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

- African American Chamber of Commerce, Lubbock meets on the 3rd Monday of each month, from 5:30-6:30pm at the Parkway Community Center, 405 MLK Blvd., 806-771-1815
- Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00pm at the Patterson Branch Library
- Hub City Kiwanis meets every Tuesday, 7:00pm, 1708 Avenue G
- Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm
- Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon
- Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Library
- East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center
- Lubbock, Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Market Alumni Center
- Dunbar/Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 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 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 pm.
- 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-Poin Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 pm at Hunt Elementary.
- Chairman Hill Neighborhood Association meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm, at HES Elementary Cafeteria.

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KATRINA AFTERMATH Questionable Contracts

In April last year, Housing Secretary Alphonso Jackson traveled to Dallas to deliver a speech to a group of minority real estate executives. The event should have been pretty routine stuff. But Jackson -- and these are his words -- shot off his mouth by describing how he believed contracts should be awarded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The secretary recalled, for instance, how he once had killed a contract award because the contractor had disparaged his friend President Bush.

Not too long after his speech, when he was back in Washington, Jackson realized he had blundered. Democratic lawmakers, citing concerns about political favoritism in HUD contract awards, called for an investigation by the department's inspector general. One powerful senator demanded Jackson's resignation. Jackson, meanwhile, issued an apology: HUD contracts, he said, were never "awarded, rejected, or rescinded" because of political influence or bias.

The matter, however, didn't end there. HUD Inspector General Kenneth Donohue launched an investigation. In September 2006, Donohue rendered his verdict in a lengthy report: Although Jackson had, in fact, urged senior aides to consider the political views of contractors in doing out department business, "no direct evidence" linked political favoritism to such awards. Jackson, it seemed, had dodged a bullet.

But perhaps not, because federal investigators are once again on Jackson's trail. And this time, the investigation seems more serious. Donohue's investigators are now working with the FBI, a federal grand jury in Washington, and prosecutors from the Justice Department's Public Integrity Section. The investigation appears to focus, in part, on whether Jackson misled Congress when he testified earlier this year that he had never intervened in awarding HUD contracts. "I don't touch contracts," the HUD boss told a Senate panel on May 3.

Investigators are exploring whether Jackson, despite that testimony, had actually lined up a contract at the HUD-controlled Housing Authority of New Orleans, or HANO, for a golfing buddy and social friend from Hilton Head Island, S.C. The friend, William Hairston, was paid more than \$485,000 for working at HANO during an 18-month period, according to figures provided by HUD and a former HANO official. The work was not competitively bid.

In an interview, Hairston, a stevedore contractor, said that Jackson had indeed helped him land the job at HANO. He said that the New Orleans housing agency, which HUD manages under receivership, was struggling to repair and rehab its housing units in the wake of Hurricane Katrina, and needed a construction manager. "The secretary asked me if I would go to New Orleans and help them out," Hairston told National Journal.

Jackson declined to be interviewed for this story, but his office put together a written response to questions posed by NJ. In the answers, his spokesman, Jerry Brown, did not respond directly to the question of whether Jackson had asked Hairston to assist the New Orleans housing authority.

Instead, Brown responded that Hairston was one of three construction managers whose names Jackson had passed along, through an aide, to HANO. According to Brown, the secretary suggested the names after a HUD-



Alphonso Jackson appointed receiver at HANO approached him and said she was in "desperate need of a construction manager."

Brown also said that Jackson was a friend of Hairston's, that HANO hired the contractor on an "emergency" basis, and that the secretary had not misled Congress. "Secretary Jackson," Brown wrote, "has always been forthright with members of Congress." Asked if Jackson had been questioned by investigators or if his or any other HUD records had been subpoenaed, Brown responded, "HUD cannot comment on IG activities."

The criminal investigation of Jackson was confirmed by Hairston, by others once or currently affiliated with HANO and HUD, and by other government officials. Hairston said he believed that HANO let him go last June because of the federal inquiry. Investigators have seized his computer at the New Orleans housing agency, he said.

According to a HANO employee, who asked not to be identified, FBI and HUD IG agents recently delivered a grand jury subpoena to the housing agency. "The FBI and the IG asked... for everything -- written notes, e-mails, minutes, telephone messages -- in relation to this contract with Hairston Construction Services," the employee told National Journal. "They wanted whatever pertained to William Hairston."

Federal investigators declined to confirm the inquiry. "We do not confirm or deny the existence or nonexistence of a case," said Helen Albert, a senior official in the HUD inspector general's office.

Familiar Path?

Jackson, 62, a Texas native, has a long history of involvement in housing and community development. He directed the operations of public housing authorities in St. Louis, Washington, D.C., and Dallas before becoming president of American Electric Power-Texas, a \$13 billion utility in Austin. He joined the Bush administration in June 2001 as HUD's deputy secretary, and he became secretary in March 2004.

