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National News

TTUHSC Offers Camp for Children Who Stutter

LUBBOCK - The Department of Communication Disorders in the School of Allied Health at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center announces its first camp for children who stutter. The camp is set for June 10 through June 14.

Camp Tech Talkers is an intensive, weeklong camp filled with individual sessions, field trips, classes and talking opportunities for children who stutter. The camp is designed for school-aged boys and girls, ages 7 to 13, who often have limited opportunities to work with other children with similar speech characteristics. The children will be able to work and talk together and learn fluency enhancing strategies together.

"Most children who stutter receive services to work on their stuttering but they rarely have an opportunity to meet or work with other children whose speech is similar to theirs. Camp Tech Talkers is a wonderful opportunity for them to get to know other children who also stutter," said Judi Keller, instructor in the Department of Communication Disorders at the Health Sciences Center.

Cost for the week is \$300 and must be paid in full by the final day of the camp and installment payments are available. Fees include lunch Monday through Thursday, supplies for crafts and admissions to museums and other field trip locations. Reservations must be made with a deposit of \$50, which will be applied toward the \$300. Enrollment is limited.

TTUHSC School of Nursing Receives Recognition at Banquet

Two faculty members and two students from the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Nursing received recognition for their roles in the nursing profession at the Texas Nurses Association District 18 Nurses Week banquet May 6, TNA District 18 covers 16 counties in the South Plains area.

Cathie Collins, R.N., M.S.N., an instructor in the School of Nursing, was recognized as the TNA District 18 Nurse of the Year for providing excellent patient care to her clients at Hospice of Lubbock. Collins also contributes to the well-being of hospice clients in West Texas by educating undergraduate nursing students in hospice and palliative care issues.

Kathryn Sridacomont, R.N., M.S.N., an associate professor in the School of Nursing, received recognition for excellence in nursing. Sridacomont has been a faculty member in the School of Nursing since 1981 when the school first opened to students.

The Undergraduate Scholarship Award for the School of Nursing was awarded to senior student Kristi Furry, who has served as the Texas Nurses Student Association western regional director at the state level. TNA's Graduate Scholarship Award for the School of Nursing was awarded to graduate student Heather Morris, R.N. Morris is a faculty associate in the School of Nursing while pursuing a graduate nursing education and family nurse practitioner certification.

Combest Draws Attention to Small Business Valuable Contributions Recognized This Week



Rep. Larry Combest

This week is Small Business Week - a time when we recognize small businesses for the contributions they make to America and our communities. As a former small business owner, I know the challenges small businesses face surviving in today's challenging economy. Government too often harms the vitality of small businesses through burdensome regulations and higher taxes.

Small businesses are the backbone of the American economy.

They represent 99.7 percent of all employers, and hire more than half of the private workforce. The same is true in West Texas, where small businesses comprise the majority of our job creation. The burden government regulations place on small businesses is easy to see, but less obvious is the government assistance available to small businesses. Government assistance is available for entrepreneurs to begin their business. I utilized a loan from the Small Business Administration, or SBA, when I began my business.

Congress has been working to help small businesses remain strong in our changing economy. I am a cosponsor of the Small Business Investment in Growth Act of 2002. This bill would allow businesses to expense up to \$40,000 in new investments, up from \$25,000, and will allow businesses to lower their costs of doing business, which will better enable them to compete and create new jobs. Also, the House of Representatives has voted to make

tax relief permanent, which is important to small businesses in West Texas.

As a senior member of the House Small Business Committee, I know that small businesses are hit harder than larger companies by costly government regulations. For smaller businesses, those expenses easily translate into higher prices to their customers and fewer people they can afford to hire. Although some regulations are well intentioned to protect consumers and workers, small firms lack the necessary capital to absorb the compliance costs. Small businesses support such safety and health regulations, but, frequently, they need greater flexibility to accomplish the same goal. The government must help those businesses, so the regulations meant to protect consumers and employees do not cause businesses to shut their doors - giving consumers fewer options in the marketplace and costing the

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Mt. Vernon UMC Celebrates 77th Year

Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church, 2304 Cedar Avenue, an historic congregation located in the City of Lubbock since 1925, will celebrate Women's Day on Sunday, May 19, 2002, at 11:00 a.m. The theme is: Men and Women of God Building Bridges to Wholeness. Also, certificates of appreciation will be presented to citizens of the community who continue to make a difference and impact upon the lives of others.

The church's pastor, Dr. J. C. Clark, received his doctorate from Drew University in New Jersey, and his seminary training from Duke Divinity School (North Carolina), Princeton Theological Seminary (New Jersey), Perkins School of Theology - SMU (Dallas), and Brite Divinity School (TCU) Fort Worth. He has also pastored congregations and served as a university and college administrator and teacher in New Jersey, Jamaica, Mississippi, North Carolina and Texas.

A buffet luncheon, free of charge, will be served following the morning worship service.

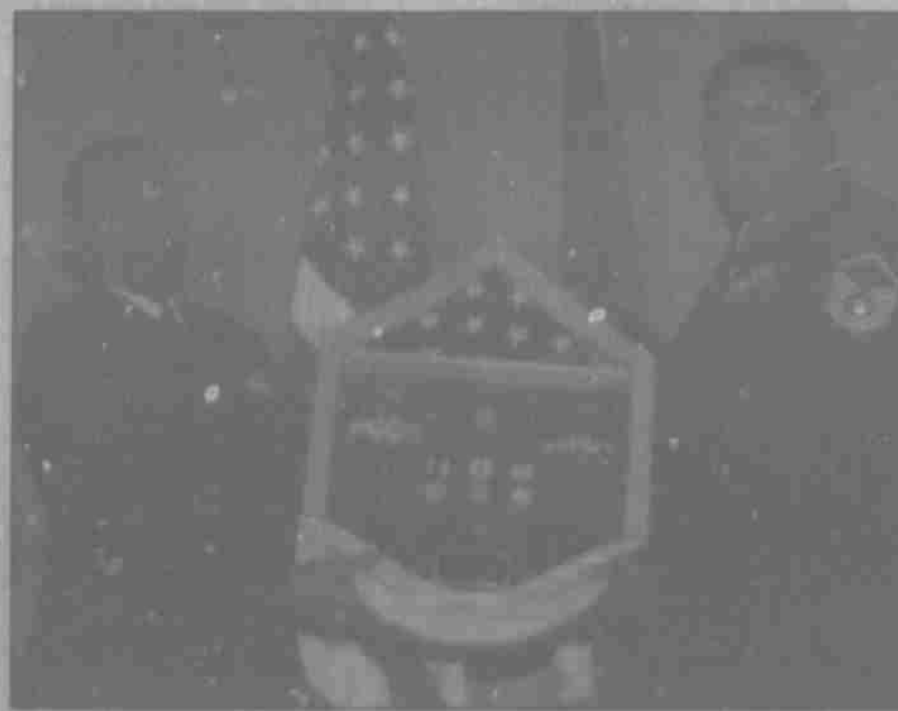


Bill Gates (right), Microsoft chairman, shows his commitment to eradicating the digital divide with talk show host and community advocate, Tavis Smiley (left), and Rainbow/PUSH Coalition president, Rev. Jesse L. Jackson (center). Microsoft executives and leaders of the Rainbow/PUSH Coalition convened in San Jose on April 24 for the coalition's third Digital Connections conference. The conference, hosted by the Silicon Valley Project of the Rainbow/PUSH Coalition, brought in advocates and technology experts to discuss such pressing issues as the digital economy and the divide between technological haves and have-nots.

Dwindling Supplies for Summer Keep Letter Carriers Busy Collecting for Food Bank

It took Lubbock letter carriers just the first two days of their eight-day campaign to gather up more than half of its goal.

