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Doc's Special Messages

By: Dr. R. Marie Horne MD

South Georgians are fortunate to have concerned, sagacious and dedicated leaders within the spectrum of the Brooks County, the South Health District and the State of Georgia Department of Public Health Domain.

The public health sector of our Nation is guided by the policy formulated by the federal agency, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), which operates under the authority of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

The CDC is headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia. The Georgia Department of Public Health is the lead State agency whose mission is "to prevent disease, injury and disability; promote health and well-being; and to prepare for and respond to disasters."

The Georgia Department of Public Health encompasses eighteen health districts among our 159 Georgia Health Departments and expands the scope of public healthcare delivery, acting in your best interest, conjointly, with your healthcare provider.

Expanded and comprehensive healthcare delivery from all sectors optimizes efficacy and safety - which is especially a chief priority, contemporaneously, as we must still maintain vigilant preventive health practices in the wake of the Covid -19 dynamic!

The recent Brooks County Board of Health Board Meeting on March 29, 2022 at 12:00 Noon presented the opportunity for Dr. William Grow MD, to re-emphasize the continued importance of maintaining efficacious health practices and to render a Covid-19 Status Update referable to prevalence and preponderance of current covid strains and the available measures to mitigate potential prevalence and severity of illness.

Dr. William Grow MD is the Director of the Georgia Department of Public Health's South Health District which comprises ten counties inclusive of Ben Hill, Berrien, Brooks, Cook, Echols, Irwin, Lanier, Lowndes, Tift and Turner Counties.

Dr. Grow's South Health District Team monitors covid prevalence and impact and conducts periodic assessments, with frequent regularity - collating statistical data regarding vaccination/immunizations provided to the public, severity of illness data, and availing the public of changing immunization protocols according to CDC guidelines referable to its ten-county area.

Dr. Grow disclosed in the March 29, 2022 Brooks County Board Meeting that though the primary prevalent Omicron Subvariant, BA.2 mutant strain became the predominant variant in March 2022, surpassing the original Omicron BA.1, in proliferation of daily cases in the United States, South Georgians fortunately and currently

have not felt severe impact at present in terms of immense prevalence proportion nor widespread serious debilitating covid-related illnesses - but Dr. Grow cautions, stresses, and admonishes the importance of the necessity for employing available measures to maintain safety and to exercise available second booster mRNA Covid vaccine options as they become accessible and Covid variants emerge.

Dr. Grow further availed the Brooks County Board of Health Membership and Brooks County Health Department Officials of the newly proposed availability of the second booster immunizations for individuals fifty years old and above - especially significant in the mitigation dynamic for the emerging and prevalent Omicron Subvariant/ mutant strain BA.2 and the continual encouragement of the populace to regard immunization boosters as a significant option to mitigating transmission of SARS-CoV-2 Virus (causative of Covid-19) as emerging variant strains present a constantly changing dynamic!

Testing, Vaccinations and Immunizations are still available through the Brooks County Health Department which stated Mission and Populace Inclusion is reinforced by Brooks County Nurse Manager, Ms. Dana Watson. Ms. Watson states, "Our mission is to promote and protect the health and well-being of anyone that lives, works or plays in Brooks County. Our services are available to everyone regardless of age, race, religion, national origin, political belief, disability or sex. We charge only minimal fees for our services, and some services have adjusted fee scales based on ability to pay. Our accepted forms of payment are cash, check, some credit/debit cards, and insurance: Aetna, Anthem BCBS, Cigna, Coventry, United Healthcare, Medicaid (Peacchare & WellCare) and Medicare. All medical records are kept confidential. We will not release any of your medical information without first obtaining a signed authorization from you. We offer a wide range of services from well checks and immunizations to environmental services."

Seven Members which comprise the Brooks County Board of Health and the Brooks County Health Department Staff are dedicated to maximally servicing the healthcare concerns and needs of Brooks Countians.

The Photo Collage in Clockwise designation introduces Quitman/ Brooks County/South Georgia and National Quitman Free Press Readers to these dedicated Brooks County Board of Health Members and Brooks County Health Department

Administrative Staff who serve Brooks Countians.

Photo One: Ms. Dana Watson is a Registered Nurse, RN, and holds a Bachelor of Science Nursing Degree, BSN, and is the Administrative Brooks County Nurse Manager of the Brooks County Health Department in the South Health District.

Photo Two: Ms. Toni Brinson is a Brooks County Board of Health Member who was appointed in 2022, and who also serves as the incumbent President of the Brooks County Lion's Club, extending her Lion's Club leadership capability as Zone Chairperson in District 18. Ms. Toni Brinson holds the office of Treasurer of the Brooks County Democratic Party.

Photo Three: Ms. Shelly Kirkendoll serves in the capacity of Secretary and Member of the Brooks County Board of Health. Ms. Shelly Kirkendoll is the Executive Director of the large-scale 188-Bed Presbyterian Home and Retirement Community located in Quitman and holds a Masters Degree in Nurse Administration, having amassed thirty years of Administrative expertise and directorial finesse over 30 years.

Photo Four: The PhotoOp of Dr. Vickie Reed, Ed.D and Dr. R. Marie Horne MD occurred on February 27th 2020 surrounding a Brooks County Secondary School Commemorative Black History Program honoring African American community individuals. The Delta Innovative School Event also featured and showcased the "Black Excellence Exhibit" of local historic African American trailblazers with the Brooks County School System Superintendent in attendance. Dr. Vickie Reed, who holds a Doctorate Degree in Education, gave stellar summarization remarks in highlighting her pride in the achievements and accomplishments of School Staff and Students and rendered culminating thanks to the community honorees and guests for their presence and support during the Event. Dr. Reed also iterated her privilege to serve with an impressive Board of Education on behalf of students and expressed the importance of continued parent participation in their child's school accomplishments. Dr. Vickie Reed further serves the Brooks County community with her significant Brooks County Board of Health Membership.

Photo Five: Two of the most Prolific Public Health Physicians in our ennobled State of Georgia, Dr. Kathleen Toomey MD, MPH, and Dr. William R. Grow MD, FACP, flank Dr. Rose Marie Horne MD during a PhotoOp and memorable moment of physician camaraderie on October 10, 2019 when the highly-esteemed,



exemplary and erudite Commissioner of Public Health, Dr. Kathleen Toomey, addressed the South District Department of Public Health's "Employee Development Day" Conference attendees.

Dr. Kathleen Toomey's Keynote Address to the numerous dedicated corps of employees, recapitulated the medical ethic and credo theme of the public health employee force: "We save lives!" (Quitman Free Press Coverage of the Event in QFP Edition dated October 23, 2019).

Fast-forward to the current covid dynamic, and that credo seems almost premonitory of predictive circumstance but it was unforeseen as to the forthcoming unfathomable dilemma our Nation would face and the most crucial and immense responsibility that the public health sector would have thrust upon it - in its huge contemporary function, import, and impetus in the "saving of lives" affected by the Covid-19 virus pandemic.

