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BLACK WOMEN BUSINESS OWNERS BRUNCH

Members of the Black Women Business Owners, Executives, & Entrepreneurs held their Second Annual Millionaire "Herstory" Brunch on Thursday. The event was held at Don Vicente De Ybor Historic Inn And Restaurant. Ms. Erica Crenshaw, of Long Island, New York was the special guest. Ms. Crenshaw, shown on the left, is a graduate of FAMU School of Business and a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. She is shown with Ms. Janet Brooks, (the organization's creator), center, and Dr. Florence Alexander. (Photograph by Jerry Brunson).
**Features**

**Developer Said He Was ‘Blindsided’ At Public Hearing**

After Navpreet Randhawa purchased 3.5 acres of land in the 1900 block of Palifox 6 months ago, he made sure the community and community organizations knew of his plans.

“At that time, I had gotten the endorsements of the community and two community groups,” Randhawa said. “That’s why during a public hearing a couple of weeks ago, Randhawa felt he was blindsided.

It was at that time Randhawa, who plans to develop the property into a gated area, was told about a petition that had been circulated in opposition to the project.

“Previous meetings seemed positive and we knew nothing about the petition. We want to know what their concerns are now that a petition has been circulated. We want to meet with them.”

Randhawa said his opinion, the petition is not worded correctly, especially in reference to the project being a group.

“We’re offering attached homes for sale. A City Council representative noticed the language and said it was suspect. We want to clear the air and misconceptions about what we’re planning for the area.”

A meeting has been planned for 6 p.m., April 12th at the Cyrus Green Recreation Center for the petitioners to meet with Randhawa and the two community organizations.

“The meeting will be a hard indicator of the exact opposition to what we’re trying to do,” said Randhawa.

“We want to reach a compromise solution. If no one shows up to the meeting, I’ll consider a lot of the signatures on the petition as being soft.”

Randhawa said he thinks it’s unfair for the petition to call the project apartments.

“We think the people may have been honestly misinformed, and that will be cleared up in the meeting. I’m sure once the community understands what we’re really trying to do, they’ll see things differently.”

East Tampa Revitalization Partnership CEO, Sam Kinsey, said Randhawa has met with the Partnership and the East Tampa Business and Civic Association on several occasions.

“At that time, we endorsed the project, because we heard no concerns from the community. Now after this petition, we will get together again to see what the concerns are. We will continue to see if a compromise can be worked out.

Mr. Kinsey pointed out that Randhawa could develop the area without approval for single-family housing, because the area is already zoned for that.

“But, since he wants to do condos, he has to have approval for that.”

Al Barnes, who led the petition drive, said he doesn’t know how there can be a misunderstanding.

“To me, he’s just a developer trying to make money. He didn’t come to the meeting.”

**Assistant Police Chief Ends 26-Year Career With Retirement**

BY IRIS B. HOLTON
Sentinel Staff Writer

On September 8, 1980, Gilbertina Harris, armed with a 4-year degree in Criminology from the University of South Florida and an idea that she could make a difference, walked into the Tampa Police Department. On March 30, 2007, a wiser Gilbertina Wright walked out realizing that she had created a legacy within the department.

While many African American women have worked at and retired from the Tampa Police Department, Assistant Chief Wright became “the first” in many areas. A trailblazer, she became the first Black female to rise above the rank of Sergeant, continuing on to become the first Black Female Assistant Chief. But her rise to the top was not without its hills and valleys.

Less than a year after the birth of her daughter, Latia, in 1986, Chief Wright was attacked by a pit bull. She was a corporal at the time and rumors circulated that she should be afraid to return to the streets. She wasn’t.

In 1997, she learned that she had breast cancer and bought property and didn’t consult us about his plans as far as I know. I’m not against single-family homes on the property. I’ll attend the meeting and listen to what he has to say.”

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GILBERTINA WRIGHT

Retires after 26 ½ Years

It was always her decision to stay or go and her husband, retired Sergeant Bob Wright, supported her totally. She decided to stay the course. Chief Wright realized that she couldn’t make a difference unless she was there. And she always hoped that what she endured would make it better for those who followed in her footsteps.

Today, she can measure how the department has grown. There are women and Blacks in places that would have been unheard of in 1980. And that is her legacy. Even her retirement opens the doors for others to move up the ladder through promotions.

When asked how she feels about leaving something that has been a part of her life for more than 25 years, she said, “I love what I’m doing but I have no regrets. I will miss the people I see everyday and those who I see on occasion, I’ll see less often.”

Now, it is all about family, church, (From The Heart) debriefing, and finding her next venture. “It’s been a long time since I’ve been able to just do nothing but concentrate on my home and family. I have no immediate plans.

She enjoys cake decorating and may pursue that interest. Eventually, she will probably re-enter the workforce to satisfy her Social Security requirements. But for the time being, the idea of taking each day as it comes is appealing to her and her family.
Citizens Give Views On The Next Four Years

Now that the City of Tampa elections have concluded, citizens were asked what they would like to see happen in Tampa over the next four years.

Mr. Al Davis: "We already have a comprehensive plan. We're looking at the transportation system, road conditions, better housing, and how to deal with growth. Like Mayor Pam Iorio said, we're looking at Tampa 4 or 5 years from now and what it will need. "Quality of life items like the list. I'm excited about the Revitalization Partnership will accomplish over the next 4 years."

Ms. Queen Miller: "I see the next 4 years through crucial points.
First, we need to have every church visit City Council every year. Second, we need Council representatives to attend town hall meetings. Third, we need to mail out surveys to crime watch coordinators to coordinate their needs with those of the city. Fourth, our elected officials and citizens need to attend crime watch meetings. We also need to encourage citizens to attend City Council meetings to express their needs, especially the clergy. They are supposed to be the leaders."

Ms. Miller said we need to attend East Tampa Revitalization meetings, speak out on issues that affect Black people and not avoid the issues, have a citizens council meeting that will include youth that meet in their communities every 3 months, and finally take a stand for ourselves and our community.

Candidates Comment On Runoff Election

Gussie Livingston: I would like to see African Americans come together on a common ground. We have no unity. Over the next 4 years, we need to do some real maintenance in our communities. People have died to give us a right to vote, and we won't use it. As far as the leadership is concerned, those with the loudest voices must be heard and never silenced. We've got to become more involved over the next 4 years."

Reporter Leon B. Crews can be reached at (813) 246-0724, or e-mailed at leon@flsentinel.com.

Civic Association Meeting

The Thonotosassa, Seffner, Mango Civic Association, Inc., will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, April 2, 2007, at 6:30 p.m. at Sterling Heights Park, 41706 Williams Road, Thonotosassa.

Please plan to be present and ready to participate. The public is invited.

Contact person is Pauline Larry Grant, President at (813) 946-3300.

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Black American History

By RUDOLPH HARRIS

Black Elected Officials Must Challenge The System

(Series)

Black in the early 1970s, the political ambitions of Tampa's Black community centered around obtaining Black elected leaders who could think on their feet. They would hold their own while outnumbered by the likes of the Tampa City Council, Hillsborough County Commission, and more pointedly the Hillsborough County School Board.

In that decade, we all worked very hard, and the election of the late Rev. Leon Lowry became the model. At least, there were those of us who dreamed he would be. In the late Rev. Lowry was most brilliant, he was not one to lead debates, or bring the house down with an emotional plea here and there. A decade later in the 1980s, Perry C. Harvey, Jr. was elected, and he served on the short end of numerous 6-1 votes of the Tampa City Council.

In 1995, it became obvious that Tampa's Black community would not stay passive and oriented toward the election of outspoken Black leadership. Gwen Miller would go on to serve additional years on the Tampa City Council winning an at-large seat after serving 8 years representing District 6, the Black voter dominated single-member district seat.

Unfortunately, this is the picture the facts have revealed. Tampa, like too many large cities here in Florida, is not a grass-rooted and voter-oriented town. Unfortunately, even Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. had a difficult time shaking up the masses when he came this way during the Civil Rights Movement.

It is safe to say that Tampa is an NACCP town. Dr. King was able to motivate a chapter being formed of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference in St. Petersburg across the bay. But, such just did not happen in the Black community of Tampa.

Yes, Black leaders must challenge the system. That must be done within the confines of the inner-city where the masses reside.

Until we get the grassroots Black population registered to vote, and have them going to the polls on election days, democracy in this city will be second even to that presently in Iraq.

Oppose Guns On Workplace Property

We thought the Florida Legislature had gotten the message during the 2006 Legislative session. They debated whether or not they should allow workers to keep guns in their cars while at work. Well, we recently learned the issue has reared its ugly head once more in two bills, Senate Bill 2356 and House Bill 1417. Both bills have been quietly pulled. It includes for workers the right to keep guns in their cars while at work. The bill was defeated after the House Judiciary Committee voted 26-20 against the measure.

Furthermore, the Criminal Justice Committee passed the Senate Bill by a 2-to-1 vote. Support of the House Bill included an amendment that would require gun owners to keep their guns locked and out of sight, while on employer's property. While opposition to the bills appears to emanate from concerns that the bills breach corporate property rights, and the ability of companies to establish rules of behavior for private property may be questionable, our concern is for the safety of workers and the general public.
The Sole-Man Speaks

My Confession!

There is only one thing I would never want to be, and that's a politician.

First of all, your life is not your own. You are public property. That means you've got to smile at people you don't like, shake hands with people you can't stand, and make deals that try your soul and vex your spirit. Yes, when you're a politician, you are on a first name basis with the Devil himself. Ask any politician, they'll tell you. In other words, to be a politician, you've got to be hard. What's that song they sing, "YOU GOTTA BE BAD, YOU GOTTA BE HARD, YOU GOTTA STAY TOGETHER..." or something like that. And that is why Joe Redner did last Tuesday night. I watched.

I'm like you. I've become a dues-paying people-watcher. I go to the mall and don't buy a thing. I just sit on the benches and watch people. I watched Gwen Miller on Thursday night. I watched Joe Redner, too.

Let me tell you. I wouldn't dare to play poker with Joe Redner. Gwen Miller. Without a doubt, she has the most fathomless eyes of any human being I have ever seen on television. Indeed, the only way you know she's laughing is by her smiles. And then, she smiles with her teeth and not with her eyes. Power lurks in that woman. But Tuesday night, I saw a crack in her armor. Tuesday night, Gwen Miller said more than I have ever heard her say, at any one time anywhere, especially at City Council. In essence, what she said is that she had received a wake-up call. It had finally gotten to her that being laid-back-Tampa-style was a behavior style of yesteryear, but not today. She looked into the television camera, and with her miles-deep eyes said in essence, "I'M HERE, AND FROM HERE ON OUT, YOU'LL KNOW IT!" Did you see that?

And then the camera focused on Joe Redner. And for the first time in my life, I heard him slur his words! No, he wasn't drunk (I don't think he was drunk). But as one newsmen said in disbelief, "Joe Redner seemed depressed." He seemed beyond depressed. Not even when he was carted off to jail for his blue-light businesses, not once when guests on his cable talk-show took to throwing chairs and spitting obscenities, did Joe Redner seem to lose his cool. But that night, of all nights, Joe Redner was disheveled. In truth, he looked his age. Every crack and wrinkle in his Clint Eastwood face seemed to sag... not in defiance, but in resignation. It was then that I saw the good man, the sensitivity in "Bad Boy" Joe Redner. I felt when during an interview, he said, "I know why people didn't vote for me. They think I'm the Devil." Joe Redner said that, and he did not smile. His voice cracked, and the news program went on to a commercial.

Yes, I voted. Who I voted for is my business. But I'll tell you something. I wouldn't want to be either Gwen Miller or Joe Redner. I wouldn't want to be Gwen Miller because now more than ever before, she is under a brutal, racist, and unforgiving microscope. And I wouldn't want to be Joe Redner because he was so stunned by his loss, he couldn't bring himself to call Gwen Miller to concede defeat. His heart was broken. His spirit was crushed! Not me partner. All the free passes to Disney World or National Geographic World couldn't make me take that kind of abuse! (Post Script: Gwen Miller and Joe Redner, congratulations to both of you!)

Another View

By RANDOLPH KINSEY

Drugs Are The Root Of All Evil

We are often quoted the statistics on how much crime exists in our streets, how unsafe our neighborhoods are and how many of our young Black men are in jail. There are they for all kind of reasons. They often do them, both the crime rate, and the prison population. It has been said through the years that money is the root of all evil. Today, we have to modify that, and say that the love of money is second to drugs as the root of all evil.

Drugs have seriously and adversely affected the fabric of our society. They are so plentiful, that they can be bought on almost any corner at almost any time of the day. Drug houses are sprinkled throughout most communities.

Years ago, the United States came to the realization that drugs were a serious and evil problem, and launched a war on drugs. It is a war that the U.S. has been losing from day one. It is time that the U.S. revisits its strategies on the war on drugs.

That new strategy may call for the legalization of certain drugs such as cocaine and marijuana. Not only are drugs the root of most evils, they are also very expensive for tax payers.

It has been estimated that it costs taxpayers by $30,000 a year to house an inmate. If so many people weren't in jail for drug possession, think how much money would be saved.

While the U.S. is thinking, it needs to keep in mind that drugs are driving up the crime rate, dehumanizing our young people, destroying families and is affecting the quality of life in this country.

Hood Time

By LEON CREWS

Now We Get To Understand

Suddenly, it all makes sense. I don't know why I didn't realize it before.

The only way to settle a dispute is to get a gun and kill the person you are having a problem with. What could I have been thinking? I mean, it's obvious I'm not doing research, but it is my considered opinion that all of this is drug related.

There are thousands of Black men who are in jail simply because they got caught with drugs in their possession. Still others are there because they robbed, beat up somebody and even murdered someone, and the cause was drug related.

Drugs are so addictive that people hooked will do anything to get to drugs needed to calm the devils that wrack their drug craving bodies. Nobody and nothing is safe from addicts needing a fix.
Mayor, Council Members To Take Oath Of Office

The City of Tampa will swear in Mayor Pam Iorio and members of Tampa City Council on Sunday, April 1, 2007, at the City’s Oath of Office Ceremony. The event will take place at 2 p.m. at the Tampa Convention Center in Ballroom A, located at 333 South Franklin Street.

Council members are: Gwen Miller, District 1, Citywide; Mary Mulhern, District 2, Citywide; Linda Saul-Sena, District 3, Citywide; John Dingfelder, District 4, South Tampa; Thomas Scott, District 5, East Tampa; Charlie Miranda, District 6, West Tampa; and Joseph Caetano, District 7, North Tampa.

Immediately following the ceremony, Tampa City Council will hold an organizational meeting to elect the chair and chair pro-temp. The meeting will take place in Room 1.

This event is free and open to the public. Parking is available for a fee in the Tampa Convention Center Parking Garage.

Castor Passes Third Bill To Expand Health Care For Area Veterans


The bill is consistent with Castor’s fight for veterans in the country. Castor's VA proposal complements her first bill introduced, H.R. 1093, the Resident Physician Shortage Reduction Act of 2007, which would increase the number of resident physicians training positions for area hospitals, and help to expand care especially for underserved populations in Tampa Bay area hospitals like St. Joseph’s Hospital and Tampa General Hospital.

To Discuss Issues

U. S. Representative Kathy Castor will meet members of the community on Friday, March 30th, (today) to discuss issues concerning them. The meeting will be held at the College Hill Library, 2607 E. ML King, Jr., Blvd., from 10 a.m. until noon.

Among the issues that Representative Castor plans to discuss are health care and senior services. The community is encouraged to attend the meeting.

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Local FAMU Alum Respond To School's New President

The Board of Trustees named Dr. James Ammons the 10th president of Florida A&M University in February, and many FAMU graduates from the Tampa area are excited about the future of the historically Black university.

Dr. Ammons, a native of Winter Haven, will take his post on July 2nd, replacing interim president Castell Bryant. Bryant has been credited with firing several administrators, thus setting a necessary example, restoring the university's standing with the National Science Foundation and solving the school's NCAA athletic department sanctions.

