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Local News

Upcoming events at the Lubbock Public Library
Decorative Painting Program at Godeke Branch Library

The Godeke Branch Library, 6601 Quaker presents "The Art of Decorative Painting" on Tuesday June 24, at 7:00 p.m. Cecile Cooper and Jean Miller of the West Texas Cotton Pickin' Painters Association will discuss and demonstrate decorative painting techniques. For more information, call 792-6566.

Sinbad Double Feature at Mahon Library

The Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, presents a double feature of the classic 1950's films "Sinbad's Magical Voyage" and "Sinbad's Seven Voyages" starting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 18. Free popcorn will be served. For more information, call 775-2838.

Cookie Contest at Mahon Library

The Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, invites all kids to come to a cookie-decorating contest at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, June 30. We will supply the cookies, frosting and sprinkles. You supply the talent! After the judging, we will eat our creations. For more information, call 775-2835.

Community Meetings

- Lubbock Area Client Council, Second Sat. Day, 1:00 pm • West Side African Community Center
- Hub City Kiwanis, Every 3rd Sat. Night, 7:00pm, 1708 Abram St.
- Dunbar Alumni Association, 2nd Saturday 4pm
- Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 2nd Tuesday, 7-9
- Forgotten West Bitters, First & Third Monday, 7:00 pm - 11:00pm
- East Lubbock Chapter, AARP, Every 1st Thursday at 1 pm, NBE Simmons Community Center, Oakcrest Blvd.
- Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni 3rd Tuesday, 5:00pm TTT, Miller Center
- Quilting, Sewing, and Beading Neighborhood Association Meet Every 3rd Thursday 6:00 p.m. 1303 East 28th Street (at South County Library)
- West Texas Public, American Association, P.O. Box 41041, Lubbock, Texas 79409

We would like to publish your monthly meetings. If you would like for an announcement to appear in this paper, 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

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"Past Emancipation Juneteenth Celebration Photos in Lubbock!"

Looking back in the Southwest Digest photo files, here are some past Emancipation Juneteenth Celebration in Lubbock. It is just good to look back to where we have come from, and be thankful of where we are. Juneteenth Celebration begins this week in Lubbock. Get involved and participate in this State Holiday.



Alon USA/FINA Contributes \$150,000 to City's Sculpture Garden and Amphitheater Project

Garden to be named for company's generosity; Contribution is part of company's efforts to promote arts in Lubbock

LUBBOCK, TEXAS (June 12, 2003) - Today, ALON USA President and CEO Jeff Morris announced that the company would contribute \$150,000 to support the City of Lubbock's sculpture garden and amphitheater project. The news was announced during a press conference at City Hall, where Morris made a ceremonial check presentation to Mayor Marc McDougal and City Council members.

ALON's contribution, which will be paid by the time the amphitheater opens to the public in spring 2005, will go toward the construction of the facility in Mackenzie Park near the fairgrounds in Northeast Lubbock. "Because of this contribution, the sculpture garden adjacent to the amphitheater

will be named in honor of ALON USA/FINA," said Mayor McDougal. "It is very gratifying that a Dallas-based company, with ALON USA's stature, supports the artistic and cultural vision of our community," he said. "Their donation represents the best in a private-public partnership, because it benefits the city and its residents."

According to Morris, the company's support of this major community project proves to be mutually beneficial because the Lubbock market is key for ALON. "ALON USA is an integral part of the Lubbock community; through our Southwest Convenience Stores division we employ more than 100 people and operate nearly 25 FINA 7-

Eleven's throughout the Lubbock area," Morris said. "By supporting the City, we are demonstrating our commitment to the community and customers we serve." Lubbock's new sculpture garden, which will be completed this fall, is the culmination of planning by the Millennium Advisory Committee. This 17-member group was appointed by the City Council in December 1999 to study and recommend how to commemorate the history, culture and heritage of Lubbock and the South Plains region.

"The sculpture garden celebrates 100 years of art, architecture, history, heritage and culture in our area," said Mayor McDougal. "In addition, the amphitheater will provide

world-class entertainment opportunities in a multi-dimensional performance venue."

The City of Lubbock contracted with the design team of Parkhill, Smith and Cooper, a full-service architecture and engineering firm, and local sculptor Steve Teeters of St. Eligius Studio as the artist and consultants for the project. Many of the original pieces to be featured in the garden will be 15-20 foot high metal structures, which depict icons of the Old West and historical life on the plains.

"We are very pleased to sponsor a project that will feature the work of local artists," said Morris. Morris also explained that the initiative is aligned with ALON's efforts to support the arts in Lubbock on

an ongoing basis, and plans are underway for another public art project for early 2004.

City officials commended ALON USA for the company's foresight in investing in local amenities that have potential to attract visitors and business to the area. "Thanks to ALON USA/FINA's financial support, we can help build an outstanding facility that will be a point of pride for our city," said Mayor McDougal. "We hope that tourists from across Texas and Southwest will get in their cars and fill up with FINA gasoline and drive to Lubbock to stroll through the sculpture garden, or take in a performance at the amphitheater - as well as visit our other attractions - and meet the friendliest people in the world."

Fashion Fun

by Shirley Roberson

Satin Butterfly Skirts

Butterflies are in the air, flying high... gathering, feathering, fluttering, clustering, landing perfectly and unconstructedly on this seasons shiny satin, straight tight fitting skirts, long or short.

Trust me ladies, they are absolutely gorgeous. Beautiful, bright, vibrant, colorful, hand painted or hand stitched, when it comes to butterflies the selection is fantastic, you can



get a little or a lot, maybe just one!!! A large one!

What ever strikes your fancy, HOW GREAT IS THAT ?

