

# BOBCAT VIEW

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## Dates to Remember

Upcoming events at CPS:

March 7 - Early release day

March 15 - Parent/Teacher conferences.

March 16 - No classes.

March 19-23 -- Spring Break

March 30 - Snow Day makeup.

## Black History moments

Third and fourth grade Gifted and Talented program students under Mrs. Alvis Conway, again, undertook a Black History Month project this year.

Each student researched an important African-American figure in American history in education, law, civil rights, entertainment, sports, science, agriculture and business. The students' information was then recorded as "Black History Moments" to be broadcast on KX101 1490 AM during the Mark Keith Morning Show from 6-7 a.m. weekdays throughout the month of February.



## Black History program

Clinton Primary School third grade students performed a Black History Month program for the Hope Public Schools Board at the board's Feb. 26 meeting.

The program included recitations about important African-American figures in U. S. history, accompanied by songs about them. Participating classes included Cynthia Murphy, Patience Walker, Jodi Willis, Elizabeth Gafford, Keywaysha Belford, Eddra Phillips, Kristi Johnson, and Cynthia Reyenga's students.

Students leading the program included Ramsey Beck as Carter G. Woodson; Brandon White as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.; Eusebio Cruz-Lopez as Harriet Tubman; Kaitlynn Toliver and



## Book partner plan explored

A plan to bring free books to children at birth through age five is being developed for the Hope Public Schools through the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, a project of country music legend Dolly Parton. Dr. Charlotte Green, assistant professor of education at the University of Central Arkansas, is assisting the Hope Public Schools in developing the idea.

"Our goal is that one day each child that is born gets a book each month of their life until age five," Dr. Green said. She said that the important of access to books in the early years of life stems from evidence in a Harvard University School of Medicine study, which shows that 85 percent of a child's brain architecture is developed by age five. Consequently, interaction between parent and child in this period is critical to the child's learning success, she said.

Through the DPIL, age appropriate books are delivered to every child enrolled in the program free each month. The HPSPD is working with the DPIL to become an institutional partner to provide a database of children and fund monthly book costs. No starting date has been set for the program locally.

Zanasia Nelson reciting Harriet Tubman poem; Jaquavious Dixon as Dr. Mae Jemison; Zakira Henderson as Thurgood Marshall; Aaliyah Holyfield as George Washington Carver; Victoria Borboa as Rosa Parks; Shamarie Muldrew as Madame C. J. Walker; and Riley Bramlett as Jackie Robinson.



## Reading Fair Presentation

Clinton Primary School third grade student Riley Bramlett and fourth grader Kadence Love presented a "Reading Fair" program recently to the Hope Kiwanis Club. The two students participated in the Southwest Arkansas Education Cooperative Reading Fair, where Love won second place and Bramlett won third place. Love's project was based upon the book "My Mom Tried to Ruin My Life"; while Bramlett's project was focused upon the book "Little House in the Big Woods." CPS Principal Ashlea Stewart and CPS teacher Casey Schoenberger accompanied the students, along with Hope Schools Superintendent Bobby Hart. They were the guests of Kiwanians Joselyn Wiley and Jimmy Courtney.

### *Bobcat View...*

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