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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 2nd 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 Kwans meets every Tuesday, 7:00pm, 1708 Avenue G
- Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2x3 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 1st Thursday @ 6:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar-Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center at 1301 East 24th St.
- 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 at 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 Hart Elementary.
- Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm, at Hart Elementary Cafeteria
- Estacado High School Alumni & Faculty Class Reunion meetings are held the second and third Sundays at the Patterson Library, 1836 Parkway Drive, beginning at 7:00 p.m. All Estacado Alumni & Faculty are invited for the 40th All Class Reunion.

Uninsured children have a chance for coverage with back-to-school campaign

Washington, DC - Even though the total number of Americans without health insurance is on the rise, a new study analyzing government data suggests good news for the nation's African-American children. The percentage of uninsured African-American kids in America has decreased by 26 percent since the government-funded State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) was approved by Congress in 1997. The national average for all children shows a 20 percent decline for the same period.

States with the biggest decline in percentage of children having private health insurance include New Mexico (-23%), Mississippi (-23%), Alaska, (-23%), Oklahoma (-19%) and Wyoming (-17%).

"The decline in the number of uninsured kids is a rare piece of good news for our nation's health care system," said Risa Lavizzo-Mourey, M.D., M.B.A., president and CEO of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. "The success of SCHIP and other public programs has provided a much-needed safety net for our nation's

American children remain uninsured. The report shows that nearly 1.6 million African-American children are without any health coverage. Experts say most of these children are likely eligible for low-cost or free health care coverage through SCHIP or Medicaid, but have not yet enrolled. Programs exist in every state and the District of Columbia. Eligibility varies by state and is based on family size and income. Parents can call toll-free 1 (877) KIDS-NOW to find out if their uninsured children are eligible for Medicaid or SCHIP.

newsletters, conferences and mailings, and

Forging partnerships with national and regional corporate and association partners including Capital One; Pfizer Inc; The Kroger Family of Pharmacies; Giant Food LLC; Stop & Shop; ARAMARK; Univision; the National Association of Chain Drug Stores; and the Amateur Athletic Union to help promote the 1 (877) KIDS-NOW toll-free number on product packaging, through in-store giveaways, at community events and more.

"We know that healthy children are better prepared to learn in school and succeed in life. That is why health insurance and programs like SCHIP and Medicaid are critical to the overall health and success of our students," said Reg Weaver, president of the National Education Association. "Back-to-school season is the ideal time to make sure that children have the health coverage they need. We all can help by making sure that parents of uninsured kids know about these programs and find out if their kids are eligible. Children are this nation's most important asset, and we all should do everything we can to ensure that they succeed."

Today's report was prepared by analysts at the State Health Access Data Assistance Center (SHADAC), located at the University of Minnesota. The report analyzes data from the U.S. Census Bureau (1998-2005 Current Population Surveys) and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Health Statistics (State and Local Area Integrated Telephone Survey, 2004). Additional findings show that being uninsured for all or part of the year can have serious consequences for kids:

- Uninsured kids are twice as likely not to receive any medical care in a given year, compared to children with insurance (12.3% insured vs. 25.6% uninsured).
- More than one in three (35.0%) uninsured children do not have a personal doctor or nurse - which is significantly higher than children who have health coverage (13.5%).

"This report confirms that uninsured African-American children face a disadvantage in their ability to access health coverage," said Sarah Shuptrine, national program director for the *Covering Kids & Families* program.

"Without health coverage, children are less likely to make regular visits to the doctor, or receive medical attention when it is needed, and they risk minor illnesses becoming major ones. All children need health coverage so that they receive the health care they need, when they need it, to grow and thrive."

Covering Kids & Families is a national initiative of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation focused on reducing the number of eligible but uninsured children and adults through enrollment in Medicaid or the State Children's Health Insurance Program. It is the nation's single largest effort of its kind.

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation focuses on the pressing health and health care issues facing our country. As the nation's largest philanthropy devoted exclusively to improving the health and health care of all Americans, the Foundation works with a diverse group of organizations and individuals to identify solutions and achieve comprehensive, meaningful and timely change. For more than 30 years the Foundation has brought experience, commitment, and a rigorous, balanced approach to the problems that affect the health and health care of those it serves. When it comes to helping Americans lead healthier lives and get the care they need, the Foundation expects to make a difference in your lifetime. For more information, visit www.rwjf.org.

The University of Minnesota's State Health Access Data Assistance Center (SHADAC) helps states monitor rates of health insurance coverage and to understand factors associated with uninsurance. SHADAC provides targeted policy analysis and technical assistance to states that are conducting their own health insurance surveys and/or using data from national surveys. Information can be located at www.shadac.umn.edu.

Fast Facts:

- Parents should call toll-free 1 (877) KIDS-NOW or visit www.insurekidsnow.gov to find out if their children are eligible.
- About seven in 10 uninsured kids are eligible for low-cost or free health care coverage, but their parents may not realize it.
- Programs exist in every state. Children in a family of four earning up to \$40,000 a year or more may qualify. Eligibility is based on family size and income.
- Extra parents or anyone who cares about an uninsured child should tell parents about these programs and urge them to call for more information.



Campaign urges parents to find out if their uninsured children are eligible for low-cost or free coverage.

"The State of Kids' Coverage"

was released today by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) to kick off the *Covering Kids & Families* Back-to-School Campaign, a nationwide effort to enroll eligible children in public health coverage programs during the back-to-school season. The report shows that the number of uninsured children has decreased by 2 million since the creation of SCHIP and recent expansions in public programs. In the same period, the number of uninsured Americans has increased by nearly 5 million people. States with the biggest decline in the percentage of uninsured kids are Arkansas (-60%), Maine (-50%), Alabama (-47%), South Carolina (-46%) and North Dakota (-44%). The report also shows fewer children are receiving private health insurance, which is supplied mostly through their parents' employer-sponsored health plans. The percentage of children who have private health insurance fell by five percent since 1997-98. That means 1.4 million fewer kids have private health insurance.

children, especially as fewer children are receiving employer-sponsored coverage. Congress was right to have the foresight in 1997 to authorize these programs. Still, more than one in seven African-American children is uninsured. Our nation's leaders must continue to make health coverage for all children a top priority.