However, the school is currently being sued for roughly $50 million in undocumented expenses and may face a criminal investigation.

"The problems are very disturbing," said Sandra Martin, a FAMU alum and retired department head with the Hillsborough County School District. "I do think that we should have chosen a permanent president instead of someone on an interim basis, but I do think things will turn positive for FAMU."

Mary White-Darby, president of the Tampa Chapter of FAMU's Alumni Association, says she believes things will get better for Florida's only historically Black public university, but the school needs the support of the alumni.

FAMU's alumni need to be supportive and help in any way that they can. If they do that, then I am excited about what's going to be done for the university," White-Darby said. "I believe that Dr. Ammons is what the university needs, and I am confident that he's going to do great things for FAMU!"

Motown Maurice is owner of Motown Maurice Productions, a 2002 graduate at FAMU. He believes that the incoming president should make it a priority to solve the school's financial problems, and restore FAMU's name to prospective students.

"One of the most disappointing things to me is that FAMU's enrollment is down. The student population is under 12,000 for the first time in 10 years I believe," said Maurice. "The problems are definitely effecting FAMU's image, and I think whatever it takes to make FAMU better should be done."
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Robert Anderson and
Gina Jones, Anderson's
parents, filed a claim against
the Department of Juvenile
Justice, and are hoping the
additional $5 million will be
approved by the legislature
this year. However, Benjamin
Crump, the family's attorney,
says receiving the money from the legisla-
tion would take time.

“State has admitted
guilt, so they know that
some settlement needs to be
reached in this tragic matter,”
said Crump. “However, there
are some legislators who believe
that as devastating as this
situation is, there are
problems that need to be
addressed within the State of
Florida.”

Seven guards beat

MARTIN LEE ANDERSON
Anderson while he was sta-
tioned at the Panama City
boot camp, and he died the
following day. The Bay
County medical examiner
falsely attributed the teen's
death to a sickle cell blood
disorder. A criminal case
hearing is scheduled for June.
The seven guards, and a
nurse at the boot camp face
up to 30 years in prison for
aggravated manslaughter of a
child.

The family really just
wants this grieving ordeal
to be over with. I believe that a
jury would award this family
$40 million for a situation
like this, but we want to be
civil,” said Crump. “No one
wants this case to go to trial
so we are hoping that the
Florida Legislature will
respond quickly to the gover-

14 years.

The event will
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It has often been said that you never know who is watching what you do. And that proved to be true recently for Ms. Kamara Crawford. She was recently nominated and chosen for inclusion in the 2007/2008 "Cambridge Who's Who Among Executive and Professional Women." The organization highlights the achievements of women throughout the country.

It is also dedicated to providing its members with a worldwide networking forum to establish new business relationships and achieve career advancement within their company, industry, or profession. As a result of its national base, the organization has memberships in virtually every profession.

A Tampa native, Ms. Crawford was nominated because of her business, Professional Services, Inc. She holds a Wayne of the Word Ministries Justice Degree, and an Associate's Degree in Paralegal Studies. She opened the doors of Intellect Professional Services, Inc., in 1997. The company offers a wide array of services including paralegal, research, and consulting. Her clients range from those in law enforcement to the general business community. "I am very honored and hugely surprised by even the initial nomination, let alone the inclusion. This makes me strive to work harder and it helps me to realize the true meaning of no limits." "I am so grateful to God to be able to see my company grow to celebrate 10 years of service. And I want entrepreneurs to know that true business will cross all boundaries, economics, and demographics," Ms. Crawford said.

On Friday, April 6th and Saturday, April 7th, Ms. Crawford will host a two-day Business Convention, Exposition and Trade Show at the Tampa Marriott Waterside Hotel & Marina. The event is to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Intellect Professional Services, Inc. It focuses on Consulting (Corporate and Law Enforcement), Transcription, and Technical Writing. Its website address is www.intellectworldwide.com. Report Iris B. Holton can be contacted at (813) 248-1921 or by e-mail at irisa@intellicom.com.

Several thefts of equipment between February 19 and March 20, 2007, has prompted Verizon Communications, Inc. to offer a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible. These telecommunications equipment thefts have resulted in losses in excess of $50,000. Between February 14 and March 18, 2007, there have been seven reported incidents of stolen surge protection modules.

The theft of one of these modules immediately causes phone service outages to customers, and takes several hours for Verizon to repair. These thefts are of great concern to public safety because customers affected by service outages would be unable to call 9-1-1 in case of an emergency.

Verizon Communications, Inc. is offering a reward of up to $10,000 for information that leads to the arrest and prosecution of any person who is responsible for the theft of Verizon property and/or is responsible for the sale or purchase of known, stolen Verizon property.

Crime Stoppers of Tampa Bay will also offer a reward of up to $1000 for information that leads to an arrest in these cases. Information about these thefts can be reported directly to Verizon at 1-800-997-3287.

Individuals wishing to remain anonymous and be eligible for the Crime Stoppers portion of the cash reward are asked to call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-873-TIPS (8477) or report online at www.crimestoppersb.com if they have any information regarding this issue.

Anyone with information can contact Detective Joe Garcia with the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office, at (813) 247-0344, or Detective Timothy Degusipe with the Tampa Police Department, can be contacted at (813) 854-6619.
**Student Chosen As Member Of National Organization**

BY IRIS B. HOLTON
Sentinel Staff Writer

A 17-year-old Gaither High School student was chosen as a member of the National Society of High School Scholars (NSHSS). Briahna Brown is a junior who plans to major in psychology in the future.

Her activities include the National Honor Society, the Peace Makers, Civinettes, Spanish Dance, and the Gaither High School Symphonic Orchestra, where she plays the cello.

Her mother, Mrs. Barbara Lee-Brown, describes Briahna as "a born diplomat and social butterfly. She enjoys interacting with people of all cultures. She also enjoys multicultural dance and visual arts."

Briahna is the only daughter and youngest of 3 children born to Mr. and Mrs. Beaufort Brown. A Tampa native, she enjoys music, drawing, and working on the computer. She is the grandchild of Mrs. Alice Brown and the late Beaufort Brown, of Tampa, and Mrs. Mable Lee and the late Robert E. Lee, of Panama City.

The family worships with Bayarth Yashara.

Clases Nobel is a founding member and Chairman of the NSHSS. His family is known for the creation of the Nobel Peace Prize. His letter to Briahna stated, "On behalf of NSHSS, I am honored to recognize the hard work, sacrifice, and commitment that Briahna has demonstrated to achieve this exceptional level of academic excellence. Briahna is now a member of a unique community of scholars — a community that represents our very best and hope for the future."

The National Society of High School Scholars was founded in 2002. It recognizes the top scholars in the nation and extends invitations to only those high school students who have achieved superior academic excellence. The organization currently has memberships in nearly 20 countries and advocates for scholarship opportunities for deserving students.

Among its board of advisors are: writer and educator Maya Angelou, Ph.D.; Sandra F. L. President Emeritus of International AIDS Trust; Paul C. Lauterbur, Ph.D. Nobel Laureate, Medicine; 2003, Eddie Griffin, actor, writer, and producer; Ed Harris, writer, actor, and producer; and several others.

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**New Resource Center Opens On 22nd Street**

When the James T. Hagrett Center closed its doors November 2005, East Tampa residents were inconvenienced and had to travel to the state office downtown for services.

On Tuesday, a new community resource center opened on 22nd Street where citizens can get the same services offered at the Hagrett building.

Benefit Consultants of Florida has partnered with Belmont Heights Estates in offering free assistance at the facility located at 3527 North 22nd Street, north of the Lee Davis Center.

Consultant Andrew Morgan, along with Anna Wyma staff the center, owned by Jennifer D’Alessandro and Brenda Davis. They have a second facility in St. Petersburg.

"The company was created a year ago to feature Medicare Advantage plans," said Morgan.

"The plan will eliminate co-payments and comes with a Part D prescription plan to cut the cost of prescriptons."

Morgan explains that Part D covers 80% of prescription costs, and Benefit Consultants takes care of the remaining 20%.

"We are happy to be a community access partner. At the center, citizens can apply for Medicaid, food stamps, food stamp recertification, cash assistance, drop off information, get access to issuance problems, and take advantage of the same services that were at the Hagrett building."

During their open house Tuesday, 60 people came in and were introduced to the facility and what it provides. A bi-lingual facility, the center is equipped with several computers for citizens to use to access information about Medicaid, Medicare, food stamp information, and other assistance programs.

For more information about the center, or about benefits, call (813) 341-0470. Reporter Leon B. Cress can be reached at (813) 248-0724, or e-mailed at leonw@sentinel.com.

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UGO consultant and playing producer
Man Uses ‘Will Power’ To Conquer Drug Addiction

BY LEON B. CREWS
Sentinel Staff Writer

Lloyd Sealey started experimenting with drugs while in his 20s.

"Looking back, I remember being in California in 1979 when Richard Pryor had his bad experience. All that did is attract me more into using cocaine."

Sealey said he didn't like crack cocaine at first, but when he came to Florida, he got more involved, first as a dealer then later as a user.

"The addiction cost me everything, including a dog I gave to a dealer to cover my expenses. It also cost me a few stints in prison and several trips to rehabilitation centers."

Sealey said no matter how many times he went into rehabilitation, he always relapsed.

"The last time I went to prison, I was working on a road crew along the interstate. I remember it being very hot, and it was at that time I asked God to help me. In 1996, I made a vow to leave crack cocaine alone and I did."

Sealey, who was released from prison in 2000, said he first stopped smoking cigarettes because he felt cigarettes and crack cocaine were "two evils working against each other."

"I've been tempted to smoke cigarettes since then, but I always stop myself. Now, I'm confident I can leave it all alone."

Sealey said he preaches to those who want to hear, and tells them what they need to do. He understands some will fight, and others will think they don't have the strength to fight. You'd be surprised at how strong you really are. Just allow your inner strength to prevail, and stop listening to the weak part of your body. It will lead you into helplessness and you will end up with nothing."

Sealey is a member of First Baptist Church of West Tampa, and is a musician. He has one brother still living, and two children he's very proud of.

"I've made a CD and DVD, free of charge. I hope I can inspire others to quit. Anyone who is tired of what they're going through and don't like themselves anymore knows it's time to stop. They just don't want to fight." Sealey said he advises every addict to fight for their lives, because that's what it is.

Sealey has found the time to attain an associates degree in cinematography.
Tampa Resident Passes

Ms. Pamela Wade Locke died Wednesday at Tampa General Hospital after a short illness. She was 59 years old.

Ms. Locke lived in the Washington, DC/Virginia area for several years, but moved back to Tampa in 2005. According to a family member, Ms. Locke had a double lung transplant about 10 months ago. However, she seemed to be doing well until earlier in the month. She suffered with sarcoidosis.

Ms. Locke, a member of the pioneer Felder family, is a 1965 graduate of Middleton High School and attended Florida A&M University. Professionally, she was an Executive Assistant with Howard University, Hampton University and the University of Tampa.

Ms. Locke is the daughter of Ms. Lela Felder Moss. She is the mother of Taunya Williams of Tulsa, Oklahoma and Brian Locke of Baton Rouge, LA and the grandmother of 2.

The family can be reached at (813) 989-8566. Funeral services are tentatively scheduled for Thursday, April 5th, 11 a.m. at Beulah Institutional Baptist Church. Wilson Funeral Home will handle arrangements.

In The Spotlight

SHAWNTA

We are confident that this young lady will become very popular amongst our fans very quickly. LaShawnta is this week’s Spotlight Unlimited Feature. This 23-year-old loves watching movies, dancing and spending time with her family. LaShawnta is an Aries whose goals include finishing school and pursuing a career in hospitality. Any guy trying to get closer to LaShawnta must be smart, honest, be established and have goals. Congratulations to LaShawnta on being this week’s Spotlight Unlimited Feature.
Recently, Ajani Liggins was among youngsters who participated in a golf tournament at Palma Cela Country Club. He finished with a 9-hole total of 42 in the boys' 9-11 division.

Ajani scored three strokes clear of 11-year-old Todd Sesums, who earned second place. Clearwater native Andrew Heric, 10, captured third place with a score of 46.

For the past 5 years, Ajani has competed in various golf tournaments throughout the area. This marks his 30th competition as a junior golf competitor.

The ten-year-old is a Tampa native and a 4th grade student at Robles Elementary School. Ajani is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William (Yolanda) Liggins.

Ajani began playing golf at the age of 2 and has grown into a talented young golfer. He also enjoys science, bowling, movies, running, and video games.

The tournament was open to youngsters from ages 6 to 18. Others who captured trophies during the competition included: Chris Bisno, of King High School, won in the boys' 16-18-year-old division; A. J. Newell captured the girls' trophy in the same age division. In the girls' 13-15-year-old division, Kesley Gibson captured the title. Austin Padova won in the boys' 12-13-year-old division, while Nina Hwang captured the trophy in the girls' division of the same age. Kayla Poff won in the girls' 9-10 age group.

The youngest group of golfers participating in the competition was the 6 to 8 year-olds. Conner Campbell won in boys' 6-8 division and Alyssa Serino won the girls' 6-8 division.

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LOCAL SPORTS

Bucs VP Says Team Needs To Start Improving

BY ANTIONE DAVIS
Sentinel Staff Writer

Jon Gruden and Bruce Allen are on the clock, and need to produce more wins for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, according to the team’s vice president.

Joel Glazer, son of Bucs’ owner Malcolm Glazer, expressed his disappointment with the team’s 4-12 record last season at a recent NFL owners’ meeting in Phoenix. He described the Bucs 2006 season as “very disappointing,” and stated that the team “needs to start improving.”

Jon Gruden, the Bucs’ head coach, and Bruce Allen, the team’s general manager, have been plagued with an extremely limited salary cap, and a lack of draft picks the past few seasons. However, Glazer stated that those days are behind them.

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Anyone from the Gay Poppa Miles era in the 1970s and 1980s remembers the singing Jackson family. A member of that family, Willie Jackson, remembers the adults who helped him and his siblings in their community, and has done the same thing for children in the Central Park area.

No longer singing, Jackson works with the Boys and Girls Club as head coach of the Rattler basketball team.

“I’m proud to do this for the kids. Because I was the only male staff at the club, I had to coach all three teams alone. I did it because I love what I do. I love telling the young boys what it takes to be a real man.”

“The kids in Central Park look at Jackson as a father figure, and he teaches them how to respect and love each other.

“I had two teams to go undefeated this year. Beth 12 and under and 10 and under went 8-0.

“Although people are moving out of Central Park, the Boys and Girls Club will be there for them. We want community leaders to stop by the club to see what’s going on and see if they can pitch in and do their part.”

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**Broncos, Bly Agree On Extension**

DENVER -- The Denver Broncos agreed to terms Wednesday on a contract extension with cornerback Dre Bly, obtained earlier this month from the Detroit Lions.

Details were not released.

Bly, 29, had a year left on his contract when he was traded to Denver in exchange for running back Tatum Bell and offensive lineman George Foster.

Denver also got a sixth-round pick and Detroit got a fifth-round pick.

Bly has 33 career interceptions, the fourth-most in the league since 1999. He has returned five interceptions for touchdowns in his career.

**Pacman Jones To Meet With Commissioner**

PHOENIX -- Adam "Pacman" Jones will meet with NFL commissioner Roger Goodell on April 3 to discuss the Tennessee Titans cornerback's run-ins with the law.

A person within the league familiar with Jones' situation told the Associated Press on Tuesday that a hearing will occur next Tuesday. That person requested anonymity because the hearing has not been announced.

Goodell is unlikely to make any decision on a suspension or fine at that time, because the commissioner's new, stricter player conduct policy has not been completed.

The hearing was first reported by the NFL Network.

Titans coach Jeff Fisher said Tuesday he has not spoken with Jones since just after Las Vegas incident Vegas "when we helped facilitate the first meeting with police."

