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National News

NEA Highlights Public Schools' Role in Making America Strong At Joint Conference On Concerns Of Minorities And Women

WASHINGTON, DC— "Public Education: Democracy's Foundation" will be the focus of the 2002 Joint Conference on Concerns of Minorities and Women scheduled for June 27-28 at The Adam's Mark Hotel in Dallas. The conference is held each year just prior to the Annual Meeting of the 2.7 million-member National Education Association (NEA), which will focus this year on implementation of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) reauthorization.

"In our classrooms, generation after generation of native-born and immigrant students have been taught to understand and respect America's core values," said NEA President Bob Chase. "The success of America's domestic security will depend on more than metal detectors and sky marshals. It will also depend on the values we teach our children.

The Joint Conference assists NEA members by illuminating the latest trends and developments in education policy and classroom instruction that have proven effective in teaching minority students.

Kicking off the conference with a keynote speech on "Creating a Climate of Success for All Students in the 21st Century" is Freeman A. Hrabowski, in, president of the University of Maryland in Baltimore County, as well as a mathematician and author. Hrabowski created a highly successful program to attract African American students into graduate and professional programs.

The Luncheon speaker, Sherman Alexie, comes from the world of arts and letters. A Spokane/Coeur d'Alene Indian, Alexie's first screenplay, Smoke signals, premiered at the 1998 Sundance Film Festival, where it received the Audience Award and Filmmakers Trophy. His novels include Reservation Blues and Indian Killer, a New York Times Notable Book. His most recent book, The Toughest Indian in the World, won the PEN/Malamud award.

FOUR TEENS WILL TELL YOU: "CRIME DOESN'T PAY!"

The fourth teen implicated in a cocaine-dealing ring pleaded guilty in a state court last week.

The teen, Obrien D. Green, age 17, received a 15 year sentence in prison as part of an agreement with prosecutors. Green pleaded guilty to possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver in a drug-free zone.

Green was arrested, along with three others, on December 7, 2001, when police raided a house at 1516 East 26th Streets

Police seized 50 grams of crack cocaine worth about \$5,000, three handguns, and a shotgun.

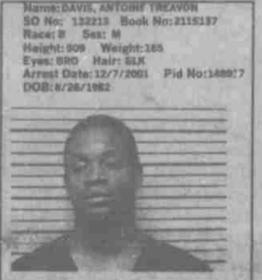
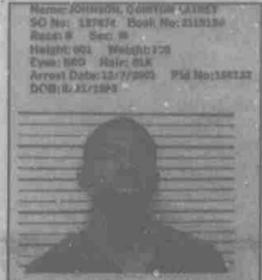
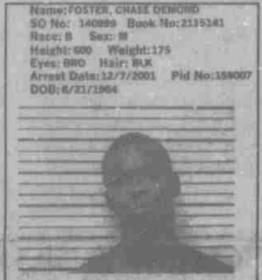
This location had been reported as being a possible crack house.

Another teen, Chase Foster, age 17, was sentenced to 60 years in prison by a jury recently. In April, a jury sent Quinton L. Johnson, age 18, to prison for 75 years.

Because of his clean record, Green was offered a shorter prison term. Both Johnson and Foster had been arrested numerous

times as juveniles.

Closure came to the quartet when 19 year old Antoine T. Davis pleaded guilty in federal court and earned two concurrent nine year prison terms.



Police Chief Finalists Down to Five

Following two days of interviews by an eight-member panel made up of community members, the Amarillo Police Chief and City staff, the list of finalists for the position of Lubbock Police Chief was narrowed Friday from 10 to five.

The five finalists are:

- John Compston, Lieutenant Colonel, Dayton, OH
- G.M. Cox, Chief of Police, Corsicana, TX
- Donald Franklin, Chief of Police, Addison, TX
- Claude Jones, Interim Chief of Police, Lubbock
- David Purdy, Deputy Chief of Public Safety, Kalamazoo, MI

Community members on the interview panel were Dr. Damon Hill, E.C. Leslie and Frank Castaneda.

Jerry Neal is the Amarillo Chief of Police, and City staff panel members were Deputy City Manager Debra Forte, Director of Human Resources Mary House, Director of Public Works Terry Ellerbrook and Fire Chief Steve Hailey.

At the conclusion of the interviews, the panel met and put together a list of the top five candidates and presented the list to City Manager Bob Cass. The next phase of the hiring process is

an extensive background check on all five finalists.

Out-of-town candidates who pass the background check will then visit Lubbock with their spouses. Finalists will be guests at a public reception as well as a private reception for the City Council and senior staff.

Cass will make the final decision on who will be the next Chief of Police for Lubbock's 308-member force. His decision will be subject to ratification by the Council. Officials expect to complete the hiring process in 30 to 60 days.

EAST LUBBOCK BUSINESS DOING WELL!

An East Lubbock business, Catfish Corner, which is a relatively new business in East Lubbock is thriving. The business received the Community Development of the City of Lubbock's "Micro-Enterprise Business of the Year Award."

Ms. Vernoica Gilmore, owner, received the award on Friday afternoon, April 5, 2002, during a special presentation. Many dignitaries were present for the event.

This special presentation was held during the 28th Year of Community Development in the City of Lubbock.

This business began with three employees, and during the special presentation Catfish Corner had seven employees.

Catfish Corner is located at 4017 IH-27



Ms. Veronica Gilmore, owner, prepares food for the coming day.

Gregory "Greg" Gilmore, lead chef, is shown visiting with happy customers at Catfish Corner.



Select-a-Seat anticipated to b extremely busy Monday

Bill Cosby will be performing two shows at the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium on Saturday, August 3, 2002. Performances will be at 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Tickets for the Cosby performances will go on sale to the general public on Monday, June 24, at 10:00 a.m. at all Select-a-Seat locations.

It is anticipated that the main office at Select-a-Seat will be extremely busy at their ticket windows on Monday morning with the onset of the Cosby ticket sales. This is typi-

cal for first-day sales of a major event. While the main Select-a-Seat ticket office will still be providing Britney Spears refunds, patrons may wish to wait to obtain their refund until Monday afternoon or Tuesday due to the increased activity that is anticipated for the Cosby ticket sales. We are making this announcement for the convenience of all interested parties.

For further information contact Select-a-Seat, located at 3801 50th in Memphis Place Mall, 770-2000.

Unity and Diversity Mark Democratic Convention in El Paso

By Neale J Pearson, Professor Emeritus of Political Science, Texas Tech University

Ron Kirk, former Mayor of Dallas, presented himself as part of a multi-ethnic ticket that will "show the world what the new Texas is all about." "We're the party that believes in hope and opportunity," he said. "We are the party that understands unity and diversity."

Taking the stage to the song "Ain't No Stoppin' Us Now," the former Dallas mayor cast his bid to become the first Black Senator from Texas as a combination of social conscience and political moderation.

Kirk's speech highlighted the final day of the State Democratic convention in El Paso, June 13-15, in which some 3,000 delegates adopted a platform, passed resolutions and cheered speeches by candidates hoping to

break the Republican hold on every statewide office. Among those addressing the Convention were Tony Sanchez, a Laredo banker running for Governor, John Sharp, former Comptroller running for Lt. Governor, and Kirk Watson, former Mayor of Austin, running for Attorney General.

