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National News

Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Holds Grand Opening Celebration and Tour of Facility

(Washington, DC) Under overcast skies that miraculously held back their thunder-showers, the leadership of the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc. inaugurated its new facility located among think-tanks and academic institutions in downtown Washington, DC.

More than two hundred guests attended the afternoon event that started with speeches and a ceremonial ribbon cutting. Members of the CBCF, Inc. Board of Directors, lead by Chairman William J. Jefferson, MC, and President Weldon J. Rougeau, were joined by CBC Chair and Board Member Elijah E. Cummings, MC, and D.C. Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton.

CBCF President Weldon J. Rougeau presided over the ceremony saying, "CBCF is pleased to be at this location in the most powerful city in the world, surrounded by prestigious Think Tanks and Educational Institutions. The organization is focused on its strategic role as an information broker and developer of strategic partnerships. This building allows CBCF to fulfill its mandate of working as a catalyst for change in four major areas, education, economic development, public health, and African Globalizing."

Mr. Rougeau then introduced CBCF Chairman William J. Jefferson, MC, who said, "Whenever a nonprofit takes on a project of this magnitude, the strength of its leadership is surely tested. I want to thank the Members of the CBCF Board who supported us when we sought to move our operation to this location. It is a major step in the reshaping of this organization as a world-class resource for information on the economic and...continued on page 2"

Community Meetings

- Lubbock Area Client Council: Second Saturday, 1:00 pm • Mae Simmons Community Center
- Hub City Kiwanis: Every Tuesday Night, 7:00pm, 1708 Avenue G
- Dunbar Alumni Association 2nd Saturday 4pm
- Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 2nd Tuesday - 7:30
- Forgotten West Blacks, Ethel & Thel Monday, 7:00 pm, T. J. Patterson Library
- East Lubbock Chapter AAFP: Every 1st Thursday at 1 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center, Oak and 8th St.
- Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni 3rd Tuesday 5:00 pm, C.B. Market enter
- Dunbar in Action: Every 2nd Neighborhood Association Meets Every Third Tuesday 6:00 pm, 1503 East 24th Street (around corner house)

We would like to publish your monthly meetings. If you would like for an announcement to appear in this paper, please get it to us in writing by mailing it to:

Community Meetings C/O:
Southwest Digest
P.O. Box 2553
Lubbock, Texas 79408
or bring it by the Southwest Digest office at
902 East 23rd Street

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Lubbock Listed by Business Publication As Prime Location for Bio-Technology

Someone once said the three big factors in business success are "Location, Location, Location." Even in this age of the Internet, place can still be a vital consideration. That especially applies to the biosciences, and Lubbock now finds itself in some really good company.

The publication called "Business Facilities, the Location Adviser" is out with a list of more than a dozen sites most favorable to biotechnology operations. The decision, it says, is "all about research."

The locations are cities such as Lubbock; Memphis, Tennessee; Omaha, Nebraska; Charleston, South Carolina; Riverside, California; and Gahanna, Ohio; Fulton County, Georgia, which includes the city of Atlanta; and Chesterfield County, Virginia; The Roanoke Valley

of Virginia; and the Central Virginia area around Charlottesville; The Florida "High Tech Corridor", which includes Tampa and Orlando; And such states and provinces as Pennsylvania, Tennessee, New Jersey, Manitoba in Canada, and the Saarland in Germany.

Here's part of what the publication says about Lubbock: "If food biotechnology is your company's specialty, finding a thriving agricultural area, where topnotch ag. research is being conducted, is key. So Lubbock may be just what you're looking for. Lubbock is not only one of the world's most productive agricultural regions, it's the home of Texas Tech University, where you'll find state-of-the-art bio-agritech research, medical services delivery and clinical trials,

and environmental toxicology research and remediation methods."

It concludes, "Clearly, opportunities for biotechnology development in Lubbock are strong; and the infrastructure and work force to support the industry is in place. Market Lubbock, Inc., also offers a number of incentives to qualified businesses to encourage expansion and relocation."

Market Lubbock spokesman Dale Gannaway says the recognition of Lubbock is exciting because "The Lubbock Regional BioScience Initiative is already connecting the regional dots to leverage our tremendous regional bio-science resources. This will, in turn, generate new opportunities for regional economic growth and wealth creation."

Qualities of a Christian Woman



by Sister Lottie Harper

Proverbs 31:10

We, like to take this opportunity to honor a very special lady by the name of Sister Mattie McGee, and offers her a few words of encouragement. She is a member of 20th St Birch Street Church of Christ, and is one of the hardest working ladies to put on the armour of the Lord. She worked real hard to coordinate the recent Ladies Lectureship program which was a spiritual and uplifting success for the greatness of the Lord.

The Ladies Lectureship began its work 26 years ago with Sister Verna Walters as the coordinator. One great

benefits from the Leadership is that it allows Sisters and Brothers from different areas to be enriched in the spirit as different Sister speakers from across the state speak in praise of the Lord. Sister McGee promoted the Lectureship, going to different congregations encouraging this good work which takes place every year on the last Saturday of April.

Sisters who participated in the services of this Lady Lectureship were always encouraged by Sister McGee to keep on pushing in their work for the Lord. Sister Mattie McGee is a beautiful person and a hard worker who is always working for the Lord helping people to walk with the Lord.

Other Sisters who have served as chairpersons for the Ladies Lectureship were Patricia Austin, Mattie McGee, who stepped down to care for her husband who became ill, Doris Henderson, Orherra Collins, Tommie Bell, Joyce Childers, Velma

Lethridge, and this writer, Lottie Harper. We would like to thank all of them who are Sisters at 20th 61 Birch, who help make good things happen in the Lord as we give praise to God, our Father. We also want to show our appreciation for Sister Louise and Demetria Coleman who were in charge of decorations for the beautiful arrangements.

"A Friend to Jesus" and That Beautiful Place Called Heaven. Revelations 21:22. These are but a couple of our Ladies Lectureship themes over the past years.

Being a part of this Ladies Lectureship makes it hard to express the joy and happiness, and togetherness in the celebration of our Lord. Paul said: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me always." Philippians 4:13. It is a wonderful thing to know that there is always work to be done. Ladies Lectureship is a good work! Thanks to all of you so very much!

"Ms. Proud Lady 2003"



Kim Martin of Richton Park, Illinois, was recently crowned "MS. Proud Lady 2003". She graciously poses for the media during the 2003 "MS. Proud Lady Competition" held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Chicago. The winning hairstylist is Ms. Gloria Ford of PE Executive Salon & Spa, Dolton, Illinois.

