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- Lubbock Area Client Council Second Saturday, 1:00 pm
- Mae Simmons Community Center
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- Dunbar Alumni Association 2nd Saturday 4pm
- Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 2nd Tuesday- 7:30
- Forgotten West Riders, First & Third Monday, 7:00 pm, T. J. Patterson Library
- East Lubbock Chapter AARP, Every 1st Thursday at 1 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center, Oak and 8th St.
- Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Market Center
- Dunbar/Manhattan heights Neighborhood Association Meets Every Third Thursday 6:00 p.m. 1303 East 24th Street (outreach center/party house)
- West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Suppers on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on second Saturday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Educational presentations and demonstrations.
- Texas Juneteenth Cultural & Historical Commission Lubbock Affiliate Meets at T.J. Patterson Branch Library 3rd Thursday 7 p.m.
- West Texas Native American Association meets 2nd Saturday each month at Groves Library, 5520 19th Street, 7:30
- West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men meets the 3rd Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. at the Parkway Neighborhood Center.
- The Parkway Guadalupe & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Parkway Neighborhood Center.

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Reopening Till case may finally bring justice, closure

By Andrea Lewis

Half a century ago, the photo of the mutilated body of a young black boy gave many Americans their first shocking view of what life was really like in the state of terror known as the Jim Crow South. Now, nearly 50 years later, the Justice Department has announced that it is reopening its investigation of the murder of Emmett Till.

Till was a 14-year-old black youth from Chicago visiting relatives in Money, Miss., in August 1955 when he crossed a fatal color line. By some accounts, the trouble started when Till whistled at a white woman in a local store. According to Till's cousin, Emmett simply said "bye, baby" to the woman after being egged on by some local boys.

Within a few hours, Till was abducted from his uncle's home by Roy Bryant, the woman's husband, and her half-brother, J.W. Milam. Three days later, Emmett Till's mutilated and battered body was found in the nearby Tallahatchie River. Bryant and Milam were arrested and tried for the murder in a segregated courtroom before an all-white jury. "I'm sure that every last Anglo-Saxon one of you has

the courage to free these men," one of the defense lawyers told the jury before their one-hour of deliberation.



He was right. Bryant and Milam were acquitted. Unfortunately, the details of the Till case weren't unique. In the decades that followed the official end of slavery, thousands of blacks were kidnapped, tortured, brutalized and lynched.

Lynchings were often public spectacles: Crowds gathered and cheered on unspeakable acts of torture and savagery. Many parents brought their kids. Some participants would send postcards of the events back home. Others would vie for souvenirs like a finger or another body part. Few of the per-

petrators of these acts were ever identified or brought to trial. Many of the victims remain anonymous to this day.

"Only the book in heaven knows how many Negroes have come up missing, dead and killed under the system in which we lived," said the Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth, a long-time civil-rights activist.

What made the Emmett Till case so different was that graphic evidence of his violent murder was widely circulated in the media. When Till's body was brought back to Chicago for burial his mother, Mamie Till Mobley, insisted that the casket be left open "so all the world can see what they did to my boy," she said.

Jet magazine, the black community's popular weekly newsmagazine, and other media outlets published the horrifying images of Emmett Till's disfigured body. "It burned the race problem into our consciousness," lawyer and author Chris Benson told the New York Times in 2002, adding that it was "the first international coverage, the first real media event of the modern civil-rights movement."

Although Bryant and Milam eventually confessed to the murder, they were never brought to justice. Both are now dead, as is Mamie Till Mobley, who cam-

paigned until her death last year to have her son's case reopened.

Ironically, it took another media event, the release of two recent documentary films - Keith Beauchamp's "The Untold Story of Emmett Louis Till" and Stanley Nelson's "The Murder of Emmett Till" - to convince prosecutors to reopen the investigation.

In fact, when asked by the Associated Press how many witnesses to the crime may still be alive, Joyce Chiles, the district attorney whose office will be handling the case, replied, "That number would probably best come from (filmmaker) Keith Beauchamp ... The only thing

we're doing is following up on the statements of people who he has already located."

The stories of thousands of other unnamed victims who died under Jim Crow will likely remain hidden in a chapter of American history that many would rather deny or forget.

But at least in the case of Emmett Till, justice may finally be served.

Andrea Lewis is a San Francisco-based writer and co-host of "The Morning Show" on KPFA Radio in Berkeley, Calif. She can be reached at pmproj@progressive.org.



Patterson bids farewell

Mayor Pro Tem T. J. Patterson, left, is shown with his wife, Bobbie Geau Patterson, giving his final remarks to those in attendance on Wednesday morning, July 7, 2004, in Lubbock City Council Chambers.

He thanked all who have supported him over the twenty years he served as a City Councilman. He also praised the City of Lubbock for having such a dedicated and professional staff.