The men and women who make the local postal rounds aim to collect at least 110,000 pounds of food during their 10th annual drive, which began last Saturday and will continue through Saturday, May 18—and they weighed in 62,700 pounds on their opening weekend. They ask Lubbock residents to keep placing non-perishable items beside their mailboxes this week; and they'll keep delivering those items to the South Plains Food Bank.



Master Sergeant Milton Hobdy receives a plaque in honor of his retirement from the military.

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 14,900 students in Texas public schools. Evans Jr. High, Franship Jr. High, and Irons Jr. High students attended the event.



Evans Junior High From left on the front row are Logan Leslie, Lisa Wiginton, Jeffrey Bailey and John Kidwell, and from left on the top row are Lauren Moore, Amy Wisdom, Sara McCorniff, Melissa Syapin and Benjamin Reed. (SPC Photo)



Franship High School From left on the front row are Sarah Veia, Elizabeth Williams and Meredith Macha, and from left on the middle row are Amber Suttten, Michelle Burns and Adrienne Hodgen, and from left on the top row are Stacy Russell, Lex-Dooley, Shane Walker and Shaughn Nunez. (SPC Photo)



Irons Junior High From left on the front row are Tanner Griggs, Allison Whitehead, Michael Bumbaugh and Christopher Watson, and from left on the top row are Justin Pena, Nicholas Dorniel, Ryan Walters, John Wofford and Jacob Kroeger. Not pictured is Devree Lewis. (SPC Photo)

City denies requests by Lake Alan Henry developers

City Manager Bob Cass, after consultation with City attorneys, and upon the direction of the Lubbock City Council, has notified developers around Lake Alan Henry that their requests for the sale of raw water and permission to build within the City's 300-foot easement will be denied.

After receiving these requests from developers over the past year, Council directed the City Attorney to analyze the legal issues related to development within the restrictive easement, as well as the provision of selling raw water from the lake to enhance development. The City Attorney's investigation revealed the City represented to Garza County landowners that the purpose of the lake was to provide an additional source of fresh water for the citizens of Lubbock.

The sale of raw water, and allowing development within the 300-foot easement would encourage development, and could potentially jeopardize the necessary sanitary condition of the surrounding properties. These actions would not be consistent with the City's representations during the acquisition process.

Master Sergeant Hobdy Will Retire

When June 30, 2002 arrives, Master Sergeant Milton Hobdy will be officially retired from the United States Air Force. Hobdy was born and raised in Lubbock, Texas. He is the son of Ruby and Clinton Hobdy, Sr.

A graduate of Estacado High School, Hobdy was recently honored at a retirement ceremony hosted by the 344th Training Squadron, Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, on April 8, 2002, marking the end to a 26 year tenure in the military.

The ceremony was officiated by Lieutenant Colonel Michael Gorman, the commander of the

344th Training Squadron. He is shown at left making a special presentation to Hobdy.

Willie Hobdy, M. Sgt. retired, U.S. Air Force 18 years, Lynda Lyons, Phyllis Hobdy, Eva Hobdy, five years in the U.S. Air Force, Clinton Hobdy, Jr. eight years in the U.S. Air Force, and best friend, Greg Jackson were present as Gorman presented a number of awards and farewell gifts to Hobdy and his family.

In Hobdy's closing remarks, he thanked past supervisors, friends, and especially family members for their unwavering support for the past 26 years.

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Buena Suerta to Harwell Destination Imagination Team

Celebrate and wish Harwell Elementary's Destination Imagination team good luck as they leave for the national competition. The Good Luck Reception will be Sunday May 19 from 2 until 5 p.m. at LaLa's Restaurant, 1110 Broadway. Judge Aurora Hernandez and City Councilman Victor Hernandez will host the reception. The team leaves May 21st for Knoxville, TN and will return on the May 26. The Global Finals Competition will be held at the University of Tennessee. Destination Imagination is a creative problem-solving program that teaches problem solving, spontaneity, and team building. For more information, call 767-1711.

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employees their jobs. The Manufacturing Extension Partnership program helps smaller companies satisfy government regulations. That program has received publicity recently because President Bush proposes to scale back funding to a degree that will effectively eliminate the program. This program gives smaller manufacturers greater access to experts who can help their businesses comply with government regulations, and that access is vital so that small- and medium-sized manufacturers can better compete in the marketplace. One example of the program's success in the 19th District of Texas is Pedro's Tamales, which utilized the

program to find experts who helped it satisfy new federal sanitation requirements. About 149,000 companies nationwide have received assistance through the program. I believe that this program provides small businesses with help they need to succeed in today's business climate, and I will work to retain funding for the program. Minority-owned firms are the fastest growing sector of all new small businesses. From 1987 to 1997, the number of minority-owned firms increased 168 percent to about 3.25 million. Hispanic-owned businesses have increased more than 200 percent since 1987, and African-American-owned busi-

nesses increased more than 100 percent since 1987. Small businesses provide for 47 percent of all sales, and are responsible for 51 percent of the private gross domestic product. Small businesses are very significant contributors to our communities. They tend to give more in charity to community service organizations, and tend to target their donations to direct service providers. Small businesses are important to the success of our communities, and the government should help them to continue to be successful in the marketplace and to continue the good work they do in our communities.

Two LCU Professors Presented I.R. Wilson Teaching Awards

LUBBOCK, TX--May 8, 2002. Two outstanding faculty members are singled out each year to receive the L.R. Wilson Teaching Award at Lubbock Christian University. A committee of peers reviews their teaching ability and their service to the University and recommends the winners. L. R. Wilson, Sr. was devoted to Christian education. He served as president of two colleges: Oklahoma Christian and Florida College. His son, local anesthesiologist Dr. L.R. Wilson, Jr. funds the annual award in honor of his father. Dr. Wilson, Jr. is a member of the LCU Board of Trustees. This year's recipients are Dr. Kirt Martin, Professor of Biology, and Dr. Ron Reed, Professor of English. Martin is a 1975 graduate of LCU. He has taught at LCU for 15 years. Reed has been teaching at LCU for the past 38 years. He was Chair of the English department for fifteen years. Each award is accompanied by a check for \$1,000. The teaching awards were presented at LCU spring graduation ceremonies on May 4.

Filmmakers Debut Short Films at Bermuda Film Festival

Top: Pictured from left - Rolando Hudson, filmmaker; Linda Duke, c.o. Ford Vice President; John Church, Creative Director; UniWorld Group Inc.; Aidsen Bitteray Pryse, Festival Director. Bottom: Pictured from left, Martha Plimpton, actress and BIFF judge; Rolando Hudson, filmmaker; Linda Dukette, Vice President Ford Inc.; David Pollard, film critic.



American filmmaker Rolando Hudson debuted his short film "The Life" at the recent Bermuda International Film Festival (BIFF) in Bermuda. This year's Festival featured fifty-five films from sixteen countries. Hudson's film was entered by Ford Motor Company as part of Ford's "Urban Focus in Film" project. "The Life" stars Mary Alice Smith and is a compelling story of renewed hope and possibility. Years ago, Ford Motor Company created "Focus in Film" as a medium for talented young filmmakers to develop their films. "Urban Focus in Film" was

established as an extension to Focus in Film, bringing the voices and talents of African American filmmakers to the forefront. "The Life" was the first short film released under "Urban Focus in Film." Says Linda Dukette, Vice President/Group Account Director for Ford at UniWorld Group Inc., "Ford is proud to have been instrumental in supporting one of today's brightest short filmmakers. "The Life" highlights all that embodies Ford: resourcefulness, creativity, attitude and innovative thinking."

