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## On the Homefront:

The Ebony Fashion Fair, sponsored by Dallas Chapter of The Links, Inc., in benefit of Links Scholarships and Community Service Projects, features "The Changing Trends of Fashion" with 12 beautiful female and 2 handsome male models displaying designs by American and European designers. Held at The Music Hall at Fair Park, Dallas, March 10, at 5 p.m. Tickets start at \$20.00, and are available from Star Tickets/All Albertson's Outlets. Call 1 800.966.7469.

Plan to contribute to the 14th annual Taste of Plano, March 25, presented by the Plano Chamber of Commerce. To be held at Southfork Ranch, 3700 Hogge Road, from 5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. The event benefits PISD Outstanding Students Scholarships Awards Program and highlights the products and services of over 40 of the area's finest restaurants. Donations of goods, services or cash welcome. Contact Judy Cordell at 469.752.8014, or email jcordell@pisd.edu. Or visit the website at [www.tasteofplano.com](http://www.tasteofplano.com).

Quad C Theatre presents "Side Man", by Warren Leight, centered on jazz musicians, from their heyday after the war, through the decline of the big bands, through the rise of rock and roll, to the dark years of the seventies and eighties. March 7 - 9, at 8 p.m. Named Best New Play at the 1999 Tony Awards, and nominated for a Pulitzer Prize. Tickets are \$8 general admission, \$6 for students and Senior Citizens. Free admission with a donation of a large brand new (with the tags still on it) stuffed animal for Adam's Animals. Adult language and aggressive family situations. Call 972.881.5809.

Join the Easter Eggstravaganza at Warren Sports Complex, Frisco, March 16, 9 a.m. - noon. Egg hunt starts at 10:30 a.m. sharp. Bring baskets and cameras. There will be crafts and games, and a look at Frisco fashion in the 1940's with bonnet and tie contests. Located at 11225 Rogers Road.

The Cooper Clinic, Preston Road, Dallas, is conducting a study of post-menopausal women called "DREW" (Dose Response to Exercise in Women). Participants sign up for six months and will be allocated exercise hours per week in a study to determine the effects of differing amounts of exercise on cardiovascular risk factor. This is conducted in your own time, the Cooper Clinic exercise facility being open 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. weekdays, and Saturday mornings. There is also the potential to be paid. Call 972.341.3228 for details.

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## Voters to scrutinize nearly 100 primary candidates

By Anthony Jones

Before the March 12th Primary Election, Collin and North Dallas County voters in all four parties will have their hands full gathering information on the candidates for the U.S. House of Representatives in Districts 3, 5, 26 and 32.

### District 3:

U.S. Rep. Sam Johnson (R-District 3) said he is one of the few members in congress who has fought in combat, and because of that, he serves as an informal advisor on military readiness issues.

Dubbed a "Top Texan" by USA Today, Johnson is the highest-ranking Texan on both the prestigious Ways & Means Committee and the Committee on Education and the Workforce. On these committees, he is able to influence the key issues of economic security, health care and improving our children's education. As one of a few Members of Congress, who has fought in combat, Johnson serves as an informal advisor on military readiness issues.

He has consistently advocated smarter government, lower taxes, cutting wasteful spending, and pushing for a simpler, fairer tax system.

As the incumbent in this race, Johnson serves on the Education Committee, and works "to return control of education to parents, teachers, and local school boards where it belongs." Johnson chairs the

Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.

Republican contender for the District 3 House seat, Thomas "Tom" Caiazzo, announced his candidacy last summer in defiance of "experts" who claimed "it is impossible for me to wage a winning campaign against a career politician who is also a long-time incumbent."



Thomas "Tom" Caiazzo

"Well, it's only impossible if you don't believe in the 'American Dream,'" Caiazzo said. "It's only impossible if you don't participate in a campaign. It's only impossible if you don't vote."

Caiazzo explained Congressional District 3 deserves a Republican leader who represents all the people, "not a career politician whose voice is heard only around re-election time."

Candidate Caiazzo is a member of the Collin County Republican Men's Club and the Knights of Columbus. Caiazzo has served as a Collin County Community College government instructor for seven years. His dissertation was on Party

Politics and the U.S. Presidency. His area of research and expertise include American Politics, International Relations, Comparative Politics, Political Theory, and Urban Politics. Caiazzo is 35 years old, and he and his wife, Janet, announced their first child born in December 2001, Dante Philip-Thomas Caiazzo, who weighed 9 pounds 13 ounces.

Congressional candidate Manuel E. "Manny" Molera, Jr. from McKinney, declared himself "A new leader for a new Time." Molera, a 40-year-old native of Nogales, AZ, has lived in McKinney since 1993. He is the human resources director for Nortel Networks, a telecommunications equipment manufacturer, at its U.S. headquarters in Richardson.

Molera announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the District 3 U.S. House seat in 2002, saying he will focus his campaign on securing a responsible prosperity for all Americans through a philosophy he calls "progressive capitalism."

Molera supports strengthening and protecting public education, ensuring the availability of quality healthcare for all Americans, development of new energy sources to reduce reliance on foreign oil, and a commitment to keeping America's military the best trained and equipped force in the world.

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## Candidates reach out to voters in their bids for Texas legislature

Anthony Jones

As early voting in Dallas and Collin counties enters its third week and winds down to the Tuesday March 12th Primary Election, voters are finding more candidates and more of a selection on the ballot.

In the Texas Senate District 8 race, incumbent Florence Shapiro is running unopposed on the Republican ballot. Shapiro was first elected to the senate on Jan. 12,



Florence Shapiro

1993, and has been re-elected three times.

Shapiro chairs the Senate State Affairs Committee, and is a member of the Education, Intergovernmental Relations and Redistricting Committees. She also serves on the Legislative Budget Board and Legislative Audit Committee.

According to Shapiro, he most notable work this session was passage of landmark legislation creating the "Texas Mobility Fund." To improve the safety of our roadways, Shapiro also succeeded in passing legislation to increase enforcement of unsafe trucks.

Shapiro also led the effort to require a doctor to notify a parent 48 hours prior to performing an abortion on a minor daughter. Another career-defining piece of work was a comprehensive package of bills known as "Ashley's Laws." These laws, which passed in 1995 and 1997, have improved the way our state adjudicates, punishes and tracks sex offenders.

In the District 30 Texas Senate race there are two Republican candidates, incumbent Craig Estes of Wichita Falls and his contender on the Republican ballot, Dave Deison of Weatherford.

Estes was selected to fill the unexpired term of Texas Sen. Tom Haywood in December and pledged to work his hardest to represent each and every person in Senate District 30.

"I've adopted the phrase: 'Why must government be a substitute for common sense?'" Estes said. "It places my entire ideology into context. If elected, it will be my barometer for support or opposition of any legislation put before the Texas Senate - be it education, the budget, agricultural policy or tort reform."

Estes' view is that government has overreached its authority and "expanded its capacity beyond its ability to serve."

"Some things are just better left alone," he said. "Government operates best when it stays within its constitutional authority. All of which takes me back to common sense."

District 30 candidate Deison could not be reached for comment.

On the Tuesday March 12th Democrat Primary ticket for Texas Senate District 30, candidates Donald R. Acheson and Robert H. Fenoglio are asking for votes. At press time, no information was made available for this article from the Acheson and Fenoglio campaigns.

Plano businessman Fred Moses has his eyes set on the District 66 state House seat. On the



(L to R) Dick Arme and Fred Moses

Republican ballot, Moses comes up against incumbent Brian McCall. McCall was elected in 1991 and has served in the House since.

During the 77th Session, McCall explained that he amended the appropriations bill that saves "Robin Hood" school districts at least \$70 million, which includes about an \$8 million saving for the Plano Independent School District. McCall voted for one of the



Brian McCall

most comprehensive State Privacy Policies in the United States and passed a franchise tax credit for business which pay wages to persons with disabilities.

The incumbent also addressed victims of identity theft and held get a \$500,000 appropriation to the University of Texas at Dallas to help fund a nano-technology center.

Candidate Moses says now is the time to elect a State Representative that is visible and active in the community.

"We need a representative that is in touch with the local people and can communicate the issues that are important to the majority and not just a select few," Moses said.

Moses explained he is pro-education and he supports abolishment of the public finance system commonly referred to as "Robin Hood", saying Robin Hood took \$102 million dollars from Plano Schools in 2001. "Did you know that we fought the American Revolution for less than what we are currently paying for Robin Hood?"

Opposing extensive regulations and hardships on Plano businesses, Moses hinges his candidacy on pro-business legislation and supports tax incentives to attract new businesses and jobs to Plano. Moses also opposes state income taxes.

According to Moses, it's a parent's rights to be notified if their teenager is planning an abortion. As a pro-family advocate, he will support parental rights.

"If you elect me as your next State Representative," Moses said, "I vow to be your voice and stand for the issues that are important to you. Take the first step, by sending me an email and telling me what issues you think I should address as your next State Representative."

On the Democrat ballot, Edwin B. Spievack is running unopposed for the District 66 State Representative seat.

Spievack served as president of the North American Telecommunications Association. He was also CEO and president of this non-profit organization of communications, computer, software man-

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## State races up for grabs in March 12th Primary

By ANTHONY JONES

Sam Houston, who served as sixth governor of Texas from Dec. 21, 1859 to March 16, 1861, was also the second president of the Republic of Texas and probably would not recognize the Texas of today. On the flip side, many voters would not recognize some of the gubernatorial candidates on the March 12th Primary ballot.

