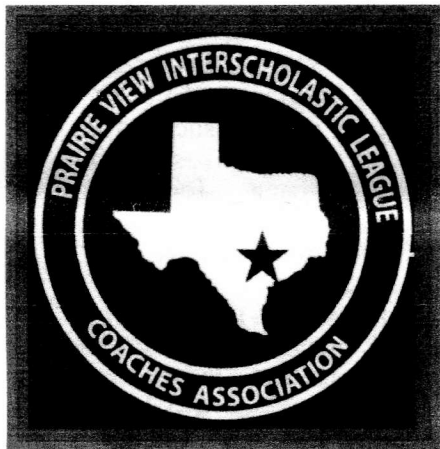


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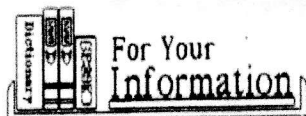
February is Black History Month! He's at it Again!



Remember when your little sister was the only one who wore pigtails? Remember when weed was grass you had to cut? Remember when pot was something you cooked in? Remember when we traveled to out-of-town games in private autos? Usually other coaches provided the transportation. Everyone tried to ride with the coach who had the new car. How things have changed. It's a blessing we do not have to live through those conditions today.

The Board Chairman, Robert Brown, attempts to educate people about the struggles our athletes have conquered. If you forget your past there is nothing to prepare you for the future. Each February, Chairman Brown travels to many schools with displays of PVILCA photos and artifacts educating students about the history of the PVILCA.



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Standing: O.B. Harris, Ass. Coach, Donald Hill, Wesley Jones, George Barrett, Hollis Felder, Weldon Drew, Travis Smith, Collin Briggs, Coach Kneeling: Alfred Thomas, Charles Carr, Louis Griffin, Otis McAllister, trainer G. B. Glenn, Don James.



The late **Collin Briggs** had a wildly successful career as basketball coach for the Houston Wheatley Wildcats, at one

time winning six consecutive state titles in the PVILCA from 1950-1955. Overall, he coached the Wildcats to 11 PVIL titles and two UIL championships (1968-1969). Three of his teams were invited to play on the national level in what was called the Negro National High School Basketball Tournament which was comprised of sixteen state champions. The 1952 Wheatley team was a finalist in the tournament and ended up losing to Central of Paris, Ky. 51-48.

A History Lesson

This year, during Black History Month, the spotlight will be on one of Houston Phillis Wheatley's basketball teams that dominated during the Fabulous Fifties. Many people never knew that there was a National Negro Basketball Tournament (as it was known in those days), the tournament was held in Nashville, Tennessee. Outstanding teams from across the nation were invited. We recently enjoyed the NCAA "March Madness" games, with teams competing over a three - week period. The Negro Basketball Tournament lasted three days. There were morning, afternoon and night games. It's a wonder that the winning team's tongues weren't hanging out. But it was an experience that would last a lifetime for the participants.

A**PEOPLE**

**WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OF THEIR HISTORY,
ORIGIN AND CULTURE IS LIKE A TREE
WITHOUT ROOTS**

Marcus Gravey

The Wheatley Wildcats had several practice games before heading to Nashville. One game was against a group from Texas Southern University. One of the players on the TSU team became a legendary coach who declared that "plain vanilla" was the way to play basketball. No hot dogging.

Can you guess who that player was?

Clues

1. His son coached at Houston Wheatley.
2. He is a legendary high basketball coach who coached in the McDonald's All-star game.
3. He had an unusual hook shot.

GuessWho?

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"The Ring"



George E. Adams
Lars E. Allen
Lorane Ashley
Mike Ashley
Raymond Baylor
James Thomas Bean III
Tommy L. Beatty
T. J. Bell
Eddie Bell
Jimmie Bigham
Jerry Blair
Leroy Bookman, Jr. III
Clifford "Cliff" Branch
Anthony D. Brown
Charles Brown
Leroy Brown
Robert Brown
James R. Bundage
Vernon Carathers
Jackie Carr
Reginald C. Christopher
Rev. Jimmie Cobbin
Johnnie Coleman Jr.
Floretta Collins
Ronnie Courtney
Clem Daniels
Dwight Davis
Elgin G. Davis
Erse "Chief" Davis

Mose C. Davis
Robert L. Dickson, II
Charles "Doc" Dockery
Karl Douglas
Garry W. Dunham
Arnette Easley
Lewis Easley
Jimmie L. Emanuel
Cornell Anthony Evans
Fred "Peanut" Ferguson
James O. Fleullan
Willie Flournoy
Dyain Frazier
Cleve Freeman, Jr.
Oscar W. Fresch, Jr.
Dwain Giles
Nathaniel A. Gillespie
Ronald "Buck" Goodbeer
Oscar G. Greenwood Sr.
J.B. Haggerty, Jr.
Leon "Big Hamp" Hamilton
Johnny E. Harper
Spencer Harris III
Ellis Hubbard
Dalton L. Hughes, Jr.

