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Community Meetings

This is a list of what is happening in Lubbock, to help complete the unfinished community-building work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

- African American Chamber of Commerce, Lubbock meets on the 3rd Monday of each month, from 5:30-6:30pm at the Parkway Community Center, 405 MLK Blvd., 806-771-1815
- Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00pm at the Patterson Branch Library
- Hub City Kiwanis meets every Tuesday, 7:00pm, 1708 Avenue G.
- Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm
- Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon
- Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Library
- East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center
- Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Merket Alumni Center
- Dunbar/Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 3rd Thursday at 6:00 pm 1303 East 24th St. (outreach center/party house)
- West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturday of each month at 7:00 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations.
- Texas Juneteenth Cultural & Historical Commission - Lubbock Affiliate meets at Patterson Branch Library every 3rd Thursday 7:00 pm
- West Texas Native American Association meets 2nd Saturday each month at Groves Library, 5520 19th Street, 7:30 p.m.
- West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men meets the 3rd Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Parkway Neighborhood Center.
- The Parkway Guadalupe & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 pm at Parkway Neighborhood Center.

If you have an announcement you want to appear in this paper, please get it to us in writing. You can mail it to:

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Estacado girls track finish second in state



These young ladies are, from left to right: Avesha Roberson, LaVonda Henderson, Antonia Hopkins, and Demetrice Gillian.

The Southwest Digest wants to say Congratulations to the Estacado High School Girls who finished second in the State Meet.

These four young ladies have set new school records in the following: In District they broke the Class of 1982's record with a new record of 3:57:03; In Regional, they broke their own record with a new record of 3:53:37; and In State they broke their own record with a new record of 3:51:38.

LaVonda Henderson was named to the All Star Track Team, and Coach C. Caddell was named as Coach of the All Star Team.

Henderson will play in the All Star Basketball game in July in Austin, Texas as well as the Oklahoma/Texas All Star Game in Norman, Oklahoma later this summer.

ran in the 1,600 Meter Relay race in the State Track Meet in Austin, Texas earlier this month. They

SPC offers basic peace officer training

South Plains College's Basic Peace Officer 2005-2006 Evening Academy begins Sept. 12.

Persons also applying for financial aid should apply prior to June 7th. Pre-registration for the academy is required prior to Aug. 31. A non-refundable \$50 application fee is required for a state and federal background check through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education.

Classes will meet 5-11 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays through Aug. 9, 2006.

The course is designed to meet TCLEOSE requirements for the state peace officer licensing exam and is open to all persons 21 years or older interested in becoming a Texas peace officer.

Applicants must be a U.S. citizen, high school graduate (or have a GED with 12 hours of college credit from an approved college or university). Applicants must not have a Class B (in last 10 years) or higher conviction.

Topics will include Texas laws and procedural requirements, force options, multiculturalism and human relations, professionalism and ethics, fitness and wellness/stress management, civil process, mechanics of arrest, criminal investigation and firearms.

Approximate total tuition and fees are \$1,532 for in-district students and \$2,056 for out-of-district students, to be paid in four separate registrations. Books and supplies are an additional \$150. Tuition and fees for the first six hours will be due on initial registration.

Applicants must apply to SPC and meet all SPC entrance requirements.

College application forms are available in the SPC Admissions Office, and academy information is available in the SPC Law Enforcement Office.

Application for financial aid must be made through the SPC Financial Aid Office.

For more information, contact the SPC Law Enforcement Office at 806-894-9611, ext. 2291.

LISD Head Start program beginning registration

The Lubbock ISD Head Start/PreK program has a new and improved application process for the 2005-06 school year. Beginning on Monday, June 6, at 8 a.m., parents will be able to pick up a registration packet at Ballenger Early Childhood Center and make an appointment to come back in July to complete the registration process. Students will be enrolled on a first come, first served basis, based on when their application packet is picked up. The process will be much quicker since the parent will fill out much of the paperwork at home. Parents will make an appointment for later in the summer to return application packets and complete the final paperwork. Ballenger is located at 40th Street and Avenue L.

LISD's Head Start/PreK program is for children who will be three or four years old on or before September 1, 2005. Bilingual classes are available for children who qualify and parents of children with special needs are encouraged to apply. For information on enrollment qualifications for the LISD Head Start/PreK program, please call 766-0579.

Cotton Kings re-sign top players Graham and Melichercik

The Lubbock Cotton Kings have re-signed forward Nolan Graham, it was announced today by Kings Head Coach and Director of Hockey Operations Chris Dashney.

"I am really excited to have Nolan back," said Dashney. "His speed and puck-handling skills led to his breakout year on the ice."

Graham, 5-9, 165-pounds, was one of eight Cotton Kings to play in all 60 regular season games this season. The Nanaimo, BC, native posted a career high 18 goals and 43 points and was fourth in team scoring. Graham played the on the right wing for most of the season with the Kings top line of Jan Melichercik and Anders Strome.

"They (Melichercik and Strome) played a big part of my success," said Graham. "We were on the same line for most of the season and it definitely made it easier."

Graham will join the Kings for training camp this October, but that doesn't mean he will be taking the summer off. Next week, he will be leaving for Newcastle, Australia, to play with the North Stars in the Australian Ice Hockey League.

