EAST TAMPA VOLUNTEERS ARE HONORED

Ten volunteers from the East Tampa community were honored just recently during an elegant afternoon just for them. The honorees ranged from a domestic worker on Bayshore, to a nurse at Tampa General Hospital, to a couple married more than 50 years. All of them have one thing in common: they've been an integral part of East Tampa for half a century. Honorees shown here are Ernestine and Johnie Ponder, Maxine Douglas and Nellie Bythewood. See article and more photos on page 14-A. (Photo by Charles John)
USF Loses Funding For Upward Bound Program

For more than 30 years some bay area high school students benefited from the Upward Bound at the University of South Florida. The program director, Bob Davis, was notified on May 31st that the program would not be funded for the upcoming year.

Davis said the program was not funded this year. However, he is working on several initiatives to keep it operational during the summer. He also stated that he is appealing the federal government's decision not to fund the project.

During a telephone interview, Dr. Colleen Kennedy, Dean of the Education Department at USF said that 129 students had been chosen to participate in the Upward Bound Summer Program. "We will deliver a similar high quality summer program for the students previously selected. They will have the USF experience for the summer."

Largo Officials Issue Apology To Activist, Drop Charges

A Tampa Bay activist has been vindicated after being unfairly treated by Largo police officers.

The Largo City Commission has issued a formal apology to Nadine Smith, the Executive Director of Equality Florida. Smith was arrested at the Feb. 27th city commission meeting when Police Chief (Ret.) Stanton was fired for announcing his plans on becoming a woman. The 44-year-old says that she was there to speak out against the discrimination Stanton was facing. However, Smith attests that she was harassed and violently arrested by Largo officers.

"I don't view this as an unusual situation. It's another instance where police officers put their personal bias ahead of their police obligations. I was really arrested for no reason," said Smith. "I, and members of Equality Florida will continue to speak out against any type of discrimination, especially when it doesn't determine how well someone does their job."

Smith states that a bogus and unfounded charge of "resisting an officer with violence" was dropped and the State Attorney's office said that the facts didn't warrant prosecution.

"This was an ugly act intended to intimidate people exercising our First Amendment Rights by an officer who disagreed with our message," said Smith. "A public apology is a good way to start, but the Largo Police should throw out the cliche responses. They owe the community a higher level of professionalism."

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Dr. Jones further stated that the federal government had received a total of 986 applications for the project and selected 775 for funding. He said the budget for the Upward Bound Project was $322 million, but has been reduced to $257 million.

Some of the programs being offered by the college include: Area Health Education -- Health Professions Academy (AHEC); College Reach Out (CROP); ENLACE; Project Lead the Way and STARS (College of Engineering and the National Science Foundation); FACIA (Institute of Black Life); Summer Camps for Girls (College of Marine Science); Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE); and Volunteer USF -- Mentoring and Tutoring.

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Dumpsite Proposal Scrapped For Now

DAVID McCARY
Director of Solid Waste
for the City of Tampa

BY IRIS B. HOLTON
Sentinel Staff Writer

Last week, David McCary, Director of Solid Waste for the City of Tampa appeared before City Council to present a proposal about illegal dumping. The drop-off center would have been located on a city-owned parcel of land near N. 22nd Street and E. Sligh Avenue. McCary said of the 52 identified illegal dumpsites in the city limits, 36 are located in East Tampa. However, after listening to the concerns of East Tampa residents, McCary has discarded the plan and is seeking alternatives to combat the problem of illegal dumping.

“I want the community to know that we heard their concerns and that we are passionate about finding a solution. Our intent was to respond to and address illegal dumping. We were seeking ways to make disposing of unwanted items convenient. We’ll continue to look for a different site, maybe in a more industrial area that doesn’t affect residential communities. We do need multiple solutions to this problem and everyone needs to get involved to help alleviate this problem,” McCary said.

During a meeting with McCary, Ms. Kay Andrews, publisher of the Florida Sentinel Bulletin said, “We have a person over solid waste that has made a good decision on what the community wants and who is receptive to the community’s needs and desires. “He is open to suggestions, but most importantly, he needs the community’s help to find a solution. That’s important.”

Some of the solutions McCary is considering include: a possible solution hotline; publishing the dates of the yearly neighborhood pickups conducted by the city; meeting with various areas; and other solutions.

There will be a community meeting on June 18th, at 7 p.m., at the Seminole Heights Garden Center, on Central Avenue to discuss illegal dumping and other challenges of the community. McCary is also planning a public meeting in the East Tampa area in the near future.

Residents Are Happy Dumpsite Is Dumped

When the issue of locating a drop off center (dump) along 22nd Street, north of Sligh Avenue was proposed, the surrounding communities of South Seminole Heights, Woodland Terrace, and River Grove took a stand.

They let the Tampa City Council and Solid Waste Department know they would not support any effort to put a dump near their homes. After listening to residents and the City Council, Solid Waste Director David McCary announced that an alternative would be pursued.

River Grove Civic Association President Robert Scott was elated to hear the news. “That’s tremendous. We needed some people to understand. What’s not desirable doesn’t belong in our neighborhood. We don’t want anything that goes against the policy the city has adopted of having a Clean City. We just feel putting a dump there would not only tarnish that image, but would devalue the homes in the area and create a hardship for people who have lived in the area for a long time.”

Retired Educator, Evangeline Best: “If the community said they didn’t want it, I stand behind them. The community’s voice adds validity to the situation. I understand now there were environmental and traffic issues, and that was my major concern. “But, the people have united as one and said this is not what they want. That’s the way a community is supposed to work.”

Lionel Ballard, who works at the nearby TECO Center and is an advisory board for nearby Roger’s Park: “When I finally had a chance to drive around and look at the site, I automatically didn’t think that was a good location for what they had planned. I remember when it was used as a collection area for debris from Hurricane Katrina a few years ago.

“There’s a park close to the site that needs a lot of work, and I fear if this project had gone through, it would have been neglected even more. I’m sure something else can be put on that site that is more beneficial to the area and the people who live close by.”

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As Our Leaders Pass Away

By RUDOLPH HARRIS

The name Yahweh-Ben-Yahweh barely made the national news scene when he died a few weeks ago. This has to be most disturbing because he challenged the Black Christian community, and the nation as a whole with his "Best Kept Secret" projections.

Over the years, and more pointedly having served a prison term, the movement, its followers just seemed to have disappeared. But Yahweh-Ben-Yahweh deserves more. Here, this man took the Holy Bible, yes, the King James Version, and broke down the Scriptures identifying God (Yahweh) as Black, Jesus as Black, King David as Black, Solomon as Black, Jeremiah and all the prophets as Black people, and the Bible as containing the true history of Black people.

Do we just walk away from this as if this man never walked this Earth? Where are the followers of Ben Yahweh? Is this the big void we have suffered in Black leadership since the end of the Civil War? The end of slavery?

Black American History

My Point Of View

MS. IRIS HOLTON

Not Without A Fight

Recently, the Tampa community learned that the Upward Bound Program, housed at the University of South Florida is to be no more. The federal government announced on May 31st, that the program wouldn't be funded.

Upward Bound has served as a guiding light for underprivileged and underserved youth in this community for nearly 40 years. As a direct result of this program, many who may never have attended college were able to do so. So the question remains, "How can we let this program die without a fight?"

Historically, this program has probably helped more youngsters in this community than anyone will ever realize — until it's gone!

Without ever knowing it, chances are you walk among the alumni of that program everyday. They are many among the workplace — they are attorneys, community activists, teachers, business owners, entrepreneurs, etc.

If ever there was a time for the community to come together to save this program, now is that time. We can't sit idly by because it doesn't concern us, because we don't have children enrolled in the program, because...

We currently live in an academic world, strongly rooted in technology. And whether we like it or not, this is the world that our children and grandchildren will have to live in.

This program promotes academic excellence, hands-on computer interaction, and it exposes youngsters to various events of cultural and historical significance.

Students who attended several years ago have gone on to become parents. Many of their children have been or are currently enrolled in the program.

The students are also exposed to students from high schools in surrounding counties. That's right! Students from other counties come to Hillsborough County just to participate in this program. That speaks volumes.

A favorite adage of our elders is that we should pick the battles we choose to fight. I think saving Upward Bound is a battle worth fighting.

My Point Of View

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The Sole-Man Speaks

Once Upon A Tampa: A Horror Story

The rest is history. In following decades, experts came from around the world to inspect the streets of Tampa. One by one, they wept and raised their heads, in both shock and resolve... convinced by what their eyes had seen, that what took place in this once beautiful community would never happen in the cities and towns where they came from!

But I'm getting ahead of myself. Let me begin by saying, “One Upon a time, there was a city in the South known world wide as the proud metropolis of Tampa. Historians said Tampa was an Indian name that meant ‘Smelly Waters,’ “Here it is,” or something like that.

But most people who live in Tampa simply and lovingly called it ‘HOME!’ But that was before the nightmare began!

No one is quite sure when it began. Some say it started when Black homeowners began moving in, and buying up what once were Jewish and Italian ancestral homes... cottages with picture-perfect lawns that once were the sites of former cigar workers, store owners and other small business owners, one or two generations away from the so-called “Old Country.” Certain people say that’s when the neighborhoods in Tampa began to change. Then there are others who say differently.

They say the beginning of the end came upon the community when it was first noticed in the neighborhood that Gordon Park, an area of single family homes, was taken away by the city and given to the city for a park.

The next thing you knew, the city was buying up more property in the area. The farmers that used to live there were moved out and the city started to build a new park.

And that was just the beginning. The city started to take over more and more property and began to build new parks and schools.

And that’s when the neighborhood started to change.

Once family-owned properties continued to change hands. But slowly and steadily one and two-story condominiums were replaced with three and four-story condominiums. Traditionally, small streets became clogged as condo owners began parking on either side of the streets.

And slowly, what had once been leisurely and tree-shaded became congested and forbidden.

The best lawyers money could buy guaranteed condo builders they would not be harassed by single-unit homeowners. Property taxes rose like crab-grass and property insurance became impossible for all but the most affluent to pay. And one-by-one, what had once been beautiful and spacious neighborhoods became "Brick-Tampa!" All the things that made Tampa what it had always been began to disappear until Traditional Tampa was no more.

Every house that was, when all was lost, the remnants and buildings moved to another town to begin the process of destruction all over again! And that is the end of this bedtime story. Sleep well, Tampa!
Residents receiving water from the City of Tampa currently pay $16.55 a month for about 7,500 gallons of water. In fact, there hasn't been an increase in over a decade, making those rates the lowest in the bay area.

However, Mayor Pam Iorio will appear before members of City Council to request a rate increase. If granted, the cost of water for residents of the City of Tampa will double over the next five years.

Mayor Iorio said three issues have made it necessary to request the rate increase. "The water department is an independent unit of the city. But there are issues that have been put off for a long time that we cannot continue to sweep under the rug. There was no increase during the past administration."

She further stated that even with the proposed increase over the next five years, Tampa's rate would still be the lowest in the region. "There are so many things that are going on, we need to have a 5-year plan so that our customers will know what to expect. The increases will be incremental."

Among the critical issues Mayor Iorio outlined was the need to replace out-dated and leaking pipes. She also stated that the city is reaching the end of negotiations with Swift Mud and the cost of putting more water over the dam has increased. She also wishes to address the issue of using reclaimed water to replace using potable water by both businesses and residents. "Since the program started only 2,500 customers have signed up, but there are many more who could use that water. There are currently 50 million gallons of reclaimed water a day that could be used."

Mayor Iorio stated the rates are so low because most of the city's water comes from the Hillsborough River. If the request is approved by City Council, it will go into effect on October 1st.

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USF HIV Coalition Seeks Community Involvement

Members of the University of South Florida, Connect to Protect Tampa Bay Coalition are seeking community involvement to help strengthen and support the work that organizations and groups are already doing to reduce the rate of HIV infection in our communities.

Connect to Protect(e)(CaP) is an innovative and exciting approach to battling the growing rates of HIV among our nation's youth. The program is located at the University of South in the Department of Pediatrics. It links researchers with community agencies and other community groups.

According to the Florida Department of Health, Pinellas and Hillsborough County are among the seven Florida counties that have reported the most cases of HIV infection and AIDS diagnosis among their adolescent populations.

City Parks and Recreation Department Offers Sports Safety Course

The City of Tampa Parks and Recreation Department and the University of South Florida’s Health Sports Medicine and Athletic Related Trauma Institute (SMART) will host PREPARE, a sports safety course open to all volunteers, paid staff and others who coach youth in any sport, at any level. The course is free; however, registration is required. To register, contact the Tampa Parks and Recreation Department at 813-274-8023.

PREPARE is a sports safety course aimed at educating coaches on how to prevent common injuries; how to recognize symptoms of potentially dangerous conditions; and how to respond in emergency situations. Participants will gain valuable information that is relevant on and off the playing field, covering seven modules: emergency planning, heat and cold illnesses, emergency recognition, warm-up and cool down, medical conditions, principles of first aid, and head, neck and facial injuries.

USF Health’s SMART faculty will teach PREPARE. Upon completion, participants will receive a sports safety patch and a certificate of completion, and will be added to the NCSS National Coaches Registry. For more information about our services, contact the Tampa Parks and Recreation Department at 813-274-8615.
Earlier this week, the City of Tampa was chosen to receive a $400,000 EPA Brownfield Grant for East Tampa Community Development.

The grant was awarded to the City of Tampa to assist property owners with the assessment and cleanup of property. The City was chosen because it is in the Southeast region of the state for assessment or cleanup of properties.

Sam Kinsey, President of the East Tampa Community Revitalization Partnership, said that his agency has also set aside matching funds to accompany the grant.

He stated that properties that may be contaminated are sites such as former service stations.

The EPA awarded this grant because they were impressed with the way the City of Tampa used the $200,000 grant we received two years ago to assist the non-profits with affordable housing and other opportunities. The grant money saved the non-profits and they were able to pass the savings on. But the grant can't be used to clean up properties. That responsibility falls on the property owner, Johnson said.

Appeal Made To Mothers Of Unsolved Murder Victims

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"You just hope the phone rings and it's a call telling you someone has stepped forward."

Detective Sonja Wise, lead detective on the case, said they've gotten more leads, but can't discuss any particulars about the case.

Ms. Mills said she stays in constant contact with detectives daily to see if anything new is going on. "I also want to make another appeal to the idea of not snitching. No one needs to have a murderer walking around with them, or living with them. You've got to care about someone else and what they're going through."
Well-Known Ministry Completes First Phase Of Renovation

One of Tampa's most beloved ministries recently received a much-needed facelift at their headquarters.

The initial phase of renovations at the Abe Brown Ministries' Counseling and Service Center building, located at 2921 N. 29th Street, were recently completed. The building was constructed in 1926, and had suffered from frequent power surges and eroded phone wires the past few years. The entire building has been repainted, rewired, refurnished and has newly-installed windows.

On Saturday, June 2nd, the building was dedicated to God, and the ministry's founder Rev. Abe Brown was presented the keys to his new office.

"I remember asking Rev. Brown seven years ago when I began volunteering at the ministry, "Where do you want me to sit?" He instructed me to make his office my office," said Robert Blount, now president of Abe Brown Ministries, Inc. "I was never comfortable with that. Since that time we've essentially shared an office that seemed to increasingly become more mine than his."

The local non-profit's mission is to train offenders and ex-offenders to live productive lives. Both Rev. Brown and Blount believe the rehabilitation of their headquarters will have a positive impact on public safety and quality of life for the community.

"Rev. Brown has invested so much into this ministry. It was great to complete this renovation," said Blount.

"The renovation will allow us to serve our clients more effectively in a warm, professional and emotionally safe environment."

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Tampa Doctor Establishing Himself As One Of The Best

Dr. Cedric Sheffield has helped establish one of the best and largest lung transplant facilities in the world, and he's changing people's lives in the process. The Defuniak Springs, Florida native is a lung and heart transplant surgeon with Tampa General Hospital, and is the Surgical Director of the hospital's lung and heart transplant program. Dr. Sheffield moved to the Tampa area from Cleveland in 2001.

"There has been an interesting transition because there is a lot of work that comes with trying to build transplant programs like the ones here," said Dr. Sheffield. "I can say that we've grown tremendously since I came in 2001. Tampa General's lung transplant program is one of the biggest and best in the world."