Some 46 Democrats from Lubbock County attended the convention. Mary Hatfield of Lubbock was re-elected State Executive Committee Woman from Senate District 28. Bob Hoffman of Lubbock served on the Platform Committee which debated and modified a 17-page platform that covered topics such as education, retirement security for the elderly, health care,

consumer protection, religious freedom, and immigration. Neale Pearson served on the Resolutions Committee which debated resolutions that started out in precinct conventions and were approved by six or more county conventions. Among those resolutions were support for high teacher salaries, opposition to school vouchers, support for a moratorium on the death penalty especially of juveniles and the mentally retarded, support for a National Hate Crimes Bill similar to the James Byrd Hate Crime Bill passed by the Texas Legislature, and support for bills in the Congress to clean up the air pollution that affects Dallas, Galveston, Houston and other Texas cities.



Ron Kirk greets Delegates at the El Paso Convention Center June 14. Photograph Taken by Neale Pearson

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Fashion Fun

by Shirley Roberson

HAIR PIECES

Reveal your dramatic vibe, dress your soulful spirit and be as fashion conscious about your hair as you are about the clothes you wear.

Believe it or not, your hair could very well be the solution to a lot of your fashion concerns. Hair additions, hair subtractions, hair cuts, length, style and color immediately put variety and flavor in your life.

Discover the wonderful exciting world of wigs, hair pieces and extensions.

Don't be ordinary...but extraordinary
Not plain...just plain good looking

Actually wearing additional hair is some what magical, creating, producing and transforming. Simply by selecting the right hair, you are able to change your appearance and more importantly change how you feel, whether its pony tails,

braids, plaits, afro puffs, banana clips, curls, swirls, flipped or straight, you'll have convenience at your finger tips.

The in hot colors are, soft blacks, dark and light browns, auburns high lighted with streaks and faded shades of strawberry, raspberry and different hues of golden blondes...or you could go, totally blonde.

DO BLONDES REALLY HAVE MORE FUN....

TRY IT

So many choices, so many decisions.

NEXT ISSUE...SHOES, STEPPING PRETTY

FASHION, JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT

Tip... For your total fashion look, always wear a smile

Scott Family Celebrates 4th Bi-Annual Family Reunion in Lubbock

This month as July bursts on the scene, we can take blissful pleasure in the many wonders it brings: the birthday of our nation on July fourth; the satisfaction of long summer evenings; the beauty of nature as it continues to unfold; the joyous occasion of welcoming a newborn; sharing in the celebration as a man and woman start their new life together as husband and wife; wiping away tears of joy as a blessed couple commemorate an anniversary; and most of all, just being alive another year to greet new faces, hug old ones and kissing loved ones at the traditional gathering of school and family reunions.

Speaking of reunions, more than one hundred members of the Robert and Bessie Scott clan with gather together July 4, 5 and 6 to reminisce, share and thank God for coming together once again.

The Scott's, who have traced their ancestry back to pre-civil war days, will kick off the gathering with a registration and re-acquaintance breakfast at the La Quinta Inn. Other festivities during

the three-day get-together will include a barbecue, a showcase of family talent, a live auction, and assorted games ranging from trivia, board and sports at a local neighborhood center. Events will conclude with a special and unforgettable banquet at the Holiday Inn Civic Center.

Local family members who have been preparing for the reunion many months are excited to host the event. Edwin Scott of Lubbock, one of the planners, said the best part of all is getting to see all of his children.

"I look forward to having all of my children together at the same time. That's a blessing."

Indeed it is. Scott also looks forward to receiving a lot of belated birthday gifts and wishes. He turned 76 on June 25.

Family member, Barbara McGee, also of Lubbock, said attending the reunion would be the highlight of her summer.

"Although it has been a lot of work, the joy that will come from helping to host this occasion, will override

all of the stress and worry."

This is the fourth annual reunion to be planned by the Scott's. They started it in 1997 as a way to bring family members together to share in their history, to teach the young ones the importance of family unit and for everyone to remember the great dynasty from whence they came. The reunion, which is held every two years, has previously been in San Antonio, Slaton and Abilene, prior to being held in Lubbock, this year.

Robert and Bessie moved to Slaton in the 1960s from Rockdale, Texas. They had ten children, whom they raised to be God-fearing, hard-working and loving citizens. Out of the ten siblings, three are still living: Edwin Scott of Lubbock, Myrtle Smith of Slaton, and Leo Scott of Abilene.

Golondine Scott of Dayton, Ohio, and the oldest grandchild, will travel the most miles to attend the family celebration.



JAY'S CORNER

RUEY JAY'S CORNER

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. Billy R. Moton, pastor. As always, we invite you to attend the New Hope Baptist Church if you do not have a church home. If you will attend, you will be glad you did so. So bring your family and a friend to worship with us.

Services began last Sunday morning with Sunday School beginning at 9:30 a. m. All teachers were at their post of duty with the superintendent presiding. Students received thirty minutes of instruction, and at 10:15 a. m., students and teachers marched and sang their way to the main auditorium where highpoints of the morning lesson were given.

The morning devotional was conducted by Brother Clarence Ervin and Sister Joan Y. Ervin, with the assistance of the Praise Team. What a time all had in praising the Lord!

The Senior Choir marched in the procession for the Fifth Sunday services. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Bonita Saunders. After a selection by the Senior Choir, scripture was read by Sister Sandra Evans. Sister Mattie Beaty gave the morning prayer. There was another selection sung by the Senior Choir followed by the responsive reading with all standing and led by Sister Marian Allen. The morning hymn was "When I'm On My Mission Lord."

Pastoral observations were given by Pastor Moton. After the singing of another selection, guest speaker for this Mission Sunday was Pastor Irene Marjorie Katongole, president of 54 churches which were planted under her leadership. She is from Uganda, Africa. She asked the congregation of New Hope Baptist Church to become a part of what God is doing in Uganda, Africa by supporting this fruitful work of God. Announcements of the morning were read by Sister Dorothy Kinner. All visitors were welcomed by Sister Patricia Penry.

During the month of July, the Ushers will be in charge of the devotions for Mid-Week Prayer Meeting and Bible Study at New Hope.

Annual Usher's Day will be held at the New Hope Baptist Church on Sunday, July 21, 2002, beginning at 3:00 p. m.

The B. M. E. Congress of Christian Education will be held in Dallas, Texas July 22 through July 26, 2002.

The West Texas Baptist District Association will be held in Odessa, Texas August 5 through 8, 2002.

The 3rd Annual Women's Prayer Retreat will be held August 16 and 17, 2002, at the Ark in Amherst and will close out on Sunday, August 18th, with worship services at the church. Any New Hope women who would like to work in any capacity, please contact Vice President E. Dyer or President Joan Y. Ervin.

Plans are underway for the Women in Red Banquet. If you want to work with this program, then contact either one of the presidents, Sister Margie Thomas or Sister Billie Cavell.

Let us not forget our sick and shut in citizens of the community as well as those families who have lost loved ones recently. God is able!

