

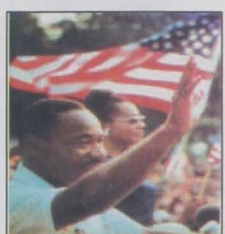
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Community Meetings

- African American Chamber of Commerce, Lubbock meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, from 12:00 - 1:00 pm at the Chatman Hill Restaurant, 512 East 23rd Street.
- Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.
- Hub City Kiwanis meets every Tuesday evening, 1708 Avenue G.
- Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm.
- Booker T. Washington American Legion, Post 808, meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon.
- Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Branch Library.
- East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mae Simmons Senior Citizens.
- Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Merket Alumni Center.
- Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 6:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 6:00 pm at the Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center, 1301 E. 24th Street.
- West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturdays of each month at 7:00 pm at 7:00 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations.
- Texas Juneteenth Cultural & Historical Commission - Lubbock Affiliate meets at Patterson Branch Library, every 3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm.
- West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men of West Texas meets 3rd Monday evenings at 7:00 pm at Parkway Neighborhood Center.
- The Parkway & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evenings, 7:30 pm at Hunt Elementary School.
- Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm at Iles Elementary Cafeteria.

If you have an announcement you want to appear in this paper, there are three ways to get information to us:

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Annual West Texas Gospel Fest Set For March 20, 2010!



Each One Reach One is announcing their Annual West Texas Gospel Fest on Saturday, March 20, 2010 at the Church of The Blessed, 1809 34th Street, where Pastor Johnny Perez is minister.

For the third year, Luther Barnes will be here with his cousin, Debra Barnes, will appear. he will be joined by Jasper Williams of Dallas and Russell White of Hobbs, N.M.

Buddy & Straightaway Travelers of Terrell, Texas will be appearing in Lubbock for the first time.

Two well know Lubbock residents, Donnell Hooper and Michael Matthews, will appear on program. They are known for



Monique & Gabby Sidibe

A year ago, newly-elected President Barack Obama dominated the NAACP Image Awards. But this go-round, the movie Precious enjoyed that honor, walking away with a half-dozen trophies in the movie categories, including Best Picture, Director (Lee Daniels), Independent Film, Actress (Gabby Sidibe), Supporting Actress (Mo'Nique) and Screenplay (Geoffrey Fletcher). As for television, Tyler Perry's House of Payne proved the voters' favorite, netting four awards.

Win This 2010 Camero!



Each One Reach One is sponsoring a contest to win a 2010 Camero. This automobile, fully loaded, may be viewed at Gene Messer, 40th and Avenue Q. Tickets for an opportunity to win this automobile are \$20.00 each.

Luther Barnes will draw the winning ticket on Saturday afternoon, March 20, 2010, at Gene Messer.

Tickets may be purchased at Kings Cash, 1526 East 19th, and Gene Messer. For more information, call (806) 831-9986

Black History Program At Iles School

At right are photos take during the Annual Black History program at Ella R. Iles Elementary School, one of the magnet schools in LISD, Mr. Brian Yearwood is principal.

Local singers participated on the program.

Students enjoyed this special presentation!



"Cut On Your Porch Lights," Says Residents of Town Hall Meeting Sunday Night

More than sixty Lubbock citizens were present last Sunday evening, February 28, 2010, at The Bridge, 1301 Redbud Avenue.

The group, which divided up in three groups, presented their suggestions as how this effort should proceed. The group agreed to have a project which all could be responsible for happening. A goal of asking all residents of the city of Lubbock to turn on their porch lights on Sunday afternoon, March 7, 2010, beginning at 5:00 p. m.

Of course, there were other suggestions which included getting to know your neighbor and make all neighbors become more accountable.

The group of more than 50 Lubbock residents discussed options for curbing a recent spike in burglaries across the city, said Donnell Hooper, who helped coordinate the meeting with members of the Southwest Digest and Each One Reach One.

"Our whole idea is to lock arm in arm in our effort," he said.

The West Texas Choir Will Perform March 20th!

Lubbock will have an opportunity to hear the West Texas Choir perform Saturday afternoon, March 20, 2010, at 3:00 p. m. at the Church of The Blessed, 1809 34th Street. This will be a Free Concert, and the public is invited.

This will also serve as a recording session for their upcoming CD which expected to be released July, 2010.

The session will be under the direction of Luther Barnes.

One of its members, Lekeshia Johnson was accepted in New Orleans last week. Ms. Faye Brown at (806) 831-9986 or (806) 762-3612, and learn more about the Concert on March 20th.

Lights On Against Crime

What: Organizers of Sunday's town hall urge Lubbock residents to turn their porch lights on in an act of unity against burglaries.

When: 5 p.m. Sunday.



Chatman Hills Corner

By Doris Reynolds

All residents of District Two are invited to attend a District Two meeting hosted by Vernita Woods-Holmes, Lubbock ISD Board of Trustees representative for District 2, will host a Town Hall Meeting on Thursday, March 4, at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium of Estacado High School. Dr. Karen Garza, superintendent of LISD, will join Ms. Woods-Holmes in a brief presentation and then will take questions from the public.

