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Local News

Lubbock Trio Programs Awarded to Serve Low Income, First-Generation Students

LUBBOCK - Four Lubbock area programs have received grants under the federal TRIO Programs, a U.S. Department of Education initiative that assists students from limited-income backgrounds. Texas Tech University's Upward Bound and McNair Scholars Programs, Learn, Inc. Veterans Upward Bound and South Plains College Upward Bound have obtained funding under the TRIO Programs.

The TRIO programs of the South Plains help to ensure that the future leaders and educators of tomorrow come from diverse backgrounds, said Elizabeth Teagan, Ed.D., director of the McNair Scholars Program.

Created under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, the TRIO programs aim at enhancing the educational opportunities for low-income, first-generation college and disabled students. The local programs guide students throughout their academic careers from middle school to doctoral programs.

Texas Tech's Upward Bound Program received a four-year, estimated \$1.7 million grant. Additionally, the outreach program was awarded an \$880,000 grant to support the Upward Bound Math Science QUEST, Quality University Exploration in Science and Technology, Program for four years. QUEST, a new program, will expose students to advanced levels of science and math. Upward Bound gives local low-income, first-generation students the opportunity to gain preparatory skills necessary to succeed in a university setting.

The McNair Scholars Program at Texas Tech was awarded a \$1.2 million grant for the next five years. The program recruits students from low-income backgrounds in an effort to prepare them for graduate education, particularly on the doctoral level.

The Learn, Inc. Veterans Upward Bound Program, a newly funded program, will receive a \$1.1 million grant for a five-year period. The program provides basic skills and short-term remedial courses for military veterans who are pursuing postsecondary education.

The newly established South Plains College Upward Bound program obtained a five-year, \$1.1 million grant. With the funding, Lisa Sharp, writer of the grant and dean of student life at South Plains College, said the Upward Bound grant will create educational opportunities for local students.

Community Meetings

• Lubbock Area Chamber Council - Second Saturday, 1:00 pm • Mae Simmons Community Center • Hub City K. K. Jones, Every Tuesday Night, 7:00 pm, 1708 Avenue G • Dunbar Alumni Association 2nd Saturday 4pm • Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 2nd Tuesday - 7:30 • Forgotten West Riders, PHS & Third Monday, 7:00 pm, T. J. Patterson Library • East Lubbock Chapter AARP, Every 1st Thursday at 1 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center, Oak and 8th St. • Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TCU Market Center • Dunbar-Manhattan 6th Tuesday • Neighborhood Association Meetings Every 1st and 3rd Thursday 6:00 pm, 1305 East 24th Street (outreach center) • West Texas Native American Association For Life's Steps • Educational presentations at • Mesquite • City Nights • Downtown Library • TBA Memorial Walk, Lubbock Lake Landmark • TBA and Ranch Days, Rodeo Heritage Center • TBA Annual Picnic for Park College, TBA • Texas Historical Cultural & Historical Commission Lubbock Affiliate Meet at LI Panzeron Branch Library 3rd Thursday 7 pm • West Texas Native American Association 2nd Saturday each month at Groves Library, 5520 19th Street, 7:30 • West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men - 3rd Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Parkway Neighborhood Center • The Parkway Cherry-Park Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 pm at Parkway Neighborhood Center.

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 calling it in.

Community Meetings C/O: Southwest Digest
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Comptroller Strayhorn Announces 2003 Sales Tax Holiday

(AUSTIN) — Shoppers can stock up on clothes and shoes without paying sales tax August 1-3, Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn announced.

"I love the Sales Tax Holiday. It's the one time where hard-working Texas families get to keep more of their dollars in their pockets for their families' priorities. The fifth annual Sales Tax Holiday will be held the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of August," Strayhorn said. "During the Sales Tax Holiday most clothes and shoes priced under \$100 are exempt from state and local sales taxes."

Strayhorn estimates Texans will save \$43.8 million in sales tax, including \$34.6 million in state sales tax and \$9.2 million in local sales taxes.

Examples of items that can be purchased tax-free August 1-3 include kids' clothes and school uniforms, adults' clothes and work uniforms, shoes, tennis shoes, sleepwear and underclothes for the entire family, as long as the items are priced under \$100 each.

Strayhorn has repeatedly called on the Legislature to add

backpacks, school supplies and safety gear for Texas children to the Tax Exempt list; they have failed to do so.

Items that cannot be purchased tax-free include handbags, wallets, jewelry, accessories, athletic shoes and sports apparel that are not normally street wear, backpacks and school supplies.

Since the first Sales Tax Holiday in 1999, the annual three-day event has saved Texans an estimated \$150.2 million in sales tax, including \$118.5 million in state sales tax and \$31.7 million in local sales taxes.

"During these tough economic times, I believe Texas families will once again take full advantage of

this well-deserved tax break to make their dollars go farther," Strayhorn said.

For more information about the Sales Tax Holiday, including a list of tax-exempt and non-exempt items, visit the Comptroller's Web site at:

http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/tx96_237_2_03.html#holiday

Kango Golf Association Will Sponsor Barbecue and Car Wash Fundraiser

The members of the Kango Golf Association will sponsor a Barbecue and Car Wash Fundraiser on Saturday, August 9, 2003, at the Ossie Curry Funeral Home Parking Lot, 1805 MLK Blvd. and East 19th Street. The event will begin at 11:00 a.m. and continue until

The Kango Golf Association believes young people succeed, because they know what they want and where they are going. Therefore, the intent of the Kango Golf Association is to encourage young people to take up the game of golf, and to work at improving their skills, personal development, and leadership.

The members of the Kango Golf Association are asking companies organizations and individuals to help with their interest and support this mission so the association can set out to accomplish this mission and much will be achieved by the Kango Golf Association.

President is Ossie Curry; Tour Director is Charles Bolden.



Adams Twins Graduate on Same Day!

Padgett and Robert Adams are twin brothers, and they have something else in common. Both graduated on the same day, May 17, 2003.

Padgett graduated from Texas Tech University in Lubbock with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Telecommunication and a minor in Marketing. On the other hand, Robert graduated from the University of Arizona with a Bachelor of Liberal Arts degree and a minor in Business Administration.

At this time, both are employed by Enterprise in the Management training program.

They are sons of Patricia and Robert Adams of Houston, Texas. They are also the grandsons of Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Scott, Sr. of Lubbock.



Health Department Reports Two Cases of West Nile Virus in Humans

• The City of Lubbock Health Department now reports two human cases of West Nile Virus (WNV). Both cases live within city limits.

• WNV is now an established threat to humans, horses and birds in the Lubbock area, and residents need to take precautions to prevent being bitten mosquitoes.

• A press release by the City of Lubbock Health Department on July 9 identified the presence of West Nile Virus (WNV) in mosquitoes in Lubbock. A bird and two horses in Lubbock have also tested positive for WNV.

