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Community Meetings

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

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

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Gospel Fest 2005 promises good faith and good music with guest musicians



Pictured here are Roy "Mr. Malaco" Wooten, Tyrone Porter and The Jackson Southernaires

Gospel Fest 2005 will be held Saturday afternoon, August 20, 2005, at the Holiday Inn, 801 Avenue Q, beginning at 3:00 p. m. Special guest will be The Jackson Southernaires and The Gospel Four.

This event is being sponsored by Each One Reach One and Bridging the Gap, Inc. For more information, call either Faye Brown or Joyce Wright at any of the following numbers: 747-2637, 762-3612 or 783-8373.

"Last year, we were blessed to bring the Williams Brothers and Lee Williams and the Spiritual QC's. Lubbock was truly blessed to have had that opportunity, and we were blessed to have had an opportunity to work for this effort," said Ms Brown.

"This year's effort will make it possible to present a scholarship to a local young person to attend a college or university," says Ms. Wright. "We will continue to bring in these kinds of programs for the people of our community," continued Ms. Wright.

This year's program will bring a new twist for the program. A meal will also be served at this year's event.

"We are looking forward for a great afternoon praising God for this opportunity to worship God in this kind of a forum," continued Ms. Brown. "We are just looking for a shouting good afternoon," she concluded.

"So if you want to come and be with us, then come. Let's come and have a very good afternoon for a great cause in our community," concluded Ms. Wright.

About the Gospel Four:

Original member George Dean was a musical child, raised in a strong Christian home in a rural Tennessee crossroads about 45 minutes from Memphis. A natural-born singer, George also excelled academically and athlet-

cally, and attended Memphis' Lemoynne-Owen College on a musical and athletic scholarship.

Baseball was his sport - in his day, he was a pitcher of some renown, well-respected for the "heat" of his fastball - and Gospel was his music. While he'd fronted Top 40 soul bands through his teen years, as well as being a fixture in his church choir, George felt his heart tugging him toward sacred music and the environment it engendered.

"Gospel has always just made me feel so good," he explains. It's always true and refreshing and the people and places where you perform it are uplifting and inspiring. No other form of music can compete with that."

Fresh out of college, George joined forces with G4's co-founder and only remaining original member, singer John Whitmore, and two other musicians to form what was originally known in longhand as the Gospel Four.

"Gospel music must reach beyond the doors of the church," says George, "and I see no reason that we should limit ourselves. Our children are our future, so I've never stopped listening and watching to see what gets them going. I want to further the Gospel...to gather people from the streets and highways. If that means that I need to make the drums hot and rockin' to get their attention, then that's just fine with me. I believe that's what the Apostle Paul meant when he wrote about being all things to all people in order to win them to Christ."

The Gospel Four's lineup includes George, his brother Littleton Dean and Carl Anthony on lead vocals, supported by singers Tony Mason, Jorgen Jackson and Kendrick Blair. The band consists of Jorgen Jackson on keyboards, Kendrick Blair on

drums, Carl Anthony on guitar and Brandon Anthony on bass.

Although, the Gospel Four began as merely "something fun and worthwhile to do on the weekends", the group's following gradually grew from its strong Memphis base to a regional and then national following, which now finds the Gospel Four doing from 120-200 dates a year at churches, coliseums, and outdoor



Members of the Gospel Four are shown performing their powerful and uplifting music.

festivals as well as philanthropic work in hospitals, nursing homes and numerous charitable institutions.

While humbly giving all credit and praises to the Lord, George also readily sites the rich musical heritage of the group's hometown as a major contributor to the G4's growth and popularity.

George states "Memphis

music-whatever style-just plain sounds good. I have been inspired by Memphis and its musicians my entire life. They strive for excellence, therefore, they have longevity. And if you're going to play anything in Memphis, you had better be very, very good at it or you won't be asked to come back. We consider it mandatory and work hard to fine tune and perfect our sound. The message is not even going to be heard if the harmony, the blend, and the band are not totally tight. As long as we're on this earth, striving to grow and improve as musicians in particular, and as human beings in general, is our greatest purpose. Music is our joy, and we take and give great pleasure in what we do. But at the end of the day, we are committed to listen out for the Lord, and when He speaks, to follow Him. He'll take us in the right direction. He always has and he always will."

About the Jackson Southernaires:

By Gregg Johnson (SHS)

The Jackson Southernaires have a long history of musical training and awards that have made them one of the best gospel groups in Mississippi. This group contains five members: Huey Williams, Roger Bryant Jr., Maurice Surrell, James Burks and

same way as the Mississippi Blind Boys. They began singing at an early age and did a lot of performing around their hometown. The Jackson Southernaires was the first gospel group to use bass, drums, keyboard and guitar in Mississippi.

The Jackson Southernaires have signed many recording contracts during their singing career. They signed their first contract with Duke/Peacock Records in 1963. Too Late was one of the top recording albums on this label. Later on, the Jackson Southernaires signed a contract with the ABC/Dunhill Label. Save My Child and Look Around were the top two albums on this record label in 1972-75. In 1975 the Jackson Southernaires signed a recording contract with Malaco Records. Every album that was released by this record label reached national acclaim. In 1989 they released an album On The Third Day, which was one of their best albums

The Jackson Southernaires had their own radio show for forty-three years, and they also hosted their own television show called Gospel Unlimited. The Jackson Southernaires were nominated for the Stellar Award in 1985 and 1986 and finally won the award in 1989. The Jackson Southernaires received a Grammy nomination for Thank You Mama in 1991.

MLK widow hospitalized in Atlanta

Blacknews.com/ATLANTA - Civil rights matriarch Coretta Scott King was admitted to a hospital for an unspecified condition Tuesday and was resting comfortably, a hospital official said. King, 78, the widow of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., went to an emergency room Tuesday morning, Piedmont Hospital spokeswoman Diana Lewis said. Lewis didn't elaborate on the reason for the hospitalization.

King has canceled recent public appearances, raising concerns about her health.

At a ceremony paying tribute

to the King family at the Georgia State Capitol on June 30, her son Martin Luther King III said his mother was "doing well" and was only abiding by her doctor's orders to limit her activities. He refused to give additional details.