"He's very disappointed with what's happened," Fisher said. "He thinks he let the city, the fans and his teammates and the organization down."

**LeBron's House To Have Theater, Bowling Alley, Casino**

AKRON, Ohio -- LeBron James' 35,440-square-foot house under construction in nearby Bath Township is shaping up as a castle fit for a king -- with a theater, bowling alley, casino and barber shop.

The house in a suburban location 20 miles south of Cleveland is due to be finished next year. It is being built on 5.6 acres of land purchased, along with an 11-bedroom house, in 2003 for $2.1 million.

Cleveland Cavaliers All-Star and Akron native, whose stated goal is to be the world's first billionaire athlete, razed the house to clear the way for the new one.

A first-floor master suite, which includes a two-story walk-in closet, will be about 40 feet wide and 56 feet long -- bigger than half the houses in Bath Township.

The house has a dining hall, roughly 27 feet by 27 feet, a "great room" at 34 feet by 37 feet and a bigger, two-story "grand room," according to the Akron Beacon Journal, which reported on the blueprints.

The "family foyer" off the six-car garage near the elevator will be dwarfed by a "grand foyer" inside the front entrance with a sweeping, divided staircase leading to four second-story bedrooms. An outer wall will feature a limestone sculpture -- a base-relief of LeBron's head, wearing his trademark headband.

**Lowe's Son Facing Charges**

GREENSBORO, N.C. -- Sidney Lowe put together quite a feel-good story this year. The former North Carolina State point guard and Jim Valvano protege came back to coach his old team, donning a stoplight-red jacket and drumming up excitement with a surprising season-ending surge.

A week later, after bailing his 21-year-old son out of a Greensboro jail in the middle of the night, Lowe's coat may have been temporarily replaced by a red face.

Lowe found himself in an embarrassing situation Wednesday in the aftermath of a series of charges filed against his oldest son, Sidney R. Lowe Jr., ranging from aiding and abetting armed robbery to drug possession. Several charges stem from the weekend shooting of a man in a University of North Carolina at Greensboro dormitory.

"It's unfortunate, but he's like all of us -- he can't control his children," said Glenn Futrell, who's on the board of directors of the school's Wolfpack Club. Lowe left the Guilford County magistrate's office without talking to reporters around 2 a.m. Wednesday, after his son was released on a $450,000 secured bond.

Later that morning, Lowe made his first public comments on the matter, a two-sentence statement issued by N.C. State in which he thanked the school's administration and fans for their support.

**Gore To Get Hefty Contract Extension**

SAN FRANCISCO -- Running back Frank Gore has agreed to a four-year contract extension with the San Francisco 49ers, a reward for his team-record 1,655 yards rushing last season.

Gore, who led the NFC in rushing in his second pro campaign, was due to earn $435,000 in the upcoming season. With the extension, the Pro Bowl running back will be under contract to the 49ers through 2011 with a deal containing more than $14 million in guaranteed money.
Bonds Leaves Desert To Return To California

PEORIA, Ariz. -- Barry Bonds packed up his locker, took two at-bats in his final Cactus League game and left the desert to return to California.

Bonds went 1-for-2 as the designated hitter in Tuesday's 9-8 win over the Seattle Mariners, his final work day in Arizona. A handful of Giants veterans, including new ace Barry Zito, also were scheduled to fly out Tuesday night a day before the team officially breaks camp following a game with the Milwaukee Brewers at Scottsdale Stadium on Wednesday.

"Most of these guys are ready to go, ready to get north," said bench coach Ron Wotus, the acting manager for a few days while

CHARLOTTE, N.C. -- Carolina Panthers safety Mike Minter, one of the most popular players in franchise history, said Tuesday he plans to retire after this season.

"This year is going to be it," Minter said.

The former second-round draft pick out Nebraska in 1997 is the franchise leader in tackles (953) and fumble recoveries (16), and is tied with fellow Pro Bowler John Lynch for most interceptions (10), and is tied with Takeo Spikes for most interception returns for a touchdown (9).

"It's not that I felt like my play is slipping," Minter said. "The decision is more based on how my body feels. You're talking about 1,200 or 1,300 snaps a year and not having missed any time. Eventually that adds up, especially how I play the game."

MIKE MINTER

BARRY BONDS

Bruce Bochy attends his mother's funeral in Florida.

"We have been here a long time," Bonds said.

Bonds batted .297 (11-for-37) with five home runs, three doubles and 10 RBIs in 15 Cactus League games.

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) -- The Washington Redskins have talked with the Chicago Bears about disgruntled Pro Bowl linebacker Lance Briggs, who has threatened to sit out the 2007 season after the Super Bowl runner-ups slapped a franchise tag on him.

Various published reports said the Redskins informed the Bears they would deal their first-round pick, No. 6 overall, for the Bears' first-rounder, No. 31 overall, and Briggs, who is a two-time Pro Bowl player.

"The two teams have talked and it's in their hands now," Briggs' agent Drew Rosenhaus told the Daily Southtown of suburban Chicago on Tuesday. "It's out of my hands now."

Bears general manager Jerry Angelo, in town for the NFL meetings, said: "We will take what (the Redskins) said under consideration and we told them if there's anything we can do to help get back with them, Angelo said, adding there is no timetable for a deal."

Ex-Iowa Football Captain, Harris, Dies

HOMER HARRIS

Homer Harris, a star defensive lineman for the University of Iowa and the first black captain of a Big Ten football team, has died.

Harris died on March 17 of complications from Alzheimer's disease, his daughter confirmed Tuesday. He was 90.

Harris was a three-year starter for the Hawkeyes and was selected team MVP after the 1936 season when Iowa went 3-4. The following year alongside future Heisman Trophy winner Nile Kinnick.

Before going to Iowa, Harris was a Seattle-area prep star, leading Garfield High School to consecutive city championships. Harris was encouraged to play at Iowa by his prep coach, Leon Briggs, after Harris was not recruited by Washington.

"He loved to play football," his daughter, Heather Felzenberg, told the AP.

LANCE BRIGGS


This is something that has been brewing," Bills general manager Marv Levy said.

"Takeo is a good person, but we wanted to strengthen our defensive tackle. They've been looking for a linebacker and I think they wanted an experienced backup quarterback."

A nine-year NFL veteran, Spikes was slow recovering last year from a right Achilles tendon tear he suffered in Week 3 of the 2005 season. He's scheduled to make $9.5 million ($4.5 million this season) over the final two years of the six-year contract he signed after joining the team as a free agent.

Eagles Acquire LB Spikes From Bills

TAKO SPIKES

FOOTBALL

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SPOTS

Henry Ticketed In Latest Legal Woe

CINCINNATI -- Cincinnati Bengals receiver Chris Henry, already facing possible NFL punishment for problems with the law, has been cited by Cincinnati police on three traffic charges including driving with a suspended license.

Henry, 23, also was ticketed for an alleged improper turn and seat belt violation.

His vehicle was impounded after he was stopped March 21, and he paid $100 to retrieve it Monday, court records show. Court action is pending.

Bengals spokesman Jack Brennan on Tuesday released a statement from the team that said, "While the incident involved a minor traffic matter, the club is frustrated that the issue arose at all. ... Chris's overall future with our team can be determined only after this and other pending matters are resolved by the NFL."


day following a game for the Panthers, but there's a chance he may be ready to go, ready to get north," said bench coach Ron Wotus, the acting manager for a few days while

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SIS. JOHNIE MAE FASHAW

As the noontime approached Saturday, March 24th, 2007, God summoned His angels to Saint Joseph's Hospital, where He received another rose for His garden. That rose was Johnnie Mae Thomas-Fashaw. Johnnie Mae answered quietly to her call and sweetly joined the array of beautiful flowers that awaited her in the garden.

Homegoing celebration ser­vices for Sis. Johnnie Mae Fashaw of 6207 N. 49th Street, will be held Saturday, March 31, 2007, at 1 p.m. at New Smyrna Full Gospel Church. The remains will repose at 4419 Cobia Drive, from 5-8 p.m. The funeral cortege will arrange from 4419 Cobia Drive to the temple for the service.

SISTER MARY E. SHERMAN

A celebration of life for Sis. Mary E. Sherman, 626 - 2332

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FUNERALS

Ms. Sarah Williams

Homegoing services for Ms. Sarah Williams, who passed away on Tuesday, March 20, 2007, will be conducted on Saturday, March 31, 2007, at 11 a.m. at Hope of Shiloh Church, 5117 N. 22nd Street. The cortege will depart from 6502 N. 22nd Street.

Ms. Bertha Lee Jackson

Homegoing services for Ms. Bertha Lee Jackson of 6717 Elm Court, who went to be with the Lord and gained eternal rest from earthly life on Thursday, March 22, 2007, will be held Saturday, March 31, 2007, at 1 p.m. from New Mt. Zion B. Church, 2912 E. Columbus Drive, with the Rev. Walter J. Williams, pastor. Elder Don Spight presided. Pastor Kenneth Barrington of Metropolitan Cathedral of Truth, Havana, FL, eulogist.

Mr. Harold Donaldson

Funeral services for Mr. Harold Donaldson of 2108 E. Ellick Street, who passed away on Tuesday, March 20, 2007, will be held on Friday, March 30, 2007, at 11 a.m. at Pilgrim Rest M. B. Church, 2507 E. 24th Avenue, with the Rev. W. F. Leonard, pas­ tor. Pastor of Trinity M B. Church, Oakland, FL, officiat­ing/eulogist. Interment will follow in Rest Haven Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Armerica McPherson

Mrs. Armerica McPherson, our mother was born on December 1, 1948, in Matamoros Tamaulipas, Mexico. She leaves: her husband, John W. McPherson; and her grandchild, Ricardo Stone, Sr., and wife, Terri, and devoted daughter, Diana Harris and husband, Demetrios, Sr.; 5 brothers, Roman, Juan Antonio, Jose Indalecio, Mario, and Arturo Martinez, all of Mexico; 3 sis­ ters, Consuelo, Maria Desoracio and Paulina Rojas; she also has 16 grandchildren, Anna, Richele, Demetrios, Jr., Reo, Jr., Darius Reo, II, and Dawson, Ricardo, Tootie Marquise, Donnell, Sugarlove, Till, Joel, Ashley, and Rashidi; a very special friend, Tony; and her closest friends, Alicia, Arri, Ethel Harris and Inez Bush; and a host of nieces and nephews. Please contact Gonzalez Funeral Home at (813) 757-4877 between 8-5 a.m. for any information.

Mr. Paul B. Grant

Homegoing celebration for Mr. Paul B. Grant, who passed away on March 21, 2007, will be conducted on Saturday, March 31, 2007, at 2 p.m. at Rest B. Church, 4292 W. Nassau Street. The Rev. Linda Reese, pastor, A. L. Randall, eulogist, and Rev. Elliot McBride, officiat­ing. Interment will follow in Rest Haven Cemetery.

The funeral cortege will leave from 300 E. Elliott St. on Saturday, March 31, 2007, at 12:30 p.m. from 6502 N. 22nd Street.

Services and arrangements by EVERETT-DERR & ANDERSON FUNERAL HOME.

there will be no viewing after the eulogy on Saturday, March 31, 2007.

The Jackson family will receive friends at their home 6717 Elm Court on Friday evening, March 30, 2007, from 6-8 p.m.

The cortege on Saturday, March 31, 2007, will form at 12:30 p.m. from 6502 N. 22nd Street.

Services and arrangements by EVERETT-DERR & ANDERSON FUNERAL HOME.

Mr. Harold Donaldson, age 65, of 2108 E. Ellick Street, passed away on March 20, 2007. Mr. Donaldson was born in Starks, Arkansas on November 9, 1941. He was a graduate of Berkeley High School and attended Mississippi Valley State University. He worked for the Tuskegee Institute as a maintenance person for many years of service. He was a faithful member of New Mt. Zion B. Church where he served in Choir #2, and the Purple Lily usher board, relocated to Tallahassee, and became a member of Metropolitan Cathedral of Truth, Tallahassee. Upon her return to Tampa she reaffirmed her membership to New Mt. Zion B. Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; 2 sisters, Margaret Williams and Ida Mae Victorite. She leaves to cherish her memory: 6 loving children, Patricia, Michael, Sr., and Byron, Sr. of Tampa, Alexia and Victoria, Tallahassee; Jemirah Helena, Correy, Phylissia, Anisha, and Indalecio, from Matamoros Tamaulipas, Mexico.

She also has 5 brothers, Demetrius, Sr.; 5 brothers, Roman, Juan Antonio, Jose Indalecio, Mario, and Arturo Martinez, all of Mexico; 3 sisters, Consuelo, Maria Desoracio and Paulina Rojas; she also has 16 grandchildren, Anna, Richele, Demetrios, Jr., Reo, Jr., Darius Reo, II, and Dawson, Ricardo, Tootie Marquise, Donnell, Sugarlove, Till, Joel, Ashley, and Rashidi; a very special friend, Tony; and her closest friends, Alicia, Arri, Ethel Harris and Inez Bush; and a host of nieces and nephews. Please contact Gonzalez Funeral Home at (813) 757-4877 between 8-5 a.m. for any information.

Mr. Paul B. Grant, age 76, passed away August 24, 1964, in New York City to Paul and Mildred Grant.

He leaves to mourn his passing: 4 children, Angelina (Precious) Hicks, TyRhonda, Stark, April Grant and Ayeshia Grant of Las Vegas, Nevada; 14 grandchildren, Kiera Grant, Tavari Grant, Jamareus Owens, Jimmy Baker, Denzel Baker, Ethan Paul Williams, Zion Williams, Dynahm Screen, Daja Thomas, Andre Richardson, Nicholas Thomas, Aliza Chapman, Omar Chapman and wife, Linda Grant, Teresa Walker, Benita Walker and Rev. Linda Randall; 3 brothers, Tyrone Grant and Carl Grant of Riverside, GA; 2 aunts, Victoria, Mikayla, Byron, Jr., and Vic­toria, Tallahassee; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Visitation for Mr. Paul B. Grant, Jr., will be held on this Friday evening, 6-8 p.m. at Life In Christ Community Church, 2103 E. Osborne Avenue, Tampa. Friends are asked to assemble at 1:45 p.m. at the church on Saturday.

Mr. John Harmon, L.F.D. and James Harmon, L.P.D. A HARMON BURIAL.
Funerals

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MRS. IRA FLOWERS, SR.

A homegoing celebration for Mrs. Ira Flowers Sr. "Goat," a.k.a. Billy will be held Saturday, March 31, 2007, at 11 a.m. at The Center For Manifestation, 5102 E. Lake Avenue, Tampa, where Apostle Mark Jones is pastor, and Dr. A. F. Vickers, Pastor of Holy Outreach For Christ of Tampa, will be officiating. Interment will follow in Orange Hill Cemetery.

Following his birth on July 25, 1940, he was called to do some maintenance work in his Lord Savior's Home on March 24, 2007, at Sundown. He attended the public schools in Winston-Salem, N.C. Carolina. The family relocated to Tampa, where he has resided the last 59 years of his life and many of those in Progress Village.

