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## Community

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

### Meetings

- 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
- Last Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Miss 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 at 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 Nineteenth 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 Hunt Elementary.
- Chapman Hill Neighborhood Association meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm, at the Elementary Cafeteria.

If you have an announcement you want to appear in this paper, there are three ways to get information to us:

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## Barack Obama Wins Iowa Caucuses Last Week

DES MOINES, Iowa - (AP) Sen. Barack Obama, bidding to become the nation's first black president, captured the Iowa caucuses Thursday night, opening test in the race for the 2008 Democratic nomination. Mike Huckabee rode a wave of support from evangelical Christians to victory in the Republican caucuses.

Obama, 46 and a first-term senator from Illinois, eased past a high-powered field that included Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton of New York, the former first lady, and former Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina, the party's 2004 vice presidential nominee.

Among Republicans, Huckabee, a preacher turned politician, handily defeated Mitt Romney despite being outspent by tens of millions of dollars, and deciding in the campaign's final days to scrap television commercials that would have assailed the former Massachusetts governor.

Obama, who campaigned as an apostle of change in Washington, was gaining 36 percent support among Democrats, Edwards, who ran promising to battle the special interests in the capital, and Clinton, who stressed her experience, both were drawing about 30 percent.

Huckabee's triumph was more robust. He was winning 34 percent support, compared to 25 percent for Romney. Former Sen. Fred Thompson and Sen. John McCain battled for third place.

Romney sought to frame his defeat as something less than that, saying he had trailed Huckabee, a



Senator Barack Obama is shown with a sign of his theme for the presidential campaign after winning in Iowa last week.

former Arkansas governor, by more than 20 points a few weeks ago. "I've been pleased that I've been able to make up ground and I intend to keep making up ground, not just here but across the country," he said.

The words were brave, but already, his strategy of bankrolling a methodical campaign in hopes of winning the first two states was in tatters - and a rejuvenated McCain was tied with him in the polls in next-up New Hampshire.

Iowans rendered their judgments in meetings at 1,781 precincts from Adel to Zwingle, in schools, firehouses and community centers where the candidates themselves could not follow.

In interviews as they entered the caucuses, more than half of all the Republicans said they were

either born-again or evangelical Christians, and they liked Huckabee more than any of his rivals. Romney led handily among the balance of the Iowa Republican voters, according to the survey.

About half the Democratic caucus-goers said a candidate's ability to bring about needed change was the most important factor as they made up their minds, according to the entrance interview by The Associated Press and the television networks. Change was Obama's calling card in the arduous campaign for Iowa's backing. Fewer voters cited experience, which Clinton said was her strong suit, or a candidate's chance of capturing the White House or ability to care about people like the voters themselves.

## Commissioner Gutierrez Will Seek Another Term

Lubbock County Commissioner Ysidro Gutierrez has filed for Precinct 3 subject to the Democrat Primary March 4, 2008. He will be challenged by former County Commissioner Gilbert Flores who announced last month. Gutierrez defeated Flores for the position in 2004.

Commissioner Gutierrez says, "I stand for limited government, low taxes, and reduced spending while providing all essential government services to the people in Lubbock County."

He says that he is a candidate with the qualifications to be a leader. "I care about the people of Lubbock County and I am a candidate with a positive and proven record of service," he continued.

When asked about his record of service for the citizens of East Lubbock, he says: Economic Development is at the top of the list, which includes collaborating with the North and East Lubbock Community Redevelopment Corporation.

Also quality of life: East Lubbock Area Clean Up; Gradual increase in funding for Lubbock County General Assistance to lend a hand when our citizens need help.

He says that during the fight to keep the name of Canyon Lake Drive, he stood in solidarity with the people of East Lubbock to name another street after Cesar Chavez. Not Canyon Lake Drive,



Commissioner Gutierrez

He says, "Together we won!"

Among his community events, he says: member of Lincoln Douglass Scholarship Banquet Committee; Juneteenth Parade; Young at Heart Pageant; and the "Pride in the East Side Lubbock Photo Contest."

When asked what he wants to accomplish if re-elected, he says, "I will work to locate a Factory Out-Let Mall Shopping Center in East Lubbock."

He says, "I thank all for their vote. I appreciate your confidence in me."

"It has been a privilege to serve as your representative on the Commission's Court," he continued.

Earl voting for the March 4th Democratic Primary will begin February 19 to 29, 2008. Election day is March 4, 2008.

## Candidate Packets Available For Those Seeking City Office

Residents interested in filing in the upcoming City election may pick up candidate packets beginning Monday, January 7. The packets include information on campaign ethics, finances, and election law, and may be picked up during normal business hours from the City Secretary's office

located on the second floor of City Hall, 1625 13th Street. Positions on the City's May ballot include Mayor, Municipal Court Judge, and City Council Districts 2, 4, and 6.

Those interested in filing for a city council or mayoral position may apply for packages



## Good Night for Clinton But Not So Good For Pollsters, Pundits

Voters in New Hampshire weren't wrong about who they wanted to be the next Democratic presidential nominee, but the pundits, pollsters and even the campaigns completely missed the mark in the run-up to Tuesday's vote.

Borrowing from an old and familiar playbook, Hillary Clinton pulled off an unexpected win in New Hampshire after five days of slipping poll numbers, accusations of feigned tears and low turnout at campaign events.

Throughout the voting day, exit polling offered no solid evidence to suggest that Barack Obama wouldn't walk away the victor, besting the former first lady twice in a week, and catapulting him into history as the first

African American ever to win the New Hampshire primary.

But as the counting came to a close on Wednesday morning, Clinton had scored 39 percent and more than 110,000 votes in an election with record turnout. Obama nipped at her heels, getting 36 percent of the total, but never once passing Clinton during the night-long count.

Even before the race was called Tuesday night, the narrative told a new tale, with some of those same pundits who had predicted disaster for Clinton now parsing the results by suggesting New Hampshire voters are notoriously unpredictable or Obama's message of "change" didn't resonate with Granite State the way it had in Iowa.

Throughout the new storyline, however, Clinton herself was credited with the unexpected turnaround.