Some Names Last, Others Do Not, Some Change Repeatedly in a Single Lifetime

Being black in America has always been it source of semantic confusion. Historically, Black people have been referred to as darkies, sambos, pickannies, negras, coons, mammy's, studs, spades, shines, jungle bunnies, negroes, Negroes, negresses, coloreds, mulattos, redbones, Afro-Americans, blacks and here lately, African Americans. The preceding appellations by no means comprise the entire list, but without a doubt, the most enduring term that has been used to describe Black Americans is "nigger." How is it possible for one race of people to

be the object of such a huge and seemingly random list of names? From what source did "nigger" emanate and why has it lasted for so very long? Kenny Tucker writer, teacher, public speaker and salesman has recently released his latest book entitled: Nigger Blood. "The purpose of this book is to explore this word and describe how it has effected both Black and White Americans living within the United States of America," said the author. But it does not stop there. Mr. Tucker not only diagnoses a chronic

social problem of great magnitude, but he also takes a bold step by building a strong case for the solution that he offers. His approach is very unique in that he deftly transforms the word "nigger" from being representative of a person, into a word which contains an array of meanings and nuances, some of which are negative and some being positive. No one has ever handled "nigger" quite like Kenny Tucker has done in Nigger Blood. This book is at once funny and sad, profound and light, irritating and stimulating, but it's never dull.

Legal Notice Request for Proposals: Competitive Sealed Proposals FOR Jerry S. Rawls Red Raider Golf Course Turf Care Center Agricultural Plant Sciences Relocation Buildings For The Texas Tech University System Lubbock, Texas Project No. 97-18 T/01-09B Submissions will be received for the Project listed below: Texas Tech intends to design and construct 3 pre-engineered buildings approximately 15,000 total sq. ft on the campus in Lubbock, TX Interested firms should submit comprehensive Competitive Sealed Proposals after reviewing the Project Construction Documents- To: Ms. Jean Canton Manager of Construction Contracting Office of Facilities Planning & Construction Texas Tech University System Administration Building 15th and Akron E. Basement, Room 5 Lubbock, Texas 76409-2014 No later than 3:00 p.m. June 4, 2002 at which time submissions will be publicly opened and read aloud in Room 8 of the Administration Building, 15th and Akron. Proposals received after this date and time will be returned unopened. Proposals may not be withdrawn within sixty (60) days after the opening date. The RPP and further information can be obtained by accessing the Texas Marketplace http://esbd.tbpc.state.tx.us/1380/saQencv.cfm GSC Class Item No 914-99. 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. Additional information or questions regarding the Request For Proposals should be addressed to the Texas Tech University System: Project Manager, Jack Miller. Contact via phone (806) 742-7330, Fax 806-742- 7337 or e-mail: jack.miller@ttu.edu.

SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR LUBBOCK, TEXAS AccuWeather.com

Table with 7 columns (Thursday Night to Wednesday) and 2 rows (Weather description and RealFeel temperature). Thursday Night: Cloudy and cold; windy in the evening. 44. RealFeel: 50. Friday: Clouds breaking for some sunshine. 78/31. RealFeel: 58. Saturday: Times of sun and clouds. Chance of showers. 71/36. RealFeel: 50. Sunday: Sunny. 69/35. RealFeel: 45. Monday: Sunshine. 63/34. RealFeel: 53. Tuesday: Intervals of clouds and sunshine. 65/43. RealFeel: 54. Wednesday: Plenty of clouds with spotty showers. 66/36. RealFeel: 40.

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.

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Highest Thur. 3; Minimal Highest Fri. 3; Minimal Highest Sat. 4; Low Values indicate the exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays.

STAR & MOON DATA

Thur. 1:13 a.m. Fri. 1:18 a.m. Sat. 1:23 a.m. Sunset 5:40 p.m. 5:40 p.m. 5:46 p.m. Moonset 2:03 p.m. 2:44 p.m. 3:21 p.m.

MOON PHASES

Last New First Full Jan 8 Jan 18 Jan 22 Jan 30

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Table with 10 columns (City, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) and 2 rows (HI/Lo W, HI/Lo W). Cities include Dallas, TX; Houston, TX; San Antonio, TX; Austin, TX; Fort Worth, TX; Lubbock, TX; Oklahoma City, OK; Phoenix, AZ; Reno, NV; San Diego, CA; San Jose, CA; San Francisco, CA; Salt Lake City, UT; Tulsa, OK; Wichita, KS; Wichita Falls, TX.

JAY'S CORNER

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. Billy R. Moten is pastor. If you need a church home, then why not consider the New Hope Baptist Church. Come and visit with us at anytime. You are always welcome. Services began last Sunday morning with Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. with the youth in charge as it was Youth Day. All teachers were at their post of duty. Students received thirty minutes of instruction. At 10:15 a.m., all teachers and students marched to the main auditorium where the highpoints of the morning lesson were given. What a time! At 10:45 a.m., the Youth were in charge of the morning devotional period and were assisted by the Praise Team. The spirit was present. It was Mother's Day and the Youth Choir marched in the processional singing out of their hearts. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Aubrey Brickey. After the singing of their selection, scripture was read by Sister Margaret Moten. Prayer was given by Brother Leonard Wilson. After the singing of another selection, Sister Nachiqua English read the responsive reading with assistance from the congregation who was standing. The morning hymn was "This Is The Day. Pastoral observations were given by Pastor Moten. After the singing of another selection by the Youth Choir, Pastor Moten delivered the morning sermon. His subject was "Jesus Took Time To Honor His Mother." His scripture text was John 19:25-27. It was a wonderful Mother's Day message. Announcements were read by Sister Virginia Hereford. Sister Kendra Williams welcomed all visitors. Let us remember those citizens who are sick and shut-in this week. Why not give them a call or even visit with them. Let us not forget our bereaved families. Among them is the family of Sister Ocie Cook who is the mother of Sister W. Callie Howard. Services are to be held at New Hope Baptist Church on Thursday. More next week. Mother's Day is an important day in our community. Here are some of the people who came home to be with their mothers on Mothers Day last Sunday. Mrs. Lucille Jackson's daughter and son, Eunice Morgan and Timothy Johnson. Mrs. Mattie Beaty's daughter, Kathy Gregory, and daughters. Also, Mrs. Dora Johnson's daughter and son, Linda Polk and Darren Johnson. Mrs. Dorothy Wheeler's daughter, Linda Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rollison's daughter, Carolyn Rollison. Mrs. Fannie Melton's son, Frank Melton. Mrs. Grace Sullivan's daughter, Maxine Burton. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. QUIGLEY'S DAUGHTER AND FAMILY, Walter and Needra Hibbler and son, Jeremy. Mrs. Marie Fisher's daughter, Margaret Fisher. Mrs. Minnie Mitchell was here visiting her sisters Mary Mitchell, Mrs. Marie Long's daughters, Sammye Shelton, June Long and Jo Harolyn Long, were here visiting last weekend. This writer, Ruby Jay, was invited over to Mrs. Clara Blakemore's house for a Mother's Day dinner last Sunday. Also present were Mrs. Mable Biggers, Mrs. Clara Colquitt and Ms. Bobby Love. What a wonderful time all had. What a blessing! Don't forget Prayer Meeting on Wednesday evenings at your church. Prayer is the answer to our many problems.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

SUFFERING AS A FAITHFUL FOLLOWER



Most of us experience times in our lives when we are unsure of

ourselves. The experiences may have been at work, with our families, our church, or some other aspect of our lives. When these incidents come in our lives, we are forced to stop and evaluate whether or not we are on the right path. These times can be very unsettling for us and we find ourselves needing to find some stability and assurance.