"I am looking forward to the trip," said Graham. "I will be on the ice 3-4 times per week over the summer and it will be a great. I am not making tons of money, but I am doing this for the experience."

The Kings have also re-signed veteran center Jan Melichercik. Melichercik is the franchise all-time leading scorer with 271 points in 297 games in a Kings sweater.

"Jan is the cornerstone of our team system," said Dashney. "He is a smart hockey player that makes our first line click and he is one of the best defensive forwards in the league."

Melichercik, 6-0, 185-pounds, was third on the team in scoring with 13 goals and 51 points during the 2004-05 season. The Banska Bystrica, Slovakia, native was tied for first in team playoff scoring with five assists in five games against the Amarillo Gorillas.

"It is a different position to be one of four veterans and I am very fortunate that the Cotton Kings signed me," said Melichercik. "I think it is very fair that the team wanted me back and it is going to be easier on me in Slovakia this summer knowing that I will be back next season."

Melichercik centered the Kings top line of Nolan Graham and Anders Strome for most of the 2004-05 season and was named the third best defensive forward in the Central Hockey League in the annual Best of the Best team poll.

"Last year - at the beginning of training camp - I didn't know him (Graham) at all and we weren't friends," said

Award named in honor of Ellis-Willis



Ellis-Willis

The administration of Highland Medical Center designated a special award in honor of a former employee, the late Rosie Lee "Shorty" Ellis-Willis, during the Annual Employee Recognition & Awards Ceremony, which was held on Tuesday, May 10, 2005. The award will be called the

Rosie Lee "Shorty" Ellis-Willis "Nurse of the Year". The first person to receive this award was Inell Moore.

A native of Edge, Texas and a former student of Dunbar High School and the Lubbock Vocational Nursing School in 1960. She was an employee of Highland Hospital for 30 years.

She passed away January 26, 2005, and was funeralized on Tuesday, February 1, 2005, at the Christ Temple Church of God in Christ, with Supt. W. David Haynes, pastor, officiating.

Randles to graduate from Wayland



Randles

Another Graduate of Wayland Baptist University, Lubbock campus, will be Barbara Joyce Curtis Randles.

She is set to receive a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Education Degree on Saturday morning, June 11, 2005, 10:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church, 2201 Broadway Avenue.

She completed all degree requirements and will receive an Associate of Applied Science.

Vivian J. Tyson had a great school year



Tyson

Vivian J. Tyson, a student at Bayless Elementary School, had a very good school year. She was chosen as "Student of the Month", perfect attendance for the year, and has been on the Honor Roll for the year. She also received an award in creative writing, and is an independent reader.

She is the granddaughter of Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Peoples, and is a niece of her aunt, Nikki.

Oratorical contest named for Peoples



Peoples

The Wheatley Elementary School's Oratorical Contest was named this year in honor of Mrs. Vivian Peoples. According to the principal, Margaret Randle, this was done because of her dedication to our young people.

"Without the help of this individual, this year's contest would not have taken place," said Ms. Randle.

Dru Coleman served as Instructional Specialist.

First deadline approaching for SPC summer band camp

Tuesday (May 31st) is priority deadline for enrolling in the South Plains College High School Band Leadership or Jr. High Band Camps scheduled June 13-18.

Late registration will continue through the first day of camp June 13. The camps will meet 9 a.m.-4 p.m. daily in the SPC Band Hall, with a 10 a.m. concert set for Saturday, June 18.

The jr. high band camp is designed for middle school and junior high students who have completed at least one year of band through 9th grade. Jr. high campers will participate in band rehearsals, section rehearsals and electives. Cost is \$75, which covers tuition, fees and a camp T-shirt.

The high school band leadership camp will help students develop band leadership skills, such as leading section rehearsals, teaching drill and assisting with younger campers. Cost is \$40, which includes tuition, fees and a camp T-shirt.

A variety of recreational activities will be available for both groups.

Students need to bring lunch money or a sack lunch daily for the commuter camp.

Band camp personnel will include area high school and jr. high band directors and SPC music faculty.

For more information, contact Lynda Reid, camp director and SPC associate professor of music and Symphonic Band director, at 894-9611, ext. 2265.

You can also reach Reid by e-mail at lreid@southplainscollege.edu.

"Senior" Prom fun for everyone

Enjoy an evening of dinner and dancing as Lubbock Senior Center hosts its annual Senior Prom for senior citizens on Thursday, May 26, 2005, from 6:00-10:00 p.m. This year's theme is "New York, New York." Everyone is encouraged to put on their best attire as they dance the night away with entertainment by The West Texas Express. Cost is \$10 per person and includes a hearty dinner of chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, salad, green beans, rolls and peach cobbler.

Tickets can be purchased in advance at the Lubbock Senior Center at 2001 19th Street. The center is open Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For more information, contact the Lubbock Senior Center at 767-2710.

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.



Chatman Hills Corner

By Doris Reynolds

The Henderson & Dixon Missionary Society program of the Smith Temple Community Church was a very big success. Thank you to the eight of ten churches represented. It's just a blessing, with so many activities going on, for us to come together.