• Scientists at Texas Tech's The Institute of Environmental and Human Health (TIEHH) have identified positive mosquitoes throughout the City.

• Vector Control staff have been spraying for mosquitoes for several weeks and have increased targeted spraying around areas where WNV has been detected.

WNV is a disease of birds. Humans and horses get exposed to the virus when they are bitten by mosquitoes that have fed on infected birds. The infected mosquitoes become the link (vector) that spreads the disease from birds to man or horse

through a mosquito bite. WNV cannot be spread from bird to man, horse to man or person-to-person. Few mosquitoes are infected with WNV, and less than one percent of people who get bitten and become ill will get severely ill (1 out of 150).

Symptoms of WNV can be mild to severe, starting with fever, and any of the following: weakness, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, eye pain, headache, muscle aches, rash and swollen glands. The elderly and those with weakened immune systems are at higher risk of developing severe WNV symptoms.

Symptoms can develop within 3 to 14 days and can last from 3 to 6 days.

Prevention is key in eliminating the risk of exposure to mosquitoes. The Health Department Vector Control has increased spraying activities in the City. Citizens can further reduce exposure with the following activities:

Personal Protection Activities: Key Words - Dawn and Dusk, DEET, Drain, Dress:

1. Avoid being out when mosquitoes feed - usually at Dawn and Dusk.
2. Wear protective clothing.

Longtime Businessman, J.B. Mason Succumbs Here Last Week



Funeral services were held for a longtime businessman, J.B. Mason, on Wednesday morning, July 30, 2003, at the Mount Gilead Baptist Church with Rev. J. J. Johnson; pastor, officiating! He was the proprietor of the landmark downtown business Snappy Shine Parlor for more than 50 years. He died last Thursday, July 24, 2003, of cancer in his home. Arrangements were under the direction of Jamison Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Many citizens were aware of his business on Avenue J as it was an institution in downtown Lubbock. Since 1950, he and his business were responsible for shining thousands of shoes, from citizens all over Lubbock and South Plains of Texas.

The original Snappy Shine parlor was located at 1114 Texas Avenue. Mason brought the business in 1950. In 1967, he moved to its present location at 1110 Avenue J.

Beginning his career in downtown in 1937, he has often told others that Snappy Shine Parlor is the oldest small business in Lubbock.

More on Mr. Mason in next week's edition.

Neighborhood Association Sponsors "Neighbors Coming Together"

The Dunbar-Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association invites the entire community to attend their National Night Out on Tuesday evening, August 5, 2003, at the Mae Simmons Outreach Center, 1303 East 24th Street. The program will be held from 6:00 p. m. until 8:00 p. m.

With the theme, "Neighbors Coming

Together," the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church Youth Group of Tahoka, Texas will be special entertainment. There will also be a silent auction.

According to a spokesperson, this is a way for the neighborhood crime and drugs a going away party!

Refreshments will be available.

If you find mistakes in this publication, please consider that they are there for a reason. We publish something for everyone, and some people are always looking for mistakes.



Fashion Fun

by Shirley Roberson

Cool Khaki

Want a neutral versatile wardrobe to take you from work to weekend and back again?

Say hello to comfortable stylish summer khaki.

Khaki and color make a great fashion combination, and you are going to see lots and lots of khaki. Traditional neutral khaki is fantastic with any color, which encourages endless possibilities. Darker khaki with the color citrus orange enhances a a delightful



playful twist.

Khaki goes unexpectedly feminine with strapless dresses, loosely flowing sun dresses, and of course tight fitting sleek, side split skirts.....

HGW GREAT IS THAT?

REMEMBER KHAKI AND COLOR IS A GOOD THING!

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

Upcoming Events at the Lubbock Public Libraries

Meet a Live Llama at the Godeke Branch Library

The Godeke Branch Library, 6601 Quaker, presents "Is Your Mama a Llama?" on Tuesday, August 5, at 2:00 p.m. Children are invited to meet some of our animal friends, including a llama and a pony. This program will be outdoors. For more information, call 792-6566.



Program and Movie Ticket Drawing at Godeke Branch Library

Attention, moviegoers! Would you like to know how movies are selected for Lubbock theaters? Come to the Godeke Branch Library, 6601 Quaker, at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 5, for an evening with Movies 16 manager Laura Cook, who will answer this and other questions. There will be a drawing for two free movie passes (must be present to win), and popcorn and refreshments will be served. For more information, call 792-6566.

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CHATMAN HILLS CORNER

by Clarissa Jay



"Stay In The Race." His scripture text was Philippians 3:4-10. It was a wonderful sermon.

For A Prepared People." His scripture text was St. John 14:1-3. A very good sermon.

The citizens of Lubbock were saddened and will miss one of our longtime residents, Mr. J. B. Mason, owner and operator of Snappy Shine Parlor. He passed away here last Thursday, July 24, 2003.

Services were held Wednesday morning, July 30, 2003, at the Mount Gilead Baptist Church with Rev. J. J. Johnson, pastor, officiating. Jamison Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Brother and Sister Harry (Florenza) Stokley entertained their many family members with their annual Stokley Family Reunion held at the New Hope Baptist Church last weekends. Relatives came from throughout Texas, New Mexico and Missouri. It was reported to be a wonderful reunion.

A grandson, Minister Andrea Toines, delivered the morning sermon at New Hope Baptist Church. His subject was

A spirit-filled Federation of Choirs was held at Lyons Chapel Baptist Church last Sunday afternoon, July 27, 2003. Brother Willie Turner spoke highly of the talented singers and musicians who participate in the monthly meeting.

Also, Bishop McKinley Shepherd announced to the congregation of the upcoming 50th jubilee which will be held next March, 2004. He urged all churches and pastors to help with an upcoming souvenir brochure. "We need the help of all churches and pastors for this great event. We're starting early so we can do a great job," said Bishop Shepherd.

Rev. Edward Canady, pastor of St. Matthew Baptist Church, preached a dynamic sermon last Sunday morning, July 27th. His subject was "A Prepared Place

A "Back To School March Against Drugs, Gangs and Violence" will be held on Friday evening, August 15, 2003, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at East Bates Avenue and Zenith Avenue. Anyone wanting to participate may do so. More on this later,

The Federation of Choirs will meet at the St. Matthew Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon, August 24, 2003, beginning at 2:30 p.m. Rev. Edward Canady is host pastor.

The West Texas District Association will be held August 4 through 8, 2003, in Mineral Wells, Texas. All ladies and gentlemen who are interested in participating are as to either contribute art or craft.

General Mission of New Hope Baptist Church will be held tonight, Thursday evening, July 31, 2003, beginning at 6:00 p.m. This is an important meeting as final plans of the retreat will be made and receive newsletter update.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in citizens. Among them who are requesting prayer this week include: Sister Rosie Reddic, Brother Clarence Ervin, and Brother D. C. Kinner.