The reports shows that even though the number of kids with private insurance is declining, public coverage programs have expanded, resulting in more kids being insured. The percentage of kids enrolled in public health coverage programs increased by 31 percent since SCHIP programs began - meaning at least 5 million more kids now have public coverage. States with the greatest increase in percentage of kids enrolled in public coverage (e.g. SCHIP or Medicaid) since 1997-98 are Alaska (+139%), Maryland (+139%), Indiana (+132%), Wyoming (+114%) and Arkansas (+109%).

Despite the success of public programs, millions of African-

As part of its back-to-school campaign, *Covering Kids & Families* will reach thousands of families during August and September by:

- Organizing enrollment activities at schools and other locations nationwide to encourage parents to seek information about enrolling their eligible children in Medicaid or SCHIP;
- Working with Major League Soccer (MLS) teams across the country to declare "Children's Health Care Coverage Day." MLS will also promote the 1 (877) KIDS-NOW toll-free number on umbrellas and in game programs, and distribute materials during soccer matches;
- Promoting the toll-free number through events, promotional materials, and paid and public service advertising;
- Working with schools, national education organizations, state and local coalitions, and nearly 200 national organizations that support the Back-to-School coverage campaign to distribute information through websites, listserv announcements,

Warwick serenaded with her hit songs in new musical

CHICAGO - Dionne Warwick received a rare treat - hearing her hit songs performed in a musical devoted to her career. Warwick, 65, was in the audience as the Black Ensemble Theater performed "Don't Make Me Over (In Tribute to Dionne Warwick)."

The show features four actresses singing Warwick hits including "Walk On By," "Do You Know the Way to San Jose," "I Say a Little Prayer," and "I Know I'll Never Love This Way Again."

Warwick received a standing ovation Friday night when she entered the theater, clapped and smiled through much of the show, and even laughed at a joke about her role as host of the "Psychic Friends Network" in the 1990s.

After the curtain call, a val-



Legendary singer Dionne Warwick reacts to the performance of a musical featuring her songs. The show is scheduled to run through the first part of October.

bly moved Warwick took the stage to speak to the cast.

"My babies, you were magnificent. Truly magnificent," she said. "I cannot thank you enough

for caring that much about me."

The show traces lightly on Warwick's personal life. Instead, it focuses on her family's roots in gospel, her beginnings in the

music industry as a backup singer, and her legendary partnership in the 1960s with the music/lyrics team of Bart Bacharach and Hal David.

One of the show's themes is whether Warwick would have been successful without Bacharach, and vice versa. At a reception after the show, Warwick said some earlier perspectives of her career only focused on the work she did with Bacharach and David.

"They forgot there was an entity called Dionne Warwick," she said. "My career has spanned

many composers, many producers. Of course the bulk of my music is Bacharach/David, which I'm very, very proud of and grateful for, but life goes on."

Warwick appeared on the season finale of "American Idol," and is working on an album of duets with contemporary artists.

"Don't Make Me Over," is scheduled to run through Oct. 1.

Find more information about this on the internet at: Black Ensemble Theater: www.blackensembletheater.org Dionne Warwick: www.dionnewarwick.info

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.



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Chatman Hills Corner

By Doris Reynolds

Well, it is finally here upon us. You guessed it. The opening of our schools will officially open on Monday morning, August 14, 2006, in Lubbock. We need to get behind our young people, and let them know we really care about them, and we could do that by attending their schools. So let's keep on encouraging our young people to stay in school.

So will you be a strong supporter of our young people who will be in school for another year. If you get an opportunity, then try to have lunch with them. It sure would be time well spent.

The Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 2202 Southeast Drive, will be celebrating their Pastor & Family's Appreciation Service, Rev. & Mrs. Eddie L. Everline, Jr. and son, Matthew, which is set for Sunday afternoon, August 20, 2006. Rev. J. Jerome Johnson, pastor of Mt. Cleod Baptist Church, will be the speaker of the hour.

The Greater St. Luke

Missionary Baptist Church, 306 East 20th Street, will sponsor its 23rd Annual Homecoming Celebration which is set for Sunday afternoon, August 20, 2006, beginning at 3:00 p. m. The public is invited to attend. Rev. J. H. Ford is pastor.

Alderson Middle School will be holding an Open House on Friday, August 11, 2006, at 6:00 p. m. Parents and local citizens are asked to come and meet the staff of Alderson, and join them with hot dogs in the auditorium. The principal is Dr. George Love, Jr. Alderson is located at 219 Walnut Avenue.

Sunday afternoon, August 13, 2006, in Slaton at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church, the Inspirational Choir Annual Day will be held at 3:00 p. m. If you enjoy some real good singing, then drive down to Mt. Olive. Special guest will be Brenda White Pitts of Fort Worth, Brenda Trotty of Austin, and Rev. Raymond Garrett of Lubbock.

Rev. Clifton C. Peoples is pastor.

Don't forget about the 7th Annual Prayer Retreat which will be held Friday and Saturday, August 18 & 19, 2006, at the Ark in Amherst. Clinician will be Rev. Theima McClendon. This program is sponsored by the Women Missionary Society of New Hope Baptist Church where Rev. B. R. Moton is pastor. Sister Joan Y. Ervin is president.