Texas' population reached 20,851,820 in 2000 according to the latest estimates from the U.S. Census. With 84.8 percent of its population living in metropolitan areas, Texas is predominantly an urban state. This is underscored by recent population trends - the state's 24 metropolitan areas accounted for over 91 percent of Texas population growth between 1990 and 2000.

### Texas Governor:

Following in Houston's footsteps, Rick Perry was sworn in as the state's 47th Governor on Dec. 21, 2000. Governor Perry is focused on moving Texas forward by creating greater opportunities for citizens across our state. He is committed to continued reform in our public schools, increasing attention to the critical fields of math and science.

"In this rapidly evolving tech economy, math skills are in high demand," Perry said. "According to one estimate, more than 50 percent of new jobs require some kind of technology literacy, and good math

skills are critical to the development of technology skills."

"Now it is time to do for math what we have done for reading," Perry said, explaining the reasoning behind his proposed new math initiative that will help prepare fifth through eighth grade students.

As the incumbent, Perry faces the winner out of seven gubernatorial contenders in the March 12th Primary Election.

Democratic candidate for Texas Governor Bill Lyon believes in returning government to the people and getting as much input as possible to help make critical decisions for the State of Texas.

"My goals are to insure that all Texas children have and opportunity for a quality education," Lyons said. "They must also be given school meal[s] so that no child has to try to learn on an empty stomach. Health care for our children is without question a foremost concern and should be maintained under our present system."

Lyon calls on a revitalization of small rural towns by encouraging industry to locate "where we need them the most."

"There is nothing pretty about watching a town die because all the plants and business[es] close down," Lyon said. "We can give tax incentives and other inducements to bring new industry or even small businesses to employ those who choose a more rural lifestyle. It is a win-

win situation in which the state cannot lose when people earn paychecks and spent their money on goods and services. As well the towns benefit by receiving tax monies need for sewer, water, and police services that they desperately need."

A little known fact about former Texas Attorney General Dan Morales, is that he also served as an assistant district attorney in Bexar County, and he held three-terms as a member of the Texas Legislature. Morales was born and raised in San Antonio, where he attended public schools. His parents, both educators, encouraged him to attend Trinity University, where he graduated in 1978, and later, Harvard Law School, from which he graduated in 1981.

As a legislator, Morales worked to pass tough anti-crime laws, championed the rights of crime victims, and sponsored key legislation to fight family violence (still considered to be model legislation across the country). He served as Chairman of the House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence and vice-chairman of the House Committee on Ways and Means. He was one of two House members appointed to the Select Committee on Tax Equity.

In January of 1991, Morales, at the age of 34, became the 48th Attorney

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## Community Spotlight

### The Dallas Examiner "Salutes the Black Press"

DALLAS - The Dallas Examiner is celebrating the 175th anniversary of the Black Press in America. The Dallas Examiner will recognize Black newspapers and magazines and individual African American journalists and publishers in the Dallas-Fort Worth area during a banquet at 7 p.m., Saturday, April 6, at the Fairmont Hotel, 1717 N. Akard St., at Akard Street and Ross Ave., Dallas, Texas, 75202.

George Curry, former editor of Emerge magazine, and editor-in-chief of the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA), will be the keynote speaker. The NNPA, a 62-year-old federation of more than 200 Black community newspapers from across the United States.

"The Freedom's Journal, published in 1827, was the first formal voice for African Americans," said Mollie Belt, The Dallas Examiner publisher. "Since then the Black Press has reported on lynchings, advocated civil rights, fought for economic freedom and presented our news, our way."

"We have continued that tradition in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. The Dallas market supports at least seven Black newspapers and magazines," said Belt, who took over as publisher after her father's death in 1986. "Our role is just as important today as it was 175 years ago."

The Dallas Examiner, founded in 1986 by attorney Fred. Finch, is published each Thursday and is read by more than 40,000 people.

Banquet tickets are \$50. All tickets can be purchased in advance from The Dallas Examiner, 1516 Corinth St., 214-428-3446. Opportunities for sponsorships are still available. For more information, contact Mollie Belt, publisher, or James Belt III, advertising director, at 214-428-3446.

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## Letter to the Editor

Thanks to State Rep. Jerry Madden

I would like to express my appreciation for the help that State representative Jerry Madden of District 67 has given me. As a teacher who had worked many years in a U.S. school abroad, I tried for 10 years by myself to get teacher retirement for those years and also tried to enlist the help of other elected officials. Finally, when I had about given up, it was Mr. Madden who helped me get this credit.

In order for teachers to get credit for years worked outside of Texas, they must pay to buy the years. After finally getting permission to buy my years of service outside of Texas, when I go the bill it was incorrect. After much unsuccessful effort on my part to correct this error the deadline was drawing very near, so I again turned to Mr. Madden for help and he again came to my rescue and I was able to purchase Texas Teacher Retirement.

I will always be very grateful to State Representative Jerry Madden of District 67 for the assistance he gave me in getting credit for Texas Teacher Retirement.

Sincerely,  
Janie Hughes

## March 12th Primary elections, more candidates, redistricting, a journalist's headache

By Anthony Jones

It was not enough this year to redraw the voting districts for the entire United States and the State of Texas — Republican, Democrat, Libertarian, Green party leaders also thought it would be a good idea to get as many names as possible on voters' ballots.

Add to that the inherent impossibilities that are usual with elections — candidates that worm their way around every question and try their hardest not to directly answer any question with specifics. When contacting candidates with questions most reply fairly quickly (within two days) and ask for clarification of the question. The problem with that is a reporter tries to be fair and poses the same question to all candidates in a political race. Usually, when a question is clarified, it ends up a different question.

And, don't forget the parties who act like they never heard of the candi-

dates running under their party banner. Also, where there only two parties, in Primary 2002, there are at least four. Voters may perceive the Republican and the Democrat parties as being very organized — well they are to a degree but mostly on the national level. When it comes to local or state races, they are almost non-existent, especially when dealing with the myriad of candidates in the March 12th Primaries.

At the state and local levels, candidates only receive limited support from their respective parties. In the area of support, there are vast differences in the way the various parties support their candidates.

Republicans are very organized and effective in getting their candidates' names out to the voting public. But that is about it. Republican candidates appear to have more Websites

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Front row: Ms. M. Nash, Oratorical Chairperson; Ms. E. Perry, Principal; Ms. T. Waddell, Judge; Ms. E. Cox, Oratorical Committee Person; Back row: Mr. T. Jones, Judge, Publisher of the Mon Gazette; Dallas City Council Mayor Pro-tem, Don Hill, Judge; Ms. M. Evans, Judge; Ms. B. Steptoe, Judge; and Mr. St. Armand, Judge

## Elementary students contribute to Black history

Dallas — Fredrick Douglass Elementary School recently held its Thirteenth Annual Oratorical Contest. The theme for this year's event was "Future Voices of Discovery: Recognizing African-American Inventors."

Students in grades kindergarten through third grades participated in the contest. Six judges scored participants on their presentations to determine grade level winners. The judges were Tarsyia Waddell, Marsha Evans, Donald Hill, Ralph St. Armand, Berna Dean Steptoe and Thurman Jones.

MarShon Wallace, kindergarten; Melvin Crowder, first

grade; Briana Calico, second grade; and Briana Jordan, third grade, all came away with the first place victory.

The program included various student performances including a step routine by the Douglass Dolphin Steppers and song and dance by the Sensational Singing Dolphins. Students also expressed their pride in their school by reciting the school's song and creed, the pledge of allegiance and singing the Negro National Anthem.

The school is named for abolitionist Fredrick Douglass. Ellen Perry is the school's principal.

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I have the greatest respect for Judge Payton. A man of values who refuses to accept unacceptable behavior. He shines compassion to those who need it, he is dependable and I couldn't imagine what I would have done with my life had I not been loved by Judge Payton ten years ago.

Today, I have a high school diploma, I am a licensed agent and a student attorney. I received my Bachelor Degree from the University of Texas at Dallas and graduated Magna Cum Laude and I now work as a paralegal with intentions of going to law school.

I thank God for Judge Payton and I couldn't imagine anyone better for his job.

Jane Liffand

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## State Races

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General of Texas, the youngest person in history to attain this office. Morales' child support division shattered all previous records by collecting more than \$4 billion for the children of Texas, and Morales' legal victory over the tobacco industry — \$17 billion for Texas taxpayers — represents the largest single damage award in the history of American jurisprudence.

To many Texas voters, Democrat Tony Sanchez embodies the best of Texas' past and the best of Texas' future and they are counting on him to become their next governor.

Born Feb. 3, 1943 in Laredo — the once-remote outpost founded by Sanchez' ancestors in 1755 — to a former office supply salesman, Antonio and Alicia M. Sanchez. With a lifetime of commitment to the principles of success Sanchez says his reverence for the past, diligence in the present, and commitment to the future that has guided him as he achieved the American dream.

Sanchez and his father founded an oil and gas brokerage business and he immediately envisioned the expansion of the family business beyond a small operation into the larger scope business of oil and gas exploration, development, and production. In 1973, the father-son duo along with their partner Brian E. O'Brien, drilled a successful exploratory well in Webb County. The initial well started the development of the largest pool of natural gas found in the United States in 30 years.