For more information contact: Nancy Sharp, LISD Communications Office 766-1062 or cell 786-1363

Let us support our mighty Estacado High School Matadors Region 1-3A Boys Basketball Regional Semifinal Championship Estacado High School vs. Burkburnett High School Friday, March 5, 2010, beginning at

8:30 p.m. in United Spirit Arena at Texas Tech University. Region 1-3A Boys Basketball Regional Final Championship Saturday, March 6, 2010, beginning at 1:00 p.m.

For more information contact: Melynn Hunt, Assistant Athletic Director, Lubbock ISD. For more information call his office at (806) 766-1058.

Hospice of Lubbock's largest fundraiser of the year, the 21st Annual Mayors' Beans and Cornbread Luncheon will take place on Friday, March 5 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center Banquet Hall. The fundraiser is hosted by area mayors from 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Aside from great food, attendees will enjoy live music from the following list of entertainers:

- Don Caldwell & The Lubbock Texas Rhythm Machine

- Mary Fletcher
- Jeff Bailey
- Sheena Fadeyi
- Butch Avery
- The Itty Bitty's
- The Cactus Cuties

This fundraising event helps raise funds for Hospice of Lubbock's non-funded and underfunded hospice patients and families, Grief Recovery Center and Children's Grief Camp each summer. Hospice of Lubbock is the region's only non-profit adult and pediatric hospice since 1987.

You've probably recently heard something about Girl Scout lemon cookies. The good news? Girl Scouts uses two different bakers and only one had "off tasting" lemon cookies.

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Cookie Sale will be ongoing in the Lubbock Region (counties above) until March 7.

For more information on Cookies or how to join, volunteer or donate to the Girl Scouts, call 800-530-4957 or visit www.gs-top.org.

Covenant Health System is pleased to announce world-renowned heart surgeon Denton Arthur Cooley, M.D., will speak at two special events. Dr. Cooley will share his career highlights at the "Heart 2 Heart" dinner on Thursday, March 25 from 6:30 - 9 p.m. at the Lubbock Country Club. Then on Friday, March 26, Dr. Cooley will present "My 65 Years in Cardiovascular Surgery" at the seventh annual Covenant Heart and Vascular Institute Michael E. DeBaake Distinguished Lectureship Series. The luncheon will be held from 11:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Knipping Education Conference Center

Turn your Porch Lights on Sunday evening, March 5, 2010, beginning at 5:00 p.m. to show you support a program voted on by 65 residents of Lubbock who attended a meeting last Sunday evening at The Bridge, 1301 Redbud Avenue.

This was the second Big Town Hall Meeting to fight against burglaries and robberies in Lubbock.

Pray for our sick and shut-in residents of the community. God is able!

FASHION FUN with Shirley Roberson About 2010 Fashions!

More of the same, much more of the same to be exact. Spring dresses that fit and flatter you, sexy ruffle tops, off the shoulder tops are going to be everywhere.

You're going to see a lot of tight fitting, shorter dresses, that's right ladies sexy is on the way.

Church suits hem lines are going to be at least 3 inches shorter, right below the knee is probably going to be the perfect hem line.

2010 will be an exciting year for fashion, experts predict that we'll emerge from the global financial crisis and as a result, we can expect to see a new standard of fashion rise up.

Fashion tip..always wear a smile

Fashion..just for the fun of it



New Light Baptist Church News

On Sunday morning, February 28, 2010, services got started at New Light Baptist Church 3013, Idalou Road, where Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson is the pastor.

Church School started at 9:45 a.m. with Deacon David Chiles teaching the lesson for the adults entitled: "Extravagant Love," with the printed text coming from Matthew 26:6-13. Sister Angela Mosley and Sister Rochelle Hood taught the lesson for the youth. Breakfast was served afterward.

Morning worship started at 11:00 a.m. with the devoted Praise Team leading the way.

Rev. Jackson led the pulpit devotion. The responsive reading was read by Rev. Jackson, coming from Psalm 51:1-11. The altar prayer was also led by Rev. Jackson with the congregation singing "My Soul Loves Jesus."

Sis. Jade Price read all the morning announcements and told of all the upcoming events that will be taking place. There was a **MOMENT IN BLACK HISTORY** which was presented as a **MUSICAL TRIBUTE** from our **MUSIC DIRECTOR MOTHER CAVANAUGH**. Then the offering was taken up.

The Senior Choir sang "I Got A Robe". "Amazing Grace" was sung before the sermon. Rev. Jackson preached the sermon entitled "Your Life is In Your hands." with its scripture text coming from Isaiah 1: 16-20 & 1 John 1:9 & 10. A song was sung after the sermon.

There was the invitation to discipleship and several went up for prayer.

Pray that we will keep our

focus on the lord during those difficult times.

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK: Enter through the narrow gate for the gate is wide and the road is broad that leads to destruction and there are many who go through it."

Matthew 7:13

NEW LIGHT BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson, Pastor. 3013 Idalou Road Lubbock, Texas 79403

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Statement by Farouk Shami

"I want to thank each and every person who has given their time, energy and votes to my campaign for Governor of Texas. Although this wasn't the outcome we'd hoped for, do not get discouraged.

A defeat is only a defeat if you let it stop you. I will not let today's results stop me. Although I will not be our nominee for Governor, I will continue to fight for those I have met on the campaign trail. I will continue to fight to bring jobs to Texas. I will continue to fight for equality in our education system. I will continue to support candidates who fight for all Texans.