In II Timothy we notice that the young pastor had been with the apostle Paul for a number of years as an apprentice and assistant. Paul had taken personal interest in Timothy and had deliberately trained him for the ministry.

The time came when Paul was arrested and placed in prison with the very certain possibility that he would be executed for his ministry. Paul knew that Timothy would be concerned for him. The

feeling Paul felt of Timothy's action was not just because he might lose his life, but because he himself might lose his friend and mentor. Paul knew that Timothy might be feeling uncertain of his future, and of his ability to continue in the ministry without him. So Paul wrote Timothy a letter of instruction and encouragement, sharing from his own experiences and motivations for the ministry.

In his letter, he urged Timothy not to worry about him, but to remain firm and committed to the ministry regardless of the circumstances.

Paul's commitment to Christ and his hope to bring the message of salvation to others enabled him to look beyond his present difficulties and anticipate the eternal glory that awaited him in union with Christ. The apostle knew he could endure suffering as long as it was for the sake of more people coming to know Christ.

In verses 11-13 of II Timothy 2, Paul quoted an ancient hymn

believed by many scholars to be an early Christian hymn, arranged in the typical Hebrew style of poetic parallelism. This hymn consists of four statements, each of which began with the word "if." The four "if's" clauses are followed by a balancing conclusion: "If we do this, then the outcome will be this."

Verses 11-13 says:

If we died with him, we will also live with him;

If we endure, we will also reign with him.

If we disown him, he will also disown us;

If we are faithless, he will remain faithful; for he cannot disown himself. - NIV

The hymn stresses that eternal glory will follow a relatively short time of suffering for Christ. The hymn also teaches that Jesus can be trusted more than we can trust ourselves. He remains faithful even when people are faithless.

Paul was speaking to Timothy as well as his followers. These were people who had already chosen to follow Christ. Paul wanted them to know that whatever occurred in their lives, a life with Christ is worth it all.

Being committed in Christ during times of hardships isn't easy. Our faith is tested when we encounter unanticipated expenses; a job loss; family problems; or a severe illness. The way we choose to deal with these crises can make a difference in our relationship with God and the testimony we present to the unsaved.

When we spend time with the Lord in prayer, sharing with him our concerns and struggles; he will open doors that we never knew were available. The good news of the Gospel is that regardless of our struggles; there is hope in Christ. This truth has sustained and enabled believers through the years to rise above their difficulties.

WE THANK GOD FOR JESUS' TRUE FREEDOM

John 8:32 — Jesus said, "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. God blessed America when it had prayer, faith and love: the Devil has given out the rights, now it is the land of blood!!!"

Isaiah 14:6-8 — The Lord said "A sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the Lord, why should ye be stricken anymore? Ye will revolt more and more; the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint. From the sole of the foot unto the head, there is no soundness in it.

As a Christian leader marched for the Mankind Rights, they disobeyed the law; now the children disobey — day and night!!!

Galatians 6:8 — For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption (Ruin); but he that soweth to the spirit shall be of the spirit reap life everlasting.

The Church left the Holy Bible and followed a man and his dream; now the country is ever run with sin. It's no nightmare as it seems!!!

Jeremiah 23:25-28 — The Lord said, "I have heard what the prophets said, that prophesy lies in my name, saying, I have a dream, I have dreamed. How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? Yea, they are called prophets of the deceit of their own hearts, which think to cause my people to forget my name by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbor as with their fathers have forgotten my name. The prophets that hath a dream, let him tell a dream; and he that hath my word, let him speak my word faithfully. What is the chaff to the wheat?"

**** Will those dreamers rob God? ****

Sunday night Black Churches Close: To go worshiped a man; closing God's churches for flush; this is a great great Sin!!!

Romans 1:22-25 — Professing them (the Christians) to be wise. They became fools. Who changes the truth of God into a lie, and worshiped and served the creature (M.L.K.) more than the creature who is blessed forever. AMEN.

(If the world wants in on it, it not of God!!! God so loved the world, and gave his son Jesus; do the world want him??? The Church turned into a lie — was Jesus born in December? Does the Easter bunny lay eggs? Will rights free mankind???) Will the Church Rob God??

Billy "B. J." follows that lie at one time; called my rights, but then one day my life changed; when I met Jesus Christ!!!

I follow Jesus now, and my life is so ever sweet; the Holy Spirit gave me power to put that lie under my feet!!!

Matthew 11:28 — Jesus said, come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Nobody had to give up their seat on the Citibus; my freedom came from heavens; God said that was enough!!!

Nobody had to be bitten by the policeman's dogs; my freedom came from Calvary — on that old rugged cross!!!

Nobody had to be hit with the policeman's billie club; my freedom came when God gave his only begotten's blood.

Nobody had to get sprayed with the Fireman's waterhose; my freedom came the Sunday morning Jesus Christ Rose!!!

John 8:36 — Jesus said, "If the Son there for shall make you Free. Ye shall be Free indeed (truly).

God is not through with us Yet. So let's pray for one another always. Your Brother in Christ Jesus Always!!!

**ANNUAL CHOIR DAY SET
AT ST. LUKE BAPTIST CHURCH**

The Greater St. Luke Baptist Church Inspirational Choir will be observing their annual Choir Day with an evening of Gospel singing on Sunday, May 19, 2002, beginning at 5:00 p.m. at the church, 306 East 26th Street.

**Sister Linda Harvey is president and
Rev. J. H. H. Ford is host pastor.**

The public is invited to attend.

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

It was a very good setting on Saturday morning, May 4th 2002 when members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met in the home of their vice president, Sister Christene Bursleson. She also read the opening scripture which was Psalms 124.

All present just praised the Lord as this group loves to do just that. Prayer was given by Sister Erma Crawford. There were songs of praise which filled the home.

The morning scripture lesson was taught by Sister Elnora Jones. Her subject was "How Is Your Prayer Life?"

"So many of our prayers get in a rut. We pray the same thing, day after day. Is there some way we can discern what request to make. How can we know we're asking God to supply exactly what He sees we need? God has provided two ways for us to discern what requests we should bring to Him. First, He has given us prayers that teach us the kind of request that pleases Him. Second, He gives us the Holy Spirit to guide our praying in the scripture. It gives us ways to turn God word into prayer. Paul encourages us to pray taking the sword of the Spirit which is the word of God. Ephesians 6:17, the Old Testament.

Daniel spoke to God boldly, because he knew what God had said He understood from the scriptures that the end of Israel captivity was drawing near. Then he prayed to the Lord. Daniel 9:2-4.

How did Paul and Jesus pray? The Holy Spirit anointed Paul to know how to ask for things that would produce spiritual maturity. Paul prayed for others. We should also pray for others as Paul did. These scriptures will teach you how to pray for others as you have someone to pray for you. They are: Ephesians 1:17-18; Ephesians 3:16-19; Philippians 1:9-11; Colossians 1:9; 2 Thessalonians 1:11 and Philippians: 6.

Your minister and others in Christian ministry consider these requests. Remember we are all valued in ministry. We are all called to fulfill the Great Commission. Consider these scriptures when you pray for others.

God is blessing these women and we are praying for them!

If you are in Littlefield on the first Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m., go by their meeting one of their member is homes. Go by!

Thank you for reading, Precious People. Keep praying aft for our side of this city. Also for those who are bereaved as well as our sick and shut in citizens.

Our God is the answer to every problem. Call Him up. God bless each of you.

"A Call to Serve" Answered Lubbock son joins brother in the ministry



John McCormick

Friends and family from throughout Texas and beyond gathered in Austin on May 5, 2002 at the Grant A.M.H. Worship Center to celebrate the First sermon of John McCormick, son and grandson of Lubbock residents, Maxine and Catherine McCormick, respectively. McCormick, an Austin resident reached "A Call to Serve." Speaking from experience, he expounded on his own call and the rewards for all of answering God's call that God will empower, encourage and protect those who answer.