The 47-year-old received a Bachelor's degree in Chemistry from PSU in 1982, and he graduated from Duke University's Medical School in 1986. Dr. Sheffield has spent time at Georgetown University, Baylor University and the University of Arkansas studying cardiac physiology, circulatory assistance and best in the world."

"I feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to establish a heart and lung transplant program here at Tampa General," said Dr. Sheffield. "Probably the best part of my job is seeing patients who have had heart disease or other heart problems. And solutions so that they can have a better life."

Dr. Sheffield is married with two children.

"I sincerely believe that work and due diligence accompanies your faith, and I consider myself blessed to have a life that involves civic and religious life experiences," said Pastor Davis.


The church, located at 6410 30th Street, has different ministries for all ages including Purity Class for teenagers and the Young Women Christian Council (YWCC) for young women. Elder Charles Davis is married to Delores Davis, and they have four daughters Charlotte, Latonia, Karin and Amber. He also has five grandchildren, Trimonte, LaRon, Jordan, Charles and Avery.

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The young lady said in a letter to her mother, Ms. Phyllis Bowles, “You are my mother, my sister, my banker, my teacher, my father, and my hero. And for that, I would like to say thank you! When someone asks me who I look up to, or who is my hero, the first person I think of is you.”

Laphil describes her mother as an independent mother who overcame the obstacles of single parenthood for her two daughters.

She credits her mother with teaching her the importance of striving for success and graduated with a 4.9 grade point average. A member of the National Honor Society, and recipient of the Florida Medallion Scholars Award, Laphil plans to continue her education at the University of South Florida.

Laphil said, “Many women would say it’s hard being a single mom, but for more than half of my life and most of Derrickieia’s life, you have been mommy and daddy. So, I would like to thank you for getting me this far in life.”

Although graduation is a time when the students receive gifts in recognition of their accomplishments, Laphil decided to present her mother with a special gift. She gave Ms. Bowles her high school class ring.

Derrickieia is currently enrolled in Honors Classes at Slight Middle Magnet School, where she will enter the 8th grade in the fall.

Ms. Bowles is a Head Start Teacher with the Hillsborough County Public School District. The family attends Riverhills Church. She is currently enrolled in classes at Nova Southeastern University, where she is continuing her education. In her spare time, Ms. Bowles loves shopping.

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Victims Of Hurricane Katrina Move Into New Home

BY LEON B. CREWS
Sentinel Staff Writer

When Hurricane Katrina struck New Orleans, George and Charlotte Elpheage and their children were evacuating along with everyone else.

"The interstate was so backed up, we had to drive through Mississippi," recalls George.

"I remember the wind and rain being so bad, I could barely see the road."

The Elpheage family wound up in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, where they drove around for days sleeping at truck stops before spending 10 days in a shelter.

George Elpheage managed to contact his brother, Lynaise, who was playing for the Tampa Bay Storm at the time.

"We came to Tampa and the secretary of the Tampa Bay Storm found a family here, Nick and Hazel Hall, who gave us a place to stay in Temple Terrace. The house had been on the market, but they took it off to give us a place to stay."

The Elpheage family lived in the Temple Terrace home until they were able to get on their feet. They had also become members of College Hill Church of God in Christ, George Davis, pastor.

"Pastor Davis knew about our situation and came across a house on Chelsea," said George.

"We went by and looked inside the house through the window, and I was happy we were able to get it. A lot of people are owed thanks for helping us become homeowners. I really want to express my thanks to College Hill C.O.G.I.C who embraced us from time-to-time. Our oldest child is there with my mother, and we will visit them."

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Esq. Dunbar Phelps, LLP

A reputable local attorney and a former beauty queen are working together to empower Tampa’s youths. Kamilah Perry, Esquire of Phelps Dunbar LLP, and Karley Wright, the 2004 Miss Black Universe, are organizing the 3rd Annual Inner City College Tour for the Tampa Bay Academy of Hope. The trip will take 40 middle and high school students on a tour of several colleges and universities throughout the State of Florida.

Between July 25-28th, students will visit Florida State University, the University of Florida and the University of Central Florida among others. "I'm confident that this program will have a profound effect on the youths that will be attending," said Perry. "They'll have exposure to college life, and even be able to submit applications through a pre-admissions programs if their interested in a particular institution."

Perry says that the students will be hand selected based on their academic credentials, and they'll have the opportunity to speak with admissions representatives at each university on the tour.

James Evans, the Executive Director / CEO of the Tampa Bay Academy of Hope, Inc., says that 37 high school seniors have attended Florida colleges through the non-profit's Education Model and Leadership Training.

Karley Wright, a native of Kentucky, will help mentor and prepare them for the Harvest of Hope Black-Tie Fundraiser that will be held on Saturday June 16, 2007.

For more information on the college tour, please contact Kamilah Perry at (813) 472-7881 or email her at kamilah.perry@phelps.com.

Look Who’s Turning 2

AALIYA LEWIS

Aaliya Lewis will be celebrating with family and friends at Ft. DeSoto Beach on Sunday, June 10th. Love you! Peggy, April, Me-Me and family.
Event Planned For Parks For Awareness Of Sexual Abuse

For years, Angela Moore kept her mouth shut. She knew what happened to her, but the sexual abuse she endured and how her daughter has suffered also caused severe emotional and psychological harm. Now, she wants to create awareness and encourage children to not be afraid to tell someone they are being abused.

"There's no need to be afraid to tell someone. You don't have to be embarrassed or scared. When you let someone know what's happening to you, you keep it from happening to someone else." Ms. Moore feels she is the best person to tell this to young people, because being a victim she feels they will listen to her.

On Saturday Ms. Moore will be at Cogeland Park, 11001 North 35th Street, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. She will then pack up and appear at Robles Park, 3305 North Avon Street, from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m.

The event is open to the public and food, drinks and entertainment will be provided for the children.

Parents and loved ones are encouraged to bring their children to this event and hear what Ms. Moore has to say. "I want to convince them to speak out and put a stop to this. No one should have to go through what me and my daughter have experienced." Ms. Angela Moore can be reached at (978) 754-0560 for more information.

Reporter Leon B. Crews can be reached at (813) 248-0774, or e-mailed to leon@flsentinel.com.

Businessman Receives Lucrative TECO Consulting Contract

After receiving his degree in Engineering from the University of Iowa, where Robinson completed his education and returned to Tampa and worked for Tampa Electric Company as an engineer, several years later, he formed RJH & Associates, Inc., and has worked in the capacity as a consultant for Tampa Electric and several other companies. A consultant engineer, Robinson provides professional services in various engineering research and projects.

Robinson said he feels this contract will allow him to help others. "My daughter, Aeriel, is a first year student at the University of Central Florida, where she is majoring in Industrial Engineering. This contract will go a long way in creating opportunities for other African American engineers."

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An Elegant Afternoon East Tampa Style

BY EVANGELINE R. BEST

The 10 volunteers couldn't be more different: a domestic worker on Bayshore, a nurse at Tampa General, a working mother of five, a founder of a long-standing women's community-outreach club, a couple who's survived 56 years of matrimonial bliss and still going strong. But they all have one thing in common: they all have been an integral part of East Tampa for half a century.

On May 26th the Day of Celebration included a day with red carpet and two baby blue limousines. The honorees were Earon "Bull" Cuffle, Betty Robinson, Doretha Iles, Ernestine and Johnnie Ponder, Jo Norton, Lorene Thomas, Maxine Douglas, Nellie "Ma Peaches" Bythewood and Rose Harris. These honorees rode through the East Tampa neighborhood all smiles and waving to neighbors and other well-wishers. They cruised in limos donated by Wilson Funeral Home, Wayne L. Bright, Manager. The chauffeurs, J. D. Hamshire and Leon Lillie, drove them to Channelside and Ybor City, before stopping at the College Hill Library. A standing-room-only crowd of family, friends and many community servants awaited the honorees.

For more than three hours these honored celebrities had their moment in the spotlight. A Proclamation from the Mayor was read by City of Tampa Councilman Thomas Scott. Mayor Pam Iorio had formally declared April 12, 2007, Heart of East Tampa Outreach Volunteers Day. They remained in the spotlight through the encouraging comments from Master and Mistress of Ceremony Pastors Ernest and Chloe Coney, Spirit of Truth Ministries.

Other well-wishers were: Senior Pastor Abe Brown, First Baptist Church of College Hill; Ronald Brookins, CEO Community Health Advocacy Partnership; Tonya Waites, CEO, CDC of Tampa, Inc.; Drs. Cheryl Rodriguez, Aaron Smith and Ghana Singh; Deborah Lawson, East Tampa Branch Suncoast Schools Federal Credit Union.

Eight months ago, an 8-member team David Rigall, Laurel Friedman, Carla Jackson, Jessica Nocciini, Amanda Ransone, Holly Conte, Marc Hebert, Joe Di Stefano, and Evangeline Best, Judi Jutson, Advisor, of the University of South Florida's inaugural Service Leadership Academy (SLLA) took a class on a project to preserve the rich heritage of East Tampa for generations to come. This team created a scrapbook detailing the remarkable lives of the 10 East Tampa Front Porch, Inc. outreach volunteers. The SLLA team met with the Front Porch volunteers several times each in order to recount the mile-stones in the lives of their new friends. Special thanks to these supporters and donors: Attorney Nat Tindall, Carla Jackson, Davina Best; honoree ushers were Aster Bell, Joe McFadden, Henry Jones, Jr. and John Pope. Other supporters, Beleria Floyd, Senior Pastor Abe Brown, First Baptist Church of College Hill, Derrick Flowers, Daryl House, House's Choice Clothing & Accessories; Bunice Butts, Entzamer's Florist Shop, College Hill Library and Staff, Eilis Carlson, Richard Sherman, Tasha Levine, and Freddie Suratt, Javie Arenas, Margaret Butler, Premier Designs, Independent Distributor and Lady Butler Travel Agent, Nicole Snites, Johnetta Goldsmith, Briana Rose Bell, Dr. and Mrs. J. O. Brookins, Jr., owners of Comfort Care Services, and Dawn Means. (Photographs by Charles John)
The owners of the Tampa Bay Devil Rays must be saying, "My kingdom for a reliever." This is especially true since the Rays blew a five run lead in the last inning to lose a game this week. The Devil Rays used five pitchers in blowing the lead.

Tampa Bay is in last place in their division. If they had won every game in which they were leading, the team would be in first place. The fact that Ray's relievers can't get anybody out should not be a surprise.

Ever since the team has been in existence, their relievers have been the teams downfall. Rays fans keep asking: When will the management spend the money to get the relievers that the team needs so badly?

Billy Donovan Is Back
What would make a person turn down a 5-year, $27.5 million contract to coach basketball at the University of Florida? That is exactly what Billy Donovan did.

The Gator basketball coach had signed a $27.5 million contract to coach the Orlando Magic. Two days after turning the contract, Donovan decided he wanted to return to the Gators as coach.


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**Winston Park Team Preparing For Another Great Season**

*By Antione Davis*

Sentinel Staff Writer

The Pop Warner Winston Park Warriors (WPW) football and cheerleading team are looking forward to another great season, but they need the community's support. Local businesses are being asked to help the Warriors by becoming a member of the WPW Pop Warner Sponsorship Program, providing financial support or funding items of equipment.

The young football players of Winston Park had an excellent 2006 season, ending the year with four conference champions, three district champions and one regional champion. Last December, the Warriors Junior Midget Team placed 4th in the world at the Pop Warner Senior Bowl at Disney's Wide World of Sports Complex.

"We are looking forward to registration because we have some high expectations for the kids. The Winston Park Warriors are expecting another great football season," said Leroy Murray, President of the Winston Park Warriors Association.

"A lot of our success comes from the support of the local community, and we're hoping to get the same support we've received in the past and more." - Patrick Barr, a WPW Coach and Commissioner of the Foundation of Youth, which supports the program in this season's activities are expected to excel in athletics as well as academics.

"One of our requirements is that our participants perform satisfactorily in the classroom before permitting them to perform on the playing field," said Barr. "I am excited the WPW family is working to continue our mission within the Winston Park Community of helping to positively develop and influence young men and women."

For more information on the Winston Park Warriors, please call Leroy Murray at (813) 477-2118, or email him at murraywar@aol.com.

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**The Prophet' Comes To Brooks Boxers**

For a long time, Brooks Boxers has been off the radar. Coach John Brooks has continued to train fighters at the gym he founded, but not in the numbers held previously enjoyed.

"The fighters truly dedicated and with some hope have stayed. They've bought into what I've been preaching, and have accepted my program of stern discipline and healthy training."

About 4 months ago, a young man came into Brooks Boxing at the advice of his brother and father. So rapid was his progress, Coach Brooks has already stood in the corner of this young man who was victorious in his debut.

 Called "The Prophet," Isaac Lane, 17, fought May 19th and true to his nickname, promised Coach Brooks the fight wouldn't go the distance.

"He stopped the guy in the 3rd round." Coach Brooks said he normally selects the ring names for his fighters, but hadn't had the chance to pick one for Lane.

"Pastor Theodis Lane (his father and pastor of New Salem Primitive Baptist Church) and his brother came up with the support of the community. pastor's nickname, The Prophet, and asked me what I thought of it. I just told him he has to live up to it."

Isaac "The Prophet" Lane and Coach John Brooks. keep me out of trouble and I knew I had the skills to compete."

Since joining Brooks Boxers, Lane said it's been everything he expected and more.

"Coach Brooks teaches me the true art of boxing as well as discipline. These skills will help me become a better man." - Isaac Lane said with the help of God, family and Coach Brooks he will one day become a world champion.

Brooks Boxers needs the support of the community and has big plans for its summer program. Thanks to Minster Michelle Patterson and out of pocket funds from Coach Brooks, the program has stayed alive.

Brooks Boxers is currently looking for a volunteer coach to join the team. Anyone interested can contact Coach Brooks at (813) 293-4883.

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**TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS 2007-2008 Football Season**

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**Lone Female Excels On Baseball Team**

At the beginning of the season, 7-year-old Marquia Trigg decided that she wanted to play baseball. She had never played on a team before, but has always been athletically inclined, her mom, Mrs. Yolanda Trigg said.

However, when Marquia went to sign up for the Temple Terrace Little League, she was told that the roster for girls' teams in her age group was already filled. "She said, then I'll just play with the boys," Mrs. Trigg said.

And that is exactly what she did. She was one of two African Americans on the team and the only female. The team made its name by giving for­mers big-leaguers like Jose Canseco and Rickey Henderson a chance to pro­mer .

Marquina, who celebrated her 8th birthday on May 30th, is the daughter of Marion and Yolanda Trigg, and the youngest of 6 children. She attends MacFarlane Magnet Elementary School.

MRS. TRIGG said Marquia is an honor student, sings in the choir at St. John Progressive Missionary Baptist Church, loves to draw, read, and loves sports. She said Marquia is still deciding, but plans to become a next Thurgood Marshall or Michael Jordan.

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**Last Chance League Features Big Name Star**

Carl Everett said he's never played professional baseball to prove anything to anyone.

Called opinionated, Everett has become the star of the Atlantic League Long Island Ducks this season.

In its 10 years, the league has made its name by giving for­mer big-leaguers like Jose Canseco and Rickey Henderson a chance to pro­mer .

According to league president Joe Klein, he always wanted a league that would keep veteran players alive. Although Everett may be the biggest name there this season, many players have big-league experience. One team, the Ducks have.

Edgaro Alfonzo, former Brandon High star Danny Graves, John Halama, Donovan Osborne, Mark Lewis and former Devil Rays outfielder Damian Rolls.

One player said the little things you have to do with the big league's experience. Everett doesn't seem to hang on so tightly to the dream anymore. He enjoys his on-field time off.

The 2007 Fortunate 17

1. Tiger Woods • Pro Golf Last Year's Rk: 1

   Mighty Tiger's handlers figure sports' first $150 million man's endorsement and appearance income increases an average of 13 percent a year.

   1997 Rank: 1

   1998 Rank: 1

   1999 Rank: 1

   2000 Rank: 1

   2001 Rank: 1

   2002 Rank: 1

   2003 Rank: 1

   2004 Rank: 1

   2005 Rank: 1

   2006 Rank: 1

   2007 Rank: 1

   2008 Rank: 1

2. Olympic De La Rosa • Boxing Last Year's Rk: NR

   Olympic De La Rosa gets the prize fight of his career - a 12-round world title fight.