Don't forget those families in our community who have lost loved ones over the past few days. God is able. He knows how much we can bear.

Mrs. Pearlina Scott is home after having surgery last week. She is reported to be doing nicely at this report.

"Time, Time, Time!"

by Fredda Baker

As I look around and see the changes, the look Revelations foretold. I say to myself and to others, its only the sign of the times, you know. These signs were prophesized and written, documented way back in ages old. Only we the people and, in particular mine, Sister/Queens, Brother/Kings. All so fine.

Can start to turn this event around. Or, at least, slow this thing down.

Proverbs says: "To every purpose, there is a season. For every purpose, there is a reason."

The Law: To keep in your foresight, that God ordered Moses to write. If we would acknowledge God in all our ways. And the Ten Commandments obey. Then, He sent His only Son to help us out with a Law, brand new! God set forth two that we absolutely must do! To love the Lord will all of our hearts, minds, and souls. And put nothing and nobody before Him.

Be Bold! Then love your neighbor as yourself. If you put your all unto these, then there is nothing else! Oh, but we testify. And even justify. Why we do the things we do! Satan loves to make us look like fools! We haven't learned yet that love conquers all. To get back up when we fall. Then, to walk the walk. As well as a talk the talk. We do not understand that God's temple is within.

And if we do not love and respect self, the temple that's

a sin we have committed. How long will it be before we set ourselves free. Does responsibility have to be responsible for itself? We keep fanning the flames of self-destruction. We sit idly by. While we watch and allow marking time. Mocking love. Living our lives in a mine, Tick-tock, Tick-tock!

Oh, how time flies! Little by little we die! As second by second goes by. While time, time, time!

Extending Office Hours to Serve the Citizens

The City of Lubbock Parks & Recreation Department has extended their office hours to better serve the citizens of Lubbock. Summer time is a busy season full of all types of outdoor activities for people of all ages. Therefore, in an effort to accommodate our customer's busy schedules, from now until September 12, the office located at 1010 9th Street will be open until 6 pm.

Corbin Pemberton, Parks & Recreation Director, explains the reason for the change. "When customers who work from 8 to 5 rent a party house, baseball field or swimming pool, it is often difficult to come to our office during the lunch hour. Therefore, by shifting

our schedules internally, we can provide an important service to our customers while adding no new budgetary costs to the department."

For more information on the Parks & Recreation Department programs or for information on any of our programs or services, you can call 775-2685 or visit us on the web at playlubbock.com.

LP&L Chief to Be Recognized at State Meeting in San Antonio

The chief executive officer of Lubbock Power and Light Company will be a key figure in San Antonio this week—as the Texas Public Power Association celebrates its 25th anniversary.

Carroll McDonald will be recognized as one of the past presidents of the association, which will hold its annual meeting Monday through Wednesday (July 28 through July 30). McDonald

served as president of the TPPA in 1987.

The association represents the interests of public power providers throughout Texas—including municipally owned electric utilities, river authorities, joint action agencies, and some electric cooperatives. TPPA's resources help its members extend their influence on policy matters affecting the public power industry.



10 years and counting - The Automotive Training Center (ATC), a partnership venture between Toyota Motor Sales, (TMS) U.S.A., Inc. and the Los Angeles Urban League, celebrated a decade of automotive service excellence during its Tenth Year Anniversary Summer Graduation. Established in 1993 on the heels of the civil unrest in Los Angeles, the ATC has graduated over 1100 students and offers no-cost job training and placement assistance in the automotive service industry. 70 students representing both genders and numerous ethnic groups received certificates of completion at the commencement. Pictured are (left to right) John W. Mack, President, LA Urban League, Carlos Moss, ATC 1993 graduate and automotive technician/trainee leader for Marina Del Rey Toyota, Vera Dorsey, ATC director, NatQuasha R. Howard, ATC summer graduate, and Irving A. Miller, group vice-president of Corporate Communications at Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.



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JEREMIAH 14:7, O LORD, THROUGH OUR INIQUITIES, TESTIFY AGAINST US, THOU IT FOR YOUR NAME'S SAKE; FOR OUR BACKSLIDINGS, O LORD, WE HAVE SINNED AGAINST THEE.

WE STARTED OUT AS A CHRISTIAN NATION, BUT TODAY IT IS NOT TRUE, WE HAVE GIVEN EVERY MAN HIS RIGHTS; WE HAVE LEFT GOD.

ISAIAH 1:3, HEAR, O HEAVENS, AND GIVE EAR, O EARTH, FOR THE LORD HATH SPOKEN, I HAVE NOURISHED AND BROUGHT UP CHILDREN, AND THEY HAVE REBELLED AGAINST ME.

AMERICA'S RIGHTS, HAVE PUT OUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN IN JAILS, THAT LIE YOU'RE FREE, BUT IN JAIL YOU ARE SLAVE, CAN'T EVEN MAKE BAIL.

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

AMERICA HAVE SHOWED THE CHILDREN; THE LOVE OF MONEY AND IT GREED, WE HAVE NO MORALS; ON HOW WE GET THE MONEY, ONLY MONEY IT I NEEDS.

1 TIMOTHY 6:10, FOR THE LOVE OF MONEY IS THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL; WHICH WHILE SOME COVETED AFTER, THEY HAVE ERRED FROM THE FAITH, AND PIERCED THEMSELVES THROUGH WITH MANY SORROWS.

THE LOVE OF MONEY IN THE CHURCH; IT HAVE TAKEN ITS TOE HOLD, GOD WANTED IT TO BE A PLACE OF PRAYER; NOT A PLACE TO GET GOLD!!!

MARK 11:17, JESUS SAID, IS IT NOT WRITTEN, MY HOUSE SHALL BE CALLED OF ALL NATIONS THE HOUSE OF PRAYER? BUT YE HAVE MADE IT A DEN OF THIEVES.

THE PREACHERS DON'T WANT TO SERVE THE PEOPLE, HE WANTS THEIR GOLD, GOD'S BUSINESS IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, WINNING PEOPLE SOULS.

ISAIAH 56:10,11, THE LORD SAID HIS WATCHMEN ARE BLIND; THEY ARE ALL IGNORANT, THEY ARE ALL DUMB DOGS, THEY CANNOT BARK, SLEEPING, LYING DOWN, LOVING TO SLUMBER, YEA, THEY ARE GREEDY DOGS WHICH CAN NEVER HAVE ENOUGH, AND THE ARE SHEPHERDS THAT CANNOT UNDERSTAND; THEY ALL LOOK TO THEIR OWN WAY, EVERY ONE FOR HIS GAIN, FROM HIS QUARTER(ANNIVERSARY).

"THE PREACHERS ROB GOD"? YES THEY WILL!!!
 NOW THE WHITE HOUSE IS CORRUPTED; ITS SIN EVERY YOU CAN LOOK, ITS SIN THAT WAS NOT CALLED SIN; AND THAT WAS THE SIN THAT IT TOOK.

