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RAPPIN'
Tommy Wyatt

Honoring
People's
Forum's
President,
Mae Leonard!

Our community has many people who are working on behalf of the community. We often hear that we have no leaders. But, the fact of the matter is that we have many leaders in many areas. One such person is Ms. Mae Leonard, President of the People's Forum. She has been working on issues in this community for as long as I can remember.

For most of that time, she worked with others who were working on a number of causes. She worked on political issues, police issues and community improvements. She later joined the People's Forum and eventually became its leader.

During the Forum observation of Black History Month, they will be honoring Leonard. The event will be to acknowledge and celebrate the many contributions made for and to the City of Austin and its citizens.

The event will be held February 18, from 10 - 11 am at the Austin Community College Eastview Campus, 3401 Webberville road. The public is invited to share in this event.

While others complain about the status of things in the community, Mae Leonard works on solutions. It is not uncommon for her to invite people from all levels of government to come before her group to explain their actions and consider the People's Forum point of views.

Mae Leonard is among those many unsung heroes who go almost unnoticed in the community as they work on our behalf. And although, she gets around with the help of a walker, that does not seem to slow her down. Mae Leonard is much deserving of this acknowledgement. She earned it.

Bernice Hart Leaves a Rich Legacy in Education



Bernice Hart

For former teacher, counselor and Austin school board President Bernice Hart, education was not only her job, loved ones said, it was her passion.

An outspoken woman remembered as at once tenacious and soft-hearted, Hart worked on campuses for 35 years and served on the Austin school board for more than a decade, holding all officer positions, including two terms as secretary, one term as vice president and a final term as president.

She was a trailblazer and a champion for young people, said state Rep. Dawnna Dukes, D-Austin. She added that Hart was "a true testament to working tirelessly to ensure that the best quality of education would be available to every child regardless of the color of their skin or their financial means."

Hart grew up in East Austin and earned a bachelor's degree in education at what is now Huston-Tillotson University. She

earned a master's degree from the University of Texas, becoming one of the few black female graduates at the time.

She retired as head counselor at LBJ High School in 1982 and ran for the school board that fall, after she was persuaded by her colleagues in the Austin Association of Teachers.

Hart won in a runoff with almost 54 percent of the vote and served on the board until retiring in 1993. One of her biggest contributions as a trustee was her proposal to return the district to a tradition of neighborhood schools, said Nan Clayton, a former trustee who served with Hart for 10 years.

Before 1987, elementary school students were bused to integrate schools across the district, but Hart pushed for better schools in all neighborhoods so young children would not have to be bused across the city, Clayton said.

Hart Elementary School in Northeast Austin was named in her honor in 1998. Adrian Rhae Fowler, a close friend of Hart's family and one of Hart's former pupils, said she remembered her as an excellent teacher whose high expectations pushed her students to work harder.

Hart died January 26, 2012 of natural causes. She was 91.

GM Names New Vice President For Customer Experience



Alicia Boler-Davis

DETROIT—Alicia Boler-Davis was appointed Tuesday to U.S. vice president, Customer Experience, responsible for leading General Motors' effort to make the customer experience a key driver for repeat purchases of Chevrolet, Buick, GMC and Cadillac products and services.

Boler-Davis, whose appointment is effective immediately, will report to GM North America President Mark Reuss.

Boler-Davis, currently plant manager, Orion Assembly and Pontiac Stamping, replaces Paul Copes, who was appointed to the newly created position in 2011. Copes will assume leadership of GM Customer Care and Aftersales Global SAP project, a key enabler to achieving world-class customer service.

"The breakthrough change that Alicia led as plant

manager at Orion Assembly, while launching the all-new Chevy Sonic and Buick Verano, needs to be brought to our customer experience," said Reuss. "What I admire about her is her candor with leaders and strength of commitment she engenders among her team."

Boler-Davis started her GM career in 1994 and has served in various engineering leadership positions including Vehicle Line Director/Vehicle Chief Engineer, Small Car; Plant Manager for both Lansing Consolidated Operations and Arlington Assembly. She earned a bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering from Northwestern University and a master's degree in Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

General Motors Co. (NYSE:GM, TSX:GMM) and its partners produce vehicles in 30 countries, and the company has leadership positions in the world's largest and fastest-growing automotive markets. GM's brands include Chevrolet and Cadillac, as well as Baojun, Buick, GMC, Holden, Isuzu, Jiefang, Opel, Vauxhall and Wuling. More information on the company and its subsidiaries, including OnStar, a global leader in vehicle safety, security and information services, can be found at <http://www.gm.com>.

East Side Optical Opens on E.11th Street



Marcus C. Jones, owner and partner in new business on East 11th Photo by Angela Wyatt

By Angela Wyatt

Look out Austin, there is a new business in town. East Side Optical better known as ESO and its owners, Marcus C. Jones and Bradley R. Saucedo have a new home located at 1050 E. 11th Street. ESO is a family owned and operated business, with over 46 years of experience Jones and Saucedo have ventured out to start their own business together.

Before both began their careers as opticians, Jones was a former buyer and designed custom frames. Formerly Jones was

a musician, he played the cello, a lead singer for Don Marjon and opened up concerts for Kool & The Gang and many other artist. Saucedo was a model for DRJ Productions.

Both are natives to Austin and grew up residing in East Austin, they have seen first-hand the negative and positive of the area, a reason why they felt deeply about building ESO in this community is, they wanted to take a chance in the area of Austin where most private businesses would not think twice about coming. There are many minority owned business and shops, such as Barbershops,

Beauty salons and Restaurants, with ESO it brings more opportunity and adds to the variety of businesses. "We want to inspire youth and community, to dream big and you will achieve it and give them hope, I want to start our enterprise here because, I see the development and I want to be apart of the movement to better and improve this location, East Austin holds riches and so much promise and I want to be involved with the economic growth." Says, Jones.

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George Lucas To Receive Prestigious NAACP Vanguard Award During Live Broadcast of "43rd NAACP Image Awards"

UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. – Academy Award-winning director, filmmaker, and executive producer George Lucas will be honored with the prestigious NAACP Vanguard Award Presented by UAW/Chrysler at the "43rd NAACP Image Awards," broadcast live from Los Angeles' historic Shrine Auditorium on Friday, February 17 (8-10 PM ET live/PT tape-delayed) on NBC.

