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National News

Combust Votes to Replace INS with Two Accountable Bureaus

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The U.S. House of Representatives passed a bill co-sponsored by U.S. Rep. Larry Combest (R-Lubbock) that will replace the inefficient U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, which serves the two conflicting missions of enforcement and advocacy, with two new bureaus focused on single missions. He hopes it will lead to improved efficiency in the delivery of government services. The Immigration Reform and Accountability Act of 2001 passed the House by an overwhelming 404-7 vote.

The Immigration Reform and Accountability Act of 2001 will replace INS with the Agency for Immigration Affairs, which will be headed by the Associate Attorney General for Immigration Affairs. The agency will consist of the Bureau of Immigration Services and Adjudications and the Bureau of Immigration Enforcement. The law also calls for checks and balances to be established between the two bureaus.

The Bureau of Immigration Enforcement will deny admission to those whom we want to be kept out of the U.S.," Combest said. The Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services will concentrate on improving immigration services and reducing mediation backlogs for those seeking to become citizens.

"Perhaps INS's most important function is giving people who wish to become productive Americans that opportunity. The INS is not performing that service today in a timely manner," Combest said. "For example, this month, INS was processing naturalization applications that were filed in August 2000. Also, many applications for permanent residence filed in October 2000 only now are seeing the light of day, Combest noted."

The bill also streamlines responsibility for protecting our borders and enforcing immigration laws by making those areas the core missions of the Bureau of Immigration Enforcement. Its core responsibilities include the enforcement of our nation's immigration laws and to protect against illegal entry. The new organization will be better positioned to achieve its goals rather than today's INS, which Combest pointed out serves the dual roles of enforcing immigration laws and helping those seeking to become citizens maneuver through its inefficient bureaucracy. Recently, the shocking news that two of the hijackers from 9/11 received approved immigration visas helped propel this bill to passage. We cannot tolerate such poor performance from the agency tasked with protecting our borders.

Combest said he believes that establishing the new bureaus to address specific immigration issues will help speed the process for those wanting to immigrate to the U.S. and become productive American citizens and improve enforcement of current laws. "Our nation's heritage is rooted in those who immigrated to this land and established what we now call America; and our country benefits as more people bring their cultures and beliefs to our society. Unfortunately, the INS's inefficiencies have cost citizens living here a lowered sense of security and numerous people wanting to reunite with their families already here the ability to do so expeditiously."

Election Day Set For Saturday: Cast Your Ballots on May 4

With more than 6,000 early voters as of Monday, April 29, 2002, it is expected that more than 25,000 will vote in this year's city election which will seat a mayor and three city councilpersons.

Another issue which will determine whether the present smoking ordinance will remain or be withdrawn awaits citizens who hit the polling places.

Not only is the City of Lubbock having contested races, but the Lubbock Independent School Board of Trustees will elect two at-large spots during this election.

In the mayor's race, there are seven vying to replace Windy Sitton, who chose not run this year.

Those seeking this office are: Rick Fowler, a local real estate broker; Isaac "Ike" Garrett, an administrator with Lubbock Housing Authority; Ysabel Luna, a local restaurant owner; Marc McDougai, a real estate broker and current District 5 City Councilman; Gilbert Montes, a local salesman; Larry Rogers, a self-employed businessman and Ricky Spivey, a retired U. S. Air Force officer.

District 1 has two persons seeking this post. They are Victor Hernandez, a lawyer and incumbent; and Clyde Myres, semi-retired business owner.

City Council District 5 has four persons seeking position. They are Don Boatman, a retired utility



company executive; Stephan Lampman, a business owner; Tom Martin, a law enforcement consultant and retired police chief; and John Turnbow, a behavioral neurologist.

Those seeking the two spots on the Lubbock Independent School Board of Trustees are: Roy T. Grimes, a retired educator and an incumbent; Larry Kramer, retired; Julia Penelope, self-employed copy editor and proofreader and a former educator; and Gordon Wilkerson, president of Wilkerson Storage.

Election day is Saturday, May 4, 2002, from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at various voting locations in Lubbock.

City's 2001 Annual Report Now Available

The Annual Report for the City of Lubbock's fiscal year 2001 is now available at all public libraries. The report, which is a citizen-oriented overview of the City's performance last year, is free to citizens while the supply lasts.

Sandy Glass, who coordinates the production of the annual report each year, explained, "What we do in our Annual Report is take all of the financial information from the fiscal year and all of the accomplishments of the various departments and we boil it down to a 16-page report that's colorful, full of pictures and easy to read. It's a snapshot of the City for 2001."

The Annual Report includes brief statements from the Mayor, each Council member and City Manager Bob Cass. It also includes an overview of the City's accomplishments, an update on capital projects, a guide to City services and a list of the various awards and honors won during the year. This edition of the annual report also contains a number of "Fast Facts" tables with information about different programs and departments.

The financial information includes overviews of the general fund, the enterprise funds and investments.

"Each year the City produces a publication called the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report," said Glass. "This is a huge report with very detailed financial information. Most citizens aren't interested in that amount of detail, so we cut to the chase in the Annual Report and just give an overview."

In addition to making the report available to the general public through the public libraries, the City also mailed 2,400 reports to business leaders, the media and other officials throughout Lubbock. The report also was distributed to the Chamber of Commerce and Market Lubbock, Inc.

"It's a good economic development tool," said Glass. "It gives business owners a sense of how well the City handles its fiduciary responsibilities."

The Annual Report also is available at City Hall, 1625 13th Street, Room 102.

John Sharp Named LCU Commencement Speaker

John Sharp, candidate for Lieutenant Governor for the state of Texas, will be the year's graduation speaker at Lubbock Christian University's commencement exercises. Sharp was specially chosen because of his strong support of Texas Equalization Grants. The TEG grants are a key component in allowing private schools like LCU to compete with public institutions for students. Sharp will address the largest LCU graduation class in state (270) at commencement exercises to be held in the Rip Griffin Center on the LCU campus Saturday, May 4, at 10 a.m.

A special reception will be held in his honor on May 1 from 10:15-11:00 on campus in the Betty Hancock Parlor on the LCU campus.

John Sharp grew up in the small oilfield and farming town of Placedo, Texas in Victoria County. He attended Bloomington High School, and upon graduation, enrolled at Texas A&M University where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree.

More Area Students Recognized for Academic Excellence

Students from the Lubbock area were honored for academic excellence April 10 at a Celebration of Educational Luncheon hosted by South Plains College in Levelland. More than 400 students honored at the luncheon. The State Board of Education sponsored statewide programs recognizing academic excellence by more than 14,000 students in Texas public schools. Included among the lauded schools were Cooper High School, Mackenzie Junior High, Monterey High School, and Shallowater High School.