MICAH 7:2,3, THE GOOD MAN IS PERISHED OUT OF THE EARTH; AND THERE IS NONE UPRIGHT AMONG MEN; THEY ALL LIE IN WAIT FOR BLOOD; THEY HUNT EVERY MAN HIS BROTHER WITH A NET, THAT THEY MAY DO EVIL WITH BOTH HANDS EARNESTLY, THE PRINCE(PRESIDENT) ASK, AND THE JUDGE ASK FOR A REWARD; AND THE GREAT MAN, HE UTTERETH HIS MISCHIEVOUS DESIRE; SO THEY WRAP IT UP.

THE LORD IS PATIENCE, AND HE WANTS AMERICA TO REPENT OF HER WAYS; EVEN THE BLIND MAN CAN SEE, WE'RE LIVING IN THE LAST AND EVIL DAYS.

MATTHEW 23:37,38, JESUS SAID, O JERUSALEM, JERUSALEM, THOU THAT KILLEST THE PROPHETS, AND STONEST THEM WHICH ARE SENT UNTO THEE; HOW OFTEN WOULD I HAVE GATHERED THY CHILDREN TOGETHER, EVEN AS A HEN GATHERS HER CHICKENS UNDER HER WINGS, AND YOU WOULD NOT; BEHOLD(LOOK), YOUR HOUSE IS LEFT UNTO YOU DESOLATE.

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



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith
On Being a Black Male in the 21st Century

"In the last 30 years, there has been a strong shift from Jim Crow—the overt manifestation of racial hatred by individuals and white society—to James Crow, Esquire—the maintenance of racial equality through covert processes of structure and institutions."

The meaning of the above statement is likened to a vivid expression of the pains of a surrogate mother. The statement is from a report on the state of black America by the Urban League President, Marc Mortal. Many blacks are seen by Morial as moving up the economic ladder and the fecund imagination for owning businesses has become a concrete reality. The social and economic status of black families has gone through a climacteric spiral. This major turning point in acquired wealth

has moved families from the lower socioeconomic rung to the upper middle class social scale and lifestyle. This rise in status could be characterized as semi-economic gemeinschaft. This hellacious economic leap is tied with a common tradition of wanting to make it to the top.

On the flip side of this economic je ne sais quio, the black unemployment rate is increasing after having decline significantly. Black men are stilled by far incarcerated at a higher rate than any other group. The report points out though blacks make up about 12 percent of the nations' population, they account for nearly half of the people in prison. "The incarceration disparities have been fuel by drug enforcement polices that have harsher effects on blacks," says James Lanier of the Urban League's Institute for Opportunity and Equality. The report mentions data

that shows blacks account for 13 percent of the nations' drug users, but 35 percent of drug arrests and 53 percent of drug convictions. The report focuses on the measurable outcome of a complex sequence of events.

The negation of black males in a nefarious light is said to have some roots in domestic violence and sexual assault. The focus point for this negative behavior toward women is based upon the rising unemployment rate, the access to guns, alcohol abuse and drug use. The sexual exploitation of women by black males on television programs likened to "Girls Gone ..." for a cheap video is looked upon with disdain.

Black males that are superstars in sports are quickly becoming a menace, drag and disgrace to black males. The superstars are looked up to by young blacks as role models.

However, the deal that is real, reveals a dark side that produces and causes undue societal pressure on more than the perpetrator and the victim. Black men as a whole suffers. The action of "sexual misconduct" by Los Angeles Lakers basketball player Kobe Bryant as reported by the associated press and other news media is morally unacceptable. Would he or others who commit such acts want their sister treated in such a way?

A few things my dad taught me in regard to being black have credence today: "You can train a monkey to put a ball in a hoop but, he's still a monkey putting a ball in a hoop—however, an educated mind can explore and control the universe." "Don't be a black jackass, but an ebony racehorse."

More on the statement of the President of the Urban League later.

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

"Saints of God"

Human life is like a ballgame. A game of any kind. Use your own imagination, paint a picture in your mind. Let there be millions of people. Take the whole world as your park. Let the game be almost ended. With one hour till dark, just suppose we tell the people in their uniforms be men. There must be two groups of fellows. Some to lose and some to win. This writer would like to ask one question. Now, this writer doesn't know all by name, but are you standing on the sidelines, or do you play in the game?

Any game is a great battle where contracting sol-

diers fight. They who prove to be the heroes, play the game with all their might. They will meet some bitter conflicts, and they may fall as they run, but they will be compensated when the busy game is done. It is nice to be a booster. It is fine to sympathizer but the fellow who is playing in the fellow who is wise. Are you standing on the sidelines or do you play in the game?

You might win a little money on the sidelines if you bet. But will there be satisfaction in the money which you get? Will you make a reputation simply yelling from the sideline? Will you help your weaker

Brother and will God be satisfied? It is great to cheer the players and encourage them to play, but the game will end at sun set. Will the sidelines business win??? It is well to render service. If you want to press your claim, are you standing on the sidelines or do you play in the game?

Read the rules for the winning game of God's peoples. We will Praise the Lord! We can participate with only two or three. Our Lord said He would be in the midst. What a blessing! "Glory!"

For all of you who are sick and shut-in, Our God wants you well. Mark

11:22-26; II Chronicles 7:14. Believe it and receive it.

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast will be meeting on Saturday morning, August 2, 2003, in the home of Sister Mittie Wallace, 2020 East 28th Street. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. Make plans to attend. You're are invited, and you are welcome!

Keep those drive by prayers going. Saints! This is for all of our people.

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

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In Remembrance...



Hallie Louise Dawson

LUBBOCK PASTOR'S SISTER SUCCUMBS IN CALDWELL LAST WEEK

Caldwell, Texas — The sister of Rev. Edward Canady, Mrs. Hallie Louise "Sister" Dawson succumbed on Thursday, July 17, 2003. Funeral services were held for her on Friday, July 25, 2003, at ten Galilee Baptist Church of Caldwell with Rev. Leon Bates officiating. Rev. Wayman Yancey was master of ceremony.

Interment was held in the Mt. Zion Cemetery under the direction Jones Funeral Home of Caldwell.

Active pallbearers were Dornie Canady, Louis Hernandez, Albert Canady, Jr.,

Joe Manuel, William Winkfield, Kenneth Dawson, Travis Dawson, Alfred Hill, Jr., Joseph Jackson, and Earl Dawson.

Honorary pallbearers were Edward Canady, Joe L. Canady, Dennis Canady, Walter Canady, Willie Canady, and Chester Canady.

She was born July 25, 1944 in Marlin County, Texas, and was one of ten children born to Mr. Orlean and Mrs. Hallie Canady. She began her schooling in the Mt. Zion Community, and then continued her education at Freeman High School in Caldwell.