Much talk about the upcoming Lubbock Best Dressed Black Men & Women event. There will be some exciting news about it in the coming weeks. If you are interested, then send in your nominee(s). Lubbock is a growing city, and we need to continue doing outstanding programs. Nearly ten years ago this event was held, but the only difference, it was held separately - Men & Women, but this time around, there will only be one program. It is expected to be an outstanding affair, and there will be prizes to various winners. Better send your entry form in today. For more information, call Eddie Richardson at (806) 762-3612.

Fire Explorer Post #451 seeking new members

The Lubbock Fire Department is proud to sponsor Fire Explorer Post #451 and is seeking new members that are interested in a fire service career or learning more about the fire service. This Post was organized in 1996 and the Charter issued by the Boy Scouts of America in January of 1997.

The program is open to both male and female, 14 to 21 years of age. To apply to the Post bring proof of age, a valid photo ID, and a copy of your most recent report card or, if you have already graduated, bring your High School Diploma or GED. The cost is \$24 a year, which includes membership and insurance for members. Personal protective equipment, "Bunker Gear", is issued to the Explorer during training.

Explorer training is conducted

at the Lubbock Fire Department Training Academy, which gives us excellent opportunities for realism and skill development. All training is supervised by trained firefighters and is kept as safe as possible by following strict guidelines set forth by the Lubbock Fire Department. Training at the Academy gives Post members access to a "Dum House" for live fire training; a "Smoke House" for search and rescue; a "Flashover Container" to teach Explorers how to recognize signs of impending flashover in a structure fire; the "Tower", a 6-story structure used to teach rappelling, high-rise firefighting and elevator rescue; and of course all of the audio/visual material available to the regular on-duty firefighters on calls, but must meet certain Fire Explorer

Post requirements first.

The alumni of Lubbock's first Fire Explorer Post now hold several prominent positions within the department, including the Chief of the Lubbock Fire Department Fire Chief Steve Hailey, Deputy Chief of Support Services Lynn Smith and District Chief Lewis Treadwell. We sincerely hope that by offering quality, safe, realistic training in firefighting and emergency services to local youth now we will develop and assist the leaders of tomorrow. The Explorers meet every Saturday at Fire Training from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00. At Fire training which is located at 1515 East Ursuline.

For more information or questions contact Lubbock firefighter Barry Ross at 781-4719.

FASHION FUN

with Shirley Roberson

Flat Boots



This fall, take a break from your towering heels and reach for flat

knee high or suede boots. With a return to cozy comfort, like weather dressing and fashionable styling, flat boots are right in. Some are dressier than others, which makes them a practical and an alternative for 9 to 5. For they pair them with wool tights or a turtleneck

that hits below the knee. For the weekend you'll feel grounded in casual corduroys or a favorite short skirt.

Ladies, it's ok to "boot it up."

FASHION TIP: Always wear a skirt or tights for the fun of it.

Birdville's Gipson wins national triple jump title



Gipson

Whitney Gipson a junior at Birdville High School in Ft. Worth Texas and daughter of Winston and Willa Gipson won the National Championship in the triple jump at the USA TF Junior Olympics at Morgan State University in

Baltimore, Maryland, on Saturday July 29, 2006.

Gipson came from fifth place to jump 40 feet, 1 inch (40'1") in her last jump to win. Whitney said, "Forty feet, one inch (40'1") is my personal best in the triple jump."

Gipson also, jumped Eighteen feet five inches (18'5") in the long

jump to win third place.

Whitney is the granddaughter of Curtis and Hattie Gipson and the niece of Brenda Gipson.

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Upcoming Library Events

Learn to Knit

The Groves Branch Library, 5520 19th Street, will hold a class for beginning knitters on Monday, August 14 at 7 p.m. Bring your needles and yarn and learn how to start knitting a scarf. Call 767-3733 for more information.

Movie Night

The Godeke Branch Library, 6501 Quaker, will host a movie night on Tuesday, August 15 at 6 p.m. Roba Williams plays the patriarch of a family whose vacation goes wrong in every possible way. Rated PG. For more information, call 792-6566.

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- Pacino's "Dog Afternoon"
- Roman Catholics do this during Lent
- Quarter or dime
- DNA segment
- First dog in space
- Actor Baldwin
- Singular for algae
- Type of duck
- Classic family movie about "old" dog
- Afresh
- Whaler's weapon
- Eastern Standard Time
- Dean or Steve
- Belonged
- Beer
- One of four pointed teeth
- Cosine's buddy
- Balls of yarn
- Etcetera
- One of Ben Franklin's inventions
- Straus & Co.
- Kidney-shaped nut
- High rocky hill
- Range of the eye
- Famous collic
- Accidental happening
- One of TV's CSI locations
- Globe and ball
- Famous movie dog in the 1920s and 1930s
- This Dogg can rap
- Wheels' shaft
- Taxi payment
- Ancient Iranian nomadic group
- Scarf
- Short for ukuleles
- Funeral wood pile
- A product of creativity
- "_____ we forget"

DOWN

- U.N. civil aviation agency
- Barbie, e.g.
- A German art song
- Enclose in a cyst
- Renaissance sculptor Luca Robbia
- One of deadly sins
- 52 weeks
- More than faint
- de-camp
- Place at angle
- Makes feathers stick
- A major source of lead
- Dog restraint
- "Iliad" and "Odyssey", e.g.
- Compass point between northeast and east
- Twin crystal
- Narrow street
- Famous for his "Superman" role
- "Don't give an _____"
- Occurred in Watts in 1965
- Concluding stanza in certain forms of poetry
- Plow manufacturer John Deere
- Whiskey without water
- Possessive of it
- Thanksgiving Day charm
- Hindu religious teacher
- Policeman
- Widely spread bottle
- Hinged fasteners
- Ungodly or wicked
- Mixed with alcohol
- An arm off a larger body of water
- James Bond's "For Your Eyes _____"
- Lion's sound
- Prince or king in India
- Opposite of give
- Wraths
- Home to eggs
- Common in pine trees

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Church News



We Thank God for Jesus

The fruit of today is worse in the U.S.A.