Dr. Kathleen Toomey MD is a highly-credentialed Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Public Health, who was appointed by Governor Brian Kemp in March 2019. As the Public Health Commissioner, Dr. Toomey has the privilege and responsibility of overseeing 159 Georgia County Health Departments in eighteen Health Districts with a plethora of public health programs that require definitive oversight ultimately by the DPH Commissioner. A Harvard University Doctor of Medicine Degree and a Harvard University Masters Degree in Public Health, her Fulbright Scholar study in Peru, and her inimitable service as the CDC's Country Director in the Nation of Botswana were certainly preparatory for her impressive career as an international and national public health leader at the highest levels in the discipline of Medicine!

Dr. William R. Grow MD's career path also reflects outstanding academic/clinical accomplishment and leadership prowess as a Medical College of Georgia

Honor Medical Society Scholar, Medical College Senior President, Post-Doctoral Chief Medical Resident, Chief of General Medicine as a Major at Shaw Air Force Base and thirty-five years as a Physician Practitioner of Internal Medicine in Valdosta prior to his mammoth Administrative responsibility of Director of the South Health District.

Dr. Rose Marie Horne MD is a Magna Cum Laude Graduate of the Florida A & M University College of Pharmacy, an Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Doctor of Medicine Graduate (MD), an Internal Medicine Physician Practitioner, a CelebConsultant Provider of Physician Services, Vice President of the Quitman Historic Preservation Commission and Vice Chairman of the Brooks County Board of Health.

Photo Six: Brooks County Commissioner, Mr. James Maxwell, is Vice Chairman of the Brooks County Commission and Chairman of the Brooks County Democratic Party. As the newly-incumbent Chairman of the Brooks County Board of Health, Chairmen Maxwell expresses his compliments that we continue to unify our community service efforts during these covid times and states, "I look forward to our work ahead in helping to lead the Board in giving our best to the health concerns of Brooks Countians."

Photo Seven: Ms. June Furney, RN, MSN, gives her awesome Administrative expertise, skill and leadership as Administrator of Brooks County Hospital and the on-going covid period has required her extraordinary patience and Administrative guidance of her Brooks County Hospital Staff to maximize and optimize patient care - realizing that her Staff depends upon her Administrative leadership and ensuring that patients, beleaguered by comparatively more difficult current times, need the continued sensitivity and dedication from Brooks County Hospital Staff. Brooks County Hospital Administrator, Ms. June Furney, initiated her career at Archbold

Hospital at the specialty clinic in Quitman, acquiring her Associate Degree from Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College and earning her Bachelor of Science Degree and Masters of Science Degree from Valdosta State University. Prior to her Appointment by Archbold's Brooks County Hospital as Administrator of the critical access hospital in Quitman, Ms. June Furney served initially as Director of Nursing and subsequently as Assistant Administrator. At the inception of her Appointment as Administrator, Ms. Furney stated, "Being born and raised here in Brooks County I am proud to serve the people of this community. I have dedicated my career to ensuring this area has access to compassionate, patient-focused healthcare. I look forward to this new chapter and am honored to be in this new role." Ms. June Furney serves Brooks Countians also as an integral Member of the Brooks County Board of Health as well.

Photo Eight: Ms. Amy Taylor lends her professional demeanor, sunny disposition, public relations rapport and multiplicity of operational and supervisory support skills to her professional role of Administrative Support Supervisor for the Brooks County Health Department. Public healthcare consumers/patients benefit by Ms. Amy Taylor's readiness and willingness to be assistive. Ms. Taylor's voice even carries that professional exuberance that indicates that she enjoys public health services care!

The professional dynamic duo of County Nurse Manager, Ms. Dana Watson and Administrative Support Supervisor, Ms. Amy Taylor assure trust in public health as Brooks Countians appreciate their contributions, those of the South Health District Team Consortium led superlatively by Dr. William R. Grow MD, and the illustrious leadership of the sagacious Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Public Health, Dr. Kathleen Toomey MD.

QFP Front Page Reflections

Over several decades, the Quitman Free Press Front Page coverage of South Georgia community, societal, educational, and historical events has reflected and provided positive and progressive news worthy chronicling for the contemporaneous peruser as well as posterity. This week's coverage highlights just some of those historical glimpses of past QFP Front Page coverage - which reflects a positive sampling and kaleidoscopic view of South Georgia sociocultural enhancement.

Photo One: One QFP Front Page Article on Wednesday March 1, 1978 read, "Dr. Horne Address Senior Citizens," in which Quitman's first native-born female physician, Dr. Horne, dispensed sagacious messages of health information to a broad swath of Brooks County senior citizen participants in a hall-mark presentation for their understanding in order to facilitate better health perspectives for their quality of living.

Photo Two: A QFP Front Page Spotlight Article on March 1, 2006 entitled, "Horne Foundation honors deserving seniors," which celebrated, honored, and gave homage to South Georgia heroines from septuagenarian, octogenarian, nonagenarian and centenarian age gradations. Photo Three: A February 21, 2007 QFP Spotlight Front Page Article, "An hour with Dr. Henry Lewis," Florida A. & M. University Emeritus President and former Dean of FAMU College of Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences and Dr. R. Marie Horne MD who hosted a dinner for Brooks County High School students and their parents in discussion of \$50,000 pharmacy college entrant scholarships for interested and qualified BCHS students.

Photo Four: An August 8, 2007 QFP Spotlight Front Page Article, entitled "Celebrity comes to town featuring Hollywood Actress/Activist/Autor Dr.

Victoria Rowell (Honorary Doctorate) in front of Horne House and whose Quitman Venue of Dr. Victoria Rowell's International Book Tour was promulgated and mediated through Dr. R. Marie Horne MD. Photo Five: A September 26, 2007 QFP Front Page Spotlight Article, entitled, "World renown artist visits Quitman," featured international iconic artist/muralist/sculptor, Dr. Ronald Scott McDowell. (viewed in front of Horne House). Dr. McDowell's works have appeared in collections from the White House, the Smithsonian Museum, Celebrity Homes, Halls of Fame, and sculpture galleries, Metropolitan edifices, museums and gardens. Photo Six: A December 26, 2007 QFP Front Page Spotlight Article, entitled, "Celebrity honored in Quitman" featuring Grammy Artist and Commodores great Music Icon Walter "Clyde" Orange who is viewed in front of Horne House before his Celebrity Charity Concert for South Georgians and North Floridians. Photo Seven: A May 21, 2008 QFP Front Page Article entitled, "TV Royalty comes to Quitman," which highlighted the upcoming visit of Ms. Karla Winfrey, Award Winner Multimedia Specialist and Cousin of global icon, Lady Oprah Winfrey, whose inaugural visit to Quitman for charity collaboration with Dr. R. Marie Horne MD and Doctoral Candidate, Mrs. Elizabeth Howell Tiller for their VideoMedia project at the Quitman/Brooks County Museum with Arjel, Raquel, Karli, Reed and South Georgia children, is historical. Photo Eight: A Front Page QFP Spotlight of Dr. Horne and Mrs. Elizabeth Howell Tiller with Children stars, Anna & Raquel of the DVD Media Production, "Party Patrol Basic Dining Etiquette for Teens" and WTCV News Anchor, Ms. Shonda Knight-then featured on Channel Six WTCV.