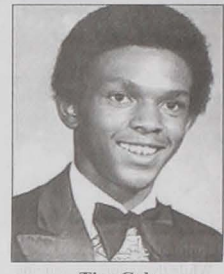
I ask each of you to join me. Do not give up hope. Continue to support the cause. Eventually, we will overcome all obstacles and accomplish our goal, real change for Texas.

Thank you again for your support. It means the world to me, more than I can ever express in words."

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Gov. Perry Grants Posthumous Pardon for Innocence to Tim Cole

AUSTIN - Gov. Rick Perry today granted a posthumous pardon for innocence to Tim Cole after receiving a recommendation from the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles.



Tim Cole

"I have been looking forward to the day I could tell Tim Cole's mother that her son's name has been cleared for a crime he did not commit," Gov. Perry said. "The State of Texas cannot give back the time he spent in prison away from his loved ones, but today I was finally able to tell her we have cleared his name, and hope this brings a measure of peace to his family."

Cole was serving a 25 year sentence for aggravated sexual assault of Michele Jean Murray when he died from an asthma attack in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice on Dec. 2, 1999. DNA testing later proved he was innocent. The Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles voted unanimously to recommend the posthumous pardon for innocence. Additionally, Lubbock County

Criminal District Attorney Matthew Powell and Lubbock Chief of Police Dale Holton have written letters in support of a posthumous pardon. The victim has also supported Tim Cole's family in obtaining his exoneration.

The authority for a governor to grant a posthumous pardon was uncertain until Jan. 7, 2010, when Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott issued an opinion stating that a governor may grant a posthumous pardon.

Hope for Troubled Times Festival

A Hope For Troubled Times Revival will be held March 6th through March 13th at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Seventh Day Adventist Worship Center, 1517 east 25th Street, beginning at 7:30 p.m. nightly.

Dr. David W. Hinds will be the Evangelist, who is a Pastor and Biblical Scholar, who has committed his life to the preaching and teaching of God's word.

Saturday evening, March 6th, the subject will be "Free At Last," Sunday, March 7th, "Life After Death. Is It For Real?"

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Church News



From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith
"U. S. Congressional Misfits"

Where you aware that African Americans are much worse off at the present than when they were under their white slave master? Well, according to one white male United States Republican Congressman from Arizona it appears the Great White God has come all the way down from White Heaven and told him personally that present day African Americans are better off under the policies of their present day white male Republican slave masters.

Representative Trent Franks, a Republican from Arizona said on Friday, February 26, 2010 because of U. S. abortion policy, "far more of the African American Community is being devastated by the policies of today than were being devastated by the policies of slavery."

This white boy goes on to castigate black women (while implying white women are the saints of their white God even though they may be commercial sex workers) by saying: "Slavery is a crushing mark on American's soul, yet today half of all black children are aborted. Far more black children, far more of

the African American community is being devastated by the policies of today (meaning Obama's policies) than were being devastated by the policies of slavery (white men impregnating black married women sending their husbands to work in the fields while they had sex with his unwilling wife and unmarried black slaves girls against their will)." The nerve of this fop!(see StarkReports.com)

If this is not enough to sour your stomach and turn up the burners of racial hatred there is something even more devastating to all low and middle class Americans by a Republican Senator who somebody or something from a state (Kentucky) that has little houses behind big houses. While this writer thought some members of the (white only) United States Senate toward former President Bill Clinton were among the descriptive holes listed for pieces of human waste, there is one better that has not been named for a Senator from Kentucky who has stopped the Senate from giving legislative consent through a vote to continue unemployment benefits to unemployed Ameri-

cans. Unemployed Americans makeup all races, classes and segments of American society. United States Senator Debbie Stabenow (D-MI) made the following statement after Senator Jim Bunning (R-KY) objected to a 30-day extension of unemployment benefits, COBRA benefits, and other important expiring provisions.

"I am outraged that Republican Senator Jim Bunning has chosen to block an extension of unemployment insurance and COBRA healthcare benefits. We have the highest unemployment rate in the country, and middle-class families are struggling to put food on the table as workers continue searching for new jobs and train for new careers. Now, because of one senator's irresponsible actions, over 61,000 Michigan workers will begin losing their unemployment benefits on Monday" (March 1, 2010).

"These workers and their families cannot afford to wait for help. I remain committed to passing long term exten-

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We Thank God for Jesus
"GO TELL JOHN AND THE CHRISTIANS"

Written by Evangelist Billy "B.J." Morrison, III - Your brother in Christ Jesus always.

Matthew 28:19-20 -- Jesus said, go you therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all thing whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

When Jesus gave his people the **COMMANDMENT; GO PREACH AND TEACH.**

He wanted the **CHURCHES** to do as he said; **SO SOULS; COULD BE REACHED!!!**

Matthew 10:1 -- And when he (JESUS) had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave unto them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.

***** DO YOU HAVE THE JUDAS, OR THE JONAH SPIRIT ???*****

You remember God told Jonah, go cry out against that great city and her SINS.

Jonah went take a **NAP; LIKE THE SLEEPING CHURCHES ARE IN!!!**

Galatians 6:7-8 -- Be not deceived; God is not mocked; for

whatsoever a man sows, that shall he also reap. For he that sows to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that sows to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

***** JONAH LIKE THE CHURCHES TODAY; YOU SEE SOULS GOINGS TO HELL IN A HAND BASKET!!!*****

Jesus gave them powder to heal and cast out Devils; and clean them of Disease.

