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Local Briefs

Supreme Court to Rule in Affirmative Action Case

(Special To The NNPA)—The U.S. Supreme Court will decide if race can apply in the admissions process 10 public colleges and universities, reigniting the affirmative action debate it addressed 24 years ago in the landmark ruling, *Bakke v. University of California*.

The court will decide if the University Michigan's school of law intentionally turned down White applicants because of their race. The outcome will determine whether affirmative action will be banned in higher education or how much meaning an institution may apply to an applicant's race.

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"It is hardly an exaggeration to say that the court's decision in these cases will directly affect the lives not only of this generation of students but of generations of students to follow," NAACP Legal Defense Fund counsel Theodore Shaw told justices in a filing on behalf of Black and Hispanic students.

Barbara Grutter, 43, sought legal action, claiming she was denied admission to Michigan's law school in 1996 because minority students received preferential treatment.

She claims she had better grades and test scores than some minority applicants who were admitted.

The court of appeal upheld the law school's decision last May saying that the Constitution allows institutions to seek "a meaningful number" of minority students, as long as the school avoids a fixed quota system.

In 1978 the court outlawed racial quotas on a 5-4 vote. Two current justices, Chief Justice William Rehnquist and John Paul Stevens, served on that court.

The cases "represent the most significant civil rights cases the Supreme Court will have decided in the last quarter century," Shaw told reporters.

Community Meetings

- Lubbock Area Client Council Second Saturday, 1:00 pm • Mae Simmons Community Center
- Hub City Kiwanis, Every Tuesday Night, 7:00pm, 1700 Avenue G.
- Dunbar Alumni Association 2nd Saturday 4pm
- Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 2nd Tuesday-7:30
- Forgotten West Riders, First & Third Monday, 7:00pm, T.J. Patterson Library
- East Lubbock Chapter AARP, Every 1st Thursday at 1 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center, Oak and 8th St.

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:

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Lubbock Deltas Preparing for Big Fundraisers Event

The Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., which was formerly known as Delta Xi Sigma Chapter, was chartered November 15, 1952. Charter members were Gloria Alexander, Clarissa Fowler, Lula Jones, Emmalena Phea, Hazel Alexander, Thelma Holmes, Vernice Mallory, Mae D. Simmons, and Myrtle Thomas.

Their mission was and still is: "Community Service."

From their inception, 1952-2002, scholarships have been a top priority of Delta Sigma Theta. Helping young people achieve their educational goal is a vital part of their five-point thrust. Two of their yearly scholarships are given in memory of Soro Luella Scott, for high school young ladies who will be attending college, and Soro Mildren Deo, for a male or female students who are already attending college. Funds for scholarships are generated through several yearly events, such as Miss Jabberwock, Mr. Esquire, the

Red & White Ball, and Ebony Fashion Fair.

At the present time, Sorors of the Lubbock Alumnae Chapter are preparing to host their scholarship fund-raiser for this year. It will be a Crimson and Cream Affair which will be held Friday, February 14, 2003, from 9:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m. at the Holiday Inn Plaza South Loop 289. Tickets are \$30.00 per couple and \$20.00 for singles. This affair is semi-formal. There will be food, music, door prizes, dancing and a cash bar. See any Delta for tickets or call (806) 792-5414 for more information.

Other community service projects throughout their 50 years of service are: School America Tutorial Program at Wheatley, Posey and Hunt elementary Schools. The annual Thanksgiving Project enables the Sorority to feed three disadvantaged families. The Deltas collect toiletries and other personal items and give to nursing home residents as well as to the Women and

Children's Protective Service.

The local Deltas assist with getting people registered to vote. They help with gift wrapping during Christmas time at Lubbock State School. During their annual community service awards, recognition is given to members in the community who have given their time and energy to provide service to their community.

Two outstanding individuals are chosen as "Man and Woman of the Year." The first award was presented in 1975 to Harry Bunion and Anna Mae Johnson. Sorors also attend Delta Days at City Hall where we're received recognition for their community service and also attend School Board meetings when open to the Lubbock public.

The Delta Academy is one of our most recent projects which Sorors work with Junior High School girls, between ages of 11-14, in the areas of Mathematics, Science, technology, service learning and leadership skills. The primary goal is to prepare them for leader-

ship roles in the 21st Century. Lastly, our International Day of Service on HIV and AIDS focuses on education information and prevention of HIV, AIDS, and STD's.

"We have had 50 years of wonderful success and hope to have 50 more years. Thanks to the Lubbock community for their continued support," Soro Ruby White, President.



Here are members of the Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Some are deceased: left to right, front row: Henryrose Hinks, Luella Scott, Dorothy Kinner, Celestine Kyle, Vernita Holmes, Mildred Lusk, Elud Devenport, Willie Cox, Mae Phea, Verona Kelly, Carolyn Hamilton, Permilla Woods, Bobbie Brown, Mattie McKinney, Deb Russell and Hazel Taylor. Back row, left to right: Rhea Blount, Ida Johnson, Bobbie Patterson, Jose Bonner, Rose Pillow, Lena Sheffield and Rosena Harris.

Longtime Lubbock Resident Retires

Billie Jean Russell a longtime Lubbock resident, has retired from Southwestern Bell Telephone Company after 36 years of service.

Although Russell is retiring from her place of work, she has other plans in mind.

She has decided to continue her time and efforts to the many neighborhood and community organizations she works with.

Presently, she is a parent Educator with Lubbock Independent School District (LISD) and a member of the Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association. She also serves on the advisory board of the Boys and Girls Club, the Salvation Army and the South Plains Academy. She is a regional leader of West

Texas Organizing Strategy (WTOS), an area council liaison for the Boys and Girls

Club, and an area vice president of the Parent Teachers Association Council for Quadrant Four and other various leadership positions.

A member of First Progressive Baptist Church, she sings in the choir and serves on the missionary society, as well as help coordinate programs for the church's special occasions.

Russell is the daughter of Allie Thompson, also of Lubbock and the mother of John Davis Russell Jr. of Dallas, Texas.

A reception will be held Saturday, Jan. 25 to honor her.

Hats off to Billie!



Hoops Game First Step in Reaching Future Students

By Angel Wolfe

Lubbock High School's class of 2009 was given the opportunity to attend a varsity men's basketball game Tuesday. More than 200 sixth grade students in quadrant III received a T-shirt, LHS key chain and min-basketball for coming out in support of their future high school.

Doyle Vogler, LHS principal, decided it was time for the school to show ownership in their quadrant and reach out to the students and parents. Edna Garcia, Spanish teacher at LHS, was given the responsibility of inviting the sixth graders to the basketball game. "This is the first step in reaching out to the parents as well as the students in our quadrant. We'll follow up by going to

their schools and getting to know them," Garcia said.

Parents will also be getting an informational booklet of tips and ideas of what students can do while in junior high to help prepare them for high

school. "We want to already know them (parents and students) when they get here," Garcia said.