Kenneth R. Hunter
Bertha Ashley Jackson
Freddie James
Brandon Jefferson
Oliver E. Jenkins
Deloris Marie Johnson
Henry Johnson
Leo D. Johnson
Joe Jones
Marshall Land, Jr.
John Earl Lee
Fred Lewis
Ruel Hampton
Gordon R. Harrison
Eddie Henry
Jerry Hillard
John A. Lagway
Robert Houston Land
Kenneth R. Howard
Jeff Lewis Jr.
Coy Limbrick, Sr.
David Q. Marks

Rev. Robert E. McGee
Charles McCowin
Theodore Merrell
Lee A. Nephew
Lucious Newhouse, Jr.
Monroe Nichols, Jr.
Fredrick Nixon
Theodore Oliver
Beatrice Louise Pace
Charles Perry, Jr.
Calvin Pierson
Ruben E. Phillips
Terry J. Phillips
Elwood O. Plummer
John "J.D." Richardson
Dr. Thurman Robins
Anthony Sampson
Gene L. Sampson Jr.
Dr. Vicki Sellers.
Charles McCowin
Joe Washington
Robert B. Sanders, Jr.
Joseph "Joe" Selexman
Tommy Scott
Joseph Warren Singleton

Robert "Blue" Smith
Charles Stamps
Rowland Steptoe
Larry Sugers
Billy Talford
Johnny Tardy Jr.
Andrew Gene Taylor
Sammie Taylor
Lee E. Thomas
Cletis Toliver
Joseph C. Valley, Jr.
Thomas "Tom" Valley
Calvin Vinson
Joe Washington
Franklin D. Wesley Jr
Lawrence Williams
Louis Williams, Sr.
Michael Williams
Edward Wilson
Reginald Williams
Kenneth M. Wilson
James "Froggie" White.
Jesse E. Yates
Horace Young
Reginald Moore
Marvin O. Kedro

Current Life Members

2006

Jack Bellinger
Robert Brown
Ellis Davis, Jr.
Herman Gabriel
Arthur Gillum
Clyde Glosson
Charles Herbert

2007

Charles Brown
Jackie Carr
John Codwell, Jr.
Glennor Davis
Walter E. Day
Ronald Goodbeer
James "Bo" Humphery
Alvin N. Jackson
James C. Mays, Sr.
Stanley R. Mays
King Arthur Prayther
Dr. Thurman Robins
Edward Roby
Ray Seals
William L. Sims
James Wanza
Gene Washington
Franklin D. Wesley, Jr.
Walter Yates, Sr.

2008

Weldon O. Baker
Oliver "Show" Brown

2008 continued

Coger H. Coverson
Jefferson Davis, Jr.
Joseph Melvin Dixon, Sr.
Willie Floyd
Charles Frazier
George Gray
Charles Green
Roland Hayes
L.L. Jackson
Don A. James
Freddie James
R. "Ralph" Johnson
Ed Jones
James Jones, II
Kirby Jones
Joe Leonard, Sr.
Vickie Minor
Michael Mitchell
Homer Norville
Marvin Pettway
Dr. Joseph A. Pierce, Jr.
Lewis Ritcherson
Lewis H. Ritcherson, II
Edward G. Robinson
Hensley Sapenter, Jr.
Dr. T. A. Sims
James A. (Froggie) White

2008 continued

James "Clint" Williams
Brannen G. Temple
2009
James Alexander
Roosevelt Alexander
Leon Carr
Kenneth Curl, Jr.
Donald "Mantan" Dickson
Thomas "Bill" Edwards
Albert Fair, Jr.
Leon "Big Hamp" Hamilton
Charles "Tex" Harrison
Dan Haskins
Eddie Hughes
Arnell Stripling Johnson
Ralph Jones
Chauncey King, Sr.
Freddie Maura
Ross E. Lewis
Ocell Miller, Jr.
Nicholas Overton
Luther C. Robinson
Dave Smith
Robert J. Tapscott
Albert "Big Al" Walker
Horace Young
2010
Joe Curtis Baker