   1997 Rank: NR

   1998 Rank: NR

   1999 Rank: NR

   2000 Rank: NR

   2001 Rank: NR

   2002 Rank: NR

   2003 Rank: NR

   2004 Rank: NR

   2005 Rank: NR

   2006 Rank: NR

   2007 Rank: NR

   2008 Rank: NR

3. Phil Mickelson • Pro Golf Last Year's Rk: 2

   Phil Mickelson is one of sports' most reliable endorsers. Lefty is now at a point where his annual take in off-the-course income outdoes his total salary earnings.

   1997 Rank: 4

   1998 Rank: 6

   1999 Rank: 4

   2000 Rank: 4

   2001 Rank: 5

   2002 Rank: 2

   2003 Rank: 1

   2004 Rank: 3

   2005 Rank: 3

   2006 Rank: 3

   2007 Rank: 1

   2008 Rank: 1

4. Shaquille O'Neal • Miami Heat Last Year's Rk: 5

   Shaq took 20,000-square-foot mansion off the market last year for no reason.

   1997 Rank: 11

   1998 Rank: 7

   1999 Rank: 7

   2000 Rank: 5

   2001 Rank: 5

   2002 Rank: 8

   2003 Rank: 9

   2004 Rank: 5

   2005 Rank: 7

   2006 Rank: 2

   2007 Rank: 6

   2008 Rank: 1

5. Kobe Bryant • L.A. Lakers Last Year's Rk: 4

   Need proof Kobe is a marketing genius? He finished him No. 6 to No. 24, his jersey has become the top seller in both the U.S. and China.

   1997 Rank: 24

   1998 Rank: 16

   1999 Rank: 16

   2000 Rank: 6

   2001 Rank: 6

   2002 Rank: 16

   2003 Rank: 13

   2004 Rank: 11

   2005 Rank: 6

   2006 Rank: 1

   2007 Rank: 4

   2008 Rank: 1

6. LeBron James • Cleveland Cavs Last Year's Rk: 8

   If you've dealt with worse in your life, you've dealt with worse in LeBron James' Showtime crew as a boy.

   1997 Rank: 11

   1998 Rank: 6

   1999 Rank: 9

   2000 Rank: 7

   2001 Rank: 5

   2002 Rank: 6

   2003 Rank: 6

   2004 Rank: 8

   2005 Rank: 8

   2006 Rank: 8

   2007 Rank: 5

   2008 Rank: 1

7. Kevin Garnett • Timberwolves Last Year's Rk: 8

   If dark forces are conspiring for NBA's highest-paid to find his way to L.A., don't be surprised: He idol­ized Magic Johnson's Showtime.

   1997 Rank: 13

   1998 Rank: 13

   1999 Rank: 13

   2000 Rank: 8

   2001 Rank: 11

   2002 Rank: 4

   2003 Rank: 5

   2004 Rank: 4

   2005 Rank: 5

   2006 Rank: 1

   2007 Rank: 8

   2008 Rank: 1

8. Derek Jeter • N.Y. Yankees Last Year's Rk: 6

   Synchronized to the beat of a music video, Jeter's three-step "Driven" skin-care products are a "quick and easy" way for men to take care of their face, says the Yankee captain.

   1997 Rank: 14

   1998 Rank: 11

   1999 Rank: 10

   2000 Rank: 11

   2001 Rank: 6

   2002 Rank: 6

   2003 Rank: 6

   2004 Rank: 6

   2005 Rank: 6

   2006 Rank: 6

   2007 Rank: 6

   2008 Rank: 1

9. Alex Rodriguez • N.Y. Yankees Last Year's Rk: 8

   Still due $71 million over the next three years of his mega-contract, but could make more from another team if he chooses to opt out after '07.

   1997 Rank: 15

   1998 Rank: 25

   1999 Rank: 15

   2000 Rank: 11

   2001 Rank: 8

   2002 Rank: 9

   2003 Rank: 8

   2004 Rank: 10

   2005 Rank: 8

   2006 Rank: 9

   2007 Rank: 7

   2008 Rank: 1

10. Dale Earnhardt Jr. • Auto Racing Last Year's Rk: 9

   Departure from DEI, his late father's company, will prompt an unprecedented bidding war for No. 8. Junior merchandise brings in $30 million a year.

   1997 Rank: 12

   1998 Rank: 37

   1999 Rank: 2

   2000 Rank: 6

   2001 Rank: 4

   2002 Rank: 1

   2003 Rank: 2

   2004 Rank: 1

   2005 Rank: 2

   2006 Rank: 7

   2007 Rank: 9

   2008 Rank: 1

11. Allen Iverson • Nuggets Last Year's Rk: 14

   Allen Iverson is the ultimate All-Star game. His on-the-court, off-the-court presence is an honor to be a part of.

   1997 Rank: 20

   1998 Rank: 31

   1999 Rank: 3

   2000 Rank: 1

   2001 Rank: 1

   2002 Rank: 1

   2003 Rank: 1

   2004 Rank: 1

   2005 Rank: 1

   2006 Rank: 1

   2007 Rank: 1

   2008 Rank: 1

12. Peyton Manning • Indianapolis Colts

   Last Year's Rk: 15

13. Tracy McGrady • Houston Rockets

   Last Year's Rk: 15

14. Barry Bonds • San Francisco Giants

   Last Year's Rk: 15

15. Roger Clemens • New York Yankees

   Last Year's Rk: 39

16. Jeff Gordon • Auto Racing

   Last Year's Rk: 17

17. Jason Giambi • New York Yankees

   Last Year's Rk: 21
Sheffield Tries To Clarify Comments On Latinos In GQ

ARLINGTON, Texas — Detroit Tigers star Gary Sheffield insists he meant "nothing derogatory" toward Latin players when he said Major League Baseball found it easier to "control them" than blacks.

Sheffield said he was surprised his comments in the current issue of GQ magazine created such a stir. The slugger said he merely answered a question about why there were so many Latin players, as opposed to blacks.

"I said this a long time ago, this is a baseball issue. If they want to change it, they can change it," Sheffield said before Tuesday night's game at Texas. "When you see a black face on TV and they start talking, English comes out. That's what I meant. I ain't taking a shot at them or nothing; I'm just telling it like it is."

Last season, only 8.4 percent of major league baseball players were black, the lowest level in at least two decades, according to an annual report by the University of Central Florida's Institute for Diversity and Ethics in Sports. The report showed that 29.4 percent of players were Latino.

Sheffield's comments Tuesday were similar to those in the magazine, when he expressed his long-held belief.

"What I called is that you're going to see more Black faces, but there ain't no English going to be coming out. ... (It's about) being able to tell (Latin players) what to do -- being able to control them," he told the magazine. "Where I'm from, you can't control us."

In expanding on his comment about control, Sheffield said Tuesday, "They have more to lose than we do. You can send them back across the island. You can't send us back. We're already here."

"So there are a lot of factors involved you look at. I'm not saying you can tell them what to do and it'll be 'yes sir' and 'no sir.' I'm just saying it's a grand scheme of things."

Jordan Praises LeBron James

CHICAGO — His Aimees is paying tribute to the kid called King James.

Michael Jordan praised 22-year-old LeBron James for leading the Cleveland Cavaliers to victory over the Detroit Pistons in the Eastern Conference finals. The Cavaliers advanced to the finals for the first time in their 37-year history.

"What just transpired was something I felt was needed for the league, was needed for Cleveland, was needed for LeBron," Jordan said in Monday editions of the Chicago Tribune. "I, Jordan, who won six NBA championships during his 13 seasons with the Chicago Bulls, said the next challenge for James is to achieve consistency.

"Making 'The Leap' is where you do it every single night," Jordan said. "It's expected of you, and you do it. ... Not one game, not two games. It's consistent. Every defense comes in and they focus on you and you still impact the game. I think he's shown signs of that."

James was thrilled to learn of Jordan's approval.

"It felt like the right thing to do," said Malone. "Pippen Sells Mansion For $1M Loss

PORTLAND, Ore. — Former NBA star Scottie Pippen took a bath — to the tune of $1 million — on his 18,700-square-foot Portland mansion featuring six full bathrooms and three half-baths. Pippen and his wife, Larsa, sold their 2.28-acre estate in the city's West Hills last month for $2.95 million. They bought it in 2000 for $4 million.

Sheffield's Mother's Mom Robbed Day of Funeral

NEW ORLEANS — About $16,000 worth of belongings was reported stolen from the home of the late Marquise Hill's mother while she was at the funeral for her son, a New England Patriots lineman who drowned last week, police said Wednesday.

No suspects have been identified in Saturday's burglary at the eastern New Orleans home of Sherry Hill, who told police that she left for her son's funeral at 10:45 a.m. and discovered the break-in when she returned around 2:40 p.m. "It's an open case," said New Orleans Police Department spokesman Barry Plott. "We don't know who did it."

A telephone call to Sherry Hill was not answered.

Flot said a laptop and a television were among the stolen items. A rear bedroom window was apparently pried open.

Green In, Culpepper Out

DAVIE — Quarterback Trent Green is finally with the Miami Dolphins in South Florida, where Daunte Culpepper's time is running out.

Trent Green talks about his health and time with the Dolphins after being introduced as the new starting quarterback for the Miami Dolphins.

Green passed his physical with the USA Baseball National Team. Contract negotiations for the 6-foot-5 lefty pitcher are expected to begin on Friday.

NFL Suspends Tank Johnson For 8 Games

NEW YORK — Tank Johnson of the Chicago Bears was suspended by the NFL for the first eight games of the 2007 regular season for violating the league's new personal conduct policy.

The defensive tackle recently served a two-month jail stint on a probation violation on gun-related charges.

He's the third player suspended by commissioner Roger Goodell in little more than a month for off-field behavior.

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Rays Take Vanderbilts Price No. 1

The Tampa Bay Devil Rays took Vanderbilt's left-handed pitcher, David Price with the first pick in the Major League Draft on Thursday.

The Rays (25-32) are in last place in the American League Division, and have suffered from a lack of dependable pitching throughout the season. Price went 11-1, 2.63 for the Vanderbilt Commodores, striking out a national high 194 in 133 1/3 innings. The Rays have a good starting pitching staff, and the right-hander will add to that strength.

"The Rays have a good pitching staff," said Malone. "I consider it an honor to do and it'll be 'yes sir' and 'no sir.' I'm just saying it's a grand scheme of things."

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MS. JACQUELYN V. PEDROSA

Homegoing services for Ms. Jacqueline V. Pedrosa, "Mudée," of 1301 24th Street, who passed away on Saturday, June 2, 2007, will be held Saturday, June 9, 2007, at 11 a.m. at Aikens Funeral Home, 2708 E. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., with Elder William Rogers Sr., Lottie Dancer and George Rogers officiating. Interment will follow in Rest Haven Memorial Park Cemetery.

The remains will repose at her residence, 2708 E. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., from 3 to 7 p.m. on Friday evening. The family will receive friends from 6 to 7 p.m. in the funeral home. The funeral cortège will march to Rest Haven Memorial Park Cemetery.

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AIKENS FUNERAL HOME

REV. ROBERT EDWARD CARTER, SR.

Funeral services for Rev. Robert Edward Carter, Sr., of 3003 Laurel Lane, Plant City, who passed away May 30, 2007, at South Florida Baptist Hospital, Plant City, will be held at St. Mary Community Church 944 E. Laura Street, Plant City, on Saturday, June 9, 2007, at 11 a.m.

He was a son of Mr. Robert Carter, Sr., of 5110 N. 21st Street, who passed away on Wednesday, May 30, 2007, at his residence, 613 S. 10th Street, Plant City. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother.

He was survived by his children, Velma Carter; 7 children, Vinetta Carter (Thomas), Hope Carter (Foster), and Cecilia Carter, all of Plant City, Joy Carter (Holloman) of Atlanta, Georgia, Robert Carter, Jr., Frederick Carter and David Carter, all of Plant City; sisters, Elder Johnnie Akins, Moxell Moore and Minnie Boyd; all of Plant City, and Patricia Moore of Pittsburgh; brothers, Bobbie Carter (Ann) of Lakeland, Mose Carter, Frank Carter (Gloria) and Johnny Mae Carter (Naomi); 50 grand; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held at St. Mary Community Church from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. prior to the funeral service.

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Rev. Robert Edward Carter, Sr., a graduate from York City, New York, on June 10, 2007, will be laid to rest on Thursday, June 7, 2007, at 11 a.m.

Gloria Ann Strowder-Benton was a member of First Baptist Church, 1109 E. 29th Street, Rev. Evan J. Holt, pastor. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ray Benton of Tampa.

Arrangements and services for Mrs. Benton are to be held at Aikens Funeral Home, 5117 N. 22nd Street. The funeral cortège will leave from 5105 N. 11th Street on Sunday morning at 11:00 a.m.

Exciting Central Tampa Baptist Church.

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MRS. LIZZIE JAMES

Homegoing services in celebration of the life of Mrs. Lizzie James, who passed away on Sunday, June 3, 2007, will be held this Saturday, June 9, 2007, at 11 a.m. at Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church, 4008 E. Cayuga Street (Rev. Dr. C. P. Epps Drive), with the Pastor, Reverend Dr. C. P. Epps, officiating. Interment will follow in Rest Haven Memorial Park Cemetery.

Sister Lizzie Baker James was a native of Cowashan, Georgia. She completed her education in the public school system of Bleckley County. Her early Christian experience laid the foundation for a faithful membership with St. Paul Baptist Church of Georgia.

After moving to Tampa in the sixties, Sister James joined the Christian membership body of Mt. Olive M. B. Church under the leadership of Rev. Dr. C. P. Epps. She served as a deaconess with her husband and member and on Ussher Board #2.

She leaves to cherish the memory of her well-lived life with 2 daughters, Arlene Lockett of Tampa, and Dorothy Newsome of Lillington, NC; 2 grandchildren; one great granddaughter; 6 great-grandchildren; 2 sisters-in-law, Adell Wilson and Annie Lee Simmons; 2 devoted cousins, John Newsome, Felicia Newsome, and Sam Powell; 7 nieces, nephews, and cousins; and many loving nieces, nephews, and cousins, other relatives and friends.

Visitation for Mrs. Lizzie James will begin at 5 p.m. at Lamolin Funeral Home, 5002 40th Street.

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MRS. CARRY SIMMONS

Funeral services for Mrs. Carry Bellamy will be held on Saturday, June 9, 2007, at 11 a.m. at True Holiness Baptist Church, 3706 N. 40th Street, Tampa, Rev. Jacob Jordan, Pastor, officiating. Interment will be at Rest Haven Cemetery.

Carry Ethel Simmons Bellamy was born September 15, 1917, to the late John and Janie Mathis Simmons in Lamont, FL. She attended public school in Lamont, FL. She was converted at an early age and was a member of Mt. Moriah Primitive Baptist Church. She later became a member of the Northside M. B. Church where she was recognized as an officer of the church and was under the leadership of Rev. Jacob Jordan.

She was preceded in death by: 4 brothers, 2 nephews, and 1 niece, J. C. Simmons, Willie Simmons, Henry Simmons, David Simmons, Johnny Rowe, Elijah Simmons and Lawrence Ross. She raised her nephews; Horace Simmons, Sr., (Yvonne), Horace Simmons, Jr. (Karla).

She leaves to cherish her precious memories: her loving and devoted husband, Devan; her devoted sister-in-law, Pearl Simmons; step-daughter, Jackie Mentor; step-granddaughter, KeAndrea Titer; and a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Visitation for Mrs. Bellamy will be Friday, June 8, 2007, from 3-6 p.m. at Mt. Olive M. B. Church.

Services entrusted to Morning Glory Funeral Chapel, 1500 N. Nebraska Ave., Tampa, Harold Jones, Owner.

MORNING GLORY FUNERAL CHAPEL

MRS. MYRTLE DIANE MCCALL

Funeral services for Ms. Myrtle Diane McCall will be held on Saturday, June 9, 2007, at 2 p.m. at True Holiness Baptist Church, 3800 N. Nebraska Avenue, Tampa, Rev. Alton Blanding, Pastor, Gregory Williams, officiating, Interment will follow at Rest Haven Cemetery.

