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### Community Meetings

This is a list of what is happening in Lubbock, to help complete the unfinished, community-building work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

- African American Chamber of Commerce, Lubbock meets on the 3rd Monday of each month, from 5:30-6:30pm at the Parkway Community Center, 405 MLK Blvd., 806-771-1815
- Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00pm at the Patterson Branch Library
- Hub City Kiwanis meets every Tuesday, 7:00pm, 1708 Avenue G
- Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm
- Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon
- Forgotten West Riders meet on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Library
- East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center
- Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Market Alumni Center
- Dunbar/Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 6:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar-Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center at 1501 East 24th St.
- West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturday of each month 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 Native American Association meets 2nd Saturday each month at Groves Library, 5520 19th Street, 7:30 pm.
- West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men meets the 3rd Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Parkway Neighborhood Center.
- The Parkway Guadalupe & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 pm at Hunt Elementary.
- Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm, at Iles Elementary Cafeteria.

## Come Visit New MLK Baseball Field & Attend General Meeting

All interested parents and concerned citizens of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Baseball League are invited to attend a General Meeting on Friday evening, October 26, 2007, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The field is located at 1950 Aspen Avenue.

For additional information about this important meeting, call either Dennis Price, 317-3024 or Rondale Sanders, 535-3937.

In a few months, the league will begin and plans are now being made for the upcoming season.

"There are many boys and girls in our community who are looking forward for this new season, and we want to be ready," says Mr. Price.

"Our young people need our help, and this meeting will be a great beginning in the right direction," he said.

"So come out and help us with this effort, and just watch the great benefits which will come from this beginning," continued Price.

## Lubbock Outreach Prayer Breakfast Will Present A Drama

One of Lubbock's outstanding groups, the Lubbock Outreach Prayer Breakfast, will present a gospel musical drama, "They Brought A Woman." It is produced by Sister Dorothy Hood. The drama is being directed by Sister Elnora Brooks-Jones and Brother Maurice Williams.

The drama will be held at the Dunbar Middle School Auditorium, 2010 East 26th Street, on Wednesday, November 2, 2007, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Admission is a \$10.00 donation. Children, ages 6-12, \$3.00; and ages 13-18, \$5.00. Contact persons for ticket information are Sister Hood, (806) 762-3347 and Sister LaNell Bates-Adams, (806) 762-4048.

"We are inviting all of our citizens to attend this drama. Your help is most appreciative," says Sister Hood.



Shanceice Johnson

### Johnson Receives Degree In Criminal Justice

Shanceice Johnson, daughter of Jadartha Johnson and Sharon Johnson, graduated from the Tech Institute in Irving, Texas on September 21, 2007. She received an associate degree in criminal justice. The ceremony was held in Grapevine, Texas.

She is presently attending *Continued on Page 8*

## Early Voting Underway For General Election

Early voting got underway Monday morning, October 22, 2007, for the upcoming Texas constitutional amendment election which is set for Tuesday, November 6th. Early voting will continue through Wednesday, November 2.

State lawmakers have placed 16 changes in the Texas constitution before the voters. Past history reveals that constitutional amendment elections are held in November following the end of a legislative session, which closes in May.

Of the sixteen amendments include an amendment, which will effect the city of Lubbock, is a total of about \$10 billion in state bond projects, including money for a Texas Department of Public Safety facility in Lubbock.

History reveals that the Texas constitution has been amended more than 400 times since it was adopted in the years following the Civil War.

An amendment will also be on the ballot which will have an house-cleaning amendment on Angelo State University's merger into the Texas Tech University System.

Qualified voters may vote at the United Supermarkets, 2630 Parkway Drive, 401 Slide Road, 1701 50th Street, 29th Drive and Brownfield Highway, 2703 82nd Street, 8010 Frankford Avenue, and 4205 98th Street. Voters may also vote at the Lubbock County Elections Office, 1308 Crikets Avenue.

These voting places will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Saturday, through November 2nd, except 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., October 27th.

## Lubbock Business Couple, Alfred & Billie Caviel, Celebrated 50th Wedding Anniversary



Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Caviel

Alfred Caviel and wife, Billie, celebrated 50 years of love and happiness at their home, 2401 East 28th Street in Lubbock, with family and friends.

Alfred and Billie are practicing Pharmacists of 50 years. They have operated their business, Caviel's Pharmacy, 1719 Avenue A, for 47 years.

The Caviels are the proud parents of six children and ten grandchildren.

## T. J. Patterson Annual Golf Classic To Be Held At Cedar Crest Golf Course

The annual T. J. Patterson Annual Golf Classic, which is sponsored by The Texas Association of Black City Council Members (TABCCM), will be held at the Cedar Crest Golf Course, Dallas, on Tuesday, November 6, 2007.

Various sponsorship categories are available for those companies, organizations, and individuals. They include: Title Sponsor: \$8,000; Platinum Sponsor: \$5,000; Athletic Bag Sponsor: \$4,000; Dinner Sponsor: \$4,000; Lunch Sponsor: \$3,000; Award Sponsor: \$3,000; Beverage Sponsor: \$3,000 and Flag

Sponsor, \$3,000.