So far, Garcia said, they have had a really good response for their efforts.



State Magazine Features Lubbock Project

The December 16, 2002, issue of Texas Contractor magazine showcased the City of Lubbock's current stormwater drainage project in its cover story, "Digging Deep in Lubbock."

The feature article opens with a description of the \$37 million project as "a 13.6-mile storm drainage relief system to follow the direction of surface overflow along this series of 11 urban playa lakes, which control 19.5 square miles of cumulative watershed area."

The project consultant's engineer, Paul McMillen of Parkhill, Smith and Cooper, cited a list of challenges, including the urban environment, various soils, 150 feet of rise from the start of the project until its end and the need to stay within the City's budget.

Meeting some of the challenges is done with pipe sizes that vary from 24 inches on the southwest side of the city to 72

inches at the outfall downstream. Also, the contractors are using three different types of pipe: centrifugally cast fiberglass reinforced polymer pipe; reinforced concrete pipe; and cast-in-place non-reinforced concrete pipe.

The fiberglass pipe is being used through bores. A hole is bored in the ground and the pipe is pushed through the tunnel somewhat like a thread passing through the eye of a needle. For the large 72-inch pipe, the contractors excavate a tunnel with a boring machine and then bring the pipe through the tunnel on a rail system. The pipe is then grouted in place.

The reinforced concrete pipe is laid in open trenches and the cast-in-place is laid down by a machine that can pour up to 500 feet a day of 72-inch pipe.

The magazine article also featured a number of photographs taken as the project has progressed.

EEOC Settles Race Bias Case With Shaner Hotel Group Limited Partnership, D/B/A Radisson

Class of African-American Employees to Share Nearly \$200,000

MEMPHIS - The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) today announced a nearly \$200,000 settlement under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 with the Shaner Hotel Group Limited Partnership, doing business as the Radisson Downtown Memphis (Shaner). The settlement resolves a lawsuit filed by the EEOC on behalf of Dina McKinnie and a class of other African-American employees who were allegedly discriminated against in their compensation, terms, conditions or privileges of employment.

As part of the settlement, Shaner will pay a total of \$197,000 to the workers. The settlement does not contain a provision for injunctive relief because Shaner sold the Radisson Downtown Memphis and no longer has an interest in

that hotel. Shaner denies that it discriminated against its employees based on race; moreover, there was no allegation of wrongdoing by the new owners.

The EEOC was represented by Supervisory Trial Attorney Fave Williams and Senior Trial Attorney Deidre Smith, both of the agency's Memphis District Office. Katharine Kores, Acting District Director of the Memphis office, said: "Cases involving patterns of discrimination such as disparate treatment in the payment of wages are an enforcement priority for the EEOC. This lawsuit demonstrates the commitment of the Commission to ensure that all employees are compensated fairly without regard to race. All individuals deserve the freedom to compete and advance in the workplace on a level playing field."

The EEOC enforces Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimi-

nation based on race, color, religion, sex, or national origin; the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, which prohibits employment discrimination against individuals who are 40 years of age or older; the Equal Pay Act; Sections of the Civil Rights Act of 1991; Title I of the Americans With Disabilities Act, which prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities, and laws pertaining to disability discrimination in the federal sector. Further information about the Commission is available on its web site at www.eeoc.gov.



Fashion Fun

by Shirley Roberson

Society is quite liberal, you can get away with almost anything, when it comes to fashion. We're now living in a fashion industry, where anything and everything goes. Yet there remain a few no no fashions.....

Black suit - navy pantyhose... a fashion... no no
Knee hi hosiery- worn as pantyhose... no no
Black shoes-white socks... no no
EXTREMELY TIGHT FITTING GARMENTS... NO NO



Remember ladies hats are among a few fashionable items that remain seasonal.

It's great to know what's fashionably correct

FASHION, JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT. TIP. ALWAYS WEAR A SMILE

Homeless Count in Lubbock and Surrounding Counties

Lubbock, TX—South Plains Homeless Consortium (SPHC) will count homeless persons in Lubbock and surrounding counties on the evening of Jan 27.

Volunteer training begins at 6 p.m. at MHMR, 1602 10th St., with teams expected to be on the streets counting their assigned locations by 7:30 p.m. Teams will complete a brief survey form on homeless persons willing to be interviewed. Others will simply be counted in an effort to learn how many homeless persons there are in Lubbock

and a little about who makes up this population.

Volunteer teams will be trained to fill out the survey instrument and receive basic safety instructions. They will carry cell phone flashlights and be identified by armbands. They are to maintain contact with headquarters every thirty minutes.

The count will take place in known shelters as well as on the streets of Lubbock. Areas where homeless persons congregate have been mapped and divided for teams to look for individuals and

count or briefly interview them if they will talk to the team.

South Plains Community Action, a member of the SPHC, will be conducting a count of homeless persons in the surrounding counties on the same night.

Service providers and funding agencies need to know more about homeless persons such as number and characteristics of the population. This data will aid in planning for proper services.



JAY'S CORNER

by Clarissa Jay

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. Billy R. Moton is pastor. Our doors are always open for those of you who are looking for a Church Home. Come and be blessed. Yes, God is able!

Services began last Sunday morning with Sunday School beginning at 9:30 a.m. with all teachers at their post of duty. After thirty minutes of instruction all teachers and students marched to the main auditorium where high points of the morning lesson were discussed. There was also prayer during the session. What a blessing is for all to have an opportunity to attend Sunday School. What a time!

The Senior Choir marched in the morning processional singing out of their hearts and souls. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Mercede McCutcheon. After a selection by the Senior Choir, Sister Annetta Phillips reading the morning scripture. Sister Margaret Moton gave the morning prayer. After another selection by the Senior Choir, the responsive reading was done with the congregation striding and led by Brother Bruce McKnight. The congregation sang "Hold To God's Unchanging Hand."

Pastor Moton gave his weekly pastoral observations where he always has a topic which is of interest to all in attendance.

Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled, "If You Want Your Joy Back, Just Ask For It." His scripture text was Psalm 51:12. What a message.

After the invitation to discipleship was extended, Brother John Davis welcomed all visitors. Sister Brenda McKnight read the announcements.

The Pastor's Aid of New Hope will sponsor a tribute to mother's booklet for Mother's Day on May 11, 2003. The booklet will honor or tribute as well as memory to Mothers, Family, Friends or Loved Ones. The Pastor's Aid will need the participation of the New Hope Church Family to make this booklet a great success. For more information, contact Sister Callie Howard.

The Youth Department of New Hope Baptist Church would like to take this time to thank everyone who came and participated in the open house and made it such a success.

Again, we need to keep special prayer for those who are sick and shut. Among them who are ill this week include the following: Sister Rosie Reddic, Raymond Stovall who is the father of Sister Dorothy Stovall, Sister Marion Allen, Sister Magie Runnels, Sister Dorothy Diamond, and Benny Jordan, who is a cousin of Sister Pearlann McDaniel.