Members of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church were edified over the sermon delivered by the 10th Episcopal Prelate, Bishop McKinley Young last Sunday morning. His subject was "Don't Give Up!" What a message, according to members.

Texas Tech University's College of Education Receives \$1 Million Grant For Course

LUBBOCK - Texas Tech University's College of Education recently received a \$1.3 million grant from the New Mexico School for the Visually Handicapped. The funding, which will span over a five-year period, will support courses for New Mexico teachers who will work with visually impaired students and orientation and mobility specialists. Classes for the program, the New Mexico Vision Professionals Outreach Project, start in the Fall 2002.

Pat Kelley, Ed.D., co-principal investigator of the grant, said the program will offer online courses for both teachers and mobility professionals. Additionally, two weekend classes in Alamogordo, N.M.,

and a summer course in 2003 will be offered for mobility students. Kelley, who is also a research associate professor of the College of Education, said teachers will learn Braille and how to adapt materials for instruction for the visually impaired. Mobility students will learn how to guide people with visual impairments.

There are 32 programs in the United States that train teachers to work with individuals with visual impairments and 16 programs in the United States for mobility professionals," Kelley said. "Unless we make ourselves globally available, a lot of people will be overlooked."

Nora Griffin-Shirley, Ph.D., co-principal investigator for the

grant and director of the Virginia Murray Sowell Center for Research and Education in Visual Impairment, said the program will effectively prepare New Mexico students as teachers or mobility professionals. The university has worked with Texas students under a similar program, Reach Across Texas.

Kelley said she anticipates that 100 teachers and 24 mobility professionals will enroll in the program for the next five years. Currently, she said 18 students have applied for the fall semester.

"The fact that New Mexico is committed to providing a service to students within their state is very commendable," Kelley said.

SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR LUBBOCK, TEXAS

AccuWeather.com

Thursday Night	Friday	Saturday	
Cloudy and cold; windy in the evening. 44	Clouds breaking for some sunshine. 78/31	Times of sun and clouds. Chance of showers. 71/36	
RealFeel: 50	RealFeel: 28	RealFeel: 58	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Sunny. 69/35	Sunshine. 63/34	Intervals of clouds and sunshine. 65/43	Plenty of clouds with spotty showers. 66/36
RealFeel: 45	RealFeel: 53	RealFeel: 54	RealFeel: 40

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Competitive Sealed Proposals

FOR

Jerry S. Rawls Red Raider Golf Course Perimeter Fence for The Texas Tech University System Lubbock, Texas Project No-97-18F

Competitive Sealed Proposals will be received for the following project.

Texas Tech intends to design and construct a vinyl coated chain link fence, approximately 9,500 linear ft in Lubbock, TX with a total project budget of \$200,000.00

By:

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Texas Tech University System
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Lubbock, Texas 79409-2014

until July 23, 2002, at 3:00 pm

Proposals received after closing time will be returned unopened. Proposals may not be withdrawn within sixty (60) days after the opening date.

The RFP and further information can be obtained by accessing the

Texas Marketplace
<http://esbd.tbpc.state.tx.us/1380/sagency.cfm>
GSC Class Item No 330.13

Texas Tech reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Proposals 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.

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CHURCH DIRECTORY



WE THANK GOD FOR JESUS
 "LORD WE FORGOT TO REMEMBER"

DEUTERONOMY 10:1-4. YE SHALL WALK AFTER THE LORD YOUR GOD, AND FEAR HIM, AND KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS, AND OBEY HIS VOICE, AND YE SHALL SERVE HIM, AND CLEAVE UNTO HIM.

LORD, YOU MADE THE RULES, AND TOLD US WHAT AND HOW TO DO, YOU SAID: SERVE NO OTHER GODS, ONLY TRUST IN YOU.

MATTHEW 4:10. JESUS SAID, GET THEE HENCE, SATAN; FOR IT IS WRITTEN, THOU SHALT WORSHIP THE LORD THY GOD, AND ESPECIALLY SHALT THOU SERVE.

LORD, I REMEMBER WHEN THE CHURCH WAS A PLACE TO FIND REST FOR THE SOUL, BUT MAN HAS MADE IT A WORKSHOP, AND HE IS PROSPERING FOR GOLD.

ISAIAH 55:8,9. THE LORD SAID, 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, THE CHURCH USE TO BE A PLACE OF PRAYER, AND YOU COULD FIND REST, BUT NOW ITS A FASHION STAGE, WHERE ONE TRIES TO DRESS THE BEST.

MARK 7:6. JESUS SAID, WELL HATH E-SAI AS PROPHESED OF YOU HYPOCRITES, AS IT IS WRITTEN, THIS PEOPLE HONOURETH ME WITH THEIR LIPS, BUT THEIR HEART IS FAR FROM ME.

LORD, EVEN THE PREACHER'S SON: SATURDAY NIGHT, SINGS ROCK AND ROLL, SUNDAY MORNING, HE SINGS FOR THE CHURCH, PLAYING WITH THE PEOPLE SOULS.

*****WILL A SINGER ROB GOD*****

MALACHI 1:6-8. THE LORD SAID, A SON HONOURETH HIS FATHER, AND A SERVANT HIS MASTER; IF THEN I BE A FATHER, WHERE IS MINE HONOUR? AND IF I BE A MASTER, WHERE IS MY FEAR? SAITH THE LORD, OF HOSTS UNTO YOU,

O PRIESTS, THAT DESPISE MY NAME, AND YE SAY, WHEREIN HAVE WE DESPISED THY NAME? YE OFFER POLLUTED BREAD UPON MINE ALTAR; AND YE SAY, WHEREIN HAVE WE POLLUTED THEE? IN THAT YE SAY, THE TABLE OF THE LORD IS CONTEMPTIBLE, AND IF YE OFFER THE BLIND (USELESS) FOR SACRIFICE, IS IT NOT EVIL? AND IF YE OFFER THE LAME AND SICK (USELESS), IS IT NOT EVIL? OFFER IT NOW UNTO THY GOVERNOR, WILL HE BE PLEASED WITH THEE, OR ACCEPT THY PERSON (THE SINGER)? SAITH THE LORD OF HOSTS.

LORD, THE WORLD IS MEAN, AND TAKING THE PEOPLE EVER SO FAST, THE CHURCH IS SUPPOSE TO BE A PLACE OF COMFORT WHEN ONE IS SAD.

ISAIAH 56:9-11. THE LORD SAID, ALL YE BEASTS OF THE FIELD, COME TO DEVOUR, YEA ALL YE BEASTS IN THE FOREST, HIS WATCHMEN ARE BLIND;

THEY ARE IGNORANT, THEY ARE ALL DUMB DOGS, THEY CANNOT BARK; SLEEPING, LYING DOWN, LOVING TO SLUMBER, YEA, THEY ARE GREEDY DOGS WHICH CAN NEVER HAVE ENOUGH, AND THEY ARE SHEPHERDS (PREACHERS) THAT CANNOT UNDERSTAND; THEY ALL LOOK TO THEIR OWN WAY, EVERY ONE FOR HIS GAIN, FROM HIS QUARTER (ANNIVERSARY).