Cooper High School From left on the front row are Nic Coy, Bonner Cooper, Larhee Bettis and Ann Bilberry, and from left on the top row are Lara Wynn, Jeremy Maines, Bethany Jones, Aaron Mellinger and Julie Weathers. Not pictured is Rebecca Hudzietz. (SPC Photo)



Monterey High School From left on the front row are Stephanie Deanda, Katherine Murphy-Lubowicz, William Mira and Nicholas Botkin, and from left on the top row are Katie Akerooyd, Kami Batrice, Jamin Speer and Anthony Hildebrand. (SPC Photo)



Mackenzie Junior High From left on the front row are Christopher Davis, Krystal Alley, Thomas Holland, Jeff Terry and Noelle Zavala, and from left on the top row are Barbara Abbe, sponsor Melanie Mahaffey, Hillary Harty, Katy Pritchett, Brittany Smith, Benjamin Doyle and Charlotte Romero, advisor. (SPC Photo)



Shallowater High School From left on the front row are Anna Allen, Vanessa Carr, Nath n Rojas, Jade Booher and Ali Mouser, and from left on the top row are Nathan Brannan, Joseph Behnke, Ross Nieman, Sherbi Elmore. Not pictured is Blake Womble. (SPC Photo)

Coalition Stresses More Access to Companies for Minority Suppliers

Three years after his push for diversity in valley industry, Jesse Jackson has had limited success

By Sarah Lubman, Mercury News

Three years ago, the Rev. Jesse Jackson swooped into Silicon Valley with a vow to push high-tech companies to diversify. To promote the cause, his non-profit Rainbow/PUSH Coalition bought \$51,000 worth of shares in 51 technology firms to gain access to shareholders' meetings.

"As stockholders, we can say, 'OK, Mr. Chairman, who is on our board?'" Jackson said at the time.

But as Jackson prepares to kick off his third annual Silicon Valley conference Wednesday, the veteran civil rights activist concedes neither he nor Rainbow/PUSH staffers have attended any tech company shareholder meetings.

And much has changed since Jackson launched his high-tech crusade in spring 1999. The economy took a nose dive, especially the tech sector, making it harder to deliver on promises such as coordinating youth internships. Jackson also suffered his own fall from grace, with revelations last year of an extramarital affair.

In the interim, his organization has focused its efforts on introducing minority-owned businesses to large corporations.

"Our focus isn't just on boards, but on supplier relationships," Jackson said in an interview Sunday. "The board issue is important to us, but it's not the defining point as we seek to gain access."

When Jackson came through in 1999, he listed a number of goals in addition to pressuring companies about their board representation. His organization would promote internships for students at local companies, post information on its Web site highlighting high-tech firms' efforts to add minorities to their staffs and boards, and work with churches in low-income communities to educate people about personal finance and investing. Those initiatives are still in progress.

Jackson's strategy of pushing companies to do business with minority-owned firms has come under criticism in the past for sometimes benefiting his friends and relatives. But in Silicon Valley, three local small-business owners said that while Rainbow/PUSH's diversification effort hasn't won them new contracts, it has given them a much-appreciated foot in the door.

"It's given us the opportunity to get in front of the end user," said Frank Wishom, managing principal and owner of Oakland-based F2 Technologies, an enterprise solution firm. "A little deal gets you in, and you build on that."

Paul Bains, president and CEO of BFM, an East Palo Alto office moving company, said Jackson's organization has made a difference.

"I think we're better off, bottom line, with Rainbow/PUSH being here than not," said Bains, who avoided losing one customer — a large tech firm he declines to name — with help from the coalition.

But Jackson also has his local critics. Some community organizations feel he's divisive and out of step with technology issues.

Graduation, Heritage Celebrated

Now that they have come to the final stages of their academic career, members of the class of 2002 want to celebrate with a unique graduation.

The Black Student Association at Texas Tech University will host a commencement ceremony for graduating African and African-



American seniors and graduate students from 6-9 p.m., Friday (May 10), in the Matador Room of the Student Union Building. The ceremony will not replace the university-wide graduation scheduled at 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Saturday (May 11) in the United Spirit Arena.

"By presenting this event," we want to express our gratitude to our parents and host a ceremony that reflects our cultural heritage," said Tamara Scott, black graduation committee chairperson of the Black Student Association at Texas Tech University.

During the ceremony, graduates will be presented with a certificate of appreciation and a stole made of cotton cloth with the words class of 2002 embroidered on it.

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Students who participate in the graduation will have the opportunity to give a brief, impromptu speech.

Ron Austin, attorney of Spears and Spears Law Firm in New Orleans, will give the keynote address for the event.

Scott, who also is a senior business major from Houston, said this

is the second year for the organization to present this event. Rehearsals for the graduation will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday (April 30) in Holden Hall room 75.

"I hope the graduation will be a memorable and great experience for students of African descent to be a part of," she said.

Acting Alum Continues Successful Run on Television and Film



CHI MCBRIDE

Born and bred in Bronx, N.Y., Tanya Wright's fate as an actor was sealed after a summer at the prestigious Williamstown Theater Festival since moving to Los Angeles, she has made countless film and television appearances. In addition to the role she currently plays on *Ally McBeal*, she appeared in Alex Haley's mini-series "Mama Flora's Family" opposite Cicely Tyson, the Morgan Freeman-produced telefilm "Mindy," and recurring roles on "Moesha," "Family Matters," and "The Jamie Foxx Show."

More recently, she played two distinctly different roles on "The District" and co-starred as LaMuzinda in the feature "The Brothers."

For the stage, she starred

Chi McBride's plea has been full of love, handling his duties on *BOSTON PUBLIC* playing school administrator Steven Harper and starring in three upcoming movies: "Pud In Fall," co-starring with Mekhi Phifer, "Nate" opposite Ray Liotta and Jason Faircliff and next summer's comedy "Undercover Brother" with Eddie Griffin, Chris Kattan and Denise Richards.

McBride's most recent feature film credits include Jerry Bruckheimer's "Love in 60 Seconds" starring opposite Nicolas Cage and "The Kid" with Brock Willis. His other credits include "The Frighteners," "Hoodlum," "Mercury Rising," "The Distinguished Gentleman," the Oscar-nominated, "What's

Love Got to Do With It," "The Great White Hype" and "Magnolia."

McBride is well known to television viewers for his role as the wisecracking,痞痞-ophical janitor on "The John Larroca Show." He also received critical acclaim for his starring role in the Hudlin Brothers production "Tupac," a segment of cable's "Cosmo Slim Trilogy." McBride also starred in "Bundled Brown" in the television "The Interned All King of the World."

For his theater highlight, McBride performed as eight different complex characters in "Nagasaki Sake," which was directed by Robert Downey, Sr. He was born and raised in Chicago.

Young Star Continues to Add Credits to her Name



TANYA WRIGHT

member of the Soul Sisters Club of Lubbock.

Ms. Irma Jean Dockins was crowned the Queen of the Soul Sisters in December, 2001, during their 32nd Annual New Year's Party.

According to a spokesperson, the Soul Sisters of Lubbock will host the convention in April, 2003.



JAY'S CORNER

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care" an J. Rev. Billy R. Moton is host pastor. If you are still looking for a church home; then come and visit members and pastor of New Hope. Our doors are always open for anyone who want to visit.

Services began last Sunday morning with Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. and all teachers were present and at their post of duty. For thirty minutes; students received instruction about the morning lesson. At 10:15 a.m. teachers and students marched to the main auditorium where high points of the morning lesson were given. Prayer was also given.

The morning devotion was led by Brother R. J. Givens and Sister Octavia Givens. Praise God for the devotional period. They were assisted by the Praise Team.

The Senior Choir marched in the processional singing out of their hearts for the Lord. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Merelle McCutcheon. A selection was sung by the Senior Choir. Scripture was read by Sister Julia Swain. Prayer was given by Sister Fannie Price. After the singing of another selection by the Senior Choir; the responsive reading was done with the congregation standing and led by Sister Lena Sheffield. The morning hymn was "Standing In The Need Of Prayer," Hymn 501.