And said Blessed: **IS WHOSOEVER IS NOT OFFENDED IN ME.**

When Jesus gave his commandment; his disciples, was to do his will.

He told us what to do; **AND HIS POWDER AND SPIRIT HE DID GIVE.**

Matthew 7:22-23 -- Jesus said, many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in your name? And in your name have cast out devils? And in your name done many wonderful works? And then I will profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, you that work iniquity.

If one is Offended in Jesus; **THEY WON'T DO HIS WILL.**

HE'LL LIE ABOUT THE TRUE GOSPEL; AND START TEACHING HIS!!!

Jeremiah 23: 25-28 -- **THE LORD SAID,** I have heard what the prophets said, that prophesy lies in my name, saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed. How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? They are prophets of the deceit of their own heart: which think to cause my people to forger my name by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbor, as their father have forgotten my name for Ba'al, the prophet that has a dream, let him tell a dream; and he that has my word, let him speak my word faithfully. What is the chaff to the wheat?

Many Preachers and Christians; **DON'T KNOW GOD'S WILL.**

THEY STAY ON THE CIVIL RIGHTS KICK; THAT'S TICKLING PEOPLE EARS!!!

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St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Mission to the Community (Jonah 1:1-3; 3:1-9) RUNNING AWAY

So Jonah decided to take a slow boat to China, so to speak. He booked passage on a ship headed for Tarshish to get away from God (as if that were possible). Once the mooring lines were released and the ship was underway, Jonah found a dark, quiet place below deck to sleep.

While he snoozed, the Lord sent a storm so violent the ship was in danger of breaking up and going down. The sailors tried everything they could think of to survive the storm—they

even held a prayer rally! Eventually they learned it was Jonah's sin that caused the turmoil and, at his suggestion, they threw him into the angry sea. As soon as Jonah's socks got wet, the storm dissipated.

While the sailors got religion and made sacrifices and promises to the true God, the sinking Jonah, sure of his impending death, thrashed about in the seaweed. Suddenly, he was swallowed by a fish that God had specially modified for the task. For three lonely, dark, and stinky days and nights Jonah sat in that fish's gut. He repented of his

folly, and thanked God for saving him, even if it meant being inside a fish.

At the Lord's command, the fish vomited Jonah onto the beach. Again, the word of the Lord came to Jonah: "Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you" (Jonah 3:1). This time, without hesitation, the prophet headed off to Nineveh to preach his sermon of doom.

ANGRY WITH GOD

As a result, a most remarkable thing happened. Rather than the Assyrians shooting the messenger, every Ninevite repented

of his sins and sat around in sackcloth fasting and hoping God would change his mind about the city's destruction. God did.

Jonah left the city very angry with God. The concern that had compelled him to make a run for it in the beginning turned out to be justified. It was just like God to show compassion and drop his threat of destruction when the people repented. There was the rub—Jonah would rather die than see God lavish his grace on despicable Ninevites!

Perhaps hoping the people would backslide, Jonah found a

place on a nearby hill to see what would become of the city. As he sat waiting in the sun, God caused a vine to grow and provide shade for the prophet. The next day, however, God caused the demise of the vine, leaving Jonah to bake in the sun.

This provoked the prophet's anger, as God knew it would, and the Lord took the occasion to point out Jonah's misplaced priorities: "You have been concerned about this vine, though you did not tend it or make it grow. It sprang up overnight and died overnight. But Nineveh has more than a hundred and twenty

thousand people who cannot tell their right hand from their left, and many cattle as well. Should I not be concerned about that great city?" (Jonah 4:10, 11).

This just information about this week's lesson.

The St. Matthew Baptist Church Choir's Annual will be held Sunday afternoon, March 7, 2010, beginning at 3:30 p. m.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Our proud pastor is Rev. Edward Canady, and Sister Shirley Canady is our First Lady. May God Bless You!

Outreach Prayer Breakfast

We, the people of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast, are asking it will take the effort of the City Wide unity and beyond to win the many wars in the world. Our separate tides of increasing evils will not stop our separate tides of increasing evils in our world. If we as a people remains isolated from each other. All of this will continue to become a reality. It was Jesus who said, "a house divided against itself shall not stand, to the humble, God will give grace."

The only way to change and change we must, we cannot speak to sinners with deep and lasting credibility of God's forgiveness while harboring enmity and strife against our fellowman.

What value is it to be able to define the love toward others. We bring dishonor to the almighty.

The Lord is cleaning out his place of worship by rearranging some stuff in them. We are living in a time when thousands of dollars are being spent on saving the spotted awol, while many people are dying, because they are unable to get the necessary medical attention they need. No money is the problem.

There are debates about the pledge, the word under God. Every knee will bow and confess that Jesus is Lord the last part of the pledge is what needs to become a reality where it says with liberty and justice for all."

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast will meet Saturday morning, March 6, 2010, in the home of Brother and Sister Delbert (Dorothy)

Hood, 21'32 East 30th Street.

Isaiah 54:13-17 --- "And all your citizens shall be taught by me, and their prosperity shall be great. You will live under government that is just and fair."