She is survived by: husband, Dennis Billingsley; father and stepmother, Alton and Vananda McCall brothers, Charlie, Jimmie Lee (Debra) and Michael; son, Dexture McCall (Olga); grandchild, Darnell Mosin, Tavares Miller, Dexture Romondo McCall, Gita Davenport and Julian McCall, aunt; Avelis Garner and Bessee Taylor; uncles, Eddie McCall and Murphy McCall; nephews, Jermaine Baker, Keonte Johnson (Susan), Andre, Keith Harris, Xavier Brand, Shenva Brown; and Janice Williams, Jr.; nieces, Edgar Newsome, Elva, Boh, Toyia and Lexus; devoted friends, Karen Creel, Mary Myles and Shirley Jackson; goddaughters, Parthecia Williams, and Deneshania Williams.

Visitation for Ms. McCall will be Friday, June 8, 2007, from 6-8 p.m. at True Holiness Baptist Church, 3800 N. Nebraska Ave., Tampa.

Services entrusted to Morning Glory Funeral Chapel, 1500 N. Nebraska Ave., Tampa, Harold Jones, Owner.

MORNING GLORY FUNERAL CHAPEL

MS. CHERRY DEAN NEWSOME

Funeral services for Ms. Cherry Newsome will be held at 11 a.m. at St. Paul A. M. E. Church, 506 E. Harrison Street, Tampa, Rev. Bryant A. Fayson, officiating, Interment to follow at Rest Haven Cemetery.

Born June 11, 1954, in Tifton, GA, Cherry was one of five siblings born to the union of the late Addie Mae and Lee Ott Newsome.

Cherry leaves to cherish her memory: a devoted friend, Robert “Bob” Mutchinson; 2 daughters, Falicia Newsome and Tameka Powell; 2 sons, Ricky Newsome and Sam Powell; 7 brothers, Elddie and friend, Wilda, Lee Newsome, Jr., and wife, Lynda, Frankie Newsome, Raffiel Newsome, John Lee Stephens, III, and Kendall Fipps; aunts and uncles, Pastor Ishenish Parker, Horace Newsome, Robert Newsome, and many loving nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by: her parents, Sallie Mae Andrews and Willie and4 Andrews; her devoted friend, Robert “Bob” Newsome; her devoted friend, Mike Parker; her devoted friend, Robert “Bob” Parker; her devoted friend, Robert “Bob” Parker; her devoted friend, Robert “Bob” Parker; and her devoted friend, Robert “Bob” Parker.

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MR. ROOSEVELT JAMES BAKER, SR.

Funeral services for Mr. Roosevelt James Baker, Sr., age 87, of Tampa, who passed on Friday June 1, 2007, will be conducted on Saturday June 9, 2007, at 1 p.m. at Allen Temple A.M.E. Church, 2101 N. Lowe Street, Tampa. Reverend Willie J. Cook, pastor, will officiate. Interment will follow in Rest Haven Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Baker was a native of Midway, before moving to Tampa where he resided for over 70 years. He was born on February 7, 1920, to the late Mr. Hamps and Elessa Baker.

He was preceded in death by his son, Dr. Roosevelt J. Baker Jr.; sisters, Monell and Flossie Baker, and Oliette Overton.

Mr. Baker was a graduate of Middleton High School, class of 1949, a U.S. Navy World War II veteran, and a graduate of Florida A&M University, where he earned his Master's Degree in Industrial Arts. He was a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Alpha Pi Chapter. He was a member of the Urban League, Union of Black Episcopalians (U.B.E.), Tampa Coalition for Change, American Legion, Martin Maceo, Middleton Alumnae, and a Grand 32nd Degree Mason.

He started his teaching career as an Industrial Arts teacher at Old Tampa High School. He was the Industrial Arts teacher there over 25 years. He taught at Memorial High School and was Department Head at Hillsborough Senior High School. He was known to his students as "Mr. Baker, the shop teacher." He inspired many of his students to become the best they could be.

Mr. Baker leaves to cherish his memories: daughters, Ms. Eliza Baker (New York), Ms. Frances Baker, Dr. Olivia Shepherd, Ms. Patricia Mims, and Ms. Conseline Standberry; brother, Mr. Lee Brown; and sister, Ms. Louise Holmes, all of Tampa; grandchildren, Elizabe Anderson (Keith), Frances Shepherd and Komeka Brown of Tampa; Major Marshanna Bain-Girop (Tyrene) of Oklahoma, Roosevelt Glover (Vanessa), Maquessa Bain, Dr. Reginald Bain, and Nicole Standberry (Joseph), all of Tampa; Kenneth L. Pandier of New York; Terrance L. Strickland, Arthur R. Gregory and Corey Sulmim; 16 great grandchildren; nieces, Samuel and Frankie Baker, and James Holmes, all of Tampa; niece, Alexie Baker; cousins, Viola Smith, Catherine Thomas, Barbara Gaines, Aritisha Johnson, Elijah Williams, Mamie Young, Rebecca Reynolds; nieces, Maria, Vivian, Jeanette, Geraldine, and Lynne Tillman, all of Midway, and Ms. New York (New York); like a son, Ezekiel Bain; devoted friends, Herman Moore, Dr. Aaron Smith; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Visitation for Mr. Baker will be held Friday, June 8, 2007, at Wilson Funeral Home, 3000 N. 29th Street. Family and friends will receive friends from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the chapel. Friends are asked to assemble at the church at approximately 12:45 p.m. on Saturday.

"A WILSON SERVICE"

MRS. JEANETTE DUBOSE VENTERS

Graveside services for Mrs. Jeanette Dubose Venters of 2525 17th Avenue, who passed away on May 31, 2007, at General Hospital, Hialeah, on Thursday, June 6, 2007, will be held on Saturday, June 9, 2007, at Rest Haven Memorial Park, 4615 E. Hanna Avenue, with Reverend Larry Johnson officiating. Interment will follow.

Mrs. Venter leaves in mourning her family who includes: nieces and cousins, Fred Williams, Lorraine Clark, Kilee Williams, Alza L. Mitchell, Carlotta Dixon, Rogers Barnett (Lydia), Connie Preston, Steve Dixon, Debra Hunley, John W. Brown, Jr., Maria Dixon, all of Tampa, Together Myrick, GA, Fannie Howell of St. Petersburg, Mrs. Margie Barnett and family of Hialeah, Mrs. Beverly Bryant (Willie) and family of Altamonte Springs, Miss Arnetta Lockett and family of Minneapal, MN, Mrs. Antoinette Lockett of Memphis, TN, Flossie Baker, all of Sanford; special friends; Mrs. Ernestine Upshaw, Ms. Noelle Wright, Ms. First Ford, Geraldine Johnson, Willie Charles Gordon, Ms. Ade McCaskey, the Smith family, and the family of other relatives and friends.

"A WILSON SERVICE"

MRS. RHONDA FAYE BROWN

Ms. Rhonda Faye Brown was born on July 29, 1962 and passed away on June 1, 2007. There will be a family and friends gathering honoring Rhonda Faye Brown on Saturday, June 9, 2007, at 2 p.m. at 2309 Arch Street, Tampa. Rhonda, affectionately called "Noot," by close friends and family, was born in Vaidalena, Georgia to Little Brown and Virginia Conley (Willie), brothers, James Lee Brown (Janice) of Tampa, and Ricky Moss of Pensacola; nieces, Angela Watkins (David), Elisabeth, Tonya Smith, to the younger, Georgia Minor of Detroit, Michigan, and the grandson, Alexie Baker; cousins, Viola Brown, Ms. Rhonda Faye Brown was a native of Florida A&M University, where she earned her Doctorate of Science in Mathematics.

"A WILSON SERVICE"
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY AND DADDY
JUNE 6, 1933

MRS. ESSIE MAE
MELTON PURIFY

Sunrise: July 10, 1916
Sunset: March 8, 1994

"...That they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them." Rev. 14:13

Mother and Daddy we commune with you daily through your precepts and examples embedded in our hearts. Thanks for the foundation. Alma Rhea, Altamese and Robert, Altamarie, Eve and family.

BIRTHDAY MEMORIAM

GIANNA MONIQUE SHULER

To my GI Gi.
A year has passed but it only seems like yesterday. We all miss you so very much and we know that "this too shall pass."

Love, mommy, daddy, Tre, Khairy, CK, Stefan, Catie, your grandparents and grandfa­ ther, and all your aunts.

BIRTHDAY MEMORIAM

MATTIE JIM JOHNSON

The family of the late Mattie Jim Johnson would like to thank the wonderful and caring people who really went out of their way to be helpful in so many ways. As always with kindness and a smile.

Perhaps you gave flowers, food and cards or game money, it was really appreciated and we pray that God will continue to bless you and your family.

Special thanks to Rev. Joe L. Gay and his wonderful congregation at St. James A. M. E. Church, and the Wilson Funeral Home Staff.

The Johnson, Andrews, Crews and Bowers families.

BIRTHDAY MEMORIAM

EDDIE THOMPSON, JR.
June 10, 1950

"Time cannot steal the treasures that we carry in our hearts, nor ever dim the shining thoughts our cherished past imparts." Happy birthday.

Love, mother, Martha Thompson, and family.

BIRTHDAY MEMORIAM

DERRICK EUGENE ANDERSON,
a.k.a., NOOKIE
6-7-71

I thank God for the 35 years He gave my son to me. I miss you and will always love you.

Your mom, Josie, and family. Happy birthday.

CARD OF THANKS

M. E. Church, and the Wilson Funeral Home Staff.

Funeral Home Staff.

MEMORIAM

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

CARL C. GREEN

New Principal of
Middleton High School

On Monday, Carl C. Green took the reigns of Middleton High School as its new principal. Green feels that with the help of the community, he can take the school to the top in both academics and athletics.

"I believe that working with the community, we have the opportunity to go far. We can be on top in academics and athletically, but academically first."

Prior to becoming a member of the Hillsborough County School District, Green served in the U. S. Navy for 24 years. He retired in 1996 in Norfolk, Virginia, as a Lieutenant Commander.

Upon his retirement, he and his wife, Mrs. Nadine Green, (who was also in the military) settled in Tampa. Mrs. Green, a teacher at Robinson High School, is a Tampa native.

After deciding to become an educator, Green set a 10-year goal for himself. He wanted to become a principal within a decade of entering the system.

His first assignment was at Robinson High School, where he taught math and coached the Girls' Basketball Team. He was then assigned as the Intervention Specialist while there.

After leaving Robinson, he went to Riverview High School, where he served as Assistant Principal of Student Affairs. His assignment took him to Durant High School, where he served as the Assistant Principal of Administration.

Thirteen months ago, Green became the Assistant Principal of Curriculum at Brandon High School. "I had a goal and I did it," he said.

Of his new assignment, Green said, "Middleton is a diamond in the rough. I'm here to smooth the dust off and to make the diamond shine. But, we can't do it alone. We are going to have to work with the community as a team to make this happen. I need the community to work with me."

A native of James Allen, South Carolina, Green earned his B. A. degree in Social Science from Chapman University in Anaheim, California. He earned his Master's in Education form Old Dominion University, in Norfolk, Virginia, and his Education Specialist Degree from Nova University.

The father of 3 adult children and 4 grandchildren, Green enjoys basketball, chess, and spending time with his wife.

He feels that Middleton is the foundation for students who will become the future leaders. "I felt the history of the school when I walked in the door. It is engrained in us. Historically, I came from an area such as this, and it can be the same way as it was in the past. It's time for our kids to get back to respecting their elders. They need to know that there is something beyond this. They need to set goals and they must apply themselves."

He can be contacted at (813) 248-1921 or by e-mail at ldrch@floridatelecom.

Principal Calls On Community To Take School To The Top

FLORIDA SENTINEL-BULLETIN
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Middleton Class Of '58

The Middleton Senior High Class of 1958 will hold its monthly business meeting today (Friday), June 9th, 6-8 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Loretta Ingraham Center, 1611 N. Hubert Ave., Carver City.

Items on the agenda are: return reunion survey to Lillie Buie Mitchell, happy birthday Gemini, happy Father's Day, bring a covered dish reporter. For more information, call (813) 508-8519.

Howard W. Blake
Class Of '68

The Howard W. Blake Class of 1968 will meet Saturday, June 9th, 1 p.m. at the Hillsborough County School District Office of Supplier Diversity, 4900 E. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.

Please plan to attend so that we can further plan for our reunion.

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Tampa Woman Killed In Triple Shooting

JACKSONVILLE — For the third time in two months, a barrage of gunfire was unleashed on Ahmad Drive in Northwest Jacksonville.

This time, three people were killed, one of them a 21-year-old woman from Tampa, Kennethia Keenan.

According to sources, Keenan had traveled to Jacksonville to visit an acquaintance. The triple murder was the first in Jacksonville since 2002.

Police said the house where the shooting occurred was sold to a South Florida man.

Two victims were questioned Wednesday morning, but no suspects have been arrested.

Sgt. Dan Janson of the Jacksonville Police Department said neighbors reported hearing gunshots shortly before midnight Tuesday.

Also killed in the shooting was Desmond Robinson of Drive in Northwest Jacksonville, the third victim has not been identified. He died enroute to the hospital.

Deputies said Joseph ran toward Johnson, firing 3 to 4 rounds, striking Johnson once. He died enroute to the hospital.

Joseph was identified by witnesses as the shooter, and deputies are asking anyone with information to contact the Sheriff’s Office at 247-8200.

Tobacco Marketed To Blacks

By Helen Huntley, Times Staff Writer

Tobacco companies targeted African-Americans with sophisticated marketing aimed at getting them hooked on cigarettes and eventually killing them, says a lawsuit filed Wednesday in Miami-Dade Circuit Court.

The marketing was “meticulously planned and executed with clear racist intent,” says the suit filed by Miami lawyer J.B. Harris on behalf of African-American Gloria Tucker, of Coral Springs, representing the estates of her grandmother and mother.

Annie Mae Swain, 80, died in 1994, and Dorothy Oliver, 72, died in 2000 of acute cardiopulmonary failure and other cardiovascular problems. Both lived in Broward County.

The suit asks for more than $1-billion in damages from tobacco companies Philip Morris USA, Lorillard Tobacco, R.J. Reynolds and Liggett Group.

The suit says the companies’ targeted marketing included billboards in African-American neighborhoods, sponsorships of sporting events, endorsement deals with African-American celebrities and saturation ad campaigns in publications such as Ebony, Jet and Essence.

Cigarette brands were even created specifically for the African-American market, including the “X” cigarette from Philip Morris and the “Uptown” from R.J. Reynolds. Both brands were later withdrawn. The Uptown was sold in packs of 10 and had higher tar and nicotine levels.

Many Florida lawyers are gearing up to file cases, said Alice Fisher, assistant U.S. attorney general in the criminal division.

“This case is about greed, power and arrogance,” said Joe Persichini, director of the FBI’s Washington field office, which led the investigation.

In addition to the racketeering, the suit says the companies promised anyone legislative favors.

Congressman Charged With Taking Bribes

WASHINGTON — Nearly two years after federal agents reported finding $90,000 in a freezer in his Washington home, U.S. Rep. William Jefferson has been charged with a global campaign to solicit bribes, obstruct justice and engage in racketeering.

Justice Department officials said Monday.

The veteran Louisiana Democrat faces 16 criminal counts, said Alice Fisher, assistant U.S. attorney general in the criminal division.

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Jefferson is the first U.S. official ever charged under the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, which prohibits corporate bribery.

The charges are based on 11 schemes in which Jefferson allegedly solicited bribes for himself and his family from government and business officials in the United States, Nigeria, Botswana, Equatorial Guinea and Sao Tome e Principe, U.S. Attorney Chuck Rosenberg said at an afternoon news conference.

Jefferson has denied wrongdoing, and won a ninth congressional term in a December runoff despite the allegations.
CRIME NEWS

Arrests Made In Shooting At Middleton High School

What started as a conflict last week between a couple of neighborhood groups, and two individuals from those groups, culminated in a shot being fired at Middleton High School, Wednesday.

According to Tampa Police, a vehicle pulled into the north parking lot of Middleton High School around noon and three Black males got out.

Police said they were looking for Octavius Laundry, 17, later identified as a boy, who was charged in January with felony aggravated assault.

According to police spokesperson Laura McElroy, Laundry allegedly had a handgun at 17-year-old Ariel Cruz.

On Wednesday Cruz and another student were seen leaving the campus in a courtyard on the campus and initiated a fight with him and another student.

Cruz pulled out a handgun and chased Laundry and the other student inside the school hallway. There, Cruz allegedly fired one shot that struck a glass door. No one was injured.

After the shooting, Cruz and two others fled the campus.