"I had a feeling, based on her cancellation of several events, that she wasn't doing well," state Rep. Tyrone Brooks, president of the Georgia Association of Black Elected Officials, said Tuesday. "I have been praying for Mrs. King every day and I urge Atlanta, Georgia, the nation and the world to pray for her."

The Alabama-born Coretta

Scott was studying voice at the New England Conservatory of Music when a friend introduced her to King, a young Baptist minister working toward a Ph.D. at Boston University. They married in 1953.

They had four children, and she was a supportive lieutenant to her husband during the most tumultuous days of the American civil rights movement.

After his assassination in Memphis, Tenn., in 1968, she continued his work, founding the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change the following year.

Notice to home delivery customers

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The Southwest Digest

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



Chatman Hills Corner

By Doris Reynolds

Well, the school bells have rung again, and more than 28,000 young people have gone back to Lubbock Independent School Districts facilities. Also, there are hundreds who are either being home schooled or the many private schools in our community. So when you are driving to and from your work or business, take an extra look while driving. You see, these young people are really happy about going back to school. Remember when we were as they are, just happy to see our many friends, talk about we did during the summer vacation or even show off our new clothes. Oh, yes, we can remember. So please be extra careful. These are our precious little people.

The Nurses Ministry of New Hope Baptist Church will be meeting Saturday afternoon, August 20, 2005, beginning at 4:00 p. m. Minister Cheryl Martin is president.

It is almost that time when many of our ladies of the community will be attending the Annual Women's Prayer Retreat August 26 & 27, 2005 at the Ark in Amherst, Texas. The theme will be "When the

Holy Spirit Comes!" acts 2:1-4. The clinician will be Rev. Theolia McClendon of the Gethsemane Baptist Church in San Angelo, Texas.

For more information, call either Sister Joan Y. Ervin at 763-0853 or Sister Mattie Beaty at 762-1028.

The Men and Women's Annual Day will be held at the New Hope Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon, September 18, 2005, beginning at 3:30 p. m.

The public is invited to attend.

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is he "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. B. R. Moton is pastor. If you are looking for a church home, then come by and visit with our membership.

Services began last Sunday morning, August 14, 2005, with Meditation and Prayer. The Prajse Team did another marvelous presentation singing God's praises. Minister Martin read the morning scripture, and Minister McCutcheon offered the morning prayer.

The morning selections were sung by the new Hope

Choir. Pastor Moton delivered the morning sermon. His subject was "Can I Get A True Witness?" His scripture text was St. John 5:25. We should be a true witness in the eyes of the Father.

After an invitation to discipleship, the morning announcements were read by Sister Anna Chatman. Brother Johnnie Martin welcomed all the visitors.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in citizens. Among those who are ill this week include Sister Callie Price, who is a patient at Covenant Medical Center. Sister Saundra McKerzie is still recuperating nicely at her residence. Word comes, that Brother George Scott is still recuperating at his residence. Let us keep praying for those who have lost loved ones. Let them know that God is able, no matter what condition we are in at this time.

This column is still looking for news about activities happening in your family, school or church. Let us hear from you about what is happening. Send it to this column: c/o Southwest Digest, P. O. Box 2553, Lubbock, Texas 79408.

In Remembrance

John Willie Carroll

Funeral services for a longtime resident, John Willie Carroll, were held Friday morning, August 12, 2005, at the Parkway Church of Christ.

Arrangements were under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Mr. Carroll passed away here at his residence Saturday, August 6.

He is survived by five sons: Donny J. of St. Louis, Mo., Durrall W. of Rio Rancho, N. M., Dennis C. of Missouri City, Texas, David E. of Atlanta, Georgia and Douglas K. of Fort Worth, Texas; 17 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and a host of nephews, nieces and friends.

Lee Roy Hicks

Another longtime resident of Lubbock, Lee Roy Hicks, was funeralized last Saturday morning, August 13, 2005, at the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church with Rev. Wendell Davis, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in Resthaven Memorial Park under the directions of Resthaven Funeral Home.

He passed away Tuesday, August 9, 2005. He was 85.

Mr. Hicks was born July 12, 1920, to the late Henry and Laura Hicks in Calvert, Texas. He confessed a hope in Christ at an early age. He was a member of Lyons Chapel Baptist Church where he served as deacon for several years before his health failed.

In 1946, he served in World War II as a sharpshooter the U. S. Army. He was employed with Purina Mills for over 30 years before his retirement.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Rosie Bell; a son, Lee Roy, Jr.; two sisters, Mary Laymond and Willie Mae Woodward; and two brothers, Frank and Jonas Hicks.

He is survived by his loving

wife, Pearl Hicks; two sisters, Katie Hicks and Mattie Duke; two brothers, Bennie Hicks, all of Lubbock, Texas and Lee Andrew Hicks (Gert) of Phoenix, Arizona; a son, Lee Hicks (Billie); four daughters: Flossie Davis, Gloria Nash, Evelyn Hicks and Rosie Prigg (Ronnie); nine grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren; and a host of relatives and friends.

Norvice Joiner

Services for Norvice Joiner were held Saturday afternoon, August 13, 2005, at Agape Temple Church of God in Christ.

Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow, Texas under the direction of Griffin Mortuary.

Mrs. Joiner passed away Sunday, August 7, 2005, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. She was 91 years of age.

She is survived by two sons, Albert J. Patterson and John Joiner; three daughters: Hattie Walls, Arsenia Adams, and Ernestine Barrett; three sisters: Hattie Sanders, Janie Price and Lottie Berry.

Ollie Lee Boozer Robinson

Funeral services for Ollie Lee Boozer Robinson were held Friday afternoon, August 12, 2005, at Agape Church of God in Christ.

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

She was born August 24, 1929 in Centerville, Texas. She became a Christian at a very early age uniting with Hopeful Methodist Church, where she was a very active member; using her talent of expression. She met and married the late C. D. Robinson, and they raised a daughter. Upon moving to Lubbock, she became a mem-

ber of Christ Temple COGIC under the leadership of the late Superintendent W. David Haynes.