More photos are on Page 8 of this issue.

City of Lubbock fills three key management positions

City Manager Lou Fox has filled three key positions on his management staff following a nationwide search, and he calls the new managers "an outstanding addition to the City organization."

Thomas L. Adams, current City Manager for San Angelo, will begin on August 1 as the Deputy City Manager. Lee Ann Dumbauld, current Chief Financial Officer (CFO) for the City of Portsmouth, VA, will take on the CFO/Assistant City Manager duties for Lubbock on July 19. Deuseddit C. "D.C." Kiyemba, the current City Auditor for Aurora, CO, will arrive in

mid-August to start work as Lubbock's Director of Internal Audit.

Adams brings 22 years of municipal government experience to Lubbock, including nine years as City Manager in San Angelo. He also has served as Assistant City Manager in Odessa, City Administrator in Seminole and Sundown and Administrative Assistant in Abilene. Adams has an MA in Public Administration from Brigham Young University and an undergraduate degree in English from BYU. His salary with the City of Lubbock will be \$135,000 annu-

ally plus benefits.

Dumbauld is a Ph.D. candidate in Public Administration at Mississippi State University and is currently researching her dissertation topic. She holds a MBA degree from Millsaps College in Jackson, MS, and an undergraduate degree in Finance from the University of Illinois. She is the current CFO for Portsmouth, VA, and also has served in financial management roles for the cities of Corpus Christi, Durham, NC; Richmond, VA; Greenville, SC; and Jackson, MS. Her salary will be \$125,000 annually plus benefits.

Kiyemba has been the City Auditor for Aurora since 1997. Prior to that, he served as the Internal Auditor Supervisor for Denver International Airport for eight years and worked for two years in the Treasury Department for the City and County of Denver. Kiyemba, who also is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), holds a MBA from the University of Northern Colorado (LINC) and an undergraduate degree in accounting from UNC. His annual salary will be \$90,000 plus benefits.

"I am very pleased that Tom, Lee and D.C. have accepted our

offers," said Fox. "Their experience and education are exemplary and they will bring a wealth of talent to our management team."

Quincy White, who has been serving as Acting Deputy City Manager, will return to his position as Assistant City Manager.

City Attorney Anita Burgess, Police Chief Claude Jones and Fire Chief Steve Kailey, will be phased out of their ACM roles as the new managers come on board and settle in. "I can't thank [them] enough for stepping up and filling in while we conducted this search," said Fox. "They have done a tremendous job."

Ford launches first ever academic program for Black entrepreneurship



Photo Credit: Rodney L. Brown Pictured above left: Darryl Hazel, president of Lincoln Mercury; Stephen Spinelli, director of the Arthur M. Blank Center for Entrepreneurship, Babson College; George Fraser, founder, Frasenet; and Evelyn "Magic" Johnson.

Ford Motor Company announced last Friday, June 25, a partnership with Babson College and participating Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) to launch the first ever academic program to focus on black entrepreneurship. The announcement was made at the annual PowerNetworking Conference, produced by Frasenet, in Cleveland, OH.

"Ford recognized a need in the black business community to develop the next generation of black entrepreneurs," said Darryl Hazel, president, Lincoln Mercury, Ford Motor Company. "The partnership is designed to create the right materials and environment to help black students develop the entrepreneurial thinking and skills - a one-of-a-kind program."

"The high level of entrepreneurship among African Americans, combined with the dearth of business cases written

on African American entrepreneurs, underscores the tremendous need for a program like the one Ford has helped make a reality," adds Dr. Steve Spinelli, director of the Arthur M. Blank Center for Entrepreneurship at Babson College and codirector of the new program. Spinelli is also an entrepreneur, as co-founder of Jiffy Lube International. Babson College was ranked first in entrepreneurship education in 2003 by U.S. News & World Report.

Participating HBCUs are: Clark Atlanta University (Atlanta, GA), Jackson State University (Jackson, MS), Morehouse College (Atlanta, GA), North Carolina A&T (Greensboro, NC) and Southern University (Baton

Rouge, LA), Grambling State University (Grambling, LA).

NBA legend Earvin "Magic" Johnson was present for the press announcement. Johnson adds, "We want more African American entrepreneurs to understand that they can put a business right in their own community, hire 20-30 employees, which in turn helps drive the property value in that community," said Johnson. "Instead of turning to entertainment and sports, we're hoping our kids will want to grow up to be good business leaders."

Magic Johnson was the recipient of the Visionary Leadership award for his success as an entrepreneur.

If you find mistakes in this publication, please remind yourself that we are all human. We publish something for everyone, and some people are always looking for mistakes.