If you are unable to attend church services, because of various reasons, you have an opportunity to hear the New Hope Broadcast over Radio Station KJAK, 92.7 FM, each Sunday morning from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

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Musical fathers **ELLIS MARSALIS** (left) and **YO-YO MA** (right) are featured guests on **MISTER ROGERS' NEIGHBORHOOD** during the week of January 20-24 on PBS. Watching these fathers make music with their children, it's obvious that they all grow from the love in their families, and their music becomes even richer. Parents pass on so much to their children just by sharing their interests with them.

Contact: David Nowell at 412-687-2990, X227 • E-Mail: dnowell@pbs.org

Library Events

Settler Women of the Texas High Plains

The Godeke Branch Library, 6601 Quaker, will present the slide presentation "Settler Women of the Texas High Plains" on Tuesday, January 28, at 7 p.m. There will also be a traveling history trunk on display with period games, maps, kitchen items and authentic clothing of the 1800's.

Silent Film Showing at Mahon Library

The Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, will show the 1925 silent film "The Wizard of Oz," starring Oliver Hardy, on Wednesday, January 29 at 6:15 p.m. (This is not the 1939 classic film of the same name.) This is a free program. For more information, call 775-2838 (jkross@mail.ci.lubbock.tx.us).

Mother/Daughter Book Discussion at Godeke Branch Library

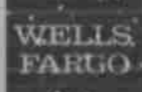
The Mother/Daughter Bookworms reading group will discuss Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice* at the Godeke Branch Library, 6601 Quaker, on Monday, January 27, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. The group meets the fourth Monday of each month at the Godeke Branch Library. For more information, call 792-6566, or Julie Ross at 775-2838 (jkross@mail.ci.lubbock.tx.us).



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CIS Program Given National Recognition

By Angel Wolfe

Once again, Communities in Schools has been named one of the top 100 nonprofit organizations in the United States by Worth Magazine.

Liz Garcia, executive director of CIS, said this is a name recognition that validates the importance of the program. "It is such an honor. Lubbock works tirelessly to support our organization and it is wonderful to be recognized as being worthy of those efforts. We hope this distinction will help in continuing our services to Lubbock's youth," she said.

In Lubbock, CIS service four campuses: Estacado High School, Dunbar Junior High School, Cavazos Junior

High and Alderson Academy.

The program focuses on the needs of students by integrating services such as mentoring, counseling, vision screenings, day care, job training, and gang prevention into the schools so that teachers can focus on academics. "There is no cookie cutter format to what we bring to the campuses," Garcia said.

The program deals with both prevention and intervention in student's lives, depending on their age. "At the junior high level we deal with a lot of behavioral issues," Garcia said.

CIS came to Lubbock in 1999 and last year alone helped impact more than 650 student's lives.

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742-2423

Homeland Security begins at Home!

A program of the Lubbock Fire Department and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program.

HOME FIRE

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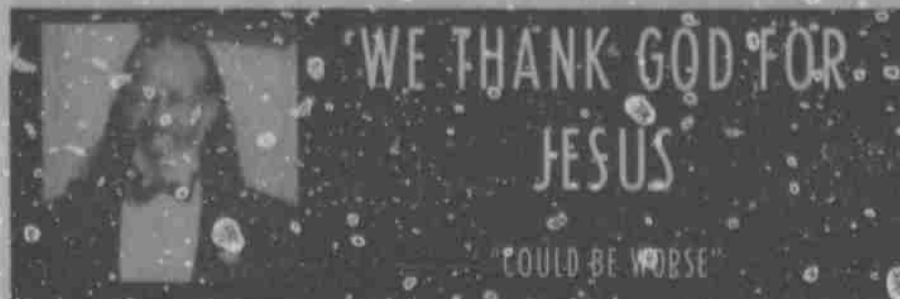
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CHURCH DIRECTORY



WE THANK GOD FOR JESUS

COULD BE WORSE

PROVERB 27:20. HELL AND DESTRUCTION ARE NEVER FULL, SO THE FATHS OF MAN NEVER SATISFIED. WE HAVE A LITTLE HEADACHE. THE PAIN IS GREAT. WE WANT TO CURSE. WE HEAR OF PEOPLE WITH BRAIN TUMORS. THANK GOD, COULD BE WORSE.

PSALM 92:1. IT IS A GOOD THING TO GIVE THANKS UNTO THE LORD, AND TO SING PRAISES UNTO HIS NAME, O MOST HIGH.

WE CAN BUY GROCERIES. FILL 12 SACKS. PRICE HIGH AND WE CURSE. WE SEE MANY PEOPLE HUSHLING FRASH CANE. THANK GOD, COULD BE WORSE.

DEUTERONOMY 35:11. THE LORD SAID, FOR THE POOR SHALL NOTVE. CEASE OUT OF THE LAND. THEREFORE I COMMAND THEE, SAYING, THOU SHALT OPEN THINE HAND WIDE UNTO THY BROTHER, TO THE POOR, ONE TO THE NEEDY IN THE LAND.

WHEN THE HEAT WAVE COMES, AND THE TEMPE CUTS ICE, WE WANT TO CURSE. IN MANY PLACES THE TEMPE CUTS ICE. THANK GOD, COULD BE WORSE.

PSALM 135:24. THIS IS THE DAY WHICH THE LORD HATH MADE. WE WILL REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN IT.

YOU GO TO THE STORE, PULL THE DOOR. IT'S HARD TO OPEN AND WE CURSE. WE SEE THE MAN IN THE WHEELCHAIR TRYING. THANK GOD, COULD BE WORSE.

PSALM 103:1-3. O GIVE THANKS UNTO THE LORD. CALL UPON HIS NAME. MAKE KNOWN HIS DEEDS AMONG THE PEOPLE. SING UNTO HIM, SING PSALMS UNTO HIM. TALK YE OF ALL HIS WONDROUS WORKS. GLORY YE IN HIS HOLY NAME.

LET THE HEART OF THEM REJOICE THAT SEEK THE LORD.

SOME PEOPLE GET THEIR CAR'S FENDER BENT. OUT LOUD THEY DO CURSE. THEN THEY SEE THE CARS THAT'S CRASHED OUT. THANK GOD, COULD BE WORSE.

PSALM 35:1-3. I WILL GIVE THANKS (GOD) THANKS IN THE GREAT CONGRGATION. I WILL PRAISE THEE AMONG MUCH PEOPLE.

IT RAINED WITH ONLY 4 INCHES. AND UNDER OUR BREATH WE DO CURSE. OTHER STATES FLOODING WITH 14 INCHES. THANK GOD, COULD BE WORSE.

WE STUMP OUR TOE. THE PAIN IS GREAT. OUT LOUD WE CURSE. WE SEE THE MAN WITH NO FOOT AT ALL. THANK GOD, COULD BE WORSE.

PSALM 111:1. PRAISE YE THE LORD. I WILL PRAISE THE LORD WITH MY WHOLE HEART, IN THE ASSEMBLY OF THE UPRIGHT, AND IN THE CONOREGATION.