"Miss Ollie" as she was known, led a full and rich life. She was employed at the Osteopathic Hospital where she was one of the first black nursing assistants. She retired from the Lubbock State School after 20 year of working with the handicapped. She specifically worked with those who were deaf and blind. After her retirement, she returned to the Lubbock State School as a foster grand-parent.

She was a member of the Christ Temple COGIC where she served as secretary of the Mother's Board and was instrumental to the success of many fundraising events.

She is survived by a daughter, Ola Jean Braxton (Ronald, Sr.) of Sacramento, California; two grandsons, Ronald Braxton, Jr. of Frankfurt, Germany and Cedric D. Robinson of Lubbock, Texas; two great-grandchildren, Haley and Turner Braxton of Yakima, Washington; two sisters, Rossie Johnson Strong of Lubbock, Texas and Rae Battles of Fort Worth, Texas; a brother, Poy Boozer (Ruby Jewel) of Fort Worth, Texas; a very special niece, Bella Marie Becks, who was always by her side; and over 300 other nieces, nephews, and cousins who cherished her; also friends, co-workers and people who knew her day o day as a sincere, hard working, compassionate friend to all

Nellie Scott

Funeral services for Nellie Scott were held Monday afternoon, August 15, 2005, at the Griffin Mortuary.

Burial was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary and Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Mrs. Scott passed away Wednesday, August 10, 2005, in Lubbock Hospitality Rehabilitation Center.

She is survived by two sons, Howard Bartee and wife Katie Faye and Tommie Lee Bartee.

Greater St. Luke Missionary hosts homecoming

The Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church, 306 E. 26th Street, has announced that the church will host their 22nd Annual Home Coming Celebration, Sunday, August 21, 2005 at 11:00 a.m.

The Theme for this year is taken from Psalm 11:3 - "If the foundations be destroyed, what

can the righteous do?"

Special guest will be the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, TX, Rev. R. L. Castle, Pastor.

Color selection for the occasion is red and white. Everyone is welcome!

Rev. J.R. Ford, pastor of Greater St. Luke Missionary

Baptist Church is proud to make this announcement and hopes everyone will be able to make it to the celebration.

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by Shirley Roberson
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FASHION TIP: Always wear a smile!
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Church News



We Thank God for Jesus God's signs - Are they on your mind? Part 2

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

Timothy 3:1-5 - This know that in the last days, perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of themselves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemous, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, hearty, high-minded, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness, but denying the power hereof, from such turn away.

Lord, even when you give us the warnings of the coming of your time. Many can see all these things happening around them and pay them no mind!!!

Luke 12:54-56 - Jesus said, when you see a cloud rise out of the west, straight way you say, there cometh a shower, and so it is. And when you see the south wind blow, you say, there will be heat; and it comes to pass. Ye, hypocrites, you can discern of the sky and of the earth, but how I it that you do not discern this time?

Many know that trusting in the government has turned out to be a no - no. You said, know the tree by its fruits. And America is on a big down hill roll!

Micah 7:2-3 - The good

man is perished out of the earth, and there is none upright among men. They all lie, I wait for the blood. They hunt every man his brother with a net. That they may do evil; with both hands earnestly, the prince asks, The judge asks for a reward, and the great man, he utters his mischievous desire. So they wrap it up.

Lord, your word said there is nothing new under the sun. Cain killing Abel. America is passing out crack-cocaine like it's food on the children's table.

***** The War Is At Home, Free God's Children From The Drugs!! *****

Lord, we step out of your will to do our own thing, and it is our way. This American land was prosperous, but it's full of chemicals this very day!!!

Psalms 21:1-2 - Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together against the Lord, and against his anointed.

It was the leaders who let the Devil remove your name from the schools. Now the streets are wild with those heathens. I ask now, who is he fool?

Romans 1:21-22 - Because that, when they (The Church)

knew God. They glorified him not as God. Neither were thankful, but became vain in their imaginations (dreamers), and their foolish heart became darkened, professing themselves to be wise. They (The Church) became fools.

Lord, that lying Preacher that said death was upon him, and was to come. He got millions of dollars. But you said, no man knows, not even the Son!!

Matthew 24:15 - Jesus said, when you therefore shall the abomination of desolation, spoken for by Daniel the prophet, standing in the Holy Place, who read it. Let him understand.

Lord, we have the last day mockers, seeing, visions, and not lifting your name. Getting messages from you in visions, not from the Bible, Shame! Shame! Shame!

Revelation 2:7a - Jesus said, he that hath an ear, let him hear what the spirit said unto the churches.

Galatians 6:7-8 - Be not deceived, God is not mocked. Whatsoever a man sows, that shall he also reap. For he that sows to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption. But he that sows to the spirit shall of the spirit reap life everlasting.



From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith Relocation to City Cemetery

To my readers, please allow me to complete my view of an intellectual, ultra conservative pseudo African American male (Thomas Sowell) whose columns appears in the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal at a later date. The issue at hand is the "relocation of the entrance to the City of Lubbock Cemetery."

Let me begin by saying that the City of Lubbock Cemetery does not belong to one section of the city. Nor does it belong to one senior citizen protester or some new funeral director of a new funeral home on the West 19th Street. It belongs to the tax paying homeowners, the tax paying business, etc. The people who are responsible for maintaining the cemetery are the hired help. The hired help does not call the "shots." Hired means what it says. The elected City Council persons are there to represent the citizens of Lubbock and not to be opinionated. Opinionated is defined by Merriam-Wester's 11th Collegiate as "unduly adhering to one's own opinion or to preconceived notions."

The funeral director on West 19th Street was alleged to have said that he heard some little old widows have said they will not go to the City of Lubbock Cemetery in the evening. The reason being "they would be afraid to go out there at night because of what they've heard about the neighborhood." I wonder if they have listened to the tapes of the late Red Foxx. The people in Aruba and

the world heard two people of African descent were arrested for killing a Caucasian Alabama teenage girl when in fact they have something that smell on their face because a Dutch Caucasian male from a prominent family is the alleged culprit. These little old bridge players need to understand that people of multiethnic groups, economic and professionals live in the proximity of the entrance to the City of Lubbock Cemetery.