LORD, WE FORGOT TO REMEMBER, YOU ARE THE MASTER; WE'RE SERVANTS, WE'RE YOUR HANDS, FEET, AND MOUTH; WE'RE TO DO AND GO; WHERE WE'RE SENT.

DEUTERONOMY 10:1-4. YE SHALL WALK AFTER THE LORD YOUR GOD, AND FEAR HIM, AND KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS, AND OBEY HIS VOICE, AND YE SHALL SERVE HIM, AND CLEAVE UNTO HIM.

GOD IS NOT THROUGH WITH US YET; SO LET'S PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER ALWAYS.
 WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY B.J. MORRISON, III,
 YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST JESUS.



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

Worship
Sunday Afternoon
June 9, 2002

at
3:30 p.m.

at
Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church
2304 Cedar Avenue • Lubbock, Texas

with
"People of Color"
in the
Community of Faith
of the
Methodist Tradition



Bethel
 Rev. Danny Poe, Pastor



Mt. Vernon
 Dr. J.C. Clark, Pastor



Carter Chapel
 Rev. Christopher Neal, Pastor

Smith Temple
 Parson D.A. Smith, Pastor



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 &
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 celebrate with
THE REV EDWIN SCOTT'S

Family Reunion

Sunday, July 7, 2002 at 11:00 A. M.
The Rev. Leo Scott
Pastor, New Light Baptist Church
Ablene, Texas
Will be the Speaker

Friends' & Family Members are asked to join
in this Spiritual Reunion.

"But as for me and MY house..." -Joshua 24:15

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast know there is security in Jesus. "Are you afraid?"

PSALMS 91

He who dwells in the secret place of the most high shall abide under the shadow of the almighty. I will say of the Lord, he is my refuge and my fortress, My God in him I will trust. Surely he shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the perilous pestilence. He shall cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you shall take refuge. His truth shall be your shield and buckler. You shall not be afraid of the terror by night nor of the arrow that flies by day. Nor of the pestilence that walks in darkness. Nor of the destruction that lays waste at noonday. A thousand may fall at your side, and ten thousand at your right hand, but it shall not come near you. Only with your eyes shall you look, and see the reward of the wicked because you have made the Lord who is my refuge. Even the most high, your dwelling place.

No evil shall befall you, nor shall any plague come near your dwelling place. For he shall give his angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways, in their hands they shall bear you up. Lest you dash your feet against a stone, you shall tread upon the lion and the cobra, the young lion, and the serpent you shall trample underfoot, because he has set his love upon me. Therefore, I will deliver him. I will set him on high, because he has known my name. He shall call up in me, there-

fore, I will deliver him. I will set him on high, because he has known my name. He shall call upon me, and I will answer him. I will be with him in trouble. I will deliver him and honor him with long life I will satisfy him, and show him my salvation.

Prayer of Salvation
 Dear Heavenly Father, I come to you in the name of Jesus, Forgive me of my sins. Your word says, if I will confess with my mouth, the Lord Jesus and will deliver in my heart that God has raised him from the dead, I shall be saved.

Lord, I believe in my heart that Jesus Christ is the son of God. I believe he died on the cross and was resurrected on the third day. Thank you for cleansing me from all my sins and for giving me eternal life. I know without any doubt that I am saved. Thank you, Father, for my salvation. Amen.

Welcome to the Family of God, There is a God, We will meet Saturday morning, July 6, 2002, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the home of Sister Annie Mae McBride, 402 Walnut Avenue, Coen and be with us.

Keep praying, God's people. We will make believers out of all unbelievers. Write on your check: "In God We Trust."

Thanks for reading our column each week. You will receive a blessing. You may write to us: Outreach Prayer Breakfast, P.O. Box 1223, Lubbock, Texas 79408. We'd love to hear from you.

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president, and Sister Joyce Ross, secretary.

Greater St. Mark Baptist Church
 1210 Vanda
 Pastor L. Tom Hood
 Annual Homecoming

When: July 20th - 21st

Theme: Acts 14:24
And when they were come And had gathered the Churches together they rehearsed all that God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles

July 20th 3pm
 Church Picnic

July 21st 3pm
 Special Guest Speaker
 Rev. George Walker Las Angles Calif.

Dinner will be served after Service
 Thanks to everyone for helping us to celebrate this great occasion!!!

Bethel
African Methodist Episcopal
Church
 2202 Southeast Drive
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 Pastor's study 806-741-0208
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Intercessory Prayer
 8:30am
 Church School
 9:30am
 Morning Worship
 10:50am
 Evening Worship
 6:00pm
 Wednesday Bible Study
 12:00 Noon and 6:00pm



"God Our Father, Christ Our Redeemer,
 Man Our Brother"
 Pastor: Danny R. Poe

City Wide Ushers Meeting

Members of the City Wide Ushers will meet at the Faith First Missionary Baptist Church, 1504 East 15th Street, on Saturday, July 13, 2002, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Rev. N.R. Garrett is host pastor.

It is important for all of us to attend as we need to make plans for our next breakfast. Without your presence, it might not be successful (smile). So all of you come, even Bethel we want you to be with us.

Sister Minnie Harward, sponsor.

In Remembrance...



ELDER PHILIP GLASPIE

Scores of family and friends from Lubbock, Amarillo and other parts of the country were in attendance of the homegoing celebration of Elder Philip Glaspie last Saturday morning, June 29, 2002, at the Martin Luther King Seventh Day Adventist Church with Pastor Norman Stiggers as eulogist. Officiating was Pastor James Roberts.

Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

Active pallbearers were Roland Boswell, Travis Brown, Phillip Embry, Leonist Evans, Robert Evans, Victor Evans, Marquess Terry and Kerry Terry.

Honorary pallbearers were Elders and Deacons of the Martin Luther King Seventh Day Adventist Church.

He was born June 8, 1932, in Carthage, Texas. He married Leola Brewer in Lubbock, Texas on November 27, 1952. He moved from Carthage and resided in Lubbock all that time.

Elder Glaspie was a member of the Martin Luther King Seventh Day Adventist Church where he served as the Head Elder, Head Deacon, Lay activities Ministries Director, Sabbath School Superintendent and Senior FL Class teacher. He loved working in the Lubbock community giving Bible studies and sharing with the public all of his knowledge of God. His speciality was teaching the Revelation Seminars.

Elder Glaspie was the owner and operator of A-1 Cleaners for many, many years until his retirement.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his wife, Leola; a son, Claudell of Lubbock, Texas; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; four sisters: Eloise Garrett and Elizabeth Evans, both of Denver, Colorado, and Viola McKelvey and Betty Boswell, both of Lubbock, Texas; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



TOMMY "T.C." McDONALD

Funeral services for Tommy "T. C." McDonald were held Saturday morning, June 29, 2002, in the Ossie Curry Chapel with the Rev. Perry Wilson officiating.

Burial was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

Mr. McDonald died Tuesday, June 25, 2002.

He was born December 22, 1947, in Marlin, Texas. He married Rosemarie Pledi in 1970 in Eunice, N.M. where he attended school. He joined the U.S. Army

(a 1966 and was discharged in 1976).