In addition, some of the biggest names in film, television and music are scheduled to be part of the two-hour live special, including Samuel L. Jackson, LL Cool J, Vanessa Williams, Cicely Tyson, Diahann Carroll, Archie Panjabi and Hill Harper with incredible performances by Lenny Kravitz and Jill Scott.

The Vanguard Award is presented to a person whose groundbreaking work increases understanding and awareness of racial and social issues. Previous honorees include Wyclef Jean, Tyler Perry, Russell Simmons, Aretha Franklin, Prince, Stanley Kramer and Steven Spielberg.

Lucas' devotion to timeless storytelling and cutting-edge innovation has resulted in some of the most successful and beloved films of all time.



George Lucas was Executive Producer of "Red Tails"

The creator of "Star Wars" and "Indiana Jones," Lucas has given birth to characters who have entertained and inspired generations of filmgoers and become bedrocks of worldwide popular culture. Lucas has directed or produced such memorable films as "THX 1138," "American Graffiti," "Willow," and "Tucker: A Man and His Dream." His independent production company, Lucasfilm Ltd., has garnered over 100 Academy Award nominations and more than 40 Oscars and special achievement awards. Today, Lucas is executive producer of the popular animated television series "Star Wars: The Clone Wars" and he served as executive producer on "Red Tails," a new film inspired by the historic and heroic exploits of America's first all-black aerial combat unit.

As previously announced, TV One Founder and President Cathy Hughes

will receive the NAACP Chairman's Award.

The awards event is a production of Vicangelo Films. The executive producer is Vicangelo Bulluck.

The NAACP Image Awards is the premier multicultural awards show. It celebrates the accomplishments of people of color in the fields of television, music, literature and film, and also honors individuals or groups who promote social justice through creative endeavors. Event sponsors include UAW/Chrysler, AARP, FedEx, Hyundai, Wells Fargo, Ford Motor Company, Walgreens, Bank of America, AT&T, American Airlines and Cadillac.

Founded in 1909, the NAACP is the nation's oldest and largest civil rights organization. Its members throughout the United States and the world are the premier advocates for civil rights in their communities, conducting voter mobilization and monitoring equal opportunity in the public and private sectors. For more information on the NAACP Image Awards, please visit www.naacpimageawards.net.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2012

Thurgood Marshall - American Revolutionary



Supreme Court Justice
Thurgood Marshall

Thurgood Marshall was an American jurist and the first African American to serve on the Supreme Court of the United States. Before becoming a judge, he was a lawyer who was best remembered for his high success rate in arguing before the Supreme Court and for the victory in *Brown v. Board of Education*. He was nominated to the court by President Lyndon Johnson in 1967.

(Born July 2, 1908, Baltimore, Maryland, U.S.—died January 24, 1993, Bethesda) lawyer, civil rights activist, and associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States (1967–91), the first African American member of the Supreme Court. As an attorney, he successfully argued before the U.S. Supreme Court the case of *Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka* (1954), which declared unconstitutional racial segregation in American public schools.

Marshall was the son of William Canfield Marshall, a railroad porter and a steward at an all-white country club, and Norma Williams



A young Thurgood Marshall (l) receiving one of his many awards.

Marshall, an elementary school teacher. He graduated with honours from Lincoln University (Pennsylvania) in 1930. After being rejected by the University of Maryland Law School because he was not white, Marshall attended Howard University Law School; he received his degree in 1933, ranking first in his class. At Howard he was the protégé of Charles Hamilton Houston, who encouraged Marshall and other law students to view the law as a vehicle for social change.

Upon his graduation from Howard, Marshall began the private practice of law in Baltimore. Among his

first legal victories was *Murray v. Pearson* (1935), in which Marshall successfully sued the University of Maryland for denying an African American applicant admission to its law school simply on the basis of race. In 1936 Marshall became a staff lawyer under Houston for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP); in 1938 he became the lead chair in the legal office of the NAACP, and two years later he was named chief of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund.

Throughout the 1940s and '50s Marshall distinguished himself as one of the

country's top lawyers, winning 29 of the 32 cases that he argued before the U.S. Supreme Court. Among them were cases in which the court declared unconstitutional a Southern state's exclusion of African American voters from primary elections (*Smith v. Allwright* [1944]), state judicial enforcement of racial "restrictive covenants" in housing (*Shelley v. Kraemer* [1948]), and "separate but equal" facilities for African American professionals and graduate students in state universities (*Sweatt v. Painter* (Texas) and *McLaurin v. Oklahoma State Regents* [both 1950]). Without a doubt, however, it was

his victory before the Supreme Court in *Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka* that established his reputation as a formidable and creative legal opponent and an advocate of social change. Indeed, students of constitutional law still examine the oral arguments of the case and the ultimate decision of the court from both a legal and a political perspective; legally, Marshall argued that segregation in public education produced unequal schools for African Americans and whites (a key element in the strategy to have the court overrule the "separate but equal" doctrine established in *Plessy v. Ferguson* [1896]), but it was Marshall's reliance on psychological, sociological, and historical data that presumably sensitized the court to the deleterious effects of institutionalized segregation on the self-image, social worth, and social progress of African American children.

In September 1961 Marshall was nominated to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit by President John F. Kennedy, but opposition from Southern senators delayed his confirmation for several months. President Lyndon B. Johnson named Marshall U.S. solicitor general in July 1965 and nominated him to the Supreme Court on June 13, 1967; Marshall's appointment to the Supreme Court was confirmed (69–11) by the U.S. Senate on August 30, 1967.

During Marshall's tenure on the Supreme Court, he was a steadfast liberal, stressing the need for equitable and

just treatment of the country's minorities by the state and federal governments. A pragmatic judicial activist, he was committed to making the U.S. Constitution work; most illustrative of his approach was his attempt to fashion a "sliding scale" interpretation of the Fourteenth Amendment's equal protection clause that would weigh the objectives of the government against the nature and interests of the groups affected by the law. Marshall's sliding scale was never adopted by the Supreme Court, though in several major civil rights cases of the 1970s the court echoed Marshall's views. He was also adamantly opposed to capital punishment and generally favoured the rights of the national government over the rights of the states.