Today, Sanchez is a leading figure in an array of industries, from oil and gas to banking and technology. During the period from 1981-2000, Sanchez' family business holdings and activities created over 75,000 permanent, full-time jobs in Texas, making him a leader in statewide economic development.

In October 2000, Sanchez was honored for his lifetime work and achievement with induction into the Texas Business Hall of Fame. Sanchez earned his law degrees in 1969 from St. Mary's University in San Antonio. Tony and his wife, Maria, a former schoolteacher, have four children: Tony III, Ana Lee, Eduardo and Patricia. Gubernatorial candidate John WorldPeace practices law in Houston, offers his Web site to attain name recognition — <http://www.johnworldpeace.com>.

Born in Houston in 1948, Kenneth Edward Wolter, he said he changed his name to John WorldPeace in April 1988 "in order to do something positive in the world: When people say my name, hear my name, read my name, they have to think

about WorldPeace for just a moment."

"How can we manifest peace (equality and justice) on earth if we do not include everyone (all religions, all races, all nations, both sexes) in our vision of peace?" he asks.

WorldPeace served in the U. S. Army Infantry from October 1970 to May 1972. He graduated from the University of Houston: BA Political Science 1970; Bachelor of Accountancy 1978; Doctor of Jurisprudence 1984. He and his wife, Elizabeth have six children and eight grandchildren.

"I am an advocate for peace, but I am not a pacifist," WorldPeace said, explaining he supports equal opportunity and justice for all. He also proposes a \$2,500 across the board raise for teachers to show my commitment to education where we rank 48 among the 50 states.

"I will initiate a vocational program for high school students who do not want to go to college wherein they can graduate with a vocational degree in law, nursing, auto-mechanics, computers, etc that will allow them to immediately go to work after high school in a good paying job," WorldPeace said. He also says he would return a moment of silence to acknowledge God in the schools.

"If 'In God We Trust' on our coins and 'one nation under God' in our Pledge of Allegiance does not establish religion, a moment of silence to acknowledge God does not either," WorldPeace said. As governor, WorldPeace would establish a Public Defenders Office to make sure that criminals who are in jail and who are executed did in fact receive a fair trial with a competent attorney.

Research assistant Rahul Mahajan is running for the Texas Governor under the Green Party banner.

Libertarian gubernatorial candidate Jeff Daiell was a 1990 Nominee & 1988 U.S. Senate nominee

Independents William Dyson and LeRoy Gillam are also seeking votes to become the next governor of Texas.

Texas Lieutenant Governor:

Bill Ratliff was elected Lieutenant Governor by his fellow members of the Texas Senate on Dec. 28, 2000 to fill the vacancy created when Rick Perry became governor after the election of President George W. Bush. Ratliff is vacating the office to enter the Texas Senate race.

Land Commissioner David Dewhurst, a native Texan, proud veteran and successful businessman and rancher has filed as a Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor.

"Texas needs a conservative leader who will do what he says," Dewhurst said. "I know

how to identify what needs to be done, and I know how to get it done. I have a track record of accomplishment and a commitment to do what's best for the citizens of Texas."

In the March 12th Primary, Dewhurst will face his Republican contender, Tom Kelly, a businessman seeking the Texas Lieutenant Governor's seat.

According to Democrat gubernatorial candidate John Sharp, next year "the State of Texas will be facing possibly its most daunting challenge, a state budget deficit in excess of five billion dollars."

The former Railroad Commissioner explained his years of service, in all areas of government, "have given me the knowledge and experience necessary to meet that challenge. No other person in this race can say that."

"With your help, I can lead Texas through this crisis so it can continue to be a place we can all be proud of," Sharp said. "I ask you for your vote, and hope to have the honor of serving you as your next Lieutenant Governor."

Business manager Nathalie Paravicini is running for Texas Lieutenant Governor as a member of the Green Party.

Marketing manager and electrical engineer Mark Gessner is the Libertarian candidate seeking to become Texas' next Lieutenant Governor.

Gessner calls for privatization of the Texas prisons because he thinks private enterprise can do a better job of running prisons than the government can.

"So we'll take a good look at what other states have done with privatizing their prisons, and see if that makes sense for Texas," Gessner says. "I think private companies could do a better job at containing violent prisoners for less money."

"I would like to see more of the funding for our prisons come from the assets of the violent criminals themselves," Gessner said. "In other words, upon commencement of his sentence, the criminal's assets would be liquidated and placed in an interest-bearing trust fund to help pay for his prison stay. On completion of his sentence, he gets what's left, with interest, or if there's nothing left, he gets to start from zero. If he's smart he'll learn a legitimate trade in prison and can find a basic job once he's free again. I will remove all televisions from Texas prisons."

If elected Lieutenant Governor, Gessner explained he would release all non-violent prisoners.

"Our prisons are packed with nonviolent people who have committed victimless

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## Editorial

# Prohibiting discrimination in voting practices

## Overcoming the "poll tax and voting test" loop holes

On January 1, 1863, President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation which freed the slaves held in the states still fighting in the Civil War. After the War, the Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution, adopted in 1865, abolished slavery everywhere in the United States. The Fourteenth Amendment, adopted in 1868, made the former slaves, and any other person born in the United States or naturalized, a citizen and required that all citizens be granted equal protection of the law. The Fifteenth Amendment, adopted in 1879, made it against the law to deny any citizen the right to vote because of his or her race or color or because he or she was formerly a slave.

Despite the promises of these new laws, the former slaves and their descendants, along with other racial and ethnic minorities, did not receive equal treatment under the law. In fact, in 1896, the Supreme Court of the United States ruled that State governments could separate people of different races as long as the separate facilities were equal. This "separate but equal" doctrine lasted until 1954 when the Supreme Court overruled its previous decision in cases involving schools in Kansas, South Carolina, Virginia, and Delaware. Also in the 1890s, African-Americans were kept from exercising their right to vote by taxes, called "poll taxes", that had to be paid before a person could cast a vote and by tests given by voting registrars who had the power to pass or fail an applicant based on the color of his or her skin. Poll taxes and voting tests were finally outlawed by the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Then the Voting Rights Act of 1965 prohibits discrimination

in voting practices or procedures because of race and color. In 1957 and 1960, Congress had enacted voting rights laws that took small steps toward increasing minority voting participation for all Americans. The 1965 Act, however, made huge strides towards making voting rights a reality. The Act prohibited literacy tests and poll taxes which had been used to prevent

Sunday morning. As pictured, when the marchers crossed the Edmund Pettus bridge on the outskirts of Selma, they were met by about 200 state troopers, and Sheriff Clark and his deputies mounted on horseback, all armed with tear gas, night sticks and bull whips. The marchers were ordered to turn back. When they did not, they were attacked by the law enforcement officers. The air filled with tear gas and marchers were beaten, whipped and trampled by the horses. Finally, they turned around and returned to Selma. 17 marchers were hospitalized.

Dr. King and his supporters filed a federal lawsuit requesting to be permitted to proceed with the march. On March 21, the march began again,

blacks from voting. In 1975, Congress recognized the need to protect citizens who did not read or speak English well enough to participate in the political process and expanded the protections of the Voting Rights Act to them.

In 1963, civil rights activists began an effort to register black voters in Dallas County, Alabama. During 1963 and 1964, although they brought potential voters by the hundreds to the registrar's office in the courthouse in Selma, they were unable to get them registered to vote. In January and February 1965, protests were held in Selma to bring attention to this violation of rights. The protests were met by violence by Sheriff James Clark and his deputies. On February 17, a small civil rights march ended in the shooting of Jimmy Lee Jackson who died from his wounds several days later. The civil rights activists decided to hold a memorial march from Selma to the state capitol in Montgomery on March 7.

Approximately 600 marchers started out on the march that

with federal troops protecting the marchers, and proceeded to Montgomery. In Montgomery, a rally was held on the steps of the state capitol. However, within hours of the end of the march, 4 Ku Klux Klan members shot and killed Viola Liuzzo, a white 39-year-old civil rights volunteer from Detroit, Michigan, who had come to support the Alabama African-Americans. President Lyndon Johnson said, "Mrs. Liuzzo went to Alabama to serve the struggle for justice. She was murdered by the enemies of justice who for decades have used the rope and the gun and the tar and the feather to terrorize their neighbors." In August, 1965, Congress passed the Voting Rights Act.

According to a report of the Bureau of the Census from 1982, in 1960 there were 22,000 African-Americans registered to vote in Mississippi, but in 1966 the number had risen to 175,000. Alabama went from 66,000 African-American registered voters in 1960 to 250,000 in 1966. South Carolina's African-American registered voters went from 58,000 to 191,000 in the same time period.

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crimes," he said. "There are more people in state jails in this country for minor drug offenses than for all types of property crime combined. These nonviolent people will be released. This will make more room for those really heinous characters who would commit violent acts. We're going to start protecting our citizens from these thugs, and stop trying to legislate morality."

Joseph William Roberts seeks the Texas Lieutenant Governor's seat as an Independent.

Attorney General: Attorney General John Cornyn, who served since January 1999, is vacating the seat to run for the U.S. Senate.

On the Republican ballot, former Justice Greg Abbott, 43, a Bush appointee who was twice elected to the Texas Supreme Court recently announced candidate for Texas Attorney General.