Photo Nine: A June

Photo Ten: A June

Photo Eleven: A June

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Spotlight
World renown artist visits Quitman



Dr. Ronald Scott McDowell, an international iconic artist, muralist, and sculptor, visited Quitman, Georgia, to participate in a community art project. He is shown here in front of the Horne House, a historic landmark in the community. McDowell's work has been featured in various international exhibitions and galleries, including the White House and the Smithsonian Museum.

Spotlight
Celebrity honored in Quitman



Grammy Award-winning musician Walter "Clyde" Orange was honored in Quitman, Georgia, during a community event. Orange, a member of the iconic band The Commodores, was celebrated for his contributions to the music industry and his status as a cultural icon. The event was held at the Horne House, a historic site in the community.

Spotlight
TV Royalty comes to Quitman



TV journalist and media consultant Karla Winfrey visited Quitman, Georgia, for a community event. Winfrey, known for her work on various television programs, was honored for her contributions to the media industry and her role as a mentor to many young professionals. The event was held at the Horne House, a historic landmark in the community.

Spotlight
DVD filmed in Quitman - shown on Channel 6



A DVD production was filmed in Quitman, Georgia, featuring a community event. The production, which was shown on Channel 6, highlighted the historic significance of the Horne House and the community's rich cultural heritage. The event was a collaborative effort between local residents and the production team.

Spotlight
Dr. R. Marie Horne opens new medical clinic



Dr. R. Marie Horne has opened a new medical clinic in Quitman, Georgia, providing healthcare services to the community. The clinic, located in a historic building, offers a wide range of medical services and is staffed by a team of dedicated healthcare professionals. Dr. Horne's commitment to the community is evident in her efforts to improve local healthcare access.

24, 2009 Front Page QFP Spotlight Article entitled, "Dr. R. Marie Horne Opens new medical clinic." Photo Ten: Featured Coverage of former President Jimmy Carter's Hometown Celebration Event (Circa November 2009). Dr. R. Marie Horne MD and the countywide and cross-country QFP Readership appreciate the plethora of featured frontpage coverages of positive and phenomenal sociocultural and historic events in Quitman/Brooks County and South Georgia!

Dr. Horne Addresses Senior Citizens




Dr. R. Marie Horne addressed a group of senior citizens at a community event. Dr. Horne, a prominent physician and community leader, shared her insights on health and wellness with the attendees. She emphasized the importance of preventive care and healthy living for older adults. The event was held at the Horne House, a historic landmark in the community.

Spotlight
Horne Foundation honors deserving seniors



The Horne Foundation honored several deserving seniors at a community event. The recipients were recognized for their contributions to the community and their status as role models. The event was held at the Horne House, a historic landmark in the community. The foundation's commitment to supporting the elderly is a testament to its dedication to the community.

Spotlight
An hour with Dr. Henry Lewis



An hour with Dr. Henry Lewis, a prominent physician and community leader. Dr. Lewis shared his experiences and insights on healthcare and community development. The event was held at the Horne House, a historic landmark in the community. Dr. Lewis's dedication to the community is a source of inspiration for many.

Spotlight
Celebrity comes to town



A celebrity visited the community for a special event. The celebrity, a well-known figure in the entertainment industry, was honored for their contributions to the arts and community. The event was held at the Horne House, a historic landmark in the community. The celebrity's visit was a significant moment for the community.

Thank You To Brooks County Community!

It is with heartfelt gratitude and sincere appreciation that I extend my thanks to my constituents that voted for my continued service to the Brooks County community which I love. All Brooks Countians can count on my enduring and continuing efforts and renewed commitment to give my best service as I have given over the decades since 1993. As a decorated veteran, farm owner, father, Sunday School teacher, humanitarian and Vice Chairman of the Brooks County Commission, I know that I am blessed to serve all of my beloved Brooks Countians and humanity. May God bless America!

Commissioner James Henry Maxwell

The Weekly Crossword by Margie E. Burke

Doc's special messages

Joyful journalist

In the Context of Spirituality By Dr. R. Marie Horne MD

Journalism is a superbly special profession that some perceive as tantamount to a career "calling," because a journalist's efficacy must be based upon essential journalistic passion for fairness and balanced reporting which dictates optimum display of integrity and honesty. Mrs. Bonnell Hunter Holmes, in front of the backdrop of the Quitman Free Press Building and pictured with Dr. R. Marie Horne MD, manifests journalistic passion, professional zeal and an extraordinarily compassionate approach, sensitivity and egalitarian emphasis in invoking the principle of impartiality. As an intermittent guest columnist in the earlier 2000's and a weekly contributing Quitman Free Press writer, contemporaneously, I have had the immense privilege and opportunity to share professional camaraderie

with Mrs. Bonnell -whose weekly editorials transcend the gamut of significant coverage inclusive of pragmatic advice, nostalgic reflections of eras and times revisited, "hard" and "soft" history, altruisms, wisdom, and even the positivity of jocularly and humor in her yearly predictions. Mrs. Bonnell believes in the uplifting of the human spirit-choosing to avoid pejorative, deprecatory and disparaging writing but rather in her own words, "I try to treat everyone fairly and make everyone feel good about themselves." This tendency of Mrs. Bonnell is intrinsically esteem-building and is an inherent part of her character composite with the impetus to "build people up" instead of "pulling them down." I have personally been privy to Mrs. Bonnell's predilection to give equal coverage to opposite and opposing divergent opinions - again opting for balanced re-

porting in her news segments. Interestingly, Mrs. Bonnell has drawn from the strengths of her progenitors and mentors, who have exerted impact and influence upon her lifelong positive ideologies and life philosophies. In illuminating Mrs. Bonnell's attributes and her propensity for accomplishment and productive living, a review of her life history is reflective. Mrs. Bonnell was born in

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Bonnell Holmes and
Dr. R. Marie Horne MD