2010 continued

Leroy Bookman, Jr.
Leroy Bookman, Sr.
Lorenzo Cole
C. H. Collins
Enoch Noble Dixon, Jr.
Cleve L. Freeman Jr.
Charles L. Fisher
Charles L. Garcia
Gentris Hornsby
Edwin Johnson
Johnnie Means
Charles O'Saw
Rodney D. Saveat
John Smith, Jr.
Waylan D. Wallace, Jr.
2011
Dr. William C. Akins
Howard O'Neal Aldridge
S. A. Anderson
Billy Earl Beasley
Jerry Lewis Blair
Tommy Bookman
Billy "Bill" Brown
James "Bo" Bundage
Timothy Carr, III
Lawrence A. Collins
Willie Frank Dearion
Robert L. Dickson, II

Current Life Members

2011 continued

Charles "Doc" Dockery
Nathaniel A. Gillespie
Spencer Harris, III
John Hightower
Beverly Day Humphery
Dr. Jesse Henry Hurst, II
Oliver E. Jenkins
Henry Johnson
Coy K. Limbrick
Timothy C. Moon, Jr.
Rathers Alvin Norwood
J. M. Richard
Pervis Rosemon
William F. Rosemon
Joseph Warren Singleton
John A. Truitt, Jr.
Dr. Gregory J. Vincent
Joe D. Washington, Sr.
Delvin Williams
Nicholas "Nic" Williams
James R. Wilson

2012

Tommy L. Amerson
Brady Beauregard
Willie Blackmon
Clinton Booker
Albert L. Breed
Ben L. Cavil
Dr. J. Kenyatta Cavil
John Luther Clayton
Sullie Eugene Cobbin
Charles Ray Cone
Felix L. Cook, Jr.
Larry Edwards
Jimmie L. Emanuel
Arthur L. Haggerty
Desmond Henerson
Goree "Coach" Johnson
James D. Kennedy
Lester L. King
Leroy Marshall
Lewis M. Marshall
Marcus Mosley
John E. Payton
Tommy Pierson
William A. Stell
Johnny Tardy, Jr.
Clarence W. Weatherspoon
Jesse E. Yates

2013

George E. Adams
Alton Earl Bennett
Donald L. Bennett
Cecil D. Boykin
Anthony Dwight Brown
Vernon Carather

2013 continued

Reginald C. Christopher
Jimmie Cobbin
Robert L. "Bob" Crawford
Elgin Davis
Louis Dotson Jr.
Rev. Iria Ephriam
Charles Ferguson
Oscar Willie Fresch, Jr.
Jimmy C. Gales
David Arthur Hall, Sr.
Charles "Hands" Harris
Arthur Ray Henderson
Nathaniel "Nate" Henderson
Warnie Hill, Jr.
Melvin Houston
Donald R. Johnson
Sandra E. Jones
Vernice Denman Kindle
Robert Houston Land
Louis Dotson Jr.
Monroe Nichols, Jr.
Griggs Owens, Jr.
Rev. Ruben E. Phillips
Verna Reece Powers
John D. Richardson
Julius Shanklin
Robert "Blue" Smith
William A. Stell
Joseph Summerfield
George Richard Thomas
Frederick "Ricky" Warren
Clifton Williams
Malone Woods, Jr.
Harry Wright
Travis Alton Wright

2014

Raymond Allen Jr.
Herbert C. Anders
Freddie James Anderson
A. G. Booker
Carolyn Sadberry Brown
Dr. Johnny E. Brown
Leroy Brown, Jr.
Louis C. Carr Sr.
Terry Vernon Cooper
George Daniels Jr.
William Denman
Frederick "Peanut" Ferguson
Morris W. Freeman
Bennie Lee Harris
Charles James
Marion "Blue" Johnson
Marshall Land Jr.
Jackie Lathan

Bertha E. Means
Milton "Milt" Morgan

2014 continued

Lucious Leon Newhouse Jr.
D. C. Nobles
Beatrice L. Pace
Mary Lena Cooper People
John L. F. Powers
JoAnn Bean Rawls
Sidney L. Sadler
Lee E. Thomas
Thomas "Tom" Valley
John H. Walker
Johnny Walker
Roger Whitaker
Tanuya T. Worthy