The suspects were described as Black females with their hair wrapped up, wearing sunglasses, and carrying a purse.

The shooting occurred between 6am and 11am.

Two Billion Dollar Students

On Wednesday, police went to the residence of Rechi Butler, 18, to arrest him on the affidavit.

McElroy said when the officers arrived, Butler was holding his hands inside his front pocket. After the officers told Butler to show his hands and he refused, Officer Shannon Murphy, shot Butler once in the arm. Butler was wounded and taken to a local hospital for treatment.

Police said they found marijuana in Butler's front pocket and they said he was trying to discard it when he was approached at 9 a.m. in front of his home.

Butler has been charged with aggravated assault in the incident. Officer Murphy was placed on administrative leave while the shooting is being investigated.

Police gathered outside the home of Rechi Butler after an officer shot him during an arrest attempt.

Coach John Brooks, founder of the Brooks Boxers Program, recalled working with Butler and said he was a great kid.

"I had instilled discipline in him, but the support wasn't there. He eventually stopped coming to the gym. He was a good kid and I never had any problems with him. He had great potential."

3 Women Sought On Fraud Charges

The Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office has released surveillance photographs and 3 women using counterfeit checks to open a new account at SunTrust Bank.

Detectives said all 3 are using the name of Lekeisha Marie Chatmon and the incident occurred between November 30 and December 5, 2006.

Detectives said the crimes occurred at several banks.

Two Women Sought For Robbing Bank

On Tuesday morning, a surveillance camera caught the images of two women robbing the Service First Credit Union, 8110 Sabal Industrial Boulevard.

The Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office reports two individuals entered the credit union and handed a teller a note demanding money. The two suspects then fled from the bank in a dark green Honda Accord with tinted windows and a white sticker on the right side of the bumper and gold Honda Accord lettering.

The suspects were described as Black females with their faces covered by Muslim type wear.

One woman was described as appearing to be 26 to 32 years old, 5'9" to 5'11" tall with brown eyes and a light complexion. The second suspect is described as appearing to be 18 to 23 years old, 5'4" to 5'6" tall with a medium build.

Teenager Charged In Attack On Blind Man

Tampa Police detectives have arrested and charged 16-year-old Michael Watts in the May 25th attack of a blind man.

According to police, Kris Schepp, 45, and Blind, was walking from the Amtrak Train Station on Nebraska Avenue to a bus stop when he took a wrong turn near Central Park Village.

With 20/100 vision, Schepp told police he saw a figure and asked for directions. It was at that time he was punched and kicked.

Police said Watts took Schepp's walking cane, wallet and duffel bag that contained clothing and other items.

Police identified Watts as the attacker after subpoenaing phone records for the stolen cell phone and discovering Watts had called his mother less than a minute after the attack.

Watts has been charged with robbery and adult abuse in the attack.

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COMING SOON 2007!
The Beta Sigma Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority is in the final stages of preparing for the 26th Annual Sir Debonair/Sir Lord Presentation Gala to be held at 5 p.m. on Sunday, June 10th. The event will be held at the West Tampa Convention Center, 3005 W. Columbus Dr.

Over the years, Zeta has developed an impressive cadre of Black Male Community Leaders to serve as Role Models and share career information and survival skills. Role Models who were featured at recent workshops include Dr. George Fox, Fred Hearns, Retired Judge Perry Little, Marvin L. Martin, Sr., George Robinson, Kenneth P. Rushing and Jetie B. Wilds, Jr. Other Role Models adding their advice were Dave Cross, Phillip Darns, John Ingraham, Morris L. Martin, Jr., Daryl Richardson, Lebron Saffold, Richard Smiley and Larry Williams.

In an earlier workshop, Mrs. Mary Birdsong, RN, presented information on physical, social and emotional well-being. Herman Broxton of Tampa Bay Workforce offered the teens an opportunity to interview for summer jobs, while providing career information and basic interview skills. Soror Cynthia Brady served as Mistress of Ceremony at the Teen Workshops and Soror Elaine Lee was in charge of Chapter protocol.

The Blue and White Family worshipped at Greater Bethel Baptist Church. Rev. Oscar Johnson, Jr., Pastor, Sorors Betty Kinsey and Frances Johnson presented a famed photo of the Founding Mothers of the Beta Sigma Zeta Chapter to Soror Ann McClinton, one of the Founding Mothers, as a Token of Appreciation. Soror McClinton is a member of Greater Bethel Baptist Church.

Following worship, the Zeta family dined at the Zeta House. Dinner was prepared by the host committee.

Soror Betty Kinsey, Chairman of the Sir Debonair/Sir Lord Committee at the Finer Womanhood Celebration, chaired the ceremony.

Further information was provided to the teens by Role Models Elder Charles Davis, Pastor of College Hill Church of God in Christ and Tyrone Reddish, Compliance Manager of the Tampa Bay Engineering Firm and Management Consultant to the District 7, Florida Dept. of Transportation.

Ms. Uary Jones, Librarian from the Robert W. Saunders Library, provided scholarship information and emphasized the value of using the public library. She announced an upcoming Scholarship Seminar on Saturday, June 9th, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. for students in grades 9-12.

Harold Clark, retired Assistant Superintendent of Public Schools, called attention to the excellent opportunities available for students to prepare themselves for the future.

For additional information contact Soror Betty Kinsey, Chairman of the Sir Debonair/Sir Lord Program, (813) 872-8809, Soror E. N. Cusseaux (813) 870-0546, or Soror Augusta Thomas (813) 621-3919. Soror Gretchen Hunter is the Basileus of the Beta Sigma Zeta Chapter.

“The Steppers of a Unique Legacy” will head to Tallahassee for a National Steppers competition on Saturday, June 9, 2007, for “The Stomp Down In T-Town.” The show is being held at Rickards High School. Three of the best teams will make the trip: JV Squad (ages 9-13), Co-Ed Varsity Team (ages 14-21) and an All Male Step Team (ages 14-21).

For more information on how you can support the team, contact Ms. Sandra (813) 965-4281, Ms. Nett (813) 325-4466, or Alex (813) 918-4822.
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From your sisters, Cordelia and Tay.

**J5 AND MS. J5**

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Mommy, you've always made a way for us when you thought there was no way. So, on this day we would like to say happy birthday.

Love, your three children, Yana, Day Day and Lil Bo. We would also like to send a special birthday wish to Miosha.

**CUTIE PIE**

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GREGORY And SHELIA SOARREY

Gregory and Shelia Soarrey celebrated their 20-year anniversary June 7. God has blessed us with a love that will last forever. Two hearts came together and became one. A love that is everlasting, thanks be to God.

Mr. AND Mrs. ARCHIE (TANYA) JERRY

Thank you for the joy, sunshine, protection and your unconditional love. God knew what He was doing when He joined us together.

Thank you Mr. Archie for allowing God to be the head of our life, household and the love we share together. "God's favor ain't fair."

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Happy Anniversary

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Where Did You Go Wrong?

Have you ever sat down and evaluated a situation in your life? Have you ever sat and pondered how did you get to where you are? When times got tough, relationships fell apart, and money got funny, did you ever wonder where did I go wrong?

This is a serious question that we must ask ourselves in our spiritual life. The church and the people of God must ask themselves this very question, "Where did we go wrong?"

In this week's lesson selected from Hosea 4:1-4; 7:11, 8:12-16; 14:1, this question is being answered. It is not only being answered, but the consequences of going wrong are also explained.

The just character of God is that HE will not just pronounce judgment on you without first telling you what you did wrong. God will give a list of the charges being brought against you and the rules you have broken.

At this point God's anger is against His people, the Children of Israel. God addresses this charge to them who dwell in the land (4:12).

Who is the charge and where did they go wrong?

There is no faithfulness, no love, no acknowledgement of God in the land (4:12). They are charged with three separate violations. These are serious transgressions. This is where they went wrong. This may be the place in your life that you went wrong.

No faithfulness! After all God had done for them in their lives, they grew unfaithful toward Him. When no one else would give them a chance at a good life, God did, but yet they grew unfaithful. They moved from the projects to suburbs. They went from sticks over the windows to gated communities and alarm systems, but yet they grew unfaithful.

Being unfaithful and losing your commitment is always a point when things start going bad. Getting caught up in the world and forgetting about the one who brought you over is never a good thing.

Charge #2 is even worse than the first, no love. Love is a serious thing! When they didn't love themselves, God loved them. When the world was treating them as slaves, raping their daughters, and over working their sons, God loved them.

Now that they are in this place, they do not seem to have love for God. They often times treat God like He is not worthy of their time or attention. This is a bad place to be when you don't love the person who first loved you. When everybody else loved you because of what you had, how good you looked, or what you could offer, God loved you although you were messed up and had a lot of problems.

As if it could not be any worse, they did not acknowledge God in the land. When they were living their life in the world, they would not let people know they were God's people. They did not claim to be God's people. They started acting like they served other gods. They acted like God did not exist.

One of the worse things you can do is act like God does not exist. It is like seeing someone you know, but when in the public you act like you don't know them. Some people call it acting like they serve other gods.

God then tells them of the consequences that will happen to them because they went wrong. God will not let back and let people treat Him any kind of way and still receive His blessings. When you examine your life and identify when things started going wrong, it may have been when you committed one of these sins. As you read the rest of the story of Hosea, you will see that there is still hope.

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Jonathan Butler has released a gospel CD titled "Brand New Day." The CD features multiple upbeat and inspiring tracks that showcase Butler's musical talent. It is the second Gospel project released by Butler after his recent success with "Falling In Love With Jesus." Butler, backed by a 75-piece orchestra and a renowned arranger/conductor, Dr. Henry Whalum, has penned and recorded highly reflective tunes. He was also involved in the critically-acclaimed Christian music project, recorded live with Juanita Bynum, backed by a 75-piece orchestra and a 100-voice choir. The Billboard-charting CD with Bynum is an exciting jewel.

15,000 Expected At National Baptist Congress In Orlando, June 10-15, 2007

Dr. T.B. Boyd, III, president and CEO of the R.H. Boyd Publishing Company in Nashville, Tennessee, has announced that the host pastor is Rev. Alvin White Jr., senior pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church. He is the son of Dr. T.B. Boyd, III, and the grandson of Dr. T.B. Boyd, Sr.

Butler is an emerging musical talent who has been recognized with multiple awards and nominations. His music is known for its emotional depth and its ability to connect with listeners on a personal level. His CD "Brand New Day" is an invigorating collection of uplifting and empowering Gospel music, and it is an exciting addition to the genre.

The National Baptist Congress is expected to bring more than 15,000 delegates and attendees to its 101st annual session when it convenes in Orlando on June 10th. The Congress, which is dedicated to providing excellence in Christian education and training to youth and adults, is being held at the Orange County Convention Center. The Congress is headed by Dr. T.B. Boyd III, president and CEO of the R.H. Boyd Publishing Company in Nashville, Tennessee. The local host pastor is Rev. Alvin White Jr., senior pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church.

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In addition, there will be sessions focusing on key issues affecting African American families today, including Black women's health, the education and training of Black clergy, the church and community, and the role of African American women in the church and community. These sessions will provide an opportunity for attendees to engage in meaningful discussions and to hear from experts in the field.

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Mrs. Martha Steward of Chicago, IL, a.k.a., the Windy City, recently celebrated her special day.

Happy birthday "Auntie Martha."

From your Florida family, the family of your late brother, Mr. Clayton Anderson, Sr.

In Sympathy

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the Diggs family in the loss of their loved one.

Villagers and friends send heartfelt sympathy to the family of the late Mr. Aaron Wilson-Blount.

Condolences are sent to the Blount and Cooper families for their recent loss.

The Blount and Cooper families are in our prayers.

Mr. Ronnie Buggs is here to express his heartfelt sympathy to the Diggs family.

Tom and Linda extend hearts to all who received heartfelt sympathy.

Mr. Robert Shaw sends heartfelt sympathy to the Diggs family.

Mr. Wayne Sheats is here in the Bay area visiting family and friends. Mr. Sheats is a cousin to former Villager, the late Mr. Bobby Biggs.

While here, Mr. Sheats enjoyed dining out, shopping and a worship service at St. James A. M. E. Church.

Prayers go out for a safe return home to Stone Mountain, Georgia.

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Happy Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. H. Andre' (LaTonya) Watson Woodruff celebrated two years of great wedded bliss on a cruise to Cozumel, Mexico for five days and six nights.

Afterwards, the couple returned home to pick-up the rest of the family, Breonne and Kim, and set out on a road trip to visit family in Memphis, TN and Newport, AK.

The Memphis trip included a tour of the historic Civil Rights Museum, the Lorraine Hotel and dining at B. B. King's Restaurant. The family also enjoyed sightseeing on the famous Beale Street.

The Newport trip was very enjoyable because the family had time to spend with the grandmother, Mrs. Fannie (Ma Fannie) Woodruff who is 94 years old. Ma Fannie is also the mother of former Villagers, Mr. and Mrs. Horza (Mary Jane) Woodruff. Welcome home and happy anniversary!

A Speedy Recovery

A speedy recovery is wished for Mrs. Doris Kellem, who recently underwent surgery. During that time, her daughter, Mr. Renee Kellem paid her a supportive visit.

Get well wishes are going out to: James Miller, Deloris Harris, Lelia Felder-Moss, Claudie Jones, Lillie Mae Harris, Mattie Pearl Miller, Louise Reed, Dorothy York (Easel Nursing Home), Georgia Lindsey and Mozell Debose.

June Birthday Celebrants

Happy birthday wishes are extended to: Jackie Williams, Thelma L. Jackson, Hazel Jackson, Florence Jennings, LaVern Armstrong, Hazel Wilson, Gail Browder, Brandy Jackson, Tonae Filer, Doreen Alexander and Sharon Johnson.

Anniversary Celebrants

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Billy (Kitty) Watts, who celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary with family and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Hercules (Ula) Johnson will celebrate their anniversary, June 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles (Frankie) Potter will celebrate their anniversary June 20th.

The family and friends of Brother Harold (Deborah) Rodriguez showed much love for this special couple, who celebrated 21 years of marriage on June 7, 2007.

2007 Graduates

Michael Coles is a 2007 graduate in Business Administration from Central Methodist University in Fayette, MO. Michael is the son of Angela Hanna and Ray Coles, the grandson of Francis and Mildred Hanna and Beulah J. Coles.

Congratulations

The 29th Street Church Of Christ Family would like to congratulate Kayla Lewis who made the Honor Roll at Rampello Middle School.

Derrick and Desiree Wright from E. L. Bing School, passed the FCAT Test.

Keep up the good work!

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Thought For Today

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Call your news into trudeau London-Biggs at (813) 677-6071. Be blessed!
Cyclists Ride 800 Miles For Disability Awareness

A decade ago, members of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity, Inc., began a program that would benefit people with disabilities. This year, as part of their fundraiser, the group participated in "Gear Up Florida." They donned their safety gear and took part in an 800-mile bicycle ride that began in Miami and ended in Tallahassee.

As part of the tour, the riders visited people with disabilities at various locations. During their visit in Tampa, the 29 cyclists had lunch and later danced with some of those enrolled at MacDonald’s Training Center.

One of those riding in the statewide Disability Awareness Campaign was Carlos Gooden, a student from the University of Toledo. "We played on the playground and swung with kids on the swing sets. The kids were genuinely excited to see us. What is great about this experience is we keep in contact with the people we meet after we leave their cities."

Tampa was one of 13 cities the team visited during their ride. They rode 75 miles each day. The group was not deterred in its mission by weather conditions or even the fires that burned as they made their way through the state.

They peddled through orange groves, passed through Orlando, Tampa, and on to the State Capitol. Their message was one of acceptance and understanding as they passed through the various communities. "Gear Up Florida" is sponsored by Push America. Its mission is to build leaders of tomorrow by serving people with disabilities today. Push America and Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity have raised more than $10 million on behalf of people with disabilities.

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Middleton Basketball Awards Banquet

The Middleton High Basketball banquet was held recently at the school for the varsity and junior varsity teams. (Photos by James McAllister)

Coaches shown here are: Derek Smith, Varsity team head coach; Coach Marlin Stewart, Coach Charles Butts and son, and Coach Roland Williams.

Varsity players shown here with trophies are: Ricky Mann, LaMario Walker, Stephan Morrison, Phillip Young, Julius Bowie, Darrell Brown, Alphonso Sheppard, Corey Thomas, Walter Weller, Clifton Tyson, and Van Wright.

