Williams, who grew up attending the Girls Inc., after school and summer programs. Antoneisha is now giving back to other girls, through her employment with Girls Inc. Girls Inc. Ambassadors support Girls Inc. fundraising events, serve as Mentors, give presentations about their careers, assist in organizing tours of Girls Inc., facilities, refer high school and/or college students who are in need of community service hours, represent Girls Inc., during United Way campaigns, and make other contributions as necessary to the agency.

If you are interested in becoming a Girls Inc. Ambassador, contact Mrs. Fields at (863) 682-3002, Ext. 222. (Photos by Shaw-Nuf).

Kay Fields, Executive Director of Girls Inc. of Lakeland with guests V. Baker and R. Brown.

Lakeland Police Department's Assistant Chief of Police, Charles Thompson (l) and local businessman, Phillip Walker (r) enjoyed the Ambassadors Breakfast.

Ms. Deloris Shaw and her nephew, Michael Shaw, assisted with the banquet.

These ladies (unknown guest) with Lynn Simpkins and Crystal Brown are supporters of Girls Inc. of Lakeland.
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY AVIATION AUTHORITY

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids will be received from bidders by the Owner in the Service Building front office located on the second level, south side, Tampa International Airport, for the Project listed below, until 10:30 a.m., May 26, 2009, at which time all bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Service Building Lobby Conference Room A, second level, south side.

Airport Name: Tampa International Airport
HCA Project Number: 5360 09
Project Title: Reclaimed Water

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held in the Authority boardroom, located in the Landside Terminal Building, third level, blue side on May 14, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. For more information regarding the bidding of this Project, please access the Authority’s website at www.tampaairport.com; Quick Links/ Airport Business/ Notice of Solicitation.

To receive automated e-mail notifications of future business opportunities, please visit our website at tampaairport.com and register using the Authority’s Business and Supplier Registration Program.

MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS CONSULTANT

Request for Qualifications #19.11-09

Notice: The Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority (Authority or THEA) is seeking responses to a Request for Qualifications from professional marketing and communications firms for innovative services (Services). Services will be assigned on an as-needed basis by work task orders. The first task order will focus on the Authority’s plan to operate the Selmon Expressway system as an All Electronic Toll (AET) open road toll facility. The RFQ will be posted on THEA’s website www.tampa-xway.com at 10:00 a.m., April 30, 2009, and will focus on the Authority’s plan to operate the Selmon Expressway Authority - Spec No. 09-01G.

The Specifications will be posted on THEA’s website www.tampa-xway.com after 10:00 a.m. Thursday, April 30, 2009. The specifications call for a truck to serve the requirements of THEA. Owners are to follow the specifications, however, can offer suggestions for improvements. All suggested improvements by any dealer will be shared with all other bidders. A pre-bid meeting will be held at THEA’s office on May 6, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. to go over the specifications for the truck. This is not a mandatory meeting, however, all bidders are highly encouraged to attend.

This Bid is subject to THEA’s Small Business Enterprise (SBE) policy which strongly encourages the solicitation and utilization of SBE firms and requires nondiscrimination on the basis of race, color, sex and national origin in its employment and contracting practices.

THEA reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive irregularities, if any, and to accept the bids, which in the judgment of the Authority, is determined to be in its best interest.

Dated at Tampa, Florida this 1st day of May 2009.

Contact LaVORA @ (813) 248-1921 To Publish Your Classified Or Legal Advertisement In The Florida Sentinel Bulletin

TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids from automobile/truck dealers for the purchase of a new two wheel drive pick-up truck will be received by Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority (THEA) for the truck listed below, until 12:00 Noon, Eastern time on Monday, May 11, 2009, at its Administrative Offices located at THEA's Traffic Management Center (TMC), 1104 East Twiggs Street, Suite 300, Tampa, Florida 33602.

A new pick-up truck, two wheel drive, standard cab and body based on specifications as prepared by Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority - Spec No. 09-01G.

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TAMPA PORT AUTHORITY

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RFP NO. P-012-09 INSURANCE BROKER SERVICES

The Tampa Port Authority (TPA) is soliciting Request for Proposals (RFP) from qualified firms interested in providing Insurance Broker Services for all insurance coverages. It is expected that the Insurance Broker will have a full-service local office directly involved in handling Port and Maritime exposure and placing coverages with underwriters.