He leaves to mourn his passing: his loving family, Patricia Williams Gillette (mother/stepmother of his children), and sons, Derrick Thompson and Felisha, Xavier Wiliiams (Dreamer), and Adrian Thompson; grandchildren, Victoria, Jarvarus, Travarus, Frederick, Jr., Vireesa, Rickery, Courtavis, Ruby, Jr., Cornelius, Lish, Raash, Maurice, Dashion, Keshon, Cortavius, Deandre, Viryon, Destiny, Kelshaihne, Ladiarius, Elizabeth Saston and Rashaun, Cassandra, Antionisha, Michael, Jayle, Andre, Tony, Arnea, Derrick, Jr., and sisters, Chandra, Shana, Michele, Rachel Williams, Rachel, Maile (Walser) Mosley of Loyd, La, Desire Wilson, Marvin, Jr., Loyd, Loretta (Greg) Jennings of Haines City, Amanda, and Blanche Jennings of Lake Wales, Diane Thompson of Dade City, Jennifer Thompson, Sandra Thompson of St. Augustine; 5 brothers, Otis (Essie) Norton of Monticello, Tony Clinton of Havana, Sheldon (Axelle) Norton of Tallahassee, Willie Earl Thompson of Monticello, and Willard Thompson of Monticello; 3 aunts, Queen (Henry) Shaver of Monticello, Vantor (Thomas) Smith of Tallahassee, and Algertha Clinton of Tallahassee; 2 uncles, Herman Samuel Thompson, and Hubert Clinton of Tampa, Gilbert (Daisy) Clinton of Tampa, Edie Lee Clinton of Monticello; special friends, Dorothy Jackson, L. Shedrick, Sr.; great nieces, Danielle J. Jones, a host of extended family and friends, and friends, the Throtts, Coleman, (P.V.), Gainous, Progress Village Community, and West Tampa and 28th Street (East Tampa);

Visitation will be held at Mote Miracle Bethel Chapel, 5100 N. Nebraska Ave., Tampa, on Friday, March 30, 2007, from 6-8 p.m. and a MORNING GLORY SERVICE, Mr. Harold Jones, Owner.

Ray Brunnier, Jr.

MRS. ROBERTA THOMPSON-SAMPSON

A celebration of life for Mrs. Roberta Thompson-Sampson will be held Saturday, March 31, 2007, at 11 a.m. at The Center For Manifestation, 5102 E. Lake Avenue, Tampa, where Apostle Mark Jones is pastor, and Dr. A. F. Vickers, Pastor of Holy Outreach For Christ of Tampa, will be officiating. Interment will follow in Orange Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Roberta Sampson was born on March 9, 1946, to the late Ms. Rosche Clinton and Mr. Philmore Thompson, who preceded her in death, and stepmother Louise Thompson. She was born in Jefferson County.

She leaves to cherish her memories: a loving husband, Rahshia Harris; 9 children, Ricky (Kimberly) Thompson, Frederick Thompson and Della, Derrick Moore and Brenda, Corey Thompson and Felisha, Virgil Thompson and Derinda, Darlene and Thompson and Shon, and Tina Thompson. Mrs. Sampson was a former employee of Monroe, LA; son, Raymond Lewis of Little Rock AR; brother, frank Hill and wife, Rangee of Shreveport, LA; sisters, Myretta Vanderbilt Lewis of Little Rock, AR; and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

The service will begin after 9 p.m. today, March 30, 2007, at the Morning Glory Funeral Chapel, 5100 N. Nebraska Ave. TAMPA, 33610.

Arrangements entrusted to

Ray Williams Funeral Home, 301 N. Howard Ave., Tampa, FL, 33602.
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Mr. Claude R. Draughn

Mr. Claude R. Draughn of 6811 Wayside Court, passed away Wednesday, March 21, 2007. Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, March 31, 2007, at 11 a.m. at Grace Mary Missionary Baptist Church, 37th Street, with Elder Dr. Thomas J. Reed, pastor, officiating. Interment will be Tuesday, April 3, 2007, in Red Tift Hill Cemetery, Whittakers, North Carolina.

Mr. Draughn was a native of Whittakers, North Carolina, and a resident of Tampa for 28 years. He was educated by the public school of North Carolina and attended A & T State University, Golenboro, NC. Mr. Draughn was a member of Grace Mary M. B. Church where he served as a Deacon. He was employed as a Truck Driver at Shell Oil Company.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his wife, Iva L. McLean Draughn; two daughters, Angela Michele Draughn and Erica J. Campbell; granddaughter, Sarah Lynette Draughn, all of Tampa; four brothers, Julian Draughn (Keruelle), Alphonza Draughn (Bernice), and a host of other relatives and friends.

The remains will repose after 5 p.m. today, March 29, 2007, at Ray Williams Funeral Home, 301 N. Howard Avenue, Tampa; arrangements entrusted to RAY WILLIAMS FUNERAL HOME, Tampa, Owners.

Mrs. Elsa Mae Johnson of 4006 W. Lalla Street, passed away Monday, March 5, 2007. Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, March 11, at 11 a.m. at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, 3001 W. Cypress Street, (Carver City), with Reverend Frank Watson, Jr., pastor, officiating. Interment will follow in Rest Haven Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Elsa Mae Johnson was born in Marianna, and she later became a resident of Tampa. She was a graduate of Middleton Senior High School, class of 1944. Mrs. Johnson was a faithful and devoted member and served in Choir No. 2 of Friendship M. B. Church. Elsa Mae retired from the Hillsborough County School System after 28 years of dedicated service.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie (Hattie) Moses; and her husband, Mr. David N. Johnson.

She leaves to cherish her precious memory: (3) three devoted and loving children: (2) two sons, Mr. and Mrs. Michael A. Johnson, Tampa; and (1) one daughter, LaRhonda M. Butler (Redmond) of Baltimore, Maryland; (4) four grandchildren, Letonia, Micahs, Essy and Eoose Johnson (19); ten great-grandchildren, Doretha, Ideline, Tawonne, Desha, Terrica, Darrick; (1) one granddaughter, Cynthia, (2) two uncles, other relatives and friends.

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ESSIE WALKER 1902-1990

IN MEMORIAM

STAFF SERGEANT HOWARD VAN RICHARDSON, a.k.a., CHEYENNE
March 27, 1998,
The days, weeks, and months have passed.
It has been nine years and the pain has not lessened.
We love you but God loves you best.
Sleep on and rest in peace
until we meet again.
Your memory is
the strength beneath my wings.
Mary Richardson and family
and close friend, Frank Bailey and host of
others.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. EDNA L. LARRY
3/30/27 - 9/9/06
Happy birthday Mom. God smiled on you and set you free.
There's not a day that goes by that we don't think
about you. You are deeply missed and always loved.
Forever with us.
Your children, Jimmy, Debra, Marva
and Cherry; grandchildren, great grandchildren;
your brother, Willie; sons-in-law,
Rev. Jackson, Louis; and sister-in-law, Ruby.

PASTOR T. B. JENKINS
Sunrise: 9/11/63 - Sunset: 3/27/06
It's been a year since God called you home.
It broke our hearts to lose you.
You left us beautiful memories.
Your love is still our guide
and though we cannot see
you, you are always by our side.
Our family chain is broken,
and nothing seems the same.
But as God calls us one by one
the chain will link again.
We miss you and you will always be
in our hearts, forever.
Wife, Shirley Jenkins;
daughters, Keshia, Zuri,
Reina, Shania, Zhnae and Kayshia;
sons, Rico, Zuaris;
grandchildren;
parents, Elder Eugene and Georgia
Johnson; aunts, uncles,
cousins, sisters, brothers,
brothers-in-law, Pastor
Charles Patrick and wife,
Cordeia Patrick, Pastor
Landis George, and wife,
Arnell George; and
Christlike Ministries family
and friends.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. KATIE MAE NORTON
Mama, it's been 18 months but it seems forever because
you're sadly missed by us all.
John, Aviv Norton, family
and friends.
You are in great
hands, the Father and His
son.

IN MEMORIAM

HELEN L. WHITE CHRISTIE
Sadly missed by: Beverly Manning - Backey, Ronald T.
Christie, Sabrina and Philana' Backey and other
family members.

IN LOVING MEMORIES

IN MEMORIAM

ARTHUR SOARREY 1919 - 1962

ANTONIO C. SMITH 1962 - 2005

The Walker, Daniels, Kelley and Soarrey families.

IN MEMORIAM

KEITH ANDERSON
Happy birthday Keith.
From the ones you love.
We're going to celebrate
while you watch from above.
Happy birthday from
the kids and me.
In our hearts you'll always be.
Without you our life is incomplete.
Happy birthday, baby.
Love Brina and kids.

IN BIRTHDAY MEMORIAM

NANNIE M. JONES
In loving memories of you Mom on your birthday.
From your siblings and family.
Even though you're gone from our presence, you are always in our hearts.
We love you always.

IN BIRTHDAY MEMORIAM

CHARLIE WALKER, JR.
1929-1965

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IN MEMORIAM

DEACON JIMMIE L. WILLIAMS
March 28, 2006

In loving memory of someone who meant so much to us. We love you and miss you. You are always in our hearts. Gone but not forgotten. Wife, Alvertis Williams, family and friends.

MRS. HELEN L. JACKSON

The family cannot find the words to express our appreciation for your prayers, visits, flowers, calls and kind gestures, that you have shown the family during our time of bereavement.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MEMORIES OF

MR. JAMES T. FLOWERS
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We love and miss you so much. It's still hard to believe that you're gone, but we know in our hearts, that you are still with us in spirit and that you watch over us.

CLARA GRAHAM

The family of Clara Graham gives all our praises to God. Also, we extend a warm-hearted “thank you” to all those who made her passing a spirit-filled expression and a loving tribute. It was truly an honor for your prayers and spiritual outward demonstration of how much she meant to each of you.

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Bus Accident Sends 7 To Area Hospitals

On Wednesday at 1:14 p.m., an accident involving a HARTline bus sent 7 people to area hospitals, and the driver of the vehicle charged.

The Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office reports they were called to a traffic crash at 36th Street and Hillsborough Avenue. They determined a HARTline bus was stopped and picking up passengers when a vehicle tried to pass it. For unknown reasons, the vehicle turned and struck the left side of the bus, spun clockwise and struck a second vehicle. After striking the second vehicle, the first vehicle stopped and came to rest across the roadway.

Seven passengers on the bus were taken to area hospitals with non-life threatening injuries. Deputies said the drivers of the two vehicles weren't injured, but the driver that caused the accident, Shirley Dona, 51, was cited for careless driving.

Those on the bus were Robert Copeland, Teresa Reed, John Robinson, Yolanda Jones, Richard Tyler, Terri Targui, Blaine Lewis, Helena Hooker, Rodney McCullough and Carl Gleeson.

The driver of the second vehicle, Gladys Washington, 78, was not injured, according to deputies.

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**Drug Suspect Strikes 2 Vehicles Before Arrest**

On Monday at 7:25 p.m., the Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office and DEA agents conducted a buy-bust operation at 6505 North U.S. Highway 301. At that time, agents said Eduardo Gonzalez, 32, took possession of 4 kilograms of cocaine.

During the buy-bust operation, Gonzalez was driving a green van and began to proceed west across a parking lot. When he spotted law enforcement officers, he tried to leave and Sheriff’s Office vehicles tried blocking the exits of the parking lot.

Deputies said Gonzalez began to drive erratically and failed to yield to an emergency vehicle. He drove into the path of one of the sheriff’s vehicles, striking it with 2 people inside.

Deputies said Gonzalez then took off and struck a second law enforcement vehicle occupied by 5 deputies. At that point, he got out of the van and fled.

Deputies pursued Gonzalez and he was subdued with the use of a taser.

Gonzalez was charged with trafficking in cocaine, aggravated battery on law enforcement officers and resisting arrest with violence.

Five deputies were treated at a local hospital for minor injuries.

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**4 People Arrested In Drug Bust**

On Tuesday, Tampa Police arrested 4 people and seized 47 pounds of marijuana and more than $11,000 from an auto business.

Tampa Police acting on complaints about drug activity at the business sent undercover officers to buy small amounts of marijuana at the business on 31st Street and East MLK Boulevard, known as Ivan’s Auto Repair and Park Towing.

At 6 p.m. Tuesday, police conducted a drug search and found barrels filled with marijuana in the back of the business. Police said a total of $11,523 from marijuana sales was seized, with about $5,000 found hidden in a wall, and another $3,000 found in a suspect’s pocket.

One firearm and 10 pills of ecstasy were also seized.

Arrested and charged with trafficking in marijuana and possession of ecstasy were:
- Anthony Rembrant, 46
- Wayne Kerr, 35
- Ian Lightbody, 39
- Clint Grant, 36

**Man Killed Crossing Street**

On Wednesday night, a man was killed while crossing Nebraska Avenue and Hanna.

According to Tampa Police, Donald Minor, 49, was crossing the street when he was struck by a van driven by Lionel Martin.

Minor was transported to a local hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

No charges have been filed against Martin at this time pending further investigation.

Minor has no local address, and sources reveal his family members live in Missouri.

Minor was released from parole on March 13, 2007 after serving 2 months on a grand theft charge.

Police Search For Purse Snatcher

Tampa Police are looking for a man they believed was involved in a pair of purse snatchings.

Police said the first robbery occurred March 12th at 9:44 p.m. at the CVS Pharmacy, 2725 MacDill Avenue. The second offense occurred later that same night at the corner of Douglas Street and Tampa Avenue.

Police said the suspect walked into the CVS Store, approached the victim, grabbed her wallet from her hand and fled. Minutes later, he approached a second victim, pushed her to the ground, grabbed her purse and fled on a bicycle.

The suspect is described as a Black male, 18 to 21 years old, 5’10” to 6 feet tall with a medium build. He was last seen wearing a hooded black sweatshirt that read “Property of Plant Panthers.”

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**Teenagers Charged In Drive-By Murder**

ST. PETERSBURG - On Saturday, March 24th, the St. Petersburg Police Department investigated a murder that occurred in front of a residence in the 2000 block of Highland Street, South.

The victim, Deandre Brown, 15, had been standing in front of the residence with friends when a vehicle passed the house and a passenger fired several shots from a rifle at the group.

Brown was shot in the upper body and died. Several bullets also struck the house and one bullet struck a nearby vehicle.

Detectives developed probable cause and arrested Tyree Jameel Gland, 17. He said to have been the gunman in the case and was charged with second-degree murder.

Earlier police charged the ‘river, Raymond Abdul Adams, 18, with one count of principal second-degree murder and violation of probation on a prior grand theft charge.

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**CRIME NEWS**

MAN KILLED CROSSING STREET

Tampa Police detectives have identified the victim of Saturday’s fatal hit-and-run.

The victim is Marc Joseph McQuillen, 44. Police said he is homeless and his family lives in Philadelphia.

Detectives are still searching for the woman who allegedly hit and killed him.

She was described as a 19 to 25-year-old Black female with shoulder length braided hair.

The vehicle she was driving was described as a 1990 to 1995 mid-size car, possibly a Toyota, light tan in color with tinted windows and rear window louvers. It also has possible front-end damage.

McQuillen was walking across Nebraska Avenue near Broad Street when the vehicle hit him. The driver fled the scene without stopping. McQuillen died later at a local hospital.

Police are asking anyone who may have seen the accident or knows the identity of the suspect to call them at (813) 276-3586.

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An 80th birthday celebration for Samm Philmore was held Saturday, March 3, 2007, at the Comfort Inn on Busch Blvd. (Photos by Ricky Roberts)

Birthday honoree, Samm Philmore and his wife, Peggy at his 80th birthday celebration at the Comfort Inn.

Comments from the honoree’s daughter, Samarah Philmore Brinson.

Edward Fields and birthday honoree, Samm Philmore.

Seated, Peggy, Samm and Donald Philmore. Standing, Bill Langfitt, Samarah Philmore Brinson, Rudy Philmore, Mary Philmore Martin, Bruce Langfitt and Barrett Philmore.

Providing entertainment for the evening were William Johnson, Vivian Philmore and Darlene and Larry Brooks.

LaMarcus Larry, Alberta Reed, Clifton Williams, Michael Donahue, Margaret Williams, Geraldine Mungin, Grace Clark and Isabel Collins pose with the birthday honoree.
BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Am I My Brother’s Keeper?

CHARMAINE, DERRICK, KYHEEM, KIVARIEA And CHA’KYRA

Happy birthday is being sent out to my little, big sister, Ms. Charity Jackson.

From your big brother, Charles. I love you baby-girl.

Thanks for all that you have done for me. Oh, and to answer the question? Yes, I am!

I love you too big brother. That situation only showed me who my real family and friends are! You foot drags only made me put my foot back in the game and it’s funny when you thought we were on the same level, you couldn’t stay out of my face. Now I’ve got stacks on deck and can’t get you to look me in my face! And I wonder why?