Your enemies will stay far away. You will live in Peace. **Terror** shall not come near. If any nation comes to fight you, it will not be sent by me to punish

you. Therefore, it will be routed, but in that coming day, no weapon turned against you shall prosper, and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgement thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servant of the Lord and their righteousness is of me saith the Lord.

"Prayer of Faith"

Is any one of you in trouble,

he should pray. Is anyone happy? Let him sing songs of praise. Is anyone of you sick? He should call the elders of the Church to pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well and the Lord will raise him up. Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed.

The Prayers of the Righteous man is Powerful and Effective!

Saints, keep those Drive By Prayers going each and every day you drive by your Church, School or Businesses. Thanks for reading, aints and Aints!

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast for more than thirty-five years have been meeting together and praying together for the betterment of the Community. We want each of You to know you have a personal invitation to meet with us on the first Saturday of each month.

We learned that by meeting and praying together much can be accomplished. It is just a wonderful thing to call on the name of Jesus when we are meeting.

So remember, you are invited to attend. For more information, call (806) 762-3347 for location of next meeting.

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president; and Sister Elnora Jones, teacher.

We await your attendance at our next meeting!



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Obsequies

Oscar L. Hyder

Graveside Services were held Saturday morning February 27, 2010, at Peaceful Garden Memorial Park under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Hyder, Jr., 76, of Lubbock departed this life on Sunday, Feb. 21, 2010 at Covenant.

Hyder was born on March 8, 1933 in Bastrop, Texas, to the late Oscar L. Hyder, Sr. and Earner L. Hyder. He attended public schools in Bastrop, Texas and united with the church at a very early age. He moved to Lubbock in 1953. He married Gloria J. Marshall in 1957, who preceded him in death. After working for Kerr Construction Company for many years, he joined Farm Pac where he retired after over twenty years.

He leaves to cherish his memories, four daughters, Yolanda Dotson (Larry), Sharon Harvey (Bernard), Tammy Hyder and Angela Hyder; one son, Shan-



non Hyder, four grandsons; one granddaughter; two sisters, Dorothy Curry and Thelma Turner; two brothers, R. L. Barnett and Floyd Dillard; nieces; nephews; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Ernest Ross, Jr., "Beau Ross"

Funeral services for Ernest "Beau Ross" Ross, Jr. were held at Saturday morning, February 27, 2010, at New Hope Baptist Church with Rev. B. R. Moton, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at City of

Sonaka Kay Roberts

Funeral services for Sonaka Kay Roberts were held Friday, February, 26, 2010 at Agape Temple C.O.G.I.C. with Bishop W. H. Watson, pastor, officiating.

Interment followed at City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Roberts, 38, of Lubbock passed away Thursday, February 18, 2010, at her resident.

She was born March 15, 1971 in Lubbock, Texas, to Beverly Wade (Ernest) and the late Ober Lee Roberts, Jr.

She attended schools in Lubbock and Ft. Worth, Texas. After graduation she attended the United Methodist School for the Deaf in San Antonio, Texas, Sonaka was an active member of



the Oakwood Baptist Church for the Deaf and the Lubbock Special Needs Association. She was employed at LMHMR in the T-shirt Printing Department.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her daughters, Ashley R. Roberts-Harkley and Moesha K. Roberts-Ellis; parents, Beverly and Ernest Wade; sisters, LeShawn Roberts, Latasha Roberts, Lisa Wade-Arnold, Nickie Sims and Annie M. Martin; grandparents George and Rose Lewis; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Robert Lee Harris, Jr.



Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

"Beau Ross", 70, of Lubbock, departed this life Sunday, February 21, 2010 at University Medical Center.

Ernest Ross, Jr., was born on August 12, 1939 to Ernest Ross, Sr. and Minnie Lee Ross Steen in Accuff, Texas.

Ross, Jr. leaves to cherish his memory, his wife, Mary Lee Ross; two children, Norweitta Lewis and Kareem Ross; his mother, Minnie Lee Ross Steen; three brothers, Thomas Ross (Beverly), Collier Ross and David Ross; eight sisters, Ruby James, Johnnie Ross, Barbara Ross, Anita Robinson, June Miller, Bertha Watts (Lawrence), Pamela King (King) and Charlene Steen; three grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held for Robert Lee Harris, Jr. were held at Friday afternoon, February 26, 2010 at St. Luke Baptist Church with Rev. J. H. Ford, pastor, officiating.

Interment followed at Peaceful Garden Memorial Park under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Harris, Jr., 58, of Arlington, Texas, formerly of Lubbock, passed away Thursday, Feb. 18, 2010, at Medical Center of Arlington, Texas.

He was born March 1, 1951 in Houston, Texas to Robert Lee Harris, Sr., and the late Vertia Mae Gibson Harris. He attended Estacado High School.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Vertia Mae Harris; and one brother, Craig Anthony Harris.

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Lubbock City Council Proclamation dedicating 2010 to Colon Cancer Prevention and Awareness Year will be given Thursday, March 4, 2010 at 9:00 a. m. Lubbock City Hall Council Meeting Hall, 1625 13th Street.