Also, other sponsors include: Printing Sponsor, \$2,500; Hole-in-One Sponsor, \$2,000; Putting Contest Sponsor, \$2,000; Hole Sponsor, \$500; Gold cart Sponsor, \$500; Golf Ball Sponsor, 40 Dozen; Closet to Pin Sponsor, \$500; Award Sponsor, \$3,000; Longest Drive Sponsor, \$500; Straightest Drive Sponsor, \$500; Door Prize Donation, \$50 value; Mulligan- \$5.00 each. Patterson, who was a Lubbock City Councilman for twenty years, was the catalyst in organizing the Texas Association of Black City Council Members *Continued on Page 8*

## Chatman Hospital Historic Plaque Draws Many Lubbockites Here



Jason Hodges Welcoming



Part of Crowd At Event



Michael Chatman Speaking



People in Attendance of Event



Crowd Leaving Event



Michael Chatman Talking



Councilman Floyd Price



Mrs. Emalene Chatman



Mrs. Chatman in Church



Eddie Richardson Listening



Giving Crowd A Welcome!



Mrs. D. Chatman Visiting

Lubbock citizens from throughout the city were in attendance of the unveiling of the historic plaque of the Chatman Hospital Tuesday morning, October 16, 2007. Prior to the unveiling, a program was held in the Mount Vernon United Methodist Church, 2302 Cedar Avenue, where the pastor is Dr. Madoc Thomas.

This special program was sponsored by the Urban design and historic Preservation Commission of the City of Lubbock.

A special welcome was given by Jason Hodges, chairman of the Lubbock Urban design and Historic Preservation Commission. Prayer was offered by Dr. Thomas.

A son of the founder of this hospital, the late Dr. Joseph Alvin Chatman, Michael Chatman, who is a teacher in the Houston Independent School District.

History reveals that this hospital, which was constructed in 1944, was done because Dr. Chatman wanted the Negro community of Lubbock would have a quality of health. Many of the Negro babies were born in this hospital.

Sources reveal that the basement of this facility was dug by hand with shovels. It was hard work, but Dr. Chatman wanted it to be top notched.

Dr. Chatman often made this statement, "Even the longest journey starts with but one step. There is but a step between me and death." With his kind of an attitude, the hospital became a success.

But even after the construction, Chatman Hospital had its difficulties as it was involved in a

fire which nearly destroyed the facility. It was believed that local pledges in some fraternities were possibly responsible for the fire. But through it all, it was restored and today, it is serving the community in as an outreach health center.

Another dedicated Lubbock citizen, Betty Anderson, board member of Chatman Memorial Foundation, gave remarks about the efforts of the Chatman Hospital.

Michael Sullivan, CEO, Chatman Clinic and Community Health Center of Lubbock, gave an overview of the importance of the Chatman Hospital to the community.

Here is what the historical plaque says:

Opened in 1945, for many years this was the only hospital for West Texas' African-American population. Dr. J.A. Chatman, second black doctor in West Texas, dedicated his life to the improvement of medical facilities for blacks and to better race relations. Civic leader and active in Democratic Party politics, Chatman was respected in the entire Lubbock community. He was president of the Lone Star State Medical Society and on the board of Texas Southern University. Architect Louis Edwin Fry was a prominent architectural educator at Tuskegee and Howard Universities. Ousted by fire in 1987, the building was restored in 1993.

Designated, February 1981. City Councilman Floyd Price gave brief remarks about the importance of the Chatman Hospital. "It was needed in Lubbock community and area.

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# Chatman Hills Corner

By Doris Reynolds

This writer, as well as many others in the Chatman Hill area, is very excited about the upcoming gospel drama, "They Brought A Woman", sponsored by the Lubbock Outreach Prayer Breakfast. Sister Dorothy Hood, president, is the producer, and it is directed by Sister Elnora Brooks-Jones and Brother Maurice Williams. This drama will be held at the Dunbar Middle School Auditorium, 2010 East 26th, on Friday evening, November 9, 2007, beginning at 7:00 p. m. Donations are only \$10.00 for adults; \$3.00 for children 6-12; and \$5.00 for youth 13-18.

Let's support this great effort on behalf of these praying Sisters. Will you join us by attending? Hope so!

The members of the New Hope Baptist Church will be honoring their Pastor & First Family, Rev. & Mrs. B. R. Moton and daughter, Pam, on Sunday afternoon, November 4, 2007, beginning at 3:30. The theme is "Honoring an Appointed Preacher of the Gospel," II Timothy 1:6-12.

The community is invited to attend this service, and help the membership show appreciation for Pastor Moton and family.

A Harvest Home Festival will be held at the New Hope Baptist Church on Wednesday evening, October 31, 2007, from 6:00 p. m. until 8:00 p. m. The committee is in need of donations as apples.

candy apples, cupcakes, and other goodies. If you have any, contact either Sister Margaret Moton, Sister Hatcher or Sister LaYerne Williams.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in citizens among them include Sister Joan Ervin and Brother Clarence Ervin. Also, Sister Emma Jackson and Sister Odessa Long. Sister Charlie Bell Prait, Sister Emma Rowe, Sister Dorothy Nash, Sister Lillie Smith and Brother Rudolph Belvins are ill in their residences.

Remember, God is able. Let us keep these people in our prayers.

Dunbar Middle School Math and Science Academy will be recognized as a NASA Explorer School today, Thursday, October 25, 2007, beginning at 6:00 p. m. in the auditorium, 2010 east 26th Street.

Dunbar is one of twenty-five schools selected nationwide, and only one of two schools in Texas chosen to receive this honor. Representatives from the Johnson Space Center in

Houston will speak and representatives from state and local government will attend.