There is nothing more relaxing, more soothing than to have the opportunity to gaze upon the beauty of a butterfly.

HAVE FUN

Fashion Tip... Always wear a smile
Fashion... Just for the fun of it



CHATMAN HILLS CORNER

by Clarissa Jay

So come to the Juneteenth Reception at Mae Simmons Community Center tonight and bring someone with you.

This writer would like to salute the Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. for their Annual Man and Woman of the Year event which will be held Friday night, June 20, 2003, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Word hasn't come to who the winners will be, but let's support this event as well. It, too, will be held at Mae Simmons Community Center.

Be present in the house, and bring someone with you.

Saturday, June 21, 2003, will be a big day for the Annual Emancipation Juneteenth Celebration. This is the day of the Annual Parade, which will begin on the parking lot of United Supermarket, 2630 Parkway Drive, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Parade participants are asked to be present at 8:45 a.m.

The parade will exit the parking lot of United Supermarket, and move to the Mae Simmons Park where all activities will take place. After a brief program, following the parade, a volleyball tournament and 3-on-3 basketball tournament

will be held, just west of the Mae Simmons Community Center. Actually, tournaments will get underway at 1:30 p.m.

Look what's happening! There will be a "Juneteenth Teen Dance" at Mae Simmons Community Center on Saturday evening, June 21, 2003, beginning at 7:00 p.m. and will continue to 11:00 a.m.

DJ papa & Drjamas will jam for the young folk. Admission will be \$2.50 per person.

Health is very important. So don't forget the Health Fair set for Saturday afternoon, June 21, 2003, from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. This event will be held in Mae Simmons Community Center. This Health Fair is being sponsored by City of Lubbock Parks and Recreation Department and the Emancipation Juneteenth Celebration Committee.

The Senior Citizens of the Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center want you to come and attend their Annual Fish Fry at the Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Come and be their guest.

Let us not forget those in

the community who are sick and shut in. Prayer changes things. Also, those who have lost loved ones. Remember all of them!

Services at New Hope Baptist Church last Sunday morning involved the Praise Team who did a marvelous job.

Rev. Charles Wilson read the morning scripture. Rev. Cheryl Martin gave the morning prayer. The New Hope Choir sang "Send Down The Rain" and "Way Maker."

Pastor Billy R. Moton preached a dynamic sermon. His subject was "God Is Looking For A Man After His Own Heart." "1 Samuel 4. What a sermon!

Sister Winnie Jackson read the morning announcements at New Hope Baptist Church. Brother Napoleon Cooper welcomed all visitors.

It was good to see Sister Rosie Reddic at church services at New Hope Baptist Church last Sunday morning. God is able!

It's The A-J's Make Kids Count \$10,000 Scholarship Giveaway For Ages 9-12 Year Olds



In 2003, The Avalanche-Journal, as part of its Make Kids Count campaign, will again hold four - one each quarter - \$10,000 scholarship giveaways! Children of all ages will be able to participate during the course of the year. The third giveaway is open to 9-12-year-olds.

Enter using the coupon below. Follow all the rules and get your entry to us by June 27, 2003. This contest is open to children born between Jan. 1, 1991 and Dec. 31, 1994.

Give your child the chance to win a \$10,000 scholarship fund from The A-J and its Make Kids Count partners!

SCHOLARSHIP GIVEAWAY RULES

- 1) The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, as part of its Make Kids Count project, will provide a \$10,000 U.S. Savings Bond to the winning child who meets all eligibility requirements as listed below.
- 2) The contest is open to all children born between Jan. 1, 1991, and Dec. 31, 1994, to parents (or parent) who are U.S. citizens and residents of The Avalanche-Journal's home newspaper delivery area, which includes counties in West Texas and Eastern New Mexico.
- 3) Employees of The A-J and Morris Communications Corporation and their immediate families are not eligible to participate.
- 4) No purchase is necessary.
- 5) Official entry forms will appear periodically in The Avalanche-Journal through June 26, 2003, or can be obtained at The A-J Information Counter, 710 Ave. J, Lubbock, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- 6) A copy of a legal birth certificate and a reproducible photograph of the child must accompany each entry form. Also, entry forms must be completed in their entirety. Only one entry per child will be accepted.
- 7) Deadline for entry is 5 p.m. Friday, June 27. Entries received after June 27 will not be accepted. Entries can be mailed to MAKE KIDS COUNT SCHOLARSHIP GIVEAWAY, PO Box 491, Lubbock, TX 79408, or dropped off at The A-J Information Counter.
- 8) All contestants agree to allow their names, pertinent birth information and photographs to be published in The Avalanche-Journal without further compensation.
- 9) The Avalanche-Journal is not responsible for submitted entries that are forwarded, late, lost, misdirected, damaged, illegible, incomplete or postage due.
- 10) Contest winners will be determined through a series of random drawings. From the total number of entries, 64 names will be drawn as finalists. Those 64 names will be halved (32, 16, 8, 4, 2, 1) weekly until the winner is announced on Tuesday, August 26, 2003.
- 11) In addition to the \$10,000 U.S. Savings Bond awarded to the winner, The A-J will present a \$5,000 Savings Bond to the runner-up; \$1,000 Saving Bonds to the other two quarterfinalists; \$500 Saving Bonds to the other four entries who make the round of eight; and \$100 Saving Bonds to the other eight entries who make the round of 16. All Saving Bonds will be issued in the names of the winning children after conclusion of the contest.
- 12) The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal may adopt or amend rules and regulations governing the procedures for claiming, dispersing and supervising the awards.
- 13) By entering, each contestant or their representative acknowledges acceptance of the rules and agrees to be bound to them.
- 14) Decisions of the contest organizers are final.