McCormick announced his call to the ministry in March 2002 at Grant where he has been a member since 1996. Since then, he has served on the usher, steward, and community development corporation boards. Under the tutelage of Grant pastor, Rev. Leo Griffin, John will join seven associate ministers and will begin his theological studies at seminary in 2003.

Sitting in the pulpit on this occasion was John's younger brother Ralph who announced his call in 1995 at Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church, also in Austin. He is currently Youth Minister at University Park Baptist Church in Charlotte, North Carolina.

John grew up in Lubbock and graduated from Dunbar-Struggs High School. He went on to receive his bachelor's degree in government in 1987 and a law degree in 1990 from the University of Texas at Austin. He will continue practicing law at the firm of Brim, Arnett, and Robinett, P.C., in Austin, TX.

He resides in Round Rock, an Austin suburb with his wife of 12 years, Erica.

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THOMAS WIGFALL, SR.

Final rites for Thomas E. Wigfall, Sr. were held last Saturday morning, May 11, 2002, at Ossie Curry Funeral Chapel with W. L. Griffin officiating.

Private cremation was under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Mr. Wigfall passed away Friday, May 3, 2002.

He was born August 2, 1930, in Italy, Texas. He married Rhodessa M. Clay on January 1, 1952 in Waxahachie, Texas. She died December 20, 2001. He was a retired veteran, serving more than 20 years in the U.S. Army where he traveled overseas.

Mr. Wigfall lived in Lubbock more than 52 years.

He is survived by two daughters, Rhonda M. Green and Salena Wigfall, both of Lubbock, Texas; three sons: Thomas E. Wigfall, Jr. and Gary Lynn Green, both of Lubbock, Texas, and Harvey Lee Wigfall of Flower Mound, Texas, two sisters, Ora Mae Pollard and Marie Blackman, both of Los Angeles, California; three brothers: Eddie Lee, Jr. of Waxahachie, Texas, Don of Los Angeles, California and Arthur of Oklahoma; Nebraska; 15 grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.



J.L. Armstrong

Toyota Announces Organizational Changes: *Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A. (TMS)*

announces organizational changes in Supplier Development and Corporate Contributions

J.L. Armstrong has been promoted to national manager, supplier development.

He is responsible for managing the company's progress of purchases from minority- and women-owned firms. In support of Toyota's 21st Century Diversity Strategy, his responsibilities also include developing and implementing a comprehensive strategic supplier diversity plan that ensures Toyota's suppliers reflect the communities where Toyota does business throughout the United States. Toyota unveiled its 10-year, \$7.8 billion diversity strategy last year. The plan calls for dramatic increases in Toyota's investments in minority purchasing, advertising, dealer development, corporate giving and career training.

Armstrong began his career with Toyota in 1992 as merchandising manager. Prior to Toyota, he was director of business affairs for Universal Television, MCA, Inc.

He graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in business from Indiana University in Bloomington. He is an ordained minister with the African Methodist Episcopal Church, and serves on the ministerial staff of Rev. Dr. Cecil Murray at First AME Church in Los Angeles.

Underwood graduated from California State University, Northridge with a Bachelor of Science degree in business management. She is a member of the board of directors of the Volunteer Center, South-Bay-Harbor-Long Beach; and an advisor to the Toyota/Young Black Scholars program.

About Toyota Motor Sales Toyota Motor Sales, (TMS) U.S.A., Inc. is the marketing, sales, distribution and customer service arm of Toyota in America. Toyota is America's fourth-largest carmaker and sells more than 1 million cars per year in the United States.

Armstrong is Vice Chair-External Affairs of the Southern California Regional Purchasing Council board of directors, and serves on the senior corporate executive advisory board of the United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce in Washington, D.C.

Tracy Underwood, a 14-year TMS associate, has been promoted to national manager, corporate contributions. She is responsible for the administration of nearly \$12 million in national corporate contribution programs, including community relations and corporate volunteer activities.

Underwood began her career at Toyota as a human relations analyst. She has held positions in community relations, Lexus public relations, and most recently served as media relations manager. Prior to Toyota, she worked for the University of Southern California's Information Sciences Institute and in the human resources department at Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards, a stock brokerage firm.

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Tracy Underwood

ROLE FOR TOMORROW

Question: As a Christian wife what should I do if my husband does not try to work out the difficulties in our marriage?

Answer: As in any case Christians have a responsibility to follow the teachings of Christ in all matters. Certainly, we have instruction from the Holy Spirit on this matter of the family.

In first Peter 3:1-6 wives are instructed to be submissive to their husbands. Before I say anything else I believe it is important to address this teaching about submission. The Bible does not teach submission requires one to be a doormat. Submission is actually a position of strength. The one who submits makes a choice to align themselves under the will of another. It is also important to note that Peter says that the husband must also submit to the wife (1 Peter 3:7). "Likewise you husbands..." refers to the husband submitting as the wife submits in 3:1, as the servants submit in 2:18, as the citizen submits in 2:13. The wife is to submit to the husband's authority (which he receives from God). And the husband is to submit to the wife's needs—physical, emotional, and spiritual. This teaching is found in Ephesians 5:21-33. I hasten to add that the husband submits first.

Wives as you submit to the husband he will have the opportunity to observe your behavior. Without a word your behavior has a greater

ability to win him over. Then he can become the kind of husband to you that Christ is to the church (see Ephesians 5:25). Notice that Peter says that it is the behavior of the wife that will win her husband over and not her preaching or hinting or nagging or turning the preacher loose on the old rascal. The obedient life she lives before Jesus is far more powerful than any of these methods. I guess you could say that he would rather see a sermon than hear one.

Now there is no guarantee that the husband will obey God's word and be the right kind of husband. He still has the choice to become that kind of man or not. But you will come closer to reaching your husband by controlling your actions rather than trying to control his. If your husband chooses to remain the same your choice is to remain obedient to Christ. This is why it is so important that individuals make the right choice in a mate before getting married. I have learned that serious character flaws in spouses didn't just occur all of a sudden. They have always been there. The spouse chooses to ignore these flaws or believe that they can change their mate.

For those of you considering marriage, make a point of getting some quality pre-marital counseling. Most of the serious issues will surface within the first few sessions. That is the time when you can decide if you are willing to remain in this relationship. Don't wait until all of the

emotional commitment children are a part of the equation. The heartbreak scars then become permanent.

It is true that you can't make a horse to water, but you can make him drink. But if you give the horse enough salt you can make him thirsty. He will find water himself. A characterful wife is the salt that makes the husband thirsty for more of the love that the wife gives. A loving and providing husband is the salt that makes the wife thirsty for more of the love that the husband gives. This idea is summed up in Philippians 2:3-8. Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind let each of you regard one another as more important than himself. If the husband is taking care of the wife the wife is taking care of the husband, then no one is out in the marriage relationship.

It is important to remember that you only have power over yourself and not over others. Therefore choose wisely. Make choosing the one you marry a choice of the heart and not a choice of the head. Your potential showing you the kind of person they really are you get married. Don't ignore the evidence. I only make you hearts later.

Grace and peace
Gerald

Notice of Opportunities for a Public Hearing

Re: City of Lubbock/citibus Section 5307 capital, operating, and planning assistance grant application for fiscal year 2001-2002, Section 5309 grant application for phase one of a park and ride lot at Texas Tech University, Section 5309 grant application for phase two of a park and ride lot at Texas Tech University, and Section 5310 grant application for replacement of passenger restraint systems.