All firms interested in becoming qualified to participate in this RFP shall obtain a copy of the RFP Instructions and Submittal Documents and submit a completed response to the Tampa Port Authority, 1101 Channelside Drive, 4th Floor, Tampa, Florida 33602. Submittals are due by 2:00 pm, Thursday, June 11, 2009. Responses will be opened at 2:00 pm on the same date.

A MANDATORY PRE-PROPOSAL TELECONFERENCE will be held Tuesday, May 12, 2009 at 10:00 am. Proposers not participating in the mandatory pre-proposal teleconference will be precluded from submitting a proposal for this project. See Section 1.1 of the RFP for teleconference details.

RFP Submittals shall include a letter indicating the Firm’s interest and completion of the RFP Documents, including a Vendor’s Questionnaire. Firms failing to submit the required RFP Documents may be deemed non-responsive to the RFP. The RFP is available through the DemandStar System (www.demandstar.com) or through a link on the TPA web site (www.tampaport.com).

TPA encourages the use of registered Small Business Enterprise (SBE) firms to the greatest extent possible on projects and has a goal of nine percent (9%) SBE participation. TPA will consider SBE participation when evaluating the submittals.

Questions concerning this RFP should be directed to Donna Casey of the TPA’s Procurement Department, at (813) 905-6544, or e-mail at dcasey@tampaport.com, or faxed to (813) 905-5050.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given, Elouise Emmons of 3720 East Wilder Avenue in the County of Hillsborough, State of Florida. Formerly Associated with WNW Enterprise LLC, hereby give official notice that I will not be responsible for any indebtedness or any business functions, whatsoever that maybe incurred by WNW Enterprise LLC. Florida.

Elouise Emmons
3720 East Wilder Avenue
Tampa, FL 33610

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

As a result of being unable to effectuate certified mail notice to visitors of the City Code, notice is hereby given that a Tampa Municipal Code Enforcement Hearing Master has scheduled a public hearing on May 6, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. to hear the below listed cases which are in violation of the City Code of Tampa. Information listed below describes the case number, property owner(s), violation address, code section violated, and legal description of subject property in that order. The hearing will be held in City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, City Hall, 315 E. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, Florida. Affected property owners will be given the opportunity to discuss the alleged violations. Should anyone have any questions regarding these cases, please call the Office of the City Clerk at (813) 274-7269.

Please note that if any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Code Enforcement Hearing Master with respect to any matter considered at the meeting or hearing, they will need to ensure a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AND SECTION 286.26, FLORIDA STATUTES, PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES NEEDING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING SHOULD CONTACT THE CITY CLERK’S OFFICE AT LEAST FORTY-EIGHT (48) HOURS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE MEETING.

INTERESTED PARTIES MAY APPEAR AND BE HEARD AT SAID HEARING.

SHIRLEY FOXX-KNOWLES
CITY CLERK
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

As a result of being unable to effectuate certified mail notice to violators of the City Code, notice is hereby given that a Tampa Municipal Code Enforcement Hearing Master has scheduled a public hearing on May 13, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. to hear the below listed cases which are in violation of the City of Tampa Code. Information listed below describes the case number, property owner(s), violation address, code section violated, and legal description of subject property in that order. The hearing will be held in City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, City Hall, 315 W. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, Florida. Affected property owners will be given the opportunity to discuss the alleged violations. Should anyone have any questions regarding these cases, please call the Office of the City Clerk at (813) 274-7266.

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CASE # 08-24057
WHITE, ROY ANNE
11102 N. DIXON AVE.,
Tampa, FL
AND 19-52
FOREST MANOR SUBDIVISION
LOT 27 AND N 1/2 OF CLOSED
ADDITIONS TO WEST TAMPA
19500.0000

CASE # 08-24180
UGRATE, JORGE J.
2704 W. MAIN ST., TAMPA, FL
SECTIONS : 27-77 TABLE 4-1, 29-19, 29-23, 29-24, 29-47, 29-49, 29-50
AND 29-51
M & F VARLANES REV MAP OF
ADDITIONS TO WEST TAMPA
LOT 1 BLOCK 49
175000.0000

CASE # 08-24278
BARBA, KENDRA K.
ELLIS KELLI A.
1309 N. HUMPHREY ST.,
Tampa, FL
SECTIONS : 19-49, 19-56, AND 27-129
EL PORTAL
LOTS 1 AND 2 BLOCK 18
96500.0000