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Former Lubbockite Weds



Sherina R. Williams

Sherina R. Williams and Corey L. Butler exchanged marriage vows April 5, 2003, at Pilgrim Valley Missionary Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Texas. The Rev. Clarence Weatherspoon of Lubbock, Texas officiated. Parents of the couple are Johnnie L. Derrough of Fort Worth, Texas and Freddie and Bobbie Butler of Monroe, Louisiana.

Nicole Weatherspoon McKinley was matron of honor. Ashley E. Putler, Zakia Giddings, Evans, Rhonda Davis Love, Jeanette Lee-McCarter

and Leona McGrew were bridesmaids. Benjamin Green was best man. Christopher Grant, Michael Hunter, Craig Kelly, Steven Lawrence, and Eric McElroy were groomsmen.

The bride is a graduate of Monterey High School and Texas Tech University. She is employed with Allegiance Telecom, Inc.

The groom is a graduate of Louisiana Tech University. He is employed with Auto One, Inc.

The couple will make their home in Plano, Texas.

Patterson Branch Library

1836 Parkway Drive

Jazz It Up!
 Tuesday, July 1
 6:30 p.m.
 The Dunbar Jr. High jazz band will entertain us with pop, jazz and inspirational music.

Party with a Pug
 Wednesday, July 9,
 2:00 p.m.
 Meet a look-alike of Frank, the pug dog from "Men in Black 2." Stick around for a day of paw autographs and cool refreshments.

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 Wednesday, August 13,
 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
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JOHN 8:31. JESUS SAID, IF YOU CONTINUE IN MY WORD, THEN ARE YE MY DISCIPLES INDEED (TRULY). THE LORD HAS BLESSED AMERICA; WHEN IT HAD FAITH AND LOVE, BUT NOW IT'S UNDER A CURSE OF MY RIGHTS. IT'S NOW A LAND OF BLOOD.

ISAIAH 1:4. AH SINFUL NATION, A PEOPLE LADEN WITH INIQUITY, A SLEEF OF EVIL DOERS, CHILDREN THAT ARE CORRUPTERS, THEY HAVE FORSAKEN THE LORD.

IT STARTED WHEN THE CHRISTIANS MARCHED, WANTING MAN'S RIGHTS, DISOBEYED THE LAWS OF THE LAND; CHILDREN NOW DISOBEY DAY AND NIGHT, *****YES THE CHRISTIANS ROBBED!!!! *****

LUKE 20:25. JESUS SAID, RENDER (GIVE) THEREFORE UNTO CAESAR (THE GOVERNMENT) THE THINGS WHICH ARE CAESARS AND UNTO GOD THE THINGS WHICH BE GOD'S.

JEREMIAH 23:25-28. THE LORD SAID, I HAVE HEARD WHAT THE PROPHETS SAID THAT PROPHECY LIES IN MY NAME, SAYING, I HAVE DREAMED, I HAVE DREAMED, HOW LONG SHALL THIS BE IN THE HEART OF THE PROPHETS THAT PROPHECY LIES? YEA, THEY PROPHECY OF THEIR OWN HEART.

(I THANK MY GOD FOR MY GRANDFATHER, EVANGELIST BILLY MORRISON, I, AND MAMMA OF BRYAN, TEXAS, AND THEIR 7 CHILDREN, TOOK 350 ACRES OF THE WORST TIMBER LAND IN THE 1900, AND ASKED THE LORD TO BLESSED IT.

BUT IT TOOK BLOOD AND SWEAT OF THEIR BODIES TO MAKE WORK. THEY DIDN'T ASK FOR RIGHTS; THEY WANTED THE LAND TO BE TAMED, AND IT WAS. THE LORD BLESSED THE WORKS OF THEIR HANDS, IT TURNED ON COTTON, SWEET POTATOES, CORN, WHEAT, HAD A DAIRY, A TURKEY FARM, HORSE RANCH, IT EVEN HAD A FILLING STATION ON IT.

EVEN TODAY IT HAS 2 OIL WELLS, 4 BIG FISHING TANKS ON IT. IT IS NOW LEASED OUT EACH YEAR, AND WITH ALL THEIR CHILDREN AND THEIR GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT-GREAT GRANDS, WITH THEIR RIGHTS YOU CAN TAKE THEIR LAND AND SET INTO HIS LAND, AND HAVE ROOM LEFT OVER, TODAY IT IS WORTH \$570,000.00. PRAISE GOD FOR HARD WORK!!!!

JEREMIAH 9:24. THE LORD SAID, LET HIM THAT CLORIETH GLORY IN THIS, THAT HE UNDERSTAND AND KNOWETH ME, THAT I AM THE LORD WHICH EXERCISE LOVING KINDNESS, JUDGMENT AND RIGHTEOUSNESS, IN THE EARTH, FOR THESE THINGS I DELIGHT.

I BILLY BJ. FOLLOW THIS THING AT ONE TIME, THINKING I HAD RIGHTS, BUT THEN ONE DAY MY THINKING CHANGED; WHEN I MET JESUS CHRIST!!!

I LET JESUS HAVE MY RIGHTS; NOW MY LIFE IT'S EVER SO SWEET, HE GAVE ME HIS RIGHTS; THE POWER, TO PUT THE DEVIL UNDER MY FEET.

JOHN 8:12. JESUS SAID, I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD, HE THAT FOLLOW ME SHALL NOT WALK IN DARKNESS, BUT SHALL HAVE THE LIGHT OF LIFE.