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

MATTHEW 21:33, JESUS SAID, THERE WAS A CERTAIN HOUSEHOLDER, WHO PLANTED A VINEYARD, AND HEDGED ON: ROUND ABOUT, AND DUGGED A WINEPRESS IT, AND BUILT A TOWER, AND LET IT OUT TO HUSBANDMEN, AND WENT INTO A FAR COUNTRY.

THE LORD DID BLESS AMERICA, AND IT PRAYED AND GAVE THE PRAISE TO GOD'S NAME, BUT NOW IT IS ONE OF THE BLOODIEST IN ALL THE WORLD; SHAME, SHAME, SHAME!!!

ISAIAH 1:4, YES A SINFUL NATION, A PEOPLE LADEN WITH INIQUITY, A SEED OF EVILDOERS, CHILDREN THAT ARE CORRUPTED: THEY HAVE FORSAKEN THE LORD.

AND IT ALL STARTED, WHEN A MAN CAME AND TOLD AMERICA; I HAVE A DREAM; I HAVE A DREAM; NOW THE WHOLE COUNTRY IS IN ITS WORST OF NIGHTMARES; AND I KNOW THAT IS NO DREAM!!!

JEREMIAH 23:25,27,28, THE LORD SAID: I HAVE HEARD WHAT THE PROPHETS (PREACHERS) SAID, THAT PROPHECY LIES IN MY NAME, SAYING, I HAVE DREAMED, I HAVE DREAMED WHICH THINGS TO CAUSE MY PEOPLE TO FORGET MY NAME BY THEIR DREAMS WHICH THEY TELL EVERY MAN TO HIS NEIGHBOUR, AS THE FATHERS HAVE FORGOTTEN MY NAME FOR BA'AL THE IDOLPHEAT THAT HAVE A DREAM, LET HIM TELL A DREAM; AND SEE THAT MY WORD, LET HIM SPEAK MY WORD FAITHFULLY. WHAT IS THE CHAFF TO THE WHEAT? AND WHEN THE PREACHERS DIDN'T PREACH; THE WORD OF GOD; BUT PREACHED ON MANKIND RIGHTS, THEY DID-

NOT PREACH FREEDOM IN CHRIST JESUS; BUT VANITY, A DREAM, AND OF THEIR OWN MIGHT!!!

ZECARIAH 4:6B, NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAID THE LORD OF HOSTS.

DID A PREACHER MAN'S DREAM; ROB GOD OF HIS FRUIT???

GOD TOLD THE PREACHER TO GO INTO THE WORLD; AND PREACH SALVATION FROM THEIR SINS, BUT THE CHRISTIAN WENT AND MARCHED AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT, AND DISOBEDIENT BEGIN!!!

1 PETER 2: 13, 14, 16, SUMIT YOURSELVES TO EVERY ORDINANCE OF MAN FOR THE LORD'S SAKE: WHETHER IT BE TO THE KING (PRESIDENT), AS SUPREME; OR UNTO GOVERNORS, AS UNTO THEM THAT ARE SENT BY HIM FOR THE PUNISHMENT OF EVILDOERS (TROUBLE MAKERS), AND FOR THE PRAISE OF THAT DO WELL AS FREE; AND NOT TO USE YOUR LIBERTY FOR A CLOAK OF MALICIOUSNESS, BUT AS THE SERVANTS OF GOD

*** BLESSED IS THE PEACEMAKER; AND CURSED ARE THE TROUBLE MAKERS!!!***

MATTHEW 5:9, 16, JESUS SAID, BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS: FOR THEY SHALL BE CALLED THE CHILDREN OF GOD. LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE BEFORE MEN, THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR GOOD WORKS, AND GLORIFY YOUR FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN.

AFTER THE CHURCH TOLD AMERICA, THAT SHE WAS TO BE HAPPY, BECAUSE THEY WAS FREE AT LAST, BUT ALL AMERICA IS CRAZY WITH I GOT MY RIGHT; AND THE WHOLE COUNTRY IS MADD, MADD, MADD!!!

*** DID THE CHURCH MARCHES ROB GOD???***

MARCHERS DISOBEYED THE LAW; NOW CHILDREN DISRESPECT THEIR PARENTS AS WELL, THE FRUITS IN AMERICA IS USELESS; NOT WORTH MUCH OF ANYTHING AND ON THEIR WAY TO HELL!!!

MICAH 7:2, THE GOOD MAN IS PERISHED OUT OF THE EARTH: AND THERE IS NONE UPRIGHT AMONG MEN: THEY ALL LIE IN WAIT FOR BLOOD; THAT THEY HUNT EVERYMAN HIS BROTHER WITH A NET. THAT THEY MAY DO EVIL WITH BOTH HANDS EARNESTLY, THE PRINCE ASK, AND THE JUDGE ASKS FOR A REWARD; AND THE GREAT MAN, HE UTTERS HIS MISCHIEVOUS DESIRES: SO THEY WRAP IT UP. ***NOW THAT IS JUST LIKE AMERICA, RIGHT???***

AS ANY ONE CAN SEE WE IN THE DAYS OF NOAH; AND THE CHURCHES CAN'T SEE THE SIGNS, IT'S THE SAME AS IN NOAH DAY, MARRYING AND GIVING IN MARRIAGE; AND HAVE A GOOD TIME!!!