2015

Clifford Branch
Lynn Ray Ellison
Dewey Fowler, Sr.
Ruel E. Hampton, Sr.
Raymon Lacy
Fred Lewis
Bryon Keith Johnson
Deloris Marie Johnson
Raymond Lacy
Martha Snell Lathon
Jeff Lewis
Paul Matthews
Willie McFarland
Sammie Taylor

2016

Cline A. Armstrong
Marvin L. Hancock
Wilfred Lawrence Cooper
Rowland D. Steptoe
Raymond Baylor
Jessie Shelton
Beth Anderson
Elwood O. Plummer
David O. Neal
Rev. Robert E. McGee
Charles "Poppa"
Charlie" Brooks
Bennie Sherman
Andrew Gene Taylor
Charles Monette
Eddie L. Henry, Jr.
William T. Barnett

2017

Glenn Ray Cooper
Jimmie W. Cooper
Cornelius Shoaf
Pinenell V. Gradnigo

Kenneth. Howard
Calvin E. Vinson
Tommy Scott
Coach Clifford Hardeman
Marvin O. Karo

2017 continued

George A. Richardson
Sammie J. Feggins
Erse Davis
Clem Daniels
Bertha Ann Jackson
Tommy L. Beatty
John Brown
Reginald Moore

2018

Joe E. Jones
Rolan S. Morgan
Ralph Davenport
Louis Scott
Edward Smith
Lewis Easley
Arnette Easley
Dr. Charles Breithaupt
Lawrence G. Williams Sr.
Louis J. Williams, Sr.
Sam Chambers
Edward Wilson
Dr. Glenn Mitchell
Floretta Brown Collins
Earl Thompson
Joe Jones
James Walter Norman Jr.

2019

James Thomas Bean III

Answer from page 2



Robert "Bob" Hughes
"Hall of Fame Coach"

The 1952 NATIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Wheatley Five To Compete in National Meet

HOUSTON- Wheatley High School, State Negro Basketball Champions, left Houston en-route to Tennessee State A and I College, Nashville, Tenn., to enter the National Negro Basketball Tournament opening Thursday.

The Wheatley Wildcats closed this season with 12 victories in 14 games with an average of 85.7 points per game during the regular season. The Wildcats totaled 867 points while their opponents scored 540.

The Wheatley cagers have participated in the national tournament twice previously - 1948 and 1950 - and their entry in the tournament this year mark their third try for the national championship.

Final statistics show total points for players as follows: **Hollis Felder**, forward, 125; **Irvin Justic**, center, 107; **George Barrett**, forward, 105; **Don James**, guard, 98; **Weldon Drew**, guard, 71; **Wesley Jones**, forward, 50; **Charles Carr**, guard, 32; **Travis Smith**, forward, 31; **Donald Hill**, forward, 12.

Coach Collin Briggs and **William Moore**, assistant principal, accompanied the team to Nashville

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National Meet Starts Tuesday

Nashville - The eighth annual National Basketball tournament gets under way Tuesday afternoon at **Fisk University** with state champions from across the country invited to compete.

Five games are scheduled at Fisk, Tuesday afternoon starting at 1 o'clock and three tilts are slated Tuesday night in the **Pearl High** gym starting at 7:30.p.m.

Sixteen states in all will be represented.

The Pearl High Tigers of Nashville and Bridgeforth High of Pulaski will be the Volunteer state's only representatives. The tournament will run through Saturday with afternoon play starting at 1:30 Thursday and Friday in the Fisk gym. Evening play Friday and Saturday will be held in the Pearl gym starting at 7 o'clock Friday and 7:30 Saturday.

Out of state entries in the tourney are:

R.T. Cole Vocational, Kansas City, Missouri; **Laurenborg Institue**, Laurenborg, North Carolina; **Washington**, Atlanta, Georgia; **Don Thompson**, Tampa Bay, Florida; **Booker T. Washington**, Tulsa, Oklahoma; **Central**, Louisville, Kentucky; **Phillis Wheatley, Houston Texas**; **J.S. Clark**, New Orleans, Louisiana; **Booker T. Washington**, Montgomery, Alabama; **Western High School**, Paris, Kentucky; **H. B. Hudson**, Selma Alabama; **Booker T. Washington**, Cushing, Oklahoma; **Union County Training School**, New Albany Mississippi; **Lincoln High**, Tallahassee, Florida.