FOR MY FREEDOM, DIDN'T NOBODY HAVE TO GIVE UP THEIR SEAT ON THE BUS, MY FREEDOM CAME DOWN FROM HEAVEN; GOD SAID: THAT WAS ENOUGH FOR MY FREEDOM; NOBODY HAD TO GET HIT; WITH THE POLICEMAN'S CLUB, MY FREEDOM CAME WHEN GOD SENT JESUS; HIS ONLY BELOVED.

FOR MY FREEDOM; NO ONE HAD TO GET BIT BY THE POLICE'S DOGS.

MY FREEDOM CAME FROM CALVARY; OUT ON THAT OLD RUGGED CROSS.

FOR MY FREEDOM; DIDN'T NOBODY GET SPRAYED, WITH THE FIREMAN'S HOSE, MY FREEDOM CAME THAT SUNDAY MORNING, WHEN JESUS CHRIST ROSE.

JOHN 8:32. JESUS SAID YOU SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH, AND THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE.

BY EVANGELIST BILLY BJ. MORRISON, III YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST JESUS ALWAYS.



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith
Humility in Today's World

In our world humility is not seen as a positive trait. Humble people are believed to be those who plead for favors or become perpetual doormats. What the people of our time fail to realize or ignore is true humility, the kind that involves a proper evaluation of us, which pleases God.

What the "pride of self tells us today is "If you can do it, its not bragging. Nobody's going to toot your horn for you. You have to blast your own to get the attention you need." There are times when we need to put our best foot forward. This may occur when we are at a job interview or at a review for a salary raise. These are times when this type of behavior is not

identified as negative. However, there are times when we need to be humble.

Generations of people multiplied have wrestled with humility. Bible characters have negated humility by their indecorous behavior. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus told a parable of a Pharisee and a tax collector who both came to the temple to worship. For the Pharisee, that meant recounting his many acts of righteousness and thanking God for helping him to be better than others. For the tax collector, worship meant acknowledging his own sinfulness and praying for God's forgiveness. He humbled himself before God and acknowledged his need for mercy.

This writer would be among the first to say its tough to be humble and

respectful when someone has hurt, put you down and made you their doormat. It is even more difficult or offensive when the act of forgiveness must be rendered to one who has made your life miserable to the extent you become a pauper in a world of plenty.

Forgiving is harder than excusing because to forgive we must summon up our courage and hold the other person accountable. This kind of forgiving means entering into a relationship and determining to treat the other person as a worthy human being instead of riffraff or of utter insignificant or valueless. These people must become worthy of our full respect and involvement. To excuse on the other hand, minimizes the other as being not quite valuable enough to take up our

energies. We simply choose to ignore him or her and go on our way.

Scriptural humility involves an absence of arrogance rooted in the understanding that all we are and have we owe to God. Humility focuses on others rather than self. The ultimate example of humility is Christ Himself. God the Son was willing to become one of us, subject to the human

condition with its weakness and failings. Without Christ's willingness to be born as a man, live as a servant, and die like a criminal, salvation would have been impossible.

Every day of our lives we should thank God for Jesus who through His humility made it possible for us when this fleeting live is over to have life eternal.

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met in the home of Sister Verlina Carroll on Saturday morning, June 7, 2003, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The morning devotion was led by Sister Christene Burleson, vice president, Guest speaker of the morning was Apostle Israel Jones, Sr. of Converse Georgia. He brought the scripture lesson from Psalms 91. He also gave the morning prayer. Evangelist Adelia Hardrick also had spirit filled remarks.

We were blessed to have these as guest in our midst. We were also blessed with a solo, "My Saviour Walking With Me." It was sung by Sister Annie Day.

Sister Roseana Henderson brought the morning scripture lesson. Her subject was "Everybody Ought To Know Who Jesus Is!"

As a child we sang a song titled "Everybody Ought to know, who Jesus is. As little children we sang simply from a standpoint of hearing about Jesus, but as we grew up and had to deal with life's trials and tribulations we who have come through and are going through can now sing from the stand point of knowing who Jesus is. Those of us whose parents and grandparents took us to church as children did not even take into consideration whether or not we wanted to go or felt like getting up for they knew that we were going to have to travel some of the same road they had already traveled and they knew if we were going to make it in this world, we needed to be pointed to Jesus.

According to the Scriptures: Isaiah 7:14 - Old Testament and Matthew 1:23 New Testament that Jesus was born of a virgin.

"Behold a virgin shall be with child and bear a Son"

The B part of Isaiah 7:14 and Matthew 1:23 speak of His deity for they state:

"and they shall call His name Immanuel."

Therefore His deity is pointed out by the name, which translates

means "God with us." The apostle John writes In John 1:1 "In beginning was the Word and Word was with God, and the Word was God. V. 14 says, "and the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the one begotten of the Father, "full of grace and truth." Peter states in Acts 4:12:

"Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.

His death, burial, and resurrection.

The Apostle Paul writes in I Corinthians 15: 1-4, "Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel (good news) which I preached to you which also you received and in which you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose main the third day, according to the Scriptures. His ascension and coming again:

After His earthly ministry was successfully completed and upon His ascension back to the Father Jesus told His disciples:

"But you shall receive power when the Holy Ghost has come upon you, and you shall be witnesses to me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth." Now when He had spoken these things while they watched, He was taken up and a cloud received Him out of their sight. And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, who said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven."

Jesus, claims concerning who He is:

In Mark 14: 61-62 - "I am the Christ"

John: 6: 38, 8:42- "God the Father sent me"

John 10:30 - I and the Father are one.

What Jesus claimed to do:
Matthew 9:6 - Forgive Sins
John 5:22 - Judge Mankind

What others said about who He Was?