Notice is hereby given that opportunities for a public hearing will occur on Tuesday, May 28, 2002, at 9:00 a.m. and at 5:30 p.m. at the Downtown Transfer Plaza, 801 Broadway. The purpose of these hearings is to consider financial assistance under the Federal Transit Act of 1964, as amended, for the following programs:

Section 5307

Capital Assistance Grant

This program cost is estimated at \$2,231,562, \$1,785,249 of which will be provided by the Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 funds and \$446,313 as local match; This funding will be used to purchase three replacement for the CitiAccess service as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); construction of bus shelters and passenger amenities on the Texas Tech University campus; preventive maintenance: non-fixed route ADA paratransit; and miscellaneous support equipment (phone and technology upgrades, furniture, and shop equipment).

Operating Assistance Grant

This program cost is estimated at \$4,285,687, \$1,257,000 of which will be provided by the Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 funds, \$500,000 from the Texas Department of Transportation, \$1,703,487 from non-farebox revenues, and \$825,200 from the City of Lubbock. This funding will be used to provide public transportation services in the Lubbock urbanized area by the City of Lubbock/City Transit Management, Inc., dba Citibus.

Planning Assistance Grant

This program cost is estimated at \$155,000, \$124,000 of which will be provided by Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 funds and \$31,000 as local match. The funding will be used to conduct surveys, long- and short-range planning activities, route assessment, community outreach, Jobs Access Reverse Commute planning, and training and travel for professional development.

Section 5309

Park and Ride Lot at Texas Tech University This program cost is estimated at \$3,375,000, \$2,700,000 of which is provided by the Federal Transit Administration. The local match is provided by \$675,000 in toll credits. The funding will be used for engineering and construction of a park and ride lot to be located on the Texas Tech University campus. The park and ride lot program will include approximately 1,500 parking spaces, lighting, bus shelters, turnouts, and the infrastructure for the entire project.

Section 5310

This program cost is estimated at \$7,744, \$6,195 of which is provided by the Federal Transit Administration. The local match is provided through toll credits. The funding will be used for replacement passenger restraint systems for paratransit vans.

Interested individuals and agencies may submit evident and recommendations orally or in writing before 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 24, 2002. Written comments may be addressed to Citibus, Planning Department, PO Box 2000, Lubbock, Texas 79457, email to mharvey@citibus.com, or faxed to 806-767-2387. Oral comments may be made by calling 806-767-2380, ext. 241. Written documentation on the above projects is available at the Citibus offices, 801 Texas Avenue.

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The Child Support Ombudsman Program

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Child Support Ombudsmen are one of a number of avenues of assistance offered by the Attorney General's Child Support Division. Recognizing each customer's right to prompt and courteous assistance, the Child Support Division

implemented in 1999 a number of initiatives to provide quality service and timely information to the parents and children of Texas. These included the Ombudsman Program, toll free numbers for obtaining child support information, and an interactive website. The Ombudsman Program established a uniform process of receiving, resolving and tracking complaints. The Child Support Customer Ombudsman, headquartered in the State Office in Austin, oversees the program and serves as the final arbiter in problems that cannot be resolved at lower levels. Every field office has an Ombudsman, as does each of the eight regional offices. Complaints are directed to the Ombudsman in the appropriate field office, then are forwarded to the Regional Ombudsman or to the State Office if the problem persists.

The Ombudsman is not responsible for responding to general inquiries, such as requests for services, case status, case action, or general or financial information, but only handles complaints regarding services provided by the Child Support Division. These complaints must be in writing and should be sent to the field office currently handling the child support case. Customers who lodge a complaint by telephone or in person will be provided with a Child Support Complaint Form to complete and return to the field office. The form may also be downloaded from the Child Support section of our Web site at

www.oag.state.tx.us, or the complaint may be submitted directly via internet.

All complaints are documented on the child support computer system and tracked to ensure a timely response. Each complaint is carefully investigated through discussions with the customer and any other parties involved, and through research of computer records and files. A record is maintained on each complaint, documenting the name of the complainant, date the complaint was received, nature of the complaint, name of each person contacted in relation to the complaint, and a summary of the results of the review or investigation. The customer is provided with updates every 60 days, as necessary, until the complaint has been resolved, then is notified again upon resolution. The time required to resolve a complaint may vary depending upon the circumstances. The complaint process begins immediately upon receipt of a written complaint in the field office, and staff work diligently to resolve the complaint as quickly as possible.

Sensitive information regarding complaints remains private, in accordance with state and federal law. For more information on the Ombudsman Program and child support services offered by our office, visit our Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us. Customers can also contact the Child Support Division by calling 1-800-252-8014, and can reach a local field office by calling the number listed in their local phone directory.

6th Annual Big Wheels Deliver Meals: Sonic partners with Meals on Wheels

It is that time of year again! On Friday June 14th Lubbock Meals on Wheels will have the Big Wheels Deliver Meals promotion. This event is done in cooperation with Sonic Restaurants. On this day, local celebrities volunteer their lunch hour to deliver a Meals on Wheels route and are chauffeured on the routes in classic cars. It is a treat for our recipients to be visited by these "important" people, see the old time cars, and enjoy a special lunch of a "Sonic" hamburger and fries.

Lubbock Meals on Wheels serves meals to over 500 homebound, elderly, and disabled people each weekday. We have 36 routes with 6-12 stops on each route. The drivers and vol-

unteers will leave from their assigned Sonic Restaurant location between 10:45 and 11:00 a.m., each route requires about one hour to deliver. After the delivery, all drivers and celebrities are invited to the Meals on Wheels office for a complimentary lunch also provided by Sonic.

This event is a great promotion for Meals on Wheels' mission and volunteer opportunities. As a local "Big Wheel" we need your participation in this project. It would require about two hours of your valuable time on Friday, June 14, from 10:30 a.m. until your route is completed and you have joined us for lunch.

Please RSVP at 792-7971 by May 31st.

Lubbock Employers Remain Optimistic

On a national basis, employers expect to increase their hiring activity during the summer months, extending the steady progress toward recovery first seen in the second quarter. Current results indicate 27% of firms interviewed intend to staff up, 8% anticipate reducing personnel levels and 59% foresee no changes. The remaining 6% are uncertain of their plans.

Manpower inc. conducts the Employment Outlook Survey in the U.S. on a quarterly basis. It is a measurement of employers' intentions to increase or decrease the permanent workforce, and during its 26-year history has been a significant indicator of employment trends. The survey is based on telephone interviews with nearly 16,000 public and private employers in 477 U.S. markets.

Job prospects continue to be bright in the Lubbock area for the summer months, according to the latest Employment Outlook Survey, released today by Manpower Inc.

The quarterly poll of local firms reveals that 27% plan to increase their staffs during the July/August/September period, while 7% foresee reductions. Another 63% will stay at current levels and 3% remain uncertain.

"Three months ago the demand for workers was expected to be strong," said Cheryl Foster of Manpower, when 37% reported hiring intentions and 3% foresaw the need to trim personnel. A year ago at this time the outlook was fair, as 10% said they would add workers and 3% predicted cutbacks.

In the third quarter, job postings are planned in durable and non-durable goods manufacturing, wholesale/retail trade, education and public administration. Staff reductions lie ahead in transportation/public utilities. Expectations are mixed in services.

Government Access Channel Wins 8 TATO Awards

The City of Lubbock government access channel, Cox Cable Channel 6, won eight TATO awards today during the annual conference of the Texas Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors in Austin.

Cox Cable Channel 6 (LCN-6), which is part of the City of Lubbock Public Information Office, took home two first place awards, four second place awards and three third place awards.