Mr. McDonald moved to Lubbock in 1971 and attended Draughon's Business College. He graduated from South Plains College with honor in 1991. He was a former employee of the City of Lubbock.

He is survived by his wife, Rosemarie McDonald; two sons, Anthony and Terry Nunley, both of Lubbock, Texas; two daughters, Barbara McDonald and Lon Vinta Humphrey, both of Lubbock, Texas; his mother Mattie Steele of Matador, Texas; four brothers: Leon McDonald of Fort Worth, Texas, Kenneth McDonald of Matador, Texas, Henry Lee Peterson of Dallas, Texas and Jimmy Shaw of Los Angeles, California; two sisters, Linda Francis and Mary Ann Hoffman, both of Lubbock, Texas; and two grandchildren.



HAZEL QUEENAN

Funeral services for Hazel Queenan were held last Saturday afternoon, June 29, 2002, at Mount Gilead Baptist Church with Rev. Jerome Johnson, pastor officiating.

Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Mrs. Queenan died Tuesday, June 25, 2002.

She was born May 20, 1919, in Calvert, Texas. She married the Rev. Willie D. Queenan in 1946 in Waco, Texas. He preceded her in death. She graduated from Calvert High School and attended Paul Guinn College in Waco, Texas. She was a teacher's aide at Pose Elementary School for 15 years.

She was active in the women's mission group at Mount Gilead Baptist Church, where she was a member. She also volunteered for several local organizations.

She is survived by three daughters: Earnestine Lewis of Spring, Texas and Juanita Giddens and Hazel Ann Queenan, both of Lubbock, Texas; three brothers: Kermit of Irving, Texas and Ronnie and William, both of Houston, Texas; 13 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.



PAMELA SUE ROLLISON

Funeral services were held for Pamela Sue Rollison on Wednesday morning, June 26, 2002, at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church with associate minister Eddie Williams officiating.

Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Jamison Funeral Home.

Fallbearers were Willie Lee Rogers, Christopher Colombo Donald Pratt, Jerry Yates, Trent Cox and Ted Mullins.

Honorary pallbearers were Richard Rollison III, Richard Rollison IV, Larry Rollison, Roderick Rollison, and Jeremy Moore.

She passed away Saturday, June 22, 2002.

She was born December 20, 1957 to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rollison Jr. and became the youngest of four children whom they named "Pamela". She accepted Christ at an early age and united with Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church where she remained until her death.

She attended Lubbock public school and graduated from Dunbar-Struggs High School in 1976. She attended South Plains College and graduated in 1978.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rollison, Jr.; two children, Alissa LaTrice and Michael Jerome (Julia), both of Lubbock, Texas; two brothers, Richard III (Vickie) of Lubbock, Texas and Larry Don (Paula) of Murfreesboro, Tennessee; a sister, Carolyn Kaye of Houston, Texas; five grandchildren:

Aaliyah and Aarielle Andrews, Alyssabeth Pinkard, Alexis and Tyshawn Rollison all of Lubbock, Texas; a host of nieces and nephews and other relatives and friends.

STRENGTH FOR TODAY; HOPE FOR TOMORROW

Question: Why do I have to go to church. Why can't I just worship God the way I want to?

Answer: I have found these two questions are usually related because they are motivated by the same attitude. Let me first explain the attitude and then I will answer the question.

The attitude can be described in two possible ways. The first description is reflected in the question, "What is the least I can do and still be pleasing to God?" The second description is portrayed by the statement, "I don't want to do what God asks me to do but I still want the blessings God promises." This attitude is usually used by someone wanting to justify their lack of church attendance.

The person who uses this excuse to avoid coming to worship God has no love for God in their heart. You can almost hear someone in the background saying, "You shouldn't judge others." To that person let me ask a question. Can a person truly recognize their lost condition in sin, learn about the horrible sacrifice of Jesus, who paid the price for our sins and yet refuse to come together with other grateful people and say how wonderful God is for saving us? If there is any appreciation at all in this person they would crawl to the nearest house of worship to honor the living God.

The one who seeks to find an excuse not to come to worship should simply be straight forward enough to admit they don't want to come to worship. Let's not offer God some petty excuses to justify our rebellion against Him. I am reminded of the story of W.C. Fields on his death bed. It is told that Jack Carson came to

see his friend who was dying. He found Fields reading a Bible. He knew that Fields was not a religious man. He asked, "Bill, what are you doing reading the Bible?" Fields replied in that characteristic voice, "Looking for loopholes." Those who make excuses for not coming to worship God and use the excuses mentioned are hoping that maybe God has some loopholes in His Bible that will allow them to do what they want to do and still get to heaven.

The Bible is clear about our worship. Firstly, we must worship in spirit and in truth. "For an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshippers" (John 4:24).

Secondly, the Hebrew writer encourages us to "draw near to God", "hold fast the confession of our hope", "consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds", "not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some" (Hebrews 10:22-25).

As to the manner of worship, we are able to see from the Bible that God has shown us what He desires in our worship. In the book of Acts 20:7 we find the saints were gathered together on the first day of the week to break bread (the Lord's supper). They were not hanging out on the corner waiting for the Friday night fish fry. The Bible tells us when they met and what they did. We find that during this assembly Paul preached to them. In 1 Timothy 2:1-4 we find when the church is assembled they should pray. Throughout the Old and New Testaments we find singing was always a part of worshipping God. From the time that Moses

and the children of Israel sang in Exodus until the Angels sang in Revelation, singing has always been a part of worship to God. And finally, in 1 Corinthians 16:1,2 when the church was assembled they took up a collection for the relief of the saints. This is what the Bible teaches us about worship. We have not been given the flexibility to worship when we want and how we want.

Consider what happened to Nadab and Abihu when they offered strange fire as an act of worship to God (see Leviticus 10:1-3). God has given us His word to guide us. We don't need to reinvent the wheel. Our task is to simply obey what has already been written.

To answer the question, you don't have to go to worship, you get to go to worship! Why would you want to miss out on worshipping with people who have a similar appreciation of salvation that you have. Get up Sunday morning and look forward to worshipping the King.



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Source: Carol Keeton Ryland, Texas Comptroller

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Q: Can my child support check be deposited directly into my bank account?

A: Six months ago, I announced direct deposit as an option for parents who receive their child support payments through the Texas Child Support Disbursement Unit (TxCSUDU). Since that time, approximately 14,000 families have signed up for the program. In a survey of custodial parents, 75 percent of the respondents said they were interested in direct deposit. That is why we made direct deposit available to parents

whose child support checks are processed through the TxCSUDU.

I encourage eligible custodial parents who have not enrolled in direct deposit to consider doing so today. The process is simple. Parents whose checks are processed through the TxCSUDU can obtain a direct deposit authorization form by calling 1-800-252-8014, or by visiting the Attorney General's website at www.oag.state.tx.us. You can also obtain a direct deposit authorization form by contacting your local child support field office.

To assist our office in processing applications, we are asking that parents include their 10-digit case number on the authorization form. Direct deposit provides a safe, fast and convenient method for depositing child support payments directly into a parent's personal checking or savings account. Direct deposit is a quick and efficient way for parents to receive child support payments that are needed to feed and clothe their children.