Pastoral observations were given by Pastor Moton who always has something positive to leave to the membership. Another selection was sung by the Senior Choir.

Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "Symptoms of Back Sliding." His scripture text was Genesis 13:4-11. What a splendid sermon.

After the invitation to discipleship was extended; announcements were read by Brother David Williams. All visitors were welcomed by Sister Celestine Kyle.

Let us continue to pray for those who are shut in as well as those who have lost loved ones. God is able. He knows what's best for all of us.

If you unable to attend morning worship services; then tune into the New Hope morning worship services each Sunday morning over radio station KJAK FM; from 11:30 a. m. until 12:30 p. m.

Teachers meeting is held at New Hope each Wednesday evening, beginning at 6:00 p.m. This is followed by Prayer Meeting beginning at 7:00 p. m. Bible Study is a part of this weekly effort.

Absentee voting is over. Now if you want to participate; you may do so on Saturday, May 4, 2002; from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. It will be an election for the following positions; mayor; city councilmen and school board members. If you are a registered voter; you need to exercise your right and vote come this Saturday, May 4th.

It is good to know that Sonic Drive In will be constructed at the corner of East 19th Street and Martin Luther King Blvd. This is very good for the area; and should be the beginning for many more things happening in East Lubbock. God is able.

Let us not forget that! Don't forget to visit someone who may be ill in your community. It does so much when we show our concern for others. If you can't visit someone who is ill; then give them a telephone call.

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SOUL SISTERS CLUB TRAVELS TO ODESSA

Members of the Soul Sisters Club traveled to Odessa, Texas April 19 through 21, 2002 and attended the 52nd Annual Convention of the Federation of Black Women and Girls Clubs. Attending were clubs from other cities like Midland, Abilene; San

Angelo, Sweetwater, and Odessa.

The Soul Sisters were able to capture first place in all categories at the conference which included club report, arts and crafts, scrapbook and yearbook.

Ms. Deloris Turner won "Club Woman of the Year," and she is a

SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR LUBBOCK, TEXAS

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| Thursday | Thursday Night | Friday | Saturday |
|-------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|---|
| Cloudy with rain and drizzle. | Cloudy and cold; windy in the evening. | Clouds breaking for some sunshine. | Times of sun and clouds. Chance of showers. |
| RealFeel: 50 | RealFeel: 28 | RealFeel: 58 | RealFeel: 50 |
| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday |
| Sunny. | Sunshine. | Intervals of clouds and sunshine. | Plenty of clouds with spotty showers. |
| RealFeel: 45 | RealFeel: 53 | RealFeel: 54 | RealFeel: 40 |

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

Cool high pressure will bring chilly temperatures moderating during the period, but little rainfall is expected.

FISHING REPORT

Windy and cold weather is expected Thursday bringing a chop to area lakes. Better weather is expected for the weekend.

TV INDEX

Highest Thur. 3; Minimal 45 Low 67 Moderate 84 High 10+ Very High

SUN & MOON DATA

Thur. 7:13 a.m. 3:12 p.m. 7:14 a.m. 5:49 p.m. 5:49 p.m. 5:48 p.m. Moonset 10:05 a.m. 1:59 a.m. Moonset 2:03 p.m. 2:44 p.m. 3:21 p.m.

MOON PHASES

Last New First Full Jan 8 Jan 15 Jan 22 Jan 30

REGIONAL CITIES

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| City | Thursday | | | Friday | | | Saturday | | | Sunday | | | Monday | | | Tuesday | | | Wednesday | | | |
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| Albuquerque, NM | 62/36 | pc | 64/36 | pc | 62/38 | pc | 60/38 | pc | 62/36 | s | 58/34 | c | 56/34 | pc | 56/34 | pc | 56/34 | pc | 56/34 | pc | 56/34 | pc |
| Altus, OK | 66/40 | c | 61/40 | s | 63/43 | s | 63/43 | pc | 66/46 | s | 70/47 | pc | 68/47 | pc | 68/47 | pc | 68/47 | pc | 68/47 | pc | 68/47 | pc |
| Amarillo, TX | 54/32 | c | 60/36 | s | 68/40 | s | 70/38 | s | 66/40 | s | 64/42 | pc | 56/42 | r | 56/42 | r | 56/42 | r | 56/42 | r | 56/42 | r |
| Austin, TX | 70/42 | pc | 68/40 | c | 70/32 | c | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc |
| Branson, MO | 56/39 | c | 59/37 | pc | 62/41 | s | 62/42 | s | 61/47 | s | 65/50 | c | 64/50 | c | 64/50 | c | 64/50 | c | 64/50 | c | 64/50 | c |
| Citrus, NM | 52/28 | c | 53/28 | c | 53/28 | c | 53/28 | c | 53/28 | c | 53/28 | c | 53/28 | c | 53/28 | c | 53/28 | c | 53/28 | c | 53/28 | c |
| Dallas, TX | 68/46 | c | 66/46 | pc | 66/48 | pc | 64/48 | c | 68/52 | pc | 70/54 | pc | 70/54 | pc | 70/54 | pc | 70/54 | pc | 70/54 | pc | 70/54 | pc |
| Davenport, IA | 58/30 | pc | 70/36 | s | 66/36 | s | 60/34 | pc | 60/34 | pc | 60/34 | pc | 60/34 | pc | 60/34 | pc | 60/34 | pc | 60/34 | pc | 60/34 | pc |
| El Paso, TX | 66/46 | c | 66/40 | c | 68/42 | c | 68/44 | c | 70/48 | c | 64/48 | c | 64/48 | c | 64/48 | c | 64/48 | c | 64/48 | c | 64/48 | c |
| Elkton, MD | 68/40 | pc | 68/38 | c | 70/38 | pc | 65/41 | pc | 65/41 | pc | 65/41 | pc | 65/41 | pc | 65/41 | pc | 65/41 | pc | 65/41 | pc | 65/41 | pc |
| Houston, TX | 78/52 | pc | 72/48 | pc | 74/50 | pc | 76/54 | pc | 76/52 | pc | 76/56 | pc | 76/56 | pc | 76/56 | pc | 76/56 | pc | 76/56 | pc | 76/56 | pc |
| Kansas City, MO | 66/34 | pc | 66/36 | pc | 66/36 | pc | 66/36 | pc | 66/36 | pc | 66/36 | pc | 66/36 | pc | 66/36 | pc | 66/36 | pc | 66/36 | pc | 66/36 | pc |
| Lake Texoma, TX | 66/43 | pc | 58/42 | s | 63/47 | s | 64/48 | c | 66/49 | c | 67/50 | pc | 65/50 | c | 65/50 | c | 65/50 | c | 65/50 | c | 65/50 | c |
| Lubbock, TX | 66/40 | c | 74/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc | 70/38 | pc |
| Lubbock, TX | 58/34 | c | 62/36 | pc | 68/40 | pc | 64/40 | c | 60/44 | c | 68/48 | pc | 60/48 | pc | 60/48 | pc | 60/48 | pc | 60/48 | pc | 60/48 | pc |
| Midland, TX | 68/38 | c | 64/36 | pc | 68/44 | pc | 72/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc |
| Oklahoma City, OK | 64/36 | sh | 62/36 | pc | 64/42 | pc | 62/44 | c | 64/48 | pc | 68/48 | pc | 64/48 | pc | 64/48 | pc | 64/48 | pc | 64/48 | pc | 64/48 | pc |
| Phoenix, AZ | 68/60 | s | 68/60 | s | 68/60 | s | 68/60 | s | 68/60 | s | 68/60 | s | 68/60 | s | 68/60 | s | 68/60 | s | 68/60 | s | 68/60 | s |
| Roswell, NM | 56/33 | c | 56/36 | c | 55/38 | s | 54/39 | s | 65/43 | s | 60/45 | c | 60/45 | c | 60/45 | c | 60/45 | c | 60/45 | c | 60/45 | c |
| San Antonio, TX | 74/51 | pc | 74/51 | pc | 74/51 | pc | 74/51 | pc | 74/51 | pc | 74/51 | pc | 74/51 | pc | 74/51 | pc | 74/51 | pc | 74/51 | pc | 74/51 | pc |
| San Antonio, TX | 76/34 | pc | 69/30 | c | 70/34 | c | 72/38 | pc | 75/54 | pc | 75/54 | pc | 75/54 | pc | 75/54 | pc | 75/54 | pc | 75/54 | pc | 75/54 | pc |
| Stromboli, LA | 74/46 | pc | 65/44 | c | 68/48 | pc | 68/48 | pc | 68/48 | pc | 68/48 | pc | 68/48 | pc | 68/48 | pc | 68/48 | pc | 68/48 | pc | 68/48 | pc |
| Tulsa, OK | 58/38 | c | 60/40 | s | 63/43 | s | 62/43 | s | 61/49 | pc | 66/50 | pc | 64/50 | sh | 64/50 | sh | 64/50 | sh | 64/50 | sh | 64/50 | sh |
| Waco, TX | 70/48 | pc | 68/48 | s | 70/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc | 70/48 | pc |
| Wichita, KS | 60/30 | pc | 68/36 | pc | 68/40 | s | 66/40 | s | 66/44 | s | 62/44 | pc | 60/44 | r | 60/44 | r | 60/44 | r | 60/44 | r | 60/44 | r |
| Wichita Falls, TX | 68/40 | pc | 68/40 | pc | 68/40 | pc | 68/40 | pc | 68/40 | pc | 68/40 | pc | 68/40 | pc | 68/40 | pc | 68/40 | pc | 68/40 | pc | 68/40 | pc |