FASHION FUN

by Shirley Roberson
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Texas Wind: New novel details Texas history in 19th century love story

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When the state of Texas is mentioned, many minds conjure larger-than-life adventure, rugged heroes and fierce pride. Bill Ellis' imagination dances with fascinating historic facts about this great state in Texas Wind (now available through AuthorHouse).

Set in the turbulent time of the Texas Revolution, Texas Wind follows the adventures of Jock Norman, a wealthy Frenchman who escapes to America after inciting the wrath of King Louis XVIII. A

rumored affair with the king's mistress causes Jock to flee the palace guard and make a last-minute dash to a boat headed for New Orleans.

In New Orleans, Jock meets Stephen Austin who is preparing to lead a group of colonists to Texas. The two form an instant bond and Jock decides to join the travelers. A persuasive and powerful man, Jock soon accumulates an arsenal of wealth in Texas, which includes a cattle ranch, a large plantation and a beautiful home on the Brazos River which he names "Chateau de la Vent," or Castle of the Wind.

Jock mingles with historic heroes Davy Crockett, William Travis and Sam Houston and continues to practice the irresistible charm he perfected in France in a series of unusual romantic interludes. Three women - Liz, Jenny and Rita - spice up Jock's life with their beauty, and Liz in particular keeps him on his toes.

The Lone Star State's unique history shines through and

exciting action gallops through the pages of Texas Wind, a legend the size of Texas that enlightens and entertains readers from beginning to end.

Ellis is a third-generation Texan who graduated high school exactly 100 years after Texas won independence from Mexico. He has been fascinated by Texas history ever since. Ellis studied chemical engineering at Texas A & M University in College Station and worked for the Coca-Cola Company for 47 years. Through this career, he enjoyed living in many different states. He finally returned to Texas with his first wife, Mary Lou. A year after her death, he married his longtime friend, Ginny, and the two currently live in Kerrville, Texas.

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In Remembrance... Rosie Lee Evans



Funeral services for a longtime resident, Rosie Lee Evans, were held Wednesday morning, July 7, 2004, at St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church with Rev. J.H. Ford, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under the direction of C. Brock's South Plains Funeral Directors of Lubbock.

Ms. Evans passed away

Thursday, July 1, 2004. She was born January 15, 1924, in Taylor, Texas.

She is survived by a brother, a sister, six children: Christine, Sidney, and Johnny Evans, David and Larry Porter, and Joyce Harvest; 21 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren; 5 great-great grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

Chatman Hills Corner

By Clarissa Jay

Former graduates and students of Dunbar High School were in Lubbock last weekend to celebrate an All Class Reunion. Word comes to this writer that as many as 300 were in attendance of the picnic and banquet. It was reported to be another outstanding event.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe (Renetta) Howard of Gulf Port, Mississippi were among those who attended the Dunbar All Class Reunion. Also, Tommy Wyatt, publisher of The Villager Newspaper in Austin, Texas, who is a graduate of Dunbar was here. He was heard bragging about his golf game at Meadow Brook Golf Course.

Frank Melton, a graduate of Dunbar High School and an attorney for the City of San Antonio, was among the large number of persons in attendance.

Another Dunbar graduate in attendance was Erma Jean Moland, who has been a resident of Tacoma, Washington. She was glad to be in attendance. She has been a resident of Tacoma for more than 40 years, and is making plans to move back to Texas. But she believes she will be moving to Fort Worth, Texas. She attended church services at

Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church last Sunday morning.

Rev. Danny Poe, pastor of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Mr. and Mrs. E.J. (Ruby) Donaldson and Mr. Charles Collins have recently returned from the 47th General Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana. According to Rev. Poe, there were 2004 delegates, representing 19 Episcopal Districts. He also said it was reported there were more than 30,000 people in attendance. A General Conference is held every four years.

The Tenth Episcopal District (Texas) of the African Methodist Episcopal Church has a new bishop. He is Bishop Gregory McKinley Ingram. He is replacing Bishop McKinley Young who has gone to the Eleventh Episcopal District (Florida).

One of the eight new Bishops elected was a lady from San Antonio, Texas, Bishop Sarah Davis. Another woman from North Carolina was elected, bringing the number to three female Bishops in the African Methodist Episcopal Church. Funeral services for Evangelist Luebertha Waiker were held Tuesday morning, July 13, 2004, at Brock's South Plains Funeral Home.

Services began last Sunday morning at the New Hope Baptist Church with Meditation and Prayer. The Praise Teams were very inspiring. The morning scripture was read by Rev. Mercello McCutcheon. Rev. Charles Wilson offered prayer.

After several selections by the New Hope Choir, Pastor B. R. Moton brought the morning sermon. His subject was "Why Was It Necessary For Jesus To Die." His scripture text was St. John 20:3-6. Announcements of the morning were read by Sister Marjorie Thomas. Sister Denese Jamerson welcomed all visitors.