I am trying to contain myself because I hear the drums of Africa and I feel the fire of the part of my African ancestry burning my soul. I feel the spirit of my Native American ancestry saying they have taken my land, will you let one old distraught male senior citizen mourner who has had life go the way he wanted it to all of his days arouse a community on misinformation and disturb my spirit.

The residents of the Dunbar-Manhattan Heights neighborhood that guards Lubbock Cemetery are commended for taken a stand and not letting one little old man who says the sight is "ugly and unsightly" have his freaking way as they or known to have.

It is insulting to the people who live near the entrance to have the editorial page of the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal print "As the funeral procession bearing his beloved wife of 50 years made its way to the burial site, Mr. Scoggin's depression at the loss of his soulmate was further deepened by the dilapidated conditions that came into view during the drive

there on July 22,04. The retired engineer vividly remembers the entry being difficult to find. The route is crazy and twisted," he says. "The short drive into the cemetery is depressing." The entry dishonors all those who are buried."

This writer took a look among many looks at the entrance and its surrounding this week. Yes, the houses are not like those in Lakeridge. Yes, the houses could be refurbished. However, that takes money. In addition, more than likely the people in those houses cannot afford to do a major renovation. If the good Bible packing Christian really wants to be like Jesus, they can donate their time, effort and finance in helping these poor people brighten up the entrance. Anyone can be a hypocrite.

Instead of the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal suggesting the City Council members give serious consideration to Mr. Scoggin's modest proposal and deciding whether it is the best interest of our community as a whole to relocate the City of Lubbock entrance to a setting that enhances the neighborhood and honors those buried there - they need to find out the real reason and purpose and who pushed this lone senior citizen male into wanting a change.

Surely the people from the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal have read Alexander Pope's "An Essay on Criticism": "Fools rush in where angels fear to tread."

Outreach Prayer Breakfast

We believe that this needs to be passed on to our readers.

God in the Classroom

A lady asked why God let things happen. And another lady profoundly responded. She said "I believe that God is deeply saddened by this, just as we are, but for years we've been telling God to get out of our schools, to get out of our government and to get out of our lives. And being the gentleman that He is, I believe that He has calmly backed out. How can we expect God to give us His blessing and His protection if we demand that He leave us alone?"

I know there have been a lot of emails going around in regard to 9/11/01, but this really makes you think. If you don't have time, at least skim through it, but the bottom line is something to think about ... in light of recent events ... Terrorists attack, school shootings, etc.

Let's see, I think it started when Madeline Murray O'Hare (she was murdered, her body was found recently) complained she didn't want any prayer in our schools, and we said OK.

Then, someone said you better not read the Bible in school ... the Bible that says thou shalt not kill, thou shalt not steal, and love your neighbor as yourself.

And we said, OK.

Then, Dr. Benjamin Spock said we shouldn't spank our children when they misbehave because their little personalities would be warped and we might damage their self-esteem (Dr. Spock's son committed suicide), and we said, an expert should know what he's talking about so we said OK.

Then, someone said teachers and principals better not discipline our children when they misbehave. And the school administrators said no faculty member in this school better touch a student when they misbehave because we don't want any bad publicity, and we surely don't want to be sued. (There's a big difference between disciplining and touching, beating, smacking, humiliating, kicking, etc.) And we said OK.

Then, someone said, let's let our daughters have abortions if they want, and they won't even have to tell their parents. And we said, OK.

Then some school board member said, since boys will be boys and they're going to do it anyway, let's give our sons all the condoms they want, so they can have all the fun they desire, and we won't have to tell their parents they got them at school. And we said, "O.K."

Then, some of our top elected officials said it doesn't matter what we do in private as long as we do our jobs. And agreeing with them, we said it doesn't matter to me what anyone, including the President, doesn't private as long as I have a job and the economy is good.

And then, someone else took that appreciation one step further and published pictures of nude children and then stepped further still by making them available on the internet. And we said, OK, They're entitled to their free speech.

And then the entertainment industry said, let's make TV shows and movies that promote profanity, violence, and illicit sex. And let's record music that encourages rape, drugs, murder, suicide, and satanic themes. And we said, it's just entertainment, it has no adverse effect, and nobody takes it seriously anyway, so go right ahead.

Thanks for reading, Precious People, and keep praying. We can make a difference. To all hurting and bereaved people, **Christ is the Answer!**

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christine Burleson, vice president; Sister Elnora Jones, teacher; and Sister Rosanna Henderson, treasurer.

Blind gospel singer releases new album



Peter

Now Neville Peter releases a heartfelt collection of hymns appropriately titled, Simply Hymn Volume One.

This collection is the perfect meditation and quiet time accompaniment. Included on Simply Hymn Volume One are the classics "Great Is Thy Faithfulness", "Near the Cross" and "Amazing Grace". "Tis so Sweet to Trust in

Jesus" is the focus single and debut video.

This project will lift you into the presence of God and fill your soul with his precious peace. Neville Peter has arranged Simply Hymn Volume One beautifully and it promises to be a blessing to all who experience it.

The CD was released on August 9.

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St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Sunday morning, August 14, 2005, was another great day in the Lord at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street.

The morning services began with Sunday School beginning at 10:10 a. m. Sunday School Superintendent Lucella Harris was in charge. She taught the Sunday School lesson, "Hope For Healing." The lesson was reviewed by Rev. Edward Canady, pastor.

Deacon Edward Williams and Brother Herman Wilson were in charge of the morning devotions. The spirit was very high.

The St. Matthew Baptist Church Choir was at their post of duty as usual singing God's praises out of their souls and hearts. Praise God for our Choir!

The morning message was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "Take It To Jesus." His scripture text was St. Mark 9:14-19. What a wonderful sermon it was for all in attendance.

Our sick and shut-in list includes Jerry Timmons, Sister Bolden and Sister Ethel Williams. May God continue to bless each of them.

The St. Matthew Baptist Church 1st Men and Women's Day program will be held Sunday afternoon, August 21, 2005, beginning at 3:30 p. m. The theme is "Becoming Somebody!" St. Luke 1:2. Special guest will be The Voices of Faith.