1 TIMOTHY 3:1-5, THIS KNOW ALSO, THAT IN THE LAST DAYS PERILOUS (DANGEROUS) TIMES SHALL COME. FOR MEN SHALL BE LOVERS OF THEIR OWNSELVES, COVEROUS, GOASTERS, PROUD, BLASPHEMERS, DISOBEDIENT TO PARENTS UNTHANKFUL, UNHOLY, WITHOUT NATURAL AFFECTION, TRUCEBRAKERS, FALSE ACCUSERS, INCENTENT, PIERCE, DISPERCE OF THOSE THAT ARE GOOD, TRAITORS, HEADY, HIGHMINDED, LOVERS OF PLEASURE MORE THAN LOVERS OF GOD. HAVING A FORM OF GODLINESS, BUT DENYING THE POWER THEREOF: FROM SUCH TURN A WAY.



From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

The Voting Rights Act - A Necessity

July 20, 2006, the Senate voted overwhelmingly to extend the landmark Voting Rights Act for another 25 years with the expectation of President Bush to sign the bill.

The lawmakers of both parties said federal supervision was still required to protect the ability of minorities and the disadvantaged to cast ballots in some regions of the country.

Texas was one of the states that had to gain pre-clearance before it could change anything that pertain to the Voting Rights Act. Former House Leader Tom DeLay is a testimony to the fact the Voting Rights Act need to be extended.

To further prove this Act need to be extended, Thursday, July 27, 2006 the Department of Justice had this immediate release: **Justice Department Settles Voting Rights Lawsuit with the North Harris Montgomery Community College District.**

The Justice Department announced today that it filed a lawsuit against the North Harris Montgomery Community College District in Texas alleging that the District violated Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act. The Department simultaneously filed a consent decree resolving the lawsuit against the district.

The Voting Rights Act requires that all voting changes in certain jurisdictions, including

those in the state of Texas, be reviewed by the Department of Justice or the District of Columbia federal court prior to their implementation to assure that the changes will not diminish the voting rights of minority citizens. The complaint, filed in the U. S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, charged that the district cancelled its May 13, 2006, election without first obtaining the required approval. That election was cancelled after the Department imposed an objection to the District's proposal to reduce the number of polling places for the 540,000 voters in the district from 84 to 12.

"It is vitally important that all Americans enjoy the rights they are guaranteed under the Voting Rights Act," said Wan J. Kim, Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Right Division. "By promptly agreeing to a new election date, the District has demonstrated a real commitment to addressing past problems and to protecting voters in the future elections."

The consent decree, which still must be approved by a three-judge federal court, requires that the District take the necessary steps to comply with Section 5 in the future. The decree also calls for the District's cancelled election to be held on Nov. 7, 2006, at all regular polling places.

Demanding the North Harris Montgomery Community Col-

lege District to comply with the Voting Rights Act is crucial in an area that joins former Tom DeLay District. This area north and southwest of Houston has not been kind to minorities in the past. Conroe the county seat of Montgomery County was well known for stealth treatment of minorities and especially blacks. The brutal treatments of blacks came to light when the scene on the courthouse grounds turn violent when a Black mill worker was accused of raping a white woman and lynched.

The racial makeup of Conroe as of census 2000 was 71.16% White, 11.13% Black, 40% Native American, 95% Asian, .05% Pacific Islander and Hispanic or Latino of any race were 32.62%.

It is also important to note the cities and communities within the NHMCCD are Conroe, Cut and Shoot, Humble, Magnolia, Patton Village, Roman Forest, Shenandoah, Splendora, Tom-ball, Willis, Woodbranch and Woodlock.

Blacks in particular should ever be vigilant in watching those who would limit our freedom. There are those who still who believe in the Uncle Remus stories and think we are tar babies that traps Br'er Rabbit like the Massachusetts Governor who is considering running for president of the United States in 2008.

Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast would like to share this bit of information from an article which was based out of the Book of Ecclesiastes. It reminds we are all God's children, and that nothing is possible without Him. This piece is entitled "Not Enough", with the scripture text being Ecclesiastes 2:1-16. In another text, Luke 9:25, it also reminds us: "What profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and is himself destroyed or lost? - Luke 9:25.

The writer of Ecclesiastes said that pleasure, material possession, and every great knowledge do not bring lasting satisfaction. Jesus even went even further. He said that a person who possesses everything this world has to offer but doesn't prepare for eternity is spiritually destitute. We all need more than fun, finances, and fame to be fulfilled.

Thinking of this made me consider some prominent people who had committed suicide. One was a baseball star, several were entertainers, and two had inherited great wealth. I also recalled a highly esteemed scholar and his wife who both took a lethal overdose of drugs when they learned that she had terminal cancer. These people, as well as many others today, had failed to find meaning in their existence.

Because we were created in God's image, our lives do have meaning for both time and eternity. God made us for His glory and placed us on earth to honor Him. We have the remarkable ability to reflect on Him and on eternity.

Believing that Jesus died for our sins and rose from the grave meets our need for meaning. Salvation brings assurance that we're forgiven. We have an eternal purpose and the hope of heaven. This is enough to bring deep peace and joy to our lives. The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast are asking you today, have you found this to be so?

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in citizens in Lubbock and around world. Today it is them and tomorrow it could be you. Keep in mind, God is able.

Also, let us not forget those who have lost loved ones. May your precious prayers be sent in favor of these as well. A visit, kind telephone call or any kind gesture will be most appreciative.

Let us not forget our drive by prayer: as we go to and from our busy schedules each day. Just stop by or drive slowly of an area who suspect to be drug infested and call on the Lord to help those who are apparently engaged. Just take it to the Lord in prayer.

At the same time, don't forget to pray for your Church and Pastor, the schools your children are enrolled, and

all in your community.

Thought of the Week: "When you're in the wrong place, God always has the right answer for all of us."

Since the School Bells will be ringing in a few days, this would be an opportunity for as many who can to make arrangements to visit our schools this year. Just think what would prayer do for our school/kids. Prayer will help a great deal.

Thanks for reading our report each week. It is just great to know there are so many of you who support our program.