Both Martin and Ford each won \$1,500 cash and other prizes.

"All Aboard"

For the train ride of a lifetime...benefitting the Boys & Girls Club of Lubbock! The Burlington Northern/Santa Fe Special Express will come to Lubbock, Tx. on Friday, June 6th and the ride of a lifetime will be given to approximately 225 Boys & Girls Club members. The train is a special 13 car passenger train that BNSF has making a 2,500 - plus - mile trip through parts of Kansas, Texas, New Mexico and Colorado. The ride in Lubbock will begin at 1:00 PM at the tram station located at 500 Main Street. There will be various activities going on during the boarding process to make sure that all the kids have a great time.

We are asking for various businesses and individuals to help sponsor the ride for our members and to help raise much needed funds for the kids and the Clubs in Lubbock. There are several different levels of participation and they are:

Engine Title/Sponsor package	\$2,500
Conductor package	\$1,000
Caboose package	\$500
VIP Tickets	\$200
Individual Tickets	\$35

There will be 28 lucky individuals that will ride in the Dining Car and be served a Tenderloin lunch with all the trimmings. VIP ticket holders will be able to take the entire ride in the Dining Car and enjoy this special lunch.

"This is a great opportunity for our members because most of them have never ridden a train before," said Charles Hankson, Board President. "There are 378 seats available on this train and we want each of them filled. A big thank you to BNSF for making this happen for our kids! They are wonderful."

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Lubbock currently serve over 4,000 boys and girls ages 6 to 18 out of three Club locations and the Joe McWilliams Teen Center. A membership for a child to belong to the Club is \$5.00 - \$10.00 and they can come everyday that we are open in the summer months or during the school year. There are five core program areas at the Club and they are Education and Career Development, Character and Leadership, The Arts, Health & Life Skills, and Sports, Fitness, and Recreation.

SUMMER ENRICHMENT AND SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

Mt Vernon United Methodist Church announces the sponsorship of the Summer Enrichment and Food Service Program beginning Monday, 2 June 2003 - Friday, 15 August 2003. Meals will be provided at Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church at 2304 Cedar Avenue. Breakfast will be served from 7:45 A.M. - 8:20 A.M. and Lunch will be served from 11:45 A.M. to 12:20 P.M.

People who are eligible to participate in the program must not be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion, or political belief. Anyone who believes that they have been discriminated against should write immediately to: Director, Civil Rights Division, MC W-206, Texas Department of Human Services, P. O. Box 149030, Austin, Texas 78714-9030 or the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. 20250. NOTE: Discrimination complaints based on religion or political beliefs must be referred only to the Director, Civil Rights Division, Texas Department of Human Services.

Funeral Services for Mr. Thomas Sanders Set for Thursday, May 29th.

Funeral services for a longtime resident, Thomas Oscar Sanders, Sr., will be held Thursday afternoon, May 29, 003, at the Greater St. Luke Baptist church with Rev. J.H. Ford, pastor, presiding. The eulogy will be delivered by Rev. Hiwathia Culver, pastor of Rising Star Baptist Church. Services will begin at 1:00 p.m.

Interment will be in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow, Texas under the direction of Gregory Spencer Funeral Home of Fort Worth, Texas. Mr. Sanders passed away Thursday, May 22, 2003.

Adult Softball & Baseball Registration

Calling all athletes! The Parks & Recreation Department encourages you to register now for adult softball and baseball.

Softball offers leagues for men & women ages 16 and older. Registration starts Tuesday, May 27th and runs through June 6th with league play starting on July 7th. Team registration is \$315 and ensures each team a 10 game season.

Baseball league is for men ages 18 and older. Registration gets underway on June 2, and the \$495 fee gives teams a 10 game season plus an end of season tourney. This league plays on Sunday's and starts on July 13th.

Keep in mind that a \$25 late fee will be added to any late registrations, so hurry and register now. No matter what your ability, a love of the game is all that is required. So register today & get in the game. For more information, call 775-2673.

Fashion Fun

by Shirley Roherson

Signature Style

The monogram, the ultimate status symbol is now considered the chicest way to put your personal stamp on everything from ... shoes, sandals, blouses, skirts, shirts, belts, jewelry, tote bags, hand bags and bikinis.

Lately, the idea of personalizing one's clothes and accessories has taken on renewed charm.

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stamp of approval. IT'S A PERSONAL THING

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CHATMAN HILLS CORNER

by Clarissa Jay

Last Sunday was a very good day for the members of the New Hope Baptist Church. It was designated as "Dr. Sam Metters Day" as a Prayer Room was dedicated in his honor. A very successful man, Dr. Metters is a native of Lubbock, Texas and is one of the top 50 Black Businesses in the United States of America. A number of Dr. Metters' relatives were in attendance which included his mother, Mrs. Lillian Metters, who told the congregation she was glad to be in attendance. "I am 88 years old, and I know people."

Guest speaker for the morning was Rev. James Bryce, a senior pastor from Berkeley, California and classmate of Brother Virgil Johnson. His subject was "Don't Wait Until The Battle Is Over, Shout!" His scripture text was II Chronicles 20:1-2, 5-7, 12-22. It was a splendid message. "We need to learn how to pray. We need to depend on God," he said.

Rev. Bryce closed his presentation with a solo, "Just To Behold His Face." There were not many dry eyes in the congregation after his singing.

Everything began with the Praise Team singing several selections including "He's Wonderful."

The morning scripture was read by Rev. Mechelle McCutcheon. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. J. Price. The Mass Choir sang two selections: "We Have Come Into His House" and "Give It To Me."

A dedication was held at 3:00 p. m. for Dr. Metters.

Let us continue to pray for those who are sick and shut-in. A visit or telephone call will mean so much. God is able.

Say pray for those who have lost love ones.

The monthly meeting of the Federation of Choirs was held at Christ TEMPLE Church of God in Christ last Sunday afternoon, May 25th. What a time all had in attendance.

Next year, the Federation of Choirs will celebrate its 50th Anniversary. The location of the event will be held in the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. Plans are being made at this time. A meeting was held Wednesday evening, May 28th, at Bethel AME

Church. A wonderful meeting was held.

Zairreus Patterson, his mother, Shelia Harris, and sister, Asya Harris, made a safe trip to Orange, California where he will begin a new work assignment this week. Also, a minister, he is a graduate of Texas A&M University, majoring Engineering. He had been working in Fort Worth Texas for TTI.