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, I-lindenstorms, H-hail, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, Hc-

Legal Notice Request for Qualifications:

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
MATERIALS/METHODS TESTING AND INSPECTIONS

ACADEMIC CLASSROOM BUILDING

The Texas Tech University System
Lubbock, Texas
Project No. 96-29

Submit Statement of Qualifications to:

Ms. Jean Carlton
Manager of Construction Contracting
Office of Facilities Planning & Construction
Texas Tech University System
Administration Building
15th and Akron
E. Basement, Room 5
Lubbock, Texas 79409-2014

By Friday, May 3, 2002, 3:00 p.m. CST. Submissions will be publicly read in Room 8 of the Administration Building at 15th and Akron at that time. Responses received after closing time will be returned unopened. Responses may not be withdrawn within sixty (60) days after the opening date.

Texas Tech intends to design and construct a 60,000 sq. ft. Academic Classroom Building with a total project budget of \$15,400,000. Interested firms should submit comprehensive Statement of Qualifications after reviewing the Request for Qualifications.

The RFQ and further information can be obtained by accessing the Texas Marketplace at:

<http://esbdtbpc.state.tx.us/1380/sagency.cfm>
GSC Class Item No 952.33

Texas Tech reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Responses and to waive any and all formalities.

The Texas Tech University System is an Equal Opportunity Employer and all Historically Underutilized Businesses are encouraged to participate.

Additional information or questions regarding the Request for Qualifications should be addressed to the Texas Tech University System:

Project Manager: (806-742-2116) or
Fax (806-742-2241) or
e-mail: ross.john.narvaeth@ttu.edu



CHURCH DIRECTORY



WE THANK GOD FOR JESUS "WEEP FOR YOUR CHILDREN"

I TIMOTHY 3:12, THIS KNOW THAT IN THE LAST DAYS, PERILOUS(DANGEROUS) TIMES SHALL COME. FOR MEN SHALL BE LOVERS OF THEIR OWN SELVES, COVETOUS, BOASTERS, PROUD, BLASPHEMERS, DISOBEDIENT TO PARENTS, UNTHANKFUL, UNHOPLY. THE LORD TOLD US IN HIS WORD, ABOUT THE LAST AND EVIL DAYS, THE CHURCH SHOULD BE ABOUT HIS BUSINESS; FOR SOULS TO BE SAVED.

ISAIAH 58:1, THE LORD SAID, CRY ALOUD, SPARE NOT, LIFT UP THY VOICE LIKE A TRUMPET, AND SHOW MY PEOPLE THEIR TRANSGRESSIONS.

THE CHURCH HELPED THE DEVIL, IN THE 60'S, GIVING RIGHTS THAT WAS WRONG, HE DECEIVED THE PEOPLE LIKE IN THE GARDEN, AND IT'S YET GOING ON!!!

LUKE 6:39, JESUS SAID, CAN THE BLIND LEAD THE BLIND? SHALL THEY BOTH FALL INTO THE DITCH? DID THE CHURCHES ROB GOD???

THE CHURCHES MARCHED AGAINST THE LAW; AND THEY CALLED IT PROGRESS.

THAT DISOBEDIENCE IS IN THE HOMES, CHURCHES, ON JOBS; LOOK AT THE MESS.

ROMANS 1:21,22,25, BECAUSE THAT, WHEN THEY (THE CHURCHES) KNEW GOD, THEY GLORIFIED HIM NOT AS GOD, NEITHER WERE THANKFUL, BUT BECAME VAIN IN THEIR IMAGINATION. DREAMERS), AND THEIR FOOLISH HEART WAS DARKENED, PROFESSING THEMSELVES TO BE WISE (THE CHURCHES) THEY BECAME FOOLS. WHO CHANGED THE TRUTH OF GOD INTO A LIE, AND WORSHIPPED AND SERVED THE CREATURE(MARTIN LUTHER KING) MORE THAN THE CREATOR(GOD), WHO IS BLESSED FOR EVER. AMEN. MAN'S RIGHTS TO STEAL, DEAL, KILL; AND NOW THE CHILDREN ARE IN JAILS, NO FREEDOM NOW; NOW, THEY'RE SLAVES; AND LIVING IN HELL.

PROVERB 14:12, THERE IS A WAY WHICH SEEMETH RIGHT UNTO MAN, BUT THE END THEREOF ARE THE WAYS OF DEATH.

(THE CHILDREN IN JAILS ARE SLAVES; EAT THIS, PUT ON THIS, NO SHOES, LIGHTS OUT, GET UP; GO TO BED, NO PRIVACY AND NO FREEDOM!!!) Duh.

THE DEVIL LOVES MONEY; SO THE CHURCHES PLAYED HIS GAME, THE PRIEST MOLEST CHILDREN; AND TO GOD'S NAME; SHAME, SHAME, SHAME.

MARK 9:42, JESUS SAID I, WHOSOEVER SHALL OFFEND ONE OF THESE LITTLE ONES THAT BELIEVE IN ME, IT IS BETTER FOR HIM THAT A MILLSTONE WERE HANGED ABOUT HIS NECK, AND HE WERE CAST IN THE SEA.