(His followers)

John The Baptist (John 1:29) - The Lamb of God who takes away sin

Peter (Matthew 16:16) The Son of the Living God.

How did Jesus respond to what Peter said? (V.17) -God had revealed this to Him.

Martha (John 11:27)- You are the Christ, the Son of God.

Thomas (John 20:20) - My Lord and My God.

(His enemies)

The Jews (John 10:23) - He blasphemed because He claimed to be God.

The Roman Soldier (Matthew 27:54) - He was the Son of God

And this is the testimony that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has The Son has life, he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. These things I have written to you who believe on the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

IF YOU ARE NOT SAVED, AND WANT TO BE SAVED TODAY:

Romans 10: 9 says: That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and believe in thine heart that God had raised Him from the dead, THOU SHALT BE SAVED!!!

Thanks, Sister Henderson for such a powerful word.

For all of you who are ill, let God take control. He is a specialist. He specializes in whatever you're having problems with. He knows you from inside out.

For those of you who have lost loved ones. Remember, God knows just how much you can bear. Only He can heal a heart which is hurting. Call Him!

Thanks for reading, Saints! Bless all of our readers. Please keep those drive by prayers going for our people.

Thanks, Brother T. J. Patterson, May God continue to bless you and your family.

P.S.: The Outreach Prayer Breakfast would like to say to Sister Dorothy Nash, "Happy Birthday!" This comes from all of us. May God bless you with many more!

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president; and Sister Elnora Jones, teacher.

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"God Our Father, Christ Our Redeemer, Man Our Brother"
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Johnnie Taylor's Final Album, There's No Good in Goodbye

COMING FROM MALACO RECORDS JULY 1

Soul & Blues Star Boasted 40+ Hits on Billboard Charts

JACKSON, Miss. — Three years after the soul and blues star's premature death, Malaco Records has announced plans to release the final Johnnie Taylor album. Titled *There's No Good in Goodbye*, the album contains 15 previously unreleased tracks recorded throughout his 16-year stint at Malaco, including five from the sessions of his 1999 album, *Gotta Get The Groove Back*. Extensive liner notes were written by Rob Bowman, author of the award-winning *Soulsville USA: The Story of Stax Records*. Street date is July 1.

Taylor, best known for his smash crossover pop hits "Who's Making Love" (Stax) and "Disco Lady" (Columbia), was believed by many to possess one of the greatest soul voices, in a class with Otis Redding, Sam Cooke and Al Green. Unlike these legendary contemporaries, Taylor spent the vast majority of his career topping strictly the R&B charts, playing for inner city black audiences and commanding top dollar on the blues and soul circuit.

His albums sold in black mom 'n' pop stores, often reaching #1 on the Billboard Blues Chart, charting a commanding SoundScan lead above names like B.B. King, Little Milton, Delbert McClinton, Susan Tedeschi and Bobby "Blue" Bland. Although virtually unknown outside the black community, it was not uncommon for Taylor to sell 500,000 units of an album. As an R&B interpreter, Taylor was without peer — even if he lacked the widespread kudos of pop music critics for not writing his own material. His audience was fiercely loyal to the end.

On May 30, 2000, Taylor's life came to an end as he succumbed to heart failure. His

Dallas funeral was a who's who of the chitlin circuit — Bobby "Blue" Bland, Little Milton, Bobby Womack, Millie Jackson and Denise LaSalle were among those paying Taylor their last respects as he was carried in a gold-plated \$25,000 coffin to his final resting place in Kansas City.

An Arkansas native,



Johnnie Taylor

Taylor's career commenced in such gospel outfits as the Soul Stirrers (and the Highway QCs) prior to making his secular debut on Sam Cooke's SAR label. It was upon heading to Memphis and signing to Stax Records that Taylor became not only a star but also the R&B label's top seller with "Who's Making Love" crossing over pop. A move to Columbia bore the pop hit "Disco Lady" along with several R&B smashes. But in 1982, the initial run of hits dried up. His move to Jackson-based Malaco, known throughout the world as "The Last Soul Company," re-connected Taylor with his core audience and his career once again thrived over a series of 12 albums and more than a dozen charting R&B hits.

During his 16 years at Malaco, Taylor consistently recorded extra tracks while making his albums, ensuring that the label and his heirs would be able to assemble a first-rate album of vault jewels. In addition to unissued songs from his final session in 1999, *There's No Good in Goodbye* collects unreleased

tracks from six of Taylor's Malaco albums, plus one song, "If You Take Your Love Away" that, although released on his seventh album, appears here with a stripped-down mix that dispenses with strings, horns and background vocals. The tracks were chiefly recorded at two legendary studios — Muscle Shoals Sound Studio and Malaco's own studio.

Annotator Bowman notes that tracks that were discarded when Taylor first recorded them would have been automatic A-sides for most of his contemporaries. "Malaco executive and executive producer of this volume Wolf Stephenson summed it up best when he mused, 'It almost gave me chills to go back and listen to these things and just remember how good this guy could sing. It's just frightening.'"

Continuing the tradition, Taylor's son, Floyd Taylor, is now a Malaco recording artist. His solo debut, appropriately titled *Legacy*, was released in spring 2002.



For more information on Johnnie Taylor's *There's No Good in Goodbye*, please contact The Baker/Northrop Media Group:

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Editors note: The executives of Malaco Records and Johnnie Taylor's son Floyd Taylor are available for interview.

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Creating a Legacy for Children of African Descent: Institute for Educators and Parents Slated in Houston

On June 25 and 26, 2003 educators, administrators, parents and pre-service teachers from throughout the state will gather at Texas Southern University (TSU) in Houston for the Second Annual Summer Institute for meeting the challenges of public school children; especially those of African American descent.