THE WIND WAS BLOWING 50MPH THE OTHER DAY. AND MANY DID CURSE.

WE HAVE FORGOTTEN THE 1970 TORNADO. THANK GOD, COULD BE WORSE.

2 TIMOTHY 3:1-2. THIS KNOW ALSO, THAT IN THE LAST DAYS PERIOUS (DANGEROUS) TIMES SHALL COME. FOR MEN SHALL BE LOVERS OF THEIR OWN SELVES, COVETOUS, BOASTERS, PROUD, BLASPHEMERS, DISOBEDIENT TO PARENTS, UNTHANKFUL, UNHOLY.

THE MAN SAID, MY CAR IS BROKEN, I HAVE TO RIDE THE CITYBUS. MANY CITIES DON'T HAVE A BUS SYSTEM. THANK GOD, COULD BE WORSE.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-17. REJOICE EVERMORE. PRAY WITHOUT CEASING.

WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST DILLY B.J. MORRISON
11, YOUR BROTHER IN
CHRIST JESUS ALWAYS.

from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith "Presaging Political Troubles for Black Americans"



There is an old Hindi parable that tells the story of an adopted tiger cub. The motherless cub was adopted by goats and brought up to speak their language, emulate their ways, eat their food. In fact the little tiger cub believed he was a goat.

However, there came a day when a King Bengal tiger weighing in at 550 pounds, ten feet long, thick yellow fur with dark stripes happened along and all the goats panic and absconded in terror. But the little cub lingered behind, afraid and yet somehow unafraid. The tiger cub brayed a bit and then nervously nibbled at the grass.

The King Bengal tiger laughed and asked the small tiger what he meant by this masquerade. He said, nothing, only braying like a goat once again. So the King Bengal tiger took him to a

pool of still water and forced him to look at the two reflections' sides by side. But the little one failed to see any significance in it.

When this failed, the King Bengal tiger hunted down a young deer and brought some of the raw meat to the young tiger. He said to the young tiger, "I notice you nibbling grass, what I have brought you is what tigers eat along with a diet of cattle, frog and fish."

At first the cub cringed from the strange taste. But he kept licking and soon sunk his teeth deep into the raw flesh. His tail began to swing in the wind and his claws began to dig into the soft earth.

A roar began to swell in the young tiger's throat. He glanced over at the King Bengal tiger and he began to realize he was a cool cat.

An incident similar to the parable unfolded in American politics several days ago. The United States Congress was sworn in with an overwhelming white male

majority. In the House of Representatives 37 blacks (8.2 percent) were sworn in, even though blacks make up 12 percent of the U. S. population. There were no blacks sworn in the 100-member Senate, nor were there any black Republicans in the House.

Ironically, the King Bush tiger had brought a piece of fresh political meat from the kill of Senator Lott and waved it before the Baby Tennessee Republican tiger, Frist. Frist licked the political flesh of King Bush tiger economic growth packages of \$674 billion which is said would eliminate taxes on most dividends paid to shareholders, speed up across-the-board cuts in tax rates and offer more tax relief to married couples and families with children; he licked the stench from a white Mississippi male named Charles Pickering who allegedly would let white cross burning Klu Klux Klans terrorize black Americans by freeing those convicted from penal institu-

tion; he licked and saluted the true colors of King Bush tiger when he renominated this sinister character named Charles Pickering to become a judge on the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans which hears cases even from Lubbock; he realized he was a cool cat and heightens his tail and elevated it in approval for two Appeals Court nominees opposed by civil rights groups: Jeffery Sutton, a pro-states' rights attorney, for the 6th Circuit in Ohio, and Terrence Boyle, a Jesse Helms protege, for the 4th Circuit in Virginia.

A roar began to swell deep in Frist's throat on "Fox News Sunday" (January 12, 2003) as he kissed up to the King Bush tiger's plan in perhaps hoping he will be King Frist tiger in 2008. Then this Southerner can sink his teeth really deep into black meat. There are presaging political trouble for black Americans on the horizon.

Remembering...

To the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Today we think of what you gave us,
Your love, your joy, your heart and soul,
Your faith and hope and truth and justice;
Nonviolence was your burning goal...

Today we think of what you gave us,
Your happiness and peace of mind;
You reached to us and filled our beings
With brotherhood for all mankind...

Today we think of what you gave us;
You helped us see the promised land;
You shared with us your dream and courage,
And gave us will to understand!

Hope C. Oberhelman

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

-HOUR OF POWER- Acts 1:8

The members and friends of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast, "Hour of Power", met in the home of Sister Christene Burleson, vice president, last Saturday morning, January 18, 2003. The opening devotion was conducted by Sisters Dorothy Nash, Annie Mae McBride, Annie Day and Burleson. A solo was sung by Sister Day, entitled "Walk With Me, Lord" What a time all had in the Lord.

The morning scripture lesson was taught by Sister Elnora Jones. Her subject was "Holy Living."

We are commanded to the call of Holiness. Come out from among them. He has given us a clean slate. Gal. 3:13; Bretheren, I count not myself to have apprehended, but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before. Be ye Holy as I am Holy. Therefore, we must worship. In order to worship in the beauty of Holiness. We must lift up Holy hands. We must bow down in the Spirit of Holiness, lift up Holy eyes. We must dance with Holy feet. We must lift up Holy voices. Speak with Holy tongues and lips. We shall bow down before the Holy God.

1 Peter 2:9 — But ye are a chosen generation, a Royal Priest head; and Holy Nation. A peculiar people that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Are we going to be that generation that God is calling for in the last and evil days? Come out from among them and be separated says the Lord of Host. Renew your minds.

Are you worshipping Lottery, Bingo, Casino, Gambling, Jerry Springer, Soaps, Searching the internet, worshipping all kinds of garbage on TV. These things are not of God. They are of the Devil.

Tips for Holy living, Christ died for our sins. There is a way out. Repenting cleanses us from all unrighteousness.

-A Few Steps To Righteous Living-

1. We must be born again. John 3:3
2. Must have the Spirit of Christ in us.
3. Walk in Love. John 3:16
4. Walk in Obedience.
5. Walk in the Light. Matthew 5:16
6. Walk in Faith. II Corinthians 5:7
7. Walk in Truth. John 8:32
8. Walk in Humility. II Chronicles 7:14
9. Walk in Meekness. I Corinthians 4:21
10. Walk in Fellowship. I Corinthians 1:9
11. Walk in Prayer. Psalm 55:17
12. Walk in Peace. Isaiah 26:3
13. Walk in Forgiveness. Mark 11:25

In order to accomplish these things, we have to develop a relationship with the Father and Holy Spirit, the Trinity. Our Goal is to spend eternity with Jesus.

For the Lord, Himself, shall ascend from Heaven with a shout with the voice of the ark angel. And with the trumpet of God and the dead in Christ shall rise first. Those who remain shall be caught up together with Him in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so shall we ever be with the Lord. We're to confront one another with the word. What is your destiny?