According to the Wall Street Journal, Abbott was considered one of the most conservative members of the Court. As a member of the Supreme Court, Justice Abbott's rulings helped cement tort reform, protect physicians from frivolous lawsuits and restore reason to our worker's compensation system. He conservatively interpreted our parental notification laws and took tough stands on juvenile justice issues. Through it all, he consistently applied the conservative philosophy of judicial restraint and strict construction.

Former Austin Mayor Kirk Watson, 43, has been described by Texas Monthly Biz magazine as "... a man with a vision of what the community wants and the moxie to carry it out."

Watson, now a Democratic candidate for Texas Attorney General, is known for his legendary unifying leadership style, which caused the Houston Chronicle to report "... the hard charging, deal making, second term Austin mayor continues to

work a special magic that even has many critics singing his praise."

Watson's inclusive approach has earned him numerous endorsements, awards and recognitions that will draw Democratic, Republican and Independent voters statewide.

"As your Attorney General, I will work hard to protect Texas families," Watson said. "This office should ensure that all Texans are secure, that common sense isn't left at the door, that old-fashioned fairness prevails, and that the job gets done. I believe, as you do, that the law should not be used to advance the next election; it should be used to benefit the next generation."

### State Comptroller:

As Texas Comptroller incumbent Carole Keeton Rylander, a Republican, delivered \$338.8 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,117 Texas cities and 121 counties, a 1-percent increase compared to the \$335.3 million paid in February 2001.

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## Is the sky clearest on the day it is most blue?

While you ponder that thought we would like to announce that Minority Opportunity News, Inc. formerly a Dallas based renaissance community tabloid, founded in 1991, has relocated to Plano, Texas and changed our name to MON-The Gazette. In addition to moving our offices to Plano, our editorial coverage has also shifted to encompass Dallas's Northern Corridor. The Northern Corridor is clearly the fastest growing region in Texas, if not in America. MON-The Gazette believes that the engine to continue this growth is the airport expansion in McKinney, which is the largest and most visible of many area opportunities. As always, and true to tradition, MON-The Gazette will be there carving a world of opportunity for those seeking to provide quality services. Should you dare to expand your quest for economic parity outside the southern region or just want to know what is going on up north-

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- Member - Plano Sunrise Rotary Club

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Currently, candidate Spievack serves as president and general counsel for Shortwell & Carr Inc., a Dallas firm, where he is responsible for the corporate, legal and financial affairs of this business's engagement in the enterprise of obtaining regulatory (FDA, EPA, etc.) approvals for clients in the human and veterinary pharmaceutical and medical device industries.

Republicans will find State Rep. Jerry Madden and former Plano City Councilman John R. Roach Jr. on their Primary ballots for the District 67 State House seat.

Madden and his wife Barbara, a nurse, have been married 33 years and have raised three children - Jerry, 31, Stephanie, 28 and Kristina, 25.

First elected to the Texas Legislature in 1992, Madden is in his third term, serving as a member of the House Committee on Urban Affairs, the Public Safety Committee, the Rules and Resolutions Committee and as Vice Chairman of the Elections Committee.

Representative Madden has been honored by the Texas Home School Coalition, Texas Classroom Teachers Association, and the American Family Association of Texas for his outstanding work during the 75th Legislature.

Madden graduated from West Point in 1965 with a Bachelor of Science in Engineering, and spent six years in the military, including one year in Vietnam and two years in Germany. He worked 11 years for Texas Instruments, 8 years for Teledyne Geotech and is now employed as an account executive with Planning Services of Dallas.

As a Republican dedicated to his community and country, candidate Roach is seeking votes for the State Representative District 67 berth and is running a positive campaign focused on a 40 Point Republican Action Plan to lower taxes, restore conservative family values, protect individual freedoms, and improve our local quality of life.

Since 1999 Roach served on the Plano City Council and serves on the Joint Council/School Board Committee, the Collin County Court Annexed State Mediator as well as director of Constituent Services for Plano-area State Senator Florence Shapiro.

Roach has lived in Collin County for 27 years. His wife, Laura and he have one son. Roach was a founding Member of Collin County Young Republicans -and served as an alternate delegate at Republican State Convention.

Roach obtained a bachelor's of arts degree in Government from the University of Texas at Austin and a jurisprudence degree from St. Mary's University in San Antonio. He is a partner in Plano Law Firm specializing in general civil law. He was discharge from U.S. Marine Corps Reserves-Active Duty in Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm and he is a recipient of Marine Corps Service medal.

On the Democrat ballot, candidate Anne M. Graham is running unopposed for State Representative, District 67.

Since 1998 Graham worked as a nurse and is a co-owner of Cardiovascular On-Call Specialists Inc., a D/FW based mobile diagnostic medical testing company. In her political career, Graham is actively involved with the Collin County Democratic Party and has been since 1991. In 1998, she assisted with County Chairman to increase party membership and involvement within the county and local communities and she volunteered with the local Democratic Party in Kansas in the 1980's.

"I am running because I believe the current incumbent representation of District 67 is out of touch with the needs, issues and spirit of the citizens," Graham said. "I believe in fairness for everyone with regard to every issue. When I get to Austin, I pledge to do what is in the best interests of the citizens of the 67th District and the State of Texas."

Graham and her husband, Jeff have three sons, Jefferson 3, Michael 15, Jarrod 18, and they are members of Custer Road United Methodist Church in Plano. Graham holds current memberships with the Plano Chamber of Commerce, Collin County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, LULAC District 3, Texas Funeral Directors Association and Alliance of Cardiovascular Professionals.

There are five Republican candidates all who hail from McKinney, in the District 70 Texas State House race, including W.H. Bill Vitz, Harry L. Pierce, Robert Rankins, C.L. Matt Matthews, and Ken Paxton.

There was no information



Dr. Robert Rankins

available from the Vitz, Pierce, Matthews or Paxton campaigns. Rankins, a physician, police officer, and small business owner, says he is the Republican candidate for Texas State Representative for District 70, which was created during the recent legislative redistricting process.

Rankins' conservative ideology and distinctive background offers Republican voters a unique opportunity to elect someone with his remarkable qualifications to the Texas Legislature.

Rankins practices at Wilson N. Jones Hospital and is board certified in Emergency Medicine. He took his medical degree from UT Southwestern in Dallas. His undergraduate education in Chemistry and Molecular Biology was begun at Baylor and completed at UT Dallas. Rankins donates twenty-five percent of his time to the care of indigent patients.

For two years, Rankins worked as a McKinney Police officer in undercover narcotics and patrol. He then spent one and one-half years as a Deputy for Collin County Constable Jerry Kunkle. Rankins also owned and operated a small business for eight years.

As a lifelong Republican, Rankins has been involved in the political process for twenty years. Rankins' name can be found among supporters of McKinney council and mayoral candidates and local Collin County races.

The lone candidate on the Democrat ballot will be Fred Lusk, seeking his party's nomination for District 70 State Representative. At press time there was no information available for Lusk.

Three Republicans are seeking votes for the newly created House District 89 Texas State House seat, including Tommy Hooper of Heath, Mike Lawshe of Rockwall, and



Mike Lawshe

Jodie Laubenberg of Parker. No information was available at press time for Hooper.

Lawshe is a sixth generation Texan and earned his bachelor's of science degree from Texas A&M University in industrial engineering. Lawshe's wife, Sarah, have two sons, Brandon, 12, and Chase, 11. He is a conservative family man with an extensive background in business. Mike has served in the Texas Army National Guard for over 17 years and currently holds the rank of Major, US Army.

Lawshe has an extensive business background. His business career started in his family's television systems engineering company, learning small-business operations for over twelve years. His recent business experience includes working with public and private companies in corporate finance, mergers and acquisitions, and workout and turnaround operations for troubled companies. Mike is currently working in investment and merchant banking providing corporate financial advisory services for emerging and established companies seeking capital growth.

Candidate Laubenberg is a life long North Texas resident and with her husband of 18 years, Bob, they have two children, David 17, and Liz, 14. Laubenberg earned her bachelor's of liberal arts in English at the University of Texas at Austin in 1980.

Laubenberg has served on the Parker City Council since 1999 and is a member of the Collin County Parks Board. She serves as the legislative chairman of the Barbara Bush Republican Women's Club and has been a member of the Golden Corridor Republican Women's Club since 1992. She volunteered for the campaigns of Ronald Reagan, George H. W. Bush, Bob Dole, George W. Bush, Kay Bailey Hutchison, Phil Gramm, Sam Johnson, Pete Sessions, Joe Barton, Ed Harrison, Rick Perry, Jim Jackson, John Carona, Greg Abbott, Fred Hill, Jerry Madden, Tom

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available and they are linked to county or state party Websites. About 10-15 percent of the Republican candidates do not have a Website and party leaders have limited information on the candidates.

Democrat candidates are far less fortunate and only about one-third of the candidates have a Website. Angling questions that will ultimately get to the candidates is extremely difficult and often ends up with no information on the candidates.

Libertarian candidates have an unusual and unique way of disseminating information on their candidate. There does not seem to be a central organization to the Libertarian Party. Candidate information has to be derived by contacting candidates who know the other candidates - kind of a trickle down technique.

Green Party candidates are most available on the national level and their telephone numbers are made available to inquiries. For the most part when the candidate is called, the candidate answers.