The conference, which provides professional development hours for educators, is sponsored by TSU, the Center for the Development and Study of Effective Pedagogy for African American Learners (CPAL), the Texas Alliance of Black School Educators and the hosting affiliate, the Beaumont Area Alliance of Black School Educators.

"This is an event for veteran and new teachers, administrators and educational specialists as well as school volunteers and community leaders," says BAABSE President Dr. Mae E. Jones-Dark. "The content of the workshops will be of benefit to any teacher

who has students of African American descent in his or her class(es). We will collaboratively confront and address the challenges facing our students in the public school system from kindergarten through college. There will be a great deal of information for parents. Everyone is welcome."

Registration for the two-day institute is \$100 before May 31 and \$150 after May 31 and includes a banquet and luncheon. Registration for students and parents is \$20 prior to May 31 and \$25 after. For one day, the price is \$50/\$75. Accommodations are being booked at the Doubletree Hotel, Post Oak-Galleria, 1-800-245-7299. For more information contact CPAL/TSU at 1-800-517-2725, fax 713-313-7852 or email, davis_nl@tsu.edu.

The Texas Alliance of Black School Educators is a statewide organization composed of local affiliate chapters of school administrators, teachers, parents and community leaders and other persons

interested in the education of African American school children. It is dedicated to all those who are responsible for the quality of education for African American children. Its organizational objectives include "overcoming" the low levels of performance of many African American children, the loss to the profession of African American teachers, confronting serious questions of educational content (traditional, academic and cultural) and research through CPAL for effective pedagogical strategies to facilitate the education of students of African American descent.

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Strength for Today hope for Tomorrow

by Gerald Jackson

Black women taking care of black men (Continued)

Before I continue, let me say that these principles for manhood are not race specific. They apply to any group of males who desire manhood.

For the black women who want black men as husbands let me encourage you to look for the kind of man who takes care of himself, respects womanhood, is caring and compassionate and responsible to and for his children.

But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially those of his household, he has denied the faith...

ing as your significant other does not think enough of himself to have his own job and place to live, why in the world do you think he is going to change and suddenly start providing these things for you and your babies? Carefully consider what Paul says about the man who does not take care of his family:

"But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith, and is worse than an unbeliever." (1 Timothy 5: 8). Now if you want the kind of male who wants to lay up and let you take care of him there

are plenty of them available. Pick almost any street corner in the hood and you can find them.

Every woman who allows this kind of male to be a part of her life increases the chances of making more of the same kinds of males. When your children see these kinds of males in their lives they think that is the way it is suppose to be. This thinking further diminishes the pool of suitable men for our daughters to choose from.

Secondly, do not risk bringing another child into the world who will not have a committed father to help raise them. This risk becomes possible when black women (or any women) desire affection and intimacy to the

point of ignoring sound judgment. Look at the bigger picture. If you want your daughter to experience the same loneliness you are feeling then give in to your desire for intimacy with a male who will not commit himself, his resources and his life to you. Real men are not intimidated by the prospect of taking the responsibility of a family. Boys run and hide when faced with this type of commitment. That's why boys call their lovers 'Momma'. They are not looking for a woman as an equal adult, they are looking for a mother that will take care of them.

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Juneteenth Message!

by Eddie P. Richardson



When the word came on June 19th that all slaves were free forever, the great Celebration would become known as Juneteenth! That Celebration continued for several days. After all, it's hard to place a time limit on a Celebration about you being released from bondage. That's why 138 years later, we take great pride in celebrating Juneteenth and invite other races and cultural to join in our celebration of this important cultural holiday!

As the State Commissioner—representing the South Plains of Texas and West Texas, this

writer wants to congratulate individuals, organizations, and corporate sponsors who have worked so hard to present the four days of Juneteenth Celebration in Lubbock. Without a doubt, we have achieved our goal of creating a Juneteenth Celebration in which everyone in Lubbock can participate.

The Juneteenth Emancipation Celebration Committee believes each of you can find one or more events in which everyone can participate. We know each of you will find something different in our venue this year. All we want you to do is attend, participate and enjoy the day long Celebration in the Mae Simmons Park as well as other venues. We encourage you to attend the Sunday afternoon religious services in the park, begin-

ning at 5:00 p.m. Conic and Praise the Lord from which we have come.

This writer wants to personally thank our friend, State Rep. Al Edwards of Houston, Texas, and the late Harold M. Chatman for their tenacity and vision, keeping Juneteenth alive in our hearts and minds over the years. What has done Lubbock, Texas has been an important role throughout the great State of Texas and the United States of America.

Remember, Juneteenth is a holiday that is UNIQUELY ... TEXAS, and our hearts are as big as a The State of Texas as we invite you to join us as we celebrate Juneteenth! Celebrate Freedom!

Nuf Sed! Why Not?

THIS N THAT

WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT IT! THIS N THAT ... is still reflecting his attendance of the ... SPRING 2002 ... THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY ... COMMENCEMENT ... held last week in Columbus, Ohio ... THIS N THAT ... and wife ... BOBBIE ... had a nephew to graduate ... along with more than ... 6,775 STUDENTS ... in the Ohio Stadium. ... What a tremendous event ... and since a young man who was born in Lubbock, Texas ... in 1981 ... MARCUS JERROD WILLIAMS ... son of Mark and Avis Williams ... He was one of them ... who received his degree in ... PSYCHOLOGY ... and will be attending Graduate School ... Would be nice for him to come back home ... but his heart is set on St. Louis, Mo. ... Anyway ... WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT IT! It did happen ... and all is well ... Also attending were ... HILLARY HUTCHINSON, JR. ... an uncle ... T.J. PATTERSON ... as also an uncle ... and ... ASYA HARRIS ... a cousin ... What a wonderful day! It did happen ... and reminds all of us that ... THINGS WILL HAPPEN IN OUR LIVES ... that is ... IF WE ONLY BELIEVED, CONGRATS, MARCUS!