Michael Chatman and family of Lawton, Oklahoma, attended the Dunbar All Class Reunion. They reside in Lawton, Oklahoma. They reported a wonderful visit in the Hub City.

Let us keep in mind of the Women's Prayer Retreat set for August 20 and 21, 2004, at The Ark in Amherst, Texas.

Rev. Thea McClendon of Gethsemine Baptist Church of San Angelo, Texas, is guest speaker. Sister Alma Colquitt is director of the 2004 Retreat.



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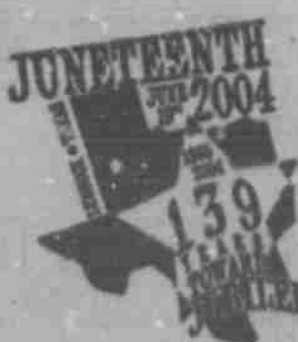
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From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith Ditching by the President

I was taken aback when I heard President Bush was not going to speak to the country's largest civil rights group, the NAACP. The reason given for the decision not to speak was ludicrous: "Hostile political rhetoric about the president" from the group's leaders.

Those people who "do the thinking" for President Bush [It's had to believe that President Bush being a devout Methodist would harbor such political racial and evil conviction and motives about Black Americans) are wrong again. They are relying on and heeding to the old thinking by conservative whites that all Black Americans are members of or leaning toward the ideology of Democratic Party. Believe it or not (a cat out of the bag), black Americans do

not "suffer fools gladly," especially conservative and neo-conservative white Americans.

When I was a boy, we would play the game of "shooting marbles." The kids who brought the marbles parents were able to supply them with a number of marbles. Those of us who did not have marbles were happy to play the game. There was a catch in to keeping the game going. If we allowed the kids, who owned the marbles to win the most games, we could continue to play. However, if we won the most games, they would pick up their marbles and go home. These "strange bedfellows" were considered spoiled and worthless to the betterment of our livelihood.

What the advisers of Bush needs to know is that White

Males have called the shots while playing political marbles with black Americans for too long. The day of "white rule" is quickly coming to an end. Just because one is white does not mean, they are privilege to do the thinking for blacks. This type of continued behavior will lead America to the way of the Roman Empire.

If the truth was really told, many black American believe in many of the things and values that the Republican Party give lip service. However because of perception of the neoconservative and conservatives in the Party, blacks of intelligence and worth shy away.

Mr. Bush would not only do his party a service but America also if he would be the president of all Americans

and go to the NAACP Convention. If he thinks the Iraqis are giving him a fit, he does not know the meaning of Gehenna on earth if the clock of financial loss continues to be turned back on black Americans through high unemployment.

If the president is pouting because he can't win the political game of wooing black Americans and wants to pick up his political marbles and go to a conservative white haven, I would advise him to get over it. We are paying him quite well to be the president of all Americans regardless to race, people of color or creed.

Have I been ditched by President Bush and me being one of his supporters? I'm black and a member of the NAACP.



WE THANK GOD FOR JESUS

"LORD, I REMEMBER WHEN"

2 TIMOTHY 2:14a, THESE THINGS PUT THEM IN REMEMBRANCE, CHARGING THEM BEFORE THE LORD THAT THEY STRIVE NOT ABOUT WORDS TO NO PROFIT.

LORD, I REMEMBER WHEN IN THE CHURCH: ONE COULD FIND REST UNTO HIS SOUL, BUT NOW! MAN HAVE MADE IT HIS WORKSHOP, AND HE IS PROSPERING FOR GOLD!!!

LUKE 19:46, JESUS SAID, IT IS WRITTEN, MY HOUSE IS THE HOUSE OF PRAYER: BUT YOU HAVE MADE IT A DEN OF THIEVES.

I REMEMBER WHEN SIN IN THE CHURCH: IT BROUGHT REPENTENCE AND SHAME, BUT NOW SIN IS ALL OVER THE CHURCH, AND IT DISGRACIES GOD'S HOLY NAME.

1 CORINTHIANS 5:2,6, AND YOU ARE PUFFED UP, AND HAVE NOT RATHER MOURED, THAT HE THAT HATH DONE THIS DEED MIGHT BE PUT AWAY FROM YOU, YOUR GLORYING IS NOT GOOD, KNOW YOU NOT THAT A LITTLE LEAVEN(SIN) LEAVENETH THE WHOLE LUMP?

I REMEMBER WHEN CLOSETS WAS FOR CLOTHES: NOT WHERE SINS CAME FROM, BUT TODAY: PEOPLE GLORY IN THEIR SINS; THEY'RE PROUD OF WHAT THEY HAVE DONE.