Marshall served on the Supreme Court as it underwent a period of major ideological change. In his early years on the bench, he fit comfortably among a liberal majority under the leadership of Chief Justice Earl Warren. As the years passed, however, many of his closest allies, including Warren, either retired or died in office, creating opportunities for Republican presidents to swing the pendulum of activism in a conservative direction. By the time he retired in 1991, he was known as "the Great Dissenter," one of the last remaining liberal members of a Supreme Court dominated by a conservative majority.

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Myra McDaniel Was The First African American Secretary of Texas

Myra McDaniel, the first African American secretary of state in Texas, made her job seem effortless, said the former governor who appointed her.

"She had a steadiness that was reassuring and a confidence based on her intellect," said Mark White, who selected her for the position in 1984.

"She always said 'We've got to see our opportunities as opportunities and not as burdens,'" said her husband, a professor of management at the University of Texas.

White said he chose McDaniel, a former assistant attorney general, to become secretary of state because he knew she could do the job.

"One of the nice things about Myra is that there were no surprises," White said. "She never complained and she commanded the respect of all those acquainted with her, not because she demanded it but because she earned it."

McDaniel Jr. said his wife was excited about being secretary of state because she wanted to increase voter participation. He said she gave as many talks as she could at schools. Myra McDaniel was



also a big fan of the UT women's basketball team for decades, said former UT basketball coach Jody Conradt.

McDaniel counseled athletes about their problems, encouraged them if they were interested in going into law and had them over to her house for dinner, Conradt said.

Texas Gov. Rick Perry issued a statement Thursday saying that McDaniel "personified the Texas tradition of dedication to her community, from editing her church newsletter all the way to serving as Texas Secretary of State."

McDaniel was a board member of many organizations, including St. Edward's University, Seton Hospital and the Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest. She also served as counsel for Austin Community College and out-

side counsel for Capital Metro. She became managing partner of the law firm, then known as Bickerstaff, Heath, Smiley, Pollan, Kever and McDaniel, in 1995.

"As a woman and an African American, you have a lot of pride in being able to say that you can do what everybody else does, that you didn't bump into the glass ceiling and that you have the opportunity to fully utilize your talents," McDaniel said in a 1995 interview with the *Austin American-Statesman*.

McDaniel grew up in Philadelphia. Her parents were separated and her mother, a clerk in a liquor store, raised McDaniel and her two siblings alone, said McDaniel's husband.

After she got a degree in English from the University of Pennsylvania, she worked as a management analyst for five years. She got married and had a son and a daughter before she entered the University of Texas School of Law in 1972, her husband said. McCaniels passed away in 2010 at the age of 77.

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John Chase was the first African American to Graduate from the of UT School of Architecture

John Saunders Chase was the first African-American licensed to practice architecture in the state of Texas and later was the first African American admitted to the Texas Society of Architects and the Houston Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA). Born in January of 1925 in Maryland, Chase earned a B.S. at Hampton University and in 1948 became the first African American to enroll and graduate from the University of Texas at Austin School of Architecture in 1952.

Chase co-founded the National Organization of Minority Architects (NOMA) along with 12 other black architects at the AIA convention in Detroit in 1971. When President Jimmy Carter appointed him in 1980, Chase became the first African American to serve on the United States Commission on Fine Arts. Projects designed by Chase's firm include: the GeorJohn Saunders Chase was the first African-American licensed to practice architecture in the state of Texas and later was the first African American admitted to the Texas Society of Architects and the Houston



John S. Chase designed Austin's David Chapel Church

Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA). Born in January of 1925 in Maryland, Chase earned a B.S. at Hampton University and in 1948 became the first African American to enroll and graduate from the University of Texas at Austin School of Architecture in 1952. ge R. Brown Convention Center, the Washington Technical Institute, Links, Inc. National Headquarters, Delta Sigma Theta National Headquarters, the Harris County Astrodome Renovation, the Thurgood Marshall School of Law and Martin Luther King, Jr. School of Humanities at Texas Southern University. Chase was also awarded a commission to design the United States

Embassy in Tunis, Tunisia, a fifty million dollar complex.

Chase was elected to the AIA College of Fellows, was awarded the AIA Whitney M. Young Citation, and was the recipient of the NOMA Design for Excellence Award for four consecutive years. He received the commendation for Meritorious Service by the Houston Independent School District and the Honor Award for Architectural Excellence in School Design by the Texas Association of School Boards for the design of the Booker T. Washington High School. He and his wife Drucie live in Houston, TX and remain active members of HNOMA.

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lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your hearts and share with me. God wanted me now. **He set me free.**

If love could have saved you, you wouldn't have died. From your sister, Dometra "Bones" Savannah,
Love you and miss you.

What's Going on in February



Deria Good
Dailey Middle School

Dailey's Middle School band is having a fundraiser to help with the end of year

band trips. The items range from \$6 to \$12. There are different items for sell, like chocolate candies, gummy bears and peanuts. There are also items for the home, like salad bowls and memo pads.

The Valentines dance will be February 10th from 6 pm to 8 pm. The cost is \$5 or 5 Dailey dollars. The dance will be held in the cafeteria. February 6th through the 10th is Counselor's Appreciation Week. Until next time, go Timberwolves!

St. Valentines Day



Adam Gordon
LBJ High School

St. Valentines Day is a day to celebrate and spend money on your honey. Actually, it is the date of February 14th set aside to show your love for a special person.

Valentines day is celebrated in all parts of the world in different ways. Most people buy cards, flowers and other gifts to show a sign of love and admiration.

In some parts of the world and cultures it is looked upon as a christian holiday. Valentines Day, it's a day to celebrate your love! Americans celebrate this day more than any other holiday besides Christmas, and in one week we spend more money than many countries spend in a year.

In my opinion, we should love and show our love every day with kindness. It would be cheaper!

Basketball season coming to an end



Destini Gorrer
LBJ High School

Basketball season is coming to an end. Our last home game as well as last District game is this Tuesday, February 7th against Regan. We've already been awarded the District Championship title and received the trophy.