She accepted Christ at an early age at Mt. Zion AME Church, and continued her mission at Sandy Point AME Church in Dimebox, Texas. She was a very hard working and dedicated worker in the church where she served as Stewardess, a member of Usher Board, Secretary and Sunday School teacher.

She married Leon Dawson in Caldwell on a June 24, 1963. To this union, five children were born.

She made many friends throughout her life as she

worked as a factory and laundry worker, a cook, and a driver of the little school bus.

She is preceded in death by her parents and two brothers. She leaves to cherish her memories her husband, Leon Dawson; two sons, Donnie Ray Canady (Yolanda) of Bryan, Texas and Ronald Earl Dawson of Lovelady, Texas; two daughters, Lois Marie Dawson of Rockdale, Texas and Sherrie Lynn Dawson of Caldwell, Texas; a sister, Edna B. Matthews of Victorville, California; and six brothers, Rev. Edward Canady (Shirley) of Lubbock, Texas, Walter Canady (Billie) Hobbs, New Mexico, Joe L. Canady (Cora) of Farmington, New Mexico, Willie Canady of Waco, Texas, Dennis Canady (Lovie) of Killeen, Texas and Chester Canady (Sarah) of Caldwell, Texas; five special grandchildren: NaSheena Hamilton, Travis Dawson, Kenneth Dawson, Chelese Dawson, and JaShirhea Dawson; a host of nieces, nephews, uncles, aunts, cousins and friends.

Harris, Tony Wilks, Bobby Lawson, Johnny Bozeman, Johnny Davis, Jr., and Keith Walker.

Honorary pallbearers were John Young, Steven Bozeman, Tommy Bozeman, Rickey Bozeman, Jack Bozeman, Jr., Lester Bozeman, Willie James Young, and Jessie Joe Bozeman.

She was born March 3, 1925, in Wetumpkie, Alabama to Mrs. Jessie Murphy-Dewhart and Mr. Charlie Dewhart. She attended school in Alabama. Mrs. Bozeman moved to Lubbock, Texas in 1952, where she was employed for twenty-five years for Mrs. Harold Spears and ten years at Plains Co-Op Oil Mill. She was a long time member of Community Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack Napoleon Bozeman, and a son, Kenneth "Meme" Bozeman.

She is survived by her sisters: Louelia Hawthorne of Lubbock, Betty Thomas of Columbus, Georgia, Lee Louise of Chicago, Illinois, Diane Davis and Tish of Detroit, Michigan; a brother, Charles Edward of Detroit, Michigan; three daughters: Rosemary "Tootsie" Brown of Lubbock, Texas, Ruby Davis of Stone Mountain, Georgia, and Ruth "Big Mama" Brooks of Topeka, Kansas; seven sons: John, Jack, Jr., and Steve all of Lubbock, Texas; Lester and Tommy "Donkey" of Topeka, Kansas, Jesse Joe "Tat" of Anchorage, Alaska, Ricky of Austin, Texas; and Willie James of Chicago, Illinois; twenty-two grandchildren; twenty-three great-grandchildren; and eleven great-great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews, and a host of many long time friends.

Jackson, L.V. Jackson, Curtis Giddens, Col. Edward Hereford, Joe Hereford, Shetarrie Owens, Donald Young, Chris Hastings, Lemuel Hereford, Jerry Matthews, and Andy Hastings.

Honorary pallbearers were Denzel Jackson, Ronald Hereford, Clemmie Giddens, Eddie Richardson, Robert Hastings, Henry Jackson, III, Michael Jackson, Robert Jarman, and Jeremy Scott.

Mr. Jackson was born August 31, 1945 to the parentage of Frank Jackson and Margaret Hereford Jackson in Tucson, Arizona. He moved to Lubbock, Texas at an early age with his family.

He attended Ella R. lies Elementary School; and graduated from Dunbar High School in 1962. He enlisted in the United States Army and served his country. He was honorably discharged.

Upon returning to Lubbock, Henry became the first Black Police Officer at Texas Tech University. He was a devoted father and a member of New Zion Baptist Church.

Mr. Jackson passed away Saturday, July 12, 2003, in Covenant Medical Center. He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, and a daughter.

He leaves to mourn his passing: four sons: Denzel and Henry Jackson, III, both of Lubbock, Michael and Mark Jackson, both of Sacramento, California; four daughters: Clara Jackson, Yolanda Price, Tara Johnson, all of Lubbock, and Margaret Jackson of Dallas; three sisters: Frankie Giddens of Idabel, Oklahoma, Barbara Rafe and Gwendolyn Baker; both of Lubbock; several nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

Strength for Today hope for Tomorrow

by Gerald Jackson

Question: How do you choose a good mate to marry? (continued)

Answer: Consider another issue in mate selection - religion. There are few issues in human relationships that are as

emotionally charged as religion. Religion is usually passed on from another family member. It has gained some significance because some member of the family has greatly benefited from a particular religious experience. The significance of the religion will be determined by the strength of the religious experience and the strength the personality who had the experience. As this person assumes a greater status in the family, so will the religion he or she has embraced. If the person is truly loved, respected and admired, their religion will probably become the family's religion. To give the family's religion even more power, allow that religion to be passed down to several generations of the family. It will not matter if the religion is one that is from the Holy Scriptures or not, this is the family's religion. To break away from that religion is to risk being cut off from that family.

Now imagine a man and woman coming together to get married and both come from families that have this religious experience in their families. How will this affect the couple? How will it influence the children? What kind of relationship will they have with the in-laws? In addition to the family some of their significant friends will also come from the same religious background. Consider this; you now have the most significant people in human relationships

(parents, children, spouses and friends) involved in a soon to be civil war. This scene cannot possible be healthy.

As difficult as this situation is, it is possible to resolve it but not without a great deal of pain in one or more of the relationships. In 2 Corinthians 6:14,15 the apostle Paul gives a serious admonition about this kind of relationship. "Do not be bound together with unbeliever; for what partnership have righteousness and lawlessness, or what fellowship has light with darkness? What harmony has Christ with Belial?"

Although Paul addressed the relationship between a Christian and an unbeliever, there can be

equal strife between different Christian persuasions. Do not underestimate the significance of religion in the life of a potential mate. Do not casually think that you can just love each other enough to get through this issue. This kind of reasoning is not clear thinking, it is the feeling of infatuation. A relationship cannot endure on the foundation of infatuation. Make sure that you get the necessary help in dealing with this issue before marriage. If not you will find yourself in divorce court a lot faster than you expected.

Grace and peace,
Gerald P. Jackson



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Jessie Mae Dewhart-Bozeman

Funeral services for Jessie Mae Dewhart-Bozeman were held last Friday afternoon, July 25, 2003, at the Community Baptist Church with Rev. Larry Brooks, pastor, officiating.