What does a reporter end up with when dealing with over 100 candidates who have to be contacted for biographical information, their stands on the issues, and their photos. Well, let's say

only half respond but ask for clarification. The other half does not respond. Those candidates seeking clarification answer different questions than the candidates who did not respond. At this point many reporters could develop an Andrea Yates complex and begin yanking their hair.

When the candidates themselves are reached there is an altogether different situation. Before the advent of the Internet, a candidate was contacted by telephone or in person while they were hoofing their way through their district meeting voters. Democrats have held on to this part of campaigning much more than the other parties.

Seasoned reporters are aware that when a question is posed to a candidate, the question is first twisted slightly then evaded. So, a question on campaign reform - How do you feel about campaign reform? - for instance might be answered by drawing in a set of distracters in order to mask a definite answer.

Putting together an article or a set of articles on the March 12th Primary election was difficult. It was fun at the same time it was harrowing but if those voting statistics edge up even a percentage point in Collin and Dallas counties, this reporter will be satisfied.

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H. Ownby	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES - 25 years
P. Stuckie	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES - 15 years
C. Mason	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO - Never

★ McKinney High School - 1964

★ United States Air Force Academy, B.S. - 1969

★ University of Texas - School of Law, J.D. - 1977

★ Licensed to practice law - June 1977

★ 25 years practicing criminal and civil law

★ Past Collin County District Attorney

★ Runs his own law private law practice

★ Captain, USAF, Pilot. Served tours in Southeast Asia, 1970 - 1974

★ Awarded: Silver Star, DFC (4), Bronze Star, Air Medal

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**Effective Outreach Strategy...**

One of the most effective ways to reach new party members is with one-on-one contact. This could be done very effectively with a mentoring program. Linking an experienced person with a new one to pass on knowledge and history, and train new members of the party how to work. Ensuring that each member, new and experienced, knows that they are valuable to the party.

**Efficient Use of Technology...**

With the rapid growth of our county it would be helpful to create a larger network of communication within our membership as well as in much need in new recruits. Keeping a current web site and creating e-mail newsletters would be an economical way to start on this goal.

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His professional career also includes positions with Exxon-Mobil and Frito-Lay. He graduated from West Point in 1983. Molera and his wife, Tracy, have three children: John, 6; Anna, 4; and Grace, 2.

For additional information about Molera campaign, contact Larry Godwin, 972-839-6760 (daytime), 972-720-8982 (nights and weekends), 972-839-6760 (mobile).

District 5:

As a result of redistricting, U.S. Rep. Pete Sessions (R-District 5) is vacating his House seat and will run in the newly formed District 32. Nine candidates are in the race for the District 5 seat, five Republicans, two Democrats, one Green Party candidate, and one Libertarian.

Republican candidate Mike Armour wants to put his leadership to work for the people of the Fifth Congressional District. "Our nation has entered an era that demands exceptional, proven leadership at every level of government ... especially in Congress," he said.

"America has genuinely been a land of opportunity for me. I grew up in East Texas in a hard-working family that struggled to make ends meet," Armour said. "There were no college degrees in our family, and precious few high school diplomas. Yet, from those humble roots, America allowed me to become a college president at age 37."

Armour lives in the Lakewood area of Dallas, where he and his wife, Fran, have raised their children for the last 16 years. But with his roots in a Mineola farm family, Armour explained he is "uniquely qualified" to represent every citizen of District 5.

In 1996 he retired as a captain in the naval reserve with 25 years of service as an intelligence officer.

Attorney Dan Hagood is a second Republican candidate seeking votes to fill the District 5 House seat. No biographical information was available on Hagood at press time.



Dan Hagood

The third Republican District 5 congressional candidate is small businessman Jeb Hensarling, native of Dallas

who has spent a lifetime building the Republican Party.



Jeb Hensarling

Hensarling says he is a dedicated conservative. He and his wife, Melissa, are expecting their first child in this month. Hensarling received his bachelor's degree in economics from Texas A&M University, and his law degree from the University of Texas' School of Law. He has been a long time resident of East Dallas and the 5th Congressional District.

Hensarling worked as Senator Phil Gramm's state director and as the executive director of the National Republican Senatorial Committee where he helped raise \$70 million and create campaign strategies for our Republican candidates.

Hensarling supports President George W. Bush's defense budget, which he explained rebuilds national defense, boosts military pay and benefits, and increases spending on research and development for new and smarter weapons.

The candidate also wants to make Bush Tax Cut permanent, he wants to expand tax relief, and he wants to put an end to the "death Tax."

Hensarling calls for regulatory relief for small businesses and landowners and he wants to require bureaucrats to use sound science when proposing regulations.

Phil Sudan, the fourth Republican candidate that will appear on the Republican Primary ballot for District 5 says recession is one of the most frightening terms from the economic lexicon.



Phil Sudan

"Unfortunately, we as Americans have found ourselves in the midst of a recession since March of last year," Sudan said.

"The folly of stimulating the economy through government spending is well documented-it simply does not work

for any length of time," Sudan said. "The economics are simple; during a recession, revenues decrease, which necessitates higher taxes to offset government spending."

According to Sudan, the best course of action is to reduce government spending and cut taxes. "President (Ronald) Reagan proved the viability of tax cuts as an economic stimulus beyond a shadow of a doubt, when he employed this strategy in the early 1980's, which led to the largest economic boom in American history, including the creation of 35 million new jobs."

Computer specialist Fred Wood will appear on the Republican Primary Ballot for District 5. No biographical information was available for Wood at press time.

On the Democrat Primary ballot, Bill Bernstein, a counseling center director and Democratic activist is seeking votes for the District 5 House seat. No biographical information was available for Bernstein at press time.

Former Dallas County appellate judge Ron Chapman will also be on the Democrat primary ticket. No biographical information was available for Chapman at press time.

Teacher Wayne Raasch will also appear on the Democrat ballot. No biographical information was available for Raasch at press time.

District 5 candidate Tom Kemper, an office supply company president and an environmental activist is a member of the Green Party. No biographical information was available for Kemper at press time.

Journalist Dan Michalski is the Libertarian candidate vying for the District 5 House seat. No biographical information was available for Michalski at press time.

District 26:

In U.S. Congressional District 26, Republican candidate Scott Arney looks forward to a vigorous campaign.

"So, what can you expect if you give me the honor of serving as your next Congressman?" Arney asks. "The answer is as simple as this: I'll be the same Scott Arney whether at work in Washington or at home in Denton."



Scott Arney (R)

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# Ethnic Notes from the Past

## PHASE ONE

### How Did the White South Keep African Americans from Voting?

The Constitutional amendments following the North's victory in the Civil War ended slavery, made blacks citizens and granted the freedpeople the right to vote. It was generally believed that the franchise was all that people required in order to control their own destiny. The white South, however, was determined to keep African Americans from the ballot box at all costs. When the last federal troops left the former Confederacy during Reconstruction, the ex-slaves were at the mercy of their former masters.

The white South inaugurated a series of devices to disfranchise blacks. The poll tax, the grandfather clause and additional requirements for voter registration were effective, but terrorism, violence and murder were even more effective, and all were used with impunity. One device was a so-called "literacy test." Alabama's literacy test consisted of 68 questions. When a potential black voter appeared before the election board, he or she could be asked all these questions. An incorrect answer, of course, meant the person was denied the right to register to vote.

Here are some representative questions from the Alabama test:

1. Does enumeration affect the income tax levied on citizens in various states?
2. A United States Senator elected at the general election in November takes office the following year on what date?
3. The Constitution limits the size of the District of Columbia to \_\_\_\_\_
4. How many states were required to approve the original Constitution in order for it to be in effect?
5. Who passes laws dealing with piracy?
6. On the impeachment of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, who tries the case?
7. After the presidential electors have voted, to whom do they send the count of their votes?
8. If the two houses of Congress cannot agree on adjournment, who sets the time?
9. Of the original 13 states, the one with the largest representation in the first Congress was \_\_\_\_\_.
10. The Congress decides in what manner states elect presidential electors. True or

false?

Here are the correct answers:

1. No
2. Twelve noon, January 3
3. 70 square miles
4. Nine
5. Congress
6. Vice president of the US
7. President of the Senate
8. President of the US
9. Pennsylvania
10. False

Do you think you would have been allowed to register to vote in Alabama?

#### PHASE TWO

##### GUINN v. UNITED STATES

##### 238 US 347 (1915)

(Justice White delivered the opinion)

By an amendment passed in 1910, the Constitution of Oklahoma restricted the franchise according to a "grandfather clause" which provided that no illiterate person could be registered to vote. The clause, however, granted an exemption for such a person provided he had lived in a foreign country prior to January 1, 1866; had been eligible to register prior to that date, or if his lineal ancestor was eligible to vote at that time. Since no blacks were eligible to vote in Oklahoma prior to 1866, the law disenfranchised all black.

The U.S. Supreme Court held the grandfather clause in invalid in Oklahoma, as well as in any other state where one was in effect.

##### NIXON v. HERNDON

286 US 536 (1927)

(Justice Cardozo delivered the opinion)

Pursuant to the decision in the above case, the Texas legislature passed a new statute, empowering the state Democratic executive committee to set up its own rules regarding the primary. The party promptly adopted a resolution stipulating that only white Democrats be allowed to participate in the primary. Dr. Nixon again filed suit, and his right to vote was again upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court.