"I have seen candidates who face defeat and sort of give up, and you see candidates who face defeat and, you know, keep fighting," said Democratic strategist and FOX News contributor Susan Estrich. "She kept fighting."

Clinton's pivotal moment can be marked at a point less than 24 hours before the voting began, say several political observers who traced it to a campaign stop in Portsmouth. It was there the New York senator's voice took on a feminine vulnerability after she was asked to respond to a question about how she copes with the hectic schedule.

"This is very personal for me," Clinton answered her question in a soft, weepy voice. "It's not just political, it's not just public. I see what's happening, we have to reverse it."

That response led the top of the newscasts around the nation Monday night. While people watched with mixed reactions, for many, Clinton suddenly stopped being a calculating, power-hungry

he said. "We must keep in mind that's good for North and East Lubbock is good for South Lubbock, West Lubbock and Central Lubbock."

When asked what he wanted to do if re-elected, he said, "I want to see work begin on the pipeline to Lake Alan Henry, as well as see streets improved in his district, particularly East Erskine as it approaches Loop 289. That section of Erskine is a dirt road."

"I think it will take some experience people to make it happen," said Price.

At this report, he is the only one to announce an intent to file for District 2. Persons interested in seeking office may pick up packets in the City Secretary's Office.

Mayor David Miller has said he intends to seek another term. Tom Martin, former city councilman, has indicated he will seek the mayor's post again.

Other city councilpersons, Phyllis Jones, District 4; and Jim Gilbreath, District 6, have not indicated whether they intend to seek re-election at this report. When they have decided, it will be reported.

## City Councilman Floyd Price Announces For Re-Election



City Councilman Price

Lubbock City Councilman Floyd Price announced last Friday afternoon, January 4, 2008, in a press conference at the Patterson Library he will seek re-election for District 2 in East and North Lubbock, an area according to him still is far behind other areas of the city when it comes to development and jobs.

With his wife, Violet, at his side, he said there has been a lot of success in East Lubbock over the past four years. Among the success include houses being built with the help of the North and East Lubbock Development, and industrial gains along 50th Street and Martin Luther King Boulevard.

He made known that the neighborhoods to the east are blighted parts of the city. "We should pay more attention to the aching toe than the finger that is not hurting,"

## Coaches Needed For MLK Little League

Coaches are needed to help teach the fundamentals of baseball to boys and girls of the Martin Luther King Little League.

If you are interested in coaching, please contact Charles Curry at (806) 577-1373 or Ron Sauter at (806) 535-3917.



## Braxton In Concert

Tom Braxton will appear in concert for James T. Braxton TTU Jazz Scholarship Endowment February 1, 2008.



## Mayor Miller Will Host Round Table



Mayor David Miller

Mayor David Miller will be hosting a round table discussion regarding educational opportunities in Lubbock on January 22nd at 6pm. The event will be at Miss Simmons Community Center located at 2004 Oak Avenue. Special guests will include: Texas Tech Chancellor, Kent Hance; Lubbock Christian University President, Dr. Ken Jones; South Plains College President, Dr. Kalvin Sharp; and Wayland Baptist University Lubbock Campus Dean, Dr. David Bishop.

All citizens are invited to discuss community issues and concerns, but there will also be opportunities for students and their parents to see what our local colleges and universities have to offer.

# Chatman Hills Corner

By Doris Reynolds

The Federations of choirs is getting ready for the Fifty-Fourth Annual Anniversary Celebration, as stated last month we are excited, and blessed for another year. We will begin to plan our program on Saturday morning, January 12, 2008 at 11:30 am, at the home of President Bennie Sims, 2311 Fir Avenue, we are asking for all Federations Officers and Musicians to be present.

A very interesting program is set for the 2008 Lincoln/Douglass event which will be held Sunday afternoon, February 10, 2008, beginning at 4:00 p.m. The event will be held at the Market Alumni Center, on the campus of Texas Tech University. For more information, call Emma Jackson at 762-3350.

Tickets are \$20.00 each.

Another event will be Tom Braxton, a saxophone virtuoso,

who will be appearing in a benefit for the James T. Braxton TTU Jazz S Scholarship Endowment. It is being sponsored by the Black Faculty-Staff Association and the Root Historical Art Arts Council.

This event will be held at Friday evening, February 1, 2008, in the TTU Allen Theater, beginning at 8:00 p.m. Admission will be \$20.

Church services were well attended the first Sunday, January 6, 2008, at the New Hope Baptist Church where the proud pastor is Rev. B. R. Moton.

Services begun with Meditation & Prayer. The Praise Team did a marvelous job sing God's praises. The morning scripture and prayer were offered. The New Hope Choir sang several selections.

Pastor Moton delivered a splendid message. His subject was "When We Are Knocked Down, We Will Not Be Knocked Out. Get Up!" His scripture text

was Job 14:1. It was another outstanding sermon.

After the invitation to discipleship, the morning announcements were read by Royce Bradley. All visitors were welcomed by Sister Bille Caviel.

The Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration will be held January 18 thru 21, 2008. It is sponsored by the Lubbock Martin Luther King, Jr. Committee. The annual services will be held at the Lake Ridge United Methodist Church, 4701 82nd Street, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Speaker of the hour will be Dr. Lydia Jackson-Waters, who is a retired Pastor of Crossroads/Nija Panda United Methodist Church of Compton, California. Rev. Sonia J. Beaty, pastor of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, will give the occasion.

Let us support this annual event as it really needed in the City of Lubbock. If there ever was a time to do so, it is now!



Rev. & Mrs. C. C. Peoples

*The Lord has blessed us with one more year, and we are Thankful!*  
 Rev. & Mrs. C. C. Peoples would like to Thank Everyone who prayed, donated, or visited. We Thank God for You!  
 We would like to say "Happy New!"  
 Keep in Mind: Psalm 46:2  
 For those of you who don't know the Lord, this is a Good Time to accept Him.  
 Check out Romans 10:9-10  
 P.S. If you are not a member of a Church, this would be a great year to find one!  
 Be Blessed!!!  
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## FASHION FUN

by Shirley Robinson

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## FASHION TIP

ALWAYS WEAR A SMILE

## Dunbar All Class Reunion Set For July 17-20, 2008

The Dunbar All Class Reunion, featuring all classes from the beginning through the end of the Dunbar era as a high school will be held July 17-20, 2008. If you attended or graduated from Dunbar High School during any of those years, then don't be left out of the "Once-in-a-lifetime" event!