Direct deposit also saves taxpayer dollars by eliminating costs associated with printing and mailing child support checks.

The TxCSUDU, located in San Antonio, processes more than 700,000 child support checks a month with a projected increase to 1 million checks per month by August 2002. Printing and mailing a child support check costs 97 cents, compared to only 3 cents for electronic delivery. If 50 percent of eligible custodial parents convert to direct deposit, Texas taxpayers will save \$5.6 million per year once outreach is completed.

Parents who sign up for direct deposit will receive their child support more quickly because the time it takes to mail and cash a check is eliminated. Direct deposit reduces risk of theft, provides convenience by saving extra trips to the bank and eliminates check-cashing fees.

Parents who enroll in direct deposit should allow 30 days from the time we receive their authorization form for direct deposit to begin. To verify that the TxCSUDU has electronically transmitted the payment to their financial institution, parents can call the Payment Information Line at 1-800-252-8014 and/or their financial institution automated system.

In most cases, funds will be available in a parent's bank account two to three business days after the child support payment is received at the TxCSUDU. Parents who receive their child support checks through a private child support collection company or the Dallas or McKinney Guardian Ad Litem programs may not be eligible for direct deposit. Those parents should check with the specific organization that processes their child support payments to determine eligibility for participating in direct deposit.

For more information about the Office of the Attorney General and child support services, visit the agency's Web site www.oag.state.tx.us.

See Southwest Digest June 15, 2002

KRAFT FOODS DONATES \$50,000 TO THE UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND



From the annual United Negro College Fund (UNCF) gala fund-raiser in Chicago, Kraft Foods made a donation of \$50,000 to the College Fund. Jim Norman, director of diversity for Kraft Foods said, "the United Negro College Fund has done remarkable work in addressing the financial needs of deserving students and Kraft is proud to share in efforts that nourish and better the lives of our communities."

Kraft Foods celebrated Black History Month by offering a limited edition compilation CD that celebrated African American women. As part of the program, Kraft donated \$50,000 from a portion of CD sales to UNCF. The CD was a collection of 10 classic songs - seven R&B hits - and featured female recording artists Faye Adams, Patti LaBelle, India Arie, Gladys Knight & The Pips, Shantae, Mary Wells, Sara Vaughn, Jennifer Holliday and Martha Reeves & The Vandellas. Pictured from left: Taisia Battle Grissom, multicultural marketing manager, Kraft Foods; William H. Gray III, President & CEO, United Negro College Fund; Jim Norman, director of diversity, Kraft Foods.

STATEMENT BY RNC CHAIRMAN MARC RACICOT IN CELEBRATION OF JUNETEENTH

WASHINGTON - The Republican National Committee (RNC) joins the millions of African Americans who celebrate Juneteenth, the June 19th remembrance of the liberation of slaves in the years following the Emancipation Proclamation. In honor of this important and historical date, Chairman Racicot released the following statement:

"We join with President George W. Bush and mil-

lions of Americans in observing Juneteenth, the oldest known celebration of the end of slavery. Throughout our history, African-Americans have exhibited great strength and character which has profoundly shaped the spiritual, economic and cultural development of our country.

"As founder of our Grand Old Party, President Abraham Lincoln demonstrated great vision. He

believed in freedom for all, not just for a select few. On January 1st, 1863, in signing the Emancipation Proclamation, President Lincoln advanced the American ideal that all men are created equal. During this special time of celebration of freedom, the RNC honors the memory of those who helped pave the way for freedom and salutes all those working to provide it for generations to come."

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“Public Schools, Yes; Private Schools, Yes; Vouchers, NO!”

By Eddie Richardson

Public schools serve all classes, races, religions, cultures and etc. The private schools have basically, in most cases, served mostly the upper middle class and affluent. The voucher system mixes church and state with the faith based initiative which this idiot in California took advantage of a plan which even the late Madlyn O'Hara's son abandoned. The main problem with the voucher system is it can or will destroy the public school system, and it is basically discriminatory —wiping out the disadvantaged, poor,

inner city and especially the so called minorities. It also serves the racist parents who do not want their kids to mix. It is usually not the kids, but the parents who are the problems. Most of them can on their own afford private schools. So why punish the kids and the public schools in the United States of America.

The public school system has always been the primary education producer in the United States of America for the majority of its young people and has all been successful. Improvements are needed, but the voucher system will only punish the public schools and the disenfranchised and so called minorities and support which will advance the affluent students at the expense of the poor students.

Really, it is not advisable to get religious groups tied into faith base vouchers through the U.S. Government. These faith based groups could lose some of their religious freedom and independency by accepting government vouchers.

This writer felt some how for many years that George Washington and Alexander Hamilton just left him out by mistake. But as Barbara Jordan said: “But through the process of amendment, interpretation, and court decision, I have finally been included. We, the people.”

P. S. — “Public schools are We the People.”

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“When the Gap Isn't About Jeans”

By Bernice Powell Jackson

I live in Ohio, where the state recently released statistics which show that our state has the fourth worst graduation rate for African American students in the nation and that white fourth graders were three times more likely to pass the reading proficiency tests than were their African American counterparts. Moreover, of the current seventh graders, only 11.5 percent of black students have passed all parts of their sixth-grade proficiency exams and new state rules require them to pass a difficult tenth grade test in order to graduate. If Ohio were the only state where African American students were in academic trouble, that would be a tragedy for our state, but the reality is that it is true across the nation and thus it is a tragedy for our nation.

Nearly 50 years after the “Brown vs. Board of Education” decision which rendered separate but equal schools for black students unconstitutional and in a new century where information is the key to economic survival, African American students have fallen way behind. And without intensive and intentional strategies targeted for them, they will become casualties of the new economy and candidates for prison, unemployment lines and worse. “Not having an adequate education today is literally an economic death sentence,” said Katie Haycock of the Education Trust. These numbers and the realities behind them mean that the very future of the African American community is at risk. That is why many are beginning

to see public education as the key civil rights issue of the new century.

Some will want to brush aside these warnings, mistakenly believing the middle class African American students are exempted from these realities. But the numbers released by Ohio show that even in middle class communities like Shaker Heights, OH, African Americans make up only 10 percent of the top performing students and 90% of the lowest performing students. Indeed, a group of largely middle class suburban school districts with significant black student populations has formed the Minority Student Achievement Network to develop strategies for overcoming the achievement gaps.

Two national African American organizations are taking these numbers seriously: The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and the National Caucus of Black State Legislators (NCBSL) are both looking carefully at this problem and while working together, have adopted somewhat different tactics for dealing with them. The NAACP is demanding the states cut learning gaps in half over the next five years and

threatening to file formal civil rights complaints in three of the states where the disparities between white and black students are hi-Ohio, Louisiana and Florida.

The National Caucus of Black State Legislators, on the other hand, is focusing on how legislators can build coalitions which include educators, parents, and students to make the problems known and then intensively work to direct them. In their report, Closing the Achievement Gap, C.J. Prentiss, State Senator from Cleveland and chair of the TCBSL's Committee on Elementary and Secondary Education, wrote, “We know what works—our children can learn and perform at a high level with quality teachers who understand our community, with research-proven intervention, including smaller class sizes, with personal attention, and with a focus on high standards.”