Friday, February 10th is set aside for any schools that are tied

for any place in their district. Being that we're coming out of our district in 1st place, we play the 4th place team from another district. As of now, we're looking to play either Marble Falls or Vandergrift in the first round of our play-offs. We've already defeated Vandergrift in a tournament, but that means nothing. I'm more than sure they're worked hard and have improved since then.

You have to win three games to advance to the next round which is held in San Antonio. Once you win in San Antonio, you then advance to the final round at the Frank Erwin Center. We're working hard to reach the Frank Erwin Center and achieve the state title.

Valentines Day Excitement!



Olivia Smith
Lockhart H.S.

Valentines Day is certainly not a holiday, but it is still celebrated. For Valentines

Day, our school is celebrating it, by giving students the choice of sending valentine cards with a photo of yourself with a piece of candy attached to it. Valentines Day is a day to really display the love and affection that you have for someone. I always tend to eat a lot of candy during this time. Especially, the chocolate that is inside the heart shaped candy boxes. I hope everyone has a splendid Valentines Day!

Honor Roll Assembly and Science Fair



Tierra Good
Hornshy-Dunlap Elementary

On Friday, January 27th, we had our 5th grade honor roll assembly. I'm happy to say that I received "A" Honor Roll. There were 13 "A" Honor Rolls. Out of the 13, only 2 were boys, so that was a good representation for the girls.

On February 2nd, we had our science fair. My partner and I did an experiment to test which paper towel brand was the strongest. We tested Viva and Brawny. We put 150 pennies on a wet paper towel to see which

was the strongest and we came to the conclusion that Brawny was the strongest.

We did not win at the science fair, but it was a fun project. Participating in the science fair is another thing that must be completed before being able to go to Sea World at the end of the year.

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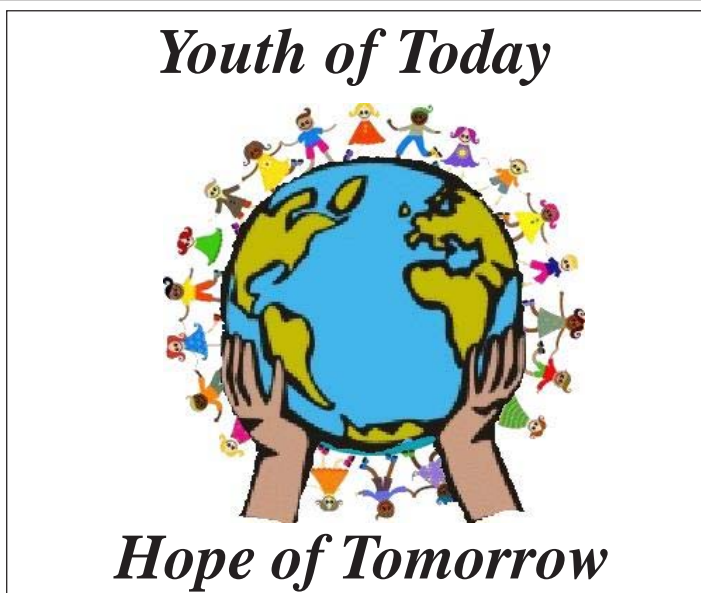
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Jaquarry Wilson
Del Valle High School

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I am a proud African American, so learning the history of my ancestors pleases me greatly! Also, Del Valle High School students and staff have organized a plethora of different activities to take place during Black History Month. The most anticipated, a show, sort of like a talent show that will feature many performances.

The types of performances will be singing, dancing, reciting speeches, sharing poems, and much more. There is also this drawing that will be going on weekly. Students will be asked a question at the beginning of the week about a specific person significant to African American culture or a specific group of people.

The students have until the end of the week to place their guess. Their name will be drawn and whosever name is drawn will be given a prize. Black History Month is guaranteed to be full of excitement!

Black history month is not just the shortest month of the year, it is filled with significance! Here in the United States, we celebrate Black History Month in the cold winter month of February. Where as in other countries, such as the United Kingdom, celebrate Black History Month in the month of October.

Black History Month was first known as Negro History Week in 1926 by the widely known historian Carter G. Woodson. During the month of Black History, the histories of accomplishments by African Americans are taught to

February Fashion



Marshay Hatcher
Pflugerville High School

It's finally February, and the Pflugerville Panthers are falling in love with fashion.

Senior Prom will be in a few months, but it is important to start early planning for the big event.

Our Prom Fashion Show tickets are be-

ing sold, \$5 pre-sale, and \$8 at the door. The theme for the fashion show will be "Mad Hatters".

We will see many beautiful dresses and handsome tuxedos coming down the runway, to help give prom goers some ideas of what to wear for the big night.

So come out this Saturday at 7pm to the Pflugerville High School Fine Arts Center to help celebrate and support our Seniors.

Panthers will have more events coming soon to our Panther Celebration, for our Seniors.

Rising Six Graders



Jaylon Knighten
Dailey Middle School

Fifth graders from Hornsby, Gilbert and Hillcrest came to visit Dailey Middle School on Thursday

Feb 2 to check out their new school for their six grade year. The Honor band students played a couple songs for them. Dailey Band students have started another fundraiser that will end on Feb 17th. This fundraiser is to help pay for the cost of repairing equipment and to go toward our year end trip that we are planning. I hope everyone does well and we raise enough money. Friday Feb. 10th Dailey will be having our Valentine Dance in the school cafeteria. It will be a huge hit.

Pfree PFebruary Pfridays



Darius Hatcher
Pflugerville Middle School

Looking for something to do on Friday? The Pflugerville Recreation Center is offering free admission on each Friday evening in February from 5pm-9pm. The recreation center has basketball in the gymnasium, billiards, ping pong, and air hockey in the game room.

The Pflugerville Recreation Center has a new gaming system, the NEOS, an electronic

game that is a "must play" challenge for family and friends. NEOS is an electronic playground game for the whole body, and everybody. Nine exciting games, three skill levels, it is technology with an aerobic twist.

Four sleek towers house flashing lights, music and sound effects. Players run back and forth, racing the clock and each other to slap the blinking lights.

Each game presents a different set of challenges. Each game strengthens the mind, challenges the body. It encourages memory retention, hand-eye coordination, physical strength and endurance.