Right now, this is what will be necessary for you to do in order to share in all of this fun.

All interested persons are asked to put July 17-20, 2008 on their calendar and make plans to attend.

Send a Money Order or Cashier's Check made out to Dunbar International Alumni Association and send to: P.O. Box 3362, Lubbock, Texas 79452. No personal Checks will be accepted.

The cost for the reunion are as follows: Single - \$90.00; Couples - \$160.00 (This can consist of any amount).  
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## New Light Baptist Church News

Church services got underway at the New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road, last Sunday morning. Services were well attended.

Services got underway with Sunday School beginning at 9:55 a.m. with Brother David Chiles teaching the lesson entitled "Break Through In Focus." The scripture text was Psalm 145:1-21. A question to ponder is: "What Should I Focus On?"

The morning worship begun at 11:00 a.m. with the devoted Praise Team leading it.

The Senior Choir sang "Love Covers A Multitude of Sins" and led by Brother Carlton Hicks. Also sung was "Holy, Holy, Holy."

Rev. Kenneth Jackson brought the morning sermon. It was entitled "Prayer Changes Things." The scripture text was Acts 16:25-35. It was a very uplifting and rewarding time that was shared by all.

Let's continue to pray for our sick and shut-in and those who are in the hospital, nursing homes and jail.

Remember with God all things

## South Plains College Announces Basic Police Academy

LEVELLAND - South Plains College will host its Summer Day Academy beginning May 5. To be eligible for the class, prospective students must make an application on or before Jan. 22 and not later than April 18. The academy ends Aug. 15.

The police academy meets from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. five days a week. Students will be required to attend some Saturday meetings during the summer to complete course competencies. Because of the demanding nature of the academy, outside work is discouraged while attending the SPC Academy.

Following the 16-week police academy, students will be scheduled to take the state licensed examination to become a Texas peace officer. The test is an employment requirement for law enforcement agencies; however, police academy graduates are not law enforcement officers until employed by a law enforcement agency.

Interested students should contact Patsy Garner, department

secretary, at 806-894-9611; ext. 2291 or email pgarner@southplainscollege.edu to make an appointment to take the Academy Entrance Test. The general knowledge exam will test reading comprehension, spelling and grammar. A short biographical essay also is required.

Applicants with a passing score of 75 percent or above then will meet with the Academy Coordinator to determine eligibility requirements. Upon completion of eligibility requirements, SPC requires a non-refundable \$50 application fee. The fee is used to process a records request through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement for state and federal background checks. A favorable return from TCLEOSE is mandatory before a student is admitted to the academy.

For more information about the academy, visit www.southplainscollege.edu/law.

## Dr. Martin Luther King Annual Celebration Set January 18-21, 2008

The Annual Celebration of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration will be held January 18 through 21, 2008.

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## Baseball Is Here!!!

Martin Luther King Little League Registration

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# Church News



## From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith Kudos for Iowans

Iowa! Iowa! Iowa! Let me give you a brief history of the State of Iowa as documented by Wikipedia. Iowa is located in the Midwestern region of the United States of America. It is the 29th state of the United States, having joined the Union on December 28, 1846. The state is named for the Ioway people, a Siouan tribe of Native Americans that formerly lived there. It is known as the "Hawkeye State" or the "Tall Corn State."

As of 2006, Iowa has an estimated population of 2,982,085. Iowa's population included about 97,000 foreign-born (3%). Iowans are mostly of Western European descent. The three largest ancestry groups in Iowa are: German (35.7%), Irish (13.5%), and English. The racial makeup of the state is 91.0% white (non-Hispanic) 3.8% Hispanic, 2.5% black, 1.6% Asian, and 0.4% American Indian. 1% of Iowan is two or more races.

Iowa is made up of religious people. A 2001 survey reveals that 52% of Iowan is Protestant, while 25% are Roman Catholic, and other religion make up 6%. 13% reveal they are non-religious.

The state's total gross state product for 2005 was in US dollars 113.5 billion. Its per capita income for 2006 in US dollars was 23,340. Iowa's main agricultural outputs are hogs, corn, soybeans, oats, cattle and dairy products. Its industrial outputs are food processing, machinery, elec-

tric equipment, chemical product, publishing and primary metal. Iowa produces the nation's largest amount of ethanol.

We want to give kudos to Iowa because of what happened in that states' electoral caucus. History was made when the first black male ever (Barack Obama) on planet earth won the nomination for President of the United States with 38% of the Democratic and Independent vote. The prelude to this paragraph reveals that no way in scheme of things Obama would have won without a white voter turnout that believed in his message while looking beyond the color of his skin. We salute Iowa!

I took the opportunity to read some blogs from Iowans as it related to the outcome of the caucus. Following are some positive and negatives that we find interesting:-

The real world is the primaries. Hopefully Obama will be asked the real question about his heritage and his faith.

The whole thing with Iowa is ridiculous. They are a small state with a small population, and they are deciding who our candidates are going to be for the election? Please, Iowa doesn't even matter in the election for president when it comes to electoral votes. The states that we should use for caucus are those that actually have a say, like California, Texas, New York, and of course, Florida. Maybe Ohio too, but we'll see. The only reason that Iowa's cau-

cus is such a big deal was because it is first. Iowa does not represent the nation, it just represents Iowa. End of story.

Totally agree...This was a direct jab at Obama...But that's okay...They can try as they might to bring down this movement...nothing they come up w/ is working. They tried the experience card...that didn't work...They tried his childhood...That didn't work...Now there are attacking his name again...The definition of insanity is trying the same thing over again, expecting results...if you like'd the Clinton Era...then by all means...go head, vote for someone who says they have experience b/c her husband was in the WH. My wife would never try to claim she is qualified for my job. And I'm from NY...But what do I know?

Fear and cynicism belong to the past--Barack Obama is the leader of a revolution.

Obama is leading a revolution...fear and cynicism are DEAD.