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Keisha's Birthday Bash

Keisha was joined by a host of friends recently who helped to celebrate her birthday at a popular night spot. (Photos by Julia Jackson)

Birthday girl, Keisha: 'loaded with money.'

Keisha, second from right, is shown with friends, Judy, Tiffany and Sheryl.

These friends extending their birthday wishes are: Knight, Lo-Rider, Keisha and Too Smoth.
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Senator Joyner Urges Citizens To Take Advantage Of Sales Tax Holiday

On the first day of June, Senator Arthenia L. Joyner (D-Tampa) plans to start her day by heading to a home improvement store to stock up on hurricane-related items. Joyner commented, "There is no excuse for people to be unprepared for these natural disasters and especially when the state of Florida has seen fit to allow a tax exemption for imperative items."

Joyner said she plans to lead by example and hoped to have on hand at least three days of water, batteries, flashlights, coolers, and food, should a hurricane hit this summer. The state Legislature passed a bill this past session, which allows exemption from sales tax on hurricane-related purchases for the period of June 1, 2007 through June 12, 2007. The Governor recently signed the bill into law.

Hurricane season officially starts June 1, 2007 and goes through November 30, 2007. The state of Florida enjoyed a respite during the 2006 hurricane season, which was very quiet in comparison to the eight hurricanes that hit our state in 2005. "No one should be complacent and think we are not going to get hit again just because our state was spared last year," said Joyner.

"I would encourage all citizens to take advantage of the tax-free holiday, so that they are not only prepared for a natural disaster, but so that they also can save money in the process," said Joyner.

Some of the items that are exempt from sales tax are: batteries, (excluding automobile and boat batteries), coolers, reusable and artificial ice, cell phone chargers, tarps, bungee cords, radios, carbon monoxide detectors, portable self-powered lights, battery-powered flashlights and lanterns, gas-powered lanterns, tiki torches, candles, gas and diesel fuel containers, as well as LP gas and kerosene containers, storm shutter devices, and portable generators.

Senator Arthenia L. Joyner was elected to the Florida Senate in 2006. A Tampa attorney, Senator Joyner also served as State Representative, District 59 in the Florida House for six years. Senate District 18 encompasses portions of Hillsborough, Manatee and Pinellas counties.

Blake 48th Class Reunion Guest Speaker

Members of the Blake High School, class of 1959, will meet June 14th through June 17th, for the 48th Annual Class Reunion. The reunion will be held at the Comfort Inn Conference Center, corner of Busch Blvd., and N. Nebraska Avenue.

The reunion will begin on Thursday with classmates registering and getting settled into their rooms. On Friday evening, 7 p.m., the classmates will gather for their Annual Banquet. The guest speaker for the event is Retired Sfc. Benjamin Ford, who now resides in Fort Lee, Virginia.

On Saturday, the classmates will enjoy a picnic and an evening social. They will round out the reunion by attending New Salem M. B. Church on Sunday morning and a fellowship meal that evening before going their separate ways.

Anyone wishing to obtain additional information may contact Ms. Anita Howard at (813) 908-0202.

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Peri-Peri Chicken Skewers

16 bamboo skewers, soaked in water
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2 cups bell pepper squares (any color)
1/2 cup (1-inch) red onion cubes
1/2 cup bottled hot sauce (or to taste)
1/4 cup unsalted butter, melted
1/4 cup lemon juice
2 teaspoons minced fresh garlic

Directions: Cut each chicken breast into 1-inch strips; thread strips alternately onto skewers with peppers and onions.

Stir together hot sauce, butter, lemon juice and garlic in small saucepan; cook over low heat until butter is melted. Set aside half the mixture in small bowl.

Brush skewers with remaining hot sauce mixture and sprinkle with salt and pepper.

Grill 4 to 5 minutes on each side or until chicken is cooked through and lightly charred.

Remove from grill and brush liberally with reserved sauce.

Pineapples & Honey Chardonnay Glaze

6 baby pineapples or 16 fresh pineapple rings
HONEY CHARDONNAY GLAZE
1 cup Chardonnay
1/2 cup unsalted butter, cut into pieces
1/3 cup honey
2 tablespoons freshly squeezed lime juice
1 whole nutmeg for grating
Vanilla ice cream and toasted pound cake

Directions: To prepare glaze, bring wine to a boil in saucepan and cook until it reduces to 1/2 cup. Whisk in butter and honey until melted and sauce thickens. Stir in lime juice and set aside. Brush pineapple with glaze and grill over medium-high heat 3-4 min. until pineapple is lightly charred. Grate fresh nutmeg over pineapple. Put 1/2 pineapple on plate and place small piece toasted pound cake and small scoop ice cream alongside each. Drizzle with warm glaze. Place any remaining glaze in small bowl and place on table.
The University of South Florida's new Division of Clinical Pharmacy has selected its new leader. Dr. Kevin Sneed will serve as clinical director and assistant dean for USF's newly created division. The division will be housed in the USF Department of Family Medicine.

The 38-year-old has been a visiting professor at USF since 1999, and also spent eight years teaching at Florida A&M University's College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences.

One of Dr. Sneed's top priorities will be to expand the division throughout various parts of USF, and into two Centers for Advanced Healthcare currently under construction at Tampa General Hospital.

"I am very excited to join USF Health. It presents an outstanding opportunity to combine the pharmacy division with the overall missions of USF Health, patient care, education and research," said Dr. Sneed. As a practicing clinical pharmacist in the department, Dr. Sneed initiated clinical pharmacy services in the department long before the new division was created.

"His natural ability to motivate our students to excel academically in the Professional Program is irreplaceable," said Dr. Donald Palm of FAMU's College of Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences in a statement. "I think that it's important to make USF Health as truly thorough and meticulous as it can be in regards to pharmaceutical education and services," said Dr. Sneed. "I'm excited to have the opportunity to contribute to the growth and development of our clinical pharmacy students."

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Robin Givens says Tyson Raped Her

NEW YORK — In the pages of her new autobiography "Grace Will Lead Me Home," Robin Givens details how she was raped by her then-husband, boxer Mike Tyson, during a 1988 trip to Russia.

In an excerpt provided by the New York Daily News, the actress writes, she was "drunkened" by Tyson who "climbed on top of me... and grabbed me by my throat."

Givens said she attempted to reach for a phone and yelled for him to stop, but he "pinned my hands above my head... He pulled my pajama pants down... I begged him to stop as he undid his pants and began to shove himself in me..."

All of this, Givens writes, took place 48 hours before the couple's infamous interview, with Barbara Walters, when the "Head of the Class" star revealed that Tyson was physically abusive and bi-polar.

In other Mike Tyson news, the former boxer was apparently bitten by the Bollywood bug after filming a music video in Las Vegas for the new Indian comedy "Pool n Final," about a diamond heist.

The Times of India reported Monday that Iron Mike now wants to star in an actual Bollywood film. He said in an interview that Firoz Nadiadwala, producer of "Pool n Final," had approached him with a script.

"Firoz has discussed a movie with me," the newspaper quoted Tyson as saying. "We seriously intend to work toward it," he said, without disclosing any details.

Mike Tyson

MIKE TYSON

MUMBAI, India — Mike Tyson wants to try something new — acting in Bollywood movies. Tyson said the energy on the sets of a music video he recently shot for a new movie got him thinking about trying to do more Bollywood work. The Times of India reported Monday.

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SHEMAR MOORE

LOS ANGELES — The headline over at celebrity Web site TMZ read "Shemar Moore DUI — The Young & Arrested."

The star of CBS' "Criminal Minds," who first became famous as Malcolm on "The Young and the Restless," was arrested early Friday morning in Los Angeles on suspicion of driving under the influence.

According to TMZ, the actor was pulled over while speeding down Santa Monica Blvd. at around 1:30 a.m. During the traffic stop, police said Moore "displayed signs of alcohol impairment and a DUI investigation was conducted."

He must've failed a field sobriety test because he was released and taken to the police station, where he underwent a breathalyzer test and was eventually booked. The Bay area native was released a few hours later on $500 bail.

Speaking of former "Young and the Restless" stars, Victoria Rowell is basking in the success of her new memoir, "The Women Who Raised Me."

Los Angeles Police were called out to a shooting at a Compton home, but discovered a man being shot in the leg who had accidentally shot himself.

The Game Charged in Basketball Incident

LOS ANGELES — The Game has been charged in Los Angeles with making a criminal threat and with possession of a firearm in a school zone following a Feb. 24th incident during a pickup basketball game in Los Angeles, said the L.A. District Attorney's office.

Last month, police arrested the artist after executing a search warrant at his Glendale home in connection with the incident. The Compton-born MC, born Jayceon Taylor, was arrested and later released on $50,000 bail. According to TMZ.com, Game allegedly got into an altercation with an opponent during a hoops game at the Rita Winter Educational Learning Complex in South Los Angeles. After allegedly punching the victim, cops say The Game pulled a gun from his red Escalade and threatened to shoot the victim.

The 27-year-old is also charged with one count of exhibiting a firearm in the presence of an officer.

He's scheduled to be arraigned on Tuesday for the incident, but could spend more than five years in prison.

Entertainment
Drug Charges Plague Two Record Execs

Two record label execs—one in Chicago, the other in New Jersey—have made headlines this week over serious drug charges. Rapper Lupe Fiasco saw his 1st and 15th record label partner Charles Patton receive a 44 year prison sentence in the Windy City last month after he was caught with six kilos of heroin he had stored in a suburban storage locker, reports the Chicago Sun Times.

Meanwhile, Ruff Ryder CEO and Gulf War veteran Darrin “Dee” Dean was charged with various drugs and weapons offenses after New Jersey cops on May 31 found over a kilo of cocaine in a customized SUV.

Patton, whose sentence came down last month in a Cook County courtroom, reportedly had about $1 million worth of heroin in the stash when he was arrested in 2005. Investigators believe he had been dealing since the late 1980s, before he linked with Fiasco to begin their music careers.

Investigators also believe Patton’s path to becoming a Chicago drug kingpin went through dealings with Nigerians as well as the alleged use of profits from record deals to purchase heroin before packaging it to be sold on Chicago streets.

As for Dean, the Ruff Ryder exec was riding shotgun in a customized Chevrolet van when it was pulled over on Palisades Interstate Parkway for a broken taillight. Police smelled marijuana upon approaching the vehicle and called in the K-9 unit, reports New Jersey newspaper The Record. The dogs eventually detected weed as well as 1 1/2 kilos of cocaine in a trap door built into the van’s rear wall. A loaded .45 pistol was also recovered.

Dean and Jerry Gilbert, the driver, were charged with possession of cocaine, possession of cocaine with intent to distribute, possession of a handgun and possession of a handgun while conducting narcotics violations. Both men were released from the Bergen County Jail on June 1 after posting $342,500 bail.

Ruff Ryders, founded in 1998 by Dean, his brother Joaquin “Wu-Tang” Dean and sister Chivon Dean, has been the home of such rappers as DMX, The Lox, Eve and producer Swizz Beatz.

Patti Labelle Was Almost Shug Avery

NEW YORK—Patti Labelle was originally approached to play the role of Shug Avery in Steven Spielberg’s 1985 film “The Color Purple,” but the legendary singer turned it down because of the brief girl-on-girl action between the characters of Shug and Miss Celie.

After watching the completed film with Margaret Avery in the role opposite Whoopi Goldberg as Celie, Labelle admits to having some regrets.

“I told Steven Spielberg I couldn’t be in his film...I wasn’t kissing a woman,” she said, according to Starpulse. “I regret it because it was just acting.”

“She (Shug) was in the tub, but it wasn’t as bad as I thought,” Patti continued. “So after I saw the movie, I said, Maybe I shouldn’t have gotten so nervous about doing something that’s acting. I should have shut up and just done the screen test and maybe I would have been Shug Avery.”

Master P Speaks His Mind On The Eurcast

Rapper Yukmouth, formerly one half of the Oakland duo The Luniz, was arrested in Los Angeles Sunday and charged with driving on a suspended license, reports MemphisRap.com.

A source told the Web site that Yuk, born Jerold Ellis, was picked up at around 4 a.m. and had bond set at $40,000. The misdemeanor charge may have been coupled with an outstanding warrant, which would explain the high bond amount.

Yukmouth and his Luniz partner Namuskull reached platinum status with their debut single, “I Got 5 on It.”

The artist is currently working on a new album entitled “Million Dollar Mouthpiece,” due sometime this summer.

Michael Jackson’s Auction Earms Between $1.5 And $2 Million

LAS VEGAS—The widely publicized auction of memorabilia from Michael Jackson and his famous family members netted between $1.5 million and $2 million, according to early estimates from Universal Express, the company that organized the event last Wednesday and Thursday in Las Vegas.

A Michael Jackson suit sold for $22,800 and a black crested jacket went for $30,400 dollars, according to a statement. Friday’s auction included items when the person went bankrupt.

The extraordinary response to the auction has prompted Universal Express to plan a second Jackson Family auction, which will feature some of the items that were seized by creditors when the person went bankrupt.

Jackson initially tried to block the auction before the matter was resolved entirely.

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Spike Lee To Film Follow Up To Katrina Doc

While accepting a Peabody award Monday for directing the HBO documentary "When the Levees Broke: A Requiem in Four Acts," Spike Lee said he will shoot another film to follow up the first round of stories regarding the devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina.

“The story is not over,” he said. “It’s still something that’s evolving and we want to keep on top of it.”

Lee isn’t sure when he would return to New Orleans with film cameras, but now is too soon, he said.

Lee and his team were one of 30 winners of the 66th Annual Peabody Awards, given for excellence in electronic media. They included cable and network entertainment shows, as well as local and network news programs. Onstage, he told the crowd that he befriended many of the people featured in the film.

"Most of them are still up the creek without a paddle, abandoned by their local, state and federal governments," he said. "We can’t forget about them."

Tyra’s LA-Based Talk Show May Head East

NEW YORK — Telepictures, the production company behind "The Tyra Banks Show," is said to be "having serious discussions" about moving the program from Los Angeles to New York, reports Daily Variety.

For the past two years, Banks has hosted her talker from sunny Southern Cal. But producers believe a move to the Big Apple would shake things up by bringing a different kind of energy to the show, as well as a different guest pool.

As previously reported, Telepictures has already renewed "The Tyra Banks Show" for its third and fourth seasons. Its major affiliates include Fox-owned stations in 22 markets, as well as Sinclair stations.

Jermaine Dupri Opens New Georgia Nightclub

ATLANTA — Record exec Jermaine Dupri has invited the press and his famous friends to experience his newest business venture, a 12,000-square-foot nightclub northeast of Atlanta called Studio 72, reports the Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

Patterned after New York’s legendary disco destination Studio 54, Dupri’s venue features a 600-gallon aquarium filled with exotic fish and hues of brown, silver and champagne, according to the AJC.

The music producer reportedly spent $1 million renovating the nightclub, located at 3965 Lawrenceville Highway in Tucker. Studio 72 is scheduled to host a silver carpet grand opening on Saturday.

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Jackson Buys A Stake In Eminem’s Publishing

LOS ANGELES — Eminem mocked Michael Jackson in a music video a few years ago, but it might be the Moonwalker who’s getting the last laugh.

The erstwhile King of Pop has purchased a stake in Famous Music, the publishing firm that controls rights to songs by the rap superstar, including "Without Me" and "The Real Slim Shady," as well as tracks by such artists as Beck, Bjorn and Shakira.

Launched in 1928, Famous oversees a diverse roster of songs, from classic film and TV music to modern-day hits by the likes of Christina Aguilera, Pink and P.O.D.

According to Jackson’s rep, Raymond Bain, Viacom has sold Famous to Jackson and his partners at Sony/ATV Music Publishing, which jointly control the Lennon-McCartney Beatles oeuvre.

"This is a milestone event for Sony/ATV Music Publishing," Jackson said in a statement. "The diverse collection of songs in this catalogue range from timeless classics to contemporary hits, and I am pleased to add the acquisition of Famous Music to Sony/ATV.

Eminem famously skewered the Gloved One in the 2004 video for "Just Lose It." The clip featured the rap trickster dressed like Jackson and on a bed with young boys, a nod to the highly publicized child-molestation charges against Jackson that ended with his 2005 acquittal.

Sharpton Pitches Rap Cleanup In Detroit

DETROIT, Michigan — The Rev. Al Sharpton has brought his campaign to clean up hip-hop lyrics to Motown, and organizers hope to collect thousands of bars of soap as symbols of the effort.