On Saturday morning, June 7, 2003, from 9:00 a. m. until 1:00 p. m. at Mae Simmons Park, there will be a fishing outing for the Lubbock community. This event is sponsored by the Department of Parks and Wildlife and the "100 Black Men of West Texas, Inc." The purpose of this annual event is to give youth an opportunity to participate in an age old positive experience. Fishing equipment and bait — along with food and drink for fisherspersons — will be provided. Prizes for most fish caught and largest fish caught will be awarded. Help us notify young people about this special program.

The Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church Chancel Choir will celebrate its Annual Choir Day on Sunday afternoon, June 15, 2003, beginning at 3:30 p. m. The public is invited to attend. Rev. Danny Poe is pastor.

A Willing Vessels Conference will be held at Greater St. James Baptist Church on Saturday morning, May 31, 2003, beginning at 8:30 a. m. and concluding on Sunday afternoon, June 1, 2003, beginning at 3:30 p. m. With the theme, "Vessels For The Master's Use," keynote speakers will be Pastor Gloria Moore, Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Tahoka, Texas, and Pastor Sherry Roberts, Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, Lubbock, Texas.

St. James Baptist Church is located at 117 N. Mulberry Ave., Rev. E. L. Harris.

continued from page 1 social well-being of citizens who make up the African Diaspora.

Representing the 39-Member Congressional Black Caucus, Chairman Elijah E. Cummings (D-MD), noted that this accomplishment would place the CBCF, Inc. in its rightful place in history. "Long after we are gone, those who come after us will know that the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc. was here to do the business of the people, to create educational opportunities, and to make sure we have the knowledge and means to create wealth in our communities," he said.

DC Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton welcomed the crowd on behalf of her constituents in the District of Columbia, and praised the insight of the Board

Members who made the bold move to relocate in this prestigious community.

The CBCF, Inc. has three major programs to address education and economic development: The Congressional Intern and Fellow Programs allow young people to work in government offices and on Capitol Hill, and the "With Ownership, Wealth" (WOW) Initiative, and "Student Homeownership Opportunity Program" (SHOP) are both dedicated to building wealth through homeownership.

The first floor of the building holds the Reception Area, the main Board Room and the Multi-purpose Room. The Lower floor holds the Department of Information Technology, the kitchen, and the Mail Room. The Office of the President including Media

Relations and Communications, WOW, SHOP, and the Office of The Vice President for Resource Development are on the second floor. The third floor holds Human Resources, Accounting, and the CBC Spouses Program. On the top floor, the Office of Education and Outreach including CBCF's conferences services is located.

Following the ribbon-cutting ceremony, the guests were taken on a tour of the ten-thousand-plus square foot building, and they were urged to enjoy the musical selection and refreshments. The Open House was sponsored by Entergy, a firm that is represented on the CBCF, Inc. Board of Directors.

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We are proud to be the members

Of the NAACP

And to follow in the footsteps

Of all those who made us free...

We are proud to feel their struggle,

And to touch each loving hand,

And to strive for truth and justice

That will help us understand...

We are proud of all the people

Who have labored hard and long

To fulfill their sacred mission

With their voices raised in song...

We are proud of strength and goodness,

And of liberty and peace,

And the right to live in freedom

With contentment and release...

We are proud to be the members

Of the NAACP

May God fill us with commitment

To uphold its dignity!

Hope C. Oberhelman

A Friend...

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



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

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

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

SCHOLARSHIP GIVEAWAY RULES

- The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, as part of its Make Kids Count project, will provide a \$10,000 U.S. Savings Bond to the winning child who meets all eligibility requirements as listed below.
- The contest is open to all children born between Jan. 1, 1991, and Dec. 31, 1994, or parents (or parent) who are U.S. citizens and residents of The Avalanche-Journal's home newspaper delivery area, which includes counties in West Texas and Eastern New Mexico.
- Employees of The A-J and Morris Communications Corporation and their immediate families are not eligible to participate.
- No purchase is necessary.
- Official entry forms will appear periodically in The Avalanche-Journal through June 26, 2003, and can be obtained at The A-J Information Center, 710 Ave. J, Lubbock, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- A copy of a legal birth certificate or 1-in reproducible photograph of the child must accompany each entry form. Also, entry forms must be completed in their entirety. Only one entry per child will be accepted.
- Deadline for entry is 5 p.m. Friday, June 27. Entries received after June 27 will not be accepted. Entries can be mailed to MAKE KIDS COUNT SCHOLARSHIP GIVEAWAY, PO Box 491, Lubbock 79408, or dropped off at The A-J Information Center.
- All contestants agree to allow their names, pertinent birth information and photographs to be published in The Avalanche-Journal without further compensation.
- The Avalanche-Journal is not responsible for submitted entries that are forwarded, lost, late, misdirected, damaged, illegible, incomplete or postage due.
- Contest winners will be determined through a series of random drawings. First, the total number of entries, 64 entries will be drawn as finalists. These 64 names will be placed in a hat and 16 weekly until the winner is announced on Tuesday, August 26, 2003.
- In addition to the \$10,000 U.S. Savings Bond awarded to the winner, The A-J will present a \$5,000 Savings Bond to the runner-up, \$1,000 Savings Bonds to the other two quarterfinalists, \$500 Savings Bonds to the other four quarterfinalists, \$200 Savings Bonds to the other four quarterfinalists, and \$100 Savings Bonds to the other eight quarterfinalists who make the round of 16. All Savings Bonds will be issued in the names of the winning children after conclusion of the contest.
- The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal may adopt or amend rules and regulations governing the procedures for choosing, displaying and insuring the awards.
- By entering, each contestant or their representative acknowledges acceptance of the rules and agrees to be bound to them.
- Decisions of the contest organizers are final.

Child's Name _____ Parents Name _____
 Parents Signature _____
 Child's Date Of Birth _____ Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Home phone _____
 Grandparents Name _____
 Grandparents Name _____

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WE THANK GOD FOR JESUS

LORD, AMERICAN FORGOT TO REMEMBER NOT TO FORGET

DEUTERONOMY 6:10,11,12a. WHEN THE LORD THY GOD SHALL HAVE BROUGHT THEE INTO THE LAND, AND HOUSES FULL OF GOOD THINGS, WHICH THOU FULDEST NOT; AND WELLS DIGGED, WHICH THOU DIGGEST NOT; VINEYARDS AND OLIVE TREES, WHICH THOU PLANTEDST NOT; WHEN THOU SHALT HAVEN EATEN AND BE FULL; THEN BEWARE LEST THOU FORGET THE LORD, LORD, YOU FOR KEEPING YOUR PROMISE YOU MADE WITH OUR FOREFATHERS; THEY TRIED TO KEEP YOUR WAYS, BUT TODAY'S PEOPLE DON'T EVEN BOTHER!!!