I'm a republican, but I don't think Iowa speaks for me on the republican side: I would say Giuliani or Romney for republican as for the Democrat I think Obama is the best bet.

Why do a few people get to make a choice for all of us, There is no way I want to vote for any of the top choices last night...I am just going to say it in today's world  
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## We Thank God for Jesus Thank God For All Things!!!

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

**Proverbs 27:20** -- Hell and destruction are never full, so the eyes of man are never satisfied.

When we have a headache, and the pain is great, under our breath we curse. We hear of the man who has a brain tumor. Thank God, it could be worse!!!

**Psalm 92:1-2** -- It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto his name, O' Most High to show forth your loving kindness in the morning, and y our faithfulness every night.

When we say its cold outside, and it's 22 degrees, we complain and curse. Think about the Alaska's 80 degrees below. Thank God, it could be worse!!!

**Psalm 92:1-2** -- This is the Lord's doing. It is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day which the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it.

When we buy groceries, filling seven sacks, the prices are high and we curse. We see many people hustling the trash cans. Thank God, it could be worse!!!

**Deuteronomy 15:11** -- The Lord said, for the poor shall never cease out of the land. Therefore, I command you, saying you shall open your hand wide unto your Brother, to the poor, and to the needy in your land.

It can rain all weekend, want to be outside, and under our breath we curse. Think of the flooding we hear of in other states. Thank

God, it could be worse!!!

**Romans 14:6** -- He that regards the day, regards unto the Lord, and he that regard not the day to the Lord, he does not regard it. He that eat, eat unto the Lord, for he gives God thanks, and he eats not, and gives God thanks.

When we go to the store, pull on the door and it's hard to open. We curse. We see the man in the wheelchair trying to get in. Thank God, it could be worse!!!

**Psalm 105:1-2** -- O' give thanks u unto the Lord, call upon his name; make known his deeds among the people sing unto him, sing psalms unto him. Talk you of all his wondrous works.

We know of some people who got their car's fender bent. Out loud they curse. Then know of that someone died in an accident. Thank God, it could be worse!!!

**I Chronicles 16:34** -- O' Give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good. For his mercy endures for ever.

When the water is frozen and can't make our coffee, out loud we curse. Neighbor's water has been off for three weeks. Thank God, it could be worse!!!

**Psalm 136:1-4** -- O' Give thanks unto the Lord, for he is

good. For his mercy endures for ever. To his alone does great wonders, for his mercy endures for ever.

The wind is blowing at 40 mph and under your breath you curse. You've forgotten the 1970 tornado in Lubbock. Thank God, it could be worse!!!

**Psalm 65:5-8** -- They also that dwell in the uttermost parts are afraid of your tokens (Signs). You make the outgoing of the morning and evening to rejoice.

The man's car broke down. He rides Citibus, under his breath he curse. Many cities in Texas don't even have a bus system. Thank God, it could be worse!!!

**Psalm 104:13** -- He waters the hills from his chambers. The earth is satisfied with the fruit of your works.

Brother T. J. Patterson had two of his tires cut, and out loud he did curse. I, Billy "B. J." Morrison, III, had all four of his tires cut. Thank God, it could be worse!!!

**Psalm 100:1-2 & 4a** -- Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all you lands, serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing. Be thankful unto him, and bless his name. AMEN!

# St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Church services were well attended for the first Sunday of the year at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, where the proud pastor is the Rev. Edward Canady. The spirit was

very high and the services were very inspiring for the New Year.

The services begun with Sunday School beginning at 10:15 a. m. The lesson was about Question and Answer. The scrip-

ture was Luke 2:41-52. The lesson was taught and reviewed by Sister Nina Davis. It was a very good lesson for the first Sunday of the New Year!

All present were very happy about being present for the

Sunday School. All will agree that Sunday School is very essential to all who are believers.

2008.

May we live it for your glory!

I cannot know what this year will bring, and I am grateful for that! But help me ...

- \* eat less junk food,
- \* exercise and take better care of my body,
- \* and learn to enjoy the simple pleasures of life.

Above all other things, Father, I want to be your instrument for ...

- \* easing somebody's too-heavy load,
- \* relieving some sad person's misery,
- \* and introducing some lost soul to Jesus.

Come what may in the year about to begin, may we live it for your glory, within your will, and to your delight. We pray in

The morning worship hour begun with the morning devotion led by Deacons of St. Matthew Baptist Church.

The St. Matthew Baptist Church Senior Choir sung out of their hearts and souls. What a time in the Lord.

the name of Jesus. Amen.

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast will meet at the home of Sis. Christine Burleson. Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christine Burleson, vice president; and Sister Elnora Jones, teacher.

Pastor delivered a dynamic sermon. It was entitled "A Jailor's Question." The scripture text was Acts 16:28-30.

Let us continue to pray for those who are sick, and shut-in. Among them include Sister Shirley Canady who had outpatient care. She is doing much better.

Also Sister Bernice Hameed and Sister Oretta Moore are still on the shut-in list.

Thought of the Week: "God is love."

## Outreach Prayer Breakfast

Sis. Earnestine Frazier - Speaker  
"What Have God Done For You Lately?"  
Scripture: Exodus 16

The question was asked "what have God done for you lately?". The children of Israel had no gratitude to God for delivering them from the slavery and bondage they had suffered in the land of Egypt. Again, the question was asked "what have God done for you lately?". They complained to Moses that he had brought them into the desert to starve and die. They forgot God would supply all their needs, including physical sustenance. God heard their grumbling and allowed bread to rain down from heaven. Again and again, the question was asked "what have God done for you lately?". God's instruction to the people, through Moses, was to gather only enough food for one day; then, on the sixth day, they were to gather two times the amount of food in order to have enough for the Sabbath as well. Again, the question was asked "what have God done for you lately?".

Jesus used this and many miracles for the children of Israel to feed them bread to teach His followers that He is the true Bread of Life. He said, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty" (John 6:35, NIV). In Christ Jesus, God can and will fulfill all our needs, both physical and spiritual, if we trust Him. The final question is "what have you done for God lately?". Think about it.