Mrs. Bessie Cox, President of the Ma Jones Missionary Society at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, delivered a very inspiring message. She spoke on the theme "Ordinary People Surviving Ordinary Things." It was beautiful. Her Pastor, Rev. Eddie L. Everline, Jr. and members of the church, supported her. Thanks to Rev. Homer Avery, with his busy schedule, who came and well represented, as was representation from Mrs. Sudall Cavanaugh and group. Solos were offered from Mrs. Shelia Harris, Mrs. Ella Smith, and the Men of Smith Temple, with Rev. D. A. Smith, pastor, at the organ. Thanks to little Everline for playing the drums. There was a spiritual moment with a declarative by Mr. Fulton Berry and Sister. She keeps live flowers in the Sanctuary every Sunday morning, and after morning services they are taken to the sick and shut-in of our community.

Thank you, Mr. T. J. Patterson for sharing. You always support us. God is good!

Sister Catherine McCormick,

Mother and President, Rev. D. A. Smith, pastor.

A 2005 Youth Car Wash will be sponsored by the Youth of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church on Saturday morning, May 28, 2005, from 9:00 a. m. until the cars quit coming. This event will be held at the Weinerschnitzel parking lot, 4809 34th Street. Support these young people, as the car wash is only \$5.00 per vehicle. Monies raised will defray expenses to the upcoming Greater Fort Worth District Church School Convention, which will be held at Ceta Canyon Retreat Center in Happy, Texas. The convention will be held May 31st thru June 3, 2005.

If you are a girl, between the ages of 13 thru 16, and you are interested in basketball, then you are invited to sign up for the Estacado Matadors Skills & Thrills Basketball Camp June 13 thru 16, 2005 at the Estacado High School Gymnasium. If you are interested, call Coach Diane Morgan at (806) 766-1394. Check in time will be 8:00 a. m. until 9:00 a. m.

The New Hope Baptist Church Sanctuary Choir will host "A Night of Praise" on Friday night, June 10, 2005, at 7:00 p. m.

at the church, 2002 Birch Avenue. Anyone wanting to participate are asked to call either Winnie Jackson at 793-3896 or Elaine Lindsey at 763-6012. Or call the church at 744-3352, and you need to do this by Sunday, June 5, 2005.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut in people of the community. There are many among us who are shut in. Your precious prayers will mean much to those who are ill. Just think, today it is them. It could be you tomorrow.

Let us not forget those who have lost loved ones. Word comes of the passing of a former Lubbock pastor, Rev. A. L. Dunn, who served as Pastor of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in the 1990's. According to his wife, Mrs. Janice Dunn, he passed about 9:30 p. m. last Sunday evening, May 22, 2005, in Austin, Texas. Let us not forget this family.

Another one of our longtime citizens, Mrs. Marie A. Wright, who is the mother of Myrtle Cole, passed away last week. Funeral services were held at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Abilene, Texas, on Wednesday morning, May 25, 2005. Griffin Funeral Home and Chapel of Lubbock was in charge of arrangements.

Outreach Prayer Breakfast

During the recent meeting of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast, devotions begun with the entire group involved. A solo was offered by Sister Annie Day. Sister Patricia gave us an inspiring (raise) Dance. What a time. We were all so blessed by attending this Outreach Prayer Breakfast on Saturday morning, May 14, 2005 with the sponsorship of Sister Mae Thompson. The night before, Friday-- May 13th, we attended the Appreciation Banquet for Brother Eddie Richardson and Brother T. J. Patterson, Co-Publishers of the Southwest Digest.

On the first Saturday morning in May 2005, we met in the home of Sister Christene Burleson. Our theme was "Women Full of Faith," with Sister Elnora Jones, our teacher, bringing the scripture lesson from I Samuel 1.

Now the first part of the Book of Samuel tells about the life of Samuel and how he helped Israel's army fight against enemies who were making raids in Israel. But when he grew old, the people decided to ask the Lord for a king who could lead the army.

In the second part of the Book of Samuel, the Lord told Samuel to appoint Saul, son of Kish, to be the first king of Israel. Saul and his oldest son, Jonathan, won several battles against the Ammonites and Philistines, but Saul did not completely obey the Lord.

In the third part of the Book of Samuel, the Lord told Samuel to secretly appoint a young man name David to be the next king. The Book of Samuel tells how David soon became a national hero after he killed the giant Philistine warrior, Goliath, from Gath, but as David continued to become more popular, Saul became suspicious of David. Saul tried to have him killed. Even though David was married to Saul's daughter, Michelle, and was best friends with Saul's son, Jonathan.

The rest of I Samuel tells how David escaped and deserted. Saul continued to hunt for David, and so be safe from Saul.

The Book of Samuel concludes with the death of Saul, and his sons in battle. The Lord was keeping his promise to make David the King of Israel.

Let's raise our children in the fear of the Lord. Hannah took her baby to the temple where he would be prayed over daily. When children do not grow up in the atmosphere of prayer, they go wrong. Remember thy creator in the days of thy youth. Don't wait until they are old. Don't only teach them about God. Let them know there is a real enemy out there to stay away from.

We don't have enough praying Fathers in the home. Samuel was a praying Priest. How can our children hear the voice of our Lord over the "Loud Music" of today! Think about it, Parents!