Topics for the program will be: (1) - "Made Over Again" John

3:7- Deacon Harold McGruder; (2) - "What Is Life For?" John 10:10 - Sister Christine Tullah; (3) - "Let Us Live While We Are Alive" - Matthew 6:34 - Rev. Monty Smith; and (4) "Count Your Blessings" Luke 22:49 - Sister Pauline White, Pastor Edward Canady will give the summary.

Your presence will be greatly appreciated!

Thought For The Week: "What you do with Jesus now determines what He will do with you later."

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“Chowdown for Charity” to raise funds for Lubbock charities



Football Autograph Day, is a recipe for success.

“On Friday, Aug. 26, from 5-9 p.m. at Jones SEC Stadium, local organizations and businesses, the University, the media, and the people of Lubbock can come together with the common goal of supporting our community,” said White. “I want to thank the other presenting sponsors, Covenant Health Systems and the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, as well as Texas Tech and Coach Leach, for helping bring this idea to life.”

THE CHOWDOWN

The Lubbock ChowDown for Charity is a community barbecue cook-off designed to raise money for local charities including the United Way.

On Friday, Aug. 26, from 5-9 p.m., 20 cooking teams representing local community groups and businesses will converge in the Jones SEC Stadium's east parking lot at 4th and University in a heated battle for the title “Best Barbecue.” Texas Tech Football Coach Mike Leach will serve as the cook-off's Barbecue Boss (head judge), and the estimated 5,000 attendees will enjoy good food, live music by Bo Garza, a pep rally by the Texas Tech Cheerleaders and Pom Squad, and other family-friendly entertainment and activities including bounce

houses, a rock-climbing wall, a Cotton King's hockey rink, and face-painting.

Advance tickets to the ChowDown will be sold by participating charities and teams who are cooking on behalf of a charity. Tickets will also be sold at the door, benefiting the local chapter of the United Way. Priz. money, totaling \$24,000, will benefit each winning team's charity. Award categories include:

Best Brisket: First Place \$4,000; Second Place \$2,000; Third Place \$1,000

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Best Ribs: First Place \$4,000; Second Place \$2,000; Third Place \$1,000

Best Theme*: First Place \$2,000; Second Place \$1,000

*judged on cooking area decoration and cooking team costumes

ChowDown tickets are \$5 and available at the door, or in advance at any PlainsCapital Bank location or at the United Way. For more information call 795-7131.

THE AUTOGRAPHS

At 7 p.m., the stadium doors open to let fans on the field where the entire Red Raider football team and coaching staff will be on-hand for autographs and photos. Free

posters will be available or fans can bring their own memorabilia. There is no charge for admittance.

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Barbecue cook-off fundraiser joins Red Raider Football Autograph Day on August 26; PlainsCapital's Alan B. White realizes vision of unique event to benefit local organizations

As a business leader and an individual, PlainsCapital Corporation chairman and CEO, Alan B. White, believes there is nothing more important than giving back to the community. And while he has consistently given both time and funds to numerous community organizations and Texas Tech University, his preference is to generate excitement that encourages others to contribute as well.

And the bigger - and more fun - the better.

That's why he believes his idea to create the inaugural Lubbock ChowDown for Charity and combine it with the annual Red Raider

Grant named preseason Wooden Award candidate

Texas Tech senior standout Erin Grant has been chosen as one of the 30 preseason candidates for the 2005-06 Women's Wooden Award presented by Applied Materials. The list is composed of 30 student-athletes who, based on last year's individual performance and team records, are the early frontrunners for college basketball's most coveted trophy.

Grant, a native of Arlington, Texas, is currently a member of the USA team competing at the Women's World University Games in Izmir, Turkey. Last season, the All-Big 12 first team selection became Texas Tech's career leader in assists with 661. Tech's point guard is on pace to set the Big 12 career record this season after leading the conference in assists per game at 7.03 in 2005. The two-time Academic All-Big 12 first team honoree graduated from Tech this past May with a double major in marketing and general business in just three years.

These top 30 candidates are comprised of returning players, although transfers, freshmen and other players who excel throughout the season will be evaluated and considered for both the Midseason Top 20 list and the National Ballot.

In mid-January, the Wooden Award Committee will release the Midseason Top 20 List, followed in March by the official voting ballot, consisting of approximately 15 top players who have proven to their universities that they are also mak-

ing progress toward graduation and maintaining a cumulative 2.0 GPS. The 2006 Award ceremony, which will include the presentation of the Men's and Women's Wooden Award, the Wooden Award All-American Teams and the Legends of Coaching Award, will be held at The Los Angeles Athletic Club on April 8, 2006, and will be broadcast live on a national CBS telecast. The top five male and female finalists will be invited to Los Angeles for the Awards ceremony and will receive a contribution from the John R. Wooden Award Scholarship Fund in their name to their university's general scholarship fund.

For more information on the John R. Wood Award, visit www.WoodenAward.com

2005-06 Wooden Award

Preseason Top 30 Candidates

Seimone Augustus, LSU, Nikki Blue, UCLA, Lindsay Bowen, Michigan State, Jazz Covington, Louisville, Monique Currie, Duke Jessica Davenport, Ohio State, Shay Doron, Maryland, Megan Duffy, Notre Dame, Candice Dupree, Temple, Emily Faurholt, Idaho, Sylvia Fowles, LSU, Katie Gearlds, Purdue, Erin Grant, Texas Tech, Tasha Humphrey, Georgia, Tiffany Jackson, Texas, Tamara James, Miami, Crystal Langhorne, Maryland, Erlana Larkins, North Carolina, Ivory Latta, North Carolina, Shawntinice Polk, Arizona, Cappie Pondexter, Rutgers Armintie Price, Mississippi, Noelle

Quinn, UCLA, Khara Smith, DePaul, Kim Smith, Utah, Ann Strother, Connecticut, Barbara Turner, Connecticut, Candice Wiggins, Stanford, Mistie Williams, Duke, Sophia Young, Baylor

Coalition for Literacy

The Lubbock Area Literacy Coalition is happy to host an adult dyslexia program by Dallas Scottish Rite educator Lois McCook at the Mahon Library on August 27 from 9 am - 12 pm. Her program will offer help with many of the areas inherent in teaching an adult to read, including some background on the characteristics of dyslexia, the prerequisite skills required for learning to read and the challenge of teaching adults to read.