Sister Jones, we truly thank you for the lesson. May God continue to bless you in the word.

Saints, water is unstable. You put it in a round cup, it turns round. Put it in a square cup it turns square. Put it in a red cup, it turns red. Don't be unstable. You know not the day our Lord will return. Get it right this time in 2003.

For all of you who are hurting and are bereaved out there. Remember God specializes in the things that affect you. He will do for you what no earthly individual can do. Trust Him.

Keep praying and reading II Chronicles 7:14 and Mark 11:22-26.

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

Thank You

Mrs. Juanita Gibson and family, would like to inform the community of Lubbock Texas of the illness of Mr. Robert Lee Gibson Sr., of 4215 East 61st Street Lubbock, Texas (806) 744-7541. He is currently in the critical care unit of Covenant Health Care Systems Hospital located at 19th and Indiana.

Your prayers and well wishes are all welcome. The family will receive friends at his home and the home of his son Mr. Elvin B. Gibson, 2607 Hickory, Lubbock, Texas (806) 749-3253.

Religious Poems Sought from Lubbock-Area Poets

Good news for sincere poets! The Bards of Burbank is offering a \$1,000.00 grand prize in their Religious Competition 2003 free to everyone. The deadline for entering is February 15, 2003.

To enter, send one poem 21 lines or less: Free Poetry Contest, PMB250, 2219 W Olive Ave., Burbank, CA 91506, you may enter online at www.freecontest.com.

"We think religious poems invite achievement," says Dr. John Cusack, the organization, Contest Director. "We're especially keen on inspiring amateur poets and we think this competition will achieve that. Texas has produced many wonderful poets over the years and I'd like to discover new ones from among the Lubbock-area grassroots poets."

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In Remembrance...



Amos Bryd

Funeral services for Amos Boyd were held last Friday, January 17, 2003, at First Progressive Baptist Church with Rev. Homer Avery, Sr., pastor, officiating.

Burial was held under the direction of Brock's South Plains Funeral Directors of Lubbock.

Mr. Boyd died Saturday, January 11, 2003.

Mr. Boyd was born March 18, 1936.

He is survived by five daughters: W. Faye Hastings, Margaret B. Humphrey, Velma J. Evans, Margie Evans and Shelia Boydm, all of Lubbock, Texas, a son Danny L. of Lubbock, Texas; four brothers: Roscoe, Willie, Otto and L.V.; and two sisters, Ruby Pearl Turner and Codellar Nelson.



Joe "Dixie" Crockett

Plainview — Funeral services for Joe "Dixie" Crockett were held last Wednesday morning, January 15, 2003, at the Garland Street Church of Christ in Plainview with J. W. Hamby of Garland Street Church of Christ and Wayne Lemons of Ash S. Carver Church of Christ officiating.

Burial was held in Plainview Memorial Park under the direction of Wood-Dunning Funeral Home.

She died Friday, January 10, 2003, in Plainview.

She was born April 5, 1924, in Henderson, Texas. She came to Plainview in 1952 to be a teacher. She taught at Booker T. Washington High School. She then taught at College Hill School, Ash School, and in 1988 taught at the Houston School as a pilot teacher of English and Social Studies. She served in the Plainview Classroom Teachers Association, National English Association and National Education Association.

She was a member of Ash & Carver Church of Christ. She taught the Toddlers, Elementary and Ladies Bible Classes.

She graduated from Jarvis Christian College in Hawkins, Texas, and attended graduate classes at West Texas State University in Canyon.

After retirement, she tutored students in math and English. She was a lifetime member of the PTA. She married Joe Crockett on August 3, 1957, in Waxahachie, Texas.

She is survived by her husband, Joe Crockett; two daughters, Dianna Tease of Plano, Texas and Sallie Moultrie of Houston, Texas; a son, Joe Lynn Crockett of Albuquerque, N. M.; a sister, Louella Champion of DeSoto, Texas; and seven grandchildren.



Eddie Mae Lynch

Funeral services were held for Eddie Mae Lynch last Tuesday morning, January 21, 2003, at the Community Baptist Church with Rev. Dornie Scott officiating and Elder Curtis Slay assisting.

Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home in Lubbock.

She died Wednesday, January 15, 2003.

She was born November 29, 1929, in Marlin, Texas, where she grew up and attend public school. She married Aubrey Lynch in 1985 in Lubbock. He died in 2001. She moved to Lubbock 57 years ago from Marlin.

She is survived by four sons: Earnest McDade and Nathaniel McDade, both of Lubbock; and Joe Woodard and Jerry McDade both of Waco, Texas; three daughters: Vera Robinson and Johnnie Berry, both of Lubbock and Joyce Holmes of Denver, Colorado; two brothers, David Moody and Paul Moody, both of Lubbock; two sisters, Lee Anna Dark and Joyce Dixon, both of Lubbock; fifteen grandchildren and twenty-eight great-grandchildren



George Pendgraft

Funeral services for George Pendgraft were held Wednesday, January 15, 2003 at Ossie Curry Funeral Chapel with Rev. George Jackson officiating.

Cremation was held under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home in Lubbock.

Mr. Pendgraft died Thursday, January 9, 2003, in Lubbock.

He was born March 31, 1924, in Curry, Texas. He married Annie Pendgraft in Lubbock. She preceded him in death.

Two daughters also preceded him in death.

Survivors include a brother, Willie Pendgraft of Lubbock, Texas; and a sister, Ruthie Mae Harper of Wortham, Texas.

Residential Building Permits in 2002 at all Time High

The City of Lubbock issued 1,281 building permits in 2002 for single-family homes—an all time high including the building boom in 1983 when 1,166 permits were issued.

"It's a testament to Lubbock's endurance," said Mayor Marc McDougal. "Our growth is slow but steady. Once a family moves to Lubbock and realizes what a wonderful city this is, they want to stay."

Home construction permits have been steadily on the rise for the past five years. In 1998, 664 permits were issued. The following year saw 747 new homes built and in 2000, the number climbed to 819. In 2001, there were 941 permits issued.

"Lubbock is an excellent place to live, to work and to raise a family," McDougal said. "We've been called the state's best-kept secret, but I believe the cat may be out of the bag now."



Maenolia Wallace

Funeral services for Maenolia Wallace were held Wednesday morning, January 15, 2003, at Carter Chapel C.M.E. Church with Rev. Christopher Neal, pastor, officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of Brock's South Plains Funeral Directors.

She died Wednesday, January 8, 2003.

Ms. Wallace was born April 4, 1924, in Winnsboro, Texas.

