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## National News

Civil rights and human rights activists will be gathering from across the country to meet and build a plan of action for African Americans in the 21st century, according to "State of the Black World" conference organizer Ron Daniels, executive director of the Center for Constitutional Rights. The conference will be held Nov. 28. thru Dec. 2 in Atlanta, Ga.

Invited guests include the Rev. Jesse Jackson, Minister Louis Farrakhan of the Nation of Islam, Martin Luther King III, Rep. Cynthia McKinney (D-Ga.) Tom Joyner, and Tavis Smiley.

The goals and objectives of the conference include:

- Identifying, analyzing and discussing the critical crises and issues facing black people and to provide leadership and skill development training to enhance our collective capacity to engage the struggle for liberation.

- Put special emphasis on sharing with youth and passing the torch of leadership.

- Bridging the gap and healing the painful and harmful divisions between people of African descent, e.g., African Americans, Africans on the continent, Africans from the Caribbean and Afro-Latinos.

- Discussing and adopting meaningful definitions of "liberation" and "reconstruction" consistent with the visions values and historical worldview of African people.

- Facilitating people to people, movement-to-movement and institution-to-institution information sharing of experiences, and networking towards the creation of a Black World Network and Pan African Councils committed to genuine reconstruction and liberation.

## Patterson Chairs E.E.N.R. Meeting in Bellevue, WA

City Councilman T. J. Patterson convened the members of the Energy Environment Natural Resources (EENR) of the National League of Cities in Bellevue Washington September 28-29, 2001, at the Hyatt Regency Bellevue.

Twenty-five members from across the United States who serve as mayors and city council persons were in attendance as well as staff from the NLC.

Among the topics for discussion were: Water Infrastructure Financing, Energy Policy, and members received Legislative Briefing.

Jeffrey Clark, director of Policy Analysis Communications for the Environmental Protection Agency Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, addressed the group.

Patterson, along with other members, participated in the Bellevue Stream Team Planting project which is a community project where more than 3,000 volunteer hours have been donated by local citizens. This project is located in the Reid Wetland.



Left: T.J. Patterson joins other EENR members for Tree Planting at Reid Wetland. Patterson, one of 25 attendees, presided over a good portion of the group's meetings.



Below: EENR members gathered in Bellevue, Washington to exchange ideas about preserving and appreciating the natural resources in their respective cities.

## Local Leaders Train In Case of Attack

With memories of the collapsing World Trade Center towers fresh on their minds, 151 local leaders gathered on September 28, 2001 to train for a possible terrorist attack in Lubbock.

City and county government officials, Texas Tech University leaders, public safety officers and hospital personnel spent six hours completing an interactive tabletop exercise designed by the Department of Justice to simulate a biological terrorist attack.

Scheduled months before the September 11 tragedies, the exercise was the third weapons of mass destruction training event for Lubbock.

Lubbock is one of the nation's 120 largest cities, and each of these cities receives training in weapons of mass destruction. This training is funded by the Department of Justice as a result of the 1996 Nunn-Lugar-Domenici Act on domestic preparedness.

Lubbock's earlier events included a week of "Train the Trainer" seminars for first responders and a tabletop exercise on a chemical terrorist attack which drew 87 participants last year. In March of 2002, a full-scale exercise is planned.

This most recent exercise was based on the assumption of a terrorist release of plague causing bacteria during a concert in the Civic Center, which, hypothetically, would have resulted in 672 deaths and 5,745 cases of illness caused by the bacteria.

In working through the scenario, participants were divided into five areas of expertise: public health, medical response, Emergency Operations Center, public safety and public information.

As the day unfolded, each of the individual groups planned their responses to the various aspects of the attack, then reported their issues and concerns to the whole group.

Observers from Amarillo and Garland city government also attended, as did representatives from the Pantex facility near Amarillo where nuclear weapons are assembled and disassembled.

The exercise added to city officials preparedness to deal with any set of circumstances that may arise.

## Nervous Consumers Look to Int'l Trade Community for Reassurance

In light of the September 11th terrorist attack on America, consumer confidence is lacking and our nation's economy is in a fragile state. As investors flock from the stock market and tighten their belts, many worry about what lies ahead amid our national crisis.

International business leader and trade expert Roosevelt Roby points to the resilience of the American people, the American spirit and the American economy as he calms consumer fears and gives reassurance about the future:

**Q.** The World Trade Center attack Foremost on everyone's minds these days is. How is this affecting consumer confidence?

**A.** First, like all Americans, my heart and prayers go out to everyone affected by this tragedy. Through the anguish, we are seeing remarkable acts of selfless heroism, of kindness, unity and American pride. I am touched and comforted by that. But, this was a tragedy

of monumental proportions. Of course it will shake consumer confidence. That's only natural. But remember, we've experienced times of war, crisis, and natural disaster before and we always come back and grow even stronger each and every time.

**Q.** How will this crisis affect international trade?

**A.** In the long-run, I believe that the outpouring of support and international cooperation in the face of tragedy will lead to a new era of global unity to reduce trade barriers and build an even stronger global market system. This will not only boost the American economy, it will boost the worldwide economy as well.

**Q.** What about the immediate affects on world trade?

**A.** It will slow for a period due to additional security measures. That's to be expected. But who would not err on the side of caution in order to protect our borders and innocent lives?

**Q.** Will the global

market put the breaks on spending and further affect our economy?

**A.** There may be a knee-jerk reaction to the crisis, but despite the slowdown in the overall U.S. trade deficit, we are still seeing an increase in consumer goods such as foods, feeds, beverages and other such products. We have to remember there are over 5.5 billion consumers in the world marketplace and no one country can produce all the necessary goods and services to support themselves. We rely on each other and will continue to do so. In hard times, you traditionally see a downturn in capital goods like industrial supplies, automotive vehicles and the like, but you see a steady flow of consumer goods that people all over the world still need to sustain their daily lives.

**Q.** This doesn't spell gloom for our economy?

**A.** Absolutely not. Before the joint session of Congress (9/20), President Bush asked for American's continued support of the American economy. He said, "Terrorists attacked a symbol of American prosperity; they did not touch its source." Exactly. Our government is providing tax incentive to increase business and consumer spending. They're also considering an even wider range of stimulus

proposals for our long-term gain. Congress is actively working to give the President more latitude to negotiate trade agreements. Such actions would send a positive message to the international markets and stimulate economic activity. Even the Federal Reserve Chairman has applauded the move to expand trade to promote economic growth.