"Let's Pray, Saints!"

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

St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Last Sunday morning, May 22, 2005, church services at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2008 East 14th Street, were very inspiring. It all began with Sunday School, beginning at 10:15 a. m. with Assistant Superintendent Sister Oulha Moore presiding over the services. The morning lesson was "Free To Serve". Our teacher, Sister Nina Davis, taught the lesson. Rev. Edward Canady, pastor, reviewed the lesson.

The morning worship hour begun at 11:20 A. M. Deacon Edward Williams and Brother Albert Wilson led the morning devotion.

The St. Matthew Senior Choir again

sung out of their hearts and souls. What a time all had singing God's praises.

The morning message was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "Is This Your Season?" His scripture text was St. John 5:1-5.

Sisters of the Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. worshipped with St. Matthew Baptist Church last Sunday morning. All

enjoyed their visit.

Thought For The Week: "pray as if everything depends on God, work as if everything depends on you."

Sister Lola Byrd entered into the hospital on Monday, May 23, 2005. Let us pray Sister Byrd, and all who are sick and shut in.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE THEODORE PHEA BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB AND JOE MCWILLIAMS TEEN CENTER

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Friday, May 27, 2005
9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

"Stroke Awareness and The Stroke Team of Covenant Health System"

Presented by Kaiser Tarafdar, M.D., Internal Medicine & Hospitalist, Covenant Health System, Covenant Medical Center-Lakeside, 4000 24th Street, Arnett Room, 6th floor

Refreshments will be provided. The Heart Matters Breakfast Club is open to the public and free of charge.

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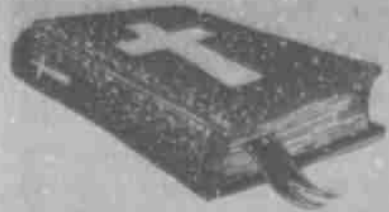
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Church News



We Thank God for Jesus Samson Churches - Binds Blind And Grinds

Written by Evangelist Billy "B.J." Morrison, III - Your brother in Christ Jesus always.

Matthew 28:19 - Jesus said, go you therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

We know that man is disobedience, every since the beginning of mankind. Adam knew the will of God, because God put his word in his mind.

Revelation 1:7a - Jesus said, he that hath an ear, let him hear what the spirit said unto the Churches.

But man wants to do his own thing, and do it his own way. And it is happening in many Churches in the last and evil days!

Isaiah 58:1 - The Lord said, cry aloud, spare not. Lift up your voice like a trumpet, show my people their transgression.

Many Churches are not about God's business, like they suppose too. (Samson knew his job. He was kicked by the enemy; not whoring around them the Churches suppose to be a place of prayer, praise and worship, and not a social club or a dating place. Not a money fund raising place; not a styling place for the show-offs. It sounds like a hypocrite center!)

***** Bind To Do Man's Will *****

Exodus 34:14 - For you shall worship no other God, for the Lord, whose name is jealous, is a

jealous God.

Instead of going about God's business telling the world why Jesus was killed. Many Churches are weak like Samson. They are out to give the people a thrill!

John 12:31-32 - Jesus said, now is the judgment of this world, now shall the Prince of this world cast out. And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, I will draw all men unto me. Many Churches are lifting, but it's not Jesus' Resurrection or his Holy Name. They only want the money from the people: Shame! Shame! Shame!

Judges 14:12 - And Samson said unto them, I will now put forth a riddle unto you. If you can certainly declare it unto me within seven days of the feast, and find it out, then I will give you thirty sheets and thirty changes of garments.

(The Mission is to kill out the Devil's people with the word of God, not to play games with them!!!)

***** Blind To The Word Of God *****

Many Preachers will get up and say, "I'm giving \$100.00" in front of the givers. But he primed the pump, and in the backroom, he retrieves his portion.

Mark 11:17 - Jesus said, is it not written, my house shall be called of all nations, the House

of Prayer? But you have made it a den of thieves.

There are many Preachers who will put the people into a \$20.00, \$50.00 and \$100.00 prayer line. Then say God wants you to give, even if it's your rent money. But he is lying!

***** Now He Is Out To Grind *****

(The Preacher that gives \$100.00 is a means to brainwash the people. Whosoever was going to give \$20.00 will give up to \$25.00, from \$10.00 to \$15.00, and the one-dollar man moves up to \$5.00. Now the Preacher who asks you to give your rent money: water or light money, he is of the Devil!! That is not of God! His job is grinding for money)

Isaiah 56:10-11 - The Lord said, his watchmen are blind. They are all ignorant. They are greedy dogs. They cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber. Yes, they are greedy dogs which can never have enough, and they are shepherds who cannot understand. They all look to their own way. Everyone for his own gain, from his quarter (Anniversary).

Judges 16:21 - The Philistines took him (Samson), and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza and bound him with fetters (chains) of brass, and he did grind in the prison house.



From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith The Business At Hand: Mexican Vicente Fox

My life has been anew with a spirit of warmth and appreciation for those readers who missed my column on last week. For those of you who gave me a called and those of you who communicated to me in person about how you felt an emptiness from the Southwest Digest, I appreciate you and will do my best to keep you informed and challenge with the issues that we all face.