This writer is encouraging as many as can to be in attendance.

Services were well attended last Sunday morning, October 21, 2007, at the New Hope Baptist Church, the "Church Where The People Really Care." Rev. B. R. Moton is the proud pastor.

Services got underway with meditation and prayer. The Praise Team sang out of their hearts and souls. What a time! The morning scripture was read by Minister Larry Moore and Minister S. McCutcheon offered the morning prayer.

Several selections were sung by the New Hope Baptist Church Choir.

Pastor Moton delivered a dynamic sermon. His subject was "Satan Is Seducing Saints!" His scripture text was I Timothy 4:1-6.

The morning announcements were made by Sister Pamela Moton, and Brother Napoleon Cooper welcomed all visitors.

**Attend Church Sunday Morning!**

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## In Remembrance

Harold Anzley



Anzley

Stator - Funeral services for Harold Anzley were held Tuesday afternoon, October 23, 2007, at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church with Rev. C. C. Peoples, pastor, officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home.

Mr. Anzley passed away Tuesday, October 16, 2007, at his residence.

**God Is Always Able!**

## NASA Kicks Off New Partnership With Dunbar Middle School

Houston - NASA engineer Alver Ignacio Villarreal, Johnson Space Center Director of Education Susan White and other NASA representatives will visit Dunbar Middle School Math/Science magnet Thursday, October 25, 2007, to kick off the school's new three-year partnership with NASA. Dunbar Middle School is one of 25 teams selected earlier this year to be part of the nationwide NASA Explorer Schools project.

The school will have an assembly for students in the school auditorium at 10 a. m. and another for the school community at 6 p. m. Villarreal and White will share the Vision for Space Exploration with students, families, invited guests and the community. They also

will make a special presentation to the school.

"NASA is a launch pad that ignites the spirit, engages the mind and opens the imagination of young at heart," said Villarreal. "Participating in this program gives students a glimpse of NASA and what is to come. Our future lies in the courage of our youth to pursue their goals and dreams no matter where they may take them."

Dunbar Middle School Math and Science Academy serves approximately 500 students in the East Lubbock area. Being a magnet school, the school serves students from all over the Lubbock area by offering an extended science, math and engineering curriculum.

## "Make A Difference Day In Lubbock Saturday, October 27th

The City of Lubbock has teamed up with Keep Lubbock Beautiful in celebration of "Make A Difference Day" which is October 27.

"Make A Difference Day" is a national celebration of neighbors helping neighbors. Millions of Americans take part in the event annually.

More than 40 City staff and Keep Lubbock Beautiful volunteers will kick-off this year's event by painting the interior of the Marion Moss building, 501 East 42nd Street on Friday, October 26. In the afternoon, volunteers and students will also clean the Jackson Elementary Outdoor Learning Center, 201 Vernon Avenue.

On Saturday, volunteers from across Lubbock will gather at 8 a.m. to clean-up East Lubbock.

"KLB encourages all citizens to volunteer during "Make A Difference Day" in any way possible," said Kathleen Finley, coordinator for Keep Lubbock Beautiful. "Even the smallest act can make a big difference in a person's life and in the community."

Volunteers of all ages are encouraged to join in the effort. Anyone wishing to participate in the East Lubbock clean-up on Saturday may go to any of the following locations:

St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 1603 Cherry Avenue  
New Zion Baptist Church, 1601 MLK Boulevard  
East 3rd Street and Niter Avenue

Work begins at 8 a.m. on Saturday and concludes at Noon. For more information, call Kathleen Finley at 775-2280.

## FASHION FUN

by Shirley Robinson

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FASHION TIP: Always wear a smile! FASHION - Just for the fun of it!

## Connie Graves Succumbs In Florida

A former Lubbock resident and graduate of Dunbar High School, Connie Graves, succumbed in Tampa, Florida last week.

This information was given to the Southwest Digest by his brother, Tommy Graves of Lubbock.

The Southwest Digest will report information about the funeral in the very near future.

It is believed that Connie Graves was a retired veteran of the U. S. Navy.

He is also the brother of Jimmy Graves, who was a pharmacist, is deceased.

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# "They Brought A Woman"

Place: Dunbar Auditorium  
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Lubbock, TX 79404  
Date: November 9, 2007  
Time: 7:00 P.M.  
Cost: Adults: \$10.00 Donation  
Children Ages 6-12: \$5.00  
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Contact Persons: Dorothy Hood - 806-762-3947  
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# Church News



From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith  
"Black and Dumb African Americans?"

It is a shame in 2007, people are judging other humans intelligence by the color of their skin. One would think the ridiculous argument about the mental inferiority of black people was only a myth. However, even as we write and you read there are those persons including light-skinned blacks who believe they are intellectual superior to dark-skinned people.

Five years ago, an author Lynn R published a theory on "Skin Color and Intelligence in African Americans." The following is an abstract of his finding: "The relation between skin color and intelligence was examined in a representative sample of 430 adult African Americans. A statistically significant positive correlation of 0.17 was obtained between light skin color and intelligence. It is proposed that the result supports the hypothesis that the level of intelligence in African Americans can be significantly determined by the proportion of Caucasian genes.

What Lynn R is saying in common terms is African Americans whose family were sold into slavery by other Africans war-lords and whose women co-habit in sexual union by force and gave birth to a child, children were smarter because they had white blood or Caucasian genes.