**Q.** Do you have faith the national and global economy will recover?

**A.** There is no doubt in my mind. We are seeing an aggressive plan in action as we speak.

Interest rates are falling, the American spirit is soaring, the world is coming together in an unprecedented way for mutual benefit and unity, trade barriers are coming down and new markets, like China, are opening up. The terrorists did not succeed in sending the world into a panic. They've brought the world together.

**NOTE:** Roosevelt Roby is the Founder and CEO of The World Business Exchange Network, a global trade association on the Internet. He has served as a consultant on various international business matters for the United States Department of Commerce, including acting as mentor to former Secretary of Commerce Ron Brown.

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## Letters to the Editor

*(Editor's Note: Ms. Billie Caviel, who was the first black school board trustee for the Lubbock Independent School District after the enactment of the single-member district, was very upset with the racial allegations made between Blacks and Brown. She disagrees with the comments that have been made.*

### An Open Letter to the Community

To Whom It May Concern:

I am sorry to disappoint whomever thinks that African-Americans have a racist attitude against Mexican-Americans. We don't, generally speaking.

African-Americans who struggle for freedom during the Civil Rights movement don't recall any surnames of Mexican-American descendents mentioned.

There were a few whites who died and marched for blacks' equal rights. During this time, however, Mexican-Americans were considered to be white.

It appears that some of the problems African Americans have with Mexican-Americans is that they seem to benefit from the Civil Rights

movement more than blacks.

We can understand this too, because it has been said that the white man will hire a straight hair person, skin color near the same as his, before he will hire a person of African descent. That's just the way it is!!!

Billie Caviel, of African descent

### Attitudes Reflect Leadership

As I began reading the Lubbock AJ on September 28, 2001, I became irate at the comments made by Councilman Victor Hernandez. In this article he names Pastor D.A. Smith and local NAACP President Rose Wilson, who are both black, as racists. As I kept on reading the humor in the article came out. Here is a Hispanic man that is so afraid of these two strong and intelligent black leaders that his only course of action was to throw out the word racist. It was obvious to me that Mr. Hernandez did not truly know these two people and essentially started playing the name calling game.

Pastor Smith has assisted many people of all colors throughout his life. He was a part of the Meals on Wheels in

Beaumont and in San Antonio that mainly assisted Hispanic families. He was President of the Victim Assistance in Lubbock, which also helped Hispanic families. The covered bus stops and the transfer station downtown, which many people of all color use daily, are here because Pastor Smith proposed them.

If it were not for Pastor Smith, Lubbock would still not have a Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. At Smith Temple Church people of all color are welcome to come. This is just a few of the many positive things that he has done.

As President of the local NAACP, Rose Wilson has helped people of all colors and goes above and beyond in order to do so.

I have read the article that Mr. Hernandez relates to in the Southwest Digest where he accuses Pastor Smith of making anti-Hispanic remarks. Only a person that is narrow-minded and ignorant would suggest such a thing after reading it. Maybe the comment that was supposedly said by Ms. Wilson that Hispanics "breed like rabbits" was really something thought of by Mr. Hernandez, but put the blame on another person. He said himself in the October 5, 2001 issue of the Lubbock AJ that Hispanics make up one of every four residents. Besides, the committee still voted for the redistricting proposal so, wouldn't the rest of the committee members be considered racists as well?

I believe Lubbock has many racial issues. I see it everyday when I am out with

my two bi-racial children but I never thought I would see it on TV. On the Day of National Prayer, there was so much emphasis on the city coming together and needing to understand the Muslim faith and treat everyone of color equally. I found that ironic because there was not one black person on the stage nor was there a Muslim. Did you happen to notice this Mr. Hernandez or were you too busy celebrating at the Fiestas Celebration that you allowed to go on just days after a national tragedy while most Americans mourned the deaths of thousands?

The City Council needs to understand that what Mr. Hernandez says and does reflects upon the entire council. How can a man like this who thrives on confrontation be allowed to remain on the council? Is this the type of leadership that the city of Lubbock wants? He has embarrassed himself and unfortunately the Hispanic community, although I do believe many Hispanics do not act the way he does.

Attitudes reflect leadership. The quality of leadership that Mr. Hernandez portrays will seriously damage the Hispanic community rather than help it. His negative remarks will eventually lead to his downfall, which may be sooner than he thinks.

Adversity also leads to success and this is why Pastor Smith and Rose Wilson are successful in their lives. They both have faced adversities which have made them work harder to achieve their goals and gain the success they

have today. Challenges will also make individuals rise to the occasion. Mr. Hernandez may think that he is hurting these people with ignorant words but he is actually making them stronger leaders for society.

Young people, especially minorities, will be able to look up to them with pride for their positive influence that reflects on the people around them.

Good try, Mr. Hernandez. You tried your best to maliciously hurt people and you failed. I hope in the future the Hispanic community will realize they need a positive leader representing them instead of making them look uneducated. If Mr. Hernandez wants what is best for the Hispanic community, the best thing he can do either step down or do not run for re-election. In time I believe the Hispanic community will realize that he is not the best man for the job. Like I said before, Mr. Hernandez, attitudes do reflect leadership.

Jennifer Hancock  
A White Member of Smith Temple Church

Join the members of Bethel AMA Church, 2202 Southeast Dt. as they celebrate the 4th Anniversary of Rev. Elliott Lambert with an Appreciation Service on Sunday, October 14th at 9:30 p.m. Minister Leonard Jarmon of Central Lubbock Church of Christ will speak. The public is welcome to attend this special service.



# RUBY JAY'S CORNER

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where the People Really Care," and Rev. Billy R. Moton is the proud pastor. Our doors are always open to those who are looking for a church home. Come and visit us at anytime.

Services began last Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. with Superintendent Ernest Swain presiding. All teachers were present at their various classes. There was thirty minutes of instruction. At 10:15 a.m., teachers and students marched to the main auditorium, singing. Prayer was offered, and highlights of the morning lesson was given by members of the Sunday School. It was a wonderful message for all in attendance.

The Praise Team led in the morning devotional period. The spirit was very high as it prepared us for the morning worship hour. Praise God for our Praise Team and others participating.

The Male Chorus marched in the morning processional and was excited to be in the House of God. Altar prayer was offered as well as scripture. The congregation stood together for the responsive reading.

Pastor Moton gave his pastoral observations. He always has something positive for all to feast upon during the coming week. We thank God for Pastor Moton.