Former HUD senior officials described Jackson as a passionate man who frequently threatened to fire employees for disagreeing with him. Supporters say, however, that although Jackson sometimes shoots from the hip, he is dedicated to promoting economic development and providing affordable housing to the poor.

At the same time, the secretary still has financial ties to one housing developer. According to Jackson's financial disclosure reports, an Atlanta-based development company, Columbia Residential, owes him \$250,000 to \$500,000. Before joining HUD, his spokesman said, Jackson was a "partner/consultant" for the developer.

According to his disclosure reports, Jackson is to receive periodic payments "for past services" under a separation agreement with the company. He has received only one such payment in the past six years -- \$25,000 in 2003. HUD officials said that Jackson avoids any dealings with Columbia Residential. They released a memo he wrote in August 2001 in which he recused himself from HUD matters having "a direct and predictable effect on the ability or willingness" of the company "to satisfy its obligation to compensate me for prior service rendered."

Hundreds of Local Citizens Attend Roy W. Roberts Elementary School Dedication Sunday, September 30, 2007

More than 300 citizens and friends of the Lubbock Independent School District were in attendance at the Roy W. Roberts Elementary School on Sunday afternoon, September 30, 2007.

The program consisted of a welcome by Joe Williams, principal; invocation by Rev. Monica Hall, pastor of New Hope Community Church, and the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag and Texas Flag by Petra Rosales and Bud Willard.

The presentation of flags to the school was done by Tom Dulin, Lee Lewis Construction. A special musical presentation was done by the Roy W. Roberts Elementary Choir, with special guests from Atkins Middle School. The choir director is Donna Hogan.

Wayne Havens, Superintendent of LISD, gave greetings and introduced special guests. Jim Douglass, who served as Bond Steering representative, gave remarks.

The audience was presented a special saxophone presentation by Thomas Roy Braxton entitled "Great is Thy Faithfulness." He is the brother-in-law of Mr. Roberts.

Jack Boose, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education, gave a tribute to the late Roy W. Roberts. A special presentation was made to the Roberts family by Mystical Guajardo and Zeke Gutierrez.

Mr. Roberts served the students of the Lubbock Independent School District for more than thirty years as a teacher and as an administrator. He taught life lessons as well, pushing his students to excellence and always a stickler for punctuality.

Mr. Roberts was a recognized musician in the Lubbock area and had a way of connecting with the youth of the community through his music. He was a trusted confidant and had a tremendous work ethic. Roberts was the band director at Dunbar High School, the assistant principal at Estacado High School and then served as principal of Dunbar High School and Dunbar/Struggs High School.

He was married to Harvey Esther Roberts, and was the father of five children and a grandfather to nine. Sons, Roy W. Roberts, Jr. and Michael E. Roberts, passed away. His other children, Joey W. Roberts of Seattle, Washington; Royla Roberts Gossett of Parker, Texas, and Ramon Roberts of Los

William Williams to Speak at Mt. Vernon's 82nd Anniversary

Pastor Madce Thomas and the members of Mount Vernon United Methodist Church are inviting the entire Lubbock community out to hear special guest speaker Reverend William Williams of Omaha, Nebraska during the Church's 82nd Anniversary Celebration.

Reverend Williams is the pastor at Rockbrook United Methodist Church in Omaha and a Nebraska Equal Opportunities Commissioner. Williams was the first African-American appointed to a large predominantly Anglo congregation in the city of Omaha. He also served for seven years as the District Superintendent of the Nebraska Annual Conference and was a former Mount Vernon's pastor from 1986 to 1989.

Some of the members of the church feel the 82nd Church Anniversary is a celebration of faith, as it commemorates a milestone of over eighty years of blessings. They are quick to



A crowd estimated at over 300 people came out for the dedication of the Roy W. Roberts Elementary School.



Roberts family members stand to receive recognition during the Sunday afternoon dedication.



Students in the Roy Roberts Elementary School Choir performed at the reception.

Angeles, California, survive him. He was a loving brother to his sisters, Bernice Braxton and Aldine Alexander.

In 1978, Mr. Roberts was named Administrator of the Year for LISD.

A reception was held following the ceremony in the school library. The motto of the Roy W. Roberts Elementary School is "Safety, Education and Accountability."



Rev. William Williams

add that Mount Vernon is living proof of God's amazing grace, as the church has been through many trials and tribulations, including a devastating fire in 1965 that destroyed the church building, but not the spirit of the congregation that worships there.

The celebration will take place on Sunday, October 14th, at 3:00 p. m. in the church sanctuary, located at East 23rd Street and Cedar Avenue. Keynote speaker Williams will address the topic, "We Are Here For A Reason." The public is invited and encouraged to attend this special event.