CASE # 08-26180
MENDEZ VAZ, SHERLINE
1726 W. FERRIS AVE.,
TAMPA, FL
SECTION : 19-49
PLAINFIELD
E 30 FT OF LOT 6 AND W 45 FT
OF LOT 7 BLOCK 35 LESS FT
DESC AS COMM AT NW COR OF
LOT 7 RUN ELY 45.08 FT TO 100
FT OF POB THN S 60.56 FT TO
SEBDY OF LOT 7 W 75.04 FT N
40.37 FT AND E 75 FT TO POB
104502.0000

CASE # 08-27181
MCKENZIE, RAYMOND A.
THOMPSON
4191 N. SUWANE AVE.,
Tampa, FL
SECTIONS : 19-46, AND 19-50
LESELYS PLAT
W 80 FT OF LOT 4 BLOCK 14
161900.0000

CASE # 08-26161
PEREZ, LEONEL LIVESTONE
PATRICAMPBELL DIAZ
2619 W. SAINT CONRAD ST.,
Tampa, FL
SECTIONS : 19-46, 19-47, AND 19-48
VILLA SAINT LOUIS
E 22 FT OF LOT 16 BLOCK 11
120324.0000

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LEGAL NOTICES

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LEASE OPTIONS ETC.... ADVERTISE IT IN THE FLORIDA SENTINEL BULLETIN
**YBOR CITY**

OLD FIRE STATION NO. 2 - FOR SALE -

The City of Tampa is offering for sale to the highest offer the surplus property located at 2611 N. 12th Street (Folio #19812.0000) zoned YC-2 and improved with a fire station said to contain 7,609 sf mol. Current MAI Appraisal on file concludes the value will be $310,000.00. Only offers equal to or greater than the appraised value will be considered. Offers must be received by the City of Tampa Purchasing Department, 306 E. Jackson Street, 2E, Tampa, Florida 33602 no later than 12:00 noon on May 29, 2009. Please call 813-274-7622 for further information or visit our web site at www.tampagov.net/dept_Real_Estate. A copy of the Purchase Offer Form may be obtained from this site.

This offer is subject to THEA's Small Business Enterprise (SBE) policy which strongly encourages the solicitation and utilization of SBE firms and requires nondiscrimination on the basis of race, color, sex or national origin.

Questions regarding the above projects may be directed to Hillsborough County Board of Commissioners, Department of Procurement Services, 601 E. Kennedy Blvd., 16th Fl., County Center, Tampa Florida, 33602, (813) 272-5790, during regular business hours.

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**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY**

DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES

REQUESTS FOR BIDS AND/OR PROPOSALS

Hillsborough County will receive sealed bids and/or proposals for the following, until the stated date and time when they will be publicly opened.

**MAY 12, 2009 - 2:00 P.M.**

**S-0098-09(EM) ELECTRONIC RECYCLING AND DEMANUFACTURING SERVICES**

**PLEASE NOTE: THE ABOVE BID IS A HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY GOVERNMENTAL PURCHASING COUNCIL BID.**

Some or all of the above bid(s) may have Pre-Bid Conferences. Information on these and other Requests for Bids, along with Bid/Proposal results may be accessed via the following: (1) the Internet at www.hillsboroughcounty.org/procurement/services, or (2) by coming to the Department of Procurement Services office located at the address listed below.

**Minority and women owned firms will be afforded a full opportunity to participate in these matters and will not be subject to discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin.**

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**TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY**

REQUEST FOR SEALED PRICE PROPOSALS

Sealed bids from contractors experienced in railroad track and signalization maintenance and repair within an active railroad right-of-way will be received by Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority (THEA) for the project listed below, until 12:00 Noon, Eastern time on Monday, May 11, 2009, at its Administrative Offices located at THEA's Traffic Management Center (TMC), 1104 East Twiggs Street, Suite 300, Tampa, Florida 33602, for:

**RFP #CONTRACT #19.20-09**

PROJECT: Maintenance and repairs, as needed, to railroad track and signalization at three (3) railroad crossings (Jackson St., Kennedy Blvd. & Twiggs St.), running parallel with Meridian Avenue, in Tampa, Florida.

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