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## RAPPIN' Tommy Wyatt "Methinks thou dost protest too much!"

When someone denies over and over again that they had not done what they were accused of, their denial seems to be overboard. And there is an old saying "Methinks thou dost protest too much." The statement is meant to say that when someone denies over and over again that they are not guilty of an issue that they have been charged with; you give the impression that you are guilty.

That is the impression that many Americans had last week when Judge Brett Kavanaugh gave a forty-five minute denying the statement of Dr. Ford who came before the Senatorial Committee who is interviewing Kavanaugh for a position on the Supreme Court. Ford was not given the opportunity to make an opening statement, and could only answer the questions posed by committee members. At the same time the committee members were given enough time to ask only about five questions each.

Judge Kavanaugh refused to answer questions directly and used his time giving the questions back to the committee members. His actions were so unbelievable that at the end of the meeting on Senator said that he would not vote on this nomination until there was an FBI investigation of the charges of sexual misconduct on the part of Kavanaugh. The investigation has to be completed in one week. We will have the results of the investigation next week.

Kavanaugh is seeking a lifetime appointment to the United States Supreme Court. It is necessary that we make sure that all charges against him are investigated and that he is truthful about the matters.

## Texas' First Black Football Letterman Whittier Has Died



In this Dec. 16, 2005 photo, Dallas attorney and former Texas football player Julius Whittier holds a newspaper clipping from 1971 featuring Whittier with teammates Bruce Cannon, Greg Dahlberg, and coach Darrell Royal in Dallas. (Tim Sharp/Austin American-Statesman via AP)

By **Jim Vertuno** | AP Sports Writer

(The AP) - Julius Whittier once remarked that attending the University of Texas and playing football opened up a larger world for him. It could be said Whittier helped open the university to the world.

Whittier was the Longhorns' first African-American letterman, making his debut in 1970, one season after Texas fielded the last all-White national championship team in the history of college football. He starred for two seasons at guard before switching to tight end as a senior in 1972, a season in which he caught every touchdown pass the Longhorns threw.

"And I caught it in the (Texas) A&M game," he said in the 2007 book "What It Means to be a Longhorn." "We had one touchdown pass the entire year."

Whittier died Sept. 25 at age 68, the school announced Sept. 27. No cause of death was given, but Whittier had been battling Alzheimer's disease. In 2014, his family sued the NCAA on behalf of college players who suffered brain injuries. The case is still pending.

The school's Board of Regents dropped its ban on Black players in 1963 but integration was painful. See **CULTURE**, page 2

## OLCAAAAC HOST "PICNIC IN THE PARK"



(AUSTIN, TX) - The Original L.C. Anderson Alumni Association Chapter (OLCAAAAC) held their annual "Picnic in the Park" at Rosewood Park Pavilion, Saturday September 29th. Members and guest enjoyed barbecue and a variety of side dishes. "Oldies but Goodies" music was played by DJ Rick Blakey. Photo by Melvin Scott.

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## Truth Racial Healing Transformation



Dr. Gail Christopher

PLEASE JOIN US for the free *Austin Health Commons - Truth, Racial Healing, Transformation* seminar with Gail Christopher, ND on October 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, from 10a - 4pm at Huston Tillotson University.

Austin Health Commons (AHC) is a non-profit organization that cultivates root cause community healing through a process called Truth, Racial Healing, Transformation developed by Dr Gail Christopher.

The Austin Health Commons shifts ownership of health back to communities and those of us who live in our communities. Our model was borrowed from the Food Commons and Commons Health, developed by Jamie Harvie

AHC will own Karisha Community's prototype center in Central East Austin and will serve as a steward of Conscious Health Care, our new paradigm for health and healing.

For more information, visit <http://karisha.org/austin-health-commons/>