THE PREACHERS ARE RAPING CHILDREN THAT IS IN HIS TRUST,

IT IS BETTER THAT HE BE TAKEN TO THE DR.'S OFFICE; AND TAKE OUT HIS NUTS.

MATTHEW 5:30, JESUS SAID, IF THY RIGHT HAND OFFEND THEE, CUT IT OFF, AND CAST IT FROM THEE; FOR IT IS PROFITABLE FOR THEE THAT ONE OF THY MEMBERS SHOULD PERISH, AND NOT THAT THY WHOLE BODY SHOULD BE CAST INTO HELL.

SCHOOL IS ALMOST OUT; AND SOME CHILDREN WILL SHOWOFF THEIR RIGHTS.

THEY WILL KILL ANOTHER STUDENT; AND TAKE A TEACHER'S LIFE.

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 REAP LIFE EVERLASTING.

THE CHRISTIANS KILLED JESUS; THEY HAVE NO LOVE YOU SEE, THEY MISLEAD CHILDREN; AND THEY DON'T LOVE YOU AND ME!

LUKE 23:31, JESUS SAID I DID, FOR IF THEY (THE CHRISTIANS) DO THESE THINGS IN A GREEN TREE, JESUS), WHAT SHALL BE DONE IN THE DRY(YOU DEMAND TO CHILDREN)?

WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY B.J. MORRISON, III, YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST JESUS.



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

The Importance of Humility

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourself; Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interest of others." - Philippians 2:3-4, NIV

The associated press printed an article about the poor in Afghanistan that brought me to a deep sense of sorrow. The story tells of a little girl who squats by the side of the road atop a pile of rotting vegetables. Her hands stained orange from cutting into soft onions to salvage the good part.

The reason that the little girl was being so devoted to her search for food was that at age 12 she had a ten-member family to feed.

This little girl knew nothing about the politics of war. What she did know that she was hungry and had not had meat since January. She whispered, "Under the Taliban, under the new government, it's the

same, I can't imagine that anything will change." The humility of the newly form government seems no difference than what they replaced.

The report stated that this Central Asian nation of 23 million people is among the world's poorest. A quarter of all children dies before the age of five, and a full half of Afghan children suffer from chronic malnutrition. Life expectancy is 44 years. And what is really chilling is that the

Afghanistan's government is unable to offer aid. Beside many things it is said that in Afghanistan, the government is unable to handle lawlessness, the infrastructure is miserable, and a lack of investment and an anemic economy are preventing meaningful changes for the country's poorest.

We Americans are blessed beyond our wildest dream. We ought to be humble and grateful for our system of government. It is not perfect but, it is a far cry from the rest of the world's government.

We who claim to be servants of God should be humble. The Roman world of Paul's day placed little value on the virtue of humility. But among the believers, humility was essential to their unity.

Humbleless begins with a proper perspective of our place before God. Paul put it like this:

"For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you" (Roman 12:3, NIV).

Do you not know that ambition is selfish when it is self-centered? The world is full of people who are trying to make a name for themselves. Seldom do these people in their quest for what their heart desires realize that ambition is costly when it hurts those around them.

We ought to have a Christlike attitude. Jesus took on the form of a servant. He did not just talk about humility, but he also practices what

he preached. In John 13, we have the story about the time when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples. It was the job of a servant to wash the feet of the guests that were present in the house of the host. It was here that Jesus was both the host as well as the servant. After Jesus got through washing the feet of His disciples he said, "I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. I tell you the truth, no servant is greater than his master; nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him" (John 13:15-16, NIV). It is one thing to talk about humility, but it is another thing altogether to practice humility.

A humble person does not have an inflated view of himself. He recognizes that he is a sinner saved by grace, as is every other believer. But on the other hand, he does not look down on himself

to the extent that he neglects to use the gifts and abilities given to him by the Lord.

News Release

You've found the man of your dreams and you've set the date. There is, however, one nagging dilemma: the children (both yours and his.) How can the traditional wedding, which focuses exclusively on the bride and groom, be reconfigured to recognize the critical role that children play in the remarriage relationship?

That question plagued mother and bride-to-be Laura Clemmer, who spent months scouring wedding magazines. "My fiance Paul (Kotz) and I wanted to do something concrete during our wedding to show my children — two-year-old Allison and five-year-old Nathan — that we were creating a new family," she says.

Laura and Paul were discouraged when the initial search for a family-oriented wedding ceremony proved fruitless. They were concerned that Nathan, who early on had been

enthusiastic about his mom's marriage plans, began expressing some doubts. "Will you and Paul get divorced?" asked the preschooler who still remembered the pain of his parents' breakup several years earlier.

The Greensboro, North Carolina, couple was grappling with a problem experienced by most of the more than one million single parents who remarry in the U. S. each year: What can be done to ease the concerns of young children who feel, on a conscious or unconscious level, that their secure place in the family is threatened by the pending marriage of a parent?

After much research, Laura found a simple and emotionally satisfying answer in the form of a family-oriented wedding service that gives children a meaningful role in the wedding nuptials. This five-minute ceremony — called the Family

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast were invited to fellowship with the Prayer Breakfast in Littlefield, Texas last Saturday morning.

As this article is being written, we are on our way. Next week, a report will follow on this meeting.

Are you on the sideline or in the game? Life is like a ball game! Some days you win; and some days you lose. It's all about Love!

What are those three types of love which are most commonly used and expressed by man? The three types of love found in the Greek heritage are Philia; Eros; and Agape. What is Philia love? Philia love means a brotherly affection, reciprocal type of love. It is caring for those who are for you. Being nice to those who are nice to you, helping those who help you.

Eros love is a possessive type love. An aggressive type love; a selfish craving; a going after for self gratification as man goes after a woman out passion. One helps another, because it helps and/or satisfies his or her own ends. It is helping only those who can give more help back to fulfill one's personal ambitious desires.

What is Agape love? Agape love is that God type love as demonstrated by our Lord Jesus Christ. It is loving for the sake of loving and giving with no strings attached. Agape is self giving to fulfill oneself. It is one laying down his other life for a friend and helping and praying for one's enemies.

Can one love everybody? One cannot like everybody, but it is possible for one to love everybody through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. To like some-

one is to be attracted to another's ways, speech, habits, and mannerisms. But to love someone is to remedy another's needs, regardless of how you feel about another.

What do we know about God's love for us? In St. John 3:16; we find a perfect explanation of God's love. "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him shall not perish, but have everlasting life."

We thank God for loving us so, no matter, he loves us anyway. Are you hurting for one reason? If so; read II Chronicles 7:14 or Mark 11:22-26.

Don't forget your drive by prayers, especially our streets, schools, the churches, your work place and the grocery stores. Lay hands on your children, Saints, and tell them you love them in spite of your anointed. God bless each of you, and thank you for reading.

If you want to communicate with us; you may do so by writing to us: Outreach Prayer Breakfast; Box 1223; Lubbock; Texas 79408. We'd love to hear from you at anytime.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut in citizens of our community and other places. Don't forget those who have lost loved ones.

If you are interested in attending one of our meetings or you want to become a member; then call 762-3347. We'd love to hear from you.