Valdosta but owes her pedigree, family legacy and genealogical ties, in part, to her great great grandfather, a pioneer who was one of the original settlers in Brooks County in 1858 at its inception! Mrs. Bonnell's name derivation is uniquely related to family tradition that has been propagated through her genial lines; her family tradition of assigning the name "Bonnell," emanates from an actual historical occurrence in her War Between The States family saga of the beloved and valuable antique doll, which was designated the name, "Jane Bonnell." In hastily secluding the family silver collection and the huge doll, to underground obscurity in a wartime cache, one hand of the doll was partially displaced but even today, it rather adds character and interest to its value and has been entrusted to the current proprietorship and protective auspices of Mrs. Bonnell's daughter, who, according to family tradition, also bears the name, "Jane Bonnell." Their family legacy is yet propagated in the subsequent naming of Mrs. Bonnell's granddaughter - named Jenna Bonnell, who will be entrusted to perpetuate the "Bonnell" female progeny Name tradition and assure possession of the rare antique doll in the genial line succession. Thus we know

how and why Mrs. Bonnell's name figures in her Family's tradition and legacy dynamic! Mrs. Bonnell attended Quitman Grammar School and graduated from Quitman High School where she was mentored by her teacher, Mrs. Connie Cunningham. Mrs. Bonnell received mentoring from her father, Mr. Russel Hunter of Hunter Motors (a Ford Dealership) and her mother, Mrs. Sarah Coachman Hunter, from whom the "Bonnell" Name and lineage originated. Mrs. Bonnell attributes much of her mentorship and affinity for industrious work ethic and emulated strength of character from her grandmother, Mrs. Freddie Hunter, who reared eight children and promulgated their care maternally and economically - working to provide for her children during an American era when it was relatively non-traditional for a woman to earn a living. It was difficult rearing eight children and providing for them with occasional assistance from Mrs. Bonnell's father, who, as an industrious youth, made deliveries on his bicycle for a local bread company to assist his mother; Mrs. Freddie also was vigilant in provision of religious instruction for her eight children. Most of us realize the long hours and exemplary effort that is encompassed in Mrs. Bon-

nell's exceptional editorial performance and exhaustive professional pace; her grandmother and father provided the predecessorial work ethic model that she emulates as well as her grandmother's affinity for assimilation of Christian principles. When queried regarding three of the most memorable events and unforgettable memories in Mrs. Bonnell's life, she relates her wedding, the birth of her three children and the four-year Military Tour of Duty with her husband in Germany wherein they traveled the picturesque sites and tourist countries of Europe in close geographical proximity to Germany. Beforehand, a young, vibrant and attractive Miss Bonnell with Bachelor of Science Degree Major in Speech Pathology and Minor in Journalism from Florida State University, reported for initiation of a professional career in teaching at the Speech and Hearing Clinic in Moultrie. Thereafter, she met the dashing, handsome, uniformed Army Aviator Holmes, who was stationed at Spence Air Force Base in Moultrie, and with whom Mrs. Bonnell would eventually share 48 years of marital bliss, and procreate their three wonderful children subsequent to the Military Tour in Germany - following the initial six years subsequent to

their nuptials. In 1988, Mrs. Bonnell became a QFP guest columnist and launched the Brooks County Line Column which created much heightened interest from locals; already assuming the responsibility of multitasking which involved numerous pragmatic internal operations and implementing provision of multifaceted staff functions, prompted Mrs. Bonnell to officially become the Editor of the QFP in the 1990s. In addition to dispensing her Editorial Expertise, Mrs. Bonnell is active in diversified club memberships and activities, chief of which is the Baptist Women on Mission. She is a mentor to her children and grandchildren and she conveys that the most special time of day is her time of morning meditation and prayer which fortifies her spiritually for the rest of her day. She enjoys the inter-office colleague professional mentoring among her QFP professional peers. Mrs. Bonnell's hobby interests include shopping, gardening and horticultural pursuits. I have observed Mrs. Bonnell in her professional mode covering local governmental entity meetings and her attendance at various functions, and I have witnessed her sociocultural camaraderie several times - three of the several, which are memorable to me: Observing as Mrs. Bon-

nell and "Ms. T" (former Superintendent Elizabeth Howell Tiller), were adorned in Industrial safety helmets/hard hats at a private industry function attended by then Governor Perdue, whose helicopter was dispatched from the helipad later, as they conferred with a well-known lumber industry baron/business magnate at the time (QFP covered "hard hat" event); Mrs. Bonnell and her gentleman guest, my god-daughter (now Dr. Ariel MD), "Ms. T," (Elizabeth Howell Tiller), the Maceo Hornes, Mr. & Mrs. Lester Rentz, and other friends and invited guests, enjoying one of my VIP Wellness Gala Events with featured musical guest, Commodore Walter Clyde Orange of "Brick House" Fame - a celebrated event with tuxedoed servers and world-class cuisine wherein congeniality and cordiality abounded (covered in Sunday Business Section of the Valdosta Daily Times, page 12, April 17, 2011); Mrs. Bonnell and her gentleman guest and I surveying the aesthetics of the sponsored Tour of Homes at an industry billionaire's equestrian retreat and Mansion near the Brooks County/Thomasville line; and Mrs. Bonnell dining at the table at Horne House with me as Hostess, with Hollywood Producer and Music Manager James Womack, who was instrumental in music management help to "Jo Jo" (Billboard # 1 single in

2004), and Asaph Womack, "breaking bread" during the seven-course palatable culinary feast - enjoying great conversation; James Womack related his experience of "talking with Spielberg at a popular Hollywood Humidor," we discussed Hollywood, world affairs and numerous other topics (James and Asaph Womack's visit to Quitman at a tablescap at Horne House was covered in QFP). The salient point references the fact that Mrs. Bonnell Hunter Holmes shows intellect, graciousness, humility, and sensitivity; she represents the embodiment of a "universal soul," a personage that is socioculturally comfortable in relating to people, self-assured with humility, and growing exponentially by the day in terms of sociological global awareness; she is assiduous in her work ethic but is imbued with a sense and appreciation for the simple joys of life in its complexity. Mrs. Bonnell is the joyful journalist, the exemplary QFP editor, and an extraordinary student of life, reflecting the philosophical tenet that part of our mission in life is to inspire others and to be receptive to positive inspiration from others, within the broad context of positive and productive human endeavor. I have been privileged in witnessing the diversely positive aspects of Mrs. Bonnell Hunter Holmes' character!

Doc's special messages

Sheriff Dewey Assures Safety and Security

In the Context of Spirituality **By Dr. R. Marie Horne MD**

January 9 is designated National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day wherein the American citizenry across the country demonstrate and express their support in various ways. For instance, some folks wear blue that day, some citizens shine a blue porch light on January 9, and some people just go up to their favorite public servant in law enforcement whether they serve in the sector of local, countywide, state or federal law enforcement and articulate their verbal expression of appreciation for support of his or her service and their commitment to preserve the safety of the public in protecting the community citizenry - just plain humanity appreciating humanity for their worth, for their caring and for their service! I recently had the privilege of confer-

ring with Sheriff Mike Dewey during the interim session of a County Commission Meeting and he was gracious enough to share his perspective surrounding his professional responsibilities and reflect upon the importance of family, his general perspectives on life, his spiritual insights and his dedicated path for being a positive force in betterment and safety of our community.

Sheriff Mike Dewey and Dr. R. Marie Horne MD are visualized during the Interview in the Photo Op at the Commission Meeting Interim.