ROMANS 1:21,22. BECAUSE THAT, WHEN THEY (THE CHRISTIANS) KNEW GOD, THEY GLORIFIED HIM NOT AS GOD, NEITHER WERE THANKFUL; BUT BECAME VAIN (DREAMERS) IN THEIR IMAGINATIONS, AND THEIR FOOLISH HEART WAS DARKENED, PROFESSING THEMSELVES TO BE WISE, THEY BECAME FOOLS.

LORD, WE FORGOT TO REMEMBER, NOT TO FORGET!!!

LORD, YOU GAVE US AMERICA; THE MOST BLESSED LAND IN THE WORLD, WE ARE THE WORLDS WORSE; LOOK AT OUR MEN, WOMAN, BOYS AND GIRLS, LEVITICUS 19:29, THE LORD SAID, DO NOT PROSTITUTE YOUR DAUGHTER, TO CAUSE HER TO BE A WHORE, LEST THE LAND BECOME FULL OF WICKEDNESS.

LORD, NOW THE PEOPLE WORSHIP THE DEVIL, THINGS MAN HAND HAVE MADE, NO ONE WORSHIP YOU; BECAUSE THE DEVIL HAVE MADE THEM HIS SLAVE; ISAIAH 2:8, THE LORD SAID, THE LAND IS ALSO IS FULL OF IDOLS; THEY WORSHIP THE WORK OF THEIR HANDS, THAT WHICH THEIR OWN FINGERS HAVE MADE.

LORD, AMERICA HAVE LEFT YOU; AND WENT WHORING AFTER OTHER GODS, THEY WANTED TO DO IT THEIR OWN WAY, AND NOT FOLLOW THE TRUE GOD. EXODUS 24:14,15, THE LORD SAID, FOR THOU SHALT WORSHIP NO OTHER GOD.

FOR THE LORD, WHOM NAME IS JEALOUS, IS A JEALOUS GOD; LEST THOU MAKE A COVENANT WITH THE INHABITANTS OF THE LAND, AND THEY GO A WHORING AFTER THEIR GODS, AND DO SACRIFICE UNTO THEIR GODS, AND ONE CALL THEE, AND THOU EAT OF HIS SACRIFICE.

IS AMERICA ROBBING GOD?

LORD, NOW WE ARE IN TROUBLE, AS ANY BLIND MAN CAN SEE, THIS NATION IS NOW FALLING; ONLY YOU KNOW WHEN ITS TO BE.

GALATIANS 6:6. BE NOT DECEIVED; GOD IS NOT MOCKED; FOR WHATSOEVER A MAN SOWETH, THAT SHALL HE ALSO REAP.

(AS NATURE TEACHERS YOU CAN TAKE A BUCKET OF CORN TO THE FIELD, TO PLANT BUT WHEN YOU REAP IT; YOU WILL NEED A PICKUP TRUCK TO BRING IT IN; YOU ALWAYS REAP MORE THAN YOU SOWETH.)

LORD, NO COUNTRY CAN BEAT AMERICA; BUT HER SINS WILL MAKE HER DIE, LIKE CANCER TAKEN OVER THE BODY; SHE IS DYING FROM THE INSIDE.

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

DESIRE, SO THEY WARP IT UP.
WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY B.J. MORRISON III, YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST JESUS.



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith Vote! Vote! Vote! June 3, 2003

On June 3, 2003, the people of the 19th Congressional District will elect a representative to the U. S. House of Representative to replace the retiring Larry Combest. This elected representative can have a major impact on the lives of the people of West Texas directly and indirectly.

All spending bills must, in accordance with Section 7 of Article 1 of the constitution originate in the House, and as such making its financial committees particularly influential bodies. Federal laws pass and the distribution of funds can make or break West Texas; so to speak.

The Avalanche-Journal reported in its Saturday, May 24th addition that early voting turnout is low. The edition stated, "If early voter turnout is any indication, the next U.S. Representative of District 19 will be chosen by a small percentage of the district." Lubbock County, which includes the largest metropolitan area in the district and having more than 1-

40,000 registered voters, is reported to have only 4,594 early voters.

It is important people of color and people from low-income to the middle income rung get out and vote. When you depend on those persons who are financial successful to determine your future at the ballot box, the rule of thumb is you give them the key to feather their nest and make yours a bed of stone.

If you are a black American and do not vote, you put yourself in the category of those who lack dignity, self-esteem and all what makes one truly human and an American citizen. If you do not vote you place yourself in the position to be called shiftless and treated accordingly for your lack of respect and honor for those who paved the way and made it possible for you to vote. Voting is not about whether you are a Democrat, Republican, Independent or Libertarian. It is the duty of an American citizen.

After much bloodshed, agony and hard work through the political process, the Voting Rights

Act of 1965 was sign into law by President Lyndon B. Johnson. The Voting Rights Act outlawed racial discrimination in the electoral process. According to the National Voting Rights Museum in Birmingham, Alabama, this historic piece of legislation was merely considered and experiment and will expire in 2007. This ACT enforces the fifteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States, and for other purposes.

2007 is only 3.5 years from now. What we do now and who we elect will have an impact on or input into whether or not this legislation will become permanent, extended or be quietly done away with. Young black Americans need to understand that their freedom is still provisional.

The Constitution of the United States of America states: "We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquillity, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do

ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America." Black Americans in particular need to be aware of the phrases "We the people and blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity" as it relates to their common good.

The Attorney General of the United States can institute a proceeding under any statute to enforce the guarantees of the fifteenth amendment. For the posterity and common good of black Americans, one must remember the U. S. Attorney General is nominated by the President and confirm by those who are elected to Congress. Voting is very, very important!

There are two candidates aspiring for the U. S. Representative of District 19. Who you vote for is your business. However, if you do not vote you do not have any business. You can be counted if you go and vote Tuesday, June 3, 2003. Both candidates are Republicans, like it or not, and one will be your representative. Do your part by voting and let the record reflect the same!

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

-The Children-

Father, in the name of Jesus, we pray and confess your word over our children and surround them with our Faith in your word that you watch over it to perform it. We confess and believe that our children are disciples of Christ taught of the Lord and obedient to your will. Great is the peace and undisturbed composure of our children, because you, God, contend with that which contends with our children, and you give them safety and ease them.