Come join the free play, refreshments, and fun on Fridays at 400 Immanuel Road, Pflugerville, TX 78691.

SCHOOL IS ALREADY GONE - BASICALLY!!



Dezhia Gorrer
Clint Small Middle School

I remember when I was excited to become an eighth grader, then later in the year school got boring and I couldn't wait for high school. Now that I see how fast the school year has gone by, I wish it would go back a little more time because the TASKS test is right around the corner.

I feel we haven't learned everything we need to learn to prepare for the big test. We take many test and do a ton of

projects, but I think we should taken more notes so we can actually look back and see what we were trying to explain or something.

I am kind of ready to become a freshman, but at the same time I'm not. People always will tell me becoming a freshman is just like middle school all over, being in the sixth grade just having many more people in your school.

I hope high school prepares me for college, because I really want to get somewhere in life. I like high school because the sports are longer, have more friends, and you have more freedom!

I will be attending Austin High School. HIGH SCHOOL, READY OR NOT, HERE I COME!!!

Now Track and Field Starts



Tori Smith,
Lockhart Junior High School

Last Monday was the last Lockhart Junior High basketball game. The Lockhart seventh grade girls b-team beat Simon Wolverines 30 to 0, it was a great game. Now

Track and Field is starting .

There are a bunch of events you can choose from. 100m dash to the (mile and half)2400m races, including the most exciting race the relay race. Also there are field events too- Discus, Shotput, Long Jump, Triple Jump, and more.

What is cool about a track meet is facing not only your school, but other schools coming to that stadium. Also, recently, we took our practice STARR test for the Reading and 2 Writing and it rained on one of those days. But, now we have to make up that day this month. Well that is all for now, see you all next week.

Food for Fines in February



Adrian Jackson 9th grade
Pflugerville High School

Pflugerville Community Library has a great event for all those book lovers with li-

brary book fines. Starting January 29th through March 4th library card holders will be able to clear up there library fines by donating non-perishable food items.

Each canned good or packaged food item donated clears \$1 dollar in fines. Donations benefit local food pantries in the community. Donations can be dropped off during operating hours, at the Pflugerville Community Library, located at 102 Tenth St., Pflugerville, Tx. 78660.

February is African American History Month



Tayla Terry
LBJ High School

This week I report to you about Black History Month 2012. Mr. Carter G. Woodson organized Black History Month. The first organization of this celebration was observed as Negro History Week in 1925. This event was to celebrate and recognize African Americans for their attributes and accomplishments that were not known to society.

Mr. Woodson's goal was to raise awareness of African American's contributions to civilization. The organization was known as the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History. Carter

G. Woodson's knowledge and insight has awakened the nation!

His actions have expanded our horizons as a culture. The results of his efforts are fact and proven. We now have the first African American President of the United States.

Our struggles and effort stretched all the way to the top. The nation, states and cities observe and respect this month. I am proud to be a part of this culture.

I look forward to learning more about this history. The theme for Black History Month 2012 is "Black Women in American Culture and History". Remember to always appreciate an African American Woman, their struggles are on the inside and on the outside. I love and respect my mother, grandmothers, aunts and all the ladies at my church, neighborhood and school.

Remember kids and adults, stay off drugs and stay in school. Peace Out,

Pflugerville Reads One Book



Adrian Jackson
Pflugerville High School

Pflugerville Reads is a community wide event to foster literacy, build a sense of community, and enrich the cultural

life of Pflugerville residents of all ages. Literary events in the community strengthen literacy practices by encouraging all ages to read and share together and to become lifelong learners by, reading for entertainment.

We are all going to read the same book. January 28-February 29 we will read The Wonderful Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum. Activities include book discussions, story times, storm chasers, and activities for all ages.

Copies of The Wizard of Oz, including the Wicked adaptation and children's versions in English, Spanish, and Chinese will be released into the community. Take one, read it, and then share it.

Benchmark Testing

Will Purcell
New Manor Tech HS

Last week was benchmark testing for Manor New Tech High. The benchmark testing was to prepare the students for the TAKS test. For Juniors the benchmark testing order was, reading, science, history, and math. Overall the testing made my week stressful. The class schedule changed due to testing. The schedule would be 3rd period, 4th period, and 5th period. The next day would be 3rd period, 1st period, and 2nd pe-

riod. I would say the hardest benchmark was the math. I received my results on the science benchmark. I passed it. For the most part, the tests were very stressful. The Seniors were the only ones who didn't have to take benchmarks. Testing was on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Overall I feel confident that I passed all of my benchmarks. I am very happy that testing is over so I can get back to my regular schedule and pass the TAKS.

SPORTS

Pflugerville Girls Defeat Georgetown Eagles for District Title



By: Terry Davis

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The Pflugerville Panthers (36-0, 11-0 in District 16-5A) defeated their cross town rivals the Georgetown Eagles (25-4, 9-2 in District 16-5A) 52-30. Both losses by the Eagles have been to Pflugerville. The win by the Panthers gives them the 15-A District Championship.

The Panthers' defense was the story line of the night. The Panthers only allowed the Eagles to score double digits points in only one quarter for the entire game. Two steals by Taylor Ross led directly to two breakaway layups for the Panthers. Panthers head coach Nancy Walling said, "We can hit them (three pointers), but it is not something I want to live by. Our defense is going to lead to our offense and the kids were focused and did a good job of that tonight."

Nancy Walling on keeping her team focused, "This kind of game it was not hard, because they knew it was for a district championship.

Georgetown and



Taylor Ross leads the point for the Pflugerville Panthers. Photo by Terry Davis

Pflugerville have been rivals for a long time. They got the best of us last year so we try to get a win or two back from them in the other games we try to give them some goals and help them stay grounded."

The Panthers would also keep the Eagles off balance with great outside shooting. The Panthers scored eight three baskets on the night. The Panthers were led by Ari Booth and

Jasmyn Booker both scored 13 points. The undefeated Panthers are top-ranked in the state polls and are ranked 14th by the USA Today national poll.

Walling continued, "When you beat a quality team like Georgetown, you feel pretty good about the win. It was a great defensive effort on our part and fortunately we were putting in the threes otherwise it would have been a different game."