The public is invited to attend Mayor Tom Martin's and City Councils Proclamation dedicating the year 2010 to Colon Cancer Prevention and Awareness in Lubbock. They will do it at the beginning of their regular City Council meeting. It is important that we give them support and appreciation for their initiative benefiting citizens of Lubbock. Please be in attendance!

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THIS 'N' THAT

by T.J. Patterson

BRING JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION BACK TO MAE SIMMONS PARK! THIS N THAT would like to see the **LUBBOCK EMANCIPATION CELEBRATION COMMITTEE** bring back the celebration of the **LUBBOCK JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION ACTIVITIES** back to the **MAE SIMMONS PARK** as this is where it all begun years ago.... There is enough room to do many things in the area.... As a **BLACK PEOPLE** we should be proud to celebrate in Mae Simmons Park.... **THIS N THAT** is hoping that **PRESIDENT TONYA JOHNSON** will bring her committee

back and visit about bringing it back to Mae Simmons... Really if this is done there would be many more Blacks from the Old School who would work for this to become a much greater effort.... Of course **THIS N THAT** appreciates what has been done over the years but let's go back to where it really is about and do what we all can do to make this a much better program for everybody.... Anyway **THIS N THAT** stands ready to helping in anyway we can help with this annual celebration.....

STILL WAITING FOR RE-ORGANIZATION OF LUBBOCK BRANCH OF NAACP! THIS N THAT still waiting to hear from when

the **RE-ORGANIZATION** of the **LUBBOCK BRANCH OF THE NAACP** will take place.... Yes it is needed and many of us can get involved for it to become a reality.... Hopefully one day in the very near future the Lubbock Branch will be functioning again... Stay tune and see what's going to happen.....

TURN YOUR PORCH LIGHTS ON SUNDAY EVENING AT 5:00 P. M.!! THIS N THAT is asking all of you who believe in what more than 60 residents voted to do last Sunday evening turn on your **PORCH LIGHTS** from 5:00 p. m. to 7:00 p. m. on Sunday evening March 5, 2010 to show togetherness in finding a way to stop all the burglaries and robberies happening our community..... It is **IMPORTANT** that we stand behind these kinds of an effort to make our community a much better place to live.... As the Lubbock Police Chief **DALE HOLTON** says the **LUBBOCK POLICE CAN'T BE EVERYWHERE IN LUBBOCK AT THE SAME TIME** but **LUBBOCK CITIZENS CAN BE THERE AT ALL TIMES.**"

TOWN HALL MEETING FOR DISTRICT TWO ON THURSDAY! THIS N THAT learned that **DISTRICT TWO SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER** **MS. VERNITA HOLMES** at Estacado High School beginning at 6:30 p. m. This is a much needed meeting. Let's be there!



THINK ABOUT IT!

"The Black Press A Many Splendid Things!"

by Eddie P. Richardson

After almost thirty three years the Southwest Digest after empowering the Black community is no way near tired. The Digest has withstood social and economic trials not by being a jack of all things but a master of serving its community. We reflect what our community is and does". The key to the newspaper is no different from any other news paper-Black owned or not. That is to print news and information that empowers its readers.

In a day when news papers are filing bankruptcy, laying off in mass flocking to the internet, Black owned newspapers are in a better position than mast." we are not trying to talk to every body, we're trying to talk to Black people". We're not trying to be all things to a lot of people, we're just trying to be the best thing to the best thing to one people.

With our entire staff equal to the size of the Avalanche Jour-

nals copy desk the Digest prints once a weekboast of very few lay offs we have been blessed to have a small loyal staff since our inception plus we have a wery loyal readership

While the American Society of News Paper Editors reports that news rooms laid off nearly 6,000 journalists in 2008 the Digest was not efficated in the changing industry. things are tough for us, but we don't have the same issues as other newspapers those whom we serve continue to be loyal support and buy our newspaper.

The purpose of the Black newspapers documenting the Black experience in and around Lubbock. Being the Black press and the true voice of the Black community of Lubbock we have to comment on two negative things in Lubbock that has the community in an uproar is recent tasing incident werre the tasoar had to ask his partner for help on this one if he was not doing

wrong or using more force than necessary. The next thing is the city of Lubbock turning off peoples lights some time without proper wanning and even from the pole councleman Price where are you?

The Network Journal Announces Its 12th Annual "25 Influential Black Women In Business"

New York, NY (BlackNews.com) -- The Network Journal, an award-winning business magazine providing news and commentaries on issues that affect the growth of businesses and the advancement of professionals in the workplace for an audience of predominantly African-American professionals, corporate executives and small-business owners, announces its 2010 list of "25 Influential Black Women in Business."



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by Renetta Howard

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February 22, 2010 marked the date that the new credit card legislation went into effect. By now, everyone who has any credit which is backed by any bank has received literature from the bank regarding the new rules. Our government bailed out the banks, but we must be careful that the banks do not bankrupt us.

The new rules were supposed to help individuals who used credit cards. It was designed to end the abusive habits of credit card issuers. It has put into effect one long overdue chapter, the one regarding issuing credit cards to college students and young adults under the age of 21 who have no visible means of paying for the credit they use. Unless a young person under 21 has a means for paying for card purchases, they MUST have a co-signer, preferably a parent who will be held liable for purchases throughout the lifetime of the youngster for all of the purchases made on the card prior to and after age 21, if the young adult keeps the card. In addition, the credit limit for those who secure a card will not be raised without the co-signer's permission.