There are no quick and easy solutions to these problems. Next week, I'll look at some of the causes and possible solutions and at similar problems faced by other students of color. But, make no mistake about it, this is not just a crisis for communities of color—it is a crisis for every American who cares about the future of our nation.

Our African American slave ancestors whose very lives were at risk if they learned to read and those who were brave enough to teach them will have worked for naught if we produce a whole generation unable to read two hundred years later. That would be a true American tragedy and does not bode well for our democracy.

THIS N THAT

IS THE HONEYMOON OVER AT TTU? THIS N THAT ... would ask the question as we approach football season at ... TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY ... over the debate between ... MIKE LEACH ... head football coach of Red Raiders ... and ... GERALD MYERS ... athletic director ... over an apparent overspending of ... MONIES IN THE FOOTBALL DEPARTMENT ... and this has apparently led to some misunderstanding... THIS N THAT ... believes that since ... COACH LEACH ... has hired an attorney to monitor the proceedings ... it could get real ugly ... if cooler heads don't prevail... THIS N THAT ... remembers walking from a meeting with ... MYERS ... and asking when was the coach going to visit the ... EAST LUBBOCK ... THIS N THAT ... received a reply from ... MYERS ... that he hadn't anytime ... Now that has been nearly THREE YEARS ... and still no visit from the coach... One thing for sure ... in the Black Community ... and that is ... GOD DOESN'T LIKE UGLY ... AND ISN'T CRAZY ABOUT PRETTY... THIS N THAT ... is hoping the problem will be handled in a positive way ... and that ... COACH LEACH ... will make his WAY to the Black community...

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Leadership Conference on Civil Rights Supports United Nations Disability Rights

Washington, June 14, 2002 - Wade Henderson, Executive Director of the Leadership Conference on Human Rights, said the civil rights coalition strongly supports a drive by the disability community for a United Nations Convention on the rights of persons with disabilities. Henderson stated that in seeking a United Nations forum, the disability community is employing the same strategy that was used by the late Congressman Adam Clayton Powell, when American racism was exceptionally potent.

Henderson said that Powell, who represented people in Harlem, went before the United Nations and presented the "contradiction of American life, between what we said as a nation and what we did as a people with respect to racial discrimination." Henderson added that Powell exposed and embarrassed the United States before other countries "who heard the United States appeal on the one hand to principles of democracy while practicing invidious racial discrimination at home."

Henderson spoke at a Washington, D.C. news conference in which the National Council on Disability (NCD) also expressed its support for a United Nations Convention. "We are on the threshold of a new phase in the history of human rights worldwide," declared

Marca Brisco, chairperson of the National Council on Disability (NCD). "The conditions for a United Nations Convention on the rights of persons with disabilities are present and movement in that direction is building."

As NCD and the United States International Council on Disabilities convened a forum for a UN Convention, the Government of Mexico held a similar meeting in Mexico. "The focus of many grass roots organizations is on protecting the rights and dignity of people with disabilities worldwide," said Brisco. "The twenty-making process itself can raise general public awareness about the human rights of people with disabilities and highlight the abuses of those rights." NCD states that:

- The worldwide population of people with disabilities is approximately 600 million people.

- In both developed and developing countries, persons with disabilities face discrimination and are found disproportionately among the poorest segments of society.

- The fundamental rights of disabled persons including the rights to education, parenthood, participation in elections, access to courts of law, and property rights, continue to be violated around the world.

Henderson declared that equal opportu-

nity for people with disabilities is a basic human right and stressed that an international convention is the next necessary step to clarify the content of human rights principles as they apply to people with disabilities.

A movement to create a United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities has been building for over a decade. "This is a call to action to everyone in the disability rights movement," said Yecker Andersson, NCD board member and former president of the World Federation of the Deaf. "Grassroots disability organizations have a vital role to play in the process of developing a convention," Andersson added that "the community's voice, whether national or international is vital as we proceed in developing the principles and provisions of an international human rights convention and treaty."



Complaints on the Rise about Increased Tick Activity

Several complaints from Lubbock citizens about increased tick activity have prompted health officials to ask everyone to take precautions against tick bites. Each year Texans contract Lyme Disease, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, Ehrlichiosis and Relapsing Fever. All of these diseases are transmitted by the bite of an infected tick. If caught early, these diseases can almost always be cured. If left untreated, they can be serious or even deadly.

Early symptoms of these diseases mimic the "flu", and include fever, headache, tiredness, stiff neck or neck pain, muscle aches, and joint pain. Sometimes a rash may be present at the site of the tick bite. If you develop flu-like symptoms (with or without a rash), you should contact your physician immediately.

Eliminating or reducing the risk of a tick bite is the key to protecting

all citizens of Lubbock. Some important prevention tips include:

- Keep your pets free of fleas and ticks. Use flea/tick collar.
- Eliminate unwanted animals (rats, mice and stray dogs and cats). This reduces the number of possibly infected animals for insect to feed on.
- Treat yard regularly with common pesticides available at home and garden stores. (Note: The City of Lubbock is not responsible for treatment of private yards)
- Take protective measures when engaged in outdoor
- Wear light-colored clothing so that crawling ticks can be easily seen. Tuck pant legs into boots or socks.
- Use an approved insect repellent
- Inspect yourself frequently. Prompt removal of attached ticks may prevent disease transmission.

If a tick bite occurs, removing the

tick properly is very important. Here are some helpful tips on Tick Removal:

- If possible, use tweezers to grasp the tick at the surface of the skin.
- If tweezers are not available, use a tissue to protect your fingers. (Exposure to the tick's body fluids may lead to transmission of disease.)
- With a steady motion, pull the tick straight out.

Taking proper precautions can dramatically reduce the risk of a tick bite or disease transmission related to a tick bite, says Mary Croyle, Health Education Coordinator with the City of Lubbock. For more information, please contact the City of Lubbock Health Department at (806) 775-2919.

Co-Publishers Getting Ready!

Co-publishers, Eddie Richardson and T.J. Patterson, are getting ready for their 25th Anniversary of the Southwest Digest in September. More information on what will be forthcoming in the near future issues.