Yours truly, Ms. 187.

Only The Strong Survive

CHARMAINE And CHA’KYRA

Happy birthday is being sent out to Ms. Maine, who will celebrate her 29th birthday on April 1st. She will celebrate her natal day with her beautiful children, Derrick, Jr., Kyheem, K’Variea and Miss Cha’Kyra.

Oh, and let’s not forget to add all my fans. 2006 was an amazing year; I caught 50 felonies and only did 11 days. You mad? I told you, Ms. Charity is the truth and you asked why I was smiling in my picture? There was no need to worry, that’s what my lawyer was paid to do! Dub!

YANCEY

Happy birthday to my big brother Yank on 3/31. We love you and miss you, Boo. So, keep your head up and know only the strong survive.

Love always. Your sis, Ms. Brittany, and nephew, Stanka.

Princess And 2-4

Happy birthday Nyya Boo. We hope you enjoy your very first birthday.

Love, mommy, Cierra, and Daddy, Reggie, e.k.a., 2-4

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INFANT

AT 13 YEARS

Thirteen years have passed and you are still as beautiful as ever. A very special birthday wish is being sent to Brittany who turned 13 on March 29, 2007. Many more years of grace and dignity.

Love you always. Mommy, Daddy, Oeste~.

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Birthday blessings are sent out to Ja'Maele Williams, who turns 5 on March 30th. Ja'Maele will be celebrating her birthday, March 31, 2007 with family and friends.

Ja'Maele's proud parents are Laryssia and WILL Williams, Jr. grandparents, Mae Barton and the late, Larry Barton, Mr. and Mrs. WILL (Melanie) Williams, Sr. and great grandmother, Mother Minnie Rush.

We love you Princess.

MS. ASHAQUAY DAVIS
Birthday wishes are going out to Ms. Ashaquay Davis, a.k.a., Quay, who God has blessed to see another year on March 27. She will celebrate her special day with family and friends this weekend. We will always love you.

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YANCEY
SHARDAY
Happy birthday Yancey! I love you and wish you many, many more. Keep your head up Baby! We will ride this time out together as usual. And yes, yes, I know you finally realize it isn't worth telling a lie or making me cry! But, stop worrying, you know Mama's not going anywhere. I'll be here until death do us part. I love you, Daddy!

Love always, Ms. Pollock.

LISA
Happy birthday to Lisa and Gary, on March 30th.
From family and friends.

Happy birthday Sharon And Pamela
Queen Gerty, 70 this year and still looking good. Celebrating with Sharon at her 40th birthday bash.

PAMELA And Her Crew At The Party.
"Additional photos can be see on www.myspace.com/vipinvitations.

Happy birthday to Lisa and Gary, on March 30th.
From family and friends.

Brittany Tiara Duncan

INFANT

Sharon And Her Cousin
(nickname - SANN)
Happy birthday, James Ritman "Edwardo." Gone but not forgotten and that's real, you what I'm saying? You feel me? Love you, Lil X, Rene' and Jeremiah.

'Rene', Lil X And Jeremiah

Tony
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Happy 30th birthday! Wishing you many more and God bless!

Love always, Your lady, Sonya, Zachary, Lorene, Al and the rest of the family.

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Happy 3rd Birthday Iyana

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TONY

Tony D., happy 16th birthday.
From, your family and friends.

Happy Birthday

Larry Holloway

Maxi, Do you think we can make a fresh start, rediscovering in each other the magic of a touch, the passion of a kiss, the contentment of simply being together?
I want us to hold onto our memories, put the hard times behind us and look forward to each of our tomorrows with love in our hearts.
My heart holds so much love for you...P.L.N.
Hugs and kisses, Sunshine.

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We know you can’t help it, we smile every time we look at you too.

Happy birthday Fats and Mesha.

NOBODY WANTS TO SEE US TOGETHER, BUT IT DON’T MATTER ‘NO’ CAUSE I GOT YOU

Happy birthday to my lovely lady.

From your future husband, Bobby Hall.

NICOLE And TERRY

May you all understand who the real man is celebrating for the ‘07. Happy birthday, Ben.

Love, Nicole and kids.
Reverend John Anderson was installed recently as Pastor of New Testament Missionary Baptist Church in Thonotosassa. Several ministers were among those on hand for the ceremony. (Photographs by Ricky Roberts)

Several pastors participating in the consecration ceremony by laying on of hands.

What About The Thief On The Cross?

Question: If baptism is essential to salvation, what about the thief on the cross who received no baptism yet was promised by Christ that he would be saved?

Yes the Lord did say to the thief, “this day shalt thou be with me in paradise” (Luke 23:43). However, we are talking about a man (the thief) who lived and died under the Law of Moses, while Christ was still living. While Christ yet lived upon this earth, He could say “thy sins be forgiven thee.” He had the power to forgive sins. But this was before Christ commanded His baptism. His instructions to His apostles to tell people to be baptized to be saved came after His death, burial and resurrection.

Christ’s Law or Testament came into force after He died. “For where a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator. For a testament is of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth” (Hebrews 9:16-17).

God’s Word clearly teaches; “he that believeth shall be saved” (Mark 16:16); “repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins” (Acts 2:38); and “baptism doth also now save us” (I Peter 3:21). Yet in view of these and many other passages that clearly show baptism precedes salvation, people try to get around doing what God says. Why will people not just submit to the instructions of Christ and the apostles to the salvation of their souls?

There is not a single case of conversion after the resurrection of Christ where people were told they had remission of sins, were saved, or where they rejoiced until after they had heard the Word, believed the Word, repented of their sins, and were baptized. If so, what is the passage that so teaches?

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Many people have argued Jesus’ request to ride on a donkey. Some say it was not befitting for a king. Some say that he was trying to show that he did not require all the fancy fan.

Even in life today Jesus has need of people to use. It does not matter your quality or your status. He does not care about your prestige or your class association. The thing you need to know is that He wants you. 

In order for Him to use the colt, it had to be loose from the rope that had him bound. Many people are in God’s plan to be used. The thing that is prohibiting them is that they are bound. People are bound by ropes, which prevent them from being used.

The instructions to the disciples were to go and loose a colt. The mission of the church and people of God is to go and loose them (those that are bound) from the rope that has them tied. The message to them is “the Lord has need of you”.

The church must be about going into the towns finding those who God has a desire to use and loose them. We have the permission and authority of Christ to perform this task.

The “permission and mission is still validated because Jesus who is, who was, and who is to come is the one who has the world now. He is the one who is coming again. The part yet to be experienced is His coming again.”

Luke talks about His coming into Jerusalem in Luke 19:28-38. Jesus made a request that the disciples go to town and find a colt that is tied. “When they find it they are to loose it and bring it to Jesus.”

**Authority With Humility**

This week’s lesson focuses on one of the most important days on the Church Calendar, Palm Sunday. Many churches around the world will begin to have elaborate programs remembering this event in the life of Jesus.

The two passages of scripture referenced this week, Revelation 1:18 and Luke 19:28-38, give great insight about Jesus and the role the disciples then and now can play in the “Triumphant Entry” of Christ.

The text in Revelation describes the words Jesus used to describe Himself: “I Am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, who is and was and who is to come, the Almighty” (Rev. 1:8). This verse alone speaks there. Jesus lets the world know He is coming and that He is coming with great power and authority.

To summarize, Jesus overflowed with grace and compassion for the lost. He wanted to use and loose them.

The text in Luke speaks of the disciples’ activity of finding another colt and going to town. They are bound by the rope of human logic in order to think of the colt, and when they find it they are to loose it and bring it to Jesus.

Jesus is in your today, He was in your yesterday, and He will be in your tomorrow. Jesus was who He fought for you on yesterday, He is fighting for you right now, and He will fight for your days to come.

No matter your state of being or existence, Jesus is there, was there, and will be there. Jesus lets the world know that He is coming again. The part yet to be experienced is His coming again.

The discipline is still validated because Jesus who is, who was, and who is to come is the one who has the world now. He is the one who is coming again. Luke talks about His coming into Jerusalem in Luke 19:28-38. Jesus made a request that the disciples go to town and find a colt that is tied. “When they find it they are to loose it and bring it to Jesus.”
**News From Progress Village**

**BY IRADEAN LONDON BIGGS**

**March Celebrants**

Happy birthday to our March celebrants: Leroy Mack, Xavier Davis, Wayne Moore, Christopher Starks, Harold Youngblood, Karen Anderson, Andrea Maxey, Yvette Floyd, Shane Anthony, Jr., Margaret Campbell and Zenita S. Anthony.

Happy belated birthday to our former mail lady, Mrs. Rose Allen whose blessed day was March 16.

**Sick And Shut Ins**

Let us keep the sick and shut-ins in our daily prayers: Linda Parker, Mary Alice Thomas, Lillie Mae Harris, Doris Anderson, Sharon Albright, Dorothy York, Lena Daniels, Leona Williams, Alethia King, Louise Reed, Georgia Johnson, Joyce Humphrey and Betty King.

Mrs. Juanita Banks is home recuperating after recently undergoing surgery.

Family and friends send well prayers to Mrs. Dorothy Mallard.

Get well prayers and well wishes are extended to Mr. James Hill, who was recently released from the hospital.

**Anniversaries**

Rev. and Mrs. Joe Gay will celebrate their 51st anniversary on March 31!

Bobby and Jackie Wilson celebrated their 10th anniversary on March 21.

**Guests**

Rose Allen was blessed with the visitation of her grandchildren, Mikaila, Ciara, Xavier and Christopher from Jacksonville. They had a wonderful time visiting Busch Gardens, shopping and site-seeing.

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**Inmate Achievements**

Deon Johnson completed a faith-based program and stayed on as a spiritual leader. He attended nightly programs, enrolled in two Bible college correspondence classes and earned (2) Associate degrees and (1) BA degree, Master's degree and Doc. Degree in Theology. He and William Wallace designed associate degree program under name of "Men in Motion" Ministry.

Roderick Faison completed the Ark Ministry New Testament course, and two lessons from receiving his diploma in Theology from Faith Ministries. He is also enrolled in Family Radio School of the Bible earning an associate's degree.

Pen Pals

Christopher Cobb is looking for a pen-pal. Contact My Brothers 2 Keep Ministry.

Roderick Faison is looking for his Pastors, Willie and Frances Campbell in Tampa area.

**Sympathy**

Villagers, neighbors and friends send deepest sympathy to former villager Oscar Peado's Gainous and family for the loss of his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Gainous.

Our deepest sympathy extends to our neighbor, Mrs. Marjorie Anderson and family in the passing of her cousin, Mrs. Hortense Whitaker.

**Arts And Crafts Session**

Ms. Rosetta Daniels and friends are asking for anyone interested in the no-charge Arts and Crafts session to join them every Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the Parks Recreation Building in Progress Village.

**Thought For Today**

"When great minds get together and brains form, the possibilities are endless."

**Bible Trivia**

1. The only female judge of Israel, she judged the tribes from under a palm tree. Her victory songs are famous. Who was she? (Deborah - Judges 4:5)

2. After Eve, who is the first woman in the Bible? (Adah - Genesis 4:19)

3. Who offered a bottle of milk to an enemy soldier and then killed them? (Jael - Judges 4)

F.Y.I.

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FAMU Building Named In Honor Of Dr. Walter Smith

Residents from Tampa and throughout the state were on hand at the ceremony that honored Dr. Walter L. Smith by renaming the Architecture Building at Florida A & M University after him. Dr. Smith was the school’s 7th president.

Among those on hand for the ceremony honoring Dr. Walter L. Smith on the were: William Robinson, Mrs. Ellen Robinson, Martin Robinson, Dr. Charles Myers, James Hammond, and Melvin Stone.

Among those in attendance at the ceremony naming the Architecture Building at FAMU in honor of Dr. Walter L. Smith were on the front row: Herman Hargrett, Dr. Walter Smith, and Mrs. Virginia Hargrett. Shown on the second row are Dr. Henry Kirby and Derrick Guiner, former FAMU football star.

Dr. Marcia Hardney, is shown with Dr. Stephen Leong and Ms. Renee Powell at the dedication ceremony for Dr. Walter L. Smith.
Author Says First Book Was Written To Inspire

Don’t Blame The Road, a memoir by Rose Bilal was written to inspire on “I can make it” attitude in young to middle aged women, adolescents (especially troubled teenage girls), and anyone wanting to create a life of value and self-worth.

Bilal says, “my story is a testimonial about how a single, African-American woman overcame tremendous obstacles and time in prison to rise to joyous heights and achieve soul-satisfying levels of success, once I claimed responsibility for my life-choices. From my poverty-stricken, often troubled years growing up in the Northeast, to my more soul-satisfying levels of success, I’ve enjoyed a singing career, been part of groups like The O’Jays, Gladys Knight & The Pips, and the Wynon Marsealis Band; have my Paper-Mache sculptures appear in art exhibitions and private collections all over the United States, and I’ve appeared on the same programs as Neale Donald Walsch, author of "Conversations with God." Though I had many dark times, eventually grew spiritually, and with the help of many people and God, transformed into a self-empowered, proud African-American woman,” she concluded.

Don’t Blame The Road is Bilal’s first release, but because of the inspiration from the first, she’s already on the second book. When not writing, she can be found in the community serving on boards, involved in jazz presentations (most recently the Sarasota Jazz Festival) and participating in art exhibits.

Ma. Bilal will have her first book signing on Saturday, April 7th, 12-2 p.m. at Books For Thought, 10910 N. 66th St. In addition, there also enjoy jazz by Rose.
There’s a hint of green in the yard. Spring bulbs are starting to show their colorful presence. Kites are flying in the breeze and it’s time to shake off winter and welcome Spring. The season is full of family occasions and reasons to entertain.

Choose a signature dish to create, for breakfast, brunch, lunch or dinner and use some prepared foods to help make planning easy. Place purchased foods in your own dishes, garnish them, and wow your guests with great presentation. Your meal will bloom with promise.

**Wholesome Whole Grain Muffins**

1 cup Quaker oats
1 cup whole wheat flour
1/2 cup packed brown sugar
1/3 cup toasted wheat germ
2 teaspoons baking powder
1-1/2 teaspoons grated orange peel
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 egg whites or 1 egg, lightly beaten
1/4 cup fat-free milk
1/4 cup vegetable oil
1/4 cup apricot fruit spread, plus additional for glaze

**DIRECTIONS:** Heat oven to 400°F. Place paper muffin liners in 12 regular muffin cups; set aside.

In large bowl, combine oats, flour, brown sugar, wheat germ, baking powder, orange peel, cinnamon and salt; mix well. Combine egg whites, milk and oil; mix well. Add to dry ingredients all at once; mix just until blended. (Batter will be thin.) Fill each prepared muffin cup 1/3 full with batter. Carefully spoon 1 teaspoon apricot fruit spread in center of each muffin cup. Spoon remaining batter over fruit spread, dividing evenly. Sprinkle each filled muffin cup with oats.

Bake 20 to 22 minutes, or until golden brown. Remove from oven to wire rack. Lightly brush additional fruit spread onto warm muffins to glaze. Let stand 10 minutes. Remove from pans. Serve warm.

To freeze, wrap cooled muffins securely in foil, or place in freezer bag. Seal, label and freeze up to 6 months.

**Potato Bacon Casserole**

4 cups frozen shredded hash brown potatoes
1/2 cup finely chopped onion
8 ounces bacon or turkey bacon, cooked and crumbled
1 cup (4 ounces) shredded cheddar cheese
1 can (12 fluid ounces) Nestlé Carnation Evaporated Milk or Nestlé Carnation Evaporated Lowfat 2% Milk
1 large egg, lightly beaten or 1/4 cup egg substitute
1 1/2 teaspoons seasoned salt

**DIRECTIONS:** Preheat oven to 350° F. Grease 8-inch-square baking dish.

Layer half the potatoes, half the onion, half the bacon and half the cheese in prepared baking dish; repeat layers. Combine evaporated milk, egg and seasoned salt in small bowl; pour evenly over potato mixture; cover.