My senior citizen neighbor, Foster Cummins, an early graduate of Texas Tech had informed me at an earlier date the Southwest Digest had not been placed in the United Food Market at 50th and Avenue Q. I

tried to explain to him that perhaps others had beaten him to the paper. He didn't buy the explanation. He was truly upset last week when he did not see the Parson's column. He placed a Southwest Digest paper on the windshield of my vehicle with choice words about the omission. Thanks Mr. Cummins for your support and for having an open mind about the world around us. Mr. Cummins and his friend

have been the senior citizen "Domino" champions of Texas.

To the business at hand! What's wrong with that smart mouthed Mexican President, Vicente Fox? Is he a member of a white supremacist Mexican group? Before he low rate blacks he need to understand that he is not Anglo white and even though he was educated in the United States he's still a Mexican. If he does not believe it let him keep pushing is freaky luck.

Fox not only has angered this writer, he also has angered the U. S. government and civil rights leaders when he said in a speech that Mexican immigrants do jobs "that not even blacks want to do there in the United States." Is he saying black Americans are lazy? Is he saying that black Americans only know how to clean toilets? Is this Mexican challenging the intelligence of black Americans?

Fox should be ashamed of such a statement for he is truly insulting and belittling his own people. There are more than 10 million Mexican migrants who live

and work in the United States. Many of these workers are illegal and are poorly paid manual labor without benefits.

These workers are over taxing the system because of the greed of farmers and corporate America.

It is said that criticism of Fox was more muted in Mexico than in the United States. The reason for this was there are few blacks in Mexico, so racism against blacks is not a major issue there.

This may be true in Mexico. However, I would that Vicente Fox in the near future would have a meeting with the brothers in the "hood" on "offensive and inaccurate" statements about blacks. I appreciate the Reverends Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton visit with Fox, but I believe he would be made a better person and a more sensitive leader toward black Americans and his people if he communicated with the brothers in the "hood."

This writer has criticized the "Mickey Mouse" action of our leader with Fox while Americans have felt he has insulted him.

North and East Lubbock CDC to honor Patterson

The first annual Community Champion Award Banquet, an event organized by the North & East Lubbock Community Development Corporation, will take place at 7 p.m. on Friday, June 3 in the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center Banquet Hall.

T.J. Patterson, the inaugural recipient of the Community Champion Award, will be honored for 20 years of public service. Patterson, co-publisher of the Southwest Digest newspaper, served as a City of Lubbock Councilman for 20 years, the longest-serving council member in city history.

Representative Emanuel

Cleaver, II, of Missouri's 5th Congressional District, will serve as the keynote speaker of the event. Ticket information can be obtained by contacting the North & East Lubbock CDC at 806-747-5937.

The mission of the North & East Lubbock CDC, which was created in February 2004, is to create, facilitate and promote development in north and east Lubbock. Currently funded by the City of Lubbock, the CDC has conducted homebuyer education workshops, provided financial literacy counseling and has helped many citizens achieve homeownership. This year the CDC will embark upon a \$6 million housing development that will yield 70 sin-

gle-family homes over a period of 5 years.

Peoples graduates from SPC



Karen Denise Peoples graduated from South Plains College this semester, with honors in the Business area.

Congratulations are sent to her from the Brown and Peoples Families.

Class and camp registration open

Start the summer off right! Hodges Community Center and Maxey Community Center are offering their summer lineup of weekly summer youth camps and leisure classes that will challenge your creativity, your physical abilities, and your mind!

Some spaces remain for youth summer camps. These camps are priced affordably at \$70 per week. Camps run from Tuesday, May 31, through Friday, August 12. Classes are offered at reasonable rates for all members of the community, including pre-school, youth, teens, adults and senior citizens.

Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. each morning and will be held at each of the Centers beginning today. Some

of the classes offered are: several forms of Yoga, Tai Chi-Kung Fu, Taekwondo, Private Music Instruction, Line Dance, Jazzercise-Lite, Ballet, Gymnastics, and Pottery. For a complete list of classes call

Hodges at 767-3706 and Maxey at 767-3796. Sign up early and join the fun at Hodges and Maxey Community Centers!

Hodges Community Center is located at 41st Street and University Avenue and is open Monday - Friday, 8:30a.m. - Noon and 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Maxey Community Center is located at 4020 30th Street and is open Monday - Friday, 8:30a.m. - Noon and 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Prayer Warriors hold meeting

By Shirley Roberson

Intercersory Prayer Breakfast was held last Saturday, May 14th. It was sponsored by Ms. Allie Mae Thompson and Mrs. Lucy White. Breakfast was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred White 1920 E. Brown St. Included in this Christian experience were: Dorothy Hood, Elnora Jones, Rose Willard, Glenda Shumate, Annie Taylor, Shirley Roberson, Lucelle Roculle, Jo Ann Hollie, Sandra Rodgers, Brenda Walker, Mary Parker, Essie Collins, Anna McBrioe, Elnora Dyer, Gittie Carter, Bobbie Harper and Curlie Hammond.