One has to be asinine in 2007 to promote the idea that white folk

or smarter than black folk. It is even moronic and such thinkers should be locked up in a mental deficiency facility. These poisonous demonic creatures are a danger not only to society, but also to themselves.

A week or more ago, an "associated press" columnist, Corey Williams, wrote about "Black women struggling with light-skinned ideal." The story broke because a receptionist, Yasmine Toney, who live and work in Detroit, Michigan were angered by a recent club promotion that catered to light-skinned black women.

Williams wrote Yasmine Toney describes herself as a "dark-skinned sister." So when she heard about a recent club promotion in Detroit, allow-allowing all-night free admission to black women with fair or light skin, she was incensed.

"It's offensive," Toney said. "It continues a negative stereotype. I'm perceived to be aggressive, assertive, attitude-having...a lot of things, because my complexion is darker," said the 24-year-old receptionist.

The party was canceled last week after its promoter, who is black, received dozens of complaints. But for Toney and other black women, the issue reopened old, deep wounds as word of the party spread though the Internet.

How black women are viewed and treat each other depending on

the hue of their skin, eye color, and the length and grade of their hair has long been a point of contention for many in the black community.

Many women with lighter skin frequently are accused of believing they are better than those with darker complexions. Many women with brown or dark-brown complexions complain that they too often are not treated as well as those with fairer skin.

"I think they get to slide in a little easier," Toney, who is pursuing a master's degree in counseling, said of women with lighter skin. "They are assumed to be passive and nice and sweet. I feel I have to do a little bit more. Number one, I'm black. Number two, I'm dark and I have short hair."

I applaud Ms. Toney for standing on her feet and challenging a black male who still has the plantation attitude that white milk is better than chocolate. Ignorant, pompous, self-serving creatures with satanic nature and attitudes liken to the Kings who sold Africans into slavery really have no place in our society.

Creators of evil behaviors of this nature give strength to those who believe that African Americans are only marginally intellectually competent if they have some white blood.



## We Thank God for Jesus The Devil's Tricks And Treats!

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

**Isaiah 1:4** - The Lord said, Yes, a sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, and seeds of evildoers, children who are corrupted. They have forsaken the Lord.

America, when she started out, was to be called the land of love. But when she left the Lord, her name is now called the "Land of Blood!!!"

**Nahum 3:1-3b** - Woe to the bloody city full of lies and robbery. The prey depareth not, and there is a multitude of slain, and a great number of carcass, and there is nope end of their corpses. They stumble upon their corpses.

**\*\*\* Have You Seen The Killings \*\*\***

Jesus told the Churches in Matthew 28: For this said the Lord that created the heavens, God himself that formed the earth and made it. He established it. He created it not in vain. He formed it to be inhabited. I am the Lord, and there is none else.

You see, the Bible says: There is nothing new under God's heavenly sun. The Devil even tried to change God's plans with His only begotten Son!!!

**Matthew 4:10** - Jesus said, get thee hence, Satan, for it is written, you shall worship the

Lord your God, and Him only shall you serve.

**\*\*\* Jesus Stayed With The Word Of God \*\*\***

America wanted her Rights, and she gave them out to everyone. Her streets are full of killings. They have rights and do it for fun!!!

**Galatians 6:7-8** - Be not deceived. God is not mocked. For whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption. But he that soweth to the spirit shall of the spirit reap life everlasting.

With the Churches' help with the Rights, then came prayer out of school. The blind can't lead the blind. The Devil played the Churches for a fool!!!

**Romans 1:21-22** - Because that when they (The Churches) knew God, they glorified Him not as God, neither were thankful. But became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Professing themselves (The Churches) to be wise, they became fools.

Even now the Devil is using the Churches rebes to help build Hell-O-Ween. God is not pleased with the ways of the Churches. Jesus should be the theme!!!

**II Chronicles 33:6** - He causes his children to pass through the fire in the valley of the son of Hinnom. Also, he observed times, and used enchantments and used witchcraft, and dealt with familiar spirits, and with wizard. He wrought much evil in the sight of the Lord to provoke him to anger.

America is so wrapped up into witchcraft. It's played in the House of God!!! Hall-O-ween in the Churches? God forbid!!! It is a place to worship the Lord!!!

**Isaiah 5:20-21** - The Lord said, woe (Cursed) into them that call evil good, and good evil. That put darkness for light, and light for darkness. That put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!!!

**\*\*\* America's Tricking Her Children For Money! \*\*\***

(October the 31st is called: The Devil's Night, called Sam'Hain, taking people for human sacrifices, and leaving a Jack-O-Lantern, the Cut out of a pumpkin. Hell-O-ween teaches about ghost, vampires sucking blood, skeletons, and witches, and we ask why our children be come a blood thirsty people. It blows their minds, and they turn to drugs for help!!!!)

**Revelations 2:4** - Jesus said, I have somewhat against thee (The

# St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Church services at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, last Sunday morning, October 20, 2007, were well attended. The proud pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

Services got underway with Sunday School beginning with

Superintendent Sister Lue H Harris in charge. It was another wonderful lesson taught by Sister Harris, and reviewed by Pastor Canady. The subject of the morning lesson was "Dashed Hopes and Fond Memories." The scripture was Genesis 29:21-35.