Another good thing about this phase of the law is the fact

that credit card companies will not be permitted to go onto college campuses and give out freebies and take applications for credit. The law does not prohibit them from setting up shop some place nearby a campus and/or giving out freebies there. Many students got their first taste of cigarettes from those freebies. That is where vigilant parents can come in. They can take action against the pitches.

Many innocent students' credit have been permanently marred by the credit antics of card issuers because the 'only

sign here' applications that were sent to them in the mail, many of them with no idea of the consequences of non-payment for credit. Parents never knew what was taking place and many who found out, filed bankruptcy, another credit negative.

There are many loopholes in the new law. If you are more than 60 days late with a payment, look for an interest rate hike. If your credit card does not have a grace period, you may fall victim to double-cycle billing. Stay within your credit limits unless you opt-in for over

Satan Stays Busy But The Positive And Negative Turn On The Lights!

by BROTHER ASKARI

First of all we Thank Queen Myda Cruz the Director of the Bridge for allowing us to use their gym to have the meeting for the purpose of a Resolution to "STOP HOME ROBBERIES & BURGLARIES" in our entire city. We thank our District 2 city councilman Floyd Price, our County Judge Tom Head, our Mayor Tom Martin, our county Sheriff Kelly Rowe, our Chief of Police Dale Holton, Mr. McClendon and Attorney Nelson who are both running for public office, we send a shots out to Playa Mike, Big Vic, Big Homie Anthony and the Queen that were featured on the front page of the Lubbock Avalanche Journal concerning our meeting. We thank reporter Adam Young, the other reporters of the Broadcast networks in our city for reporting their our good faith effort that we know will be a benefit for all the communities that make up the city of Lubbock. We give special thanks to the people representing and living in the communities in our city thank showed up supporting this move against home robberies and burglaries **WITHOUT**



FEAR! The title of this article is addressing the people who know that this is a good move for our city but can't help themselves from being Messy A@#! people. This kind of a person does satan's work. They now that they can not color the idea of preventing and stopping the citizens of Lubbock from being victims of having their homes even their businesses from being robbed or burglarize so they try to color the people involved bad. Well for the record there would be no **PAUL WITHOUT THERE FIRST BEING A SAUL. MOSES WAS APART OF THE PHAROAH'S ESTABLISHMENT BEFORE**

HE LED THE PEOPLE OUT OF EGYPT. IT WAS NOT JUST PRODIGAL SONS, BUT ALSO PRODIGAL DAUGHTERS, AND MARY MAGDALENE DID NOT JUST REPRESENT FEMALE PROSTITUTES BUT MALES TO, BEFORE GOD'S LIVING WORD RAISED HER ABOVE THE SLANDEROUS TONGUES AND THE GRIP OF MESSY A@#! PEOPLE WHO CHOSE TO FIND NOTHING BETTER TO DO THAN BE MESSY AND USELESS TO GOOD FAITH EFFORTS. WITH THAT SAID HERE A MESSAGE TO YOU MESSY A@#! FOOLS "KNOW FOR SURE THAT AS LONG AS THE LIGHT IS ON, THIS MOVE IS IN THE EYES OF THE RIGHTEOUS WILL SHOW OURSELVES APPROVES AND YOU WILL SHOW YOURSELVES TO BE FOOLS! RENEW YOUR MIND, JOIN US AND GET OFF THE SIDELINE TRYING TO CONQUER AND DIVIDE!

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Tony Brewer

Coach Mallory Will Be Honored During The Dunbar Reunion

(Editor's Note: When the Dunbar High School All-Class Reunion meets this summer, one of their coaches will be honored and remembered. Here is information about Coach Ernest P. Mallory.)

Mr. Ernest P. Mallory was born in Philadelphia, PA, the only son of three children born to Ike and Carrie Mallory. When Ernest was four, the Mallory family moved to San Diego, CA, where he attended school. He played football, basketball, baseball, and was a high jumper in the track team of San Diego High School. In football Coach Mallory was an offensive end for two years. On the basketball team he was a forward and was chosen all-city, all-coast, and all southern California forward. Coach also played second base and outfield for the baseball team.

Mallory spent one year at San Diego State College and left for the Army where he spent two and one-half years. He returned to San Diego. He played for the Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corp., Lindburgh Field, and the Convaair Dominators. Coach Mallory made the decision to finish his college education at Sam Houston College in Austin, Texas, and received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics. While at Sam Houston in 1944, he met and married his wife Vernice Norwood. That same year, Coach Mallory received an honorary award for

meritorious service during World War II.

Coach Mallory was a forward for Sam Houston's basketball team. He also played exhibition games and toured with the college team. The team toured during most holidays and summers, which took them through Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, and California.

Coach Mallory joined Omega Psi Phi in 1947.

In 1949, Coach Mallory was offered the position of Physical Education Assistant Coach and he accepted. This was the beginning of a very successful coaching career at Dunbar High School. During his coaching career, his win-loss was 305-54. His team, the Dunbar Panthers, were Texas State Champions in 1953, 1957, 1960, and 1962. The team also earned 5 District Titles.

In 1962 Coach Mallory was named Basketball Coach of the Year. He was chosen by the Quarterback Club of Houston.