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Upcoming Events at the Lubbock Public Libraries

Lubbock Public Libraries Closed on May 30

All four Lubbock Public Library locations will be closed on Monday, May 30, in observance of Memorial Day.

Children's Drum Circle at Mahon Library

The Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, will hold a drum circle for children at 2 p.m. on Thursday, June 2.

with special guests the ProtoMusic Ensemble. Buckets and drumsticks will be provided, or you can bring your own. Start the summer with a bang! For more information, call 775-2838.

Star Wars Film Series at the Godeke Branch Library

The Godeke Branch Library, 6601 Quaker, will show all the films in the Star Wars saga (so far!) on

Tuesday nights in May. Before the final installment reaches theaters, get caught up on Star Wars history! On Tuesday, May 31, we will show "Star Wars: Episode 6" at 6:00 p.m. For more information, call 792-6566.

Book Discussion at Groves Library

The Groves Branch Library, 5520 19th Street, will host a discussion of the book *The Memoir Club* by Laura Kalpakian at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday,

June 2. Refreshments will be served. Copies of the book are available for checkout. This program is made possible by the Friends of the Library. For more information, please call 767-3733.

"The Bad Beginning" at the Godeke Branch Library

The Godeke Branch Library, 6601 Quaker, will kick off a summer of fun activities for kids with "The Bad Beginning" at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 31. We will have games, crafts, surprises, and refreshments. For more information, call 792-6566.

Summer Reading at Lubbock Public Library

The Lubbock Public Library is pleased to announce that our Summer Reading Program will begin on Friday, May 27. This year's theme is

"Go Wild, Read!" Children may pick up a reading log at any of the four library locations. Each child who reads 10 books or more will receive a prize. The library will also have special children's programs all summer long—visit our website at www.lubbocklibrary.com for more details. For more information, call 775-2838.

Ice Cream Social for Teens at the Groves Branch Library

The Groves Branch Library, 5520 19th Street, invites teens going into grades 7 and up to an Ice Cream Social at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 2. Start the summer out by joining us for ice cream sundaes! Call 767-3733 for more information.

In Remembrance

Mozelle Collins

Funeral services were held last Saturday afternoon, May 21, 2005, at St. John Baptist Church with Rev. Solomon Fields, pastor, officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.



Collins

She died Sunday, May 14, 2005, at Lubbock Hospitality House.

Marie Antonette Ward Wright

Funeral services for Marie Antonette Ward Wright were held Wednesday morning, May 25, 2005, at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Abilene, Texas. Arrangements were under the direction of Griffin Mortuary Funeral Home of Lubbock. Burial was held in Cedar Hill Cemetery in Abilene.



Wright

She was an educator for 55 years, which began with the one-room Merkel Colored School in Merkel, Texas. She worked with the Abilene School Board to develop homemaker training for Black students and became Abilene's first Black homemaker teacher at Woodson School, then Carter G. Woodson Jr. - Sr. High School, 1957 to 1968. When Abilene schools integrated in 1968, she refused to teach any subject other than homemaking, and taught at Mann Junior High School from 1968 to her retirement

in 1982.

After retirement, Mrs. Wright volunteered with the Abilene State School and Meals on Wheels. She continued serving as a Stewardess at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church where she was seen playing the piano. She collected cookbooks and loved experimenting with foods. She loved casseroles, desserts, salads, and anything pretty. She often said, "I eat with my eyes."

Mrs. Wright married Shellie D. Ward, Sr., who preceded her in death in 1980. Later, she married Alvin Wright, Sr. and moved to Lubbock in 1986 and moved to Lubbock to join

her husband at 20th & Birch Street Church of Christ. In Lubbock, she worked at Mary & Mac Private School, and was a Sunday school teacher at 20th & Birch Street Church of Christ.

She is survived by her sons, Shelly D. Ward, Jr. (Martha) of St. Louise, Mo., and James Ward (Terry) of Abilene, Texas; step-sons, Alvin Wright, Jr. and Michael Wright; daughters, Jennabeth L. Ward of Alameda, California, Andrewlyn J. Lanier and Marilyn J. Cole, both of Lubbock, Texas; 13 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces and nephews.

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proved his concern when he worked in the community. Thanks BROTHER W. H. PITTS, JR. for coming our way. Your tenure made this weekly newspaper a vital part of the community.

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: "BE CAREFUL of what you wish FOR; you just may get IT!"

BIG WHEELS DELIVER MEALS SET JUNE 24TH! THIS N THAT Is glad to see the Lubbock Meals on Wheels and Sonic Restaurants team up for the NINTH YEAR to bring about public awareness and involve local celebrities in the MISSION of Meals on Wheels. Lubbock Meals on Wheels serves meals to almost 500 HOMEBOUND, ELDERLY, AND DISABLED PEOPLE each weekday. Come Friday, June 24th, there will be 38 routes with 9 to 12 stops on each route. During this delivery, there will be local celebrities who will volunteer to do this very IMPORTANT TASK! It's just so good to know there are people who care about the welfare of their fellow citizens who are in need of help.

WHY NOT SALUTE A VETERAN! THIS N THAT would ask you to SALUTE A VETERAN as we celebrate MEMORIAL DAY. It is because of the efforts of these BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN who

stood tall for the FREEDOM we have today. Never forget what they have done for all of us. And with ALMIGHTY GOD on our side, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA will continue to remain free. Let's all continue to stand up for this great country - THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA!