MATTHEW 6:6, JESUS SAID, WHEN YOU PRAY ENTER INTO YOUR CLOSET, AND WHEN YOU HAVE SHUT THE DOOR, PRAY TO YOUR FATHER WHICH IS IN SECRET: AND YOUR FATHER WHICH SEES IN SECRET SHALL REWARD YOU OPENLY.

LORD, I REMEMBER WHEN SICK: THE DOCTOR WOULD GIVE YOU A SHOT OR A PILL, NOW THE SHOT IS OF COCAINE, AND THE PILL IS FOR BIRTH CONTROL: SINNING FOR A THRILL!!!

ROMANS 6:23, THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH; BUT THE GIFT OF GOD IS ETERNAL LIFE THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD.

I REMEMBER WHEN YOU WOULD MARRY FIRST: THEN YOU WOULD LIVE TOGETHER, BUT TODAY: TO FIND AN UNDEFILED BED; IT IS ALMOST NEXT TO NEVER!!!

HEBREWS 13:4, MARRAGE IS HONOURABLE IN ALL, AND THE BED UNDEFILED: BUT WHOREMONGERS AND ADULTERERS GOD WILL JUDGE.

I REMEMBER WHEN YOU RESPECTED YOUR ELDERS: IT WAS TAUGHT BY THE PARENT, BUT SOME FOOL SAYS, YOU DON'T GET IT TILL YOU HAVE EARNED IT!!!

PSALM 40:4, BLESSED IS THE MAN THAT MAKES THE LORD HIS TRUST, AND RESPECT NOT THE PROUD, NOR SUCH AS TURN ASIDE TO LIES.

LORD, I REMEMBER WHEN ADULTERY WAS CALLED A SIN: AND NOT AN AFFAIR, BUT TO GET ALONG WITH THE WORLD; AND TO CALL IT SIN; DON'T YOU DARE!!!

JOHN 15:19, JESUS SAID, IF YOU WERE OF THE WORLD, THE WORLD WOULD LOVE HIS OWN: BUT BECAUSE YOU ARE NOT OF THE WORLD, BUT I HAVE CHOSEN YOU OUT OF THE WORLD, THEREFORE THE WORLD HATE YOU.

I REMEMBER WHEN YOU STOLE FROM SOMEONE, YOU WAS CALLED NOTHING BUT A CROOK, BUT NOT ITS CALLED WHITE COLLAR CRIME: BECAUSE OF HOW ONE LOOKS.

JOHN 10:10, JESUS SAID, THE THIEF COME NOT, BUT FOR TO STEAL, AND TO KILL, AND TO DESTROY; I AM COME THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE LIFE, AND THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE IT MORE ABUNDANTLY(RICHLY)

LORD, I REMEMBER GRASS WAS MOWED, COKE A DRINK, AND POT WE DID COOKED IN, AIDS WAS HELPERS IN THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE, THE CHANGES, AND THE SHAPE WE'RE IN!!!

MATTHEW 23:37b, JESUS SAID, HOW OFTEN WOULD I GATHERED YOUR CHILDREN TOGETHER, EVEN AS A HEN GATHERS HER CHICKENS UNDER HER WINGS, AND YOU WOULD NOT!

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

St. Matthews Baptist Church News

Church services at St. Matthews Baptist Church last Sunday morning, July 11, 2004, were great. It was another glorious time in the Lord, beginning with Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. The morning lesson was again taught by Minister Nina Davis, and reviewed by Rev. Edward Canady.

The morning worship services begun at 11:00 a.m. with the Brothers in charge of the morning devotions.

The Senior Choir sung out of their hearts and souls. They just enjoy and singing God's praises!

Pastor Canady delivered a powerful morning message. His subject was "Prayer, A Way of Life." His scripture text was Daniel 6:10. It was another inspiring message. What a time we had!

Thought For The Week: "Whoever guards his mouth and tongue keeps his soul from trouble."

Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members and friends of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met on Saturday morning, July 3, 2004. The opening devotion was led by Sister Christene Burleson, Sister Dorothy Nash, and Sister Erna Crawford. Solos were sung by Sister Annie Day and Sister Elnora Jones.

The morning lesson was taught by Sister Elnora Jones, our teacher. Her subject was "A Living Faith."

We live in an age of technology. With computers, you can store up valuable information in files. In order to keep folks out you have a password that gives you access to your files. We have something that's of much value, that's our connection and identify with Christ. According to the word of God, we are already seated in heavenly places. We will as believers spend eternal with Christ.

We no longer are in bondage. God has not only given us spiritual blessing, but has given us the pass word of faith. To me, faith is acting like God is telling the truth.

There is a difference between grace and faith. Faith helps you to experience what grace has given you. God does not give some more grace than others. The teaching of faith is being used loosely (name it, claim it), in other words, "health and

wealth Gospel." It doesn't work like that, with this faith you will always need more faith. Christ told his disciples, these hard things come from praying and fasting.