A New Year's Prayer (2008)  
Holy God of Heaven and Earth,

I know that a thousand years are as a day to you, but we humans are bound up in time. As a new year is beginning, please teach me to ...

- \* care more about people and less about money,
- \* enjoy my work but not let it enslave me,
- \* and laugh more easily than I did last year.

As I get ready for 2008, help me to remember things that are easy to forget ...

- \* that it might well be my last year,
- \* that some people are counting on me,
- \* and that you have things for me to do.

Lord, with the things I have accumulated over the years,

- please let me ...
- \* shake off the monotony of life,
- \* try some new things in this new year,
- \* and mend some broken fences.

And, Father of Mercies, please teach me in this new and unspoiled year to ...

- \* lighten up and enjoy children, sunsets, reading, and long walks,
- \* avoid quarrels and work at being a peacemaker in this world,
- \* and start next year with fewer regrets than I bring to

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# Obsequies

## Lovie Gene Cunningham



Funeral services were held for Lovie Gene Cunningham, a longtime resident of Lubbock, last Saturday afternoon, January 5, 2008, at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church with Rev. Sonia J. Beaty, pastor, officiating.

Interment was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Sammie Sanders, Lawrence Wilson, Roy Travenia, Troy Poward, Benrie Jordan, and Mike Sanders.

Honorary pallbearers were Stewards of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

She was born in Greenville, Texas. In 1929, she moved to Lubbock. She was a faithful member of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church where she served in various leadership roles including primary Sunday School teacher, and was president of the Senior Choir for many years.

Mrs. Cunningham attended Dunbar High School and graduated in the Class of 1938. She worked for Margaret's, a fine women clothing store, more than 30 years.

Lovie Gene married Solone Cunningham, who served in the military with an honorable discharge, who preceded her in death and her youngest daughter, Sara Robinson, as well.

Mrs. Cunningham leaves to mourn her passing: a sister, Mary Rehling of Modesta, California; three children: Solone Cunningham, Jr., (Heidi) of Dallas, Janet Cyprain of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Pamela Jenkins (Robert J.) of Dallas; her grandchildren: Kewwan Cunningham (Amber), Michael Cyprain, Kevin Cyprain, Denerie Robinson, Richie Robinson, Marvin and Celena Cunningham; great grandchildren, Brandon, Olivia, Michael, III.

## Bro. Clifton Leonard "PaPa" Peoples



Sulphur Springs -- Funeral services were held for Brother Clifton Leonard "PaPa" Peoples Saturday afternoon, December 15, 2007, at the Morning Chapel Baptist Church with Rev. H. B. Nash officiating.

Burial was held in the St. Luke Cemetery under the arrangements of West Oaks Funeral Home in Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Active pallbearers were Grandsons: Joel Peoples, De'Lendrick Peoples, Robert Nance, Reginald Nance, Robert Johnson, Jr., Keith Clark, and David Miles.

Honorary pallbearers were Deacons of St. Luke Baptist Church: Clyde Alexander, Tommy Clayton, and Frank Jimmerson.

Brother Peoples was born to the parentage of the late Matt and Sally Harris Peoples on January 12, 1911.

At an early age, he accepted Christ and became a member and a Deacon at Mt. Sterling Baptist Church, with the late Rev. E. A. Coleman and the late Rev. John Williams serving as

pastors. Later he changed his membership to St. Luke Baptist Church where he also served as a Deacon for many years. He was a member of the Columbia Lodge No. 81, Master Mason, retired from Rockwell International, a Farmer, and a foreman for Green Thumb.

On December 1, 1934, he married in holy matrimony Equilla Delores Dial. To this union seven children were born. He leaves to cherish his memories: four sons: Harvie Ray (Dorthea) Peoples of Forney, Texas, Rev. Clifton Claude (Vivian) Peoples of Lubbock, Curtis James Peoples of Sulphur Springs and Rev. Leonard (Vivian) Peoples of Garland; a daughter, Velma Jean (Robert) Johnson of Forney, Texas; twenty-three grandchildren, forty-two great-grandchildren; a host of great-great-grandchildren; niece, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He is preceded in death by

his wife, parents, two sons, daughter-in-law Lola Mae Peoples, Florence Wayne (Bob) Peoples and Cleo Aubrey Peoples; eight brothers: Jim Luther (Juke), Young, Edmund, Leroy, Charles, Henderson and Cleotha Peoples; four sisters: Mamie Miller, Velma Gray Campbell, Naomi Sims, Lizzie Peoples and

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## Fannie Frances Price



Funeral services for a long-time resident, Fannie Frances Price, will be held today, Thursday morning, January 10, 2008, at the New Hope Baptist Church with Rev. B. R. Moton, pastor, officiating.

A final tribute for her will be held Saturday morning, January 12, 2008, at 11:00 a. m. in Dallas.

Burial will be held in the Lincoln Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Ms. Price passed away Tuesday, January 4, 2008, at Covenant Medical Center.

She was born February 15, 1921. She was also a long time usher at New Hope Baptist Church.

She leaves to cherish her memories a host of relatives and many friends.

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# Crabtree Tabled AT&T All-America Player of the Year

Texas Tech freshman wide receiver Mike Crabtree on Monday was named the winner of the AT&T All-America player of the year award, an honor determined by fan voting.

The announcement was made during the LSU-Ohio State BCS national championship game.

Crabtree was one of four finalists who were selected in December by ESPN. The others were Florida quarterback Tim Tebow and Arkansas running back Darren McFadden, who finished 1-2 in Heisman Trophy voting, and Virginia defensive end Chris Long.

Once the finalists were named, the winner was selected through text-message voting from fans.

Crabtree finished the season tied for fourth in major-college history in receptions (134), third in receiving yards (1,962) and tied for third in receiving touchdowns (22).



Michael Crabtree

## Eddie Murphy and Tracey Edmonds Get Married

Eddie Murphy celebrated New Year's Day by tying the knot with film producer Tracey Edmonds. The pair exchanged vows on a private island off Bora Bora in French Polynesia in front of a small group of family and friends, their representatives told People magazine.

LOS ANGELES (AP) Eddie Murphy celebrated New Year's Day by tying the knot with film producer Tracey Edmonds.