The morning worship hour got underway with devotion which was conducted by Deacon Edward Williams and Brother Gerald Jackson. The spirit was very high! The St. Matthew Baptist Church Senior Choir again sang

out of their hearts and souls. Pastor Canady delivered a powerful sermon. His subject was "Hypocrites In The Church." His scripture text was Luke 13:1-17. It was another dynamic message for those in attendance as he was on target.

Last Sunday was set aside to recognize our Pastor. The month of October is "Pastoral Month." The members gave gifts, and all dined together in the Fellowship Hall after morning worship services. It was a wonderful time for every one in attendance.

It is just good to see your Pastor know how much he is appreciated. Pastor Canady was most appreciative of his very fine gesture. It goes to show that people really appreciate their pastor.

Let us remember those who are on our sick and shut in list. It was nice to see Brother Albert Wilborn up and about again. It shows that God is in charge. God is able.

Please remember those who are down today. Tomorrow it could be one of us who are

fortunate to be well today. Just continue to think about the goodness of God.

**Thought For The Week:** "Wise people don't just admit wrongs, they strive to avoid a repeat performance."

**Something to Think About:** Many times, in our lives, people have received warnings from their parents and their elders that, if they don't straighten up their actions and walk right, punishment is sure to come. Some of us heeded the warning and changed our actions, in time. Many did not

heed the warnings, and were confronted with the suffering, the pain, and agony that always accompany disobedience.

Something to think about!

## Outreach Prayer Breakfast

Continued from last week: "Jonah: A Reluctant Missionary"

He was self-centered, proud, jealous, blood thirsty and etc. He loved Israel, but no respect for God. He sat in the hot sun outside the city. God prepared a vine to give him shade from the sun. John was glad of the vine, but God prepared a worm to eat up the vine. God taught Jonah a lesson that if a mean and perishable plant, come to mean such value to him, how much greater could the estimate be put on lives of thousands of children, livestock, and etc. That great city meant more to God than Jonah's vine could ever mean to him. Sometime's God has to teach us lessons. What we place our values on things or people.

The purpose of the Book of Jonah is primarily to teach that God's gracious divine purpose is not limit to race, creed or color. He created and loved all mankind. Jesus said, "I came to seek and save those that are lost." He wish that no one perish and all would come to repentance. Matthew 12:38, The disciples asked Jesus to show them a sign. Jesus responded, "As Jonah was 3 days and 3 nights in the belly of the whale, so shall the son of man be 3 days and 3 nights in the earth. The people of Nineveh repented at the preaching of Jonah.

The Great Commission is to make disciples of all nation. For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son that whosoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life. John 3:16.

Thanks, Saints for reading this report last week and this week.

Let us pray for this world, especially our "City of Lubbock!"

Here is something to think about: Did you know that at some point in our lives, we might have committed some dreadful act for which we were sorry and even

now. In the midst of our several expressions of remorse for whatever it was that we might have done, we considered how we got in trouble in the first place. Then we seriously considered those things that we needed to do to stay out of the same trouble in the future. But, you know, somewhere down in the midst of our shame, God was still present and active in our lives. In the midst of our shame, God was busy restoring us, once again, to wholeness. In the midst of our shame, God was saying to us that everything

would be all right. All that we needed to do was to just turn to Him and ask for forgiveness for the rewards of salvation would soon be realized.

Let us continue our drive by prayers as we travel to and from our various travels as work, school, church and other places of interests.

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**Statement in Support of Texas Proposition 15 from the American Association for Cancer Research**

PHILADELPHIA -- The American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) supports Texas Proposition 15 and strongly encourages voters in Texas to approve the bond proposal on November 6.

Proposition 15 would provide \$3 billion in funding -- \$300 million a year for 10 years -- for cancer research and prevention efforts in Texas. At a time when federal funding for cancer research is declining, alternative funding mechanisms are crucial to our progress against cancer. The AACR applauds the efforts of Gov. Rick Perry, the Texas legislature, the state's cancer researchers and their institutions, the Lance Armstrong Foundation, Susan G. Komen for the Cure, Kill Cancer, the American Cancer Society and the Texas Medical Association to successfully pass legislation that establishes the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas and gives voters an opportunity to support Proposition 15 and make an impact against cancer that strikes one in three Americans.

America has benefited from a long-standing commitment to cancer research. In declaring a "War on Cancer" in 1971, the U.S. government made a significant investment in cancer research that, over the last 35 years, spawned a thriving biotechnology industry and supported cancer research studies at hospitals and universities across the nation that have yielded major advances in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of cancer. Cancer patients are now receiving treatments tailored to their own cancers and their genetic makeup. Vaccines that call upon the body's immune system to prevent cancer from ever occurring are now available for some cancers, and new ones are on the near horizon. Progress in cancer prevention research is reducing cancer incidence and rapidly leading to improvements in public health.

Over 10 million cancer survivors are alive today in America because of the remarkable advances in cancer research.

Our investment in cancer research is returning billions in savings to this nation from decreased mortality. Noted University of Chicago economists Kevin Murphy and Robert Topel have estimated that a one percent reduction in cancer mortality rates is worth nearly \$500 billion in national wealth to America. A cure for cancer would be worth upwards of \$46 trillion. And the social value of cancer research in terms of lives saved is immeasurable.