Faith not only plays a big part in our spiritual life, but in all areas of our lives.

We go to the doctor, even atheists go by faith. We believe doctors have the special training to practice on our bodies. They used medical terminology that most of us don't understand. After the doctors write our prescription, we trust the pharmacist to fill our prescription.

"Faith, folks, is the real world." We walk by faith and not by sight.

Hebrews 11 — Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. Faith has substance. Faith is related to stuff.

We are called to the revelation of God, even though we cannot see, touch, taste and feel. We still believe God's word. We are earthly creatures, therefore, we must choose to believe what God says is true; which is the promises He gave us. These promises will work in our behalf if we act on them by faith.

In the Garden of Eden, Eve had God's word, that the Tree of Knowledge held death, if she touched it, which was a test of faith,

but the tree looked good (so desirable that she chose to believe the serpent rather than God.)

God has truly given us a book of promises. What are we to do? We are to believe these promises and act on them, by faith.

Hebrews 11:6 — Without faith it's impossible to believe God, for he that comes to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. We cannot expect anything from God without faith. We must believe God before he becomes our rewarder.

God has blessing and benefits, just by asking, Ephesians 3:20 reads: "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us."

Saints, God's word is alike and powerful. Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God.

Thanks for reading, Saints. Keep those drive by prayers going for all our people. God is love.

Please attend our next meeting, which is the first Saturday morning in August. The meeting place will be announced later.

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

Christian Bikers Join Angel Tree to Break the Cycle of Crime

Washington, D.C. - Prison Fellowship and Fellowship Riders, Inc. have announced a new partnership to reach out to the more than two million children of prisoners across the country through Prison Fellowship's Angel Tree® program.

Angel Tree® is a year-round ministry of Prison Fellowship that equips local churches to deliver Christmas gifts to prisoners' children, send them to summer camp, and match children with a caring adult mentor - thus helping the children of prisoners begin to heal the pain of being separated from mom or dad. Fellowship Riders, a non-profit Christian organization that assists local churches in establishing motorcycle ministries, will work with Prison Fellowship's Angel Tree® nation-

ally to help distribute gifts, serve as mentors, and raise awareness for the need to reach out to the most at-risk group of children in America.

"We are excited about the opportunity to work with Prison Fellowship to help meet the needs of children of prisoners," said Jeff Means, president of Fellowship Riders, Inc. (www.fellowshipriders.org). "Last Christmas, we delivered over 1,500 Christmas gifts to children of Texas prisoners, and this year we look forward to ministering to children across the country through our growing number of national affiliates."

By every measure, prisoners' children are the most severely at-risk children and youth in America. Studies indicate that children of prisoners are five times more likely to end up in

prison themselves (US News & World Report, April 2002).

"Through Prison Fellowship's Angel Tree®, churches are offering life-changing opportunities for children of prisoners. Working together with Fellowship Riders, we can help break the cycle of crime," stated Prison Fellowship President Mark Earley.

Prison Fellowship's Angel Tree program is the only national effort, religious or mainstream, to reach out to children whose fathers or mothers are behind bars.

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Stenholm votes to provide marriage penalty tax relief to all married couples

Washington, D.C. U.S. Congressman Charlie Stenholm (TX-17) today voted to provide permanent and affordable marriage penalty tax relief to all married couples. The marriage penalty



results in two married individuals being taxed at a higher rate than they remained single, and under current law the tax relief from this penalty is scheduled to lapse in 2005 and expire completely in 2010.

Stenholm supported the Democratic substitute that was more comprehensive and was fully offset. Unfortunately, the Republican Leadership's plan was not accounted for in the budget and would add to the

\$400 billion federal budget deficit that currently exists.

"I have always supported fiscally responsible tax cuts that fit within the budget," Stenholm said. "I believe Congress should be required to sit down and figure out how to make things fit within a budget, just like West Texas families do every day."

In addition, the plan Stenholm supported was more comprehensive and would have ensured that middle-class couples continue to benefit from marriage penalty relief.

Under the fiscally irresponsible Republican plan, 13 million families would be excluded from receiving all or part of the marriage penalty relief, including more than 25 percent of middle-class families making \$75,000 to \$100,000, by allowing the Alternative Minimum Tax to take it back.

After the Democratic sub-

stitute was defeated in the House of Representatives, Stenholm opposed H.R. 4219, the Republican Leadership's plan, because it would add more than \$100 billion to the national debt over the next ten years.

"Passing this bill without figuring out how to pay, for it means the Republicans are going to have to come back to Congress to raise our federal debt limit this year," Stenholm said. "Simply adding the cost of tax cuts to the debt that our children and grandchildren will inherit is immoral. I'm all for tax cuts that are paid for today, but when our national debt is approaching \$8 trillion and our nation faces tremendous expenses in fighting terrorism and the war in Iraq and Afghanistan, I can't bring myself to support legislation that would put our nation even deeper in debt."