She is survived by two sons, Dennis and Ronald English; a daughter, Nancy English; two step-sons, Irvin and Larry English; a step-daughter, Marilyn Beaver-Smith, all of Lubbock, Texas; three sisters: Alina Saddler of Lubbock, Texas and WILLIE Mae Rhymes and Rosie Lee Brown, both of Mount Pleasant, Texas; a brother, Jerry Wallace of Hereford, Texas; five grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

Ten Free Flowering Trees from Arbor Day Foundation

Ten free flowering trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during January 2003.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

The ten trees are 2 White Flowering Dogwoods, 2 Flowering Crabapples, 2 Goldenrain trees, 2 Washington Hawthorns, and 2 American Redbuds.

"These compact trees were selected for planting in large or small spaces," John Rosenow, the Foundation's president, said. "They will give your home the beauty of lovely pink, white, and yellow flowers—and also provide winter berries and nesting sites for songbirds."

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between February 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's bimonthly publication, Arbor Day, and The Tree Book with information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the Foundation and to receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE FLOWERING TREES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by January 31, 2003.

Strength for Today hope for Tomorrow
by Gerald Jackson

This week we celebrate the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. In tribute to his memory I would like to submit this offering.

His beginnings were humble. His father was known to be mighty in the Scripture. His name also reflected His father's character.

He is arguably the greatest civil rights advocate in the history of the United States or any other country. He was the instrument used by Almighty God

to right the wrong of inequality among all peoples. His method of nonviolent protestation was successful in winning the conscience of the oppressor. He was a peacemaker. He dared to dream of a land where race was not a factor in determining the worth of an individual.

He was comfortable with the common folk as well as royalty. He treated them all with respect. Yet, he was not afraid to speak the truth even if it meant that they were offended by it. He obviously was a man of great courage.

His death was untimely from a human point of view. None of us would have wished for him to leave so soon. For thirty-some-odd years he was on this earth that was not long enough for us to cherish him. No one could have dreamed that a man of peace could have died so violently.

In one of his last speeches he predicted that he was about to die. Fortunately for us, his death paved the way for us to get to the promised-land.

Lest you make the mistake of thinking that this is a description of Dr. King, I need to tell you that this article is about the King of Kings... Jesus.

He was born in a stable. His Father is the Great I Am. His name, Jesus, means Jehovah is salvation.

Defending civil rights is a small matter for King Jesus. He has a greater goal for all of us, divine privilege. When you know who you are in Jesus you are not restricted by something as insignificant as civil rights. His method of reaching people changed their hearts. He did not have to bully people into submission. He has prepared a place for all who love Him in Heaven. Princes and paupers marveled at this King. He treated each with

dignity.

He did not live here but a few years by human reckoning, but He lives eternally for us in Heaven. What a horrible death He suffered to pay the price for our sins, but that death made eternal life possible for all who trust and obey.

So we pay tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. but, we do so by proclaiming the excellencies of the eternal God of Heaven who created him. Happy Birthday Dr. King, may your work and example continue to encourage us and may the eternal King of Glory give us strength for today and hope for tomorrow.



PARKWAY DRIVE CHURCH OF CHRIST

National Marrow Donor Program Celebrates Everyday Heroes

"But heroes come in many forms- For patients who have a life-threatening disease, like leukemia, which could only be treated by a marrow or blood stem-cell transplant, their heroes are just everyday people, who gave them the gift of life," said Lieutenant Steve R. Fortier, a firefighter and paramedic who donated marrow through the National Marrow Donor Program (NMDP).

Leandra Argyros and Tonya Ghant received their second chance at life through transplants. They are grateful for their everyday heroes who selflessly have made their second chances possible. A successful transplant gave Ghant, an African-American single mother, the chance to raise her young daughter and to pursue her dreams. "When I was diagnosed with leukemia, I wished for a second chance at life," she says. "Without a transplant, she would have died. Since her family were not suitable donors, she would need a stranger to give her a second chance at life."

"We were desperate to find a matching donor for my transplant. My daughter was just two at that time. I didn't know who was going to take care of my daughter," Ghant continues. "When the NMDP found my donor, it was the best Christmas present I could have received. The NMDP was my lifeline."

These days, she is healthy and busy studying to become a nurse and hopes to save lives, just as hers had been saved by others. "I will receive a nursing degree at the end of this year; I plan to specialize in oncology where I can show patients that I'm a living miracle. I

want the patients to know that, if they need my help, we can walk the road together. I got through it. I survived it and so can they."

Thirteen-year-old Leandra Argyros is glad her doctor recommended an unrelated marrow or blood stem-cell transplant to treat her myelodysplastic syndrome. "If my doctor hadn't contacted the National Marrow Donor Program right away, I probably would have died. My donor didn't just give me a pint of her marrow, or some of her time," she says. "She gave me another chance to see a tree. Another chance to hear my little brother laugh. Another sleepover at a friend's house. Another math test. A chance to go to college. My donor gave me a chance to live up to my dreams."

Each year, an estimated 30,000 Americans are diagnosed with life-threatening diseases, such as leukemia, for which a marrow or blood stem-cell transplant can be a cure. Nearly 70 percent of these patients will not find a suitable donor in their family and will turn to the NMDP Registry.

Although more African Americans, Asians/Pacific Islanders, Hispanics and American Indians/Alaska Natives are finding donors for their transplants, they are still less likely than Caucasians to identify a matched donor. More donors of diverse race and ethnicity are needed, so that all patients will have an equal chance at finding a donor.

The NMDP Network Centers located nationwide will spread the news that marrow and blood stem-cell transplants save lives and issue the call for everyday heroes to come forward to become volunteer marrow or blood stem-cell donors.

"Everyone has the ability to make a difference. It doesn't matter

what you do for a living or who you are," says Fortier. "You don't have to enter a burning building to be someone's hero. You too can make a difference. More everyday heroes are needed, so that all patients can have their second chance at life."

The NMDP is committed to its mission to extend and improve life through innovative stem-cell therapies. It has facilitated almost 15,000 transplants throughout the world for patients with life-threatening diseases such as leukemia and aplastic anemia, as well as certain immune system and genetic disorders.

The NMDP offers patients who do not have suitable family donors a single point of access for all three types of stem-cells used in transplantation: marrow, peripheral blood and umbilical cord blood. Through its extensive network, the NMDP manages the largest and most diverse registry of volunteer donors, including more than 20,000 cord blood units. Matching donors to patients is only part of NMDP's lifesaving mission. The NMDP also provides support for patients and physicians, and conducts research studies aimed at increasing opportunities for and improving the outcomes of stem-cell transplants.

For more information, contact the NMDP at 1-800-MARROW-2 or visit www.marrow.org.



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Who Would Have Thought It!

By Eddie Richardson

Yesterday is gone. There is nothing we can do about it or recapture it. It's gone! Tomorrow is not here. No one knows what tomorrow holds. That is why we should make the best of each day while it is here. What we do today sets the tone for tomorrow. To sum it up, yesterday is gone, tomorrow is not here or promised. That's why this writer is in love with today. Today determines tomorrow. So let's make the best of each day by day.