Afterwards, from 1-3 p.m., Ms. McCook will educate those who are interested in becoming tutors or small classroom facilitators in the Literacy Coalition Dyslexia Program.

Regular tutor training for the Literacy Coalition will be held two weeks later, September 10, at the Mahon Library. Please call 775-3636 for information on either session.

Happy Anniversary!

Congratulations to
T.J. and Bobbie Jean Patterson
on 47 years of marriage!

Tech senior runs to second place finish

Texas Tech senior sprinter Andrae Williams ran the third leg of the Bahamas 4x400M relay that finished in second place at the World Championships in Helsinki, Finland, this weekend. Williams, a 2005 Indoor Big 12 Champion and three-time All-American, Nathaniel McKinney,

Avard Moncur and Christopher Brown clocked a time of 2:57.32 en route to their silver finish. The team finished in second place behind the American squad that clocked a time of 2:56.91 and included former Big 12 and Baylor fies Jeremy Wariner and Darold Williamson.

Also running in the same event was former Tech sprinter Jubileon Raeburn, of Trinidad and Tobago. Raeburn, a three-time All-American, ran the second leg of their relay.

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LET'S BE CAREFUL IN DRIVING IN SCHOOL ZONES! THIS N THAT wants to remind all of us who are driving to and fro in the various **SCHOOL ZONES**, to be extremely careful as these little people are glad to be back at school. They have just returned from their summer vacation and are just excited, so let's be very careful! This can't be said too much. Since school has begun, it should be a great time to visit our schools in the community. Just go by and see what is going on this new school year. These young people are always glad to see some of us stop by and let them know we are on their side. Just do it today!

SUPPORT THE 2005 GOSPEL FEST! THIS N THAT is asking for you to take time this Saturday afternoon, August 20, 2005 and support the Second Annual **GOSPEL FEST 2005**. This year's Fest will be held at the Holiday Inn at 801 Avenue Q and will begin at 3:00. Special guests will include **THE JACKSON SOUTHERNAIRES & THE GOSPEL FOUR**. It should be an afternoon of praise for all in attendance. Dinner will be served. For more information, contact either **FAYE BROWN** or **JOYCE WRIGHT** at 747-2637 or 783-8373. Sure, there is a lot going on this time of the year, but why not go by and support a pro-

gram which will award a scholarship to a worthy young person. Come and see the special presentation. Also appearing on the program will be **PASTOR J. J. JOHNSON** pastor of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, and **ISABELL LUNA**, who will be singing out of their hearts and souls.

BLACK FOLKS, LET'S GET IT TOGETHER MORE! **THIS N THAT** is asking that we as **BLACK FOLK** would do more to keep **UNITY** among us. Sure, we have come a mighty long way, and we must keep in mind that it was only by the goodness of our **GOD** that we were able to climb higher heights. Helping us along the way were the **BLACK PIONEERS** in the community, with many who could not even read or write, but always wanted things much better for us today. When one sees so many negative things toward each other, it makes one wonder if we really knew how we got to where we are today. Those pioneers didn't have all the luxuries of life, but they worked together for the betterment of the masses. **THIS N THAT**, after moving to Lubbock in 1958, noticed that churches, regardless of the name and the kind of program they were sponsoring, were supported by other churches - regardless of the denomination. Some would argue that Lubbock has grown, and that would be hard to do

again as it was in those days. Maybe so, but at least churches could communicate with each other more. So you see, in those days, **BLACKS** had a hard row to hoe, but it appears as though we **SUPPORTED EACH OTHER MORE**. Wouldn't it be nice to go back to some of the principles we had in those days? There were just some things we dare not do in the midst of each other, but today, it is fair game to do what we want to do without concern for our neighbors. So, you see why our young, in some cases, disregard doing the right thing. All **THIS N THAT** is asking why don't we come together more and be willing to help each other more - even supporting those programs in our community that are working for the benefits of our children. Will you be willing to serve as a **COMMITTEE OF ONE** (with you as the chairperson) to pass the word that we need more **UNITY** among us as **BLACK FOLK**. Will you help?? Hope so!

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARNBER SAYS: "If we as **BLACK FOLK** just think how much more we can accomplish for all of us. If we just **STAY TOGETHER**, then no mountain is **TOO HIGH** for us to climb."
VISIT A SCHOOL TODAY!! THIS N THAT is still asking as many as can to visit a school this week. What a **GOOD THING TO DO!!**



Think About It!

We Must Get Along to Live Together

by Eddie P. Richardson

The old saying goes: "You can't live in this world alone" or "We need each other!" A City Council member from one of the surrounding communities made this statement to this writer recently: "What has happened to Lubbock lately? TML Regional meetings used to be coordinated by the City of Lubbock. Now they are apparently being coordinated by the South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG)." It hurts to see all the hard work past Lubbock City Councils have made to the Texas Municipal League (TML) go down the drain. Many years have been thrown away. There were three TML presidents, namely: Alan Henry, Joan Baker, and T.J. Patterson. This spoke highly of Lubbock.

You can't put your self in a box, especially when you reside west of I-35 and survive. What is

so bad, we are getting negative vibes from surrounding counties and towns. They are saying how selfish, arrogant and unfriendly we (Lubbock) appear. They have told this writer that some of the Lubbock City Council members appear to display an arrogant posture. This writer had the unfortunate fate of being present in a meeting of people from 15 surrounding counties, and was hurt by some of their opinions made by some of the remarks made by our City Council members. Even the recent letter in the *Avalanche-Journal* had a valid point.

Humility never hurts anyone. We pray our Lubbock City Council will humble itself and work with our surrounding neighbors and friends for the good of all of us.

We need to really remove this image, especially with the Lubbock Giant promotion which is

pushing the positive aspects of Lubbock. No doubt about it, the initiative must come from the Lubbock City Council. Remember, Lubbock is the 'Hub of the South Plains of Texas.' We must get along and draw our neighbors in and not brush them out for all of us to make it. Humility works; arrogance and self interest stink. Our elected officials must remember they are servants of the people, to be used by the people, but not abused by the people; servants not masters.