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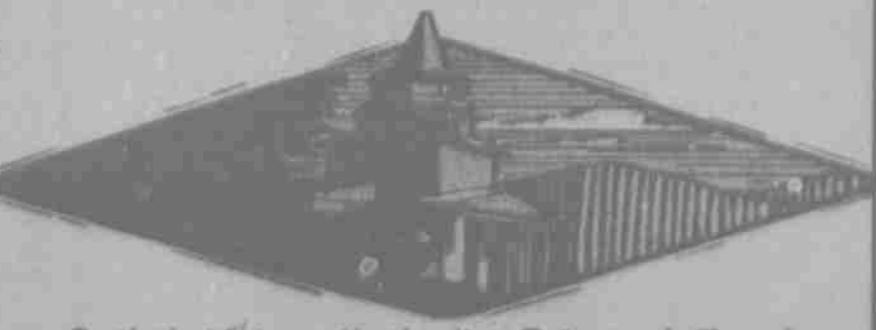
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"If any man has ears, let him hear"

Why do the nations continue to rage? Do none consult the Scriptures to see what the future holds? Nations and groups of nations continue to war over who will possess Israel. Within 5 years (approx.), the Prince of Peace will return to earth to claim His inheritance - and who will dare to question His power and authority? He was a Jew and became the first fruit Christian and those who oppose His Nation and His followers will be dashed to pieces!

I appeal to all who worship the false gods to be converted before He returns. This is my last letter for I am sure that I and others like myself will be "caught up" to reign with Him for 1000 years. I pray that all who are not inebriated by the Spirit of Christ heed this call before it is too late.

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"We think great religious poems can inspire and move men," says Pauline Young, the organization's Contest Director. "Our desire is to inspire creative poets and we think this competition will accomplish that. You can't produce many wonderful poems over the years and we'd like to encourage new poets from the Lubbock area."

Family-oriented Wedding Ceremonies continued from pg. 3

Medallion service — can easily be integrated into any religious or civil wedding ceremony. It differs from the traditional wedding in only one respect: after the newlyweds exchange rings, their children join them for a special service focusing on the family nature of remarriage. Each child is given a gold or silver medal (Family Medallion) with three interlocking circles, a symbol that represents family love in much the same way the wedding ring signifies conjugal love. (The medallion is available as a pendant, ring or lapel pin.)

The Kotzes say they will never forget the moment during their wedding when Nathan and Allison were summoned to their sides to participate in the family wedding service. While the minister recited the words of the ceremony — a pledge to love and care for all the children either spouse brings to the marriage — Laura and Paul presented Nathan and Allison with Family Medallions. Then the hugging started.

"I don't mean to be trite, but it was really a bonding experience," recalls stepdad Paul. "I especially wanted Nathan, who was old enough to understand what was going on, that I wasn't just marrying Laura; I was making a commitment to be there for him and his sister." I could see from the way his eyes lit up that he understood. I will never forget it."

Laura Kotz says her family-oriented

wedding was everything she had hoped it would be. "I could not have found a better way to communicate to my kids that, by marrying Paul, we were all coming together as a family," she adds.

Most of the guests attending the Clemmer/Kotz wedding were touched to tears by the family ceremony. "People later us told how wonderful it was that we did something so special for the children," Laura recalls.

The family wedding concept is an idea whose time has come now that at least one-third of all new marriages in the U.S. involve divorced or widowed parents with children under 18 living in the home, according to the Stepfamily Association of America.

But finding family-oriented nuptials is no easy task. "Although I have many books on wedding ceremonies, not one of them contains a wedding ritual that recognizes children from previous marriages," says Dr. C.

Fred Werhan, the Baptist minister who officiated at the Clemmer-Kotz wedding. "That was OK 35 years ago, when practically every wedding involved people who had never been married before. But things have changed dramatically since then. Today, in half the couples that I marry, at least one spouse has been married before."

The family service — along with the

Family Medallion — was developed more than 15 years ago by Dr. Roger Coleman, chaplain of Pilgrim Chapel in Kansas City, Missouri. "A marriage with pre-existing children is a lot more than simply the union of a man and a woman," he says. "It is a merging of two separate families. Every day I see how divorce creates a sense of failure and hopelessness in people. The family ceremony is a sign of hope and an important step in rebuilding the devastation of the family."

Today, more than 15,000 couples a year — primarily in the U.S., Canada and Europe — use the Family Medallion ceremony to help cement the bond between parents, stepparents and children. "It really works," says Dr. Werhan, who has adapted Coleman's family service for many weddings.

"A family-oriented wedding that includes giving youngsters a tangible symbol of love like the Family Medallion is a great way to make children entering a blended family feel secure."

Sharon Stober Barry, the editorial director of Your Stepfamily magazine, agrees. In fact, she used the Family Medallion service to acknowledge her son and stepdaughter when she remarried in 2000. "The family-oriented wedding is much more than just a nice thing to do," she insists. "You are pledging to your kids and his kids that you are going to accompany them on their journey through life."

STRENGTH FOR TODAY HOPE FOR TOMORROW

Are the difficulties of life getting the best of you? Do you find yourself wondering what to do in difficult situations? If there is anything worse than being whipped by life's trials it would have to be being whipped and not knowing what to do overcome your circumstances. This is the first of many articles that I trust will give you answers for the questions that life challenges us with. More importantly, I pray these articles will build and encourage your faith.

This column is a ministry of the Parkway Drive Church of Christ to the glory of the Almighty God. This is an interactive column. If you have questions that you need answers to I invite you to call or e-mail me at the Parkway Drive Church of Christ. I am frequently asked questions on everything from drug addiction to family matter to how to get to heaven. The Bible answers all of these questions and more. In addition to praying for you, I will

provide an answer for you from God's Holy Scriptures. We have a dedicated phone line to receive your questions around the clock. If you need to speak with me directly simply follow the pre-recorded instructions. Our e-mail address is parkwaydrive@rc3.com.

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Parkway Drive began its ministry the second Sunday of October 1955. We are a multi-racial church that endeavors to minister to every child of God regardless of culture, race or nationality. We have seven elders who oversee this ministry. There are eight deacons who minister here in order to allow the elders to shepherd the flock. My name is Gerald Jackson. I am the evangelist for the Parkway Drive Church of Christ.

We believe Jehovah is God, Jesus is Lord and Savior, the Holy Spirit

lives in His people and the Bible is God's inspired word.

The Bible gives strength and hope as we look to Jesus for guidance. Listen to Peter's confirmation of this truth. "...seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence" (2 Peter 1:3). Simply stated, there is nothing in life that God's book hasn't given us an answer for. Whether it concerns this life or the life to come, the Bible answers all questions. The problem is that we frequently don't know where to find the answer. This column strives to meet this need. I will prayerfully consider the questions you send in and give you God's answer from the Bible. I believe when we have His answer then we receive "Strength for Today and Hope for Tomorrow."

Grace and peace
Gerald

Ponder Points by Peary Perry

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Just so you'll know...Chianti isn't a red wine since it's made with both red and white grapes.

It's been reported that some dinosaurs were as small as hens, as in chickens.....

There has been at least one woman to win the Medal of Honor. President Andrew Johnson gave Mary Walker of the 52nd Ohio Regiment the award in 1865.

Did you know that a sneeze could travel at about 100 miles an hour. Please cover up.....thank you.

In 1800 America did not have a public library.

You might be interested to know that there is a martial art called 'essenjutsu' practiced in Japan. This deadly practice is based on the expert use of a fan.