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christiane Buckson, vice president; Sister Blonora Jones, teacher; and Sister Rosalina Henderson, secretary.

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From Pastor Roy at the Cathedral of Praise Church

First, Linda and I would like to express our deepest appreciation to Cathedral of Praise church for trusting the Holy Spirit in having us to become their Pastor. What a tremendous Journey this shall be for all of us.

Also on the second Sunday of August at 3 P.M. we are having a celebration! Linda and I would love for you to share with us in our very first Celebration on August 12. Our Theme is, "A Special Time in History". There will be refreshments and good ole Fellowship among the Brethren and Sisters immediately afterwards.

Our Vision is to allow the Father to raise up a Cross-Cultural Ministry Church that will not only impact the lives of the ones who live in East Lubbock, but Our Vision must go beyond the normal boundaries and reach the Community of Africans, that are living here silently, the Hispanics, the Native Americans, the Whites, the people from India, Korea etc. This is the mandate. This is our Vision.

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TYLA educates teenagers about youth leadership in the Civil Rights

Austin — Texas lawyers are headed back to the classroom in an effort to educate young people about the role of teenagers during the civil rights movement and to encourage civic involvement.

"They Had a Dream Too, Young Leaders of the Civil Rights Movement" will provide insight into how a previous generation of young people helped influence change. The goal is to inspire

today's youth to get involved in making a positive difference, and to understand how teenagers 50 years ago had a profound impact on shaping current civil rights laws.

"It was students who inspired their own generation and helped change and improve the world not only for themselves, but for future generations," said Fern Crump, president of the Texas Young

Lawyers Association (TYLA). "We hope to inspire and motivate a new generation of young people."

The project is funded by a grant from the Texas Bar Foundation. The largest such bar foundation in the country, the Texas Bar Foundation solicits charitable contributions and provides funding to enhance the rule of law and the system of justice in Texas. TYLA, widely recognized as

the public service force of the State Bar of Texas, develops and presents law-related curriculum to school students to help educate them about our system of justice and rights and responsibilities such as voting and jury service; provides free legal clinics to senior Texans and low-income Texans; produces consumer information pamphlets for the public; and assists Texas young lawyers in the practice of

law. All licensed Texas lawyers who are 30 years old or younger or who are in their first five years of licensure, regardless of age, are

automatically members of TYLA. For more information, visit www.theyhadadreamtoo.org or www.tyla.org.

McKinney loses runoff for Georgia seat

Cynthia McKinney, the fiery Georgia congresswoman known for her conspiracy theories about the Sept. 11 attacks and the scuffle she had earlier this year with a U.S. Capitol police officer, lost a runoff election Tuesday for her district's Democratic nomination.

Attorney Hank Johnson, a former county commissioner, won the nomination with 59 percent of the vote, surpassing McKinney by more than 11,000 votes.

McKinney, her state's first black congresswoman, has long been controversial. Her suggestion that the Bush administration had advance knowledge of the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks helped galvanize opposition and she lost her seat in 2002, but won it again two years ago.

In her latest brouhaha in March,

she struck a Capitol police officer who did not recognize her and tried to stop her from entering a House office building.

A grand jury in Washington declined to indict her, but she was forced to apologize before the House. She drew less than 50 percent of the vote in last month's primary.

"Trash and Treasure Hunt" event Saturday

Lubbock citizens have an added incentive to volunteer for Don't Mess with Texas 20th Anniversary cleanup event to be held August 12th, at Legacy Play Village in McAlister Park.

The Texas Department of Transportation is teaming up with Keep Texas Beautiful to present the Don't Mess with Texas "Trash and Treasure Hunt," taking place in 25 locations around the state. Lubbock has been selected as one of the 25 locations.

At the cleanup, volunteers will pick up litter in a designated area of McAlister Park. As they pick up trash, some will find specially marked pieces of litter. For each piece of marked litter collected, volunteers will receive an entry into a random drawing. At the end of the cleanup, a drawing will be held that will allow some participants to win Southwest Airlines tickets, or gift certificates for Starbucks and Blue Bell Ice Cream.

Don't Mess with Texas "Trash and Treasure Hunt" Schedule

- Saturday August 12, 2006
- 9 a.m. - Sign in (must sign in to participate)
 - 10 a.m. - Cleanup begins
 - Noon - Drawing for prizes (Southwest Airline tickets, gift cards, etc.)

There's no limit to the number of marked pieces of litter someone can collect in exchange for an entry into the prize drawings, so volunteers who collect more trash have a better chance of winning.

Cool Prizes for Volunteers: Don't Mess with Texas staff members will also hand out commemorative 20th Anniversary merchandise including T-shirts, koozies and caps to volunteers who correctly answer litter-related trivia questions and participate in games. The first 50 people to sign in for the cleanup will receive a gift card courtesy of Coca-Cola or McDonald's.

2006 is the 20th Anniversary of the Don't Mess with Texas campaign. Advertising, outreach and special promotions, like the "Trash and Treasure Hunt," are spreading the litter prevention message throughout the year.

TxDOT's Don't Mess with Texas litter prevention campaign has been educating Texans about litter prevention since 1986. For more information, visit www.dontmesswithtexas.org

Air for the needy

Your neighbor is in desperate need of a fan!!! The Adult Protective Services Silver Star Board is seeking donations from our community for any type of fan or window unit that is in good working order to be given to our seniors and/or disabled citizens who have no means of cooling their homes. Drop off locations are: Lubbock Adult Day Care Center, 8004 Indiana, 796-2273; Visiting Angels, 3502 Slide Rd., Ste. A-2, 687-2780; or you may call Marivel Alvarez at 632-2319. God bless you for your compassion and generosity.

ATTENTION!!!

For all of you Gospel Music Lovers, come November, "Each One, Reach One" will present two major recording groups for the 3rd Annual Multicultural Scholarship.