Our prolific Sheriff Dewey is awesomely important in the comprehensive dynamic of law enforcement in the countywide matrix of public service as Brooks County encompasses County-seat Quitman and is inclusive of Barwick, Morven, Dixie and Pavo as well. It is Sheriff Dewey's



huge responsibility and capability in providing exceptional service to all Brooks Countians and giving significant dedication to that immense task that characterizes his public service efforts each day! It is a position that demands his hard work, professional ded-

ication, courageous posture and human sensitivity because he is dealing with human lives. "One of the reasons that I ended up in law enforcement is because I don't like to see a person bullied." Sheriff Dew-

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**In the Context of Spirituality
By Dr. R. Marie Horne MD**

Health @ Home

Within the dual format of the Newspaper Column & Mentoring Video-Channel Series, the Health @ Home Segment addresses the significance of the individual's incorporation of healthy preventive measures and interim daily practices that are conducted by her or him at home to supplement his or her Physician Medical Care. It was my distinctive pleasure to interview the charming, poised and prolific per-

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sonage in our community and my neighborhood, Mrs. Mary Stevens, recently, in her beauteous domestic environ and just subsequent to the hallowed ceremonious acclamation of her newest role and spiritual pinnacle in the Beulah Hill Missionary Baptist Church order. The illustrious and still efferves-

cent Mrs. Stevens, received the notable and befitting accolade and spiritual appointment of "Mother of the Church" - with the Ministerial pronouncement expressed by Reverend Alonzo Fudge on Saturday, May 18, 2019.

Mrs. Stevens, clad elegantly in the red bespoke regalia reflected by the mani-

fest auspiciousness of the occasion and typicality of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority hues, proceeded to the podium to render the gracious response for this most significant spiritual appointment with emotional largesse; her passionate and articulative clarity of purpose and her commitment and continued dedication to her beloved church was evident and underscores her perpetual benevolence to her church. The Beulah Hill Church Membership reiterated their appreciation for Mrs.

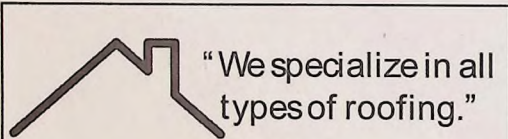
Stevens' life-long exemplary church service and supportive posture!

As a Physician, I realize the importance of an individual's co-partnering efforts with her or his Physician, at home, to accentuate the dynamics of preventive medicine; when queried as to three measures that she invokes to assure healthy living practices, Mrs. Stevens responds: 1) "I drink plenty of water," and she indicates subsequently that she realizes the health benefits of daily

hydration in drinking copious amounts of water which also promotes healthy kidney function; 2) Mrs. Stevens asserts in her own words, "I eat a BALANCED DIET, which is a NUTRITIOUS DIET," to which I, The Physician, responded, " Mrs. Stevens, those are profound words that reflect a poignantly healthy practice; You stated that medical principle aptly and wisely;" 3) Mrs. Stevens quotes further, " I exercise;" she further indicated that she mobilizes her joints every day and creates a walking pathway in her adjoining carport with regularity. In respectful culminative reflection upon your life, Mrs. Mary Stevens, a devoted wife and soulmate over numerous decades to Iconic Hometown Hero, Mr. Ferris Stevens, I, Dr. Horne, one of your former students and mentorees,

assimilating from your "Art of Gracious Living" perspective, do highly appreciate your health awareness perspective, your comraderie as my Soror, your spiritual fortitude, your poised decorum and your positive, blessed, and youthful Nonagenarian effervescence. You, precious god-Mother, have set the figurative "gold standard" for charm, grace, and magnanimity. We herald your professional accomplishments, your love for humanity and spiritual insightfulness. The area community and global community is enriched by your presence upon this universe!

The accompanying picture reflects the Health @ Home Interview and Mrs. Mary Stevens and Dr. R. Marie Horne MD, in significant and instructive discussion of healthy living practices.



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Public Hearing Notice

The City of Morven will hold a public hearing on Tuesday June 4, 2019 at 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. The purpose of the hearing will be for public input in the 2019/2020 Proposed Budget. The hearing will be held at Morven City Hall, 178 2nd Street Morven, Ga 31638

The Proposed Budget can be seen Monday-Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the same address.

Doc's special messages

In the Context of Spirituality By Dr. R. Marie Horne MD

May is National Foster Care Month which heightens awareness of the significance of generating and maintaining our conjoint societal obligation and service efforts to ensure the care of foster youths - 1) to provide them with safe, productive, nurturing and enhancing environs as they develop, 2) to equip them with life skills, to promote self-esteem and to encourage optimal self-development practices, and 3) to give them positive nurture and agape love that is required for their emotional and mental wellbeing and transition to adulthood as they seek to exert their positive influence and impact in their communities and as eventual citizens of the world and universal order as well.

Be aware of the recent startling statistic that there are more than 440,000 youths in foster care. Foster youths deserve our attention to their significant needs as do all our societal children. Although comprehensive dispensation of services is mediated and supervised by governmental agencies and policy-implementers, each of us can take a supportive stance in heightening our awareness and actually showing our kindness and support in various productive ways in our surrounding communities. National Foster Care Month In May should re-emphasize and remind us of our human responsibility to all children!

An Internationally-reputed Hollywood Celeb Foster Care Champion, Dr. Victoria Rowell re-iterated, very recently, on a well-known Daytime Award-winning talk show, her advocacy in extolling her own personal role in advancing and heightening interest in foster care as she was instrumental in developing the foster care perspective in her "Y&R storyline as Drucilla," on Daytime's most Award-winning Soap Opera.

I had the privilege of having initial et Dr. Victoria Rowell, the famous Prime-time & Daytime Hollywood Celebrity (Honorary Doctor of Letters) who is perhaps one of the most famous international champions and advocates of foster care, in the Year of 1996; I was practicing in Memphis as a Private Practice Physician at notable Peabody Place overlooking



famed Beale Street contiguous to the picturesque Mississippi River/Mephis Bluff; Dr. Victoria Rowell was the featured Celeb Presenter/Star Attraction, at the posh Ballet Event in Memphis, which supported Memphis ballet youth; I and the Medical Management Proprietor

for my Physician Practice, Doctoral Candidate, Elizabeth Howell Tiller, were supporters of Memphis youths; charitable camaraderie and mentoring perspectives were established among us, surrounding the event, which led eventually to my collab-

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- Local Revenues - Taxes
- Local Revenues - Other
- State Revenues - QBE
- State Revenues - Grants
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Total Estimated Revenues

Estimated Expenditures:

- Instruction
- Pupil Services
- Improvement of Instruction
- Educational Media Services
- Federal Grant Administration
- General Administration
- School Administration
- Business Administration
- Maintenance & Operation
- Student Transportation
- Central Support Services
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oration in the National Book Tour sponsorship of the Victoria Rowell New York Times Best-Seller List National Book Tour - which I Hosted and co-sponsored regionally in 2007, as a Physician Affiliate of QUOLA, on behalf of Dr. Rowell, in Quitman at the Brooks County Historical Museum And Cultural Center (Article documented by our own illustrious Quitman Free Press Editor, Mrs. Bonnell Holmes, on Frontpage Spotlight Feature, "Celebrity Comes to Town" with Dr. Victoria Rowell pictured at Horne House and with continuing coverage on page, 10, QFP, Article entitled, Victoria Rowell: Hollywood at Home chronicling Dr. Rowell In Quitman and pictured with Dr. Horne and QUOLA participants in the August 8, 2007 *Quitman Free Press* Coverage.