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

Pallbearers were Delmar



Henry James "Billy" Jackson

Funeral services for Henry James "Billy" Jackson were held on Thursday morning, July 17, 2003, at the New Zion Baptist Church with Minister Michael Matthews as eulogist. Rev. H.K. Thomas is pastor.

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Pallbearers were Mark

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For more information about the Sales Tax Holiday, including a list of tax-exempt and non-exempt items, visit the Comptroller's Web site at http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/tx96_237_1_03.html#holiday

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A Moment in Education by Theresa Bey, PH.D.

Family Reunion

An "F" means failure on a school report card, but on a photo book, an "F" stands for family. Inside the book are pictures of past and present relatives. These keepsakes represent kinship, history and education. The kinship nurtures children, the history reveals the past, and the education ties them to kinfolk. It's an ancestral connection that parents can teach children by going to family reunions.

Although schools teach ethnic education, reunions are about family education. Children get to see their relatives, grand-

parents, aunts, uncles and cousins. Future keepers of the bloodline, youngsters can build pride in togetherness. They form lasting links as family members share and support each other. Besides, everyone gets the lifetime experience of having a place on the family tree.

Relatives remember the kinfolk whose prayers and hard work made it possible for future generations to do more in life. They honor individuals who sacrificed for them to become the persons they are today. Plus, they help the younger generation understand the reasons older

folk insisted they get a good education. These are memories that outlive the newness of T-shirts and hats bearing the family name.

Reunions are two-sided events. One side includes social festivities, stories and jokes. The other side includes information about the birth, death and marriage of relatives. Such information may not seem important to youngsters, yet they enjoy the playful activities. When the family history is passed on to their children and grandchildren, they will have remembered and learned from elders.

Forgotten West Riders Donate Trophies to Patterson Library

The Forgotten West Riders Horse Club, a group of African-American horsemen who perform and compete at rodeos and parades, will donate the trophies they have won over the years to the T.J. Patterson Library. The donation will take place at a news

conference on Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. at the Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.

There are approximately 30 members of the Forgotten West Riders Horse Club, and they have been riding for about 15 years. The group began as the East Side

Colonial and later changed its name.

The West Riders have about a dozen trophies that will be donated to the library and displayed. Councilman T.J. Patterson will be on hand for the donation.

SBA National Ombudsman Provides Access to Small Business Regulatory Compliance Information

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Small Business Administration, in cooperation with the Office of Management of Budget has developed a comprehensive list of federal regulatory compliance assistance resources and a point of contact in each federal agency for helping small businesses comply with the Small Business Paperwork Relief Act.

"The SBA, with the assistance of the OMB, is breaking down more barriers to small business productivity," said SBA Administrator Hector V. Barreto. "This is an example of the federal government listening to the concerns of small business owners and finding ways to meet President Bush's mandate to reduce the federal regulatory burden - what he calls the strangulation of regulation," he said.

"The latest OMB estimates are that it takes businesses and citizens approximately 8.2 billion hours and \$320

billion annually to collect and submit data to the federal government. This takes resources away from starting and expanding small businesses, from creating new products and services, and from hiring new employees," Barreto said.

The Paperwork Reduction Act required the SBA National Ombudsman and OMB to identify and list resources. This information is on the ombudsman's Web site at <http://www.sba.gov/ombudsman/compliance/compliance-assist.html> and on OMB's Web site at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/fedreg/062703/compliance-assistance.pdf>.

"I'm pleased that our office can provide this service to the nation's small businesses," said SBA National Ombudsman Michael Barrera. "More and more we are finding federal regulatory agencies switching from a 'gotcha' attitude to a 'let-me-help-you' point of

view. This is not only good government - it is good business."

Barrera's national ombudsman's office provides a sounding board for small businesses experiencing excessive or unfair regulatory enforcement. These concerns can be sent directly to Barrera's office or presented at one of numerous hearings he holds throughout the country each year. For more information about the office, how to file a complaint, and where hearings have been held or are scheduled, go to www.sba.gov/ombudsman, or call 1-888-REG-FAIR.

In addition to providing compliance assistance information, the Act required OMB to publish the final report of the Small Business Paperwork Relief Task Force on ways to reduce the paperwork burden. The report can be found at www.whitehouse.gov/omb/inforeg/sbpr2003.pdf.

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At the Centre for New Black Leadership (CNBL) June breakfast club meeting are (from left) C. Everett Wallace, chairman of the Board of Directors at CNBL, Speaker of the House Dennis Hastert and Lewis McKinney Jr., region director of Government Affairs at Anheuser-Busch. Speaker Hastert was presented with CNBL's "Lawmaker of the Month" award for his efforts in promoting economic growth in black communities. Anheuser-Busch has long been a supporter of CNBL, working with the organization to provide college scholarship stoles, lend support to cultural events and help with economic development of black communities.

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“Why Hold On?”

by Eddie P. Richardson

The people have spoken. Their voices have been heard. Then why keep on blowing the trumpet? It appears as though our legislator on the House of Representatives side is sick with partisan politics prowling as a Republican. As far as the State of Texas is concerned, especially the Democratic Party side and the minority is concerned, they (Republicans) appear to be like a college fraternity — one for all and all for one! In other words, as we see it, they could care less about all parts of Texas.

Evidently, we do have a Republican State Senator who's? is against the

House of Representatives proposed bill. No doubt about it, this proposed bill will badly hurt West Texas big time! The bill is very partisan and even racist. Look at the key persons being attacked. One is longtime West Texas Congressman Charles Steholm who fights for West Texas. Who else do you want from West Texas. He is a strong conservative with seniority and is on the powerful Agriculture Committee. He is a democrat.

But on the other side is Lloyd Doggett who has been around politics for years, and at present time is a U. S. Representative from his district, but he happens to be a liberal. We evidently are forgetting his tenure, power and influence for Texas in Washington, D. C.

Let us not forget that the so-called “Hammer”, Tom

DeLay, has come along with his hang me approach. Governor Rick Perry and Speaker of the House Tom Craddick, who has been cited as one of the worst legislators in Texas, have caused some of this mess.

Now, this writer, is proud of the record by Senator Duncan as he has been on the best list as far as legislators are concerned. And, let's not forget what former Speaker of the House Pete Laney did. He kept it in the very best posture for Texas.

The question we need to ask ourselves is, “Do we need partisan politics? Or do we need good Texas representatives? Think about it, Carl Isetl?”

Nuf Sed! WHY Not?



In Cinque

by Renetta W. Howard

The midst of Summer is here and it is the time of the year wherein we must be extra careful and watchful of our children with regards to the dangers that lurk. We most often think of keeping them safe from the hot sun and its consequences, the various bugs and other critters which can inflict danger upon us, children and adults as well. Somehow, we forget about the one danger which can inflict life-long agony upon young girls and boys, the pedifiles of this world.