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Last Week's Crossword Puzzle Answers: National Parks

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Notice of Public Hearing Proposed Citibus Route Changes

On August 22, the Transit Advisory Board will consider making a recommendation to City Council on changes to several of the fixed routes. The recommended changes are intended to help the routes run more efficiently.

Citibus will host 2 public hearings to discuss route changes: **5:30 pm, August 21, Downtown Transfer Plaza, 801 Broadway Ave.** **12 noon, August 22, Citibus conference room, 801 Texas Ave.**

PROPOSED ROUTE CHANGES (BY ROUTE)	
Route 1	No change
Route 2	No change
Route 3	Will become part of Route 12 or Route 14
Route 4	Will become part of Route 5 or Route 9
Route 5	Continues to serve S. Loop 289 West Mart. Will also serve South Plains Mall
Route 6	No change in route; now will connect with Route 19 at South Plains Mall
Route 7	Will become part of Route 12
Route 9	No longer serves (via Route 4) South Plains Mall. Includes service on Indiana Avenue between S. Loop 289 and 82nd Street
Route 11	Will become part of Route 12 or Route 19
Route 12	Will include Route 7; will no longer serve South Plains Mall (via Route 11)
Route 14	No change
Route 19	Previously part of Route 7; will serve South Plains Mall
Route 25	Will become part of Routes 19 and 34
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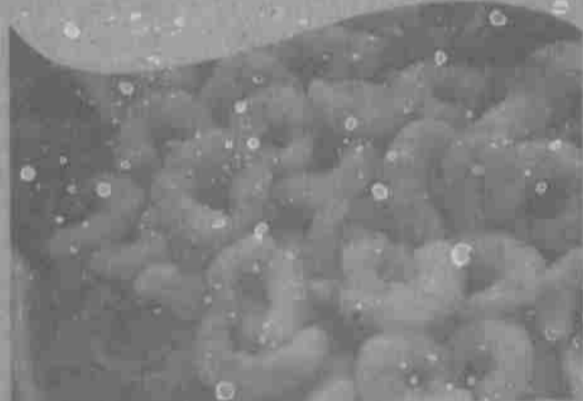
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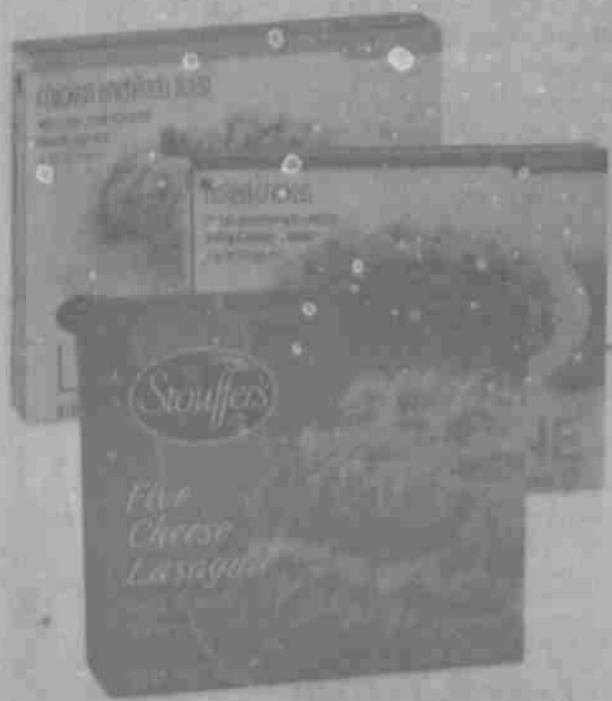
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THIS N THAT

by T.J. Patterson

SUPPORT THE DRUG FREE BACK TO SCHOOL BASH! THIS N THAT is in complete support of the upcoming **DRUG FREE BACK TO SCHOOL BASH**, which will be held **SATURDAY AFTERNOON**, August 12, 2006 at McKenzie Park, East Broadway Avenue & Canyon Lake Drive. The bash will be held from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. This event is being sponsored by the **LUBBOCK COUNTY V.O.I.C.E.S. COMMUNITY COALITION** - a program which is managed by Care Center for Addictive/Other Disorders, Inc. **THIS N THAT** has learned that the activities will include Carnival Games, Music, and Food. School Supplies and other community resources will be available for those young people as well as parents and guardians. There is no doubt about it, **THIS N THAT** supports this special effort, so why don't you attend and take young person with you.

NATIONAL COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER WEEK! **THIS N THAT** is advising that August 7th thru August 11th is National Community Health Center Week. Along with this celebration, local communities across the nation are recognizing the contributions of Community, Migrant, Homeless and Public Housing Health Centers for their

contributions in promoting **HEALTH AND PREVENTION**. Community Health Center of Lubbock has been in Lubbock since 1993 and will celebrate with patients and community partners with a community-wide block party on Friday, August 11th from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in the North parking lot of the Main Clinic at 1318 Broadway Avenue. Why not stop by and support this special program which is having a special effort?

SO MANY YOUNG BLACK MALES IN CHATMAN HILL! THIS N THAT was one of the people in attendance at the **"CITIZENS NIGHT OUT"** last week in Booker T. Washington Park. The evening was sponsored by the Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association. **THIS N THAT** noticed the large number of **YOUNG BLACK MALES** between the ages of 12 years and 20 years of age, who had their pants pulled up and were enjoying themselves. **THIS N THAT** was thinking of how great would be if there was some sort of a **MENTORING PROGRAM** to work with these young fellows, as there is so much Black talent to help these young men who want to do the right thing. It was just great to see so many of them. So, when others ask if we are growing, tell

them "yes" because there are many young people in **EAST LUBBOCK**.

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS. "IF YOU always tell the TRUTH, You will never be trapped in a LIE!"