Father, you will perfect that which concerns us. We commit and cast the care of our children once and for all over on you. Father, they are in your hands, and we are positively persuaded that you are able to guard and keep that which we have committed to you. You are more than enough! We confess that our children obey their parents in the Lord as his representation because this is just and right. Our children honor, esteem and value their parents

for this is the first commandment with a promise that all may be well with our children and that they may live long on this earth. We believe and confess that our children choose life and love you, Lord, and obey your voice, and cling to you. For you are their life and length of their days. Therefore, our children are the head and not the tail, and shall be above only and not beneath. They are blessed when they come in and when they go out.

We believe and confess that you give your angels charge over our children to accompany and defend and preserve them in all their ways. You, Lord, are their refuge and fortress. You are their glory and the lifter of their lives.

As parents, we will not provoke, irritate, or fret our children. We will not be hard on them or harass them, or cause them to become discouraged, sullen, or feel inferior and frustrated. We will not break or wound their spirits, but we will

rear them tenderly in the training, discipline, counsel, and admonition of the Lord. We will train them in the way they should go, and when they are old they will not depart from it.

Oh, Lord, my Lord, how excellent, majestic and glorious is your name in all the earth. You have set your glory on or above the heavens. Out of the mouth of babes and unweaned infants, you have established strength, because of your foes, that you might silence the enemy and the avenger. We sing praises to your name, Oh Most High! The enemy is turned back from our children. In the name of Jesus, they increase in wisdom and in favor with God and man. May our children grow up knowing they are loved, regardless of the condition that surround them.

Saints, when you go by the schools, lift those kids up in prayer. Also as they are at play on the campus. Don't forget the teachers, the instructors, the volunteers, the cooks, the janitors,

and all who are involved. Pray off campus prayers. They will work their way to the inside. Believe us! Prayer is a weapon of Mass Destruction on Sin!

Scripture References
Jeremiah 1:12; Isaiah 54:13; Psalm 91:11; Isaiah 49:25; Psalm 91:2; I Peter 5:7; Psalm 3:3; II Timothy 1:12; Colossians 3:21; Ephesians 6:1-3; Ephesians 6:4; Deuteronomy 30:19-20; Proverbs 22:6; Deuteronomy 28:13; Psalm 81:2; Deuteronomy 28:3-6; Psalm 9:2-3; and St. Luke 2:52.

Thank you fro reading. Precious people.

P.S.: A thought: The Suicide Bombers need to read St. Luke 10:25-37. The only way to get into heaven you will have to help heal and not kill; love and not hate.

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; and Sister Christene Burleson, vice president.

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Poetry Contest Seeking Lubbock Entrants

The Talent Literary Guild is sponsoring an amateur poetry contest, free to everyone. There are 50 prizes in all, including a \$1,000.00 grand prize.

"We are delighted to sponsor this contest," says Thomas Grcy, Poetry Director. "Poets deserve opportunities to exhibit their work and get recognition. We expect our contest to encourage new poets."

To enter, send one poem 21 lines or less, Free Poetry Contest, 1257 Siskiyou Blvd, PMB 4, Ashland, OR 97520, you may also enter on-line at www.freecontest.com.

Poems may be written on any subject, using any style. The deadline for entering is June 14, 2003. The editors reserve the right to publish the winning poems on-line. A winner's list will be sent to all entrants.

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Former Texas Tech President Grover E. Murray Dies

LUBBOCK - Grover E. Murray, Ph.D., president emeritus of Texas Tech University, died Wednesday, (May 21). Murray had served as president of Texas Tech from 1966-1976. He was the eighth president of the university.

"Grover Murray has been a personal friend of mine for years. He will be remembered for his service to Texas Tech., but most of all for his commitment to our students and to this region. He will be sorely missed," said Interim President Donald R. Haragan, Ph.D.

During his decade as president, Murray oversaw the establishment of the International Center for Arid and Semi-Arid Land Studies, the opening of the School of Law in 1967 and of the School of Medicine in 1972. He was also instrumental in the development of the Museum of Texas Tech University and the Ranching Heritage Center. Enrollment increased from 17,768 to

22,580 students during his term, and 13 major construction projects were initiated.

Murray and his wife, Sally, established the Grover E. Murray Education Award in 1996. They envisioned the award as one that would be given



MURRAY

annually 10 individuals or groups who bring prestige to Texas Tech through the excellence of their activities. The Grover Murray Professorship at the Health Sciences Center is awarded by the Texas Tech Board of Regents to the most outstanding professors at the institution.

Murray continued as a professor of geosciences at Texas Tech after stepping down as president. He was an internationally recognized scientist, serv-

ing at one time on the National Science Board's the governing body of the National Science Foundation. He had received numerous professional honors and was named to the Alumni Hall of Distinction at Louisiana State University.

Murray had been a professor, department chair, person of geology and vice president of academic affairs at Louisiana State University before coming to Texas Tech.

He is survived by his wife Sally; a daughter, Barbara Murray of Houston; and a daughter Martha Poag, of East Falmouth, Mass.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Grover E. Murray Education Award or the Dr. Grover Murray Undergraduate Scholarship in Geosciences, both in care of the Texas Tech Office of Institutional Advancement, P.O. Box 45200, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas 79409-5200.

Strength for Today hope for Tomorrow

by Gerald Jackson

Question: Why is the cross of Jesus important?

Answer: For many people the cross has come to symbolize religion in general. To others it is a symbol of Christianity. Still for some, the cross is just a piece of jewelry. A closer look will reveal the cross of Jesus is far more than all of these.

The cross is the symbol of God's unconditional love for all people. Why would a perfectly innocent man allow himself to be humiliated and brutally tortured for people who hated him if love was not the reason? Paul says, "For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:6-8).

The cross is the symbol of God's commitment to save us from hell. "Fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame and has

sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. For consider Him who has endured such hostility by sinners against Himself, so that you may not grow weary and lose heart." (Hebrews 12:2,3). Jesus willingly endured the cross in order to make sure that those who

trusted in Him and obeyed His word would get to heaven. The cross was an obstacle He had to overcome in order to have the joy of receiving His children into their heavenly home. Someone has said that

obstacles are the frightening things that happen to you when you take your eye off your goal. Jesus did not take His eye off of the cross because He knew it meant our eternal peace with Him in heaven.

The cross is God's complete and final payment for all sins for all time. "And inasmuch as it appointed for men to die once and after this comes the judgment, so Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, shall appear a second time for salvation without reference to sin, to those who eagerly await Him." (Hebrews 9:26,27). The blood of Jesus is so powerful, so precious that His sacrifice paid the price for all of our sins for all

times (see 1 Peter 1:18-19). When Jesus was about to yield his spirit on the cross he spoke these final words, "It is finished." (John 19:30). With regard to the payment for sin Jesus declares the payment has been made in full by His death on the cross.