##### LANE v. WILSON

307 US 268 (1939)

(Justice Frankfurter delivered the opinion.)

In an attempt to restrict voter registration, the Oklahoma legislature provided that all those who were already registered would remain qualified voters, but that all others would

have to register within 12 days (from April 30 to May 11, 1916), or be forever barred from the polls. In 1934 I. W. Lane, a black man was refused registration on the basis of this statute. The U.S. Supreme Court declared that the statute was in conflict with the Fifteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, and, as such, was unconstitutional.

##### SMITH v. ALLWRIGHT

321 US 649 (1944)

The Texas State Democratic party, in convention, limited the right of membership to white electors, thereby denying non-whites the right to participate in a Democratic party primary. In *Grove v. Townsend* (295 US 45), the Supreme Court had upheld this limitation as not being unconstitutional because the determination was made by the party in convention, not by a party executive committee as in *Condon*. Here the Supreme Court overruled *Grove*, stating, "The United States is a constitutional democracy. Its organic law grants to all citizens a right to participate in the choice of elected officials without restriction by any state because of race." The Court noted that the political party makes its selection of candidates as an agency of the state and, as such, could not exclude participation based on race and remain consistent with the Fifteenth Amendment.

##### BAKER v. CARR

369 US 186 (1962)

This case was brought by electors in several counties of the state of Tennessee who asserted that the 1901 legislative reapportionment statute was unconstitutional because the numbers of voters in the various districts had changed substantially since then. The plaintiffs requested that the court either direct a reapportionment by mathematical application of the Tennessee constitutional formula to the 1960 census of instruct the state to hold direct at-large elections. The district court dismissed the case on the grounds that it was a political question and, as such, did not fall within the protection of the Fourteenth Amendment. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the case involved a basic constitutional right and thereby was within court jurisdiction and remanded the case to the district court.

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## Voters

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"I'm not going to change my life dramatically, discover new values or political philosophies," Arney said. "I am comfortable with who I am. I don't intend to leave my Texas values behind when I go to Washington ... The problem is that Washington isn't enough like Denton and this region. Not the other way around."

Judge Arney explained that he has put his faith in the people rather than in government. "I've tried to manage the public's money wisely, and fought to reduce taxes, and I've always put freedom, economic opportunity and families at the top of my agenda."

"I'm confident our best days are ahead of us," Arney said. "We're in control of our future. Our belief in country, family and our way of life will help us make the right decisions. Courage and determination will carry us through."

District 26 Republican candidate Dave Kovatch says he wants to go to Washington to represent the district and make changes that will enrich his constituents' lives.

"I didn't move to the area to run for Congress and I haven't lived for years on your tax dollars," Kovatch said. "I'm a family man, whose roots are right here in the area."

According to Kovatch, he is the only candidate who really understands the day-to-day issues. "I know what it's like to get up each morning, get the kids dressed and off to school or daycare, and then fight the commute to work. Having school-age children, I understand the issues you face in today's public schools," Kovatch said.

Kovatch was an EDS employee for 15 years and has served in a number of leadership roles, and as a community leader, serving three terms on the city council of The Colony. "I have a proven track record of working with diverse groups of people, solving problems, and getting things done."

Fifth-generation Texan Keith Self, who was raised in Fort Worth and Amarillo where his father, Kenneth, worked in the milk business, announced his candidacy for the District 26 Republican Primary, saying the tax code "is not fair and it is not simple."

"Let's work together to provide real tax reform that allows all Americans to provide for their future with the fruit of their labors," Self said.

Self earned a master's degree in international relations from the University of Southern California in addition to his bachelor's of science degree from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

Self began his business experience in junior high, operating an ice cream wagon with his brother (powered by bicycle pedals). He later drove a combine on the American wheat harvest, following it from central Texas into Canada. He has also worked on the family's original homestead ranch in the Texas Panhandle and on a farm in Missouri. Keith is currently a founding partner in the Teton Springs Golf and Casting Club, a 780-acre community being built near Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

He has been married to his wife Tracy, a former teacher, for over 26 years. Self calls for:

- The Tax Code should be re-written to make it fair, simple and understandable.

- A tax cut is not a government expenditure; it's your money.

- We need to wear ourselves from the idea that federal dollars are free money. It's your tax dollars funneled through the government. Budget surplus is not only wrong; it is also risky because it encourages frivolous spending by the Congress.

Roger Sessions, an emergency physician and a Republican running for the Congressional District 26 seat, spent 11 years as a football and track coach, teaching math, science and history.

"As someone who has spent time in front of the blackboard, I am well aware of the importance of a good education," Sessions said. "As a coach, I

brought a winning attitude - and a winning record - to North-west's football team in my five-year tenure."

According to Sessions, being an emergency physician is a



Roger Sessions

demanding and unforgiving job "that requires a take-charge attitude and an exquisite attention to detail."

During the last eight years, Sessions practiced at Baylor Medical Center in Grapevine. Before that, he was on staff at Denton Regional Medical Center and Denton Community Hospital.

"Whether as an educator, a leader, a role model to young people or a professional in a high-stakes field, I have always showed a no-nonsense commitment to excellence," candidate Sessions said. "I'll be just as tenacious as your U.S. Representative."

Sessions staunchly advocates a flat tax and he believes that the government should provide for the best possible schools, military, and transportation. Sessions also wants to establish English as the official language of America.

Physician Michael Burgess will appear on the Republican ballot. No biographical information was available for Burgess at press time.

Pilot David Gulling is also running on the Republican ticket. No biographical information was available for Gulling at press time.

Consultant Michael Paris is a Republican candidate seeking the District 26 berth. No biographical information was available for Paris at press time.

Conservative Democrat Paul LeBon is seeking to end wasteful, pork barrel projects that have been slipped into the Homeland Security bill which he calls "a public disgrace."

LeBon explained two critical issues in District 26 that are the federal government's responsibility are highways and water infrastructure. In the mid-1990's, the Denton County Commissioners lobbied extensively to have Interstate 35 designated as the "NAFTA Superhighway" with the promise that such a designation would bring the sorely needed federal resources to improve and expand this federal highway.

"Though this critical highway is the economic lifeline of the entire Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex, it has been ignored and is now overburdened and in terrible condition," LeBon said. "The section which flows through booming Denton County is a potholed, washboard road. As the vehicular gateway to the Metroplex, it is a disgrace."

LeBon wants to bring the appropriate federal resources to North Texas to upgrade this vital roadway. As the Metroplex continues to see record growth in population, LeBon says he will also work to see that resources are brought to the region to help the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers expand and add reservoir capacity to meet the region's needs for the 21st century.

"As a husband and father of two children, and who along with my wife earns a living in the private sector, I can understand and empathize with the working families of the 26th District," LeBon said. "Whether it's education, health care, drugs, public safety, or job security, my family and I share your concerns and challenges. I will work to represent the interests of all working families in the 26th District. While I share and believe in strong family values, I also believe in strongly valuing families!"

Gary Page is the Green Party candidate running for U.S. Congress in District 26. Page is a computer programmer and had no biographical information available at press time.

Computer programmer,

David Wallace Croft, the Libertarian candidate seeking the District 26 berth says he would support the legalization of marijuana for adults, school vouchers, privatization of Social Security, increased pay for military and police, and a flat tax of 10 percent.

Croft was born in 1968 to a military family with roots in Texas. After graduating from high school in Abilene in 1986, he joined the Air Force, receiving an engineering degree from the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado and served as a Lieutenant in California. Croft and his wife, Shannon, have three children, Ada, Benjamin, and Thomas.

Croft believes that the only legitimate role of government is to protect the rights of individuals from infringement by others - "but not from themselves."

Croft led vocal stands in opposition to paternalistic legislation such as anti-smoking regulations for privately owned restaurants and government mandated video cameras in convenience stores. While conservative with regard to economic freedoms and the need for a strong national defense, Croft says he is liberal when it comes to the right of competent consenting adults to control their individual persons and property, so long as they do not violate the equal rights of others.

Croft is a dedicated member of the Libertarian Party, previously serving as a state secretary, county chair, and house of delegates candidate in West Virginia and currently as a member of state and county executive committees in Texas. He asks voters to contact him at 214-731-9284 or 214-533-3047 for information on his campaign.

**District 32:** Former U.S. Rep. Pete Sessions has combined hard work, innovative thinking, free-market solutions and common sense based principles and values to



Pete Sessions

build a successful family, business and congressional career.

In Congress, Sessions is a member of the House Rules Committee, the House Republican Cyber Security Team, the Congressional Missing and Exploited Children's Caucus, the Congressional Diabetes Caucus, and the Congressional Task Force on Alzheimer's, and he chaired the Congressional Results Caucus.

Sessions supports the improvement of education, providing significant and meaningful tax relief, and a strong military and national defense. He is a native Texan who lives with his wife and two young boys in East Dallas.

According to Sessions, his priorities include protecting, preserving and reforming Social Security and Medicare, improving our health care system, paying down the national debt, and providing substantial tax relief for working families, small businesses, farmers, and ranchers.

Danny Davis is a second Republican candidate vying for the newly-formed District 32 House seat. No biographical information was available for Davis at press time.

Retired teacher Pauline Dixon is running for the U.S. House of Representatives District 32 seat on the Democratic ticket. No biographical information was available for Dixon at press time.