PLEASED WITH CONNECTION AROUND THE COUNTRY! THIS N THAT, with the efforts of the **SOUTHWEST DIGEST**, is very well pleased with the connection with former citizens around the country who attended Dunbar High School, and called or wrote to let the Southwest Digest know they appreciated the stories on the former graduates and students as related to the 7th All Class Reunion. This is great, and it is the hope of the Southwest Digest this happen again and more will come back home. We could have more than **500 DUNBAR FORMER GRADUATES AND STUDENTS** here during the next reunion. The question still remains, **"WHY WAS DUNBAR HIGH SCHOOL CLOSED IN 1993?"** Hopefully the truth will come out one day. Anyway, **THIS N THAT** was pleased with what did happen here for a few days. Come on **ESTACADO HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES AND FORMER STUDENTS!** It is time for you to shine as you celebrate your **40TH YEAR REUNION!**



Think About It!

Thought you wanted to know

by Eddie H. Richardson

We saw this article from the President of Extra Creative Foundations, Inc. publication in its etc Magic Notes, and were so moved by it, we will substitute this in place of our article this week. Your crown has been bought and paid for. All you must do is put it on your head." - James Baldwin

A few months ago, someone I don't know who sent me the above quote from James Baldwin, an outstanding and dignified cultural icon. On the same sheet was the following anonymous missive. There nothing you need that you do not already have. There is nothing you need to know that you do not already know. There is nothing you want that does not already exist. There is nothing that exists that is too good for you. There is nothing anyone has that you cannot have.

There is nothing more powerful, more intelligent, and more sacred than you. You are the stuff life is made of. You are the essence of life. You have been chosen this time, in this place to be among the living. You come from a long line of successful, living beings. You are one of the king's kids. Born into the world to inherit the kingdom. You are equipped to handle anything. You live by grace, built by love. You are the cause and the reason of everything you see. You are one with the Source. You are creative. You are alive. What else could possibly matter?

This message was sent to me at etc Creative Arts and after reading it several times, with increasing appreciation, I began to understand its relevance to our mission and the work we are doing. Both Baldwin's and the anonymous statement are testaments of faith and affirmation. If one is uncertain about the ability to reach personal and collective goals and objectives, only by and through being grounded will doubt disappear. Fortunately, it is securely grounded in its mission, its intent and its purpose. We certainly believe that we are entitled. We have paid our dues adding to the tribe of those on whose shoulders we stand. It is with clarity that we move forward to strengthen and expand our facilities and programs. It is with certainty that we anticipate your human and financial involvement to leave an institutional legacy for the next generation.

It is with full capacity; all of us working together that jewels will be added to our crowns. I

think the person who sent the statements quoted to be shared with you. I am sustained and inspired by these words. I hope that you will read them after a litany to guide all of your endeavors. Let us put on our crowns and wear them wherever we go.

As another cultural icon, Ted Ward, playwright, would say when he heard something most profound: That's the whole thing right. A negative to the above is very sick, but very true. People are looking to the west for business development, growth and expansion, not junk but legitimate businesses. But, on the other hand, so-called leading Blacks in the area are discouraging and running the area down and saying, "Don't go there." Then, if they feel that way when they moan, groan and cry as well as complaining about what east Lubbock does not have, and what they are not doing for us. We need to learn to do for and help ourselves and not let the criticism hinder us as a people.

In Cinque

by Renetta Howard



A well known movie director was recently arrested for suspicion of driving while intoxicated and he allegedly told the arresting officer that the Jews were responsible for all of the wars in the world and then asked him if he were a Jew. This Hollywood person has made public apologies for what he is supposed to have said, and of course it is having an adverse affect on his up and coming film which is religious in nature.

If we look back in history, we understand that war of some kind and captivity has been characteristic of Jewish life from ancient times as recorded in the Old Testament of the Bible. The ancient people called themselves God's chosen people. They

resided in Canaan or Palestine, calling it the "promised land." They called themselves Israelites. They had to fight the Canaanites and Philistines to possess Palestine. They had prosperous times for a while under the rule of Saul and David and were later attacked and driven into captivity for many years before being permitted to return to Jerusalem. The Jews revolted against Roman rule and were scattered around the globe as they destroyed Jerusalem.

In spite of the Diaspora, "scattering" the Jewish people kept their faith and customs and worked toward their dream of a united people, once again. This dream was realized in the leadership and tenacity of one David Ben-Gurion. Palestine was partitioned into a Jewish state and an Arab state. In 1948, this Jewish state became known as Israel. The residents call themselves Israelis and the land which they occupy is generally what was known as Canaan.

The Israelis are a defensive people and sometimes aggressive. One thing which has been in their favor is the support of Great Britain and the United States, financially and militarily. When things have been hot and tough in the past, they have had help. The problem now stems from Iran, a large country nearby which intends to destroy Israel by aiding the Hezbollah. The United States and other great powers do not want Iran with nuclear power while the United States is still fighting in Iraq, another Middle Eastern Country. Iran is now in the "catbird seat" and it appears that the final outcome of the war in Iraq, Israel and Lebanon are going to be determined by what Iran does in the future. America needs to get "in cinque" and encourage our Congressmen to begin a strategy to not spread our military might throughout the Middle East because we will surely be vulnerable to more attack from within.

Great news for Wal-Mart shoppers!

CIS-SP has received a grant from Wal-Mart to be spent on school supplies, backpacks for kids, and snacks or food for kids! Everyone is also all been invited to family night at the new Wal-Mart Supercenter on 4th and Avenue Q. That night, CIS-S will receive the check one the night of

Monday August 14th from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. At this family night we are also invited to tour the new store. In addition, citizens are also invited to attend the grand opening of this store on August 16th from 7-8 p.m. Thanks so much to Eddie

McBride for helping to make this happen!

Letter Policy

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