Too often, we pick up the newspaper, hear the news on the radio and television only to hear that some child has been molested. Years ago, this was almost unheard of. In yonder years, parents taught their children to be seen and not heard. That also meant that they were not to hear about anything un-

ward that they had done and were to always be under the watchful eye of some adult. As a result, very few unpleasent, immoral things happened to our children. Many mamas were of the ‘Ma’dea’ disposition, that is, ‘pistol packing mamas’ and the average person in his ‘right mind’ was not going to ‘mess with ‘Ma’dea’s’ child. On the contrary, with drugs on the rampart, too many people in this day and age are not in their ‘right mind.’ This means that it is crucial that our children, the future generation be protected from the dangers of molestation.

As a social worker, I have learned more about molestation than I care to remember. It was difficult for me to have to take a four-year old child to the doctor to verify that she had a venereal disease and see that treatments were followed through upon. You can only imagine the tears and screaming of a mother whose child is being taken away from her because of sexual abuse, by a relative

in the home, no less. You wonder how these things could happen.

A young child is most often abused by someone he or she trusts and feels will not harm them. Once that trust is thoroughly secured, the secrets begin. The child is made to feel that the relationship between him and this trustful adult is something that only they share, therefore no one else needs to or should know about it. Even when the child doubts the relationship and feels that something is wrong, he will be assured that this is right and gifts are given, or some special treat to cement the relationship. There are some secrets that are kept through fear and intimidation. These are the kind wherein the abused often end up committing a heinous crime if not being placed in an institution for the mentally and/or emotionally disturbed. It is time that we get ‘in cinque’ and be watchful of the summer activities which can be dangerous to us and our children.

THIS N THAT

A LEGEND SUCCUMBS HEBE! THIS N THAT ... is saddened about the death last week of a longtime legend in the...BLACK COMMUNITY...who died at age...56...He is...J. B. MASON...who was the owner and operator of the institutional...SNAPPY SHINE PARLOR...located at...1110 Avenue J... moving to that location from...1114 Texas Avenue in... 1967...MR. MASON...always proclaimed that his business was the...oldest...SMALL BUSINESS IN LUBBOCK ... and it could very well be so since it was...established in 1937... Last week...this column ... mentioned him going to his business on Monday...and it was last Thursday...July 24th...when he passed away in his home...on Avenue B... His presence will be missed...as he did his very best to make Lubbock a much better place for all of us...He is believed to be in the first...GRADUATING CLASS ... of Dunbar High School in 1931... THIS N THAT... has reported a picture of this class picture ... when there were only seven Dunbar grads on picture... THIS N THAT ... knows he was known by... THOUSANDS OF CITIZENS IN LUBBOCK ...throughout Texas and the U.S. of America...He had the personality...patience...and love of his fellowman to stay in business... He was always seen sitting by the cash register... keeping tab on those whom he hired... Oh yes...J. B. MASON ... he will be missed...and his memories will last a togs longtime... If you'd ask those who work for him over the many years they, have some very interesting about a legend ... MR. J.B. MASON...THIS N THAT...says...THANKS, MR. MASON...for stopping by Lubbock for a few years...

GOOD PROGRAM FOR GRUB YOUTH! THIS N THAT ...had an opportunity last Friday morning ... to visit the youth in the...GROWING RECRUITS FRO URBAN BUSINESS PROGRAM (GRUB)...who have been working at the South Plains Food Bank Carolyn Lanier Youth Farm ...located at 76th Street and Avenue B ...These young people... who were tour guides... showed the crops they have... been growing...with proud... with pride ...and all...were excited about what they were doing...This program teaches ... JOB AND LIFE SKILLS...to young adults...ages 11 to ...empowering them to attain a ... BETTER LIFE... The program...recruits from the...Lubbock community... and receive applications from the ...Lubbock Municipal Teen Court ... Communities In Schools ... Juvenile Probation...public schools ... and other groups ...and individuals working with our targeted age group...From what ... THIS N THAT ... observed last week ... this is an outstanding program ... and these are some very ... SHARP AND POSITIVE YOUNG PEOPLE ... who are looking for an opportunity to share with others...that is ...in a very positive manner...

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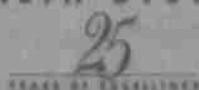
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Minter & Reed Family Reunion Held in Lubbock, July 11-13, 2003

The Minter and Reed Families held their reunion in Lubbock July 11 thru 13, 2003. The theme was "Only The Strong Survives."

The Reunion was held at Mae Simmons Community Center, East 19th Street and Oak Avenue. The Family Motto was: "Still Together After All This Time." More than 250 family members were in attendance. Family members came from several locations: Amarillo, Friona, Fort Worth, Dallas, Lubbock, Plano, and San Antonio, Texas; Clovis, New Mexico, Laurel, Maryland, Oklahoma City and Spencer, Oklahoma, and Washington, D. C.

Both parents of the Minter Family preceded their children in death. They were parents of six daughters and one son. Mother Rosie Lee Minter passed October 26, 1983, Father Maxie Eugene Minter passed June 1, 1993. A daughter, Emma Jean Benson, passed February 23, 2001 — mother of Effie Nelson.

Family members missed the presence of family members who were unable to attend this year. Special prayer went out to Mr. and Mrs. Louis and Carol Minter, Special thanks to R. D. Jones.

Our Special Guest for the first time in attendance were Leotis Gunn, Sr., Ernestine Gunn, Leotis Gunn, Jr, Michelle L. Gunn, Mary Gunn, Michael Gunn, Marjorie Gunn, Mr. and Mrs. Bill & Bonita Ridley, Jayden Flening, Ms. Bernice Nickerson, Twayne Jones, Bodrick Green, Deaira Johnson, Dontae Aikins, Shaundra Stevenson, Marqueica Smith, Kimberly Vaaquez, Valeria Vasquez, Gloria Vasquez, Charles Harris, Teia Peach, Monica Peach, Jacee Peach, Nickolas Jackson, Tyler Jackson, Haley Nickerson, Betty Nicks, Markus Puffins, Danny Morrison, Randal Moore, Charldai Davis, Mack Attack McLin, and Bryce Adrian Washington.

This year's T-Shirts were gray in color. Everyone was dressed beautiful. It was great to see everyone was high in spirits. We give our blessings to God for bringing our family together for this happy occasion. We had no deaths in our family since last year's reunion (2002). Our cooks were family members. Our Aunts and Uncles gave remarks which were words of wisdom presented to family members.

We had a talent show. Pictures were taken. Games were played. Pictures were purchased. Breakfast Posters were made of family members. Video games were played.

We want to advise Anthony Thomas and Franklin Nelson that we missed them very much, and we still love them!

Our showers go out to Effie Nelson this year. All her children were present at the Family Reunion. She was full of smiles!