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Beware these Scams

Q: I recently received an e-mail from someone claiming to be the family member of a Nigerian official. He says he needs my assistance in order to transfer 25 million dollars to the United States. Is this a legitimate offer?

A: ABSOLUTELY NOT! The e-mail you received is a very common scam often referred to as an advance fee

fraud. Thousands of people in the US and in other countries have received this type of fraudulent solicitation through various forms of correspondence.

My office receives dozens of inquiries each month about this particular scam. No matter what the pitch is, you are not going to get lot of money for helping these people. Instead, you could end up losing your own hard-earned funds. The scam generally falls into one of several common categories:

- **Money Transfer:** The writer claims to have a large sum of money that was overpaid on a government procurement contract that must be transferred overseas. You are promised a percentage of the money in exchange for use of your bank account.

- **Charitable donation:** The solicitation asks for your bank account information under the promise that a donation will be contributed to your organization.

- **Contracts:** In certain variations of this type of scam you may be asked for your "expertise" to complete a contract with a foreign government. You will then be asked to pay various fees before your help is accepted.

Q: What should I do with the e-mail I received?

A: You should forward it to

the US Secret Service, which is charged with investigating foreign advance fee scams. If you have already responded and lost money, send all documentation to:

US Secret Service
Financial Crimes Division
950 H Street NW
Washington, DC 20001

If you have received this type of correspondence but have not responded, you can fax a copy to the US Secret Service at (202)406-4840.

The Secret Service has more information about this type of scam on its Web site at www.treas.gov/usss. The US State Department and the US Postal Service also have information on their Web sites at <http://travel.state.gov> and www.usps.gov.

Q: Someone left a message on my answering machine asking me to call a number with an 809 area code. I called, but it turned out to be a sales pitch. When my phone bill arrived, there was an outrageous long-distance charge for the call. Who can I file a complaint with?

A: This is an increasingly common telemarketing scam. My Consumer Protection Division receives frequent inquiries and complaints about these kinds of calls.

The scam begins when you receive a voice mail or e-mail message asking you to call a number with an 809 area code. The reason for the call can vary: you have won a prize or a friend or relative needs help, but you are always asked to call a number in the 809 area code, which people assume is in the United States. Instead you are calling outside the country to an international exchange that charges huge per-minute rates.

Some consumers have reported receiving phone bills totaling thousands of dollars as a result of the 809 area code scam. If you have responded to one of these calls and have a large charge on your phone bill, you should contact your long distance carrier to see about having the fees adjusted. You should also contact the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), which is investigating this particular scam.

You can mail a complaint to:

Federal Communications Commission
Consumer Information Bureau
Consumer Information Network Division
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

You can also file a complaint through the FCC's Web site at www.fcc.gov/cib. If you get a call of this nature, check the area code before you call. Or better yet, don't call back!

COOKING CORNER



MARBLE BARS

- 1 package (6 oz.) or 1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 2/3 cup sweetened condensed milk (1/2 of a 14-oz. can)
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
- 1 1/2 cups packed light brown sugar
- 3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) butter or margarine, melted
- 2 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 cups Buttermilk Biscuit Mix
- 1 cup old-fashioned oats

In microwave safe bowl, combine chocolate chips, condensed milk and 1 tablespoon butter. Microwave on High for 1 to 2 minutes, stirring after every 30 seconds. Stir until chocolate is melted and mixture is smooth; set aside. In large mixing bowl, stir together brown sugar, 3/4 cup butter, eggs and vanilla until smooth. Stir in biscuit and baking mix and oats until well combined. Spoon 2/3 of the batter into a 13x9x2-inch baking pan that has been coated with cooking spray. Drop chocolate mixture by teaspoonfuls over batter. Drop teaspoonfuls of remaining batter over top of chocolate; swirl together with tip of knife or wooden pick. Bake at 350° for 20 to 25 minutes or until bars are light golden brown and center is almost set. Let cool completely. Makes 4 dozen bars.

Being able to provide yummy, sugary treats rather than truly healthy treats to satisfy kids' after-school hunger pangs is something all parents must debate. Healthy alternatives should be served when available, but every now and again, serve up something sweet and homemade.

Make these Chewy Chocolate Marble Bars for a fresh-from-the-oven after-school treat. They're the perfect way to make your hungry kids smile.

You don't even need a mixer to prepare them—just a bowl, a spoon and a baking pan. The fudge-like filling in these bars, made with melted chocolate and sweetened condensed milk, combines with old-fashioned oats, convenient biscuit and baking mix, butter and brown sugar for chewy goodness. The two mixtures are swirled together to make a marbled design that you and your kids won't be able to resist.

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The vast majority of people need a bare minimum of eight hours of sleep a night, yet Americans average only 6.7 hours. Worse yet, a third of Americans sleep less than six hours.

Why aren't people getting the sleep they need? The biggest problems are sleep busters - obstacles that interfere with and even prevent sleep.

"Outside factors are the primary inhibitors to sleep, and our goal is to help people identify their sleep busters and find ways to work around them," says Dr. James Maas, sleep expert, best-selling author and professor of psychology at Cornell University.

"From caffeine and stress to cold and flu season, obstacles to good sleep can be considerable."

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NyQuil to identify the seven most important sleeping habits people should develop to improve the quality of their sleep, as well as their lives. "A starting point to developing good sleep habits is to look at which sleep busters are keeping YOU awake," says Dr. Maas.

According to Dr. Maas, the most common sleep busters include:

1. **Caffeine:** Drinking a caffeinated beverage or eating lots of chocolate close to bedtime - or for some people even late in the afternoon - can keep you tossing and turning and delay the onset of sleep. As a general rule, avoid caffeine and high-sugar foods within six hours of your bedtime.

2. **Late, heavy dinners:** While a full stomach often leads to drowsiness, eating a substantial dinner within four or five hours of bedtime will probably leave you restless after the initial onset of sleepiness wears off. Keep your dinner light and avoid foods that cause indigestion to have a more restful evening.

3. **Erratic sleep schedule:** Varying your bedtime from night to night and sleeping late one morning while getting up early the next can throw your inner sleep-wake cycle into disarray.

Find a bedtime and wake time that work for you, and follow them seven days a week.

4. **Exercise schedule:** Exercising too late at night can

release adrenaline into your body and make it difficult to sleep. In general, avoid strenuous aerobic or physical activity within three hours of bedtime. If you choose to work out early in the morning, make sure you are still able to fulfill your sleep needs.

5. **Stress:** Stress is one of the most common reasons for insomnia. Counteract it by clearing your mind when you enter the bedroom. Make a mental or even physical note of your concerns and tasks for the day ahead, and assign a time to deal with them the next day.

6. **Family sleep traps:** Nocturnal demands from children or a snoring bed partner can wreak havoc on an otherwise peaceful night. Condition your child to follow a schedule that allows both of you adequate sleep, investigate the cause of your spouse's snoring, and take other steps to eliminate sleep traps and get the rest you need.

7. **Sickness:** Coughing, sneezing, fever, headache, and other physical discomforts that come with a cold or flu make it extremely difficult to sleep when you're sick - a time when you need rest more than ever! An over-the-counter product such as NyQuil can relieve all your cold and flu symptoms so you can get the sleep you need to feel better.

People need to maximize the quality and quantity of their sleep, and improve the overall quality of their awake hours.