Pastor Moton delivered another splendid message for the first Sunday morning. It's just good to hear the word.

Continue to pray for those who are sick and shut-in as well as those bereaved families.

Milton Cook's family is among the bereaved. He was funeralized at the Community Baptist Church recently. Our prayers are with this family as well as other families who may be in sorrow at this time. God is able. He never makes a mistake.

The Martin Luther King Commorative Committee reported having a very successful community meeting at New Hope Baptist Church on Thursday evening, October 4, 2001.

At the meeting, information about the proposed Martin Luther King project to be constructed was explained. Ms. Joan Y. Ervin, president of the MLK Commorative Committee, gave an update on what has been done so far. The project goal of funds were also revealed. Special guest, Dr. K. Alford, a Texas Tech University Black professor, was introduced to the group. He explained the proposed Black History Month of activities at Texas Tech in February, 2002.

Committee members Donnie Wright, Rev. W. D. Haynes and Oscar Jones gave remarks. Pastor Moton offered the prayer and benediction.

This writer, Sister Ruby Jay, wants to thank each of you who have offered prayers for her niece who has been very ill.

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**SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR LUBBOCK, TEXAS** AccuWeather.com

<b>Thursday</b> Warm with times of clouds and sun. <b>90</b> RealFeel: 90	<b>Thursday Night</b> Mainly clear. <b>62</b> RealFeel: 62	<b>Friday</b> Warm with sunshine against a deep blue sky. <b>90/60</b> RealFeel: 90	<b>Saturday</b> Sunny and warm. <b>90/60</b> RealFeel: 88
<b>Sunday</b> Brilliant sunshine; warm. <b>92/62</b> RealFeel: 90	<b>Monday</b> Mostly sunny and warm. <b>92/62</b> RealFeel: 92	<b>Tuesday</b> Warm with sunshine and some clouds. <b>90/62</b> RealFeel: 90	<b>Wednesday</b> Partly sunny and warm. <b>92/62</b> RealFeel: 92

The RealFeel Temperature™ is a composite of the effects of temperature, wind, humidity, sunshine intensity, cloudiness, precipitation, pressure and elevation on the human body. The number is the highest for the day and the lowest for the night.

**GARDENING FORECAST** There will be 6-8 hours of sunshine Thursday; maybe more with just a stray shower or thunderstorm, but most places will remain dry.

**FISHING REPORT** Plenty of sunshine Thursday with some clouds; there could be some thunderstorms, especially late in the day.

**TV INDEX**  
 Highest Thur. 8; High 44 Low 9; Highest Sat. 9; High 84 High 10+ Very High

**SUN & MOON DATA**

	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Last	New	First	Full
Sunrise	7:25 a.m.	7:25 a.m.	7:26 a.m.	Sep 10	Sep 17	Sep 24	Oct 2
Sunset	8:06 p.m.	8:06 p.m.	8:04 p.m.				
Moonrise	10:25 p.m.	10:56 p.m.	11:31 p.m.				
Moonset	10:40 a.m.	11:37 a.m.	12:35 p.m.				

**REGIONAL CITIES**

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City	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
	H/L/W	H/L/W	H/L/W	H/L/W	H/L/W	H/L/W	H/L/W
Ablene, TX	90/70 pc	92/70 s	92/68 s	90/68 s	92/68 s	92/70 c	90/70 c
Albuquerque, NM	88/58 s	82/58 s	84/56 pc	84/56 pc	85/58 s	88/60 s	90/62 s
Altus, OK	93/68 pc	94/68 s	91/64 s	97/67 s	94/62 pc	90/65 pc	91/65 sh
Amarillo, TX	88/62 s	88/60 t	86/58 s	90/60 s	90/60 s	90/60 pc	92/62 s
Austin, TX	90/72 c	92/72 pc	92/72 s	92/72 s	92/72 pc	92/74 t	90/74 pc
Brandon, MO	88/66 t	88/68 pc	84/60 pc	90/62 s	92/62 s	93/67 t	88/57 s
Clovis, NM	88/63 pc	90/62 s	84/60 pc	92/61 s	84/56 pc	87/57 s	89/57 s
Dallas, TX	92/72 c	92/74 pc	92/74 s	92/72 s	92/70 pc	94/72 t	97/72 pc
Denver, CO	82/60 pc	70/46 pc	78/48 pc	80/48 pc	82/48 s	84/50 s	84/52 pc
El Paso, TX	92/68 pc	92/68 pc	90/56 pc	92/66 pc	92/66 s	92/65 s	92/68 s
Hobbs, NM	91/64 s	92/64 s	91/63 s	89/64 s	88/57 s	88/58 pc	91/58 s
Houston, TX	88/72 pc	88/72 pc	90/74 pc	90/74 t	90/72 pc	90/72 pc	90/73 pc
Kansas City, MO	88/66 pc	84/58 pc	90/62 pc	82/64 t	86/64 pc	88/66 pc	88/64 t
Lubbock, TX	90/62 pc	90/60 s	93/68 sh	92/69 s	91/64 s	93/67 t	89/67 t
Laredo, TX	92/76 c	96/76 s	96/76 s	96/76 s	94/74 t	93/74 c	92/74 c
Midland, TX	90/68 pc	90/60 s	90/60 s	92/62 s	92/72 s	90/62 pc	92/62 pc
Midland, TX	90/68 s	92/68 s	92/66 s	90/66 s	90/64 s	90/64 pc	88/64 pc
Oklahoma City, OK	90/68 s	90/68 t	88/68 pc	90/68 s	92/68 pc	92/68 pc	90/68 t
Phoenix, AZ	106/78 s	102/76 s	102/78 s	100/78 s	102/78 s	104/80 s	106/80 s
Roswell, NM	92/62 s	93/62 pc	89/52 pc	90/53 s	88/60 s	92/61 s	95/61 s
Ruidoso, NM	82/60 pc	80/57 pc	77/56 pc	75/56 pc	75/49 pc	85/60 s	88/50 s
San Antonio, TX	88/74 c	92/74 s	92/72 s	92/72 s	90/72 pc	97/74 c	96/74 c
Shreveport, LA	90/72 c	90/72 pc	92/70 sh	90/70 s	92/70 s	92/72 t	92/72 pc
Tulsa, OK	91/69 pc	89/67 pc	88/64 pc	91/64 s	94/65 s	93/69 pc	91/69 t
Waco, TX	83/73 c	86/71 pc	85/68 s	83/72 s	91/71 t	94/75 t	92/74 c
Wichita, KS	90/67 pc	88/65 s	88/63 t	88/63 pc	88/63 pc	92/65 pc	92/65 sh
Wichita Falls, TX	92/70 pc	94/70 s	92/68 s	91/70 s	90/65 pc	94/68 pc	90/68 sh

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sh-snow, H-haze





# CHURCH DIRECTORY



## IN JESUS' NAME

"CURSED WITH A CURSE!"