Sharpton and the Rev. Horace L. Sheffield III, pastor of New Galilee Missionary Baptist Church, talked about the campaign Saturday outside the Motown Historical Museum.

Sharpton said it made sense to promote the campaign in Detroit because NAACP leaders plan to conduct a mock funeral for the "N" word during the group’s July convention in the city.

"The 1960s were the Motown sound and James Brown," Sharpton said as he stood in front of the museum, which includes the former Motown Records studio.

"But they did not call us the ‘N’ word and they did not degrade women.”
ALL MY CHILDREN: Greenlee and Kendall's combined business skills saved Fusion from going under. Greenlee told Ryan, Annie, Kendall and Zach that she's decided to drop her lawsuit. Jamie revealed to Babe that he's relieved Julia isn't pregnant. Coming: Greenlee is overwhelmed by her emotions concerning the baby.

AS THE WORLD TURNS: When Meg tried putting off making love until she and Craig are married, he moved up the wedding to the next day. Jade tried getting Cleo into trouble by planting Gwyn's earrings in Cleo's backpack but it backfired when Gwyn threatened that Jade threatened her. Jade tried getting Parker in hot water by leaving his BB gun outside but Faith was accidentally wounded and Parker got blamed. Cleo intends to get even.

BOLD AND BEAUTIFUL: After being told by Dr. Carol not to say anything to Taylor about who killed her, Brooke was informed that the donor eggs were the ones fertilized, and received a call from Carter with more news about the shoot. Coming: Weighting the effect of making Rick accept the truth.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES: While exploring Doug's abandoned club in search of clues to the DiMera/Brady feud, Hope was shocked to find Lexie climbing out of the tunnel, after having hit Bob with a board. Philip and Shawn found out that Claire was dressed as a boy. When Belle heard a child's cry, she was certain it was her own Louis crawling around the floor. The situation turned to briefly intensify. Key decisions and fast speeching would be necessary. Coming: Cassie has second thoughts about her behavior.

GENERAL HOSPITAL: Luke and Tracy's plan was a success when he left for an unknown location with Laura. Logan told Lulu that he hates Scott because Baldwin ruined his family. Just after Amelia warned Jason that Sam intends to have a baby with him, Sam wanted Jason to agree to start a family as soon as he is released from jail. Coming: Elizabeth has good reason to fear the worst.

GUIDING ANGELS: Griggs warned Mallet that he'll leave Dinah alone as long as she stays in the house. Reva was more interested in the arsonist/bomber upping Lindsay's gallery. Coming: Can Cole and Starr stay apart despite temptation?

PASSIONS: Watched that the blackmailer might be after Fancy, Sheridan kept quiet about her niece's location, even as Fancy was being attacked. Longing to be around friends, Michael wanted to learn enough magic to cure Fox and be with the woman he loves. Coming: Spike intends to tie up his "loose ends."

YOUNG AND RESTLESS: William suffered a stroke and was unable to write legibly or speak. Gloria was stunned to learn that William is broke. Kevin received an instant message from Jana, apologizing for trying to kill him, and hired Paul to find her, whatever it costs. Coming: Cane is in the dark about Amber's scheming.

MYSTIC STARS

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS THIS WEEK ... watch for a social or romantic dispute to briefly intensify. Key decisions and fast speeching would be necessary. Coming: Cassie has second thoughts about her behavior.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22). Loved ones may rely heavily on your romantic attractions are accentuated; respond quickly to all renewed faith in long-term relationships. Vivid dreams or sudden insights from friends, potential lovers or relatives:

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 21-Dec. 21). Close relatives or speak. Gloria was stunned to learn that William is broke. Kevin received an instant message from Jana, apologizing for trying to kill him, and hired Paul to find her, whatever it costs. Coming: Cane is in the dark about Amber's scheming.


TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20). Optimism and restrained sensuality will return to key relationships. Watch for loved ones to ask probing questions, propose unique activities or initiate private encounters. New or renewed romantic roles are being established; accept all comments and attention as positive.

SCOPIN' THE SOAPS
Toby Goldstein

Top POP Albums
1. Buy U A Drank (Shawty Snappin'), T-Pain Featuring Ying Yang
2. Dereje (Shawty Snappin'), T-Pain Featuring Ying Yang
3. Please Don't Go, Tank
4. Party Like A Rock Star, Shop Boyz
5. Lost Without U, R&B Thizz
6. When I See U, Fantasy
7. Push It, Pop Lock & Drop It, Akon, Featuring T-Pain & Jahnta
8. Live In Concert 2006, R. Kelly Duet With Usher
9. Smokin' Aces, Universal Pictures, PG-13
10. Don't Matter, Akon, Konvic87/Upfront93

Top POP Singles
1. Makes Me Wonder, Maroon 5, A&M/Octone
2. Rock Your Body (Shawty Snappin'), T-Pain, featuring Ying Yang, Konvic/Kapp/Nappy Boy/Jive
3. Because Of You, Ne-Yo, Def Jam
4. Girlfriend, Avril Lavigne, RCA
5. Give It to Me, Timbaland featuring Nelly Furtado and Justin Timberlake, Mosley/Blackground
6. Uh Huh, Young Buck
7. T.I., Bone Thugs-N-Harmony, featuring Akon, Geffen
8.acious, Fergie, featuring Akon, Geffen
9. Pop, Lock & Drop It, Huey
10. Don't Matter, Akon, Konvic87/Upfront93

Top Video Rentals
1. Dreamgirls, Paramount Pictures, PG-13
2. Night At The Museum, 20th Century Fox, PG
3. Because I Said So, Universal Pictures, PG-13
4. Deja vu, Buena Vista Pictures, PG-13
6. The Queen, Miramax Films, R
7. Alpha Dog, Universal Pictures, R
8. Cleopatra and Release, Sony Pictures, PG-13
9. Smokin' Aces, Universal Pictures, R
10. Little Children, New Line Cinema, R

Sentinel's Top 20 Albums
1. Cold Summer: The Authorized Mixtape, Young Jeezy, Presents U.S.A.
2. Sex Love & Hip Hop, Lil Wayne, Tha Carter IV, Young Money/Tha Carter IV
3. Survival Of The Fittest, Lil Boozie, Webbie & Foxx, M-God
4. You're The One, Ne-Yo, Def Jam
5. Special Occasion, Bobby V, Def Jam
7. The Evolution Of Robin Thicke, Robin Thicke
8. Back To Black, Amy Winehouse, Fender
9. Konvicted, 2链, Interscope
10. Ain't Nothing Like Me, Joe, Columbia
11. Street Love, The Game, Def Jam
12. Fantasy, Beyonce
13. B'Day, Beyonce
14. Elliot Yamin, Hollywood Records
15. FutureSex/LoveSounds, Justin Timberlake
16. Back The Game, Young Jeezy
17. Get Money Stay True, Lloyd
18. Timbaland Presents Shock Value, Timbaland
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8. Get It Shawty, Lloyd
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14. Rock Your Body (Shawty Snappin'), T-Pain Featuring Ying Yang, Akon, Konvic87/Upfront93
15. Like A Baby, Young Jeezy
16. Because Of You, Ne-Yo, Def Jam
17. Unebrave, Rihanna Featuring J.T.
18. Get Me Bodied, Beyonce
19. Outta My System, Bow Wow Featuring T-Pain & Johnathn Austin
20. The Inspiration, Young Jeezy

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18. Make Me Better, Fabolous Featuring Ne-Yo
19. Big Things Poppin' (Do It), UGK

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Hundreds Show Up For Car, Shoes Give Away

Hundreds flocked to the University Community Center for the "Mother's Love 2007" event hosted by Kingdom Worship Center. Pastors Robert and Brenda Fruester hosted the event, which was sponsored by Corvin and Dot Morris, President of Wesley Chapel Toyota, and Fredrick and Janice Albury, owners of FWA International, a real estate investment company, and See Saw Academy I and II, a day care business.

The Mother's Love 2007 was held the day before Mother's Day. A car was given away in addition to 2,500 pairs of shoes for men, women and children. Pastors Fruester say the success of their outreach is attributed to the support of their sponsors.

Both believe that giving back is what business owners should do. "I'm happy to give back to the community," he said of his reason for being a sponsor. "It's my responsibility as a business owner," he stated. The Alburys joined the Fruesters in December to give away 1,000 bicycles for Christmas and feed over 100 homeless men, women and children. "We believe in giving," Albury said. "It seems like the more we give, the more we're being blessed." The couple grew up in West Tampa.

Other businesses and organizations are lending their support to Kingdom, Pastor Fruester said.

The church is currently holding services on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. on the first floor of Cooper's Hall on the campus of the University of South Florida. (Photographs by Jerry Brunson)
Teenager Once Called ‘Failure’ Publishes Book

BY LEON B. CREWS
Sentinel Staff Writer

Justin Rodriguez is a much more adjusted young man these days, and published his first book, "Soul Inspired Poems," at the age of 17.

The Sickles High School senior will be the first to tell you, things didn’t start out good in the beginning.

"While attending middle school, I was labeled a failure and retained in the 8th grade. I had accepted that label, and was depressed until I switched to another school."

When Rodriguez moved to another middle school, he was suddenly labeled a success and started writing his first book at the age of 14. He says he writes about things that are inspiring, mostly Christian issues and today’s social issues.

"I talk a lot to other teenagers and find out what’s happening in their lives. I pray about it, then start writing. I try to offer words of wisdom when I can."

Justin’s father is involved in real estate and his mother, Melody, is involved in medical foster care.

Justin joined a new church, Rocking The Nations International when they first got here and continues to help him stay focused.

"From day one, they treated me like a member of their own family. They pray for me all the time, and I’m very blessed to be a part of that congregation."

Justin said his plans after graduating from high school is to attend Georgia Tech to study business, and become a part of a group that plans to build the world’s second largest shopping mall in Atlanta, Georgia.

Justin’s book is currently on the market, and he’s currently working on a second book due to be released in June 2008.

Cornerstone Graduates
Ride In Style To The Next Step: Kindergarten

Cornerstone Family Ministries will hold graduation ceremonies for the students enrolled in the Cornerstone pre-kindergarten program on June 8 at 3 p.m. for the students graduating from the Rosa Valdez Center, and on June 28 at 3 p.m. for the students graduating from the Cascadia Center. Both ceremonies will take place at the New Place Cultural Arts Center, 2811 N. 17th Street, Tampa, and will feature a big surprise for the kids!

God’s Pedal Power, a non-profit organization that is a shared mission of University Baptist Church and St. James United Methodist Church, has donated 28 bicycles for the 2007 graduating class! All 28 graduates will ride a bike at the ceremony as recognition for their hard work and academic success.

The Rosa Valdez and Cascadia Centers are programs of Cornerstone Family Ministries and currently serve 135 children, from birth to five years old. They provide the children with a high-quality pre-kindergarten education, as well as educational screenings and therapeutic services. Cornerstone Family Ministries is a non-profit, faith-based organization with a heritage dating back to 1892. The mission is to make a lasting, positive difference in the lives of families, empowering them to improve all aspects of their physical, social, educational and spiritual lives, building the foundation for a strong community.

For more information, visit www.cornerstonefamilyministries.org.
Local Column

Tell It Tampa Bay
By Frankcene Favors-Daniels

Happy Birthday—Jazzy June Celebrants
Happy Birthday to you: Dr. Lespy Nelson, Jada and Kayla Kennedy, Nathaniel Gravely and Chelsea Astrid Tahilamalenge on June 9; Alicia Hubbard on June 10, Ruth Cannon and Shalynia Johnson Mathis on June 13; Ramona Schuler, Karlene Hope, Fred Coley, Sr. and Kenya Munn on June 14.

Related happy birthday to The Reverend Joyce Wiggs on June 5. Hope your day was simply heavenly.

Sir Debonair/Sir Lord

Sir Debonair/Sir Lord of Wasilla, Alaska, Mr. Curtis Stewart, 98, a member of the George S. Middleton Senior High School Class of 1957 gathered in Tampa, from June 1-3, 2007, to celebrate their 50th year class reunion. Classmates who traveled the greatest distances to reach their destination were identified as: Mrs. Bernice Adams Grant of Wasilla, Alaska, Mr. Curtis Young of Riverside, California, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick (Gwen Hernandez) Gordon, of Denver, Colorado and Class Valedictorian, Rubie Smith Malone of Brooklyn, New York. When inclement weather interfered with Saturday’s scheduled outdoor plans, the picnic moved indoors. Classmates were warmly received by the beautiful East Tampa residence of Attorney and Mrs. Frank (Carol) Stewart. On Sunday, June 3rd, members worshipped together at First Baptist Church of College Hill. The Reverend Abraham Brown is pastor. Later, a banquet took place at The Hilton Tampa Airport Westshore Hotel, 2225 North Lois Avenue. Mr. Harold Brewer sang Pianist, Mr. Rudolfo Arnao, Class Vice-President was Toastmaster, Class Valedictorian, Rubie Smith Malone Father Ervin, Jettie Wilds, Robert Warren and Frank Stewart, Esquire provided reflections.

Other program participants included: Mrs. Harriette Bodden Harris, Mr. Alvin Maultsby, Mrs. Betty Miller, Mrs. Ola M. Ponder, Mr. Ralph Williams, Rev. Elyse L. Powell, Mrs. Doris Washsham, Thyrone, Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Walker and Rev. Oscar Frank Gray. Additional classmates included: Mrs. Ora Sledge Chester, Mr. Hippolito Arceas, Mrs. Annie Gracia McNair Flinn, Mrs. Margie Hurst Garcia, Mrs. Rosita Gallon Graham, Mrs. Winifred Carter Whigham, Mr. Robert Wright, Sr., Mrs. Betty Steven Upshaw, Mrs. Barbara Dennis White, Mrs. Gwendolyn Smith Brown, Mrs. Helen King Cathy and Mrs. Delores McQueen Copeland. Guests that attended: Dr. Elva Adams, North Carolina, Rev. and Mrs. Abraham McAdoo (Alameene) Brown and Mrs. Betty Jo Hayes. Mrs. Norlin Sledge Hills arrived in time to join fellow class mates for a relaxing post reunion Caribbean Cruise.

Thinking Of You

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Deepest sympathy to Mrs. Frances A. Baker and family, Ms. Elizabeth Baker of New Orleans, Louisiana, Ms. Frances Baker and family, Dr. Olivia B. Shepherd and family, Mrs. Patricia A. Brown and family, and Mrs. Conslee Standberry and family in the loss of their husband and father. Mr. Roosevelt J. Baker, Sr.

Deepest sympathy to Denise Sue Lee Mungin, Mr. Lawrence Mungin, Mr. Richard Mungin, Mr. Alphonse Mungin and Ms. Linda Mungin and family in the loss of their husband and mother. Mrs. Elva Adams, North Carolina, Mrs. Betty Jo Hayes. Mrs. Norlin Sledge Hills arrived in time to join fellow class mates for a relaxing post reunion Caribbean Cruise.

Scripture Of The Week

“Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit saith the Lord of Hosts.” Zechariah 4:6

Thought For The Week

“God still has a way of bringing good out of evil. History proves over and over again that unmerited suffering is redemptive.” Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

This column welcomes and encourages your input. Please submit any news and interested you that would like to appear here.

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Thank you.
The regeneration of NCNW Youth Group is making exceptional strides in meeting their purpose and goals under the Tampa Metro Section of NCNW. The group consists of approximately 10 African American young ladies who are primarily high school graduates, seniors and juniors. The group’s name is “Destiny’s Promise.” Their present colors are black and pink. The purpose of NCNW is for them to represent the Tampa Metro Section with dignity, promote finer qualities of womanhood, uphold Christian ethics and morals, be examples and role models for other community youths to follow, provide motivation and self-confidence among themselves, and develop leadership and advocacy as a means of supporting the community. The NCNW Youth Group is under the supervision of 3rd Vice President, Ms. Sophia Trevil and her committee. Ms. Trevil is fairly new to the Tampa Bay area, having relocated from northern New York, 3 years ago. She completed her education in New York and graduated from Baruch College with a BBA degree in Marketing Management. She currently resides in Wesley Chapel and is in Real Estate. She is a Realtor, Sales Agent, and Consultant for Keller Williams Realty in Tampa. Ms. Trevil wants to inspire the youth group to be strong and challenge any obstacles that may prevent them from going after their dream(s), or in reaching their highest potentials. She and her committee meet with the youth group monthly. Some of their goals consist of assisting the Tampa Metro Section in planned activities; provide a minimum of one annual major community service, as well as academic support to high school juniors and seniors in preparation for college or other life goals. They plan to attend at least one annual church service as a group, as well as a monthly group social activity.