REGINA HALL

Regina Hall guest starred in a three-episode arc in ALLY McBEAL last season as the associate to Larry Paul (Robert Downey, Jr.). Her additional television credits include "NYPD Blue," "New York Undercover," and "Disappearing Acts," a cable movie which also starred Wesley Snipes and Sanaa Lathan.

Hall currently can be seen in "Scary Movie 2" the sequel to Keenan Ivory Wayans' blockbuster "Scary Movie." She will next be seen in Charles Stone's "Paid in Full" with Chi McBride ("Boston Public"), Mekhi Phifer and Kevin Carroll. Hall's other film credits include "Love & Basketball" and "The Best Man."

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**There Is No Hope For You If You
Don't Vote: If You Don't Vote,
Don't Cry!!**

by Eddie P. Richardson

Before we get into this column, let's go back to a couple of weeks ago. We were referring to the "Southside of the Canyon Amphitheater on East 19th Street." The beautiful stream behind the building with trees and beautiful scenery. With a little work, this could be a very attractive place for the Amphitheater or the City of Lubbock. It is behind the Mae Simmons Swimming Pool and the Canyon Amphitheater.

The City and School Board elections are fast approaching. Early voting has concluded. Now it is up to us. What are we going to do? Vote! **COMPLAINING AND NOT VOTING?** No... Let's raise hell! **THE CHOICE IS UP TO US!** Vote or don't, but if you fail to vote you have no reason to complain. Usually the biggest complainers do not vote. If you do not vote, shu the heck up and sit down and get out of the way.

People died. Some were bitten by dogs, hit by billy clubs, rubber hoses, and had to go through literacy tests, and pay a poll tax. At that time, we were crying "I only I could vote." Now all of those hurdles have been overcome and now we sit on our rear end and are too sorry to go to the polls and vote, even with the convenience of early voting.

We are so full of it. We cry, moan, groan, scratch our heads and behinds, and still do no vote. In my experiences with people, and there have been many over the years, I have found out that people who complain most are least informed about events, situations, and fail to take an interest until after the fact. There are always various public hearings which are open for comments either pro or con. Either are always welcome as this is where you make your voice heard. This is done through forums and public hearings. People fail to participate until after the fact. They know all the answers and all the vicious venom with no truth and knowledge of what the heck is really going on. The very first step is if you don't want to attend public hearings and forums, at least check out the candidates when they are running for office and support and vote for the one or ones whose views are in line with yours to represent you.

"The economic philosophy of Black Nationalism only means that our people need to be re-educated about the importance of controlling the economy of the community in which we live, which means that we don't have to constantly be involved in picketing and boycotting other people in other communities in order to get jobs created in our own communities." (Malcolm X)

Nuff Sed! WHY Not??

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SPEAKING OF VOTING! THIS N THAT ... has received a note from ... JOHN SHARP ... who is running for the office of ... TEXAS LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR come November of this year... THIS N THAT ... had a brief meeting with him ... and is wishing him the very best ... as ... THIS N THAT ... will support ... JOHN SHARP ... He was in Lubbock yesterday ... Wednesday morning ... at City Bank... JOHN SHARP ... is the best person for Lt. Governor... THIS N THAT ... hopes you support him as well as ... RC/N KIRK ... who is running for U.S. Senator of Texas... if there ever was a time ... the time is now for something big to happen.

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"This fund was created to provide access to higher education opportunities for Texans who, without this assistance, might not be able to strive for a college education," said Rep. Davis. "Basically all the problems facing our communities, including economic parity, high crime, building cohesive families, and other quality of life issues are related to the lack of education. By providing increased avenues of educational opportunity, we multiply our chances of improving the conditions of our State. The goal of this fund is to boost chances of reaching this target."

The 2002-2003 Urban

Scholarship Fund is for Texas residents who are also U. S. citizens and full-time undergraduates in good academic standing at any accredited public or private non-profit college, university or technical college. Additionally, applicants must demonstrate financial need and have graduated from a high school in the following metropolitan cities: Abilene, Amarillo, Arlington, Austin, Beaumont, Corpus Christi, Dallas, El Paso, Fort Worth, Garland, Houston, Irving, Laredo, Mesquite, Pasadena, Plano, San Antonio and Waco. Students interested in applying for scholarships should contact their high school guidance counselor; college financial aid officer, or call the Texas Association of Developing Colleges at (214) 630-2511. The deadline for applying for the 2002-2003 Urban Scholarship fund is Friday, July 1, 2002 (postmark).

The Texas Association of Developing Colleges (TADC), a Dallas higher education consortium administering the program, anticipates awarding between 300 and 350 scholarships. The number of awards is uncertain because of the varying funding levels in different types of institutions.

Shallowater Students Give Thumbs-up to State-of-the-Art Individualized Computer Instructional Program

You don't have to encourage students to come to the computer lab classes in three Shallowater schools since January when a new program was put in place. The word is getting out to other students that the program is fun and exciting. Educators are delighted that the students are motivated, but even more pleased with learning results.

A lab is available at each of three campuses at Shallowater elementary intermediate and middle schools. In each, a visitor sees about 24 students with earphones working at computers on assignments which are individualized for each youngster.

Many students wait their turn this year or next year for the program that lasts from four to six weeks, depending on grade level, for about 100 minutes daily. All students through eighth grade will eventually go through the intensive individualized program to teach language development skills.

Some ninth graders have access to the program through a voluntary after-school class.

The Fast ForWord instruction was put in place in January. The education software combines the latest brain research and technology. It was developed by the Scientific Learning Corporation.

Software and other materials were added to the existing computer labs for the new program. Selected

teachers received professional training. Several South Plains school districts use the program.

At the close of each day, data are downloaded via the internet to a site in California in order that individual student progress can be tracked. Then, the next class day, automatic adjustments are made as needed for each student. For some students, new material is presented. For others, there is an opportunity to review the previous day's work.

Although the Fast ForWord program was developed for children with language problems, particularly those who had difficulty processing the sounds they hear, Shallowater has opted to provide it to all students in the grades where it is taught. "One definite benefit is that it helps students to become better listeners," said Doris Seoggin, assistant superintendent. She adds that language development and reading skills are outcomes that contribute to overall school success. Some students already have seen dramatic progress.

Targeting drug lords

SINCE THE United States is the major market for the illicit drugs channeled through Jamaica, the latest annual report on the state of the traffic must be taken seriously. Thus the International Narcotics Control Strategy Report (INCSR) published by the US State Department is a wake-up call of some import.

The report in effect confirms the estimate that between 70 and 100 tons of cocaine are transhipped annually primarily from Colombia through this island.

While the INCSR acknowledges levels of cooperation between Jamaica and US agencies to counter the traffic, it makes this most salient point: much more needs to be done to go after the drug lords, the kingpins of the trafficking who remain seemingly untouchable.

Given the level of sophistication and equipment employed in the trade, the movers and shakers must have the means to do their dirty work. The official report quotes a senior Jamaican government official to the effect that "the drug cartels have begun to establish command and control centers in Jamaica."

This factor suggests level of collusion and criminal conspiracy that have grave implications for national security. For drug trafficking spawns violence over turf, drug mules, loads of dirty cash, the bribing of officials, and money laundering for the ultimate pay-off.

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By inordinately integrating the communities and social and other institutions developed by (and for) other ethnic groups, AOIP has a redemptive mission of completing the "unfinished work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr." The information listed below about your organization should, as best possible, be focused on what your group is doing to help completed that "unfinished work."

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