The pair exchanged vows Tuesday on a private island off Bora Bora in French Polynesia in front of a small group of family and friends, their representatives told People magazine.

A call to Murphy's publicist, Arnold Robinson, wasn't immediately returned early Wednesday.

Murphy and Edmonds began dating last fall and were engaged in July.

Murphy, 46, has five children from his marriage to Nicole Mitchell Murphy, who filed for divorce in 2005. He also has a daughter with Spice Girls singer Melanie Brown.



Edmonds, 40, has two sons from her 13-year marriage to singer Kenneth "Babyface"

The Red Raiders capped a 9-4 season last week with a 31-28 victory against Virginia at the Gator Bowl. In that game, Crabtree and inside receiver Danny Amendola set a major-college record for most pass receptions by two teammates in the same season.

Edmonds. As head of Edmonds Entertainment Group Inc., she has produced the film and television series "Soul Food."

Murphy's film credits include "Dreamgirls," and the "Beverly Hills Cop," "The Nutty Professor," "Shrek" and "Dr. Doolittle" movies.

Amendola finished the year with 109 catches, giving the two 243 together.

The previous record was 236 catches by San Diego State's Kassim Osgood and J.R. Tolver in 2002. Osgood and Tolver retained the record for single-season receiving yards by teammates - 3,337 compared to 3,207 for the Tech twosome.

Crabtree tied a major-college record with his 11th 100-yard receiving game of the season. Aaron Turner from Pacific set the record in 1991.

## Whites Only: Blacks Largely Shut Out of Head Coaching Jobs

NEW ORLEANS (AP) When Ohio State and LSU face off in the BCS championship game Monday night, some of the best on the field will be black players.

Glenn Dörsey, Beanie Wells, Kirston Pittman, Brian Robiskie, Early Doucet, Vernon Gholston.

Then check out the sidelines. They might as well put out a "Whites Only" sign for the guys running the teams.

College football is stuck in a time warp, stubbornly hanging on to a segregated system that largely keeps minorities from landing the top coaching jobs.

Oh sure, every school has at least one or two black coaches on its staff, but they are generally limited to anonymous position jobs such as running backs coach or secondary coach - spots that tend to have a large number of minority players.

"Ever since I've been in coaching, there's been that frustration ... of not feeling like you can reach the pinnacle of your career in terms of being a head coach," said LSU assistant head coach Larry Porter.

With another hiring season nearly complete, college football is left with just six black coaches among the 119 schools in the NCAA's top division - the same number as this season.

Those sort of figures sound like something out of the Jim Crow era, not a year when a black man is making a serious bid to become president of the United States.

"Pathetic," said Richard Lapchick, a sports sociologist at Central Florida. "When I met Eddie Robinson in 1997 to start work on an autobiography with him, there were eight African-American coaches. When I spoke at his funeral this year, there were only six. Eight was the all-time high, and even then it was low. Now, it's even more so."

Continued Next Week

## Jesse Jackson's Wife Supports Clinton for President, Breaks With Husband

COLUMBIA, South Carolina (AP) The wife of the Rev. Jesse Jackson is backing Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton in a new radio ad being aired in South Carolina, a split from her husband, who is supporting rival Barack Obama.

Jesse Jackson said in March that Obama, an Illinois senator, was his vote. But Jacqueline Jackson, in an ad that started airing this week, calls Clinton "by far the most qualified candidate to be president in these tough times."

In the ad, Jacqueline Jackson talks about the role of women in nurturing their children and about the New York senator's work in attempting to provide

universal health care. "Hillary believes that the way we treat our children reflects our nation's values. For 35 years, Hillary has fought for families," Jacqueline Jackson says in the 60-second ad.

Jackson's son, Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr., also backs Obama. Obama's campaign aired a one-minute ad featuring him in October.

Clinton and Obama are vying for the critical black vote in this early voting state. Democrats head to the primary polls here Jan. 26, and blacks comprised nearly half the vote in 2004.

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## THIS 'N' THAT

by T.J. Patterson

HISTORY BEING PLAYED OUT TODAY! THIS N THAT ..... is glad to see what is taking place in the United States of America this day and time ..... as an ..... AFRICAN AMERICAN & AN ANGELO FEMALE ..... are seeking the highest position in the United States of America .... That being the ..... PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA..... These individuals are .....BARACK OBAMA & HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON..... As it is being said these days ..... things are changing ..... and the citizens of this country will demand that things will change..... Both of these individuals have won two major events ..... IOWA CAUCUSES & NEW HEMPHIRE PRIMARY..... Just think ..... in the early 1900's ..... WOMEN IN AMERICA ..... couldn't vote as it was against the law..... And ..... just think ..... It was in ..... 1862 & IN SOME STATES 1865 ..... when Blacks were ..... SLAVES..... Yes ..... without any doubt ..... HISTORY ..... is being made loud and clear..... Regardless of how you may feel about either one of these individuals ..... there is a ..... GREAT CHANGE ..... happening in the ..... UNITED STATES OF AMERICA! ..... Just think All of this happening near the celebration of the birthday holiday of the late ..... DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. .... which will be happening next week!

**BAD TIMING FOR NOT CELEBRATING MLK BIRTHDAY! THIS N THAT** ..... have received calls from some of our

readers as why ..... there will be no celebrating of the birthday of the late ..... DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. .... Last year ..... THIS N THAT ..... learned from the ..... WAYNE HAVENS ..... Lubbock Public Schools ..... that it was necessary to not celebrate ..... because of the formula set up by the ..... STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION..... Hopefully ..... this holiday will be reconsidered next calendar year ..... and suggest it should be continued..... This is needed ..... because things are changing in the United States of America..... With the efforts being done by ..... BARACK OBAMA ..... as he seeks the ..... OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ..... This is something which needs to be looked into for the future of this ..... CITY OF LUBBOCK! ..... It was just ..... BAD TIMING TO NOT CONTINUE THIS HOLIDAY THIS YEAR!