Walter Hofheinz an attorney will be on the Democrat's ballot in the March 12th Primary. No biographical information was available for Hofheinz at press time.

Consultant Carla Hubble is the Green Party candidate, planning a strong campaign for the District 32 House seat. No biographical information was available for Hubble at press time.

## State Races

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Rylander issued a Texas School Performance Review (TSPR) six-month report card on the Dallas Independent School District (DISD), commending DISD for being on track to realize nearly \$13 million in savings for its first year after the district's initial review - 145 percent higher than what TSPR recommended.

Rylander's June 2001 Texas School Performance Review of DISD proposed 193 recommendations to save taxpayers more than \$53.8 million in net savings over five years that can be redirected into the classroom. DISD is on track to realize \$58.6 million by the end of five years - 9 percent more than originally projected.

On the Democratic side, retired attorney and ex-college football star, Marty Akins is seeking to unseat Rylander.

Community activist Ruben Reyes is seeking nomination as a Green Party member to the state comptroller seat.

Steve Martin is the Libertarian candidate for state comptroller.

**State Land Commissioner:** The Texas Land Commissioner has a unique responsibility requiring both business experience and political leadership. Republican David Dewhurst is relinquishing the State Land Commissioner seat for a bid for the Texas Lieutenant Governor in 2002.]

A successful CEO and business leader, Kenn George is one of a pair of Republican candidates who will appear on the March 12th ballot. George has



Kenn George

worked for more than three decades managing budgets, growing investments and providing jobs for Texas families.

An unabashed Reagan Republican, George served in the Reagan Administration as an Assistant Secretary of the Commerce Department. During his service to the President, George led the economic re-stabilization of Grenada after the U.S. liberation and Ronald Reagan's Caribbean Basin Initiative, an effort to control the spread of communism through the promotion of capitalism and democracy in Latin America.

Ex-state senator, businessman and Vietnam War Veteran Jerry Patterson is the second Republican candidate running for land commissioner. He was Born in Houston on Nov. 15, 1946, and Patterson explained he was raised to believe in the values of hard work, honesty and integrity.

Patterson attended public school in the Houston area, and graduated Texas A & M Class of 1969. While a student, Patterson worked in summer jobs ranging from longshoreman on the docks of Houston to roustabout on an offshore oilrig in the Gulf of Mexico.

In 1972, Patterson volunteered for Vietnam duty and was assigned to the staff of the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade as intelligence watch officer. His duty was to effect liaison with the Vietnamese marines primarily in Quang Tri, Houng Dien, and Da Nang Vietnam.

State senator, attorney and real estate developer David Bernsen is one of the two Democratic candidates for Texas Land Commissioner.

Bernsen is committed to running a positive grassroots campaign based on ideas and issues.

"My work in the Texas Senate has included authoring the first coastal erosion prevention bill in Texas, co-authoring critical bays and estuaries legislation and leading the effort to bring long-term strategic plan-

ning to the water resource challenges facing our state," Bernsen said. "Last session I was the author of the language that finally closed the 30 year old 'grandfather loophole' resulting in cleaner air for all Texans."

As a former commissioner and chair of the Texas Department of Transportation, Bernsen said he worked hard to develop and implement hurricane evacuation routes along the Texas Coast.

"I want to bring predictability and consistency to the General Land Office. I will faithfully carry out the duties of the office to conserve and enhance the natural resources of our state lands," Bernsen said.

Photographer and 2000 Justice of the Peace candidate Ray Madrigal is the second Democrat seeking the Texas Land Commissioner seat.

Job developer Michael McInerney is on the Green Party ticket, running for Texas Land Commissioner.

Libertarian candidate Marjory Stachle Glowka, who has worked as a real estate investor also seeks the state land commissioner berth.

**State Agriculture Commissioner:**

Susan Combs is the Republican candidate that will appear on the primary ballot for State Agriculture Commissioner.

Brownsville City Commissioner and ex-USDA official Ernesto DeLeon is one of two Democrats vying for the Texas Agriculture Commissioner seat.

Rancher, realtor and State Rep. Tom Ramsay is the second Democrat that will appear on the March 12th ballot for Agriculture Commissioner.

Environmental project coordinator Jane Elioseff is the Green Party candidate for Texas Agriculture Commissioner.

Libertarian Vincent May, who is a Carpenter as well as a 1998 congressional nominee, has thrown his hat into the ring for Texas Agriculture Commissioner.

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# Arts & Entertainment



## Showtime

No-nonsense LAPD detective Mitch Preston (ROBERT DE NIRO) is a man of few words and even less style. All he asks is that he be left alone to do his job.

Patrol Officer Trey Sellars (EDDIE MURPHY) is a different story. Instead of being a cop, he would much rather play one on TV. A frustrated actor, he spends his workdays rousting pickpockets and his evenings perfecting his action poses in front of a mirror.

One night Trey stumbles into an undercover operation in progress, blowing Mitch's chance of nailing a drug dealer. At the same time, a television news crew barges in on the action, lights ablaze, further hindering Mitch's attempts to catch his fleeing suspect. Frustrated at seeing months of work go down the drain, the detective fires a shot at the camera. If there's anything he hates, it's intrusive reporters. And if there's the drain, the detective fires a shot at the camera. If there's anything he hates, it's intrusive reporters. And if there's anything he hates more than that, it's a joke of a cop like Trey getting in his way.

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## Death to Smoochy

Dark satirical comedy. Set against the cutthroat world of children's television, Death to Smoochy tells the story of Rainbow Randolph (Robin Williams), the corrupt, costumed star of a popular children's TV show, who is fired over a bribery scandal and replaced by squeaky-clean Smoochy (Edward Norton), a puffy

fuchsia rhinoceros. As Smoochy catapults to face - scoring hit ratings and the affections of a jaded network executive (Catherine Keener) - Randolph makes the unsuspecting rhino the target of his numerous outrageous attempt to exact revenge and reclaim his status as America's sweetheart.



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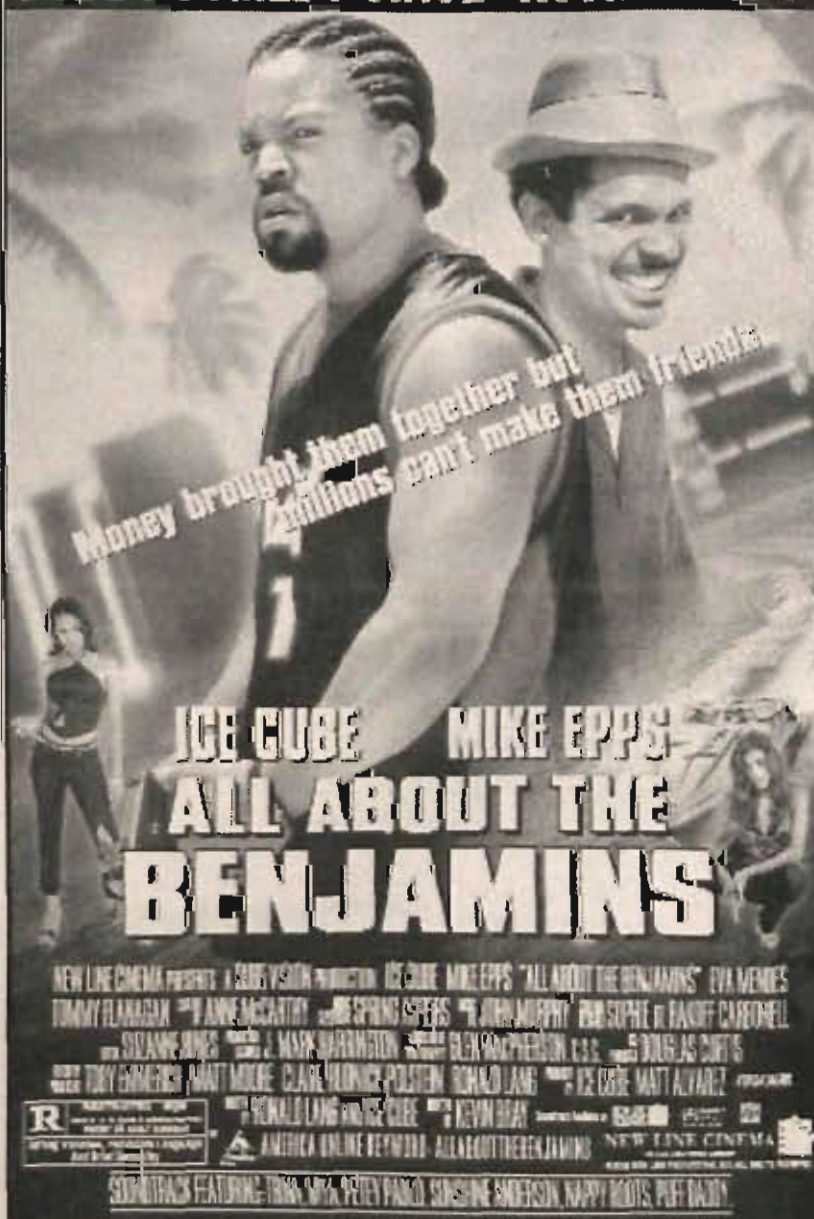
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## Around The Town

### On-going

Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary in McKinney presents Nature Stories with use of puppets and music, every Saturday through June 29 at 11 a.m. All ages welcome. \$5 adults, \$3 children 3-12, members free. Call 972.562.5566 for more information, or [www.heardmuseum.org](http://www.heardmuseum.org). The museum is located at One Nature Place, McKinney.