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"Women today, more than ever, have unlimited potential

and must be empowered to take charge and move forward in reaching their goals and dreams," says Renee Hornbuckle, Women of Influence founder and conference host. "What sets this conference apart, is that it is designed not only to encourage women to set goals to achieve their ultimate best, but also present them with proven solutions and vital techniques that produce successful results."

Throughout this powerful 4-day event, conference attendees will hear from impeccable speakers who will provide words of wisdom and guidance that'll refresh and renew the mind, soul and spirit in developing a more effective and successful lifestyle. Conference speakers include Rev. Jackis McCullough from Pomona, New York, Dr. Bridgett Hillard of Houston, Texas, Rhonda Davis of Cleveland, Tennessee, Dr. Lois Evans of Dallas, Texas, Anna McCoy of Colleyville, Texas, Elena Robertson of Richmond, Virginia, Kate McVeigh of Warren, Michigan, Jacqueline Lakes of the Potter's House, Dallas, Texas, and renowned

gospel artist Vickie Yohe will minister in song.

In addition, attendees will hear enriching and encouraging words from host Renee Hornbuckle.

Her empOWERment seminars effectively communicate the principles of successful living to numerous groups from stay-at-home mothers, "NFL," "NBA" and Major League Baseball Players wives, entrepreneurs, corporate executives, teens and senior women. Also, women will be mesmerized and motivated by Dallas' own Bishop Terry Hornbuckle, a real man with in-depth insight and wisdom. He's truly REAL and RIVETING with an exhilarating style of his own!

Attendees will also attain the opportunity to heighten their personal effectiveness at this year's Solution Saturday segment packed with vital tips on Health, inspirational ideas for the Home and positive reflections to enhance one's Personal Image. The Women of Influence Luncheon, as well will sharpen their business savvy as they network and socialize with successful entrepreneurs and top corpo-

rate executives.

In conjunction with the event, the Youth of Influence Award is bestowed upon one young lady and the Women of Influence Award is presented to honorees that have utilized their leadership and influence to positively impact their communities. Previous 2003 honorees include such dynamic women as Karen Barr, Co-owner of Barr Printing, Lori Johnson, proprietor of Timeless Keepsakes, Dr. Carrie Tunson, Dean of Continuing Education, Tarrant County College South East.

Women who desire to enhance their PERSONAL POWER and glean from dynamic leaders that share a sense of confidence, assertiveness and authority should attend this remarkable conference. Join Renee Hornbuckle and the Women of Influence, as they present the knowledge needed to refocus, refresh and renew one's mind, soul and spirit.

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With this kind of reaction ... it makes good sense to keep these kinds of reunions going. CONGRATS ... to all of you who worked so hard for this event ... and a special ... congrats ... to my roommate ... VIRGIL LEWIS JOHNSON... who got the ball rolling ... and the team who came in to help him ... THANKS TO ALL OF YOU!

SENSELESS SHOOTING OF A YOUNG MAN! THIS N THAT ... hated to hear about the shooting of a young man ... LARRY JEROME ISAAC, JR ... shortly after midnight on Wednesday, July 7, 2004, in the 1600 block of East Broadway Avenue. A 30-year-old man ... did turn himself in on Thursday, July 8th. Now this area where this incident did happen ... THIS N THAT ... and others have marched in this area ... and wonder why there is so much negative activity in this area. THIS N THAT ... can only pray for a good health to ... LARRY JEROME ISAAC, JR ... No matter what some may say or those who disagree ... THIS WAS A SENSELESS SHOOTING ... and no matter the outcome ... it will hurt

families... Let's get involved and keep these kind of incidents in our community.

WILLIAMS CHICKEN BUILDING LOOKING GREAT! THIS N THAT ... drove by the location of the soon to be opened WILLIAMS CHICKEN and found it to be looking great. This is good to see ... and ... THIS N THAT ... will be glad to frequent it when it is open. As we know ... EAST LUBBOCK ... is still moving to higher ground.

ELECTION NEEDED TO DIVERSIFY PARK LAND! THIS N THAT ... is hoping in the near future ... an election will be called to diversify the ... PARK LAND ... north of the Dunbar Historical Lake ... so it can become private ... and there will be an opportunity for the construction of some upper-crust homes ... in the range of ... \$200,000 and above. With this kind of development ... it is the opinion of ... THIS N THAT ... this area would stabilize East Lubbock ... in a posture that will only add to the growth and development of the area. Before that is to become a reality ... THE LUBBOCK CITY COUNCIL ... will need to call election in one of the four election days ... either in ... JANUARY, MAY, AUGUST OR NOVEMBER.