At a time when cancer researchers are making real and rapid progress against this disease, federal funding from the National Institutes of Health and the National Cancer Institute is decreasing, with devastating effects. Today, only one in 10 cancer research proposals receive funding from the National Cancer Institute, leaving many promising paths toward a cure for cancer unexplored. Bright, young researchers, unable to secure

research grants, are turning to other careers.

These effects are felt acutely in Texas. In 2006, the state lost \$30 million in federal research funds and this year will not see an improvement in this grim picture. Texas researchers are receiving fewer grants for research and training, which means that new ideas will go unexplored and the next generation of young scientists will leave Texas or the cancer field altogether. This disruption of the research pipeline will slow the development of new treatments and set back America's biomedical leadership for decades to come.

Texans should be very proud of the scientific achievements made by their research institutions, but they should also be concerned that their state, and the nation, are in danger of falling behind. The people of Texas, and all Americans, must make cancer research a national priority. By approving Proposition 15, Texans will lead the nation by example in providing critical funding for cancer research. Using Texas as a model, the AACR urges all states to consider passing similar legislation to ensure appropriate funding to advance progress in cancer research.

The mission of the American Association for Cancer Research

is to prevent and cure cancer. Founded in 1907, AACR is the world's oldest and largest professional organization dedicated to advancing cancer research. The membership includes nearly 26,000 basic, translational, and clinical researchers; health care professionals; and cancer survivors and advocates in the United States and more than 70 other countries. AACR marshals the full spectrum of expertise from the cancer community to accelerate progress in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of cancer through high-quality scientific and educational programs. It funds innovative, meritorious research grants. The AACR Annual Meeting attracts more than 17,000 participants who share the latest discoveries and developments in the field. Special Conferences throughout the year present novel data across a wide variety of topics in cancer research, treatment, and patient care. AACR publishes five major peer-reviewed journals: Cancer Research; Clinical Cancer Research; Molecular Cancer Therapeutics; Molecular Cancer Research; and Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers & Prevention. Its most recent publication, CR, is a magazine for cancer survivors, patient advocates, their families, physicians,

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## THIS 'N' THAT

by T.J. Patterson



## Think About It!

### Role Models!!

by Eddie P. Richardson

**DUNBAR MIDDLE SCHOOL IS ONE OF TWO IN TEXAS! THIS N THAT** ... is excited about what is happening at the **DUNBAR MIDDLE SCHOOL** ... as these young people have caught the eye of **NASA** ... and representatives from the Johnson Space Center will be on campus today ... **Thursday** ... **October 25, 2007** ... this morning at this evening at 6:00 p.m. ... Just think **DUNBAR MIDDLE SCHOOL** ... is just **ONE OF TWENTY-FIVE** ... in the United States of America chosen ... Also ... this middle school is **ONE OF TWO MIDDLE SCHOOLS** ... chosen in Texas to participate in this program ... This is a three year partnership with **NASA** ... and it is officially called **the nationwide NASA EXPLORER PROJECT** ... Just think of what is happening at this middle school this year ... **THIS N THAT** ... is proud of this accomplishment of **DUNBAR MIDDLE SCHOOL** ... and wish the principal ... s staff ... teachers and ... most of all ... these young people much success ... **THIS N THAT** ... is proud of all of the young people who attend **LUBBOCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS!** ... If you get an opportunity ... why not visit our public schools ... especially **DUNBAR MIDDLE SCHOOL** ... and let these young people know we appreciate what they are doing ... will you do that this week? Hope you

will! **LET'S VOTE IN GENERAL ELECTION! THIS N THAT** ... is encouraging all of you who are **REGISTERED VOTERS** ... to exercise your precious right ... by voting in the General election ... which is scheduled for **November 6, 2007** ... But you can vote ... in the **EARLY VOTING** ... which will continue through **November 2nd** ... So don't just sit back ... and not exercise your right to vote ... **THIS N THAT** ... reminds you that **VOTING IS SO IMPORTANT!** **SUPPORT THE DRAMA BY OUTREACH PRAYER BREAKFAST! THIS N THAT** ... is asking for your **SUPPORT** ... with the special drama ... by the **LUBBOCK OUTREACH PRAYER BREAKFAST** ... which will take place at the **Dunbar Middle School Auditorium** ... **Friday night** ... **November 9, 2007** ... beginning at 7:00 p. m. These praying ladies ... mean so much to our community ... and they need your help with this project ... For more information ... call their president ... **SISTER DOROTHY HOOD** ... at (806) 762-3347 ... or **SISTER LANELL TATES-ADAMS** ... at (806) 762-4048 ... This is a worthwhile project ... and to make it even greater ... **YOUR SUPPORT** ... is needed ... Will you help these dedicated ladies with their special effort ... It is just great

when and the many talents we have in Lubbock! **PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: "COMPASSION never goes out of FASHION!"** **HANG IN THERE MATADORS! THIS N THAT** ... and many **ESTACADO HIGH SCHOOL MATADORS' FANS** ... are excited about the efforts on the football field of those Matadors ... this year ... They have a record of ... 3 Wins ... and have lost 4 ... but get this ... in District play ... they are 1-0! ... Just hang in there **ESTACADO MATADORS** ... the best is in front of you ... Continue to show good sportsmanship on and off the field of play! Just continue to hang in there **MATADORS!** **NEED YOUR HELP LP&L! THIS N THAT** ... for several months ... have noticed the **THREE PAIR OF TENNIS** ... on the powerlines at the alley of **EAST 25TH STREET & HICKORY AVENUE** ... They appear to be in good condition ... and some kids could use them ... This is where **LP&L** ... is really needed by getting them down ... There must be some parents who would be most appreciative about this kind of a gesture ... Will you help **LP&L?** **HOW DO WE CHANGE THE TIME THE MATADORS PLAY? THIS N THAT** ... would like to know how the time of the football games of those fighting **ESTACADO MATADORS** ... can be changed from 4:30 p. m. ... as this is the second time this year ... Hope it can change for the next season!