SCHOOL DOORS WILL CLOSE THURSDAY! THIS N THAT asks that we be reminded of the closing of our PUBLIC SCHOOLS today, May 26, 2005. During the year ... these young people have worked to better themselves in this world. So let us be very careful as we drive throughout our various neighborhoods... Let us be aware of these little people who like us, who are so excited about being out of school, as we once were! Please DRIVE CAREFULLY!

CONGRATS, CLASS OF 2005! THIS N THAT wants to wish all the high school and college graduates the very best in life. No doubt about it - you've made a very POSITIVE STEP. But you can't stop there. There are so many opportunities awaiting you. Take the right steps in life. Like one writer said, "A MAN OR WOMAN'S GOALS should exceed one's REACH, or what's a heaven for." Just hang in there young people! You can make it happen in your precious life! May God continue to bless each of you!

In Cinque

by Renetta Howard



Recently, there was an eminent threat to our homeland security

when a small aircraft came too close to the White House. There was a 'red alert' in the federal government which went off very well, but they failed to alert the city government about what was happening. Now what does that tell us about the Homeland Security that the taxpayers, citizens, are paying for?

Our government has allocated an enormous amount of money for Homeland Security and for military purposes at home and abroad. The people of Iraq were not an eminent threat to the United States and we are fighting there. Americans are being killed every day by friendly fire and enemy fire. The end result, regardless of the fire, is that a soldier is dead. Who was he protecting?

Protection under homeland security is for whom? The people in the White House, Congress and other federal offices were evacuated when the small private Cessna plane entered the no-fly zone near the White House. They were all scrambled to a safe place. That safe place is somewhere in Washington, perhaps the underground safe place

which was built during a previous Republican administration, wherein the President could continue to run the country if attacked.

All of this is well and good, but what about the average American Joe who does not happen to be a part of the federal government in Washington, D. C.? What about the Mayor and members of the city government of Washington, D. C. and the other cities of the United States. Where is homeland security for them, for us, who inhabit cities? What kind of government does not protect its constituents? How secure are we anywhere in the United States? The citizens of this country need to know.

Too often, our governments operate on a Need to Know basis.

They decide what we, the people need to know. We may not need to know about every red alert that the homeland security staff goes through, but we need to know that there is a staffs present, willing, able and working on our behalf. We need to know at all times, the level of our danger and the capability of our Homeland Security handling the situation.

Thanks to God that no disaster occurred in the preceding situation, but unless there is a lot of improvements made to our Homeland Security, we need to get 'in cinque' and find out more about what we as citizens can do to improve homeland security where we are, or we are going to be "up the creek without a paddle!"

Health care volunteers make a big difference

The Covenant Health System Auxiliary Volunteer program serves to fulfill the mission of extending Christian ministry by caring for others. The Auxiliary members volunteer at Covenant Medical Center, Covenant Medical Center-Lakeside and anywhere else their help is needed.

According to Sharon Thiel, auxiliary manager for Covenant Health System, there are 450 volunteers between Covenant Medical Center and Covenant-Lakeside.

"The volunteer organization fills a lot of needs for the volunteers," Thiel said. "It gives them social interaction and the fulfillment of community service."

Auxiliary members assist in several different areas, but most importantly they bring hope to patients, families and employees with their positive attitudes and cheerful dispositions.

Alberta Witherspoon, a Covenant-Lakeside volunteer, said, "It's fun and enjoyable. You get the

satisfaction of helping somebody and meeting people."

There are several areas to volunteer through the Covenant Health System Auxiliary Program, like Flower Delivery, Information Desks, Patient Dismissal, Senior Care Assistance, Gift Shop, Reading to or sitting with a patient with special needs

Betty Payne, a Covenant-Lakeside volunteer said, "I joined the auxiliary program because my husband passed away and I needed something to do. I enjoy working with people."

Covenant volunteers have contributed to the caring atmosphere at Covenant Health System by working hard to supply the hospital with state-of-art equipment. Also, money raised through gift shop sales is used to decorate many of the waiting areas and lobbies.

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Representative Yvonne Davis announces \$350,000 2005-2006 Urban Scholarship Fund

State Representative Yvonne Davis (D-Dallas) announced that approximately \$350,000 in scholarships is available for high school graduates from Dallas and eighteen other urban areas throughout Texas. Administrated by the Texas Association of Developing Colleges (TADC), the Urban Scholarship Program was created during the 74th legislative session as part of House Bill 2128 with the cooperation of the three largest local telephone companies in the State: Verizon, SBC, and Sprint Telephone.

"This fund was created to provide access to higher education opportunities for Texans who, without this assistance, might not be able to strive for a college education," said Rep. Davis. "Basically all the problems facing our communities, including economic parity, high crime, building cohesive families, and other quality of life issues are related to the lack of education. By providing increased avenues of educational opportunity, we multiply our chances of improving the conditions of our State. The goal of this fund is to boost chances of reaching this target."

The Urban Scholarship Fund is for Texas residents who are also U.