CITY OF LUBBOCK PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY COUNCIL APPROVED PROJECTS FOR FY 2002-2003 FOR

The City of Lubbock's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG)

On June 26, 2002 the Lubbock City Council held a Public Hearing and voted to recommend to Housing and Urban Development (HUD) the following projects for FY 2002-2003. Comments on the plan, and proposals will be accepted through July 31, 2002. Comments may be sent in writing to:

City of Lubbock
Community Development Department
Attn: Todd Steffman
P.O. Box 2000 Lubbock, TX 79407

2002-2003 Proposed Use of Community Development Resources by Grant:

AGENCY	PROJECT	AMOUNT RECOMMENDED
LUBBOCK CITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT		
Lubbock Black Chamber	Minority Bus Bench	\$8,425
Boys & Girls Club	Job Ready Program	\$10,725
Buckner's Children's Home	Project ROCK	\$10,513
Gallop's Family Services	Self-Sufficiency	\$25,730
Children's Advocacy Center	Healing For Abused Children	\$11,000
Christian Outreach Job Corps	Job Training	\$14,297
City of Lubbock Health Dept	Step Up to Health	\$2,500
City of Lubbock Parks	Community Learning Labs	\$33,000
City of Lubbock Parks	Summer Satellite Program	\$70,278
City of Lubbock Parks	Tree Planting	\$10,000
City of Lubbock Parks	Wellness Center	\$250,000
City of Lubbock Parks	Shaw Park	\$200,000
City of Lubbock Parks	Berry Park Development	\$44,000
Daily Learning Centers	Child Care	\$12,000
Good Hope Parkway	Summer Blast	\$12,152
Good Hope Parkway Neighborhood Center	Recreation	\$22,880
Good Hope Parkway Neighborhood Center	Playground	\$25,000
Good Hope Parkway Neighborhood Center	Library Outreach	\$5,000
March of Dimes	Stark's Nest	\$9,150
Caritas House	Ethnic Housing	\$45,000
Postan de Llave	Parking Lot	\$40,000
Lutheran Social Services	Adult Daycare	\$36,700
100 Black Men of West Texas	Rise of Passage Boxing	\$19,487
Prevent Blindness	Minority Vision Awareness	\$13,250
YWCA	Interfaith Volunteer	\$6,300
YWCA	Brain Cancer	\$3,000
YWCA	Challenger	\$6,925
YWCA	Children	\$22,000
City of Lubbock CD	Emergency Repair	\$200,000
City of Lubbock CD	Minority Enterprise Loans	\$75,000
City of Lubbock CD	Barrier Free Program	\$175,000
City of Lubbock CD	Target Residential Rehab	\$400,000
City of Lubbock CD	Sidewalk and Ramps	\$139,266
City of Lubbock CD	HOPE II	\$175,000
City of Lubbock Bus and Neigh	Salary Reimbursement	\$100,000
Business Chamber	Business Assistance	\$30,000
Lubbock Heritage Soc.	Preservation	\$70,000
SPWH	Childcare	\$53,100
Children's Home	Family Care	\$25,000
Compton	On Wheels	\$72,500
City of Lubbock CD	Housing Delivery	\$382,000
City of Lubbock CD	Judicial Care	\$50,000
City of Lubbock CD	CDBG Administration	\$502,084
Total CDBG		\$4,586,000
HOME (Emergency Sheltering Program)		
City of Lubbock CD	Reconstruction	\$607,750
City of Lubbock CD	Site Construction	\$340,000
City of Lubbock CD	LADP	\$178,000
Community Housing Resource Board	Lease Purchase (CHES) Project	\$23,250
Community Housing Resource Board	Operations	\$30,000
City of Lubbock CD	HOME Administration	\$288,790
Total HOME		\$1,412,300
Emergency Shelter Grant		
Alcohol Recovery Center	Operations	\$7,500
ASK Home	Oper. Jans	\$600
Sebastian Army	Operation	\$15,000
Sebastian Army	Housing Transition	\$40,000
Sebastian Army	Financial Services	\$23,000
Women's Postnatal Services	General Support	\$10,000
LBH	Operations	\$11,200
City of Lubbock CD	ESG Administration	\$398
Total ESG		\$111,000

City of Lubbock, August 1, 2002. The City of Lubbock is located at 1001 South Street, Lubbock, Texas 79401. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is located at 400 North Dearborn Street, Lubbock, Texas 79401.

LOOKING For A place to call home?

Boardwalk 5540 19th Street 793-2214

Boardwalk is a 2.5 acre community located just off of State 289 in Lubbock. It is a major shopping area with numerous stores and services. The community is directly across from Lubbock Christian University and just west of the medical district and Texas Tech University. It offers a quiet, suburban feel with excellent schools and new homes. The property is well-maintained and has a great view of the city.

Bay Tree

Bay Tree is a subdivision of Texas Tech University in Lubbock, specifically on Toledo Avenue and 34th Street. It is a major shopping area. The community is located in proximity to elementary, junior and senior high schools and is a quiet, walking distance of community retail services. There are also homes in the area. The property includes party rooms, a pool, and a clubhouse with a great view of the city.

3333 Toledo 795-5605

Gatewood 2701 44th Street 795-5514

Gatewood is a brand new subdivision in Lubbock. The location of the community is within walking distance of community retail services. Gatewood offers a quiet, suburban feel with excellent schools and new homes. The property is well-maintained and has a great view of the city. The project includes party rooms, a pool, and a clubhouse with a great view of the city.

Twin Oaks

Twin Oaks is one of the best subdivisions in Lubbock. It is a major shopping area and is a quiet, walking distance of community retail services. The community is located in proximity to elementary and junior high schools and is a quiet, walking distance of community retail services. There are also homes in the area. The property includes party rooms, a pool, and a clubhouse with a great view of the city.

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McDougal PROPERTIES

Contact the McDougal Connection 797.6785

AOP is an organization engaged in an overall community-building approach to addressing the root cause of all ills among Black and similarly-situated minorities. AOP's overall objective, via this interorganization coalition, is to begin immediately to transform the discrete communities within Black America, through pride-installing "togetherness" into a Shining Oasis of hope that all therein will not only be motivated to learn and become productive parts of our wonderful communities, but also there will be less desire to abandon support for Black-led organizations that have opened economic and other doors for Black-owned businesses, professional entities, Black churches, etc. By inordinately integrating the communities and social and other institutions developed by (and for) other ethnic groups, AOP 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."

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Barnes & Nobles Booksellers present, African-American Reading Group, facilitated by Rene Pearis-Coleman. Sunday, July 7 • 3:00 p.m. • 6707 Slide Rd. • Lubbock. All those interested in fiction and non-fiction works by African-American authors are welcome. The July book selection is Good Hair by Benilde Little.

Lubbock Area Client Council
Second Saturday • 1:00 pm • Mae Simmons Community Center

Hub City Kiwanis • Every Tuesday Night • 7:00pm • 1708 Avenue G.

Dunbar Alumni Association 2nd Saturday 4pm

Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 2nd Tuesday- 7:30

EAST LUBBOCK EARLY SETTLERS WILL MEET

The members of the East Lubbock Early Settlers will meet Tuesday evening July 9, 2002, at 5:30 p.m. at Mae Simmons Community Center, East Oak and East 18th Street. According to a spokesperson, this is a very important meeting, and it is of importance for all to attend. Instructions will be given on what your responsibilities are for this annual event. It is necessary to get involved. So we are asking for all to come to this meeting. Mae Simmons Community Center is located at East 18th Street and Oak Avenue.

We would like to publish your monthly meetings. If you would like for an announcement to appear in this column, please get it to us in writing by mailing it to:

Community Meetings C/O: Southwest Digest
P.O. Box 2553
Lubbock, Texas 79408

or bring it by the Southwest Digest office at 902 East 23rd Street

Forgotten West Riders • First & Third Monday • 7:00 pm • T. J. Patterson Library

East Lubbock Chapter AARP • Every 1st Thursday at 1 pm • Mae Simmons Community Center, Oak and 8th St.