TEST SCORES DOWN! THIS N THAT ... saw a copy of the recent test scores about the recent ... TAKS TEST SCORES ... One of the local administrators at LISD ... attributes the low test scores to students not attending school like they should ... THIS N THAT ... would say this is not a ... LISD PROBLEM ... but a ... FAMILY PROBLEM ... As family members ... we have a responsibility to see that our ... YOUNG PEOPLE ... attend school ... If they are not doing so ... then they will always be behind in their subject matter ... The question to be asked then would be ... WHY ARE OUR KIDS NOT ATTENDING PUBLIC SCHOOL AS THEY SHOULD? THIS N THAT ... would like to hear from you about this lack of attendance among our children. It appears this problem could exist in all ... GRADE LEVELS ... If we don't help in this matter ... our children are in for a terrible time in ... the future of their lives ...

NEED TO ATTEND JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION! THIS N THAT ... IS HOPING ... this year ... EMANCIPATION JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION ... will be one of the better ones in his history ... THIS N THAT ... has observed many of our local citizens ... WORKING HARD ... for it to be a success ... All are asked to get involved and come to the ... MAE SIMMONS PARK ... come this Saturday ... after the annual parade ... and just have a great time ... In doing all of this ... let us not forget from whence we have come ... Only by the Grace of God ... has all of this become a reality ... So come to the ... JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION ... and come with an open mind ... and be willing to take something back to your neighborhood ... This means helping to get rid of the ... EVILS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD!

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED FOR DRUG MARCH MONDAY! THIS N THAT ... is asking for your help in the upcoming ... MARCH AGAINST DRUGS AND GANGS ... come this ... MONDAY EVENING ... beginning at 6:30 p.m. ... at the corner of ... ZENITH AVENUE & EAST BATES AVENUE ... Come and bring someone with you ... As mentioned above ... the young people aren't attend school like they should ... because they are being ... BRAIN WASHED ... by these so called ... ALLEDGED DRUG DEALERS ... Come in force ... and let's start running these ... ALLEDGE DRUG DEALERS ... out of their neighborhood ... because they are not wanted ... THIS N THAT ... wants us to start standing up and letting people know ... WE DON'T WANT THEM IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD! THIS N THAT ... will be there ... and we want you there ...

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: "THIS IS JUNETEENTH WEEK ... SO let's all attend this ... ANNUAL VENUE ... as we as ... BLACK PEOPLE ... have been free for ... 138 YEARS ... and some still don't know it."

SONIC IS ON THE WAY! THIS N THAT ... had a very positive visit with ... ROD WARREN ... of Sonic Drive Inn ... who says we are almost there ... and the contractor should be here this week ... and hopefully ... it will be done before the end of ... AUGUST 2003.

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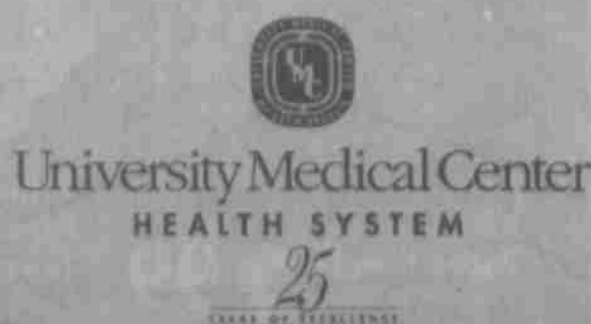
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The following is list of events which will take place for the Lubbock Juneteenth Celebration from June 18 through June 23, 2003:

June 18

Miss Juneteenth Scholarship Pageant, with three Scholarships being presented to First, Second and Third Place Winners. Scholarships are \$1,000.00, \$500.00 and \$300.00. Center 6:30 p.m., Estacado High School Auditorium, 1504 East Itasca Avenue.

June 19

Opening Freedom Reception: 6:00 p.m., until 8:00 p.m., Mae Simmons Community Center, East 23rd Street and Oak Avenue. Grand Marshals will be presented as well as the new principal of Estacado High School.

June 20

Man and Woman of the Year Community Service Awards Program begins at 7:00 p.m. at Mae Simmons Community Center, East 23rd Street and Oak Avenue. Sponsored by Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

June 21

Freedom Parade: Beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the United Supermarket, 3630 Parkway Drive, South to East Broadway; west to Martin Luther King Blvd., south to end at Mae Simmons Park. Activities at Mae Simmons Park and Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center. Senior Citizen Annual Fish Fry, Noodle, Domino and Pool tournaments; 1-4 p.m.; Health Fair, 1-4 p.m.; Children activities: 1-4 p.m., Sponsored by City of Lubbock Parks and Recreation Department; Three-on-Three Basketball Tournament, 1:30 p.m. and Volleyball Tournament, 1:30 p.m. Many other events in the park for young and old.

June 22

Old Time Freedom Religious Services: Beginning at 5:00 p.m. Mae Simmons Park Gaz-bo, East 23rd Street and Oak Avenue. Several local churches will be involved.

June 23

76th Freedom Drug March Against Drugs, Gangs, and Violence. For time and place, call Eddie P. Richardson at (806) 762-3612. Sponsored by City Councilman T.J. Patterson.