As we pause to re-dedicate our mentoring efforts on behalf of foster care advocacy, we commemorate and celebrate, with humility, our blessing of having brought Internationally- famous Daytime, Primetime and Cinema Celebrity Actress, New

York Times Best-Seller List/ National Book Tour Autobiographical Author, ("The Women Who Raised Me: A Memoir") to our small township of Quitman, which was a heralded feat, at that time, because the Victoria Rowell National Book Tour was primarily on the National Metropolitan City and International Book Tour Circuit during that interim! As a former foster care child, American ballet dance, former Model, Cinema Hollywood Actress, Emmy-Nominated

Daytime Star, Primetime Star, N National Best-Selling Author, Celebrity Producer, founder of the Rowell Foster Children Positive Plan her Charitable Advocacy organization - which gives emotional and financial support to foster children and her life-long role as Mentor, Dr. Victoria Rowell solidifies and galvanizes her encompassing role as humanitarian and human rights advocate and her life sojourn certainly indicates that opportunity, nurturing and supportiveness can engender extraordinary and phenomenal achievement in a foster child!

The forthcoming Horne House Hour entering Video-Channel will encompass myriad proponents of mentorship and associated Interviews inclusive of Celebrity personages, iconic community personages, affiliates, mentors, and mentors/mentees and their Amazing Life-Changing Scenarios. Poignant newspaper column coverage of concepts of care of the body, mind and spirit/soul continues to have uppermost significance and priority focus from my professional perspective and humanitarian mission - as I am blessed to expand avenues of health and medical awareness and seek to advance and implement the principles of mentorship practices, in addition!

The accompanying picture is reflective of Dr. Victoria Rowell and Dr. R. Marie Horne MD on the steps of the Brooks County Museum during the historically nostalgic 2007 National Book Tour Event Hosted by Dr. Horne In Quitman. Contemporaneous Celeb Events are scheduled.



Doc's special messages

Defying the Medical Odds & Mentors/Mentees Defying Odds

In the Context of Spirituality By Dr. R. Marie Horne MD

The accompanying photo, taken with President Jimmy Carter and First Lady Rosalynn Carter, highlights a scenario of reflections of a celebratory time in 2009, on a Sunday Morning, surrounding the privilege of savoring the memories of the momentous night before, when we attended a "Home-town Reception" Celebration in Plains, Georgia that was Hosted at one of the previous homes of former United States President Jimmy Carter during that particular Plains auspicious event, (Quitman Free Press reportage by the Editor, Mrs. Bonnell Holmes in 2009). After the elegant reception celebration on the night before, in the picturesque environs

of a former residential home of President Jimmy Carter, we had been subsequently invited the next day to the Maranatha Baptist Church Sunday School Service, with the Sunday School lesson rendered by President Jimmy Carter himself; we sat in the service, mesmerized by his Biblical instruction - which was delivered with sagacious insight of ministerial quality and such ease of delivery. During the Interim between then and now, President Carter, a blessed and fortunate nonagenarian, has braved surgical intervention and immunotherapy protocols during treatment of life-threatening brain carcinoma - demonstrably maintaining his cerebral astuteness, his affability and his commitment to service to his fellowman in processes

and programs. President Carter and First Lady Rosalynn Carter have actually taken physically-active pursuit in some on-site construction assistance in the Habitat For Humanity Projects in provision of building homes to augment home ownership in previous former times. Recent news reportage indicates that President Carter has weathered another physical malady in hip surgery - having planned to mount a return reportedly to his intermittent Sunday School Biblical instruction, with a proposed temporary delay in resumption of his Sunday School tutelage for routinized recovery time - but the commitment to resume is still evidently apparent; President Carter's stamina and vigor and miraculous medi-

cal events are reflective and testimonial to the adage of defying the medical odds as he sojourns still in his Nineties! As I was in President Carter's presence in 2009, standing by gracious First Lady Rosalynn Carter in the Photo-Op and having the privilege of conversing afterwards with President Jimmy Carter- thanking him in 2009, yet again, for his graciousness in the seventies at his then Governor of Georgia State Luncheon for Medical School Scholars, attended by both me alongside my physician brother, Dr. Hilton Horne, Jr. MD in Atlanta, I witnessed his spiritual fellowship firsthand (Note: Quitman History since 1859, accounts for the fact that Dr. R. Marie Horne MD and Dr.



Hilton Horne Jr. MD became the first Sister & Brother Duo Quitman-born Physicians of Internal Medicine from our small town) which defies odds and proves that consolidation of community mentoring is paramount from parents in the home, educators in the school, preachers in the pulpit and abroad and other diversified mentors from numerous life pathways. Closer inspection of the photo, shows three other Mentors who have Quitman mentorial ties and superlative mentorial presence: 1) Doctoral Candidate Elizabeth Howell Tiller, Proprietor/Manager of her Thousand-Acre Tennessee Century Farm Estate, Published Book Author, Proprietor/Manager of her Medical Management Company, former Elected Tennessee Superintendent of Schools and Mentor to numerous Mentees including her grand-progeny and Dr. Horne's god-daughters, Dr. Ariel Stearnes Brooks MD (Internal Medicine Physician along with Physician spouse, Dr. Harry Brooks) and Raquel Rosalyn Stearnes, who is pursuing her Nursing Baccalaureate - both Mentor and

Mentees defying the odds; 2) Dr. Jaehneth Ewell-Taylor MD, my Delta Sigma Theta Soror and Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society Physician Colleague to Dr. Horne and Mentor to several Mentees including her daughter, Soror Kristen and her Son, Juel Taylor -close siblings whose father, grandfather, uncle, and mother - all became Physicians. In fact, Dr. Taylor, recently related to me that it was a high point of ebullience for her son, Juel Taylor to ascribe one of the 2018 Hollywood Movie's, "Creed II Physician Characters' Screenplay Names, as Dr. Ewell, notably written into the "Creed II" Movie Storyline, which honors Dr. Ewell-Taylor's Physician Dad and Juel Taylor's Physician grandfather. Dr. Jaehneth Ewell Taylor's Son, Juel Taylor, is a recently acclaimed rising Hollywood Cinema Star, who is the Writer & Screenwriter along with Oscar Winner, Sylvester Stallone of "Creed II;" (Note: Juel Taylor & Stallone's "Creed II" Film starred Michael B. Jordan and was Executive Produced by Ryan Coogler, Juel Tay-