Mallory also coached Little League and was a baseball umpire. He played with the Lubbock Negro All-Stars (basketball) and the Lubbock Jets (softball). The Jets took top honors in the State TAAF Negro Softball Tournament.

Coach and Vernice were married for 56 years and had two sons, Ernest II, William Michael (who preceded him in death) and daughters Carrie and Theresa, four grandchildren, Michael, La Vern, Leila, and Ernest III, along

Wesley Snipes Discusses New Film "Brooklyn's Finest"



Born in Orlando on July 31, 1962 to Marian, a teacher's aide, and Wesley, Sr., and an aircraft engineer, Wesley Trent Snipes was raised in the South Bronx, although the family moved back to Florida before he was able to graduate from NYC's famed, Fiorello La Guardia High School of Music and Art. Still, Wesley went on to study drama in college at SUNY Purchase's prestigious acting conservatory.

However, he dropped out during his junior year to pursue his passion professionally. In Hollywood, the versatile thespian's stage and Shotokan karate training came in handy in helping him land a variety of roles. The accomplished actor/black belt's long list of credits on his enviable resume' include the Blade Trilogy, Jungle Fever, White Men Can't Jump, U.S. Marshals.

with seven great-grand children.

He had a wonderful motto for his teams, "In order to become a great athlete, one has to have heart." That he did.

Thank God For Jesus

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They'll like John when in Prison, when the Romans was over the JEWS.

John thought the MESSIAH was coming to OVERTHROW THAT GOVERNMENT; And sent his disciples to ask Jesus, ARE YOU THE ONE OR SHOULD WE LOOK FOR ANOTHER .HE DIDN'T KNOW GOD'S BUSINESS; EVEN MARTIN LUTHER KING AND THE CHRISTIANS DIDN'T KNOW!!!--GOD'S IS NOT IN THE BUSINESS OF MAKING MAN EQUAL; WITH ONE ANOTHER; GOD'S BUSINESS IS OPENING BLIND EYES, MAKING THE LAME WALK, CLEANING OF CANCER, DEAF CAN HEAR, AND RAISING THE DEAD. GOD DON'T WANT CHRISTIANS GOING AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT; GOD PUT THE GOVERNMENT HERE!!!)

Roman 13:1-3 -- Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the power that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisted the power, resists the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.

WHEN JOHN WAS BEHEADED; JESUS DIDN'T BUCK THE GOVERNMENT.

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Luke 4:18-19 -- Jesus said, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, and to set at liberty them that are bruised, and To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

District Two Town Hall Meeting Set For Thursday Night

Vernita Woods-Holmes, Lubbock ISD Board of Trustees representative for District 2, will host a Town Hall Meeting on Thursday, March 4, at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium of Estacado High School. Dr. Karen Garza, superintendent of LISD, will

join Ms. Woods-Holmes in a brief presentation and then will take questions from the public.

For more information contact: Nancy Sharp, LISD Communications Office 766-1062 or cell 786-1363.

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passing a long-term extension of benefits as soon as possible. Otherwise, thousands more Michigan families will exhaust their benefits in the months ahead. I call on Senator Bunning to put politics aside and to stop filibustering critical assistance for Michigan."

This U. S. Congressional misfit who is retiring blocked the extensions of benefits to unemployed Americans and other agencies who cannot help themselves at the moment said that the \$10 billion bill would add to the budget deficit. How low-down can one submerge their feeling for humankind? His grandchildren eats while other Americans grandchildren whose parents are out of work have to hustle for a meal. Does behavior of this kind describe a skunk with a white stripe in a Kentucky little house behind the big house?—A U. S. Congressional misfit!

Singer Anita Baker Avoids Jail Time in Royalty Dispute

DETROIT, MI — Anita Baker's Friday began with the threat of jail hanging over her. It ended with the Grammy-winning R&B singer exiting a Detroit courtroom, smiling and excited to get her weekend started.

What made the 52-year-old Grosse Pointe resident so happy was that she and her lawyers were able to reach an agreement with her ex-husband's attorney to create a process that eventually will decide how much Walter Bridgforth is owed in music royalties as part of the couple's divorce settlement.

"I'm so happy. ... I have never been in such a position before," Baker said in the hallway outside court. "And we don't intend to ever be in such a position ever again. I just wanna go home."



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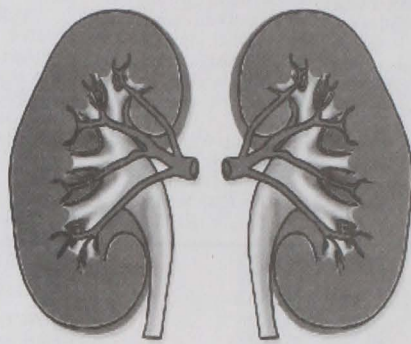
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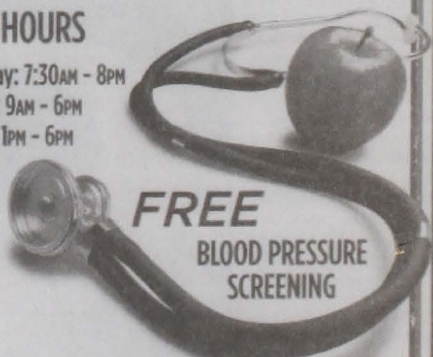


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