We hear so much about role models, but who or what should young people look up to as role models? Many of the people out there, at least many or most of them, are not what decent parents would like for their children to look up to this day and time. Most of the so-called role models come from the sports and entertainment industry, but many in these fields are of the worst moral character and are living a very low life style. Many of them are young people, but had influence. On the other hand, young people, in some cases, their influ-

ence is so terrible that they should be ashamed of themselves when they review their actions in the news, especially if they are a celebrity. Sometime, you do not have to look all around for the goose that laid the golden egg. It could be in your own backyard. Someone in the community, your school, your church or even your own home. It may be the janitor at a local school who set a very positive example by rearing their family who did attend school. He has made a very positive contribu-

tion to his community in various ways. There are local teachers, the Sunday School teacher, the Scout leader, the camp worker, the football coach, and many, many other people who you don't see daily. There are just so many good people who have to offer. Yes, there are many who are overlooked daily who live around us in various places. In many instances, we take what they do for granted and fail to see the positive influence they display. There is nothing wrong with celebrities being role models if they warrant being one. The honor is great, but not just because of the status. It will be because of their character and positive actions. Local people should not be overlooked, because they are local and you know them. You see them daily without really seeing who and what they are. The word role model means just what it says, role model. Only we should say positive role model.

**Letter to the Editor:** There comes a time when enough is enough. Recent actions and outcries within the Hispanic community have shown that the community at large has a watchdog mechanism that has shouted from the rooftops that their elected official doesn't represent the interest of the Hispanic community. In doing so, the message is loud and clear that elected officials must serve and protect the interest of those that elected them. This same message must apply to Councilman Floyd Price. It's apparent that he hasn't taken the time to examine the condition of his district. It's really sad to see his puppet like demeanor at council meetings. I pray that this letter will serve as catalyst to the community to send the same message that if you don't have our best interest at heart then we will "by any means necessary" demand that you be removed. When I travel through the East Lubbock community, I'm saddened and dismayed by the condition of the infrastructure. In the Chatman Hill community, over the last 6 months there has been at least 20 water mains that have broken. We don't need a patch job. We need a thorough examination of the overall infrastructure. If the water mains are in this type of condition, then what does that say for the gas and sewer? In traveling through the community, the electrical lines are hanging and in some cases totally disconnected.

The electrical lines are touching other wires. This clearly presents a danger. The potential of grounding out and causing electrical fires needs to be addressed. As a homeowner of Chatman Hill, I have contacted LP&L to report that the lines are in such deplorable condition that when the trash truck comes down the alley between Ash and Birch, the dumpster hits the lines as the driver attempts to empty the dumpster. It's time that the neighborhood associations make a bold statement that we demand the same quality of life that the citizens of Southwest Lubbock receive. This is just the tip of the iceberg of concerns within East Lubbock. In Southwest Lubbock, when you see a sign indicating that a new business is coming to a particular area, shortly after that you notice progress being made. How long are the citizens of East Lubbock going to passively sit back and allow a carrot to be dangled in their face? The news of the Strip Mall on Parkway Drive is a prime example of this carrot being dangled in our face. If there are issues pertaining to financing, then make the citizens of East Lubbock aware of what is transpiring. Let the record reflect, Councilman Price East Lubbock isn't "Soweto" and we don't need a henchman for the Lubbock Police. We need a representative that is courageous enough to confront social, economic, environmental, and poli-

Thought of the Week: "While you are searching all over for the goose that laid the golden egg, it (egg) could be in your own backyard!"

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## In Cinque

by Renetta Howard



Howard

October one of the dangerous months for difficulty in controlling fires, as it was alleged that Mrs. O'Leary's cow kicked over a lantern in the barn and the high winds spread the fire all over the business section of Chicago. This was one of the reasons initially given for how the fire started, but native Chicagoans blame the fire on boys attempting to smoke tobacco and accidentally set the fire. Many fires are started accidentally. Some are due to carelessness and others to a lack of knowledge about what can ignite an unwanted fire. Believe it or not, many fires are caused by cigarettes and other tobacco products or products used to light a tobacco product. We worried about keeping matches out of reach of children, but very few people really use matches now since the invention of the cigarette lighter and the utility lighters used to ignite gas and charcoal barbecue grills. Some people use utility lighters

for their kitchen stoves when their pilots no longer work. These can be dangerous in places where there are "No Smoking" signs. You may think, "I am not going to smoke," but just igniting the lighter may cause an explosion or a fire. Turning on an electric light where there is gas, can cause a fire and explosion. Most homes where oxygen of some kind, liquid or gas, is in use, may or may not have a sign on the door indicating that oxygen is in use, so it is very important that you do not light up a cigarette or cigar where there is oxygen in use or in anyone's home without first checking to see if the use of smoking materials is acceptable. We keep a lot of hazardous materials in our homes without even thinking about what is capable of igniting a fire, so we need to

take this month to check out what we need to get rid of to prevent a fire. We will soon need fire to keep warm as winter approaches, and more caution is needed because more homes burn in winter than any other time of year due to the need to keep warm. Let us get 'in cinque' and be as careful as we can, because we cannot be too careful, and prevent fires. They cause damage and take lives.