**SUPPORT UPCOMING MLK BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION! THIS N THAT** ..... is advising all of us to ..... SUPPORT ..... the upcoming activities of the ..... ANNUAL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION ..... of the late ..... DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION..... The special effort will get underway ..... JANUARY 18 THRU 21, 2008 ..... with the ..... CITY WIDE SERVICES ..... being held on Sunday afternoon ..... JANUARY 20TH ..... at the Lake Ridge United Methodist Church ..... beginning at 5:00 p. m.....

Guest speaker will be ..... DR. LYDIA JACKSON-WATERS ..... Retired Pastor of the Crossroads/Nija Panda United Methodist Church ... Compton, California..... She is also a graduate of Dunbar High School..... Speaking also will be ..... REV. SONIA J. BEATY ..... pastor of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church..... Also ..... during the ..... Annual Banquet ..... will be ..... QUINCY WHITE ..... Executive Director of the Lubbock Housing Authority.....

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**DUNBAR GRADUATES & FORMER STUDENTS, IT'S TIME GET READY! THIS N THAT** ..... would like to advise you of the upcoming ..... DUNBAR HIGH SCHOOL ALL-CLASS REUNION ..... which is set for ..... JULY 17 THRU 20, 2008 ..... So if you have attended ..... DUNBAR HIGH SCHOOL ..... or former students ..... get involved with this special effort..... Those concerned about this upcoming event are invited to a meeting ..... SATURDAY AFTERNOON ..... January 12, 2008 ..... at 4:00 p. m. .... Parkway Community Center ..... 405



## Think About It!

Now 2008 Is Here! What's Next?

by Eddie P. Richardson

2007 has come and gone. What we did or did not do is history. It is gone. It can not be recovered. So it is our hope in the future, let's all pledge to do our best in this New Year, 2008!

A lot of our plans for 2007 did not come to pass, but if we worked on them to make them happen. We set our best shots. So we have no reason to complain. We, hopefully, learned from our shortcomings and will improve and work harder on them.

If we did not try to make 2007 a better year, we should feel guilty, because we made no positive efforts to make things much better. The positive contributions we could have made would have made way for a positive event to happen in which many would have benefited.

2008 has already made a big history. Just a short time ago who would have thought it? A Black

man winning the most votes for President of the United States of America in a predominately white American state. America is really becoming America for everyone. America is not truly America until it is America for everyone. Looks like 2008 is off to a very good start!

This should be a good omen, especially to and for Black Americans. As Sammy Davis' book, "Yes, I Can," is being Black is most of the time harder, but if we have our mind made up and have faith, take action, anything is harder - but it becomes accomplishable. Stumbling blocks make it harder. So we must work smarter to reach the impossible dream, but it can be reached by having this mental state of mind. "Winners don't quit; quitters don't win." As Booker T. Washington said, "Cast down your buckets where you are."

2008 holds many great events. The thing is, it is up to us. We must work collectively in order to become united and to make positive contributions. One thing Barack Obama did to make him acceptable, credible, and even likable - "he is not running as a Black man," but a man who happens to be Black. No matter how you look at what he says, it is a very positive force for Black America.

We do not have to wear our race on our sleeve to make it, because, in most cases, it will hurt us. But on the other hand, we should never forget who we are and where we came from, but where we are going. Let's make some very positive contributions as an American who is Black. Let us never from whence we come. Thank God for efforts of U.S. Senator Barack Obama!!!

## In Cinque

by Renetta Howard



Howard

want to accomplish during the year. As the year moves on and I accomplish a goal, I scratch it off my list. I usually write them all down in the first few pages of my diary and refer to them daily as I write in my diary, usually, just before I go to bed each night.

This year, I have had some experiences during the first few days of this year, 2008, which have caused me to add a new goal, after the fact, or ex-post-facto, to my established list. I have learned that STRESS KILLS. I have been stressed out over the ignorance of some people who attempt to do simple business but lack the knowledge of how to do something and feel that they have all the knowledge that they need and

will not take advice from someone who can help them because of knowledge learned from experience. Frustration sets in when an ignorant person refuses to be taught something by someone who can and is willing to teach them. This dilemma too often encountered by teachers. Usually a child who reacts this way has a parent who is not willing to take advice and causes the child to act the same way. This goes back to "Why Johnny can't read." The real truth all along has been due to the fact that "Johnny's Mama can't read!" Whether we want to accept it or not, a child has more respect for what his parent says or tell him than he will ever have for a teacher, regardless to how shallow or caring that parent is. I recall once attempting to teach a first

grader manuscript writing and his parent had been teaching him box print at home and there was no way to get him in the mode of manuscript until I discovered what was happening and had a conference with the parent.

Until Johnny's Mama learns to read, there will be many children "left behind." It is my prayer and hope that today's teachers will understand the underlying causes of so much failure and do all they can to get parents into the mode of learning as this type of stress kills the ones who try to help. God knows that the young teachers entering the world of work today have mountains to climb to work with children produced by the drug and rap culture and when ignorance is blended with those

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## Good Night For Clinton

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"Hillary Clinton shows some emotion and (people) say, wait a minute, the ice queen is melting and there is a real person inside," said Junn Williams, FOX News contributor and correspondent for National Public Radio.

For some candidates, "you finally find the right sensation within you and you start to communicate to people and that's what happened to Hillary yesterday and the day before," said Clinton adviser Lanny Davis.

But not everyone credits the election day bounce to Clinton's "reverse Ed Muskie moment" — the description given to the emotional episode because it seemed to have the opposite effect on Clinton as crying did on the 1972 Democratic front-runner whose campaign was buried when he lamented personal attacks on his wife.

"She pretended to cry, the women felt sorry for her and they went for her," said Dick Morris, a former Bill Clinton adviser and current FOX News contributor.

Morris said he thinks Clinton's well of support came from working people, women and seniors, who believed in Clinton's exper-

...ise in the areas of health care and education, and he suggested that in the last few days Clinton was able to drive those points home on the trail and in a televised debate.

"She showed a capacity to take a punch that was extraordinary," Morris said. "I have never seen a comeback like this in my entire political life. ... And I gotta say that this means, I think, that she's going to win" the Democratic nomination.

FOX News exit polls show Clinton did win over voters earning less than \$50,000 as well as those who said experience was the quality they most valued in a candidate.