MARK 16:15,16. JESUS SAID, GO YE INTO ALL THE WORLD (SIN SYSTEM) AND PREACH THE GOSPEL TO EVERY CREATURE. HE THAT BELIEVETH AND IS BAPTIZED SHALL BE SAVED, BUT HE THAT BELIEVETH NOT SHALL BE DAMNED.

LORD, WHEN YOU TOLD THE CHURCH TO GO PREACH GOOD TO A DYING WORLD, THEY DIDN'T PREACH SALVATION BUT RIGHTS FOR MEN, WOMEN, BOYS AND GIRLS.

ISAIAH 55:8,9. FOR MY THOUGHTS ARE NOT YOUR THOUGHTS, NEITHER ARE YOUR WAYS MY WAYS, SAITH THE LORD. FOR AS THE HEAVENS ARE HIGHER THAN THE EARTH, SO ARE MY WAYS HIGHER THAN YOUR WAYS, AND MY THOUGHTS THAN YOUR THOUGHTS.

LORD, YOU SAID I'M THE WAY AND THE TRUTH THAT LEADS TO ETERNAL LIFE, BUT THE CHURCH WAS CONCERNED ABOUT GIVING OUT CIVIL RIGHTS.

JEREMIAH 23:1,21,22,25,32. WOE(CURSED) BE UNTO THE PASTORS THAT DESTROY AND SCATTER THE SHEEP OF MY PASTURE! SAITH THE LORD. I HAVE NOT SENT THESE PROPHETS, YET THEY RAN. I HAVE NOT SPOKEN TO THEM, YET THEY PROPHESED. BUT IF THEY HAD STOOD IN MY COUNSEL, AND HAD CAUSED MY PEOPLE TO HEAR MY WORDS, THEN THEY SHOULD HAVE TURNED THEM FROM THEIR EVIL WAYS. I HAVE HEARD WHAT THE PROPHETS SAID, THAT PROPHECY LIES IN MY NAME. BEHOLD, I AM AGAINST THEM THAT PROPHESEY FALSELY, SAITH THE LORD. SO TELL THEM, AND CAUSE MY PEOPLE TO ERR BY THEIR LIES, AND BY THEIR LIGHTNESS. LORD, FROM THAT CIVIL RIGHT MARCH, BREAKING THE LAWS OF THE LAND, NOW LAW BREAKING IS IN THE HOMES, SCHOOLS, CHURCHES? IT'S NOW OUT OF HAND!!!

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.

LORD, YOU SAID: FOR YOUR PEOPLE TO HUMBLE THEMSELVES AND PRAY, BUT THEY WANTED THEIR OWN WAY. ISAIAH 1:2. HEAR, O HEAVEN, AND GIVE EAR O EARTH, FOR THE LORD HATH SPOKEN, I HAVE NOURISHED AND BOUGHT UP CHILDREN, AND THEY HAVE REBELLED AGAINST ME.

LORD, AMERICA IS PROUD. SHE GOES TO THE MOON, AND LIKE YOU SHE CAN CREATE A MAN IN HER OWN IMAGE. SHE CAN PREGNATE A WOMAN WITH OUT A MAN. SITTING HIGH AND FROM HER TOWERS OF BABEL, GREAT WAS THE FALL!!!

PSALM 2:1,2,4. WHY DO THE HEATHENS RAGE? THE RULERS TAKE COUNSEL TOGETHER, AGAINST THE LORD. HE THAT SITTETH IN THE HEAVENS SHALL LAUGH. THE CHURCHES MARCHED ON ABORTION CLINICS SAYING, THOU SHALT NOT KILL. NOW THEY WANT TO KILL BIN LADEN- THEIR LOVE CAN'T BE FOR REAL!!! JOHN 10:14. JESUS SAID, I'M THE GOOD SHEPHERD AND KNOW MY SHEEP. ALL SOULS BELONGS TO GOD!! WRITTEN BY BILLY B.J. MORRISON III



## from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

### Finding the Lost

When Jesus told this parable: "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Does he not leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me. I have found my lost sheep. I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent,'" Luke 15:1-7, N.I.V.

When I was a young pastor in San Antonio, Texas, I had the opportunity to reach-out and help lost souls from many ethnic groups and various walks of life. Many of them had hit "rock bottom", so to speak, and seemed to be wandering hopelessly in the veins of unkept time. These wayward souls had no self-esteem or pride of life and appeared to have lost that last glimpse of hope.

These men and women who were drowning in the seas of despair often would dawn the door of the manse during the weekdays and St. Joseph Church on Sunday for a morsel of a meal to relieve the hunger that pained their frail carcasses.

The officers of the St. Joseph Church and this writer, who was the assigned Shepherd, looked at the plight of these humans in their loneliness and felt that we had to do something about this human despair.

St. Joseph was a predominately black Church with a sprinkling of loyal young Mexican Americans. We all prayed in our own way and collectively for God's guidance in

helping those less fortunate than we were. We knew that it was not good for the human soul or economic health for those caught up in economic depravity to continue on this path of emptiness.

One day, our prayers were answered and God opened the way for us to open our doors to at least help those who were senior citizens to have a hot meal once a day. I led St. Joseph in to investing its money, time, and multitudes of talent to get the program off the ground.

St. Joseph was looking for God to bless us in one way. However, he opened the doors for us to help humanity in another way. One hundred seniors were fed each day with the majority of them being of Mexican descent. This program was not welcome by all and the managerial style by the leader in helping others outside of the family was displeasing to some. But

through it all, the mission of St. Joseph Church, located on the corner of Hackberry and Montana Streets, was accomplished through the feeding of senior citizens.

Through this program, lost sheep were found and heaven rejoices. In the biblical parable of the Lost Sheep, Jesus points out that God is deeply troubled about sinners who have strayed from him. Like the shepherd, the loving Father searches for lost people, even descending into the depths of their difficulty to make personal contact and bring them home.

Jesus contrasted the sour looks and grumbling of the religious leaders with the joy in heaven when a spiritual wanderer was brought to the place of safety. If they would go in search of the lost themselves, they should at least have shared the joy when someone else was successful in such a mission.

### Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church

Slaton, Texas

Rev. C.C. Peoples, Pastor

On Friday, October 12, 2001 The Womens Department will sponsor an "All Night Prayer, Praise, Testifying, Preaching and Song Service" from 10:00pm 'til 10:00am. Climax will be Sunday, October 14, 2001 at 3:00pm

You are all welcome to come and share your gifts, talents, and testimonies.

COME AND BE BLESSED!

### Meeting Notice

The City Wide Ushers will meet October 13, 2001 at 5:00pm at First Progressive Church located at 4201 East 63rd Street, where the Reverend Homer Avery is the host pastor.

Last week, the members of the Usher and Prayer Breakfast had a wonderful time and were blessed with a message from Pastor Solomon Field, pastor of

Saint John Baptist Church. Pastor Filed brought a word that all of the members could learn from. The holidays are drawing near, and we need more canned food items, so all members are asked to double up on their giving. All ushers are being called on to take part.

Brother R. Corky, president  
Sister M. Darthand, reporter

## The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members and friends of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met last Saturday morning in the home of Brother and Sister Sanco Nash. Breakfast was served, and it was most enjoyable. Prayer was given by Sister Dorothy Nash, Sister Irma Crawford, and Sister Christene Bureson.

The morning lesson was taught by Sister Elnora Jones. Her subject was "A Time For Everything." Her scripture text was Ecclesiastes 3:1-13. Her subtitle was "God Is Eternal."

Ecclesiastes 3:1 — "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven."

3:2 — "A time to be born/ and a time to die; a time to plant/ and a time to pluck up that which is planted."

3:3 — "A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up."

3:4 — "A time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance."

3:11-13 — "He hath made every thing beautiful in his time; also, he hath set the world in their heart; so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end. I know that there is no good in them/ but for a man to rejoice; and to do good in his life. And also that every man should eat and drink, and enjoy the good of all his labor, it is the gift of God."

Sister Jones said, "God is eternal. Don't worry about it. There is a time for all seasons. God is timeless, and let's not forget that!"

She made it clear that all of us should depend on God, for he is always able to see us through.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

II Chronicles 7:14 — Let us not forget our drive by prayers while we are passing the schools, churches, shopping centers and any place in our city where we travel from day to day. Even pray for our young people as they go to and from school each day.

Let us not forget those who are sick and shut-in at this time in their lives. Also, those families who have lost loved ones. Don't forget that God is able. He is always present. If you need a prayer; you may write to us: Outreach Prayer Breakfast P. O. Box 1223 Lubbock, Texas 79408. Or you may call us at (806) 762-3347. We will be glad to hear from you. attend our monthly meetings at one of our members.

### Mount Gilead Baptist Church Celebrates Its 84th Year on October 21

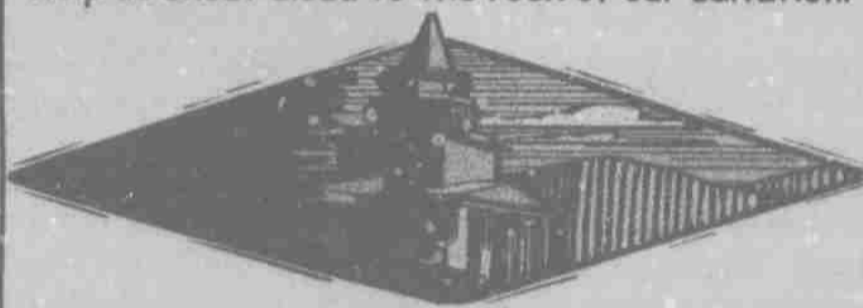
The members of the Mount Gilead Baptist Church, 2512 Fir Avenue, will celebrate its 84th Church Anniversary on Sunday afternoon, October 21, 2001 beginning at 4:00 p.m.

The Celebration, however, will begin on Wednesday evening, October 17, at 7:00 p.m. The birthday theme will be "We Fall Down, But We Get Up." II Corinthians 4:8-9.

Guest speaker will be Rev. Joe Horn, pastor of the United Baptist Church of Plainview, Texas.

The public is invited to attend this very special occasion. Bring Jesus with you. Rev. J.J. Johnson is pastor.

Come! join us as we sing for joy to the Lord; help us shout aloud to the rock of our salvation.



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## The Knowledge That Will Make Our World Sane!

By Ruth Oron

Since September 11th, the day the twin towers of the World Trade Center were destroyed, I, along with millions of other, have been horrified and anguished for the thousands of lives lost. As an Israeli woman now living in New York, I know what it is to have lived through wars and to have feared being attacked, and I know the study of Aesthetic Realism, founded by Eli Siegel, will end these horrors. Now as government leaders talk of war and retaliation, Americans along with persons throughout the world are terrified of what could happen. I know there is nothing more important than what is in the great document by Ellen Reiss, Class Chairman, published in *The Right of Aesthetic Realism to Be Known*, titled, "Urgent: How Should We See People?". Ms. Reiss writes:

*"How should the people of America see what has occurred? There is right now no question more important, for the well-being of our nation and the whole world. It is equivalent to the question: How should we—America and each of us—see people? Aesthetic Realism is that which has the answer to these questions.*

*The first crucial issue for the United States now is the issue every individual person faces when he or she is hurt: Do you want to think more deeply at this time, or do you want to feel that you don't need to think and that since you've been hurt, you have a right to do anything? The latter choice has been so frequent; but it is the ugliest, most dangerous choice in the world. It is a form of contempt.*

*Contempt is what impelled the persons who arranged for human beings to be killed and buried under 110 stories of rubble near the Hudson River on a beautiful September morning.*

*"... We need to learn from Aesthetic Realism about [contempt] and be sure we are against [it]-including in us. Otherwise we will meet contempt and ill will with contempt and ill will of our own, and there will be a horrible, deadly, unending contempt cycle. Evil should be punished, of course.*

*The next war has to be against ugliness in self. And the greatest ugliness in self is the seeing of contempt as personal achievement. Respect for what is real must be seen as the great success of a man.*

*"...The first thing in 'respect for what is real' is to see that reality, all of it, has to do with us.*

*"The persons who attacked this nation...were monumentally vicious. But we need to ask: Is there a discontent, an anger at the United States, which others, who are not necessarily vicious, have? And did the anger at the US which millions of people throughout the world have, enable those attackers to thrive, to be not adequately opposed?"*

*The following Aesthetic Realism principle, which is about beauty, is also the biggest of emergencies: All beauty is a making one of opposites and the making one of opposites is what -we are going after in ourselves. The chief opposites for everyone are self and world. The fact that we who may live in Manhattan or Washington or Kansas have selves which depend on the outside world, has come to be terrifically immediate. For example, the way a person lives on the West Bank of the Jordan is inseparable from what may happen to us. We had better be interested in what that person feels, hopes for, and how he or she has been hurt. We had better want that person ~ or a person in Africa, Asia, South America, Europe ~ to be seen justly, by us and everyone.*

*"Wanting a person to be seen justly is good will. Good will is the most beautiful thing to have.*

I am tremendously grateful to Aesthetic Realism because, through studying it, I, a person who once feared and hated the Arab people, now feel with every fiber of my being that for there to be peace in our region, both Israelis and Arabs must learn how to see one another with the full existence we give ourselves.