lor's protege of 2018 "Black Panther" Hollywood Movie Cinema Milestone); Hollywood's news releases indicate that "Creed II," which was released Thanksgiving weekend in 2018, had already by December 2018, grossed over "ONE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS" and Ryan Coogler's "Black Panther" Hollywood Blockbuster Cinema Movie had grossed ONE BILLION DOLLARS, "in the first twenty-six days after release." This gives a remarkable reference point to Dr. Jaehneth Ewell-Taylor's parenteral mentoring of her son, Juel Taylor, and Ryan Coogler's peer mentoring of Juel Taylor in the Mega Hollywood Cinema World, which reflects phenomenal import and defies tremendous odds; and 3) Dr. Ronald Scott McDowell, World-renown Artist, Sculptor and Mentor, was selected and invited, by formal White House Invitation, from gracious First Lady Laura Bush during December 2007, to the White House Reception for national theme park artists -who were selected for their Christmas ornamentation artwork displays; Dr. McDowell

was one of the distinguished Artist Selectees accorded that honor to the White House in Washington, D.C. in December 2007 (Coverage of that and other momentous events in The Quitman Free Press Edition on February 20, 2008 Edition). Several charitable mentoring events at Horne House in Quitman, and Dr. Horne's Charitable and Physician Practice Events, in neighboring Valdosta, were Sponsored in conjunction with Doctoral Candidate Elizabeth Howell Tiller, Dr. Jaehneth Ewell Taylor MD and Dr. Ronald Scott McDowell in Co-Sponsorship and Co-Hosting of Horne House Events. The Photo shows Raquel also and two Plains Mentors, namely, Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Chenault, who have both worked closely as mentors in their hometown of Plains Georgia with President Jimmy Carter, the 39th President of the United States from Plains, Georgia. Medical Miracles, Marvels & Mentors give us pause for spiritual humility and gratefulness for the boundless blessings of a God of Grace and Glory!



Doc's special messages

Sibling Success in Healthcare

In the Context of Spirituality By Dr. R. Marie Horne MD

Two siblings whom I have had the privilege and pleasurable rearing experience of mentoring, are my god-daughters, pictured in the accompanying photo-Op,

Dr. Ariel Elizabeth Stearnes Brooks MD, Dr. R. Marie Horne MD; and Baccalaureate Nursing Student, Raquel Rosalyn Stearnes, whom the two sisters still receive loving nurture, tutelage and mentoring from their grandmother,

former Superintendent, Elizabeth Howell Tiller. As adults now, but having been reared during the time span of my Memphis practice in which their Grandmother was the Medical Management Proprietor, young Ariel

and Raquel enjoyed enriched experiences around a culturally-diverse patient populace of their god-mother, Dr. Horne, and interacted socially with culturally diverse children - children from var-

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ious ethnicities, diverse socio-economic strata and educational backgrounds, diverse national origins, famous individuals including Celebrities and United States Presidents and other notable politicians, noted educators, etcetera, as well as developing compassion and sensitivity in interactions with diverse children to whom Ariel and Raquel gave expansive positive peer supportiveness. Ariel, Valedictorian of her high school class, attended three National Academic, Leadership, and Service conferences in Washington D.C. As President of the Golden Key Honor Society at Valdosta State University, Ariel exercised leadership and "hands on" service in Costa Rica and ironically, Raquel, while matriculating at the University of Memphis, also performed leadership and service activities with her social and humanitarian student contingent, in service to underserved children in Costa Rica. The term cultural competency is a significant term that is contemporaneously popularized and recently emphasized in acclamation perspectives of famed Celebrity, Taraji P. Henson's progressive and very positive charitable foundation mission focus. Young Ariel and Raquel, in practicality, were inculcated with the positive human value system to respect an individual for her or his spiritual heart and to be kind and benevolent but prudent and discerning - not to cast unwarranted dispersion



on another person's plight and to avoid stereotypical impressions of people, and to invoke their understanding of the importance of developing acumen regarding cultural differences, and to seek awareness of situational, inherent, and acquired mental compromise and to promulgate endeavors to ameliorate suffering and to "build bridges" of positive productive human connectivity- all of which has equipped them with a superlative mindset for their respective healing arts professions and their spiritual development in our complex contemporaneous world. To elucidate the nature of one of numerous instances in their expansive range of cultural experiences, during one occasion

youngster, Ariel, accompanied Dr. Horne, Mrs. Tiller, and Commodores Walter "Clyde" Orange of "Brick House" fame, during an opulent Memphis culinary dining experience. Several years subsequently, when Valdosta State University Honors College, Summa Cum Laude Graduate, Ariel, was given her culminating collegiate and Pre-Medical School Matriculation Graduation Party, along with Sibling Raquel, celebrating her High School Pre-College Matriculation Party, in 2013, famed Commodore Walter "Clyde" Orange was their Celebrity Guest; Raquel had the opportunity as a teen, to meet and converse with President Jimmy Carter and First Lady Rosalynn Carter along with

her god-mother, Dr. Horne, her Grandmother, Elizabeth Howell Tiller and Dr. Jaehneth Ewell Taylor MD. It was Ariel, who, in her first year at VSU, chose to lead the sisterly vanguard for cultural sensitivity to her Honors Dorm Suite mate within a conservative social and academic milieu. Ariel, assuaging her college comrade's potential apprehensions, as she was placing her personal paraphernalia/belongings on her side of the suite, asserted with seasoned sensitivity, "Do not worry, we shall get along 'swell;' we are both smart and we are both multi-culturally aware and racially inclusive, and you just met my godmother, Doc, who is great, and she taught me just about everything that I could experience and relate to about different cultures and so did my 'MamaE,' who you also just met." (Ariel referring to her Grandmother). Ariel and Raquel would have a hilariously fun time at Liberty Land in Memphis, on St. Mary's Island, Cumberland Island, Tybee Island, historical Savannah, Scenic train trip jaunts from Memphis to New Orleans, vacation basking in the 'therapeutic waters' of Hot Springs in Arkansas and numerous other adventures with children of diverse backgrounds; Ariel and Raquel rode tirelessly on Wild Adventures rides and enjoyed music concerts in Valdosta - when they came to Quitman to visit with "Doc Mama," referring affectionately to Dr. Horne's