Bake 55 to 60 minutes. Uncover; bake an additional 5 minutes.

**Sprout Bean & Pasta Salad**

1 can 3 Bean Salad, undrained
3 cups cooked medium shell pasta
1 cup grape tomatoes, halved
(2 variety of red and yellow)
1/2 cup cubed provolone cheese
1 tablespoon chopped fresh oregano
1 teaspoon minced garlic
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper

**DIRECTIONS:** Stir all ingredients together in large bowl. Cover and chill until ready to serve. Adjust seasoning as desired.

**Springtime Asparagus Salad**

2 tablespoons sherry vinegar
1 tablespoon Honey Mustard
3 tablespoons mixed fresh, chopped herbs such as chives and parsley
1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil
Salt and pepper to taste
2 hard-boiled eggs
2 pounds fresh asparagus

**DIRECTIONS:** For vinaigrette, whisk together vinegar, mustard and herbs. Slowly whisk in olive oil until fully incorporated. Add salt and pepper to taste. Vinaigrette can be made several hours ahead and kept at room temperature.

For salad, halve eggs, then force them through a medium-mesh sieve or food mill. (Or, finely chop if you don’t have the equipment.) Snap off tough ends of asparagus and discard. Steam asparagus 1 to 2 minutes. Arrange on a platter with spears facing the same direction. Drizzle spears with vinaigrette; sprinkle egg onto stems. Serve warm or at room temperature.
Spring in to Entertaining With Ease

Honey-Baked Ham & Spring Herbs and Citrus

1 Mini Ham or Half Ham
1 bunch each of fresh marjoram, fresh thyme, rinsed and patted dry
1 bunch fresh rosemary, rinsed and patted dry
1 orange, cut into wedges & 1 pint kumquats

DIRECTIONS: On serving platter, tuck orange wedges and kumquats along sides of ham. Then, nestle sprigs of fresh herbs amid the citrus.

Carrot Cake

2 cups sugar
2-1/2 tsp. Baking Powder
2 tbsp. ground cinnamon
3/4 cup (1-1/2 sticks) margarine or butter, softened
1-1/2 cups sugar
3 eggs & 1/2 cup milk
2 cups shredded carrots & 1 cup Coconut & 1/2 cup chopped Walnuts
1 can (8 oz.) crushed pineapple in its own juice, undrained

Cream Cheese Frosting

DIRECTIONS: Preheat oven to 350°F. Mix flour, baking powder and cinnamon until well blended; set aside. Beat margarine and sugar in large bowl with electric mixer on medium speed until light and fluffy. Add eggs, 1 at a time, mixing until well blended. Add flour mixture alternately with milk, beating until well blended after each addition. Add carrots, coconut, walnuts and pineapple; mix well. Pour evenly into 2 greased 9-inch round cake pans. Bake 40 minutes or until toothpick inserted in centers comes out clean. Cool in pans 10 minutes. Remove from pans; cool completely on wire racks. Place 1 of the cake layers on serving plate; spread with Cream Cheese Frosting. Cover with remaining cake layer. Spread top and sides of cake with remaining frosting. Store in refrigerator.

Carrot Cake

Citrus Brunch Punch

1 tub Lemonade Flavor Soft Drink Mix
1 qt. cold orange juice & 1 qt. cold water
1 bottle (1 liter) ginger ale, chilled
1 orange, thinly sliced

DIRECTIONS: Place drink mix in large plastic or glass pitcher. Add juice and water; stir until drink mix is dissolved. Refrigerate until ready to serve. Pour into punch bowl just before serving. Stir in orange slices. Serve.
The 34th Street Church of God was the site of a Community Health Fair on Saturday, March 17th. A number of free health services and information were provided for those in attendance. Sponsors of the event were: H. Lee Moffitt, Tampa Community Health Centers, Inc., AmeriGroup Community Care, Staywell and United Healthcare. (Photographs by Julia Jackson)

The First Lady of 34th Street Church of God, Mrs. Marva Scott outside the H. Lee Moffitt mobile unit. She stated how pleased she was with the community's support of this event.

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**Organization Working With Local Groups To Help Prevent Colon Cancer**

The American Cancer Society (ACS) is working to eliminate colon cancer in the State of Florida. The non-profit organization has issued a new statewide initiative for the preventable cancer.

With March being Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month, the ACS is reaching out to local organizations to inform people about the causes and cures of colon cancer. The 100 Black Men of Tampa Bay is one of the groups that will be assisting the ACS in their efforts.

"Colon cancer is an illness that affects African-American men. Being that we are an organization of Black men dedicated to service in the Tampa community, we felt compelled to help in any way that we can," said Henry Bell, Jr., president of the 100 Black Men of Tampa Bay.

The Tampa Division of the ACS will be holding three Relays For Life events next month to celebrate cancer survivors, and to spread information on cures for colon and other types of cancers.

"African-Americans are at a higher risk of obtaining colon cancer, but the good news is that this disease is highly curable," said Samuel Wilson, member of Tampa's Cancer Survivor Circuit. "The biggest task is just finding out how to get this information to the community, and letting them know that there are ways to prevent and cure colon cancer."

For more information on events sponsored by the local American Cancer Society in regards to cancer treatment and prevention, please call (813) 254-3630, or go to www.cancer.org.

**Lee Davis Health Center Staffers Were Available To Share Information On Social Services.**

**The Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr., Center and Research Institute Also Had Information On Display.**

**These Folks Are Representing The Public Information Arm Of The Tampa Fire Dept.**

**Local Resident Gathering Information From The Various Displays.**
Vitamin C: Help For Teeth And Gums

Antioxidants: They're not just for mealtime anymore. While recent research has suggested that antioxidants can play an important role in keeping the body healthy, these all-important compounds have largely been limited to food and nutritional supplements. However, that has been changing, as antioxidants have begun appearing in a variety of products—from cosmetics to oral care—bringing the antioxidant power straight to the surface, where it can be more efficient.

From C To Shining C

In oral care products, vitamin C may be of particular benefit to:

- Anyone interested in improving the appearance of gums and preventing bad breath;
- People who use whitening agents;
- Smokers, who may be particularly vulnerable to high levels of bacteria in their mouth.

When purchasing a product for antioxidant benefit, it's important to know the "real" names of the ingredients you seek, so you can find them on the label. For instance, vitamin C is usually listed as ascorbic acid or sodium ascorbate.

Are You Perimenopausal?

Symptoms include:

- Irregular periods
- Hot flashes
- Night sweats
- Problems sleeping
- Changes in weight, skin, and hair
- Depression, poor concentration, and mood swings.

If you're feeling overcome by your symptoms, speak to your doctor. Sometimes, medication can help you cope.

Male Menopause

For men who believe they are going through the proverbial midlife crisis, some doctors say you may actually be experiencing andropause, a male version of menopause. Andropause is becoming more widely recognized and accepted by physicians for the changes many middle-aged men experience—from depression and loss of libido to sexual dysfunction.

Here's what you can do to alleviate symptoms of andropause:

- Maintain a healthy diet;
- Engage in regular exercise;
- Get regular health check-ups;
- Check hormone levels as you get older; generally, between ages 40 and 55, a number of important hormone levels in a man's body begin to decline.
- Reduce stress and worry;
- Get plenty of sleep.
If you want to get to the root of what it takes to have healthy, beautiful hair-start at the scalp.

Some people have very mild itching with occasional flakes while others naturally have more intense symptoms due to their body's reaction to the causes of dandruff. The symptoms-dryness, tightness, flakes—remain the same, but the degree of irritation is different.

Seborrheic dermatitis, more commonly known as severe dandruff, has some of the same symptoms, but people who experience severe dandruff may also suffer from persistent irritation and highly visible flakes. Dandruff can also affect the way hair looks and requires a regimen that addresses both hair and scalp care. Studies show that itch and irritation—which are associated with dandruff—lead to increased scratching and touching of the hair and scalp. Severe scratching can lead to secondary infections or even scarring and can damage hair cuticles, leaving hair dull and lifeless.

Fortunately, it can be treated. While dandruff is treated, scratching decreases and allows the scalp's moisture barrier to be restored. The end result is less hair cuticle damage, less hair breakage and less scalp inflammation.

Shampoos containing pyrithione zinc, in particular, can go a long way toward treating dandruff and helping hair look healthy.

For example, Head & Shoulders Intensive Solutions formula contains 2-percent pyrithione zinc (2%PZ), the maximum strength allowed by the FDA. The formula enhances the bioavailability of zinc, making it effective at targeting the scalp, and starts working against a cause of dandruff from the first wash. This helps to restore a healthy scalp and relieve symptoms.

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Whatever goes down in T-town, just keep it on the hush! Spring breakers by the 1,000s are partying all over the Bay. The Klub wars continue to battle for the title of the thickest, phat-dest Klub in the Bay! Keep it locked, it’s not over!

Club 112
It’s on and pop’n. Burn 1 Ent and 3-4-1 Records present the “I Got Money Tour” on Sunday, April 1st at 112. Live in concert is Young Buck and Trick Daddy! This concert will sell out, get there early to post up. V.I.P. Ballers, get it while it’s hot (813) 343-6880. The pre-concert features Tom G., Eve’n Ridahs and Dee-Dee.

Rapper Young Joe @ Club Underground
Easter jump-off concert! Pines will be live in concert on Sunday, April 9th at 112.

Harbor Club
Zoo Tuesdays are back in full effect at the Harbor Club. Team: Peaches & Cream Promotions is giving it to ya blood raw!

Whiskey North
Sophisticated Sunday at Whiskey North (old Club Joy) is an 18 and up club that dresses to impress. Ladies get in free until 11 p.m.

The Rare Olive (Ybor City)
Experience the come up. Ybor City has gone upscale. The Rare Olive at 16th and 7th Ave. has Hip-Hop, R&B, Jazz, Reggae, Rap and something for all. Finally, a place to call your own.

Club Manila
3-2-1... it’s Super Swole Sundays, So Thick You Be Sick! $3 Hen & Gin bottles and $1 drafts. Hold on to your grillz. All you can drink top shelf Phat Fridays is coming soon!

U-Haul Block Party
Da U-Haul Boys are on point with Throw Back In Dem Daze Super Swole Sunday Block Party every Sunday at local hood parks. Call the Block Party Hotline for location, it changes every Sunday, (813) 732-9943.

Bahasa
Monday night, it’s going down at Bahasa. Pure yard vibes with D. J. Baby Sam in the Reggae Room. Get there early to get in!

Cognac Casino Cruise
Win big, all you can eat and drink on Saturday, April 22nd. Dream Vacations presents the Cognac Casino Cruise.

Shout Outs!
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Mijac Robot To Take Over Vegas?

Michael Jackson has always done a mean robot dance, ever since the glory days of "Dancing Machine" and "Enjoy Yourself." But according to the latest rumor, the singer is taking the concept to another whole level.

"Van Pier, who also designed the robot, was reported by Los Angeles Daily News columnist Rush & Malloy are reporting that the King of Pop wants to build a 50-foot robotic replica of himself in Las Vegas that would accompany his presence in the potential long-term show in the city.

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SNOOOG DOGG AND SEAN "DIDDY" COMBS

Boys Choir Of Harlem Founder Dead At 62

NEW YORK -- Walter Turnbull, who founded the Boys Choir of Harlem in a church basement and led the organization to international acclaim that included performances in the White House and the Vatican, died Friday. He was 62.

Turnbull died just after 3 p.m. in a New York City hospital, said his brother, Horace Turnbull. He said Turnbull had suffered a stroke months earlier.

"He was a genius of a man who managed to take his talents in bringing out songs in young people who had no training," said U.S. Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., who helped raise funds for the choir. "To take that talent and turn it into academic achievement, it was just remarkable."

Comedian Eddie Griffin Wrecks $1.5M Car

RWINDALE, Calif. -- Eddie Griffin crashed a rare Ferrari Enzo worth $1.5 million into a concrete barrier while practicing at a race-track, destroying the car but escaping uninjured.

The 38-year-old actor-comedian was practicing Monday for a charity race to promote his upcoming film, "Redline," when he drove too fast around a curve at the Irwindale Speedway. Video footage shows the red sports car screeching before it ricocheted off the barrier with heavy damage to its front.

"Undercover Brother's got it at karate and all the rest of that, but the Brother can't drive," said Griffin, referring to his 2002 movie, after the accident.

The film's publicist, Wendy Zocks, said Griffin was "doing OK."

Nicole Richie Calls Fainting Reports Overblown

Nicole Richie, recently diagnosed with hypoglycemia, is reportedly embarrassed about the hoopla surrounding her widely-reported fainting incidents on the set of her show, "The Simple Life."

As previously reported, the daughter of singer Lionel Richie was taken to the hospital earlier this month after passing out on the set. Nicole, however, says that incident was blown out of proportion by the media.

"It actually made me really upset because I did not need to go to the hospital at all... I was just tired, and I left after 10 minutes," she told OK! Weekly magazine, explaining that her fainting spell was due to a lack of food in her stomach.

"I hadn't eaten breakfast yet and I asked for a bowl of cereal, but when you're on a big set it has to go through 15 people to even get to me," she said. "I walked outside and I just wasn't feeling like myself. There wasn't an on-set doctor, so instead they took me to a hospital. There was absolutely nothing wrong with me."
Busta Rhymes To Face Trial For Assault

Busta Rhymes is headed for trial on two assault charges after a New York judge decided Monday to take a plea offer off the table.

The agreement would've allowed the rapper to remain free, but Manhattan Criminal Court Judge Tanya Kennedy withdrew the offer because of his recent arrest for driving with a suspended license.

The abandoned plea offer included probation, community service and a series of lectures to troubled youth. Rhymes' attorney, Robert Kalina, has said previously that his client had been prepared to accept the deal.

After the judge withdrew the offer, the 34-year-old MC turned down a follow-up offer by the prosecution of one year in jail for each of two counts of assault — to run concurrently — and a $500 fine for the suspended license charge. Rhymes, instead, whose real name is Trevor Smith, opted for a trial

Kanye West Buys Beverly Hills Mansion

Chicago-born rapper-producer Kanye West is now the proud owner of a $3,300 square foot Beverly Hills mansion after paying a reported $7.2 million.

According to the Los Angeles Times, Ye's new traditional-style crib includes six bedrooms, four bathrooms and park-like grounds of almost an acre. It had been more than 45 years before the two-story house, built in 1921, had been on the market.

West, 29, has been busy in Los Angeles developing an HBO show with Larry Charles (“Borat,” “Curb Your Enthusiasm,” “Stanhope”). He is also working on a new album and recently recorded his own version of rapper Rich Boy's hit single "Throw Some D’s".

Naomi Exits Mop Duty In Dolce & Gabanna

It's evident that Naomi Campbell knows how to make an entrance, as evidenced by the model's daily catwalk arrivals to her court ordered community service last week. But Friday's 4 p.m. completion of her cleaning stint at the Department of Sanitation facility in Manhattan proves she knows how to make an even bigger exit.

Gathered paparazzi and residents of the Lower East Side apartment complex across the street clamped and snapped pictures as the British runway diva walked out of the building in a sparkly, bare-shouldered Dolce & Gabbana gown and stiletto sandals.

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"Miss Campbell completed her service successfully," said her boss for the week, sanitation Deputy Chief Albert Durrell. "From what I understand, she was pleasant the entire time." Although she arrived to work every day in stylish outfits, on time at 8 a.m. notes Durrell, she shed the expensive clothing once inside and donned an orange, reflective Department of Sanitation vest, stretch pants, combat boots and a dust mask.