The 2003 Plaque was turned over to Aunt Katherine Gilbert, from Uncle Willie Minter in honor of their sister, Emma Jean Benson.

Our hats go off to Ossie Pearson for the new grandbaby. Congratulations, Ossie and her daughter.

We want to say thanks to Cynthia Pierce for the programs. Tammoe Lee Stewart for music. Velda Gilbert for ordering the T-Shirts. Valeria Gilbert and Crystal Nelson for their support with food. Thanks to everyone for keeping the building clean inside and outside.

The Reunion began on Friday, July 11th with dinner, beginning at 7:00 p. m. until 10:00 p.m. The menu consisted of the following: Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Salad, Frito Pie, Cornbread and Spaghetti.

Remarks were given by Kenneth Gilbert, president; Welcome remarks were given by Effie Nelson, secretary. Prayer was offered by Willie L. Minter, an Uncle. There were 100 family members in attendance.

Things begun on Saturday morning, July 12th, 2003, at Mae Simmons Community Center, and continuing until 7:00 p. m. Opening prayer was given by Uncle Joe Jackson; and the Lord's Prayer was led by Miss Brenae Nelson.

The lunch menu consisted of the following: Barbecue Brisket, Enchiladas, Frito Pie, Spaghetti, Barbeque Links, Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, Chili Beans, Cornbread and White Bread, a variety of cakes: Carrot Cake, Strawberry Cake, Rocky Road Cake, Pound Cake, Italian Cream Cheese, Chocolate Cake, Lemon Cream Cake, Coconut Cake, Strawberry Cream Cheese Cake, Pineapple Cake, German Chocolate Cake, Sour Cream Pound Cake, Pineapple Orange Cake.

There were a variety of soft drinks which included Coca Cola, Sprite, Orange, Dr. Pepper, Cola, Grape, Diet Coke, Tea, Strawberry and, of course water.

Words of wisdom were given by the following Aunts and Uncles; Willie Minter, Katherine Gilbert, Thelma J. Jackson, Ernestine Winter, Margallene Thomas, Lorine Minter. Family members appreciated the many words of encouragement. All words were heart felt and touched in so many ways.

Here is a line-up of the Talent Showcase: Carl Jackson sang two songs: "House Not Hornet by Luther Van Ross and "I Want Complain" Lornita Thomas, "Grace," Tammie Stewart, "Been So Long," by Nita Baker; and Sasha Smithy "I Care For You."

This year, there were family members who represented the family in the Juneteenth Parade and Pageant, They were Miss Sasha Smith and Miss Jessica Rodriguez.

Congratulations to both of you. This comes with love from the family.

Aunt Roberta Smith, we missed you this year! SHE IS A sister of our grandmother, Rose Minter. Mr. and Mrs. Winters, we missed you also.

Floor Was Open: Our Family can be so funny — from the small ones to the grown folk. We learn knowledge from each generation.

Patricia Minter, Vice President; gave remarks to the family and two of our officers. She thanked everyone for being present. Uncle Willie Minter gave remarks. How blessed our family is to have those who are able to

return each year to our Family Reunion, without any death in two years. Remarks were also given by Effie Nelson. Lets put our problems behind this weekend. Lets have fun like little kids do.

Fun Started: Music was played. Video games played. Pictures were taken off guard. Water gun blast! Basketball. Dancing, Cards, Dominoes, Pool, and Family members communicated with each other — this was done by exchanging addresses. We were able to give showers to our "First Time" family members. Photos were taken from each generation. We did acknowledge those who had birthdays in July. We had plenty of laughs. Pictures were purchased on the spot.

The building was clean and closed at 7:00 p. m. We want to thank Ms. Maxine McKinnie for use of building. Also her staff, Ms. Margaret Jones and Ms. Linda Lyons.

There were outside activities, from 8:00 p.m. until it was over on Saturday night, July 12th. There was skating, movies, Joyland, Bingo, Clubs, Prairie Dog Town, Bowling, Texas Tech Museum's Planetarium, What a night!

On Sunday mornings July 13, 2003, breakfast was held at the Golden Corral, There was an opening prayer by Uncle Willie Minter. There were 50 members in attendance. Many of the family members departed at different times.

Again, we want to thank everyone for coming home this year, 2003! Our motto this year was: "Still Together After All This Time!" But our theme is: "Only The Strong Survives."

We had a beautiful time together. Everyone let loose with love and smiles. Family members, keep praying for each other, A Family that prays together, stays together. It will be 365 days before our Family will get back together again, Lets stay connected. God is smiling on our Family. We have a Mighty God. Lets stay connected with God. Prayer is power.

Information will be sent out to Family Members about the next Family Reunion in 2004.

We learned that all Family Members returned a to their locations safe and sound! THANK God!

Here are our Officers for 2003: Kenneth Gilbert, President; Patricia Minter, Vice President; Cynthia Pierce, Assistant to Vice President; Effie Nelson, Secretary; Valerie Gilbert, Treasurer; Velda J. Gilbert, Treasurer; and Tammie L. Stewart, Treasurer.

Lubbock Nurse Says Area Foundation Helped Her When Nobody Else Would

Glory Murray says she wants to be "the best nurse I can possibly be"—both for the sake of her patients and in tribute to her husband.

Ms. Murray graduated this spring from the Covenant School of Nursing in Lubbock. Her husband died 11 years ago.

During her husband's long illness, she says, she took care of him as best she knew how. Now she knows much more about health care—such as proper nutrition for diabetics—and she thinks about her husband every day as she gives current patients the benefit of her new knowledge.

As a widow raising three grandchildren on a monthly income of \$1,320, she decided the outlook for all of them depended on her achieving secure, professional status. She wanted to become a nurse, but she didn't know how to pay for it.

She says the Lubbock Area Foundation helped her when nobody else would and "didn't make her jump through hoops."

Most places she consulted about loans, she says, seemed only concerned about her ability to repay. The Foundation said there would be no repayment. It offered her grants of \$500 per semester for the three semesters it took her to become a Licensed Vocational Nurse and three more to win the coveted designation of RN.

The scholarships came through the Foundation's "Woman to Woman" program, established by Lubbock philanthropist Lou Dunn Diekemper to benefit women 50 and older who

find themselves in need of a degree or certificate in some form of academic or vocational training. Lou Diekemper says, "I went back to school in my 50s and found it such an enriching and life-changing experience. I wanted to help other women achieve the same benefits, particularly those whose education will help them support themselves and their families. The Lubbock Area Foundation was able to help me set this up." Twenty-three other women have received "Woman to Woman" scholarships in the past five years.

There was something more than the money, says Glory Murray. Call it a personal touch. Staff members at the Foundation called her from time to time to get progress reports and to offer some needed words of encouragement.

Glory Murray is now 55 and caring for very special patients at a Lubbock nursing home. Her grandchildren are now seven, eight, and twelve years old—and thriving.

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