For more about Aesthetic Realism, visit [www.AestheticRealism.org](http://www.AestheticRealism.org); or call 212-777-4490.

## Remembrances...



MILTON COOK

### Long Time Educator and Community Activist Succumbs

A memorial service was held for Milton Cook, a long-time educator and community activist, on Wednesday, September 26, 2001, at the Community Baptist Church with Pastor Larry Brooks officiating.

Honorary pallbearers were: Gerald Cook, James Cook, Bobby Cook, John Britton, Lenon Ashford, Terry Britton, Christopher Britton, Rick O'Neal, Edward Gibson, Thomas Anderson, Johnny Barnes, Issac Castellow, Floyd Price, R. J. Givens, Jay Dawson, George Jackson, Joe Ellison, Jr., Anthony Land, Larry Cook, Floyd Cameron, Edmon Lang, Joe Ellison, Tommy Wyatt, Curtis Gipson, Carey Childress, Phillip Alexander, Lowell Leggett, Floyd Dillard, Napoleon Simmons, Dick Madock, and Willie Turner.

Arrangements were under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

He was born March 19, 1940 to tft Ernest and Evelyns Cook in Stamford, Texas, and shortly there after moved to Lubbock, Texas. He began working as a golf caddy at the tender age of nine.

Upon graduating from Dunbar High School, he received an academic scholarship provided by the DeltaSigma Theta Sorority, Inc. to study at Jarvis Christian College in Hawkins, Texas. There he received a bachelor of science degree and his nickname "Cookie."

In college, he met the love of his life, Gienda Cameron, whom he married July 25, 1962. This joyful union produced Michele DeAnn and Gerald Milton Cook.

He joined the U. S. Army in 1962 where he became a

paratrooper in the 101st Airborne Division "Screaming Eagles", and made fifty jumps. He served his country proudly and was a South Vietnam veteran.

Although teaching in the public schools was his ultimate goal and life's mission, he would hold several other positions. He worked as a teacher in the Lubbock Opportunity Industrialization Center, Inc. (LOIC), and as a customer engineer for IBM before moving on to teach for twenty-one years in the Lubbock Independent School District as a science educator. He retired from teaching in 1994.

He gave his life to Christ at age ten and was a member of the St. Luke Baptist Church. Later, he joined the Community Baptist Church.

He was also active in the Mae Simmons Senior Citizen program where he always had lively discussions with those who were present.

Survivors include his wife, daughter, son, three brothers: James of Copperas Cove, Texas, Bobby of Lubbock, Texas and Larry of Abilene, Texas; three sisters: Myrtle Daniels and Gwendolyn Baker, both of Lubbock, Texas, and Rodessa Burks of Everman, Texas; one great-great granddaughter, Marie Cook-Hardaway of Lubbock Texas; and many relatives and friends.



MRS. EMMA JENKINS

## Fad Diets May Be Bad Diets

Americans' girths are growing. Even in this era of fat-free foods, people are continuing to pack on the pounds. A startling 55 percent of American adults are now overweight, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. And a new report from the RAND Institute found that obese adults have nearly twice the chronic health problems of people of normal weight.

With mounting evidence of long-term health problems associated with being overweight, including heart disease, stroke, and diabetes, many people are searching for a magic weight-loss answer.

There is no shortage of diets available. Publications and airwaves are filled with all types of "quick and easy" weight loss plans, promising rapid weight loss with little or no effort. Unfortunately, many of these "fad" diets are unhealthy and do not result in long-term weight loss. In fact, a whopping 95 percent of people on diets gain back their weight within two years.

Chances are, if a diet seems too good to be true, it probably is.

The physicians of the Texas Medical Association encourage people to take a healthy approach to weight loss and talk with their doctor before beginning a diet.

### A Gratitude of Thanks

*When it seemed our loss was too great,  
We looked up and our friends were there  
With flowers and words, written and spoken,  
With faces smiling and hearts open,  
You comforted us, shared our grief,  
Our gratitude cannot be adequately expressed  
With mere words, but they are the best that  
We have to offer in saying  
"Thank You" for  
Lifting clouds and letting the sunshine through.*

The Family of Emma Jenkins

Funeral services for Mrs. Emma Jenkins were held Thursday morning, October 4, 2001, at the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church with Rev. J. H. Ford, pastor, officiating.

Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Brocks South Plains Funeral Directors.

Active pallbearers were DeShawn Walke, Andre Wright, Tremaine Saunders, Dennis Thomas Tyrone Walker, and Miree Walker, Jr. Honorary pallbearers were Danny McCall, Dennis Saunders, Kenneth Evans, Elbert White, Jr., Ray Simmons, and Larry White.

Mrs. Jenkins was born March 22, 1917 to John and Clemmie Chatman in Bryan, Texas. She passed away September 28, 2001.

She leaves to cherish her memory: two children, James White and Dimple Saunders, both of Lubbock, Texas; two sisters, Olivia Davis of Dallas, Texas and Vivian Wright of Houston, Texas; a brother, Elbert Chatman of Oakland, California; twelve grandchildren, thirty-seven great-grandchildren, and forty-nine great-great-grandchildren.

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Although you will not see results overnight, losing weight sensibly and safely requires setting reasonable weight-loss goals, changing your eating habits by cutting back on calories, and exercising regularly. Changing your habits and losing weight slowly is the only way to control your weight in the long run. Here are some steps to help you get started:

Step 1: Determine a realistic weight goal. Your physician can help you decide what weight is appropriate for your height and frame size. Oftentimes, it's best to set incremental goals to help you get started. Plan to lose about one pound per week by reducing your food consumption by 300-500 calories each day.