During lunch breaks, she and co-workers ordered pizza, Durrell said. In January, Campbell pleaded guilty to misdemeanor assault for throwing her cell phone at her maid, Ana Scolavino, over a missing pair of jeans. In an agreement with prosecutors, the Manhattan Criminal Court judge sentenced Campbell to perform five days of community service, take anger management classes and pay $363.32 in restitution to Scolavino, as well as covering her hospital bills.
Cosby Taps YouTube For Slavery Museum Donations

A new YouTube-inspired campaign is allowing Web surfers to create homemade videos featuring entertainers soliciting donations toward the building of a $200 million slavery museum in Fredericksburg, VA. Amateur videographers are encouraged to visit www.eightbucks.org to download a video of Cosby and later insert their own backgrounds, pictures and sound effects. They can use links to post the finished product on YouTube.com, for instance.

"We've been trying to get everybody in the United States of America to send in $8. Everybody didn't," Cosby deadpans in the video. "So we're asking again."

The "Bill Cosby Green Screen Challenge" uses chroma key video compositing, a Hollywood device that allows directors to separate performers from their background, later, they can replace the background with something else — putting actors amid exploding wreckage or on battlefields, for instance.

"I keep my fingers crossed that people will see it as something that is very, very serious," Cosby, a key fund raiser for the museum, said. "We need people to think seriously that their donation is crucial."

The 290,000-square-foot museum, spearheaded by former Virginia Gov. L. Douglas Wilder, will feature more than 5,000 historic relics of slavery, galeries and a full-scale replica of a Portuguese slave ship.

Basketball Star Parker Releases Rap Album

EVA LONGORIA
And TONY PARKER

PARIS — French basketball star Tony Parker, an NBA All Star engaged to Desperate Housewives actress Eva Longoria, released his debut hip-hop album on Monday, glorifying his lavish lifestyle in French.

Parker, 24, is a household name in France as one of the country's highest-earning sportmen and his biggest basketball star, but the softly spoken San Antonio Spurs guard has kept his music skills firmly under wraps until now.

The album, "Tony Parker," features the captain of France's national team on vocals against a backdrop of hip-hop and dancefloor beats.

The first release off the album, "Balance-toi" (throw yourself around), includes the lyrics: "What, you want to dance? No, it's not worth it. Me, I'll stay on the sofa enjoying the vibe by raising my arms."

As if to ensure that Longoria, whom he is due to marry this summer in France, does not get jealous, it also features the line: "I've already got my woman for life."

Lil Jon's New Bling Sets Guinness Record

To promote his upcoming CD "Crunk Ain't Dead," producer Lil Jon literally bought his way into the Guinness Book of World Records by purchasing what has turned out to be the largest diamond pendant in history.

Purchased for $500,000 at Jason of Beverly Hills, the "Crunk Ain't Dead" pendant is 7.5 inches tall, six inches wide and one inch thick. The piece weighs 6.11 pounds and features 73 carats of diamonds. The total stone count is 3,756 genuine round-cut white diamonds, set in 18-karat yellow and white gold.

"I'm glad the Guinness World Records folks acknowledged me and my Crunk Ain't Dead piece," Lil Jon said. "I grew up on reading and hearing about people and celebrities who break records in the Guinness World Records book and it always fascinated me. Now that I'm on the list, it feels great. It's just so cool to see how many rappers try to outdo my pendant and break my record. They don't call me the King of Crunk for nothing!"

The album, due sometime in the fall, features guest collaborations from Good Charlotte, Cla, Lil Wayne, R. Kelly, Three 6 Mafia, Rick Rubin, Green Day, and Korn's Jonathan Davis.
ALL MY CHILDREN: Adam forced Amanda to help him destroy Tad and Jamie by giving her a plan to allow Tad to get away. After seeing Tad and Jamie, Amanda realized that she had been arguing, Adam vowed revenge. Riverside realized that she had failed to love ZOE, who finally made peace with her mother after explaining her life to Betty. Concerned that her job was in jeopardy, Betty purchased a job-saving declaration.

AS THE WORLD TURNS: Henry accepted Vienna's marriage proposal, but found that he refused to come out. Later, when Whitney asked Chad to forgive her for suspecting him of straying, he was tormented by guilt. Coming: Whitney tracked Chad to the motel, but he refused to come out. Whereabouts of Todd's son. Determined to find the baby based on the clue, Todd charmed Alexis. While Jax and early got back together, Michael took action to get Alan-Michael found and hid before asking the doctor to administer more of the

GUIDING LIGHT: Alan was briefly awakened and wrote a revealing note, which Alan-Michael found and hid before asking the doctor to administer more of the risky drug. After dreaming he told Buzz who shot him, Alan emerged from the hospital, only to realize that he had nothing to do. Someone, including a startled Alan-Michael. Coming: Is Alan's sunny nature a clever facade?

ONE LIFE TO LIVE: Miles claimed to Todd that Spencer's letter revealed the whereabouts of Todd's son. Kitty needed to find the baby based on the clues, Volume appeared headed to Chicago. Believing she had no other option, Starr tearfully broke up with Cole. To prove her commitment to Antonia, Jessica signed off the plan to adopt in front of Nash. Coming: Antonio is confused by Jessica's behavior.

PASSIONS: Whitney thanked Chad to the motel, but he refused to come out. When Vincent appeared, Whateverpeaceful that Vincent is cheating on her. Later, when Michelle switched her for the phony, Phyllis threatened to tell Jack about Todd's affair with Brad. Sharon tried to stop her but fell off the cliff, as did Dru, who was trying to help Sharon. Dru's family reunited when she was never found and was presumed washed away in the current. Coming: Phyllis' action results in tragic consequences.

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SCOPIN' THE SOAPS
Toby Goldstein

MYSTIC STARS
By Lasha Senuk

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS THIS WEEK... the coming year will activate your desire for creative fulfillment, travel or unique educational experiences. Expect social restlessness to motivate you. Personal or active changes in four months are the more powerful summer months in the past decade for fresh social outlets, lifestyle changes and renewed personal power. Personal fulfillment may be found in taking advantage of opportunities. Taurus (April 21-May 20). A romantic partner or trusted friend may request extra time or consideration. Some Taurians will experience minor social differences and a wave of new emotional connections. Identify your motives, if possible, and accept social or family politics to be highly demanding.

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"It is important that you understand the need for community involvement to arrest the spread of HIV. We have got to talk about it, we need more testing, and we need more funding. We must raise the level of awareness within the community," Rev. Dr. W. James Favorite said.

Rev. Favorite, Senior Pastor of Beulah Institutional Baptist Church, spoke during a recent community meeting designed to draw attention to the ever-growing number of African Americans in the Tampa Bay area who are affected with HIV/AIDS.

"We need to let those who are affected know that we’re not blaming them because there are many ways to contract AIDS. We are asking you to be the voice that speaks up to arrest this virus. We can do it if we speak up. We can do it if we put our shoulders to the grindstone. We need to do something about it if we are to protect our younger generations," he said.

Ms. Deborah Levine, LCSW, Vice President of Community Development, National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS, said, "We must go into the communities and help organize to get our leadership to the decision-making tables. Even as we stand here today, the number of people infected in the Tampa Bay area is rising.

"And the groups most affected are African Americans between the ages of 25 and 44. We must offer guidance, resources, and support to fight this illness. We must make changes on how we do business day in and day out. It’s an epidemic. The numbers are growing. More and more people are not being tested.

"We’re in trouble and we don’t know it. What is it going to take to mobilize us to stand up and say what we need and how do we get it?" she asked.

Ms. Sharon West, Manager for the City of Tampa’s Housing and Community Development Office, said her office is responsible for overseeing housing for those individuals stricken with HIV/AIDS. "As a community, we must be enlightened, educated, and take steps to make a difference."

Ms. West introduced the keynote speaker, Rev. William Gillison, Chairman, Ecumenical Committee Black Leadership Commission on AIDS, of Buffalo, New York.

"I’m here to talk about the Human Immune Deficiency Virus, known as HIV/AIDS. It is a virus that was once considered a disease of the gay community. But I’m here to talk about how it is affecting and infecting the African American community in epidemic proportions," Rev. Dr. William Gillison said.

"There is no cure for the HIV/AIDS virus, but it is 100% preventable through knowledge. We are dealing with a killer and 52% of those infected look like you and me. It has spiraled out of control. The numbers have changed and are continuing to go up in record proportions," he continued.

In addition to the attached stigma that HIV/AIDS patients endure, they also face problems in finding housing and counseling.

According to statistics released by the CDC, Whites with HIV/AIDS are 1 in 600, Hispanics with HIV/AIDS are 1 in 300, but Blacks with HIV/AIDS are 1 in 100. Blacks account for 34% of AIDS cases and 42% of HIV cases in the Tampa Bay area. Among females, Blacks account for 56% of those living with AIDS cases and 60% of those living with HIV.

(Photograph by Jerry Brunson). Reporter Iris B. Holton can be contacted at (813) 248-1921 or by e-mail at iris@flsun.com.

Among those in attendance at the meeting to discuss AIDS in the African American community were from left to right: Rev. W. James Favorite, Pastor of Beulah Baptist Institutional Church, Patrick Mercier, Ms. Deborah Levine, LCSW, Vice President of the National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS, Inc., and Ms. Sharon West, Manager of the City of Tampa Housing and Community Development Office.

Among those in attendance at the meeting to discuss AIDS in the Black community were from left to right: Ms. Effie M. Sims, Ms. Annie Parker, and Ms. Katie Stewart.
Brewster Tech To Hold Open House For Potential Students

BY ANTONIE DAVIS
Sentinel Staff Writer

Adult students seeking job training, a high school diploma or GED are invited to Brewster Technical Center for their open house.

The event will be held on Thursday, April 19th at the Brewster campus located at 2222 N. Tampa Street from 5 to 8 p.m. Janice Carter-Collier, principal of Brewster Technical Center, says that all the necessary information for potential students will be provided at the open house.

“We are going to do our best to provide all the necessary information to all prospective students who attend the open house,” said Carter-Collier. “We will have a complete tour of the campus, information on courses, financial aid, student loans and training programs will be available, during the event.”

Brewster offers accredited training programs in fields such as computer electronics technology, automotive technician, early childhood education, practical nursing, pharmacy technicians among others.

“We have a large number of training programs for students, and a very reasonable tuition,” said Carter-Collier. “I feel that we offer the kind of training that would be beneficial to anyone trying to have a long or short term career in the Tampa area. We offer schooling for a myriad of situations.”

For more information on Brewster Technical Center’s open house, please call (813) 276-5448, or go to www.brewstertech.org.

The Family Enrichment Center (FEC), a local faith-based, not-for-profit child-placing agency, will distribute new bookmarks at public libraries in Hillsborough County highlighting the agency’s mission of addressing the social service and family support needs of the county’s most vulnerable children.

The bookmarks will offer a wealth of print and online resources, programs, exhibits, special events, and information about the programs and services offered by the Family Enrichment Center (FEC).

“Utilizing the county’s network of public libraries is just another method we have of ensuring that citizens have access to the information they need. We’re pleased to add yet another touch point to our outreach efforts and know that people will find it useful,” Ms. Williams, Executive Director of FEC, said.

Founded by the College Hill Church of God In Christ in 1992, the mission of The Family Enrichment Center is to address the social service and family support needs of vulnerable children. Steadfast in the belief that all children have the right to a permanent, caring family, the organization works diligently on a daily basis to help children live in stable families and communities.

For more information, contact the FEC at (813) 237-2530 or visit your local public library.

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MARIAN LAURA-DAVIS

The Tampa Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated in partnership with DELTA, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation, is extending an invitation to the public to join us as we celebrate 60 years of committed Public Service to residents of the City of Tampa and Hillsborough County.

Chapter members will host a three-day celebration weekend April 13-15, 2007 at the beautiful Florida Center and Botanical Gardens located on the Florida State Fairgrounds. On Friday, April 13th, the group will feature local musical guests “City Groove” and “B. K. Jackson, 15-year-old Sax Sensation” and national recording artists “Pieces of a Dream.”

On Saturday, April 14th join the Deltas for the “Diamond & Pearls Luncheon” featuring nationally recognized actress Sheryl Lee Ralph, who performed as one of the original Dream Girls on Broadway. The culmination of this fabulous weekend will take place Sunday, April 15th with Jabberwock 2007 — “Renaissance, A Harlem Tea” featuring girls in 8th and 9th grades in competition and cotillion.

This celebration will allow the Tampa Alumnae Chapter to continue awarding scholarships to graduating seniors in the community. Each year the Tampa Alumnae Chapter awards over $20,000 in scholarships and educational assistance to local high school seniors to pursue higher education. Over the years, fundraising events, like Jabberwock, have afforded many young ladies in the Tampa Bay area an opportunity to pursue their dream of obtaining a college education.

The Tampa Alumnae Chapter continues to give back to the community while fostering ideals geared toward promoting academic achievement and individual development of young ladies. The group accomplishes this through the sorority’s national educational development programs Delta Academy for middle school aged girls and Delta GEMS for young ladies in high school.

Dr. Marian Laura-Davis is the President of the Tampa Alumnae Chapter, Joanell Lawson, Immediate Past President of the Tampa Alumnae Chapter is the Chairperson for the 60th Anniversary Celebration. The Co-Chairs are Sorors Lori Bassett-Sharrief, Sandra Quince, Sherri Day-Phillips and Shiketa Gresham.

For additional details or ticket information please call (813) 694-1302 or visit the website www.deltasigmathetatampa.org.

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Easter Weekend
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Florida African American Cultural Association (FAACA)
What’s real Jackets? Welcome back to the return of the Hive at Howard W. Blake, with senior Clarence Jones. This is your Talent Show Edition and this is the buzz. Now, let’s see what’s been happening behind the walls in the Hive.

Rest In Peace
Torrie McDuffie
Over the Spring Break holidays, H.W.B lost a beloved student, sophomore Torrie McDuffie. The students, faculty and staff of Blake send our condolences to the McDuffie family during their time of grief.

Students, please plan to come out and show your respect at his homegoing celebration. For details, see the funeral notice in The Florida Sentinel.

Jacket Buzz
Blake would like to welcome Mr. Jesse Salters to the AP staff of Student Affairs. Also, students, the tardies and disruptive behavior have gone done! Continue reporting to class on time, and strive for the best. Again, welcome to Blake Student Affairs, Mr. Jesse Salters and Mrs. Terri Fitzgerald.

Congratulations to Christian Pennington, H.W.B 2007-2008 Yearbook Editor-in-Chief. Continue to keep up the pride and spirit. If you would like to see the yearbook staff, applications are still being accepted in C2320. Please see Mrs. Johnson.

F.Y.I. students, there is no school on Friday, April 6th and Monday, April 9th! Students will return April 10th!

Upcoming events: 3/31 - Camelot Renaissance Festival at Rampello Middle School, 4/2-6 - Sting Dance Try outs, 4/3 - Jazz Concert.

Senior Class Buzz
Attention seniors and underclassmen, if you are interested in dancing in the Senior Showcase 2007, come and audition today March 30. The audition is open to anyone and will start at 3 p.m. This is the audition for the last dance show in 2007 and will be an incredible show! The auditions will take place in the dance hall in the C Building.

Prom and Grad Bash tickets are now on sale. Also, nominations for Prom will end today! Students, don’t forget to nominate me, Clarence “B.G.” Jones as your next Prom King! For more information, please see Mr. Wolford, Class Sponsor or Jasmine Davis, Class President.


Sports Buzz
The Winter Sports Banquet was held in the Hive last week. Congrats to all the Winter Sports athletes and coaches.

Any female athletes that are interested in playing softball, please meet with Coach Sykes in B121.

Congrats to Theo Anderson, being listed as Honorable Mention for the All County Wrestling Team! Way to go Theo!


A Final Farewell
Students from Central Park Village have started the relocation process and will be departing the Hive at the conclusion of this school year. The students of HVB will be hosting a farewell block party at the Perry Harvey Park located in Central Park this Sunday, April 1st, kicking off at 5 p.m.

Also, Clarence “B.G.” Jones will be hosting a Farewell Party for Torrie McDuffie. Please come out and continue to show your support.