VILLAGER SPOTLIGHT Baseball Hall of Famer Willie Wells

By: Terry Davis

Willie James Wells was born in Austin, Texas on August 10, 1906. Wells was a shortstop for various teams from 1923 until 1948. Wells played for many teams for mainly teams in the Negro League. Wells first team he played for was the Austin Black Senators in 1923 for one season. The Senators were a minor team for the Negro National League.

Wells entered the Negro National League in 1924 for the St. Louis Stars. Wells would play for the Stars from 1924 until 1931 when the team was dissolved. In 1926 he hit 27 home runs, a Negro League single-season record. From 1932 to 1935 he was a player-manager for the Chicago American Giants. Wells was also a player-manager for the Newark Eagles from 1936 to 1939. Wells took particular pride in the success of Newark players Monte Irvin, Larry Doby, and Don Newcombe in the major leagues.

He played in Mexico in 1940 and 1941, returned to the Negro Leagues in 1942 as a player-manager for the Eagles and then went back to Mexico for the 1943 and 1944 seasons. In the 1940s Wells played in the Mexican league, where he again excelled and demonstrated that he was an outstanding player against



Willie Wells "El Diablo"

the white major leaguers.

He returned to the U.S. in 1945 and played for various Negro League teams through the 1950 season. He then went to Canada as a player-manager for the Winnipeg Buffaloes of the Western Canadian Leagues, remaining there until his retirement from playing baseball in 1954. Wells returned to the U.S. and continued with the sport as manager of the Birmingham Black Barons

Nicknamed El Diablo by Mexican fans for his extraordinary intensity, Wells was a superb all-around player. He was a fast base runner who hit for both power and average. Wells was at his best

with his glove. He rarely committed errors and had the speed to run down any baseball that came in his direction. He is widely considered the best black shortstop of his day. He also taught Jackie Robinson the art of the double play.

After his baseball career, Wells returned to his birthplace of Austin to look after his mother. He died at age 83 on January 22, 1989 in Austin. Wells was originally buried in Evergreen Cemetery in Austin, Texas, and was re-interred in the Texas State Cemetery in Austin.

He was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame by the Veterans Committee in 1997 for his play in the Negro Leagues.

Texas escapes with win over Texas A&M

By: Terry Davis

The Texas Longhorns (15-9, 5-6 Big 12) would face in state arch rival the Texas A & M Aggies (12-11, 3-8 Big 12) in The Long Star State Showdown in College Station. The Longhorns would escape with a 70-68 win. This would be the last time the Longhorns visit the Aggies as conference opponents. The Aggies will join the SEC in July.

This would be a game of runs and attrition. The Longhorns would start the game with early foul trouble. Senior Clint Chapman would pick up two early fouls and would have to return to the bench with 17:32 left in the first half.

Texas would go on an 11-0 run to go up on the Aggies 25-15 with 8:58 left in the half. The Aggies would answer with a 7-0 run of their own to cut the Horns' lead to 24-22 with 7:20 left in the half. Sheldon McClellan would score the next nine points for the Horns'. The Aggies would match McClellan points and Naji Hibbert jump shot would give the Aggies the lead at halftime 34-33.

The Horns' would go on a 6-0 to start the second half and take the lead at 39-34. Elston Turner's



Junior guard, J'Covan Brown shoots game-winning layup in the final minute.

three point shot would tie the game at 46 with 13:25 left in the game. Texas would go on a 9-0 run to go up 55-46 with 11:38, however during that run Alexis Wangmene would pick up his fourth personal foul with 12:11 left in the game.

Ray Turner's dunk with 9:32 would stop the Horns' run. Daniel Alexander would follow with a basket to make the score 55-50. Julien Lewis would spot a cutting Johnathan Holmes on the baseline and Holmes would make the layup and was fouled and he made the free throw to extend the lead back to eight at 58-50 with 8:15 left.

With 3:05 left Elston Turner shot a three point basket that would make it

64-62 Texas. The Horns would answer with 2:29 when Myck Kabongo's pass on the inside to McClellan for the layup and make it 66-62. Ray Turner would come through for the Aggies. He would tip a missed shot back up and he was fouled, converted the free throw and made the score 66-65 with 2:01 left. Elston Turner would give the Aggies the first lead since the start of the second half on two made free throws 67-66 Aggies.

The Longhorns would not be denied with 53.6 seconds left J'Covan Brown layup would give Texas the lead 68-67. Two additional free throws by Brown would give him 20 points in the game. With 14 seconds left the Aggies called timeout. Texas coach Rick Barnes instructed his team to foul and with 3.9 seconds left Kabongo would foul Elston Turner. E. Turner would make the first free throw and intentionally miss the second, but Texas would get the rebound and run the clock for the win.

The Longhorns return home to face the Kansas State Wildcats on Saturday February 11 at 1 pm CST on the ESPN. The Aggies will travel to Ames, Iowa to face the Iowa State Cyclones at 3 CST on the Big 12 Network.

Toros: Justin Dentmon Player of the Month, Thomas signs with the Hornets



Justin Dentmon is one of the best players in the D-League. Photo by Terry Davis

By: Terry Davis

Justin Dentmon of the Austin Toros was the player of the month of January for the Developmental League of the National Basketball Association.

Dentmon (6-0, 185, Washington) led Austin to a 9-3 record in January, averaging 23.9 points on 56

percent shooting to go with 5.9 assists and 4.9 rebounds in 38.3 minutes. He scored in double figures in 11 of the team's 12 games, twice recording a season-high 31 points (Jan. 6 vs. Texas and Jan. 15 at Reno). Dentmon was a 2010-11 All-NBA D-League Honorable

Mention and led Austin's leading scorer 10 times and led the Toros in assists in 11 games in January.

The Toros will have to adjust with the loss of a key player. Lance Thomas has signed a 10-day contract with the New Orleans Hornets of the NBA. Thomas was with the Hornets earlier this season in their pre-season training camp and was one of the cuts that were made by the Hornets.

This past weekend, the Toros spilt a pair of games with the Canton Charge. The Toros won the second of back to back games with the Charge. The win by the Toros ended a four game losing streak. That was the longest losing streak of the year for the Toros.