Step 2: Concentrate on your eating habits. Most people who begin a diet are surprised to learn how much they are actually eating. Keep a journal of everything (yes, everything) you eat and drink for a week, including approximate portion sizes. Share that information with your physician to help determine where you can make changes in your eating habits.

Most people need to consume a minimum of 1,200 calories a day. While it may be tempting to make more drastic cuts in calories, remember that consuming less than 1,200 calories a day can result in the loss of muscle tissue, as well as fat. So while you may show some initial weight loss, your body will have a higher percentage of fat than it did before. In addition, consuming too little food can actually slow down your metabolism, making it harder to keep weight off.

Refer to the food pyramid developed by the federal government as your daily guide to healthy, balanced nutrition.

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- 2-3 servings of low-fat milk, yogurt and cheese
- 2-3 servings of meat, poultry, dry beans, eggs, and nuts
- 3-5 servings of vegetables
- 2-4 servings of fruits
- 6-11 servings of whole grain bread, cereal, rice, or pasta.
- Use fats, oils, and sweets sparingly.

Don't forget to drink water. Drink at least 8 glasses of water per day to aid weight loss and feel more energetic.

Step 3: Exercise. Get moving! Daily exercise not only burns calories to help you lose weight, but it also is good for the heart and soul. Find activities that you enjoy and plan to be active on a daily basis and get results.

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2. Recycling just one aluminum can saves enough energy to run a television for three hours.
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## Ask the AG:



### Delinquent Parents Risk Seizure of Federal Tax Rebate Checks

By John Comyn, Attorney General of Texas

**Q:** I heard that the Attorney General's office can seize federal tax rebate checks from parents who are not making child support payments. How does this work?

**A:** The Federal Tax Refund Offset Program allows the Office of the Attorney General to seize tax refund and rebate checks from parents who are behind on their court-ordered child support payments. If you are working with the Office of the Attorney General on child support payments, my office will submit your case for IRS offset according to federally specified criteria. If a parent who owes child support is due a refund, the amount of past due payments is taken out of the refund check and sent to the Attorney General child

support division. In Temporary Assistance to Needy Family (TANF) cases, the State keeps the money to help pay for TANF payments. In non-TANF cases, the State gives the money directly to the parent and the child(ren).

Cases eligible for a tax refund offset are ones that have delinquent child support orders. For cases receiving TANF, the amount owed by noncustodial parents must be at least \$150 and the parent who owes support must be at least three months behind in child support payments. For non-TANF cases, the amount owed must be at least \$500.

The case must also involve a child who is less than 18 years of age, or an adult disabled child.

If the parent who owes child support does not file taxes, or is not due a refund, there won't be a collection to repay the child support.

This month, rebate checks resulting from President Bush's tax reduction plan were intercepted along with IRS refund checks that are collected on a regular basis throughout the year. This year, of 456,957 names submitted, the Office of the Attorney General has collected \$103.7 million in IRS rebate and refund checks involving 108,514 delinquent parents. An estimated \$3.3 million came from the intercepted rebate checks alone.

In addition to IRS interceptions, our office uses measures such as income withholding, license suspension and passport denial to compel non-custodial parents to pay.

In the last two years, child support collections by our Child Support Division have

increased from \$757 million in State Fiscal Year

(SFY) 1998 to \$1.029 billion in SFY 2000 • a 36 percent increase in only two years. The \$161 million increase from SFY 1999 to SFY 2000 is the largest dollar increase in child support collections in the history of the Texas program. We expect to have another record setting year in SFY 2001 ending August 31.

**Q:** I have to pay school tax, county tax, income tax, and nothing is left but bills. Child support is excessive if you have a wife and other children. How can you expect me to pay this?

**A:** While I appreciate your situation, you must understand that you have both a legal and moral obligation to all of your children, not just the ones in your new family.

State law outlines how much non-custodial parents are required to pay for child support. It is a standard percentage of your income based on the number of children involved. It is not an arbitrary decision meant to punish

I understand that you have a new family to support, but you cannot turn your back on the children you owe child support to because your relationship with their mother did not work out. All of your children, not just the ones you live with, need and deserve your support, both financial and emotional.

Legally, you are obligated by court orders to continue your payments. If you stop making payment, you may face legal actions such as a mark on your credit report, a suspended driver's license or, worse, jail time.

## Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Receives Million Dollar TIF Grant

**LUBBOCK** - The convergence of information and technology has improved access to and the quality of education and health care. The Telecommunications

Infrastructure Fund (TIF) Board has awarded the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center a \$1 million grant to enhance its information technology infrastructure and services.

David R. Smith, NLD, president of TTUHSC and interim chancellor of the Texas Tech University System, says this grant will make a difference in the way students learn about health care by incorporating information technology throughout their educational experience.

"This TIF grant is critical because of our commitment to link rural areas, and non-tradi-

tional partners such as nursing homes," said Smith. The TTUHSC team in particular Dr. Patti Patterson and Mike Phillips and their staff, has once more positioned.

Tech to maintain its national role in telemedicine and telecommunications.

In an area where a population of 2.6 million is scattered across more than 131,000 square miles, access to education and health care is out of the reach of many Texans.

Mike Phillips, vice president for information technology at TTUHSC, says that TTUHSC utilizes information technology to overcome barriers of distance and geography to provide distance education continuing education and health care services at the point of need.

Through this TIF grant we

will enhance our network infrastructure to provide improved access to needed educational and clinical services, enhance our information systems for students and patient enhance the security of our information technology environment provide telemedicine access to burn clinic patients in the El Paso area, and upgrade our classrooms to enhance teaching and student education, I said Phillips.

We are pleased to have this strategic partnership with the TIF Board," Phillips added. "These TIF resources will be leveraged along with resources from the Sid Richardson Foundation and the United States Administration on Aging to enhance services for West Texans."

The Community Services Section of South Plains Community Action Association Inc. is taking applications for a full-time Program Specialist II. Persons interested may pick-up an application and job description at the Levelland Texas Workforce Center office at 410 Houston Street, or if you have any questions, please call (806)894-5005.

The Program Specialist II position entails mainly specific tasks and diverse in nature and requires the capacity for independent judgement and action to accomplish program or department goals.

The Program Specialist II will implement, formulate, and coordinate all Emergency Shelter Grant Programs (ESPG) services in the service area. To coordinate with local social service agencies in establishing a working partnership for the benefit of the program participants, The Program Specialist will report directly to a Program Director.