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Here are the pairings which were drawn last night:

Fisk Gymnasium

1 p.m. - **Booker T. Washington**, Atlanta, Georgia vs. **Laurenborg, Institute**, Laurenborg, N.C.

2:15 p.m. **Western High School**, Paris, Ky. vs

Union county Training School, New Albany Miss.

3:30 p.m. **Bridgeport High School**, Pulaski, Tenn. vs **H.B. Hudson**, Selma Ala.

4:45 p.m. **Phillis Wheatley High School**, Houston, Texas vs.

Booker T. Washington, Tulsa Okla

6:00 p.m.- **Lincoln High Tallahassee**, Fla. vs. **R.T. Coles Vocational School**,

Kansas City, Mo.

Pearl High Gymnasium

7:30 p.m. **J.S. Clark**, New Orleans, La. vs.

Booker T. Washington, Cushing, Okla.

8:45 **Central High Louisville**, Ky. vs **Booker T. Washington** Montgomery, Ala.

10:00 p.m. **Don Thompson High School**, Tampa, Fla. vs **Pearl High**, Nashville, Tenn.

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WEDNESDAY MARCH 20, 1952

WHEATLEY WILDCATS DROP BTW OF TULSA , OKLA 54-47

Pearl High's Tigers, sparked **Holly Reasonover**, skipped into the second round of the National Negro High School Basketball tournament last night at Pearl with a thrilling 62 to 56 victory over **Don Thompson High** of Tampa, Fla.

It was Reasonover's fancy shooting in the third and fourth periods that turned the game in Pearl's favor. Reasonover named to the All-State team last week as Pearl captured the championship, hit for a total of 22 points **Henry McDonald** scoring 13, was Pearl's next best point producer. The victory put Pearl into tonight's quarter-finals against **R.T. Cole High** of Kansas City.

Albert Heriot scored a field goal with seconds remaining in the overtime to give **Laurenberg, N.C.** a 59-56 victory over **Booker T. Washington** of Atlanta, Ga. in the tourney opener.

Other first-round afternoon games saw **Western High, Paris, Ky.** defeat **Union county** of New Albany, Miss. 65-46 **R.B. Hudson, Selma, Ala.** trips **Bridgeport High** of Pulaski, Tenn. 49-43; **Phillis Wheatley of Houston, Texas** downed **Booker T. Washington** of Tulsa, Okla. 54-47 and **R.T. Coles** of Kansas City defeated **Lincoln High Tallahassee, Fla.** 56-47

Heriot wound up with 20 points and his teammate **Marcel Martin** got 19 to offer the top 1-2 punch of the opening session.

High point honord in the afternoon went to **Moses Jones** of Selma, Ala. hit for 25 points in the victory over Pulaski.

Perhaps the top upset of the first session was in the Houston-Tulsa battle. Tulsa annually provides a national tournament threat. The Tulsans have captured the crown on three occasions. Yesterday, however they couldn't match the sharpshooting Hollis Felder who scored 17 points.

Other cagers hitting 20 or more in the first five games were **Paul Martin** of Atlanta with 21 and **Will Conner** of Paris with 23.

In the night's opening session at Pearl, **defending champion Booker T. Washington** of Cushing, Okla. had a rough time defeating **J.S. Clark** of New Orleans 40-37. **Lawrence Butler's** 14 points and **Joe Boyd's** 10 point effort turned the tide. **Ben Jackson** hit for 15 for Clark and **Maurice Washington** added 14 for the New Orleans club.

Louisville's Central High team had the easiest time of the opening round, walloping **Booker Washington** of Montgomery, Ala. 60-36 as **Sam Moore** scored 22 points, **Clinton Drum** threw in 22 for the Montgomery club

WHEATLEY WILDCATS SINK R.B. HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL, SELMA, ALA.67-52

FACES WESTERN HIGH OF PARIS, KY. IN SEMIS.

Pearl High's Tigers advanced to the semifinals of the National Negro Basketball Tournament last night with an impressive 74-54 victory over **R.T. Coles** of Kansas, Mo., at the Pearl gymnasium.

The Tigers once again were sparked by guard **Holly Reasonover** who scored 20 points as Pearl romped into an early lead and was never threatened. the tigerd held a commanding 41-25 halftime margin.