In the educational/instructional/training category, Lubbock placed first with a training video for first responders handling suspected anthrax-contaminated mail. The video was produced in partnership with the Health Department, Fire Department and Police Department after the September 11 terrorist attacks and subsequent anthrax letters.

In that same category, the City's training video on forgery placed second and an educational video on the Ports-to-Plains project garnered the third place award.

In the magazine format division, Well City, a monthly show hosted by Mary Croyle of the Health Department won first

place. In that same division, Parks and People Report placed second and City Magazine placed third.

Parks and People Report is hosted by Kay Miller of the Parks and Recreation Department. City Magazine is hosted by Jim Green of the Public Information Office.

In the community event coverage category, LCN-6 placed second with a show about Santaland. The final second place award was in the overall excellence in government programming category.

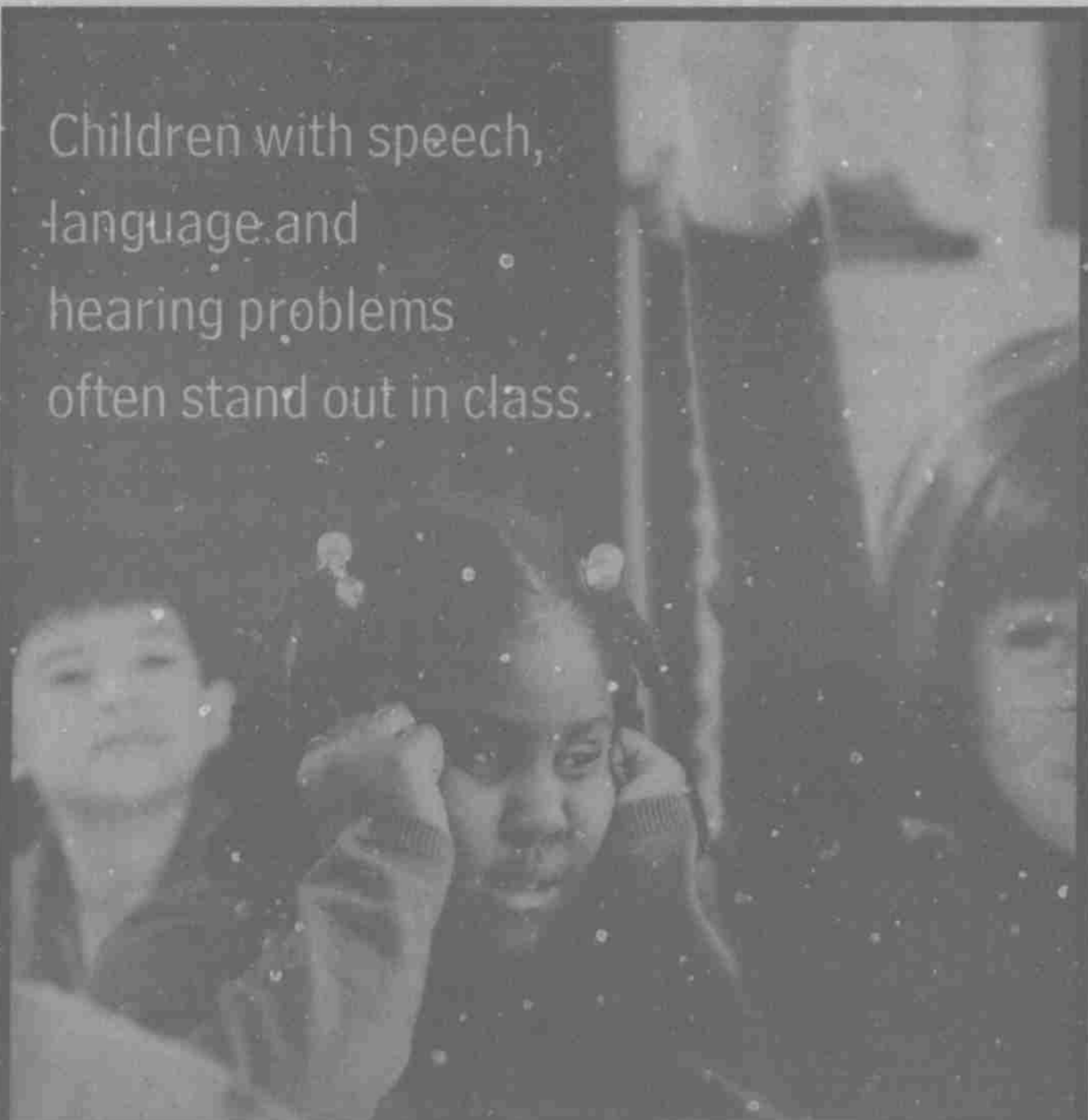
Lubbock competed with sister cities such as Irving, McAllen, Plano, McKinney, Denton, Fort Worth and San Antonio. Only the City of Irving, which won 12 awards, took home more awards than Lubbock.

Sandy Glass, Public Information Manager, said, "It's exciting to be recognized by our peers for the work we do. Government access programming is a growing field, and we are proud to be among the industry leaders in Texas."

Public Information staff members include Jim Green, Tom Goolsby, Mike Robles, Liz Paulk and Mary Gonzales.

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Los Angeles Times EDITORIAL

Picture This!

An Inuit boy was asked once how he thought the world looked in older days. The child, who'd never been off the Arctic tundra except via satellite TV, thought an instant and replied, "Everything back then was black and white."

Images have always been powerful in the human mind, where they were forced to reside in the individual imagination until photography's development allowed image sharing—and manipulation. Imagine how history might differ if Joseph of Nazareth, Christopher Columbus or Ben Franklin portaged a Polaroid. Would the Thirty Years War or slavery have lasted so long with photo coverage? Would Abraham Lincoln be elected with video of his awkward gait and sound bites confined to one phrase? And did everyone really walk that quickly during the 1920s?

Now, it seems, new generations of real images, including those of the North Korean refugee family trying to flee to a foreign compound in China the other day, are assuming a more potent political power. Everyone has memorable emotional images—the Hindenburg burning, the Spanish soldier as a bullet strikes, Jackie Kennedy in a blood-stained dress or John-John saluting, Jack Ruby sticking a pistol in Lee Harvey Oswald's stomach.

Some images also developed political impact and purpose. Police dogs lunging at peaceful civil rights demonstrators in Selma. The naked Vietnamese girl running from napalm or a starving African child with a vulture lurking behind. The World Trade Center crash images were deemed so powerful their replay dwindled within days of the tragedy. The Pentagon and Pennsylvania sites, devoid of searing crash images, linger more in our mental backgrounds. Then, the image of a handcuffed, hooded Taliban member kneeling before U.S. guards ignited intense international debate on U.S. prisoner policies.

The haunting film footage in late 2000 of a Palestinian boy caught in Israeli gunfire and the boy's death in his father's arms may actually have shown Palestinian gunfire, heavily edited later, according to a documentary on Germany's ARD-TV.

The world saw images of last week's attempted escape by a Korean family into the Japanese consulate in Shenyang, China, and their pigtailed daughter crying in terror as Chinese police moved in. Those images exist only because refugee advocates invited a Japanese cameraman to a reserved hotel room overlooking the compound. Dozens of such escapes have occurred for months. Only now, with pre-planned images of a little girl dressed in pink, have calls for action mounted.

Americans long ago grew savvy about images in ads. The unanswered question is: Has our ability to process, question and put split-second political images in a larger context kept pace with the ability of technology and proponents to produce and manipulate them and us? There's no clear image of that yet.