The public is invited to participate and attend all of these activities. If you have any questions, then feel free to call Eddie P. Richardson at (806) 762-3612. The goal for this year's celebration is for all citizens from throughout Lubbock will attend.

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LETTER to the EDITOR

WHY?

RECENTLY THE EAST LUBBOCK DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION APPLIED FOR \$75,000 THROUGH CDBG FUNDS, FOR A SHOPPING CENTER AND A BUSINESS INCUBATOR THAT WOULD ALLOW CITIZENS AN OPPORTUNITY TO START THEIR OWN BUSINESS. WE RECEIVED NOTHING! WHY WOULDN'T COUNCILMAN HERNANDEZ OR COMMISSIONER FLORES SUPPORT THIS PROJECT? THEY BOTH REPRESENT CITIZENS IN EAST LUBBOCK. WHY WOULDN'T THE HISPANIC CHAMBER SUPPORT A HISPANIC WANTING TO HELP OTHERS INCLUDING HISPANICS. BETTER THEIR OPPORTUNITIES IN LIFE? WHY WOULD THE CITY COUNCIL DENY EAST

LUBBOCK CITIZENS THE HONOR OF A BETTER FUTURE? WHY IS IT SO IMPORTANT FOR THE CITY COUNCIL TO CONTROL WHO BUILDS AND WHEN TO BUILD THIS SHOPPING CENTER? WHY NOT APPROVE THIS PROJECT NOW? AS AN ACTIVIST WHO FIGHTS AGAINST INJUSTICES PERFORMED BY ELECTED OFFICIALS, I'M MOSTLY MISUNDERSTOOD AND NOT LIKED VERY WELL BY CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS. BUT WE ALWAYS BEEN TRUTHFUL. I THANK GOD THAT HE GIVES ME THE STRENGTH AND COURAGE NOT TO BE INTIMIDATED BY THE POWERS THAT BE. YET GOD ALLOWS ME TO GIVE CREDIT WHERE CREDIT IS DUE. I SUPPORTED OUR MAYOR REGARDING THE NEW

HEART HOSPITAL. I NOTIFIED OUR MAYOR WHAT AN HONOR IT WAS TO RUN AGAINST A REPUBLICAN AND ADDRESS THE ISSUES DURING THE MAYOR'S RACE. WHEN ELECTED OFFICIALS CAN'T RESPECT OTHERS CONCERNS OF INJUSTICES, THAT'S A SIGN OF IMMATURITY, HIPOCRACY AND IS TOTALLY UNPROFESSIONAL. SOME OF US ACTUALLY HAVE THE BEST INTEREST AT HEART FOR OUR CITIZENS WHY PUNISH EAST LUBBOCK BECAUSE OF PERSONALITY CONFLICTS? WHY NOT GROW-UP FOR A CHANGE?

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Announcement of Public Hearing

Citibus staff has proposed several service changes that will impact our passengers. We want you to know what we have proposed.

Route Elimination

Proposal to eliminate two routes due to low ridership—Route 4 and Route 11. If this proposal is adopted, these two routes will not be in service after September 3.

Route Changes

Proposal to combine Route 7 and Route 12. The new route, which will be called Route 12-North Lubbock/4th Street, will include service to the Guadalupe neighborhood and will continue to provide service to Arnett Benson and the rest of Route 12. If adopted, this change will take effect on September 3.

Saturday Service

Proposal for elimination of all Saturday service. Fixed routes and CitiAccess would no longer operate on Saturday. If adopted, there would no longer be buses on Saturday beginning September 6.

The Lubbock Public Transit Advisory Board has called for two public hearings. At the close of the second public hearing, the Board will vote on the proposed changes. Their vote will then go on to the Lubbock City Council, who will make the final decision on any service changes or cuts.



Citibus Public Hearings will be held
12 noon and 5:30 pm, Wed. June 25th
Downtown Transfer Plaza, 801 Broadway

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(Submit written comments by close of business on June 24th to Melinda Harvey, Director of Service Development, Citibus, PO Box 2000, Lubbock, TX 79457; email mharvey@citibus.com; fax 712-2012)

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In Cinque

by Renetta W. Howard

It is happening all over again. Winter has not yet come, summer is barely here and we are hit with the news that the price of natural gas is going up again; double the present amount. So what is there for one to do? Should we switch to propane or butane? Will the cost be prohibitive? These are the situations which we are confronted with if we do not choose to pay the high cost of natural gas. We can always use electricity or just do without heat when we really need it. Then again, the cost to switch to electricity may still be

prohibitive. On the other hand, if we switch to electricity, we must keep in mind that it too, is propelled by the use of natural gas. So, we have six in one hand and a half dozen in the other. This brings to mind, as we also look at the rising cost of gasoline for motor vehicles, that a rise in gas is a rise in gas!

One wonders, does the absence of or the ability of our military forces being able to find weapons of mass destruction in Iraq have anything to do with the cost of natural gas and gasoline in the United States today and in the future? Does the answer lie somewhere between the rising cost of natural gas and the lowest tax cut for business in the last half century? Is this hike in natural gas going to stave off a depression or

make business any more profitable? As one president once said, "The business of America is business."

If we take a careful look, we will see that the business of America is business and the American people need to once and for all realize this and put some type of machinery into action to see to it that some of the business of America pertains to the welfare of the people of America. The regular announcements of the tax cuts, tax hikes, etc. by government officials is reminiscent of Animal Farm by George Orwell. It is time that we get 'in cinque' and make our government officials aware of the needs of the electorate and follow through to see to it if they are really taking care of our business.

Thanks to the 2003 Juneteenth committee for a job well done on this years Juneteenth celebration. Your hard work and planning are very much appreciated!!!