Why is the cross important? Because it is the symbol that assures us that God has satisfied the payment for our sins. If we trust and obey then we are assured that our salvation rests securely in the hands of the Almighty God.

Grace and peace
Gerald P. Jackson



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Annual Juneteenth Celebration 2003 "Together We Stand"

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 21, 2003, 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 2003, 1302 Avenue Q, Lubbock, Texas, or fax the application to 765-0824. All applications are due no later than 5:00 p.m. Wednesday June 18, 2003.

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 14th or hand delivered by June 18th.

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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Lubbock, Texas

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For additional information contact the Texas Tech University System Project Manager Michael Knight at (806) 742-2116, Fax (806) 742-2241 or e-mail: michael.knight@ttu.edu.

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Be a part of the 4th on Broadway Celebration on July 4th! Submit a poster that expresses what makes you PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN.

All "PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN" laminated posters will be displayed along Broadway during the 4th on Broadway Street Fair, Friday, July 4th.

CONTEST RULES

1. No purchase is necessary
2. Poster size must be 11" x 17" and LAMINATED.
3. Complete and attach entry form to the back of your poster.
4. Mail your poster to: PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN, c/o Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, P.O. Box 491, Lubbock, TX 79408 or bring your poster to the Avalanche-Journal's Marketing Department at 711 Ave J, Lubbock, Mon.- Fri., 8 am - 5 pm.
5. Deadline is June 13, 2003
6. 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Prizes for the best poster will be awarded in the following categories: K-3 Grades, 4-6 Grades, 7-9 Grades and 10-12 Grades.
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CITY OF LUBBOCK NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Lubbock's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME), Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG)

The Lubbock City Council will conduct a Public Hearing to allow citizens an opportunity to comment on the proposed use of 2003-2004 Federal Community Development Funds. The scheduled time and date for this hearing is:

June 12, 2003, 5:30 p.m. | City Council Chambers | Municipal Building | 1625 13th Street

2003-2004 PROPOSED USE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES BY GRANT

Agency	Project	Amount Recommended
Community Development Block Grant		
Adult Day Activity & Health Center	Senior & Disabled Project	\$0
African American Chamber	Business Incubator	\$10,500
Big Brothers/Big Sisters	School mentoring	\$0
Bridge of Lubbock	Community Kitchen	\$0
Buckner Children's Home	Evening Meal	\$0
Catholic Family Services	Education	\$0
Children's Advocacy Center	Self-sufficiency	\$15,750
Children's Home	Counseling	\$7,000
Christian Women's Job Corp	Family Assistance	\$10,000
Christian Women's Job Corp	Childcare	\$20,000
CDL-Fire Department	Self-sufficiency	\$9,415
CDL-Health Department	Smoke detectors	\$8,000
CDL-Library	Education	\$2,500
CDL-Parks	Computer training	\$0
CDL-Parks	Computer training	\$13,300
CDL-Parks	Youth Program	\$30,000
Coalition of Community Assistance Vol.	Tax education & assistance	\$0
Community in Schools	Youth Program	\$15,750
Cotton Kings	Youth Program	\$24,750
Early Learning Centers	Childcare	\$14,000
Full Armor Ministries	Mentoring	\$15,400
Hodges Elementary	After-school care	\$0
Jackson Elementary	After-school care	\$0
Life/Run Center	Disabled Service	\$0
Lubbock Boys & Girls Clubs	Youth Program	\$6,825
Lubbock Boys & Girls Clubs	Youth Program	\$15,000
Lubbock Hispanic Chamber	Business Assistance	\$16,500
Lubbock Housing Finance Corporation	Financial Counseling	\$0
Lubbock Literacy Coalition	Education	\$2,100
Lubbock MHMR	Youth	\$31,979
Lutheran Social Services	Utility Assistance	\$0
March of Dimes	Prenatal Education	\$5,950
My Father's House	Self-sufficiency	\$0
100 Black Men	Youth Program	\$12,400
Prevent Blindness	Health Screening	\$14,486
Raiders Rojas	Youth Education	\$0
Sam Arnett Elementary	After-school care	\$25,000
S.P.A.R.C.	Health assistance	\$5,500
TTU School of Nursing	Senior Care	\$0
Vandelia Church	Utility/Rent Assistance	\$0
Wheatley Elementary	After-school care	\$0
Windmill N.A.	Youth Program	\$0
Windmill N.A.	Senior Computer Program	\$12,850
Windmill N.A.	Computer Training	\$0
WorkSource	Childcare	\$37,620
Youth Corps	Computer training	\$0
YWCA	Disabled Service	\$25,000
YWCA	Disabled Computer Training	\$3,825
YWCA	Childcare	\$14,000
YWCA	Senior Program	\$2,700
Broadway Festivals	Facility renovation	\$50,000
COL-Community Development	Barrier Free	\$175,000
COL-Community Development	Emergency Repair	\$200,000
COL-Community Development	Land Disposition	\$0
COL-Community Development	Micro-Enterprise Loan Program	\$75,000
COL-Community Development	Housing Section 108	\$250,000
COL-Community Development	Housing HEELP	\$175,000
COL-Community Development	Housing Rehabilitation	\$300,000
COL-Community Development	Sidewalks	\$0
COL-Community Development	Demolition	\$0
COL-Community Development	Street paving	\$100,000
COL-Parks	Gym	\$0
COL-Parks	Water Playground	\$167,251
Dunbar-Manhattan N.A.	Public Art	\$0
East Lubbock Development Corp	Retail Center	\$0
Fiestas del Llano	Public Art	\$0
Fiestas del Llano	Facility Renovation	\$75,000
Lubbock Housing Finance Corp	Gap Financing	\$0
City of Lubbock CD	Housing Delivery	\$546,532
City of Lubbock CD	Indirect Costs	\$80,100
City of Lubbock CD	CDBG Administration	\$499,017
Total CDBG		\$3,121,000

HOME Investment Partnership Program

COL-CD	Housing reconstruction	\$538,898
COL-CD	New construction	\$400,000
COL-CD	Safe room construction	\$35,000
Community Housing Resource Board	Operations	\$50,000
Community Housing Resource Board	Lease-Purchase	\$174,750
Community Housing Resource Board	New construction	\$100,000
West Texas Community Impact Corp	Operations	\$10,000
West Texas Community Impact Corp	Interim construction financing	\$45,000
City of Lubbock CD	HOME Administration	\$131,516
Total HOME		\$1,485,164

Emergency Shelter Grant

Alcohol Recovery Center	Operations	\$8,500
ASK House	Operations	\$10,000
Lubbock Interfaith Hospitality Network	Renovation	\$0
Lubbock Interfaith Hospitality Network	Operations	\$10,000
Lubbock MHMR	Renovation	\$0
Salvation Army	Essential Services	\$16,500
Salvation Army	Homeless Prevention	\$16,500
Salvation Army	Operations	\$10,000
Vandelia Church	Homeless Prevention	\$16,500
Women's Protective Services	Essential Services	\$16,500
City of Lubbock CD	ESG Administration	\$5,500
Total ESG		\$110,000

*\$250,000 The need for these funds will be determined when the City Council decides whether or not to proceed with the Section 108 Loan process. If the City Council decides not to proceed, the Community Development Services Board proposes the following changes in the breakdown for the CDBG funds. All other recommendations will remain the same.