In the other quater-final played at Pearl last night, **Central of Louisville** stopped **Booker T. Washington** of Cushing, Olka. the defending champion, 57-38. **Sam Moore** hit for 22 points as Central's leading scorer

The victory put Pearl into the after afternoon bracket of the semis today. The Tigers engage **Louisville** at 1:30 PM and **Phillis Wheatley Wheatley** of Houston, Texas tackles **Paris, Ky.**, in the second game of the semifinals.

TODAY'S GAMES

FISK GYMNASIUM

1:30PM Louisville, Ky. vs. Pearl High

Nashville, Tenn.

2:45PM Wheatley Houston, Texas vs Paris, Ky.

PEARL GYMNASIUM

7:30PM Consolation Finals.

8:45PM Championship Finals

Tonight's consolation finals to be played between the losers of the semis, starts at 7:30. The championship finals are scheduled for 8:45 PM.

Western High of Paris, with **William Gaines** and **Willie Spencer** leading the attack, scored a 52-47 triumph over **Laurenburg Insitute** of Laurenburg, N.C. in the first afternoon game yesterday.

Albert Heriot, star of Laurenburg's first round vicotory on Thursday, was th top threat for the losers. He threw in 22 points, his second straight 20 points plus total.

Phillis Wheatley High of Houston, Texas, earned its semifinals berth by defeating R.B Hudson of Selma, Ala 67-52.

It was a well balanced attack on the part of Houston with four of the starters hitting for double digit totals. High point honors went to Don James with 23, while Weldon Drew scored 12 and Hollis Felder and George Barrett each connected for 10

LOUISVILLE WINS NEGRO TOURNEY, DEFEATS WHEATLEY WILDCATS IN CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS 41-38

Louisville Central's basketball team captured the championship of the eighth annual National Negro Basketball Tournament at Pearl High Gymnasium last night, defeating Phillis Wheatley High of Houston, Texas 41-38.

In the consolation finals proceeding the championship battle, Nashville Pearl High school tripped Western High of Paris Ky., 56-42 for third place in the 16 team tournament.

Moore comes through

The Louisville-Houston encounter was a thriller all the way. The score was tied six times. Louisville got ahead for good with approximately three minutes left when Sam Moore, hero of the semifinal game with Pearl hit a field goal and put Central on top 38-36.

Moore finished the game with 15 points and Hollis Felder got 15 for Houston. Pearl was never in trouble beating Paris as Felix Hopwood scored 16 points and Holly

Reasonover got 14. Russell Tucker led the Paris attack with 11.

Ten players were selected for the All-Tournament team. They include: Alfred Thomas, Houston; Benjamin Jackson, New Orleans; Jeff Williams, Tampa; Holly Reasonover, Pearl; Lawrence Butler, Cushing, Okla; Sam Moore, Louisville; Frank Swopes, Kansa City; William Connor, Paris, Ky.; Albert Heriot, Laurenburg, N.C.; Maurice Washington, New Orleans.

Senior Sam Moore provided the difference in Louisville's semifinal victory over Pearl. Moore threw in 25 points and played the pivot skillfully, passing off and rebounding as well as leading both teams in scoring. Paul Britt. got 13 points and reserve George Hamilton got 11 as the other big guns in the Louisville offense.

Phillis Wheatley High of Houston was the other semifinal winner, beating Western High of Paris, Ky. 46-44 in a thrilling overtime battle. James wound up with 14 points and Thomas got 11. Center Hollis Felder added 14 to the total. Houston overcame a 17 points halftime deficit to win their semis duel. Paris with William Conner the big scoring gun, led 31-14 at half, but saw the lead wilt in face of Houston's sensational last half and overtime surge.

Championship Semifinals

Houston Texas (46)

Don James.....	14
Irvin Justice	5
Hollis Felder.....	14
Alfred Thomas....	11
Weldon Drew.....	2
George Barrett...	0
Charles Carr.....	0
Wesley Jones.....	0
Travis Smith.....	0

Paris, Ky (42)

Conner	16
Downey, J	6
Tucker	8
Gaines.....	9
Spencer..	5
Baker	0
Downey, W.. ..	0
Parker.....	0

**Halftime score: Wheatley- Houston 13
Western High-Paris, Ky. 31**

Championship Finals

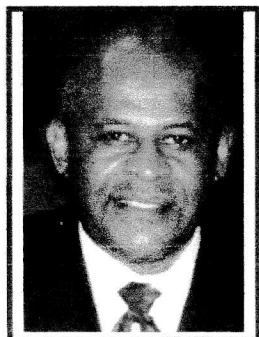
LOUISVILLE (41) HOUSTON TEXAS(38)