The Toros will play six additional games before returning home just before the All Star Break. The Toros head coach Brad Jones is looking to coach the West conference team in All Star game. Dentmon appears to be a lock for the game also if he is not called up by an NBA team, before the game. The Toros do not return to the Cedar Park Center until February 22 to face the Tulsa 66'ers.

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Danny Thomas For Re-Election

By Tsoke (Chuch) Adjavon

Danny Thomas is running for re-election in the Democratic party primaries. Danny Thomas is a husband, father, grandfather and a public servant. First of all, Incumbent Constable Danny Thomas worked as a police officer for Austin Police Department (APD); and then eventually served as an Austin city Council member for six years. After serving as an Austin city council member, he ran for the Precinct 1 Constable Office and won the race. Now, Danny Thomas is running for re-election and will face a challenger in this race.



**Constable
Danny Thomas**

mented a more effective internal processes and procedures to enhance professionalism and customer service within the Precinct 1 office. Furthermore, Incumbent Danny Thomas obtained additional resources for Precinct 1 to enhance internal operations to better serve the community and improve staff moral. Some of resource ob-

tained by the Incumbent Constable, include: additional deputies; new uniforms for staff; new vehicles; new computers and office equipment.

Moreover, the job duties of the Office of the Constable is to process and execute civil process from various courts, including forcible entry and detainers, writs of possession, citations, and executions issued from the justice of the peace courts. The constables also process and execute misdemeanor traffic and hot check warrants of arrest for Travis County justice of the peace courts as well as other municipalities and counties. They have a truancy program which contacts parents and initiates filings on juveniles who are absent from school. Moreover, Precinct 1 covers the majority of North-East Travis County, including the city of Manor.

As Constable of Precinct 1, Danny Thomas has actively participated in neighborhood National Out Night activities to enhance community relation while providing safety information. Incumbent Constable Danny Thomas has imple-

Local Candidates Speak to Texas for Accountable Government Group

By Tsoke (Chuch) Adjavon

On January 30, 2012, the Texas for Accountable Government held their monthly meeting in Austin. During their monthly meeting, the group Texas for Accountable Government heard from the various candidates running for office throughout Travis County and also outside. Some of the candidates that are running for political office in Travis County who spoke before the group, includes: Sheryl Cole (Austin City Council Member); John Sisson (challenger in the Sheriff Race); Charlie Baird (challenger running in the Travis County District Race); Michael Cargill (challenger in the Constable Precinct

II race); Dr. Laura Pressley (challenger in the Austin city Council Place 2 race); and Clay de Foe who is running for the Mayoral race. During the event, candidates like Charlie Baird spoke about making the office of the Travis County District Attorney more accountable to the people and also making sure police misconduct is sanctioned. For instance, the challenger Charlie Baird mentioned that the current District Attorney has failed bring police officer who engage in misconduct before the grand jury. John Sisson who is challenger in the Sheriff race, spoke against the current depor-

tations for nonviolent, noncriminal that is occurring under the current sheriff. Moreover, John Sisson mentioned that the current deportation policies is creating distrust between the immigration population and the various law enforcement departments. Moreover, Texans for Accountable Government (TAG) is a nonpartisan Political Action Committee headquartered in Central Texas. Our ambition is to put the reins of government back into the hands of individual American citizens; allowing us to once again run our own lives." In addition, TAG focuses on issues at the local, county, and state level.

Austin City Council

By Tsoke (Chuch) Adjavon

On February 9, 2012 the Austin city council will convene to hear, discuss, and vote on items. During the Austin city council, they will discuss on issue ranging from lawsuit against the city; fire department and police department issues; health and human issues; economic development issues; water management issues to zoning issues.

Moreover, their vote on certain issues tend to affect both the city residents and those who work in Austin. The first item of the Austin city council was to approve of the last session agenda. Also the Austin Housing Finance Corporation will meet on February 9, 2012.

The Austin city council seek to "authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to a legal services agreement with the law firm of Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., for legal services regarding the implementation of revised electric rates and any related proceedings before the Public Utility Commission of Texas, in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,450,000."

The Austin city council will seek to "set a

public hearing to consider an ordinance amending the electric rate schedule in Ordinance No. 20110912-007 to implement new Austin Energy electric rates. (Suggested date and time: March 1, 2012, 6:00 p.m. at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX)." Moreover, the increase of rates means that the city is trying to pass the cost of electric operation to the consumer.

The Austin city council seek to "approve an ordinance waiving certain fees for the Marathon Kids Austin Final Mile 2012 event which is to be held on Saturday, February 25, 2012 at Tony Burger Stadium. In addition, the Austin city council seek to "conduct a public hearing and approve an ordinance amending Chapter 25-2 of the Austin City Code by rezoning property locally known as 2200 Tillery Street (Boggy Creek Watershed, Tannehill Branch Watershed) from limited office-mixed use-neighborhood plan (LO-MU-NP) combining district zoning to general commercial services-mixed use-neighborhood plan (CS-MU-NP) combining district zoning."

Moreover, the rezoning of Tillery Street would

mean once again big developer would have the opportunity to build a mix of commercial and housing unit. Hopefully, the people of East Austin would not be priced out of the new housing development.

The Austin Housing Finance Corporation will meet on February 9, 2012. And the first item of business would be to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2011. Then the Austin city council will seek to "Approve a resolution appointing Humberto Lumberras as a Director on the Board of Directors for Arbors at Creekside Non-Profit Corporation, the Austin Inner-City Redevelopment Corporation, the Villas on Sixth Non-Profit Corporation, and the Austin Housing Finance Corporation Village on Little Texas Non-Profit Corporation, for unexpired terms due to expire on April 30, 2012."

Also, the Austin Housing Finance Corporation seek to "Approve a resolution authorizing the Austin Housing Finance Corporation treasurer to submit two grant applications to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, one for \$1,000,000 and the other for \$375,000, for the Texas Neighborhood Stabilization Program 1."