Who would have thought it that a study on North and East Lubbock would have the impact that it has. In past years, there were studies, statistics, programs, analysis, information gathering, especially in East Lubbock. It has

always ended up in the back burner or in file 13. But not this time as it's North and East Lubbock Commission, led by Gary Lawrence would not allow that happen this time and the report will go to the Lubbock City Council for action to be taken immediately. This Commission surpasses everyone's expectations, and proved to be more than a passifier as in the past to appease the neighborhood, but they went a lot further to the surprise of many.

Hats off to the North and East Lubbock Commission for exceeding their expectations.

Who would have thought it that in the year of 2003, the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal and the Southwest Digest would be involved in a joint venture.

When in the early days when African-Americans attempted to enter Lubbock and were turned around by the Lubbock Sheriff's Office and an article in the local daily, The Avalanche, which had an article on page one which said: "Too Many Darkies In Lubbock".

Back in the 1950, a Black

couple tried to place their wedding announcement in the Avalanche Journal, even with a fee in pay, were refused. But now in the Lubbock Avalanche Journal Blacks are seen in feature stories and even on the front page and are not seen in a crime related story. We salute this effort on the part of the Lubbock Avalanche Journal.

What a difference time makes. Representatives of the Lubbock Avalanche Journal have appeared at the Federation of Choirs and the Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center. There is also an advertisement featuring the Southwest Digest in their paper. This is contrary to past history in Lubbock, Texas and maybe in the Nation or the whole world.

Hurray for the Lubbock Avalanche Journal and the Southwest Digest for a first which, no doubt, set the tone for printed media elsewhere.

Not! Sed, Why No?!



In Cinque

by Renetta W. Howard

For the most of 2002, we have been in limbo about the status of our country in its involvement in the Middle East. We have gone through the invasion of Afghanistan, interventions in the conflict between Israel and the Palestinians and a constant threat to attack Iraq, speculation in North Korea and fear about the status of homeland security.

It would appear that in spite of the United Nation's inspectors saying that they have not found a 'smoking gun' in Iraq, our country has readied troops near Iraq in preparation for an attack anyway. Our president has stated

that Iraq will be attacked in the near future. It seems that there is no way to change the president's mind, regardless to the situation in Iraq. Having found no 'smoking guns' in Iraq, interest has turned to North Korea, now considered another member of the 'axis of evil.' Since no 'smoking gun' has been found in Iraq, it is now believed that Iraq shipped all of its weapons of mass destruction to North Korea.

Anyone born before 1945, knows the history of North Korea and war with its enemies, even if they are blood kin relatives. We know how, in defense of South Korea, how many countries pulled out of Korea without a victory, including the United States. We are also aware that the Soviet Union was an ally of North Korea during the Korean Conflict in which

more Americans died than in world War II. It should be speculated, that not much of that situation has changed even though the USSR has been dissolved, because Russia still leans toward North Korea and Iraq with favoritism.

Because of U.S. favoritism toward Israel, an attack on Iraq will trigger an attack on Israel, just as it did in Desert Storm. Whatever it is that the United States wants out of the Middle East would probably be better left alone for the sake of the world. The Middle East and North Korea are hotbeds for World War III. We still need to continue to contact our legislators in our states and in the nation, to forge for peace in every applicable way possible. It is time for us to get 'in cinque' and work and pray for peace in our homeland and in the world.

LETTER to the EDITOR

AN ADDRESS TO AFRICAN AMERICAN MALES IN PRISON

When my teen-aged son "caught a case," I witnessed the inequalities in the criminal justice system that began with the police force and continued in the legal system. In dealing with the legal proceedings, I began to understand how "the system seems to work for us in the short run, but really works against us in the long run." This experience has motivated me to address the condition of incarcerated African American males.

Even though I agree with the credo, "Do the crime, do the time," am opposed to discriminatory, vindictive justice. The attitudes and practices associated with "zero tolerance" law enforcement have allowed the agents of the government to supply the prison industrial complex with black bodies. Moreover, being able "to read the writing on the wall," I realize that prisons are the 21st Century's "holding camps."

When a segment of the population has been classified as undesirable, a review of world history and current events will reveal their fate. Subsequently, those persons usually become the victims of mass confinements or deaths. America has the highest rate of imprisonment in the world. What are the circum-

stances that would change those cells into graves?

According to The Bureau of U.S. Justice Statistics, 1997, there were 5.7 million adults under correctional supervision. Of this total, 2,149,900 were African American. Included in those figures were 1,734,896 persons in local jails and prisons. In particular, 816,600 were African Americans, 753,600 were males and 63,000 were females. African American males comprised 6.8% (6,838 males per 100,000 U.S. adult residents) of the inmate population while less than 1% of Caucasian males were behind bars. In 1999, nearly 1.5 million children had at least one parent in prison. African Americans make up nearly 50% of the prison population, but only 13% of the total population.

Is there any hope, any help for inmates? The answer can be yes, if the community begins to support prison reform. Although this will not negate the punitive role of incarceration, it will add conscientious restoration. Provisions for prisoners such as education, job skills, mental health and drug abuse programs, religion, and family counseling could change a life. Perhaps, the availability of these alternatives would allow an individual to become an asset to

the community. While the enlightened community has a role to play in examining the prison-industrial complex, each person behind bars must examine his/herself.

The circumstances that led to your confinement can't be changed, however, you can change. THE GOOD NEWS for those persons locked down is that "walls do not a prison make." There is a possibility that you can have freedom in confinement. You need to get out of prison before you leave prison. When you examine the paradox, a contradiction, of prison as a refuge or a shelter, our attitude can change. P.R.I.S.O.N. can become Personal Reflection Inside a Segregated Oppressive Nation. As you awaken to a new awareness of who you are, the physical surroundings and natural occurrences forfeit their power to enslave you.

If you are interested in the restoration and rehabilitation of a person in prison, please mail this letter to that individual. On request, the full-length letter can be obtained.

Hopefully yours,
Joseph Lily
Joseph Lily

THIS N THAT

VERY GOOD MLK CELEBRATION! THIS N THAT ... has attended the majority of the ... DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION ... and this one ... which was the ... 31ST ANNUAL ONE ... and it could very well as being ... among the best of the lot ... With the new twist of looking back over the years ... and thanking those ... BLACK PIONEERS ... who came to Lubbock ... with the many obstacles in their path ... and they didn't give up ... Young ... BLACKS ... are standing on the shoulders of those who came before us ... and for what they have done ... all should be happy ... Next year ... this kind of a program will be done again ... but only with a new order ... from the 1958 until present ... This should be great ... The ... MUSICAL EXTRAVANGZA ... held at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church ... was a very exciting effort ... and the church was filled with many ... Sunday evening at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center ... was a very inspirational evening ... from the praying ... singing and preaching ... everything was in order ... The ... MASS CHOIR ... was an outstanding one and it is one in which the entire ... CITY OF LUBBOCK ... should hear ... What a group of talented young people ... Let us not forget the ... OUTSTANDING SERMON ... delivered by ... REV. SOLOMON FIELDS ... pastor of St. John Baptist Church ... was one all present will be talking about for a long time ... Oh ... Yes ... the ... SPIRIT WAS IN THAT PLACE ... last Sunday evening ... Our ... YOUNG PEOPLE ... represented all of us well ... on Monday evening ... at the LaKeridge United Methodist Church ... where Rev. Bill Couch and congregation opens up their doors each year ... For that ... all is appreciative ... No doubt about it ... MS. JOAN Y. ERVIN ... it was well done ... and the ... MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMEMORATIVE COUNCIL OF LUBBOCK ... did well ... and keep on doing what you are doing ...