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### Where's Daddy? Have Black Men Deserted Black Children?"

Springfield, IL (BlackNews.com) - Is the Black man still the backbone of the family, or has the Black family suffered a slipped disc? There is a popular but unflattering belief that Black men routinely abandon their families, setting up their sons to follow in their runaway footsteps. Capital City Courier, the local Black newspaper that is internationally read in over 30 countries around the world, dares to question this opinion in an article that explores the history of the father/child relationship from Africa to America and how the current economic system, including the child support enforcement system, affects Blacks. Written by gifted investigative writer, Kim E. Gordon, "Where's Daddy? Have Black Men Deserted Black Children?" delves into a sensitive issue that affects a large percentage of the population in a provocative article that has been called "a ball of dynamite!" What role does the Black man now play? Is he a hero trying to hold it all together or a deadbeat "baby-daddy" trying to escape? Read this highly informative story to find out.

Searching the history of African family structures for clues and bringing in current statistics, this intriguing article examines the roots of these persistent rumors about Black men. But how much is true and how much are

just malicious lies? Pick up a copy of the Capital City Courier's October 2007 issue, "Where's Daddy? Have Black Men Deserted Black Children?" available at your local newsstands or on the web at www.capitalecitycourier.org. "There are many issues of critical concern facing the Black community today, and we need to address them openly and honestly with the intention of educating, encouraging, inspiring, and healing."

"At the Capital City Courier, we believe that if we are going to see real progress on the issues that concern our Black community, we must become more comfortable raising the issues that sometimes make us uncomfortable," stated Michael Pittman, the editor-in-chief of the Capital City Courier. "We feel the Black community will be very informed and enlightened by our latest article, 'Where's Daddy? Have Black Men Deserted Black Children?' I believe it is our place here at this newspaper to continue with these articles that spur rippling discussions across this country. We feel this is another one of those such issues."

"The Capital City Courier will continue with these articles that spur rippling discussions across this country," Pittman concluded.

### Tyler Perry Movie Tops Weekend Box Office

LOS ANGELES (AP) Academy Awards heavyweights such as George Clooney and Cate Blanchett were no match for another of Tyler Perry's populist titles.

The Lionsgate release "Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married?", a marital yarn whose ensemble cast includes Janet Jackson, Malik Yoba, Jill Scott and writer-director Perry, debuted as the No. 1 weekend movie with \$21.5 mil-

lion, according to studio estimates Sunday.

Perry's flick came in well ahead of Clooney's legal drama "Michael Clayton," Blanchett's historical pageant "Elizabeth: The Golden Age," and Joaquin Phoenix and Mark Wahlberg's crime saga "We Own the Night,"

which all pulled in modest crowds.

"The Game Plan," which had been No. 1 the previous two weekends, was neck-and-neck with "Michael Clayton" and "We Own the Night" for second-place. Exact rankings awaited final studio numbers Monday.

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### T. J. Patterson Golf Classic In Dallas

Continued from Page 1 (TABCCM), and was elected as its first president.

Funds from this golf classic will be used for scholarships for young people in Texas.

City Councilman Jim Wyatt of Victoria, Texas is coordinating this event. "We are hoping this classic will continue for many years," said Wyatt.

"It is a wonderful experience to have such an event in my honor. What happened with the organization of TABCCM was not totally my effort alone as there were over four hundred mayors and city councilman persons in Texas," said Patterson.

For more information, call Councilman Wyatt at (361) 575-7698.

### Johnson Attends College

Continued from Page 1 Kaplan University where she is working for her Bachelor of Science degree.

She is the granddaughter of Lillie Sneed and Ollie "Sugar" Johnson, both of Lubbock.

### Oprah Winfrey Opens Up About the Thyroid Condition That Caused Her to Gain 20 Pounds

NEW YORK (AP) - Oprah Winfrey is going public about the thyroid condition that slowed down her metabolism and caused her to gain 20 pounds (9 kilograms).

Winfrey, 53, was feeling incredibly sluggish by the time her talk show wrapped up its season in May. She eventually discovered the problem: an out-of-balance thyroid.

"My body was turning on me," she says in the October issue of O, the Oprah magazine. "First hyperthyroidism, which sped up my metabolism and left me unable to sleep for days. (Most people lose weight. I didn't.)"

"Then hypothyroidism, which slowed down my metabolism and made me want to sleep all the time. (Most people gain weight. I did! Twenty pounds!)"

Hyperthyroidism can also cause a fast heartbeat, among other symptoms; hypothyroidism, the opposite condition, can result in fatigue and weakness.

Winfrey, exhausted and stressed, took a month-long break in Hawaii to regain her health.

Winfrey also discussed her thyroid condition on Tuesday's



Oprah Winfrey

"Oprah" show, saying she "wanted so many other women who are going through the same thing to check on yourself and recognize that ... it's an issue we all share in common."

She devoted the show to women's health issues and featured Dr. Christiane Northrup, author of "The Wisdom of Menopause."



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