Moore.....	15	Don James.....	4
Washington.....	6	Irvin Justice	6
Britt	5	Hollis Felder.....	14
Taylor.....	5	Alfred Thomas....	11
Hamilton.....	0	Weldon Drew.....	2
Mc Elroy	8	Charles Carr.....	0
Wiggins.....	0	Wesley Jones... ..	0
Patrick.....	1	Travis Smith... ..	0
		Hill..	0
		George Barrett...	2

**Halftime score
Louisville 19 Wheatley 18**

In Loving Memory

We offer our condolences and prayers to the families of the following members of the Prairie View Interscholastic League Coaches Association.



Walter Yates

1940-2019

Walter Yates began to excel in basketball and played for the legendary coach Fankie Brazos at E.O. Smith Jr. High. At Phillis Wheatley, he was coached by the great Collin Briggs and Jackie Carr. In the 60's he entered the University of

Texas at Pan America (UTPA) in Edinburg, Tx. and graduated in 1965. In 1976, he earned a Master's Degree in Administration and Supervision. His illustrious coaching career included E.O. Smith Middle School, Jefferson Davis High School, Madison High School and Kashmere High School.

In addition to coaching, Walter Yates excelled in many other HISD positions from teaching to Assistant Principal. Over the years he earned numerous awards and recognitions. He was a member of the Yale Street Missionary Baptist Church for more than 36 years, serving in numerous positions.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Mary, three children Alisa, Walter, Jr. and Calvin, eight grandchildren, two great-children and a host of relatives and friends.



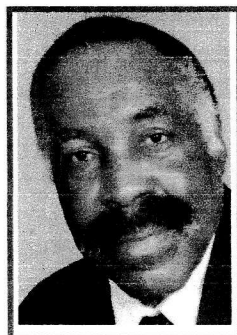
Kirby Carl Jones

1932 -2019

Kirby Jones was a native Houstonian who received his formal education from the H.I.S.D. local schools, and graduating from Booker T. Washington, Houston and furthering his studies at Texas Southern University. For more than 40 years,

Kirby was a Biology teacher and football coach in HISD. During that time, he received numerous recognitions and awards.

He was a long-time member of the Fifth Ward Church of Christ. He and his wife, Jean were married in 1952. To this union, two children Deborah and Kirby, III were born. His survivors also included three grandchildren, three great grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.



Brannen Temple, Sr.

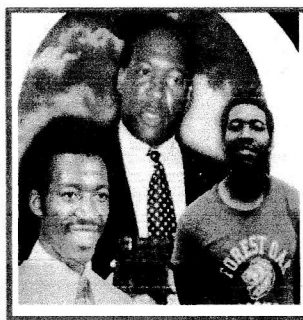
1934-2019

Brannen Temple came to Texas in 1954 after spending his formative years in Georgia, New Jersey and New York. He enrolled in Huston-Tillotson College on a scholarship from the great icon, Jackie Robinson and from Robert Downs, a HT alum. He lettered in basketball, baseball and track and field while in college.

After graduating in 1963, with a Bachelor of Science in Health and Physical Education, he began his teaching/coaching career that included schools in Rockdale, Killen, Austin and San Marcos, Texas. He also started his own business, Temps Defensive Driving School.

He was a member of Ebenezer Baptist Church in Austin, Texas. Over the years, he received numerous awards and honors from organizations of which he was a member. He also was a member of the PVILCA Board of Directors until his health failed.

His wife of 57 years, Florence, preceded him in death. He is survived by his children, grandchildren and many other relatives and life long friends



Spencer Harris

(1947-2018)

Spencer Harris III was a 1966 honors graduate of Paul Lawrence Dunbar High School. While there he was a standout athlete excelling in track and football. He entered Texas Christian University where he ran track. He received

a degree in chemistry and mathematics. He also received a Master's degree in Educational Administration from Tarleton State University.

Spencer had a very successful career as a teacher and coach working in Fort Worth ISD, Garland ISD, and Dallas ISD. He also officiated at numerous track and field events including the Olympics in Los Angeles, California and Olympic Trials in Indianapolis.

He is survived by two children, Shawn and Jennifer Harris, six grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.