THIS N THAT

COMMISSION CAN HELP NORTH EAST LUBBOCK! THIS N THAT ... is very pleased with the new ... COMMISSION passed by the Lubbock City Council ... on last week ... This N THAT was an initiative on the part of the new mayor ... MAPC MCDUGAL ... who is very much concerned about all parts of the ... CITY OF LUBBOCK ... and wants to do something about bringing all parts of the city on the same page ... He makes it perfectly clear ... that it doesn't make good sense for any part of the city to be left out ... There ... MAYOR MCDUGAL ... will appoint a chairman of this commission ... plus two members ... with the city councilmembers ... naming a member of this commission ... According to the Mayor ... this commission will be expected to bring their findings back to the city council before ... DECEMBER 31, 2002 ... Just think for more than ... FIFTEEN YEARS ... this idea has been talked about ... and now ... here is an opportunity ... finally ... for all areas of the city to be on the same page ... No doubt about it ... NORTH AND EAST LUBBOCK ... haven't all that the areas need ... but that is in the past ... and hopefully ... with this ... COMMISSION ... something will happen which will benefit the entire city ... THIS N THAT ... is hoping this ... NINE MEMBER COMMISSION ... will call for a ... FEASIBILITY STUDY ... which will give the complete picture of what exists in these areas of our city ... Hopefully ... the findings will of great significance ... until things will begin to move in the right direction ... No doubt about it ... Lubbock can't grow more to the South ... but there are many ... GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES in North and East Lubbock ... So let's stay here for some good things to happen in ... NORTH AND EAST LUBBOCK ... Now it has been a long time coming ... but hopefully ... there is HELP ON THE WAY!

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Letter to the Editor

The Editors
SOUTHWEST DIGEST

Gentlemen:

Thanks for the excellent editorial comments by both Mr. Richardson and Mr. Patterson on page 6 of your May 2nd issue stressing the importance of voting, especially for minority populations.

Please note Dave McNeely's discussion in the April 21st issue of my home town newspaper, The Wise County Messenger (copy enclosed) of the racial and ethnic breakdown of the April 9th runoff election vote in Texas.

I believe this information would help you from now till November 4th in urging your readers to register to vote and to stay informed and emphasizing to them the importance of cooperation between the Black and Hispanic minorities in Lubbock and throughout Texas.

As a concerned Anglo, I realize we (who are concerned!) are also a minority in Texas. BUT, if we three minorities work together and get out the vote, we will be the BIG MAJORITY in Texas, in November, and can change conditions for the better throughout Texas and the U.S.A.!

Sincerely,

Tom Burtis

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LCU Elects New Student Leaders

LUBBOCK, TX—May 10, 2002—The Student Senate of Lubbock Christian University held elections recently for its executive officers for the 2002-2003 school year. The entire student body elected these students. Campaign speeches were given in chapel with the election immediately following.

New officers for the 2002-2003 school year are:

President- Brandon Coffee, a senior Pre-Dentistry major from Pampa, TX

Vice President- Derek Kester, a sophomore Bible major from Aztec, NM

Secretary-Monica Witcher, a senior Pre-Physical Training major from Watertown, SD

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Deaths of Mexican women raise need for better working conditions and security

Yolanda Chavez Leyva

Since 1993, 270 women have been murdered and another 450 have disappeared in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, a city located across the border from El Paso, Texas. Many have been raped and mutilated. Their bodies have been found in the desert on the outskirts of Ciudad Juarez or in the central part of town. Poor women are especially vulnerable to being targeted.

Ciudad Juarez is like many Mexican border towns. Since the mid-1960s, hundreds of foreign-owned plants, called maquiladoras, have moved to the city, drawn by tax incentives and low wages. About 80 percent of the factories are U.S.-owned. The maquiladoras employ approximately 200,000 workers in the city of more than 1 million. About 70 percent of the maquiladora workers are women, some of whom earn as little as \$4 a day.

Each year, thousands of women move to Juarez in search of jobs. What they find instead is low wages — and the feeling of terror and vulnerability.

Many of the women who have turned up dead worked in these U.S.-owned companies.

In the past several months, the murders have gained international attention. The U.S. State Department's Human Rights office, the United Nations and Amnesty International have all made statements protesting the lack of police action in solving the murders.

Last December, a network of more than 300 organizations initiated a national campaign, "Stop the Impunity; No More Killings." The campaign's leadership denounced what they characterized as inadequate police work in the murders and disappearances. In a recent press conference, they asked for the creation of a bilateral commission to investigate the murders.

On Feb. 11, Chihuahua Governor Patricio Martinez Garcia said that he would seek assistance from the United Nations as well as from international police agents to solve these murders.

Mexican women's-rights activists and the families of the

murdered women have called attention to the murders of Mexican women for years. Their pleas have too often remained unheard by government officials and law-enforcement agencies. In fact, law-enforcement officials have often blamed the victims, saying the women were wearing provocative clothing or suggesting that the young women ran away with boyfriends. In reality, many of the women were killed on the way home from late-night shifts at the maquiladoras.

A feminist organization, Grupo Ocho de Marzo de Ciudad Juarez, keeps a list of the dead women. The stories are shocking.

Some, like Amparo Guzman, a teen-aged woman found strangled to death on April 2, 2000, moved to Juarez in search of a better life. Guzman came from Veracruz, Mexico, three months earlier and worked in a maquiladora.

Others victims remain nameless, like the 17-year-old woman found in a plastic bag in October 1994.

The Coalition on Violence against Women and Families on the Border recently joined in the demands for justice for the dead women. The coalition, which consists of women's organizations from both sides of the border, labor union activists, university professors and students and religious leaders, expressed outrage that the murders have continued unabated for almost a decade.

Yol-Itzma Aguirre, a history student at the University of Texas at El Paso, expressed the coalition's views this way. "Let me remind you that our hearts have no border and our blood crosses no river. We could choose the cowardly way out, which is to close our eyes and continue ignoring the situation, or we could be strong, have courage and fight."

It is time that we took a stand in defense of the women of Ciudad Juarez.

Yolanda Chavez (accent over a) Leyva is a historian at the University of Texas at El Paso, where she specializes in border and Mexican-American history. She can be reached at prpaj@progressive.org.

Habitat Invites Lubbock Families To Briefing on Home Ownership

Lubbock Habitat for Humanity has scheduled a workshop June 1 for prospective homebuyers meeting will be 9 a.m.

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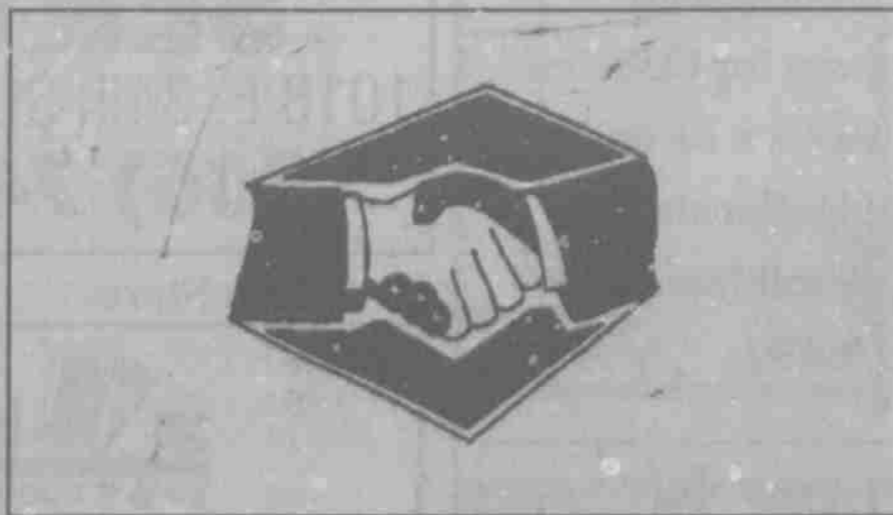
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