COL-Community Development	Land Disposition	\$10,000
COL-Community Development	Housing Section 108	\$0
COL-Community Development	Housing HEELP	\$200,000
COL-Community Development	Housing Rehabilitation	\$400,000
COL-Community Development	Sidewalks	\$90,000
COL-Community Development	Demolition	\$25,000

The Public Hearing is available to all persons regardless of disability. If you require special assistance please contact Todd Steelman, 775-2297, or write him at P.O. Box 2000, Lubbock, Texas, 79457, at least 38 hours in advance of the meeting.

ENROLLMENT IS NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR SEWING CLASSES ON TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS FROM 10:00 A.M.-12:00 NOON. EXERCISE CLASSES ARE GOING ON NOW. EXERCISE CLASSES MEET MONDAY 3:00 P.M. AND THURSDAY 2:30 P.M. (the exercise classes are good for people with Arthritis) YOU MAY CALL 747-8732 or 762-3350



Editorials • Comments • Opinions



Make Your Voice Heard!

by Eddie P. Richardson

"Lord, I could only vote, I could make my own choice and make my voice heard." Then along came the poll tax and literacy test. Our cry then was "If I only had the money for the poll tax or "Lord, if I could only read and write, I could vote."

Today, we have none of these examples. But, guess what, we as a Black people still don't vote like we usta!

We moan, We groan. We complain, but yet, we still fail to vote. People, we're mobbed, lynched, hung, Luritized, harassed, intimidated

God, What a Difference!

by Eddie P. Richardson

May 18, 2003, Taylor Rudd did a United Nations goodwill without knowing what he did. He brought together peace, friendship, togetherness with parents without even recognizing it. Rich, poor, Black, white, Hispanic, Asian, and whatever, but babies just babies. Think about it. If babies — some walking, some crawling, some in their mother or father, arms — but babies.

However, none of these babies will lose. They are

all winners. They are God's children as well.

If we can come together as babies, without letting race, creed, color or religion, make a difference in the way we treat each other. Why can't adults get together like these little babies? Why not? Why not?

Our Juneteenth Celebration is the only official Juneteenth Celebration going on in and around the Lubbock area. This is the only one. We have

and even gave our lives and limbs. Even after giving their all and all, we still do not exercise their right as an American to choose our people. We choose to represent us in elected offices. We should vote for someone who represents our values or as close as possible.

On the other hand, we should be as Vigilant on removing from office someone who fails to represent our values and needs, but to remove as well as put in the office. We have to vote the choice is yours. Fail to vote, the choice is theirs. Vote! Vote! Vote! No! Sed! WHY Not?

a State Commissioner, who was appointed by Governor Perry, to carry out the mission of Juneteenth in Texas. So keep in mind, there is only one. He is Eddie P. Richardson. He is the only one in West Texas who represents us in Austin.

We want! WE MUST! We should! We will make this years Juneteenth Celebration a great one. We will celebrate Freedom! It is a Juneteenth Celebration. Let us thank God for the Freedom.

THIS N THAT

VERY GOOD DAY AT NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH! THIS N THAT ... had an opportunity to visit the morning services at the New Hope Baptist Church ... where one of its former members ... DR. SAMUEL METTERS, P. E. ... Chairman and Founder of Metters Industries, Inc. ... McLean, Virginia.... A native of Lubbock, he owns one of the 50 Top Black Businesses in the United States of America.... He was here for the weekend ...and was part of a dedication at New Hope Baptist Church ... last Sunday afternoon.... Many members of the ... METTERS FAMILY ... were present.... including ... MRS. LILLIAN METTERS It was a very good day and one in which will not be forgotten in years to come.... THIS N THAT ... appreciated meeting ... DR. METTERS ... and wishes him the very best No doubt about it it proves that ... GOOD THINGS COME FROM THE BLACK COMMUNITY IN LUBBOCK, TEXAS!

Not only ... was it a very good day for ... Lubbock, Texas and the New Hope Baptist Church ... as well as the Black Community... THIS N THAT ... wishes him the very best.... Our friend and former roommate ... VIRGIL JOHNSON ...presented Dr. Metters to the congregation.... MAE SIMMONS SWIMMING POOL OPENED LAST FRIDAY! THIS N THAT ... hopes those of you who swim ... had an opportunity to visit the ... MAE SIMMONS SWIMMING POOL ... as it was opened last Friday ...May 23rd.... All Lubbock Swimming Pools are open ... TUESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY ... from 1:00 p. m. until 6:00 p. m. Admission is ... \$1.50: children under age 18 ... and ... \$2.00 for adults.... Also ... each Lubbock pool is available for rent ... THURSDAY THRU SUNDAY EVENGS ... from 7:00 p. m. to 9:00 p. m. For more information call ... 775-2673.

A GOOD MAN PASSES AWAY! THIS N THAT ... had an opportunity to visit with a man ... who gave him an opportunity in the 1970 ... a few weeks before he died.... He was ... DR. GROVER E. MURRAY ... former president of Texas Tech University.... THIS N THAT ... was hired to work in the College of Business Administration ... because of the efforts of Dr. Murray.... He advised ... DR. JACK STEEL ... to hire ... and it did happen.... THIS N THAT ... will never forget that kind gesture.... THANKS, DR. GROVER E. MURRAY ... you will be missed....

CONGRATS, TO ALL HIGH SCHOOL GRADS! THIS N THAT ... wants to take this opportunity and wish all the grads of ... 2003 ... for a job well done as they have graduated from high school.... May each of you ... move up the educational ladder ... and reach any goal you are looking for.... You can make things happen in your life ... and don't you forget it.... Set your goals high ... get you a plan to reach the goal ... believe you can make it happen.... CONGRATS ... to all of you.... May you do well! The sky is the limit!