Dallas Highlights, a support group for visually impaired individuals (adults and children) and their families, meets on the second Saturday of each month at the Dallas Lighthouse for the Blind. For details call 972.491.3572.

Planet Kidz provides youth activities at Carpenter Park and Oak Point recreation centers for children in third through eighth grades. Saturday nights, 7 to 11:30 p.m. Plano police officers provide security. \$8.00 admission fee. Call The Carpenter Center, 6701 Coit Road, at 972.208.8087; The Oak Point Center, 6000 Jupiter Road at 972.941.7540.

Applicants are being sought for 2003-04 Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarships, which provide up to \$25,000 for tuition and expenses for study abroad. Applicants cannot be related to a Rotarian, must be a U.S. citizen, must have completed 2 years of college and speak the language of the country of study. Call Dr. George S. Kadera, Rotary District Scholarships chairman at 972.562.3219.

Family Outreach of Richardson/Plano offers parenting classes to focus

on development, personality and discipline of children age 0-18. Classes held at the Family Outreach Center in Richardson, free of charge. For details call 972.231.6584.

The McKinney Civic Chorus is seeking vocalists ages 16 and older. No audition is required for participation. Rehearsals are 7-9 p.m., Mondays at Hillcrest Christian Church, 509 S. Graves St. Membership dues and performance attire are required. For more information, call Bobbe Thompson at 972.562.2360.

Jazz in the Atrium with the Marchel Ivery Quartet every Thursday at the Dallas Museum of Art. Admission is free. Call 214.922.1200 for more information.

Feld Entertainment commemorates 21 years of on-ice Disney classics that have come to the metroplex, February 15 - March 31 with a lavish exhibition of Disney On Ice props, costumes and more. Located on the 3rd level of The Shops at West End Marketplace, Dallas. Call 214.351.9806 for more information.

Billie G. Meador, the Edward Jones Investment Representative hosts a five-week workshop "Financial Workshop for Individual Investors." Workshop runs February 25 through March 25. Classes meet 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. at the Courtyard Center Campus. Enrollment fee is \$69. For more information contact Billie Meador at 972.208.5688.

The Women's Museum presents Alma Thomas: Phantasmagoria, Major Paintings - a retrospective of

works by this abstract artist who became the 1st African American woman to have a solo exhibition at New York's Whitney Museum of American Art.

### Through March 9

The South Dallas Cultural Center hosts an exhibit of works by Dallas artist Beth Ritter-Perry, who uses a variety of media including doll making, quilt making and drawing. Weekdays 12 noon to 7 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admission is free. Call 214.939.ARTS for more information.

### March 1-17

Blues in the Night - Kalita Humphreys Theatre at Dallas Theater Center. Music born of hard times and high hopes. 214.522.8499.

### March 1-31

European Master Exhibit at the Dallas Museum of Art. Works by Monet, Renoir, Rembrandt, and others. From the Foundation for the Arts. 214.922.1200.

### March 7-16

Out of The Loop Festival, presented by WaterTower Theatre, Addison Conference & Theatre Centre, Addison. Call 972.450.6232 for details.

### March 8

The Children's Chorus of Greater Dallas Inaugural Tour Concert and Silent Auction, at Zion Lutheran Church, 6121 East Lovers Lane, Dallas. Silent Auction begins 7

p.m., and Concert Performance begins 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 advance/\$12 door. Reserved seating available. Call 214.965.0491, or visit [www.thechildrenschorus.com](http://www.thechildrenschorus.com).

### March 8-9

Little Off The Square Theatre in McKinney presents "Saving Grace." Tickets are \$10. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. Limited seating. 406 N. Tennessee Street (at Lamar). For more information or reservations call 972.562.LOST (5678).

### March 8-10

Join the Friendship West Baptist Church Singles Ministry of Dallas, Texas for the 3rd Annual Singles Conference "Below See Level", at 616 W. Kiest Blvd, Dallas. Times vary. For more information call 214.371.0964, ext. 335, visit the website at [www.friendshipwest.org](http://www.friendshipwest.org), or e-mail the Singles Ministry at [fwbsingles@aol.com](mailto:fwbsingles@aol.com)

### March 9

The Richardson Symphony RSO/Lennox Competition. March 9 at 8 p.m., Richardson High School, Richardson. Tickets range from \$13 - \$30. Call 972.234.4195.

### March 9-10

Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary hosts Kite Flying Weekend, Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Kite making Saturday at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., and Sunday at 1 p.m., \$5 per kite. One Nature Place, McKinney. For

more information call 972.562.5566, or [www.heardmuseum.org](http://www.heardmuseum.org).

### March 10

Plano Bridal Show, your one stop shopping for all your wedding or party needs. Held at Plano Centre, 2000 E. Spring Creek Parkway, 12 noon - 5 p.m. Admission is \$10. Call 972.608.9749 for more information, or visit [www.texasbridal.com](http://www.texasbridal.com).

Dallas Chamber Orchestra presents "Easter at White Rock" at 6:30 p.m. at Winfrey Point Pavilion, White Rock Lake. Tickets are \$15, \$10 seniors, \$5 students. Call 214.321.1411.

### March 11

The Dallas Museum of Art presents a night looking at the work of Texas author Larry McMurtry with UT Professor Don Graham. Call 214.943.1099 for details.

### March 12

Dallas Network of Career Women hosts "Networking to Reach Your Goals", at its monthly luncheon. Reservations are a must, before noon on Friday March 8 by calling 214.855.1509. Tickets \$20 members, \$22 guests. Held at City Club, 69th Floor of the Bank of America Building, downtown Dallas, from 11:30 a.m. 'til about 1 p.m.

Members of the Mavs All-Star Reading Team will read to youth as part of The NBA's Read to Achieve campaign, at Fretz Park Library, 6990 Belt Line Road, Dallas, 75240, at 5 p.m.

The Emeritus Program at Mountain View and Cedar Valley col-

leges will sponsor its Spring Symposium March 12 at Cedar Valley College. Featuring keynote speakers, workshops, vendor booths, continental breakfast and lunch, and much information for older adults. If you are interested in participating as a vendor you will need to confirm your participation as quickly as possible. Contact Henry O. Adkins at 214.860.8816.

Plano/Richardson Aglow Community Lighthouse, - an interdenominational outreach group, meets at The Plano Center, 2000 E. Spring Creek at Jupiter Road, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Admission is free. Contact Deborah Wheeler at 972.422.2632, or visit [www.aglow.org](http://www.aglow.org).

### March 18

CCCCD offers Cisco network training, using Cisco Network Designer software. Registration deadline is March 14. For more information call 972.377.1715.

### Dallas Mavericks

American Airlines Center, 214.747.6287

March 8 - Minnesota Wild

March 9 - Golden State Warriors

March 11 - Seattle SuperSonics

March 19 - L.A. Lakers

### Dallas Stars

American Airlines Center, 972.467.8277

March 10 - New Jersey Devils

March 20 - St. Louis Blues

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### Texas Legislature Jump from Page 4

Paulken, Mike Keasler, John Cornyn, Craig Enoch, Carol Rylander, Susan Combs, Elvira Reyna, David Hammel, and numerous judges and other Republican candidates.

Democrat Lehman Harris will be the only candidate on the Democrat Primary ballot for District 89 State Representative. At press time there was no information available for Harris.

Republicans are offering voters two candidates for the State Board of Education District 9, Don McLeroy and Patricia "Pat" Harper.

Likewise, Democrats will find two candidates for the State Board of Education, District 9, including Dean W. Woodard and Robert A. "Bobby" Butler.

Woodard lived in Graham, Texas, for five years while working for Hexcel Corporation as their chief engineer. He led the engineering teams for the B2 Stealth bomber, C17 aircraft, and the

Boeing 777. He is a life member of the Disabled Veterans of America chapter in McKinney.

Woodard is a teaching fellow at the University of North Texas and has a master's degree. Woodard teaches classes in American Government and International Relations.

In the State Board of Education District 12 Republicans will vote for Geraldine "Tincy" Miller.

Morton J. Graham of Plano will appear on the Democrat ballot for State Board of Education District 12. Graham has served as president of the Alliance of Cardiovascular Professionals' National Echocardiography Council since June, 1999.

Graham is also responsible for strategy and planning as it relates to the advancement of the field of echocardiography and non-invasive cardiovascular technology. Participate in development of benchmarking standards for testing laboratories and minimum competency guidelines for practicing professionals.

## 13th Dickie Foster Texas Black Women's Conference

WHO: The African American Museum and the Friends of the Texas Black Women's History Archives.

WHAT: The 13th Dickie Foster Texas Black Women's Conference.

WHEN: Saturday, March 16, 2002, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Registration begins at 8 a.m.

WHERE: The Dallas Marriott Suites Motel - Market Center

WHY: To provide a forum for discussion on issues relevant to Texas Black women and to help them become more aware and to be able to make informed decisions; also to create an atmosphere for networking in which black women relish their past and prepare for the future.

For more information, call 214-565-9026, ext. 307.

## State Representative Jerry Madden

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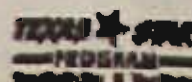


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