S. citizens and full-time undergraduates in good academic standing at any accredited public or private non-profit college, university or technical college. Additionally, applicants must demonstrate financial need and have graduated from a high school in the following metropolitan cities: Abilene, Amarillo, Arlington, Austin, Beaumont, Corpus Christi, Dallas, El Paso, Fort Worth, Garland, Houston,

Irving, Laredo, Lubbock, Mesquite, Pasadena, Plano, San Antonio and Waco. Students interested in applying for scholarships should contact their high school guidance counselor, college financial aid officer, or call the Texas Association of Developing Colleges at (214) 630-2511. The deadline for applying for the 2005-2006 Urban Scholarship fund is Saturday, July 2, 2005 (postmark).

The Texas Association of Developing Colleges (TADC), a Dallas higher education consortium, administering the program, anticipates awarding between 300 and 350 scholarships. The number of awards is uncertain because of the varying funding levels to different types of institutions. Students attending technical, junior or com-

munity colleges will receive \$700, public four-year college and university students will receive \$1000, and private four-year college and university students will receive \$2000.

The Urban Scholarship fund was created in 1995 when Rep. Davis attached an amendment to the omnibus telecom bill creating a

pool of funds derived from unclaimed telephone service deposits. Previously unclaimed funds went into the unclaimed funds pool in the State Treasury. Although these funds will be shifted into the scholarship account, local telephone companies will still reimburse consumers for any funds properly claimed in the future.


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Vendor Application

Saturday, June 18, 2005

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS Wednesday, JUNE 15, 2005. Vendors will be placed according to type of items sold.

NOTE: IT IS REQUIRED THAT EACH VENDOR HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT ON THE PARK AT 7:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY JUNE 17TH, 2005, TO REVIEW SET-UP TIMES AND BOOTH LOCATIONS.

Name of Business, Agency or Individual _____
 Non-Profit Organization? Check one YES ___ NO ___
 Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Contact: _____ Telephone Number _____
 Type of booth: Food ___ Information only (Non-Profit "free") ___
 Other (Describe) _____
 Item(s) to be sold? All items must be listed with application. _____

 Your location placement will be given to you on June 16th. Once you have been assigned a location, you may not move to another location! Your VEHICLE Must Be Off The Park No Later Than 10:30 a.m. Requests will be granted based on a First Serve Basis.

Will your booth/set-up require availability of electricity? YES ___ NO ___
 You must bring your own Heavy Duty Outdoor Extension Cords. If yes, what voltage will you require? 110 Volts ___ 220 Volts single-phase ___
 What is your total required current or wattage requirement? AMPS ___ WATTS ___

What is the single largest current drawing piece of equipment that you will be using?
 Item _____ Amps _____
 Please list ALL appliances that you will be using: _____

 Return Application and Payment To: Maxine McCormick; 1330 E. 24th Street Lubbock, Texas 79404-1202.

VENDOR SPACE FEE: \$50.00 (NON-REFUNDABLE AFTER JUNE 17, 2005). IF BOOTH IS LARGER THAN A 10X15, THEN AN ADDITIONAL \$10.00 MUST BE ADDED. BOOTHS CAN BE NO LARGER THAN 10X20.

Booth Size: Length _____ Width _____

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IMPORTANT: YOU WILL WANT TO SECURE YOUR OWN HEALTH PERMIT. VISIT THE LUBBOCK ENVIRONMENT INSPECTION SERVICE AT 1625 13TH STREET OR CALL (806) 775-2938.

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____ (CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ONLY)

Please make your check payable to Juneteenth Celebration Committee.

Vendors are required to abide by all City of Lubbock regulations & ordinances (preparing and serving of food items, etc.) and appliances requiring electricity that are not listed on vendor application must not be used.

VENDORS MAY NOT SWITCH LOCATIONS WITH ANOTHER VENDOR WITHOUT APPROVAL FROM JUNETEENTH COMMITTEE.

Annual Juneteenth Celebration 2005
 "Looking into our Past...Moving towards our Future"

Freedom Celebration Parade

You are invited to participate in our Juneteenth Celebration Parade. If you did not join us last year, we encourage and welcome you to do so this year. The parade will be held Saturday, June 18th, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. All entries will assemble on the east parking lot of the United Supermarket, 2630 Parkway Drive at 8:45 a.m.

Please complete and return the application form to: Juneteenth Celebration 2005, 1302 Avenue Q, Lubbock, TX 79401 or fax application to 741-0000. All applications are due no later than 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 15th, 2005.

A \$100 cash prize will be awarded at 12:30 p.m. for the best parade vehicle or float. The Juneteenth Committee will make selection based on creativity, showmanship and artistic design.

All applications must be post marked by June 15th or hand delivered by June 16th.

JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION PARADE APPLICATION

ORGANIZATION OR GROUP NAME: _____
 CONTACT PERSON: _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 PHONE: _____
 TYPE OF ENTRY: ___ FLOAT ___ CAR ___ TRUCK ___ OTHER ___
 ___ HORSES ___ WALKERS ___ DANCERS ___ OTHER HOW MANY ___
 PLEASE PROVIDE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH ENTRY: _____

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 ENTRY # _____ APPROVED BY _____