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Job# 1201025

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Job# 1201021

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AUSTIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT (ACC) is soliciting proposals from qualified vendors to provide **MENINGITIS IMMUNIZATION SERVICES Request for Proposals No. 948-12015AN**. Completed proposals must be submitted to the Purchasing Department by no later than Thursday, March 1, 2012 at 2:00 P.M., Central Time. Proposal packages are available on the ACC Purchasing website at <http://www.austincc.edu/purchase/>. In addition, the proposal documents will be available in the ACC Purchasing Office [(512) 223-1044] between the hours of 9 am and 4 pm, Monday through Friday. Proposals, when submitted, must be properly identified, sealed, and returned to the ACC Purchasing Office, ACC Service Center, 9101 Tuscany Way, Austin, Texas 78754, by the deadline for submission. Electronically transmitted responses will not be accepted. Late proposals will be retained unopened. ACC reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, in whole or in part, to waive informalities or technicalities, to clarify ambiguities, and to award items or groups of items as may be in the best interest of ACC.

CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN FEBRUARY!



CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY EVERY DAY!

East Side Optical Opens on E.11th Street From page 1

Sauceda has mutual feelings, and admires his East Austin community. "I remember growing up in the "BAD SIDE" of town, as times has passed, all the changes and improvements, I just want to be apart of the happening area, expansion, and bringing all races together." Says, Sauceda. Embrace, becoming engaged as our community evolves is a continuing fight and progress to keep improvement going.

East Side Optical differs from other companies that provide services like theirs because, at the end of the day logos are logos and business cards are business cards. What gives ESO their niche is



ESO owners (l to r) Marcus C. Jones and Bradley R. Sauceda. Photo by Angela Wyatt

will help you until you are satisfied and happy with your decision. Know that when you enter ESO, you are in a place where you will have the best experience possible, relaxed, calm, and have many laughs. After establishing and making a mark for ESO, Jones and Sauceda want to start a Science Academy for children and have optics be the main course.

Let's give ESO a warm welcome to East Austin, stop in today and see what they have to offer, I am a proud supporter of small and local owned businesses, Austin do your part and keep these type of professions in demand!

that they work closely with their clients, Jones and Sauceda offers people the best, no matter the financial or health circumstance, they educate the patient and let

them know up front that they matter and they have many choices when it comes to optical wear, they have the best selection and product on the market. The ESO staff

GREAT DEBATERS FILM SCHEDULED NEXT SATURDAY

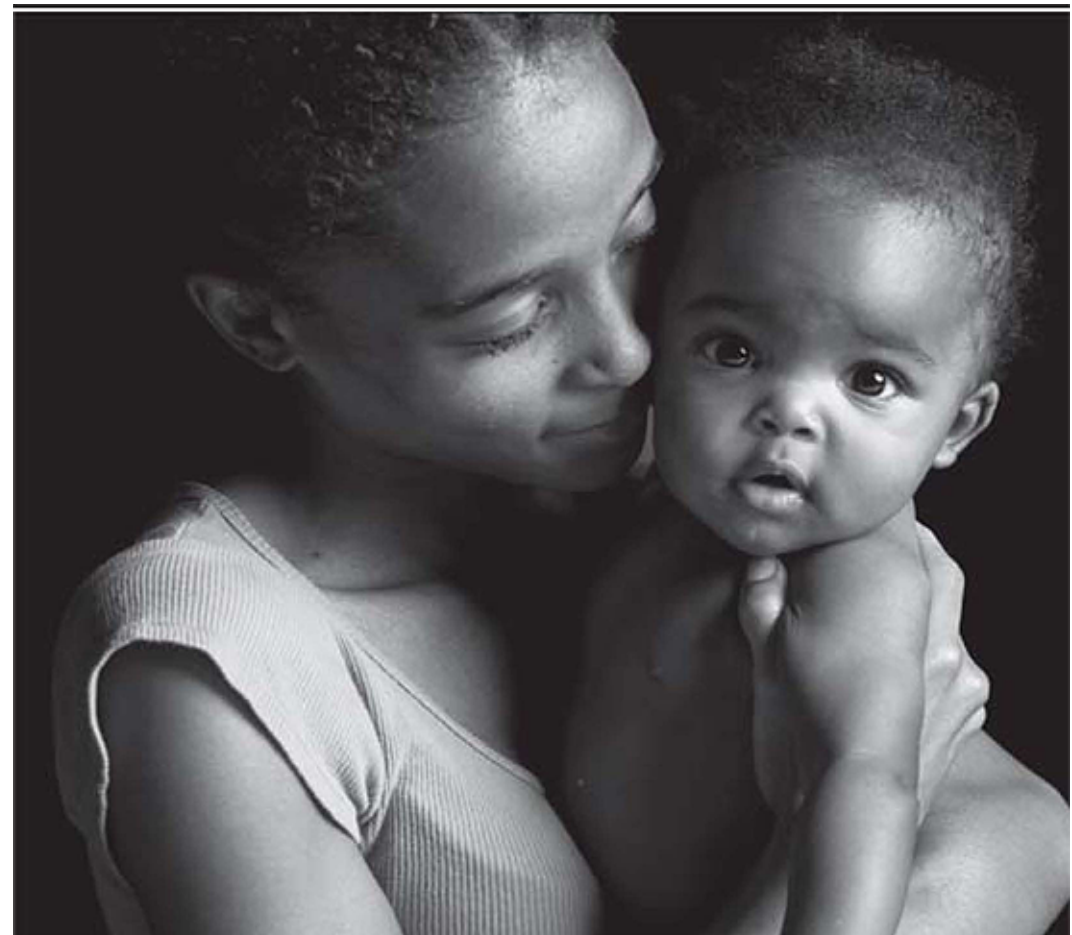
Renowned Texas South University Debate Coach to Lead Post-film discussion.

The Blackland Community Development Corporation, a local non-profit committed to affordable housing and host to a displacement research and journalism project funded by the Kellogg Foundation, will host a free Black History Month showing of the film *The Great Debaters*.

The evening will include a discussion led by famed Texas Southern University debate coach Dr. Thomas Freeman. Along with his TSU debate team, Freeman trained Academy Award-winning actor Denzel Washington and the cast for the movie.

This event begins at 6 p.m. on Saturday, February 11, at the Thompson Conference Center, 2405 Robert Dedman Drive (at the corner of Red River and Dean Keeton) on the University of Texas campus. Free parking is available in the large lot adjoining the Center.

Support for this screening comes from the BCDC, the University of Texas, Si Se Puede, and the Texas Black History Preservation Project.



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