Mother, Mrs. EJ. Horne, visiting at Horne House, even as youngsters; Ariel and Raquel helped, along with Dr. Jaehneth Ewell Taylor MD (Mother of Juel Taylor, famed Cinema Screenwriter of Creed II) and their Grandmother, Elizabeth Howell Tiller, to Co-Host the Physician-Affiliate "Commodore Concert" in Valdosta, which was coordinated and Hosted by Dr. Horne for QUOLA children in the Valdosta Area (Front page coverage in the *Quitman Free Press* by Editor, Mrs. Bonnell Holmes in December 26, 2007 Edition). Ariel and Raquel, watched with exuberance, the famous Peabody duck promenade - a daily ritual march to their "Duck Palace," conducted by the Duckmaster (a tourist "must see" in Memphis); Ariel and Raquel played at the site of the Memphis Pyramid and experienced Memphis in May festivities on The Mississippi, Gatlinburg mountain trips, Riverfront boating in front of their Grandmother's Riverfront House on The Tennessee River, and enjoyed excursions with Doc and their relatives on their Grandmother's Thousand-Acre Tennessee Century Farm Estate with pedigreed Angus roaming leisurely; my Millennial Mentee god-daughters, who follow their Mentors Lead - still maintain daily contact with Dr. Horne in Georgia and their Grandmother in Tennessee, amidst their busy schedules and numerous endeavors and have become

mentors themselves - noting the Biblical admonition in The Proverbs Texts, as regards "training" and guidance of children. Today, Dr. Ariel and future Nurse Raquel, whom Dr. R. Marie Horne MD, named both at their respective births, have the humble privilege and honor of having a published children's book on Etiquette, Manners and Life Lessons - with their names as part of the title - a published book by Dr. R. Marie Horne, MD, Practicing Physician & Author, Former Superintendent, Elizabeth Howell Tiller & Author, and Emmy Award-Winning Multimedia Producer & Author, Karla Winfrey of the famed Winfrey Family Winfrey's Visit to Quitman, Sponsored by Dr. Horne and coverage by *Quitman Free Press* Editor, Mrs. Bonnell Holmes is noted on the cover page of the May 21, 2008 Edition; visit to film the Multicultural DVD and for the Trio to collaborate on the Book which promotes positive esteem building and multicultural learning - thereby enhancing and embracing healthy attitudinal positivity and conducive societal socialization aptitudes in the support of comprehensive physical, mental, and spiritual wellness for all of society's precious children! Through the "experiential eyes" of my god-daughters and numerous other precious children, I enjoy the obligation and privilege of mentoring!



Doc's special messages

Prolific Physician Prescribed Miraculous Medicine

In the Context of Spirituality By Dr. R. Marie Horne MD

Several Spiritual Counselors believe that Miraculous Medical Events are wrought by God through the hand of man sometimes - such events are phenomenal, life-altering and amazing! One such event occurred surrounding the intriguing "Miracle Man" Scenario of my Dear Cousin, who was a paternal figure, mentor and positive life-influencer, Mr. Maceo Antonio Horne, Jr., and whose familial camaraderie with me, my father, Mr. Hilton Horne, Sr. and my brother, Dr. Hilton Horne, Jr. MD is extolled in the Horne Family - my brother and cousin had, oftentimes, engaged in jocular-ity, verbally jesting in good humor, and invoking exceptional linguistic largesse; the two of them had communicated in several German dialects, as they were both proficient aficionados of the German language in

its diversity. My Cousin, Mr. Maceo was charismatic, dapper, and suave - a gentleman evidencing that classic smile with which the Horne gentlemen beguiled their female counterparts and warmed so many people's hearts - their effervescence and congeniality were, clearly, two of their several positive personality traits. Mr. Maceo Horne, Jr. was a capable educator and administrator (having been a Principal in the Valdosta school system for numerous years), a notable civic leader and a Veteran whose proficiency and military service during WWII gave rise to Mr. Maceo's German dialectal prowess (chronicled by reportage from the Valdosta Daily Times feature Newspaper Article by Joe Dunlop) - serving as a valuable asset to the United States Military in Germany during the War. Mr. Maceo Horne served on the Valdosta Board of Education

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for seventeen years. During his service on the Valdosta Board of Education, Mr. Maceo Horne, Jr., enjoyed the privilege and pleasure of serving the Valdosta citizenry, alongside an erudite and stellar Physician, Dr. William Grow MD, whose prodigious Medical acumen and phenomenal "cutting edge" Medical Management insight and professional prolificity underscores the occurrence of the "Miracle Man" Medical Scenario (Valdosta Daily Times published newspaper coverage by Dean Poilng). Dr. William Grow MD was Mr. Maceo Horne's Physician over an extended period and he was the Doctor who made the challenging and valorous clinical decision, with astute clinical foresight, to give Mr. Maceo, the clinical propensity for full recovery from the sporadic stroke episode, which had marauded his physiologic state that morning, as his wife prepared breakfast, and as he anticipated his after-breakfast routinized exercise regime that was scheduled at the "Y." Mrs. Cherry Horne, familiar with her husband's usual posture, demeanor, and physical status, alertly, noticed

what we Doctors perceive as an acute change in sensorium or sudden impairment and diminished status with respect to Mr. Horne's slower movement, sudden and overt shift in mental focus - mental confusion - followed by a sign of "seizure," as perceived by his wife. Mrs. Horne exigently called 911 which led to hospital evaluation. When Dr. Grow performed his initial evaluation, Mr. Horne had expressive aphasia (unable to speak), dysphagia (unable to swallow) and was paralyzed on the right side. The time to seek full clinical recovery was very narrow; the then-newer, innovative medical protocol, to achieve optimal recovery, was potentially fatal and life-threatening, in of itself, with possible severe hemorrhagic consequence or fatal bleeding occurrence, but if the etiology of the stroke was associated with a thrombus or clot, Dr. Grow's clinical procedure could give Mr. Horne back his optimal quality of life - the ability to talk (regaling friends and amusing associates as a "great conversationalist"), the capacity to eat (he relished diversified cuisine), and return of neurologic and

musculoskeletal function and subsided paralysis (he was noted for his brisk walk)and would provide him optimized functional capacity and stability. Dr. Grow's accelerated action and highly immediate, successful protocol, which encompassed the "clot buster" therapy, gave Mr. Horne life-altering, full recovery and optimal return to function and hence, the designation of "Miracle Man," that was aptly accorded him, was illustrative of the Divine Intervention in having a Phenomenal Physician to courageously implement and coordinate Mr. Horne's Medical Management! The Photo-Op picture of Dr. R. Marie Horne MD and Dr. William Grow MD, accompanies the Column. The two Doctors reverently remember and reminiscently regard the essence of Mr. Horne's phenomenal full recovery from the "significant stroke" with remembrance of his charismatic nature, his contributions to the citizenry of his beloved community and to the children whom he inspired. The Maceo Horne Learning Center, a Valdosta Public Education School, reflects his life-long inspi-

ration focus upon students and teachers. In subsequent times, Mr. and Mrs. Maceo Horne's god-daughters, Dr. Horne and Dr. Ariel Stearnes Brooks MD, would share the culinary experiences and camaraderie, with regularity, during Saturday morning bonding over brunch with the Horne couple at their favorite Valdosta restaurants - the four sharing great conversation, great laughter and hearty harmony. God Deity allowed these irreplaceable experiences and memories through the medical bravery and brilliance of Dr. Grow, which we perpetually appreciate! Dr. William Grow MD is the eminently capable and distinguished District Public Health Director supervising a Ten-Area District with sage insights and perspectives. Dr. Grow inspires the professionals that he leads and epitomizes exemplary character and professionalism. Dr. Grow's Administrative Leadership has catalyzed innovative health care approaches and resolutions in the contemporaneous public health dynamic in the Great State of Georgia!