Ms. Trevil works very closely with the Education Committee, under the Chairperson of Josephine Townsend. This Committee has a tour at Bethune-Cookman University for some local high school students, tentatively planned for June 29th. Various means for Educational Incentives and Awards are being pursued for Tampa Metro Section NCNW Youth Group. For further information on what is offered regarding NCNW Youth Group, contact Ms. Sophia Trevil at 469-4165. Geraldine I. Twine is President and Gloria W. Davis is the Publicity Chairperson.
The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and Ladies Auxiliary Post 1339 held their 7th Annual Military Ball on May 12th at the DoubleTree Hotel. Melvin Collins is the Commander. Comrade Robert R. Scott presided. Also on program were: Daryl Clark, Charles Sherry, James Ford, Gary Ellerson, Eugene LeShore (National Council member), and Earlie J. Williams, Jr. The Post has several programs, some of which offer scholarships to high school students. On Memorial Day, the veterans visited Rest Haven Memorial Park Cemetery. New flags were placed on 1,600 grave sites. (Photographs by Charles John)
Lydia’s Suits For Less Fashion Show Extravaganza

Lydia’s Suits For Less Fashion Show Extravaganza was held on May 5, 2006, at the Coleman Bush Building Community Center.

The elegant fashion show was spearheaded by Mrs. Lydia Williams, the owner of this fashion boutique in Lakeland, located at 710 N. Massachusetts Avenue.

Her family who shows solidarity with her rising business are: husband, Deacon Jimmy Williams; sons, Aaron and Jimmy, Jr.; and her beloved church family, the Church Of God Gospel Tabernacle, 1038 N. Virginia Ave., with Pastor Barbara Giles, who is a friend, Savior, and mentor to Lydia.

Lydia is well-known in the church circle as the “Fashionable Ms. Lydia with Fashionable Less Prices.”

The models who sashayed so professionally are members of the Church of God Gospel Tabernacle and they did it their way!

The handsome male models from the Church of God Gospel Tabernacle were: Demetri Broders, Tyrus Richardson, Walter Kemp, Jr., Tavorus Burgess, Jimmy Williams, Sr. and Chris Ford.

Welcome/Fashion Commentator and Mistress of Ceremony was Ms. Naomi Buford of Tampa/Lakeland.

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Ms. Lydia’s Assistant

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Pastor Barbara Giles from the Church of God Gospel Tabernacle.

Sister Lydia and husband, Jimmy Williams, Jr.

ASHLEY WHITFIELD

Enjoying the fashion show were Min. Moore and wife, Cynthia from Bartow.
Back On Track

Reboarding the Florida Sentinel Bulletin train is The Rose Heights Elks Lodge #318, Attorney Eric T. Taylor, Bro. Balem Turner, who has undertaken the role and task to improve and expand the New Horizons to a new level with the Rose Heights Lodge #318 and #217.

Brother Turner is known throughout Polk County as a serviceable civic community leader, which Polk County desperately needs.


Get Well Wishes
Get well wishes are extended to: Mrs. Lena Libron, Gail Garrett, Mr. Albert Calloway (Webster Ave.), Barbara Seabron, Barbara Jones, Dorothy Fleming, Elizabeth Branton, Eliza Powell and Robert Hawk.

June Celebrants
Happy birthday to the following June celebrants.

Pilgrim Rest F. W. Baptist Church
Bishop Henry Rodmon, Sr., Pastor and congregation send birthday accolades to: Joe McCloud, Donovan Green, Yvonne Green, Loretta Daley, Brittnae Dubose, Kenedrea Rodmon and Grace Allen. Happy anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Alphonso (Louise) Howard.

New Jerusalem M. B. Church
Dr. J. L. Downing, Pastor and members extend birthday greetings to: Eunice Williams, Sr., Dennis and Chevon Stephens, Dave and Cheryl Carter, Steve and Elaine Brown, Ernest and Christine Joe and Huey and Jean Evans.

First Baptist Institutional Church
Rev. Alex Harper, Sr., Pastor along with the members send happy birthday wishes to: Cathy Worthing, Danielle Richardson, Eunice Summers, Rebecca Screen, Willa Speed, Lawrence Silas, Selinda Sellers and Beverly Henderson.

Happy Father's Day
Happy Father's Day wishes go out to the following grandfathers, fathers and sons:


Gloria's Things & Other Things
It is good to let a little sunshine out as well as in. If you have knowledge, let others light their candles by it.

Belated Birthday Wishes
Belated birthday wishes go out to: Naquishea O'Steen Banks on May 7th. She celebrated her birthday on the 24th. She has been a faithful Tuesday and Friday reader for the past 8 years. She's the wife of Eddie Banks, mother of Jabari and Ayden, daughter of Deborah O'Steen, Ernest Duke and Paul O'Steen.

Also, congratulations to Eddie and Naquishea on the birth of Ayden Banks, who was born on May 11th.

Belated birthday wishes are also going out to: James Hogan (14th), Ethel J. Hogan Smith (15th), Deborah Hogan (5/8), Andrew Hoagland (5/18), Albert Reid (5/20), Deborah O'Steen and Ethel B. Hogan (5/24), and Ernest Duke (5/25). Love you guys.

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3:00 PM ON 6/29/07
CAR & CHASSIS, DIESEL
POWERED
& DUMP BODY
SPEC. NO. 25-07
PRE-BID MEETING TO BE HELD
AT 9:30 AM ON 6/14/07

3:15 PM ON 6/29/07
CREW CAB & CHASSIS WITH
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AT 9:30 AM ON 6/14/07

then and thereafter to be publicly opened and read. Bid documents are available at the Purchasing Department (Phone No. 813-272-8351).

It is hereby made a part of this invitation for Bid that the submission of any Bid in response to this advertisement shall constitute a Bid made under the same conditions for the same contract price and for the same effective period as this Bid to all public entities in Hillsborough County.

Dated: 6/8/07
Gregory K. Spearman, CPPO
Director of Purchasing
City of Tampa, FL
306 E. Jefferson Street
Tampa, FL 33602

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Public Hearing

A public hearing will be held by the Zoning Hearing Master pursuant to Hillsborough County Ordinance 92-05, beginning at 6:00 p.m., June 28, 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, the Board of County Commissioners 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 holding. The recommendation of the Zoning Hearing Master will be filed with the Clerk within fifteen (15) working days after the conclusion of the public hearing.

The review of the Zoning Hearing Master's recommendation by the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County shall be restricted to the record as defined in Hillsborough County Ordinance 92-05, unless additional evidence and/or oral argument is permitted pursuant to the terms of the ordinance.

ANY PERSON WHO MIGHT WISH TO APPEAL ANY DECISION OR RECOMMENDATION MADE BY THE ZONING HEARING MASTER 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) 270-2058.

REZONING REQUESTS

Petition RZ 06-1672-RU, filed on 7/30/2006 by John & Margaret Yawn & Pitthway Plaza Associates, LTD, represented by Todd Pressman of 28870 U.S. Hwy 19 N., #300, Clearwater, FL 33761, ph 727-726-8683, requesting a zone change from RSC-6 to PD. The property is 8.98 acres and is located in all parts of Section 12 Township 32 Range 16 SW corner of Shell Point Rd. & 15th St. NW.

Petition RZ 07-0561-SFN, filed on 3/12/2007 by Richard Jennings represented by Travis Jennings of 2830 Broadway Center Blvd., Brandon, FL 33511, ph 813-413-1273, requesting a zone change from RSC-6 to CN. The property is 1.92 acres and is located in all parts of Section 4 Township 28 Range 20 or NW corner of Martin Luther King Blvd., E & W side of Peck St.

Petition RZ 07-0866-GS, filed on 3/6/2007 by SSC 115 Tampa Kracker Road, LLC, represented by Hills & Associates, Inc. of 8406 Benjamin Rd., #G, Tampa, FL 33634, ph 813-887-3130, requesting a zone change from AR & PD (06-221) to PD. The property is 111.61 acres and is located in all parts of Section 2 Township 31 Range 19 or SE corner of Kracker Ave., U.S. Hwy. 41.

Petition RZ 07-0879-GS, filed on 3/12/2007 by Beriton Raden Thomas & Raden S. Thomas, represented by Genesis Group of 3910 U.S. Hwy. 301 N., #140, Tampa, FL 33619, ph 813-620-4500, requesting a zone change from AR & RSC-6 (MH) to PD. The property is 24.6 acres and is located in all parts of Section 3 Township 31 Range 19 or NW of U.S. Hwy. 41, 400' NO Kracker Ave.

Petition RZ 07-0882-TH & ER, filed on 3/12/2007 by Linda Pearson, Diaz Pearson & Associates, Inc. of 1200 W. Platt St., #204, Tampa, FL 33606, ph 813-258-0444, requesting a zone change from BPO, AS-1, PD (00-0937) to PD. The property is 31.56 acres and is located in all parts of Section 19 Township 28 Range 21 or NE & SE corner of Gore & McIntosh Rd.

Petition RZ 07-1107-VR, filed on 4/17/2007 by John W. Waitz, represented by Michelle M. Lianoz, of 1950 S.R. 60 E., Valrico, FL 33594, ph 813-767-4414, requesting a zone change from AS-1 to RSC-4. The property is 1.79 acres and is located in all parts of Section 19 Township 29 Range 21 or NE corner of Miller & Washington Rd.

Petition RZ 07-1136-GR, filed on 4/20/2007 by Lisa Wright, represented by Stephen Jorgenson of 214 S. Edison Ave., Tampa, FL 33606, ph 813-363-1842, requesting a zone change from RS-8 to CI. The property is 0.98 acres and is located in all parts of Section 19 Township 30 Range 19 or E/S of U.S. Hwy. 41, 50' S/O Isabel Ave.

Petition RZ 07-1148-SR, filed on 4/23/2007 by Henry E. Richardson, represented by John Trelstunop of 3111 S. Kings Ave., Brandon, FL 33511, ph 813-477-1872, requesting a zone change from AR to AS-1. The property is 15.53 acres and is located in all parts of Section 14 Township 30 Range 22 or E/S of Pennsylvania Ave., 700' N/O Keyesville Rd.

Petition RZ 07-1153-PR, filed on 4/24/2007 by Norberto Valtejo of 2803 Safe Harbor Dr., Tampa, FL 33618, ph 813-354-9216, requesting a zone change from AR to M. The property is 4.85 acres and is located in all parts of Section 14 Township 30 Range 19 or E/S of U.S. Hwy. 41, 50' S/O Isabel Ave.

Petition RZ 07-1221-RU, filed on 5/2/2007 by Estelle Hyde Carter of 1611 E. Shell Point, Ruskin, FL 33570, ph 813-645-9009, requesting a zone change from AR to BP-O. The property is 0.53 acres and is located in all parts of Section 9 Township 32 Range 19 or 1611 E. Shell Point Rd.

MAJOR MODIFICATION REQUESTS

Petition MM 07-0182-TNC, filed on 11/6/2006 by Sam Smathers, represented by Charles F. Bean, III of 203 W. Thomas St., Tampa, FL 33604, ph 813-238-2629, requesting a major modification to allow additional square footage for day care use. The property is 0.24 acres and is presently zoned PD (00-0937). It is located in all parts of Section 1 Township 29 Range 17 or 5301 Memorial Dr., Brandon, FL 33610.

Petition MM 07-1055-RU, filed on 4/5/2007 by R.J. Alderman represented by Engelhardt Hammer & Asso., of 3001 N. Rocky Point Dr., #300, Tampa, FL 33607, ph 813-282-3855 requesting a major modification to allow CI uses. The property is 9.85 acres and is presently zoned PD (05-1788). It is located in all parts of Section 7 Township 32 Range 19 or 1/8 mile S/O College Ave., 1/8 mile W/O 1st St. SW.
NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY COLLEGE IS ACCEPTING SEALLED SUBMISSIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

RFQ #2425-07ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES
STUDENT SERVICES BUILDING YSBOR COLLEGE

The complete Notice of Request For Qualifications, which includes all submittal requirements and evaluation criteria, can be found on the College's website at www.hcct.edu/Purchasing/Purchasing.asp under Bid Opportunities. Refer to the website prior to addressing questions to Rebecca Morrison, Buyer, via facsimile at (813) 25377561. The due date for submissions is July 10, 2007 before 1:00 P.M.

Vonda Melchior
Director Of Purchasing
(813) 253-7060

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Sealed Bids for the furnishing of the following will be received by the Director of Purchasing, City of Tampa, in his office until 3:00 PM on 6/18/07 THERMAL CERAMIC BLOCKS

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Dated: 6/9/07
Gregory K. Spearman, CPPO
Director of Purchasing
City of Tampa, FL
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CONTACT:

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES
REQUESTS FOR BIDS AND/OR PROPOSALS

Hillsborough County will receive sealed bids and/or proposals for the following: Sealed Bids for furnishing of all labor and materials and performing at work required for the construction of the construction of the Pinellas County Improvement Project in St. Petersburg, Florida, in accordance with the plans and specifications, as amended. Questions regarding the above projects may be directed to Hillsborough County Board of Commissioners, Department of Procurement Services, 181 E. Kennedy Blvd., 18th Fl., County Center, Tampa, Florida 33602, (813) 272-5700, during regular business hours.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Public Hearing

A public hearing will be held by the Zoning Hearing Master, pursuant to Hillsborough County Ordinance 92-05, beginning at 6:00 p.m., June 26, 2007, at the Board Room, 2nd floor of the County Center, 1001 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, the Board of County Commissioners 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 the same.

The recommendation of the Zoning Hearing Master will be filed with the Clerk within fifteen (15) working days after the conclusion of the public hearing.

The review of the Zoning Hearing Master's recommendation by the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County shall be restricted to the record as defined in Hillsborough County Ordinance 92-05, unless additional evidence and/or oral argument is permitted pursuant to the terms of the ordinance.

Any person who might wish to appeal any decision or recommendation made by the Zoning Hearing Master 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) 278-2058.

REZONING REQUESTS

Petition RZ 07-0471-RU, filed on 3/12/2007 by Kids Charity of Tampa Bay, Inc., represented by P & M AR & TEAM, INC., ASP-1 & PO (88-65) to PD. The property is 29.46 acres and is located in all or parts of Section 19 or SW corner of Williams Rd.

Petition RZ 07-0875-BR, filed on 4/9/2007 by Laven Hospitality LLC, represented by J. D. Alsabbagh, of 3344 W. Waters Ave., Tampa, Florida 33614, (813) 636-1133, non-mandatory site meetings may follow.

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 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. A photo identification will be required at this time.

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1) the Internet at www.hillsboroughcounty.org/procurement services, or
2) by coming to the Department of Procurement Services office located at the address listed below.

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

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HILLSBOROUGH AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY  
HART RFP R07013  
CONSTRUCTION OF BUS SHELTER AND LANDING PADS  

The Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority (HART) will be accepting proposals until 5:00 P.M., eastern time, June 29, 2007 on a Multi-year transit Infrastructure Construction Contract for construction of Bus Shelter and Landing Pads, Sidewalks and Pedestrian Crossings, Incidental Drainage and Related Transit Amenities.  

The RFP documents will be available for download from HART's website at www.hartline.org after 11:00 A.M., on Monday, June 11, 2007. The documents can be located under the Purchasing Section. All inquiries pertaining to the specifications, or any questions in reference to the proposal must be directed to: Damaris Cordova, Purchasing Agent, Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority, 4305 East 21st Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33605, (813) 623-5635 ext 1170 or email at cordova@hartline.org.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES  
REQUESTS FOR BIDS AND/OR PROPOSALS  

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

JUNE 26, 2007 - 2:00 P.M.  
T-0219-07 (BG) READY MIX CONCRETE, U-CART  
T-0279-07 (BG) PURCHASE OF SCREW TYPE SLIP  

Please Note: The above bids are Hillsborough County Governmental Purchasing Council Bids.  

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REQUESTS FOR BIDS AND/OR PROPOSALS  

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JUNE 26, 2007 - 2:00 P.M.  
P-0287-07 (DV) CAMERAS AND DIGITAL PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT WITH INSTALLATION  

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