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If you're feeling "blue" and hopeless, and don't know why, you could be depressed. On Thursday, October 11th, get a free, anonymous depression screening for yourself or someone you care about. Along with information about depression and its treatment, you'll receive a free copy of our booklet, "Depression: It's not just a feeling." Treatments are available, and referrals will be made if necessary. We can help, and you could be the next one.

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## ITS TIME TO MOVE FORWARD!



by Eddie P. Richardson

Yesterday is gone; tomorrow is not here, nor promised. So let's be in love with today. Councilman Victor Hernandez, you have lost. Stop pouting and move forward for the good of all of us.

For your information, regardless of your extensive research, there was a handshake and gentleman's agreement between Blacks and Browns in relation to the Single Member Districts 1 and 2. The reason your research showed nothing was it was not aired or played out through the media like your episode.

If one would take a second look at your proposal, a similar one was presented to the Lubbock Independent School District as a proposal, and it was flatly declined by the school board, staff and committee because it enhanced one minority group against or at the expense of another.

One thing which is very important, Councilman Hernandez, is you were nowhere around, or maybe you were still in high school in El Paso, Texas. You brought the race card to town. Your agenda has been for four seats all along, i. e. two school board seats and two city council seats, especially city council. This was evident when that innocent young lady ran against Council T. J. Patterson. Let me clue you, young brother, you have to get up early in the morning and stay up very late at night to out maneuver T. J. A few reasons are: maturity, knowledge, political, charisma, credibility, dedication, etc. One thing is for sure, you have guts and misdirection ability.

One thing you have overlooked is your wife's district she represents.

The reason for this response is you attacked the Southwest Digest which means you have attacked 25 years of my life. This writer, as well as 90% of our readers, don't feel Rev. D. A. Smith's articles were racist, vicious, and negative against anyone. He was saying the same thing this writer has been saying all along, including the district hearings. You do not enhance one minority group at the expense of another. Now, what's wrong with that?

Maybe it was his (Rev. Smith's) presentation that upset you, which was blunt and to the point, not sugar coated, but true!

Now back to the national level. Let's leave Arabic people, muslims and foreigners alone, and stop painting everyone with the same brush. We don't condemn all white Christians because the KKK calls themselves Christians, uses the Holy Bible, cross, and swasticker. But don't condemn all white Christians along with them.

Why punish all muslims or Arabic people, because of some renegade Muslims? All Muslims are not bad. All Christians are not good. Let's bury the stereotypes, and move ahead in a positive manner for the good of the entire world, nation, state, city, county, neighborhood and all of us. Punish the guilty to the highest degree and leave the innocent the hell alone.

Hope, not hate. Faith not despair!

Nuff Sed! WHY Not?

## THIS N THAT

Getting closer and closer to development! This N That as well as those who travel on Martin Luther King Blvd., that is, at the corner of East 19th Street and Martin Luther King Blvd. one can't help but notice the sign which says "SOLD". Could it be that in the very near future, all will see well deserved RETAIL BUSINESS? Only time will tell what will be developed on that corner but no matter what it is, it will be an asset for East Lubbock. As we've said many times, East Lubbock is on the move and the sky is the limit for what will happen in this part of the City of Lubbock. When this project is finally known, why not have a celebration.

Need to meet the Texas Tech University Black Faculty! This N That has learned from sources that a reception is in the making to introduce the Black Faculty at Texas Tech University. All of us need to meet and greet these persons. This N That can remember when Texas Tech University didn't have this number of persons in higher education. So, when the day comes, why not be there to meet and greet them? This is something we should all be very proud of in our community. This N That learned of a Black History Month of activities which will be sponsored by Texas Tech, with the coordination from the Black faculty there. We're still moving in the right direction, so stay tuned!

Penny Hastings, the barber, says, "Acquiring an education is like climbing to the top of the mountain, so we can really see the view."

Congrats to our Matadors! This N That wants to take this time and say congrats to those mighty Estacado High School Matadors and coach David Moody for winning their first District game against Andrews High School last Friday night in Andrews, TX, by a score of 9-7. This is a very good omen and we are looking for many more wins for those Mats! Congrats!

Milton Cook will be missed! This N That, along with others, will miss longtime educator and concerned citizen, Milton Cook, who was memorialized here recently. In later days, he was seen at the Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center during the noon hour, bringing cheer to those who were in attendance. He will be missed.

Two blacks elected to SPAG Board of Directors! This N That attended the election for four minority members to the Board of Directors of the South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG), last Thursday evening, October 4. Those elected were Charles Planks and Eddie P. Richardson. Both should do well representing their community.

If you think you have problems! This N That would like to remind those of us who think we have problems, just be reminded of those who have lost their jobs during the recent attacks up north. There are many, and if you have a place to lay your head and a job, then you are most fortunate. Just think about that. Not to mention those who just loved ones.

Southwest Digest is making plans for its 25th Anniversary! This N That wants to announce that the Southwest Digest will be 25 years of age come next September, 2002. We want you to know there will be some special programs developed because of it. Plans are now being made, so keep looking for something in the future.

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### Thursday, October 11

7:00a.m. Board of Trustees meeting, Boardroom Central Office, 1628 19th St.

News conference following meeting at approximately 9:30a.m. to introduce the 20 students named as National Merit Semifinalists. This is one of the largest groups of National Merit students USD has been able to claim in several years.

Honey Elementary Fall Festival 5:30-8:00 p.m., Attendees can enjoy a meal, games, cake walk, prizes and silent auction. Contact principal David Doyle (766-0866) for more info.

### Friday, October 12

Student holiday/ staff development day. Students will have a holiday and most teachers will attend the annual Texas Association for Improvement of Reading (TAIR). The conference will take place at the Civic Center and this year's theme is "Literacy Connections Across the Nation." There will be a number of presentations, including Dr. John Crick, Director of Crick Software, who will speak on "Technology as a Catalyst for Change in Student Literacy."

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## KNOW YOUR CITY GOVERNMENT

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(This is a series of stories which will give the citizens a close look at their city government, namely: its origin, function, every department, and other important matters. This information was supplied by the Texas Municipal League (TML) Tony Privitt, Director of Communication and Legislation.)

(EDITOR'S NOTE: We began this series by defining home-rule state and the city manager form of government. The mayor and city council functions and responsibilities, and all of the city departments heads. Now this series gives the departments and their functions so you may be advised more of what is going on in city government.

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