Speaking of elections THIS N THAT ... has learned of a ... PETITION DRIVE ... to collect 2,747 valid signatures ... to call an election for the ... SALE OF BEER AND WINE IN NORTH & EAST LUBBOCK. The initiator of this petition drive is ... ROGER SETTLER ... who says he has at least ... 1,000 VALID SIG-

NATURES ... but he only has until ... AUGUST 6, 2004 ... to reach this goal. SETTLER ... believes ... "IT'S NOT A QUESTION OF IF LUBBOCK WILL GO WET. IT SHALL GO WET. THIS N THAT ... will be watching this effort...

TREES NEED CUTTING! THIS N THAT ... in driving over the ... EAST 24TH OVERPASS ... one day last week ... couldn't help but notice ... HOW TALL THE TREES WERE GETTING ON THE EAST 24TH STREET OVERPASS ... Sure would be great if these trees were cut ... and the overpass swept. Let's continue to keep East Lubbock looking in a positive posture.

DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE A LIBRARY CARD? THIS N THAT ... is hoping many of our young people in the ... community have a ... LIBRARY CARD ... If your child does not have one ... then go by the ... BOREIE GEAN & T. J. PATTERSON LIBRARY ... 1836 Parkway Drive ... or you may call ... HELEN VISER ... at 767-3300 ... and she will be glad to assist you in this effort. If your child does not have one ... MAKE SURE THEY GET ONE TODAY!

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HELP SOMEBODY TODAY! THIS N THAT ... is asking that we try to ... HELP SOMEBODY ... each day in our life. Just think about how much safer our community would be.



We need to change our agenda!

by Eddie R. Richardson

We complain, we moan, we groan, we are so negative we need to be positive sometimes about some things. We can't be in a position of saying everything is bad all the time. Somethings, some times we have to be right sometimes. We view many things from a negative prospective.

While we are being negative about everyone, we need to ask what positive contribution are we making a positive change or making things better?

As the saying goes, "If you are not a part of the

solution, you are a part of the problem."

We have young people out there who we are sending a bad message too with our negative attitudes. No, only that, but we wonder why our young people have such bad attitudes. Really, a lot of these young people are mirroring what they see us do. We do not need entertainment or athletes celebrities to be only role models for our kids. It should and must be us whether we want to be or not. These young people are a reflection of us.

What we need to do is put away conflict and replace it with cooperation. We should and we must do and be the very best we can be at all times with all things.

Instead of complaining and criticizing, we should be doing all we can to make things better. This is how you make things much better. Just think, if we would all take as our personal creed: "It is so to be, it is up to me and with the help of God, and live by it." Instead of blaming someone else for our faults and problems. Remember, we are our own enemies. Also remember, we can save us from us is us!

Closing Thought: Anyone can become angry. That is easy. But to be angry with the right person, the right degree, at the right time, for the right purpose, and the right way ... that is not easy! (Aristotle).

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In Cinque

by Renetta Howard

There are those who feel that religion is an area in which the way an individual expresses himself, is perfectly normal and acceptable. Keeping in mind that there are many religions in the world and even in this country, that there are still certain beliefs, rituals and procedures that are followed in each. The one thing that keeps coming to my mind is prayer.

As a Christian, we believe that 'prayer changes things.' There is even a song made popular by Mahalia Jackson which bears that title. It is a part of the history of this country, that prayer has always been a part of everything undertaken by American citizens, from the day that the first Europeans set foot upon the soil which we call America today and in our various undertakings today.

The forefathers of this great country, included some semblance of prayer in the documents used to make the government of the United States a legal entity. Things started to change when Mrs. O'Hair won her legal suit to keep prayer out of the public schools. She sued on behalf of her son whom she stated was an atheist and should not have to pray in school! The ramifications of that court decision is still being tested in our courts today with regard to the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States. Some people want the word 'God' removed from the pledge. The public display of the Ten Commandments is yet another issue taken before the courts.

Attendance at many public functions are opened with prayer. Public and government meetings are opened with prayer. Dinner gatherings are always preceded with prayer, or the 'blessing' of the food. The end of meetings are often adjourned with a prayer which we call a benediction, especially in Christian gatherings. Other religions which do not display public prayer, often have meditation hour for a personal interaction with one's god. Some Christian gatherings also use the individual meditation or worship times for its followers.

Prayer does change things but it is time for us to get 'in cinque' and realize that if we are praying in public to bless food, to say a benediction, or open a meeting, that there is no need at that time to pray for wealth, power, the welfare of your family, friends and country. In other words, a sermon is not needed. Most people want to eat, get the business at hand on, or go about their business at this time, and those who want to preach should do it at another time when they are slated to bring a message to the group.

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