My good friend, Al Edwards, State Representative, Houston, told me recently: "As an elected official, we do not own these offices. The people do and the people can fire us anytime they chose."

Thought of the Week: "Think before you speak; look before you leap!"
Nuf Sed! Why Not?

MegaFest is "MegaSnub" to Black press

T.D. Jakes is more talk than action

By Maynard Eaton
The Atlanta Voice

ATLANTA (NNPA)-Talk is cheap and, apparently, so too is renowned television minister Bishop T. D. Jakes. In June, Jakes who has been dubbed "America's Best Preacher" by TIME magazine, pledged a partnership with the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA), a federation of more than 200 Black newspapers.

But when his MegaFest 2005, one of the largest religious conferences ever, rolls into Atlanta this week with an estimated 150,000 people in attendance not one single dime will have been spent with Atlanta's Black press.

"We got nothing, he's not spending anything with Black newspapers," says Cheryl Major, advertising and marketing director

for The Atlanta Voice. The appeals for advertising from the likes of robust publications such as the Voice, the Atlanta Daily World, the Atlanta Inquirer and the six other Black-owned metro Atlanta newspapers fell on deaf ears despite Jakes having said recently at the NNPA's Chicago convention, "Today is the beginning of a reconciliation between the Black church and the Black press."

"I'm not surprised at anyone who gives lip service to supporting the African-American press financially, it's disheartening because the snub is coming from one of the most charismatic ministers to come along in my lifetime," says Jim Washington, publisher of the Dallas Weekly and president of The Atlanta Voice.

"We have a history of people who happen to look like us that support what we stand for, appreciate the service we provide and read our paper but who disappear when it comes down to putting their money where their mouth is. It's a legacy of ignorance."

While other media outlets -

including black-owned and black-formatted radio - got paid for advertising - black newspapers were only offered free tickets to Mega-Fest entertainment events in exchange for their advertising space.

NNPA President John Smith, publisher of the Inquirer, found that slight to be insulting both to his membership and, particularly, to his Atlanta contemporaries. He is fuming.

"As far as MegaFest is concerned they only come to us for PR, everything else is an afterthought," Smith complains. "For the most part in a commercial venue and in terms of having a whole marketing plan for the black entrepreneurs and business people that is not happening. They come into our communities and for the most part they leave us as an economic island."

Smith also says that Bishop Jakes cannot pass the buck nor plead ignorance to this issue. "This has been brought to Bishop Jakes' attention. He is aware of it because I talked to him myself."

In Cinque

by Renetta Howard

Technology has come so far now that practically everyone capable of talking on the telephone and having possession of a cellular telephone, has one. Some people need a telephone for their employment and some own one as a luxury item, to talk to their friends whenever they feel the urge, or to listen to music, take pictures or send pictures and text messages to family and friends.

Whatever the reason for having a cellular telephone there are usually some quirks regarding the method in which the telephone is secured and the type of telephone which one possesses. There are prepaid telephones wherein one has to purchase a certain number of minutes per month to keep the telephone active. Then there is the prepaid telephone with which you can make calls but no one can return your call or speak to you unless you call them. Then there is the account where you have to sign up for a minimum of two years for a certain number of minutes per day and pay premium charges for calls which exceed the allotted number allowable.

The contracts outlining your obligations to the telephone com-

pany are not precise except to make sure you are aware that if you break the contract that you are liable for a sum of \$250.00 or more. These contracts also state the period of time for which the contract is in force, but they want you to give them a thirty (30) day notice to end the contract. They want this notice in writing and your notice serves as the date from which they count the 30 days. So, if you advise them on July 25 that you wish to end their service on the date that the contract expires, say for instance on August 11, your account will not be cancelled until August 24, an additional thirteen days you are expected to pay for the cellular telephone service. In essence, the company continues your contract on a month to month basis, which may not be satisfactory to you. Of course the contract states that the company can cancel service to you when they see fit and if for any reason you fail to pay the monthly fee, they will cancel and turn your account over to a collection agency, even for the days past the contract that you do not want.

Talkers need to beware of the double talk in cellular telephone contracts which they sign. One



would believe that when a contract has a specified time period and you give notice that you no longer want the service when the contract expires, that it would be cancelled at that time with no further repercussions, but the telephone companies use their mandatory early notification as a means by which to collect funds not due them. It is time that we get 'in cinque' and find out what the Federal Communications Commission and the Interstate Commerce Commission has to say about it.

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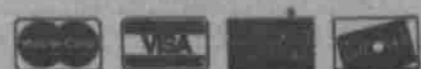
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Women's Protective Services to host 6th Annual Tractor Raffle

Women's Protective Services of Lubbock, Inc. will host the 6th Annual John Deere Tractor Raffle at 7 p.m. August 20 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. A reverse drawing will determine the winner of the 2005 John Deere Tractor provided by Hurst Farm Supply.

Tickets are priced at \$100 which includes: one raffle entry for a 7820-John Deere 155-hp Tractor, admission for two adults, dinner provided by J&M Barbecue, live music from Blue Neon, and a silent auction.

Only 2000 tickets will be sold and there are only seven days left to purchase your ticket. Women's Protective Services is selling tickets at various locations such as: Hurst Farm Supply in Abemathy, Crosbyton, Lorenzo, Lubbock, and Slaton; Ray Lee Equipment in Dimmit

and Olton; Hogg Flying in Lamesa; Ray's Equipment in Levelland and Littlefield; and many other locations around the South Plains. For more sales locations please call 748-5292.

All funds raised benefit victims of domestic violence and their children. Women's Protective Services provides services such as, shelter, food, clothing, emergency transportation, essential daily needs, a 24 hour hotline, adult and child counseling, social referral, legal advocacy, community outreach and education, and children's programs all of which are free and confidential.

Purpose of Women's Protective Services

Founded in 1978, Women's Protective Services of Lubbock,

Inc. was established as a 501 (c) (3) shelter program for victims of domestic violence. WPS has grown in strength and services over the past 27 years to become one of the three largest residential shelters in the state of Texas.