Click here to look at the FOX News New Hampshire Democratic exit polls.

Women also went for Clinton 47 percent to 34 percent over Obama (though men strongly supported the Illinois senator). Some of that support for Clinton may have come after Obama and John Edwards tag-teamed Clinton in the weekend debate. The data indicate Clinton managed to grab a lot of voters who made up their minds in the last 24 hours.

On top of that, the youth vote did not come out as strongly for Obama as expected, the data show, and some analysts suggested that independents, who can vote in either party's primary, chose to vote in the Republican race in greater numbers than expected, giving John McCain his victory over Mitt Romney but leaving Obama short several thousand votes.

"The pundits got it wrong, the pollsters got it wrong ... the voters crossed everyone out," said Bill Kristol, FOX News contributor and editor of The Weekly Standard.

Every major poll taken in the week between the Iowa caucuses and New Hampshire found Obama in the lead by no less than five points. Even the early results from the FOX News exit polls hinted at a strong night for Obama. Among independent voters — who made up 43 percent of

the New Hampshire electorate — 41 percent went to Obama compared to 34 percent for Clinton.

Democrats also reported strongly that they were seeking change in their nominee — a theme that was supposed to be Obama's strong suit. Those who said it was the most important issue went decidedly for Obama.

But perhaps most telling about the surprise victory were the responses from Clinton supporters like former Democratic National Campaign Committee Chairman Terry McAuliffe, who admitted he had been wringing his hands all day, worried about a potential defeat.

"I was anxious. Going on your show and others all day with people saying we were going to lose by 15 points would give you heartburn, you know," McAuliffe told FOX News. "It's a big deal for Hillary Clinton. Voters saw the contrasts in the debates, they saw her in a human moment. I had faith in Hillary Clinton."

Of course, it may never be clear whether Clinton indeed benefited from low expectations. While she is still the national front-runner, the campaign's decision to take on new staff — former high-level advisers to Bill Clinton — no longer appears to be a matter of crisis management.

"We have plenty of money, we've got millions in the bank ... we're in for the long haul," McAuliffe said. "We're going to have a lot more top level advisers coming in and helping this campaign as we move to the next phase, which is really February 5th."

## Federation of Choirs Will Meet Saturday

The officers of the Federation of Choirs will meet Saturday morning, January 12, 2008, at 11:30 a. m. in the home of their president, Sister Bennie Sims, 2311 Fir Avenue.

Plans are being made for the 54th Anniversary of the Federation of choirs.

"All officers are asked to attend," says Sister Sims.

## Legal Notice

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## Friends of Slain Texas Woman Mourn

TYLER, Texas (AP) — Friends and family of a 21-year-old who police say was killed and mutilated by her boyfriend tried to put aside the grisly details of her death.

"You can't sleep. You can't think straight anymore," said Amy Gage, a friend and neighbor of the victim, Jane Shearer. "Then you just keep finding out more and more. It's the most difficult thing anyone can go through."

Shearer's boyfriend, Christopher Lee McCuin, 25, was charged with capital murder after police said they found her body, an ear boiling in a pot on a stove-top, and a hunk of flesh with a fork in it on a plate at the crime scene.

McCuin, wearing a jail-issue red jumpsuit, was not asked to enter a plea as he appeared before state District Judge Jack Skeen Jr. on Monday. Skeen continued McCuin's bond at \$2 million and appointed an attorney to represent him.

Authorities said McCuin's comments in a 911 call that alerted them to the hideous discovery led them to believe he may have intended to eat his girlfriend's remains, but said it is unclear whether McCuin consumed any part of her body.

Smith County Sheriff Lt. Larry Wiginton told the Tyler Morning Telegraph that McCuin told investigators that God made him kill Shearer.

"When he said God told him to do it, one of the investigators looked at him and just said, 'What did you say?'" according to Wiginton.

The judge sealed the arrest and search warrant affidavits and issued a gag order in the case, which has shocked this East Texas town about 110 miles east of Dallas.

Gage said McCuin and Shearer had only been dating a few months. She remembered Shearer as an unflappably happy friend who had a knack for making her neighbors laugh.



"We really want to focus on her being a person who loved life, and not what happened to her," Gage said. "It was such a tragedy. We have to try to focus on the fact that Jane was a good person."

Officials believe Shearer was taken by McCuin from her home late Friday night and killed. Authorities said McCuin then drove to his estranged wife's home, where he stabbed William Veasley, 42. His condition was unavailable on Monday night.

McCuin was still at his estranged wife's home when deputies arrived, but he jumped into his car and escaped after a short chase, said Smith County Sheriff J.B. Smith.

McCuin wasn't seen again until Saturday morning, when he arrived at the home he shared with his mother and called her into the garage so she could "come see what he had done," Smith said.

His mother and her boyfriend saw the remains of Shearer, authorities said. McCuin's mother and her boyfriend fled the home and flagged down a police officer. McCuin dialed 911 after they left and told an emergency dispatcher he had killed Shearer and was boiling her body parts, Smith said.

## Dunbar Reunion Upcoming Meeting

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contribution of two people): Lifetime Member Single, \$50.00; Lifetime Member Couple, \$90.00; Lifetime Membership Individual, \$185.00 (This is a one time fee, but you must also pay a class reunion fee of \$50.00). Lifetime Membership Couple, \$300.00. (This is a one time fee, but you must pay a class reunion fee of \$50.00).

The Dunbar Alumni Association will host a special meeting and refreshments will be served afterwards. The meeting will be held Saturday, January 12, 2008, beginning at 4:00 p. m. at Parkway Community Center, 405 M.K. Blvd.

The Dunbar Alumni Association meets the second Saturday of each month at the Dunbar Alumni Building.

For those of you who would like the personal contact, you can call Quincy White at (806) 792-5414 or Reva Jones-Alexander (806) 765-9274.

## In Cinque

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two items, a resolution will not solve the problem. Too often teachers burnout and develop the attitude that payday is the most important day in a school year. Dedication goes out of the window along with enthusiasm. Self-serving administrators are no help either. We must get 'in cinque' and get parents in a real learning/working mode with schools and eliminate a gross amount of STRESS.

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