SONIC DRIVE-INN SHOULD BE GETTING CLOSER! THIS N THAT ... will not give up ...because all know that ... THE SONIC DRIVE INN ... to be located at the corner of... EAST 19th STREET & MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BLVD. ... is not long before it will become a reality.... Lets keep the faith ... because it will become a reality.... Some ask the question as why do you keep believing the ... SONIC DRIVE INN ... will become a reality? The answer is simple ... ROD WARREN ... the coordinator of this project ... has told ... THIS N THAT ... it will happen ... and we ... believe it will happen.... Just wait and see!

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: "IF YOU BELIEVE ... in it ... IT ... will happen.... IT WILL HAPPENS." DRIVE CAREFUL! THIS N THAT ... advises that ... PUBLIC SCHOOL IS OUT ... and the school kids will be playing in the area ... So as we go to and fro ... to our jobs or whatever ... just drive with care ... THIS N THAT ... advises these are our ... PRECIOUS CHILDREN! DRIVE CAREFUL!

JUNETEENTH COMMITTEE MEETS EACH THURSDAY NIGHT! THIS N THAT ... advises that the ... EMANCIPATION JUNETEENTH COMMITTEE ... meets each ... THURSDAY EVENING ... at the ... T. J. PATTERSON LIBRARY ... beginning at 7:00 p. m. All ... COMMITTEES ... are functioning ... and many plans are being made... If you want to get involved ... then show up and get involved! GET INVOLVED!



In Cinque

by Renetta W. Howard

After living in Texas for twenty years, with the idea that everything in Texas was the biggest of whatever it was, I find that the state is not really large enough to hold it legislators. The Texas politics have become so great that the great state of Texas cannot hold it all. The legislators had to go to Oklahoma to productively work on issues which affected the citizens of Texas. Their absence from the Capitol put the Texas House at a standstill. Sending state troopers to return them to Texas had no effect either.

There is something about Texas law, reminiscence of the days when the Texas Rangers WERE THE LAW in Texas. That air seems to prevail not only in Texas, but in the United States and the world. Somehow, the Texas air appears to invade the universe as pluperfect.

We have seen how Congress jumped in and passed legislation to support the President from Texas in his drive to declare war on Iraq. We have seen how billions of dollars were appropriated to destroy Saddam Hussein and Iraq, without the sanctions of the United Nations, the organization which legally held the power to make the decision to attack Iraq. We have also seen how Congress is set to provide the billions of dollars to rebuild Iraq.

Just as the United States invaded, attacked and 'conquered' Iraq, without the sanctions of the United Nations, the only organization legally authorized to set up a new government in Iraq, the United States has already gone ahead and put someone in charge. Prime Minister Blair is doing his best to stay in the game, but he has much opposition in the British Parliament. As a matter of fact, some of the key players in Parliament, during the war, who wanted to opt out during the war are now resigning from their posts, stating emphatically,

that only the United Nations has the right, legally, to do what the United States and Britain are trying to do, without that organization.

At the same time, it makes one wonder if the United States' financial obligation to the United Nations, which has not been paid, makes our President feel that the United States is no longer a member and does not need to abide by the laws of that body, whose residence is in New York, in the United States.

On the other hand, why is it so difficult for Congress to pass a tax cut bill for the hard working Americans whose tax dollars, billions of them, too many to count, have paid for a war, now known as 'Mr. Bush's War,' for which too many Americans felt was unnecessary, illegitimate and immoral? The tax cut has passed the House of Representatives and has been sent to the Senate. Who will benefit? It is time for us to get 'in cinque' and let our Congressmen know where OUR Priorities are!



Tammy Bernard, Registered Nurse

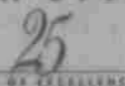
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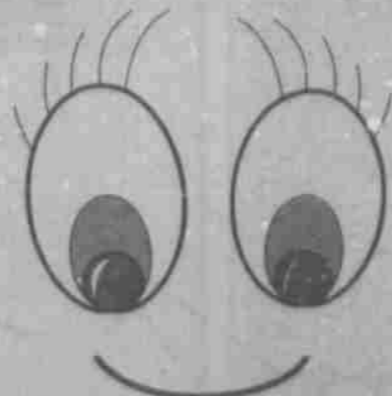
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Comptroller Strayhorn Delivers \$380.9 Million in May Sales Tax Payments to Local Governments

(AUSTIN)—Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn today sent \$380.9 million in monthly sales tax payments to Texas cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, down 0.6 percent compared to May 2002. So far this year, local sales tax revenues are down 1.5 percent compared to the same time period in 2002.

May's sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in March by monthly sales tax filers and in January, February and

March by quarterly sales tax filers, and reported to the Comptroller in April. The state's share of sales tax reported in April was \$1.1 billion, down 0.5 percent compared to a year ago.

"For the first time since the sales tax was enacted in 1961, state revenue from the sales tax is down for the tenth consecutive month. This is unprecedented," Strayhorn said. "We are also going to have another historic unfortunate first in Texas - two

consecutive years of losses in sales tax revenue."

Comptroller Strayhorn sent May sales tax rebates of \$261.9 million to Texas cities, up 0.8 percent compared to May 2002. Texas counties received sales tax rebates of \$21.1 million, up 0.6 percent compared to one year ago. Seventy-six special purpose taxing districts saw their sales tax revenue increase. They received \$10.2 million dollars this month, up 1.3 percent compared to May 2002.

May sales tax allocations dropped for Texas' six metropolitan transit authorities and two city transit systems. They received \$87.6 million in sales tax rebates, down 5.3 percent compared to last May.

For details of May sales tax payments to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales and Use Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's Web site at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.htm

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, June 13.

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SOURCES: Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn (www.window.state.tx.us) and the University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences.

JUNETEENTH COMMITTEE CHALLENGES LUBBOCK CHURCHES & ORGANIZATIONS

The Lubbock Emancipation Juneteenth Committee wants to challenge all churches, graduating classes, clubs, choirs, or any group as well as individuals to join them in the Juneteenth Celebration. All are invited to participate in a Volleyball Competition. There will be first and second place teams who will win a trophy in volleyball.

Team registration fee is only \$25.00 per team. Co-ed members are ten (10) members per team.

In order to register, you may call Mary at (806) 744-3617; Hillary or Deborah at (806) 745-5271; Nathan or Janette at (806) 763-8144 or Sam at (806) 744-8354 or 781-9752.

You may register before June 10, 2003. It is very important we all show community support!

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