FIRST LADY'S LUNCHEON WAS ROYAL! THIS N THAT ... attended a first in Lubbock ... where some of the ... FIRST LADY'S OF THE CHURCH ... were honored last Saturday afternoon ... at the Ashmore Inn ... This affair was sponsored by ... SHIRLEY ROBERSON ... who wanted to do something for the wives of Pastors in Lubbock ... Those First Ladies who were honored are as follows ... QUEEN SUDELL CAVANAUGH ... wife of Rev. James Cavanaugh, pastor of New Light Baptist Church ... QUEEN EMMA LOU AVERY ... wife of Rev. Homer Avery, Sr. pastor of First Progressive Baptist Church ... QUEEN SHIRLEY DAVIS ... wife of Rev. Wendell Davis, pastor of Lyons Chapel Baptist Church ... QUEEN ROSE HANKSTON ... wife of Rev. Charles Hankston, pastor of Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church of Lorenzo, Texas ... QUEEN GWEN BOLTON ... wife of Rev. Willie Bolton, pastor of Bethel Baptist Church of Abernathy, Texas ... QUEEN SHARRON BURNS ... wife of Rev. Kenneth Burns, pastor of Devine Love Baptist Church ... QUEEN JOYCE KELLY ... wife of Rev. James Kelly, pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church of Anton, Texas ... REV. PENNIE HARRIS ... wife of Rev. Marshall Harris, pastor of New Direction Community Fellowship ... QUEEN VIVIAN PEOPLES ... wife of Rev. C. C. Peoples, pastor of Mt. Olive Baptist Church of Slaton, Texas ... and ... QUEEN LATRISA SLAUGHTER ... wife of Rev. Larry Slaughter, pastor of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church ... It was a very ... ROYAL LUNCHEON ... as each Pastor spoke as why their wife was truly a ... FIRST LADY ...

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: "LET'S CONTINUE ... to advise and encourage ... young African Americans ... to do all they can ... while they are students in public school ... WORK HARD ... as it will pay off one day" ...

STILL VISITING SCHOOLS! THIS N THAT ... was advised by ... SISTER ANNIE DAY ... that she is still visiting local public schools ... as she was a guest at ... WHEATLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ... last week ... THIS N THAT ... advises all of us to do as ... SISTER DAY ... and visit our schools ... If we do so ... it will encourage our young people to do their very best ... Good to see what you are ... doing in Lubbock ... SISTER ANNIE DAY ...



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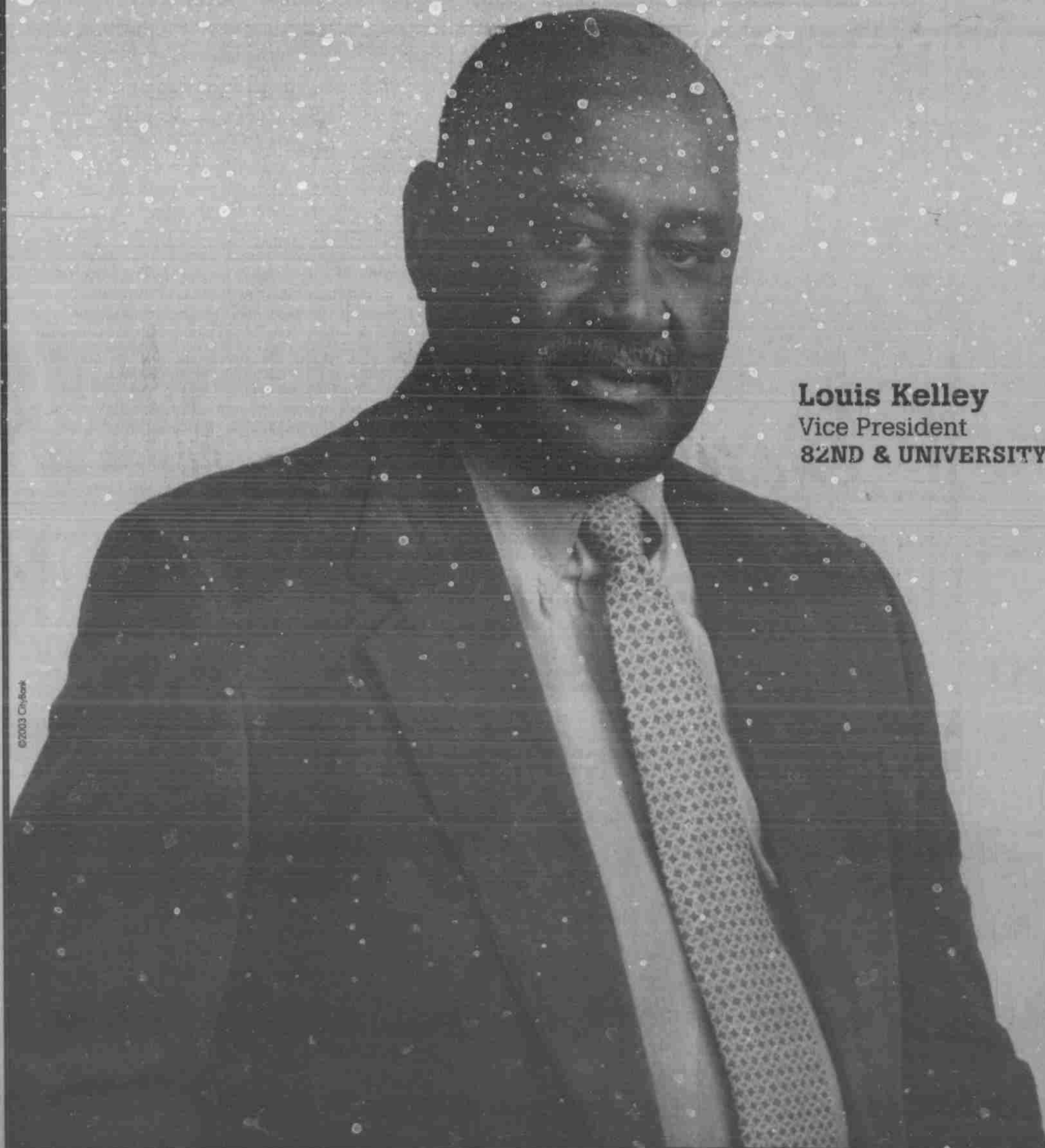
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