Upcoming Events
Shout outs to: my homey, my best friend, my brother, Torrie McDuffie! Rest in peace Torrie, until we meet again! And also to the McDuffie family.


Jackets, that’s all from the “Hive”, and the buzz for this week. Don’t forget the Talent Show tonight at Blake and the upcoming events.

Also, Jackets, please plan to attend the homecoming celebration for Torriel Rest in peace! The B.G.
Last Wednesday, March 21st, Elliott Vinson, owner of Elliott’s Upper Cuts Barbershop, 3508 East Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard, held a Customer Appreciation Day event at his barbershop.

The public was invited and came by to enjoy the great food and service at the barbershop.

In the chair is Qua'id as he gets a cut from owner, Elliott.

Lavetta Willains pulls into Elliott’s Upper Cuts for the celebration.

Maurice Campbell with Shorty B.

Customers Antoine McCloud and BX wait their turn inside the barbershop.

John Wright gives the peace sign while waiting for his turn.

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Birthday Celebrants

Happy birthday wishes to the celebrants for this month of March.

Christ Community Church

Kurt Laidler, pastor, and members send birthday wishes to: Robin Wallace, Christa Laidler, Walter Smith, Sr., Joe McRae, Eloise Armstrong, Cassandra Robinson, Karen Cobin and Hazel Gray.

Hurst Chapel's

Larry Tillman, Masse Neary, Betty Owens, Marvin Bryant, Tom Simmons, Marie Newsome, Clara Mae Reed, Linda Drayton, Ellise But-E and Gloria Hamilton are celebrating their natal days this month.

Get Well

Get well wishes to the following sick and shut ins: Mrs. Carrie Bell Jones, Sister Janice Calloway, Warden Arvella Bryant, who recently returned home after a brief stay in Alabama with family members. She and Delbert Calloway decided that Alabama is lovely, but home is where the heart is, Lakeland that is! Also to Mrs. Betty Sanders, Barbara Jones, Mulberry Church To Host

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Notice of Public Hearing

A public hearing will be held by the Land Use Hearing Officer, pursuant to Hillsborough County Land Development Code, beginning at 9:00 a.m., April 20, 2007, at the Board Room, 2nd floor of the County Center, 601 E. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, to hear the following requests.

Copies of the applications, department reports and legal descriptions are available for public inspection in a master file maintained by the Planning and Growth Management Department and the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners. All interested persons wishing to submit testimony or other evidence in this matter must submit same to the Hearing Master at the public hearing before him/her. The decision of the Land Use Hearing Officer will be filed with the Clerk within fifteen (15) working days after the conclusion of the public hearing.

ANY PERSON WHO MIGHT WISH TO APPEAL ANY DECISION OR RECOMMENDATION MADE BY THE LAND USE HEARING OFFICER OR THE GOVERNING BODY REGARDING ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT THE FORTHCOMING PUBLIC HEARING OR MEETING IS HEREBY ADVISED THAT THEY WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS AND FOR SUCH PURPOSE THEY MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE AS IT WILL INCLUDE THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH SUCH APPEAL IS TO BE BASED.

Additional information concerning these requests may be obtained by calling the Department of Planning and Growth Management at (813) 275-2055.

REQUESTS

These petitions will be heard at 9:00 a.m.:  
Petition VAR 07-0449-TNC, Eduardo R. Linfernal is requesting a Variance to the setback requirements and rear buffering/screening requirements for property located at 5960 Jensen Rd., zoned AS-1.

Petition VAR 07-0525-TNC, Ronald & Heather Dial are requesting a Variance to the setback requirements for property located at 6738 Twelve Oaks Blvd., zoned RSC-4.

Petition VAR 07-0561-CW, ANK Enterprise is requesting a Variance to allow a PD request for lot less than two acres for property located at 12208 N. Florida Ave., zoned CG.

Petition VAR 07-0567-TNC, Jose R. & Elsa M. Perez are requesting a Variance to the setback requirements for property located at 6310 W. Clifton St., zoned RSC-9.

Petition VAR 07-0573-TNC, Candido & Irma Fernandez are requesting a Variance to setback requirements for property located at 6008 W. North St., zoned RSC-9.

Petition VAR 07-0579-CW, Gerald Csinkovich is requesting a Variance to setback requirements for property located at 1904 Tepee Dr., zoned RSC-2.

Petition VAR 07-0588-RV, Norma Torres is requesting a Variance to accessory dwelling requirements for property located at 13105 Myers Cl, zoned AS-1.

Petition VAR 07-0594-SFN, 2W Properties LLC is requesting a Variance to allow an easement in the Urban Service Area and to include easement in lot size calculation for property located at 11008 Lehman Rd., zoned AS-1.

Petition VAR 07-0668-TNC, George F. Salemon is requesting a Variance to setback requirements for property located at 6014 W. Paris St., zoned RSC-9.

Petition VAR 07-0673-TNC, Brenda L. Keicher is requesting a Variance to setback requirements for property located at 6405 Southom Comfort Blvd., zoned RSC-8.

Petition VAR 07-0680-ER, Jorge Salmeron is requesting a Variance to setback requirements for property located at 5645 W.O. Griffin Rd., zoned AS-1.

Petition VAR 07-0681-NWH, Henderson Contracting, Inc. is requesting a Variance to wetland setback requirements for property located at 8105 Bay Dr., zoned RSC-4.

Petition VAR 07-0699-LU, William W. & E. Diana Holtinger are requesting a Variance to setback requirements on a corner lot for property located at 19022 Blount Rd., zoned RSC-4.

Petition VAR 07-0702-PR, Luis O. Gomez is requesting a Variance to setback requirements for property located at 7102 Causeway Blvd., zoned CG.

Petition VAR 07-0721-LU, Gerald C. Landakammer is requesting a Variance to setback requirements for property located at 18522 Henna Rd., zoned ASG-1.

Petition VAR 07-0723-EL, Gabriel Homes, Inc. is requesting a Variance to setback requirements for property located at 6701 E. 19th Ave., zoned RDC-12.

Petition VAR 07-0729-DR, Brandon Shopping Center Partners Ltd. is requesting a Sign Variance for property located at Brandon Town Center, zoned PD-MU.

Petition VAR 07-0730-ER, Richard L. & Teresa A. Gonzales are requesting a Variance to allow an accessory structure on a non-conforming lot and to the side setback for accessory structure for property located at 1309 Vinewood Dr., zoned AR.

Petition VAR 07-0741-ER, Steven D. Adams is requesting a Variance to the easement/flag lot requirements for property located at 11128 Tulip Loop, zoned AS-1.

Petition VAR 07-0742-DR, Jill Strumpf is requesting a Variance from S.R. 60 overlay district and parking requirements for property located at S/S of S.R. 60, 200 E/O Kings Ave., zoned PD.

Petition VAR 07-0745-BA, Glen M. & Gloria J. Begue are requesting a Variance to accessory dwelling requirements for property located at 11542 Summer Rd, zoned AR.

Petition VAR 07-0746-USP, M. Ali rramaneen is requesting a Variance to setback requirements for property located at 13512 N. 60th St., zoned RMC-10.

Petition VAR 07-0747-USP, Andy Drouillet is requesting a Variance to fencing requirements for property located at 12208 Riverni Hills Dr., zoned RSC-6.

Petition VAR 07-0748-EL, Michael & Kelly Matlin are requesting a Variance to fencing requirements for property located at 17261 Breeders Cup Dr., zoned PD.

Petition VAR 07-0750-RU, Stewart Smith - Alto Construction Co., Inc. is requesting a Variance to the buffering/screening requirements for property located at 5960 Jensen Rd., zoned M.

Petition VAR 07-0751-KO, Jorge Yepes is requesting a Variance to setback requirements for property located at 13211 Maple St., zoned AS-1.

Petition VAR 07-0753-EGL, Ross & Josephine Celeste are requesting a Variance to lot width requirements for property located at 2713 W. Stika St., zoned RSC-6.

Petition VAR 07-0756-TH, Linda Young Reffitt is requesting Variance to front setback and wetland setback requirements for property located at 11702 Thonotosassa Rd., zoned AR.

Petition VAR 07-0762-EGL, Hamilton Engineering & Surveying, Inc. is requesting a Variance to allow a flag lot in the Urban Service Area for property located at 4309 W. Humphrey St., zoned RSC-6.

Petition VAR 07-0768-CW, Elder Development of Tampa Bay, LLC is requesting a Sign Variance for property located at 325 E. Fletcher Ave., zoned CG.

Petition VAR 07-0769-VR, Leighann Bennett is requesting Variance to allow a flag lot in an Urban Service Area and to allow lot to be included in lot size calculations for property located at 2401 Crosby Rd., zoned AS-1.

Petition VAR 07-0770-TH, Willie McMillan is requesting a Variance to setback requirements for property located at SW corner of E. 113th Ave. & Walker Rd., zoned AR.

Petition VAR 07-0771-TNC, Sylvia Hernandez is requesting a Variance to setback requirements for property located at 6012 W. Paris St., zoned RSC-9.

Petition VAR 07-0774-SFN, Jerry Hujar is requesting a Variance to allow a PD request for lot less than two acres for property located at 3700 Valley Tree Dr., zoned AR.

Petition VAR 07-0775-BLD, Jeffrey A. Harr and are requesting a Variance to fencing requirements for property located at 2518 Centennial Falcon Dr., zoned PD-MU.

SPECIAL USE REQUESTS

These petitions will be heard at 1:30 p.m.:  
Petition SU 07-0524-RV (AB), filed on 1/12/2007 by MTN Boyette Partners, LLC, represented by Pressman & Associates, Inc. of 28870 U.S. Hwy. 19 N., #300, Clearwater, FL 33761, ph 727-726-8683, requesting an Alcoholic Beverage Permit 4-COP-RX-Beer, wine and liquor for sale and consumption on the licensed premises only in connection with a restaurant. Presently zoned PD-C (88-237), located in all or part of Section 23 Township 30 Range 20, 160' N/O Boyette Rd., 600' W/O Bell Shoals Rd. Contains 13,993 sq. ft.

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NOTICE OF LANDMARK DESIGNATION RECOMMENDATION

The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) will hold a public hearing regarding the Historic Landmark Designation of the following property:

Limona Improvement Association (Brandon Lions Club)  
610 Limona Road  
Brandon, Florida

This public hearing will be held on April 24, 2007, at 7:00 P.M., in the BOCC Conference Room, 2nd Floor, 813 E. Kennedy Boulevard, Tampa, Florida. All interested parties are invited to appear at the meeting and be heard in order to provide citizen input to the BOCC with respect to the proposed landmark designation.

For further information, please contact:  
Elaine Lund
Historic Preservation Planner  
Planning and Growth Management Department  
(813) 276-8387

NOTE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ON MAY 17, 2007 AT 7:00 A.M., IN CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 315 E. KENNEDY BLVD., TAMPA, FLORIDA, A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE TAMPA CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PETITION(S) TO PERMIT THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES:

FILE NO. W207-03

Petition of Let's Eat South Tampa, Inc. requesting the sale of alcoholic beverages, 2-APS, at 3401 W. Bay to Bay Blvd. (3415 W. Bay to Bay Blvd.).

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

A tract of land being part of Lots 12, 13, and 14, Block 58 of Palma Ceia Park, Plat Book 4, Page 56, of the public records of Hillsborough County, Florida.

 Commences at the Southeast corner of Lot 14, Block 58 of Palma Ceia Park, Plat Book 4, Page 56, of the public records of Hillsborough County, Florida, thence South 89°20'18" West, a distance of 31.66 Feet; thence departing said right of way line North 00°39'43" West, a distance of 1.49 Feet; to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 89°20'23" West, a distance of 65.70 Feet; thence North 00°39'43" West, a distance of 3.30 Feet; thence South 89°20'29" West, a distance of 9.30 Feet; thence South 00°39'43" West, a distance of 3.30 Feet; thence South 89°20'17" West, a distance of 12.70 Feet; thence North 00°39'43" West, a distance of 42.00 Feet; thence South 89°20'29" West, a distance of 5.30 Feet; thence North 00°39'43" West, a distance of 20.00 Feet; thence North 89°20'29" East, a distance of 44.90 Feet; thence North 00°39'43" West, a distance of 8.10 Feet; thence North 89°20'29" East, a distance of 48.10 Feet; thence South 00°39'43" East, a distance of 28.80 Feet; thence South 89°20'29" West, a distance of 3.40 Feet; thence South 00°39'43" East, a distance of 28.70 Feet; to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

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ANY PERSON WHO DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION OF THE CITY COUNCIL WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND FOR SUCH PURPOSE, MAY NEED TO HIRE A COURT REPORTER TO ENSURE THAT 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

ON MAY 1, 2007 AT 1:00 P.M., IN CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 315 E. KENNEDY BLVD., TAMPA, FLORIDA, A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE TAMPA CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING REZONING PETITION(S): TO VACATE RIGHTS(OF) WAY:

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-286

Pattison Building Ventures, LLC. - C07-03

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

The South 5.00 feet of that portion of 2nd Avenue lying North of and abutting the North Boundary of Block 34, Block 33, and that portion of 33rd Street vacated per City of Tampa Ordinance 5778-A, lying in EL VALLE DE TAMPA, a subdivision as map or plat thereof is recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 81, of the public records of Hillsborough County, Florida, LESS the East 10.00 feet of said Block 33.

ANY PERSON WHO DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION OF THE CITY COUNCIL WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND FOR SUCH PURPOSE, MAY NEED TO HIRE A COURT REPORTER TO ENSURE THAT 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

LEGAL

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this rezoning petition is to vacate the right-of-way of 5.00 feet along 2nd Avenue, Block 33, City of Tampa, Florida, in order to allow the petitioner to construct a multi-story building for commercial use. The petitioner, Pattison Building Ventures, LLC., is requesting the vacating of this right-of-way to facilitate the construction of the proposed development.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Sealed Request for Proposals for the furnishing of the following will be received by the Director of Purchasing, City of Tampa, in his office until 2:30 PM ON 4/17/07.

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Sealed Bids for Webb Middle School HVAC Renovation will be received by the School Board of Hillsborough County, Florida in the Office of the Superintendent of Purchasing, Third Floor, School Administrative Center, 901 East Kennedy Boulevard Tampa, Florida until 3:00 PM Wednesday, May 3, 2007. (The mailing address is P.O. Box 3408 Tampa, Florida 33601). Bids will not be accepted after 3:00 PM of the above date. Bids will be opened and read aloud in the Purchasing Department, located on the third floor of the School Administrative Center.

There will be a Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting on Monday, April 23, 2007 at 10:00 AM at the school located at 6035 Hanley Road, Tampa, FL 33624.

IT IS THE BIDDER’S RESPONSIBILITY TO SEE THAT BIDS ARE DELIVERED TO THE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT AS REFERENCED ABOVE. BID SECURITY MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS.

Notice To All Bidders: The School Administrative Center is a "security" building; therefore, visitors will be required to obtain a Visitors Pass prior to entering the building. Photo identification will need to be presented at the time.

Each Bid must be accompanied by the following:

1. A certified check or bid bond in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the maximum amount of the Bid as a guarantee that the Bidder if awarded the Contract, will within ten (10) calendar days after the written notice of being given such award, enter into a written Contract with the School Board of Hillsborough County, Florida, in accordance with the accepted Bid, and give a surety bond satisfactory to the School Board of Hillsborough County equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract amount.

2. Contractor Qualification Statement

3. Public Entity Crime Statement

No Bidder may withdraw his Bid for a period of thirty days (30) days after the date set for the opening of the Bid. Contractors desiring to bid this project are subject to an Encouragement Affirmative Action Plan as identified with each bidding document.

Bidders may obtain a set of the Contract Documents from the office of the Engineer:

Mechanical Engineering Solutions
5421 Beaumont Center Blvd, Suite 878
Tampa, Florida 33634
(813) 885-9400

Att: Mr. Ryan Hackie

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