In 2003, WPS provided crisis intervention and supportive services to 4,801 women and children, and answered 4,112 hotline calls.

WPS is the only agency that provides crisis intervention, emergency shelter and support services to battered women and their children in a 10,500 square-mile region.

This region has a population of 325,000 comprising the 12 West Texas counties of: Bailey, Cochran, Crosby, Dickens, Garza, Hockley, King, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Terry and Yoakum.

Mission Statement

It is the mission of WPS to reduce and prevent family violence by providing emergency shelter to women and their dependent children. It is also the mission of WPS to nurture self-

sufficiency in our clients by providing them with the emotional support and life skills to overcome the pattern of violence that has dominated their domestic relationships and build strong, healthy and promising lives.

WPS continues to provide supportive services such as individual and group counseling for women and children, parenting classes, social services referral, legal advocacy, employment and educational assistance and community education.

Fall orientation session added at SPC

South Plains College will offer a final orientation session Aug. 23-24 for incoming freshmen planning to enroll for the fall 2005 semester. Orientation will include information geared for college success and advisement and registration for fall classes.

To attend orientation, students need to have submitted a completed application for admission and taken a college placement test, such as Accuplacer, unless exempt. To pre-register

online for orientation, go to www.southplainscollege.edu/counseling.

Orientation is scheduled 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Aug. 23 in the Sundown Room of the Student Center. Students will be assigned a time to meet with their advisor and pre-register for fall classes Aug. 24th in the Technology Center.

An Accuplacer test will be given Aug. 22, 24, 25, 29-31 at SPC Levelland and Aug. 22, 24-26 and 29-31 at the SPC Reese

Center campus in Lubbock.

Pre-registration is required for all tests. A \$30 money order as well as a picture ID and some form of identification containing the student's social security number are also needed.

Applications for admission can be found at www.southplainscollege.edu under Quicklinks. For more information, contact the SPC Office of Guidance and Counseling at 894-9611, ext. 2366 or 2368.

Adults invited to fine arts classes

Texas Tech University's Division of Outreach and Extended Studies is taking enrollments for its Study with the Masters personal enrichment courses. This series of non-credit courses for adults are taught exclusively by Texas Tech faculty members and consist of four to seven sessions each.

The fall slate of courses and start dates include: Latin Dancing, co-sponsored by

Ballet Lubbock, Aug. 22; Advanced Drawing, Sept. 1; Beginning Conversational Spanish 7, Sept. 6; Beginning Conversational French, Oct. 5; Beginning Conversational Spanish II, Oct. 25; and Wine 101: An Introduction to Wines, Nov. 3.


For course descriptions, times, and fees, visit www.dce.ttu.edu, or call (806) 742-7200, ext. 222 or 270.

Williams/Fullbright Family Reunion

The Williams / Fullbright Family Reunion will take place on Saturday, August 27, 2005 at the Crosbyton Senior Citizens Center, from 10:00a - 6:00p. The location is 119 N. Berkshire (directly behind Citizens National Bank at the flashing light)

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Mother/Daughter Bookworms

The Mother/Daughter Bookworms group will meet at the Godeke Branch Library, 6601 Quaker, on Monday, August 22, at 7:00 p.m. We will be discussing two books: Milkweed by Jerry Spinelli and Dying Voices by Bill Crider. Girls aged 13-16 and their moms, grandmothers or older sisters are welcome. For more information, call 792-656

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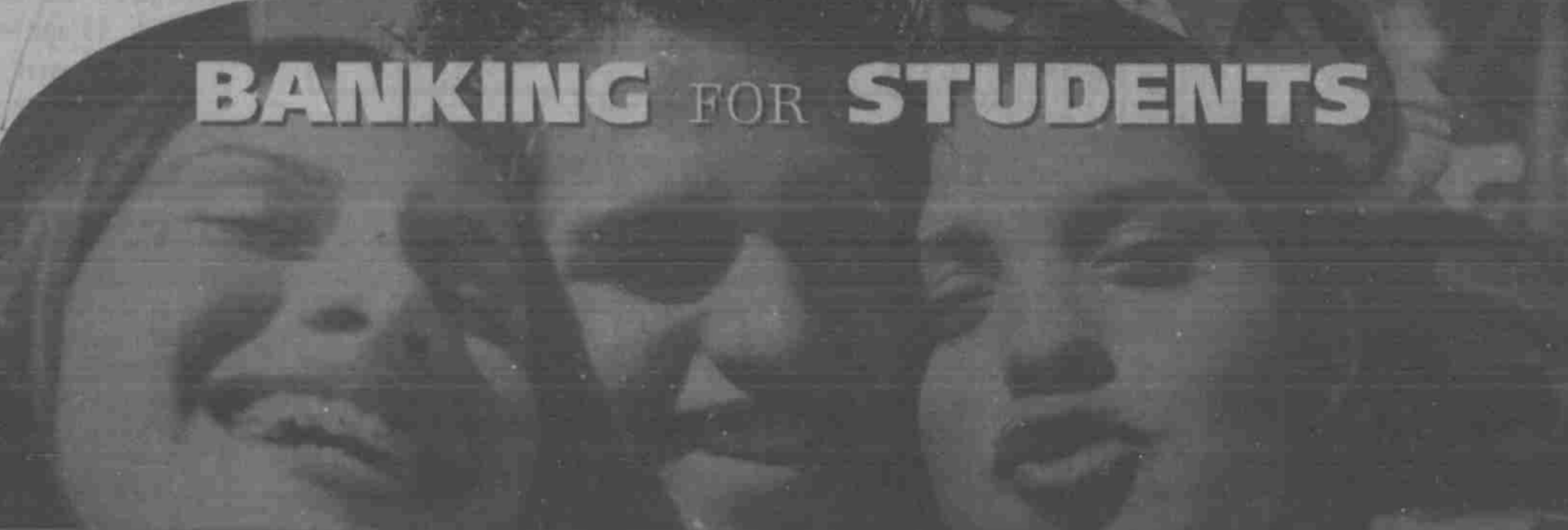
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