Williams is a native Nebraskan who returned to his Omaha roots and became active in both church and community affairs. Pastor Williams' distinguished record of community in-



Roberts' brother-in-law, J. T. Braxton, performed a sax solo titled "Great is Thy Faithfulness" during the ceremony.

community includes serving as a volunteer coaching in both baseball and wrestling, chairing the Northeast Amarillo Community Mental Health Board, serving as President of the Greater Omaha Methodist Ministers' Association, and his current position as a Commissioner for the Nebraska Equal Opportunities Commission.

Before coming to Rockbrook, Reverend Williams held numerous positions within the clergy, including service at First United Methodist in Wood River, Nebraska, Wyatt Memorial in Amarillo, Clair Memorial in Nebraska, and a term at our own Mount Vernon in Lubbock from 1986 to 1989. Reverend Williams served as the District Superintendent of Nebraska's Annual Conference from 1998 to 2005.

He is married to Idalee, and they have three children, Janice, Janna and William Williams, III. Welcome back home!

Chatman Hills Corner

By Doris Reynolds

The residents are pleased with the recent award named in one of our former residents, Robbie McGrew, who passed away last year. Because of her concern for young children, the Early Learning Centers have honored her with award.

The award is called the Robbie McGrew Memorial Award. The award will be presented to outstanding individuals in the Lubbock Community who unselfishly devote their lives to young children.

If you know of such individuals contacts either Joanne Cotter or Lena Scaff at (806) 765-9981.

Also, the Early Learning Centers of Lubbock believe that the highest quality childcare should be available to all children regardless of their income or family situation.

During the Early Learning Center's Week of the Young Child Luncheon on April 16, 2008, Champions for Children Awards will honor individuals and volunteer groups for their inspiring commitment to encourage, support and teach young children under the age of six.

Nominations will be accepted in three categories and can be submitted until November 30, 2007, at 5:00 p. m. in person, by mail or fax.

The City of Lubbock Urban Design And Historic Preservation Commission invites the Chatman Hill Neighborhood Neighborhood to attend the Lubbock Historic Landmark Plaque on Tuesday morning, October 16, 2007, at East 23rd Street and Cedar Avenue.

A reception will follow at the Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church, 2302 Cedar Avenue.

Families who are income eligible may receive fee assistance to attend one of the Early Learning Center's five centers in child care.

Parents or caretakers must be employed or in school. The program is open from 6:30 a. m. until 6:00 p. m., Monday through Friday. For more information, call 765-9981.

Services were well attended last Sunday morning at the New Hope Baptist 1st Church, Rev. B. R. Moton, pastor.

Pastor Moton delivered a dynamic sermon last Sunday. His subject was "Know-What To Do When Satan Knocks on Door."

Dr. Loraine was happy to return back to Lubbock and visit with many of her former church members and friends of Lubbock. "Hopefully, we will be coming back in the near future; if we missed some of you, then we'll see you upon our return to Lubbock."

Both Stiggers how much they enjoyed their tenure in Lubbock. "May God bless all of you is our prayer," they said.

Greater St. James Baptist Church Will Celebrate 62 Years

The members and pastor of the Greater James Baptist Church are giving thanks for 62 years of worship services in Lubbock. According to Rev. E. L. Harris, pastor, it all begun in 1945. "There have been problems as well as successes, and we hung in there," he said.

With the theme, "Taking Back What The Enemy Has Stolen," (1 Samuel 30:1-8). The Church Anniversary Celebration will be held Sunday afternoon, October 14, 2007; and Sunday afternoon, October 21, 2007. Both services will begin at 3:30 p. m.

In 1945, the church begun with seven members. There have only been three pastors. The first, Rev. B. R. Jones, who served for ten years. Rev. Kafo Lang became pastor in 1962. He served 36 years as pastor. The present pastor is Rev. E. L. Harris who became pastor in 1999.

The sermon on Sunday afternoon, October 14th, will delivered by Rev. J. Jerome Johnson,

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In Remembrance

Eddie Mae Robinson

Funeral services were held for Eddie Mae Robinson on Friday afternoon, October 5, 2007, at the First Progressive Baptist Church with Rev. Homer Avery, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

She passed away Monday, October 1, 2007.

Ethel May Stokes

Funeral services were held for Ethel May Stokes on Thursday afternoon, October 4, 2007, at the First Progressive Baptist Church with Rev. Homer Avery, pastor, officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

Sarah Alice Hastings Johnson

Funeral services for a longtime and well known Lubbock citizen, Sarah Alice Hastings Johnson, were held last Saturday morning, October 6, 2007, at the New Hope Baptist Church with Rev. B. R. Moton, pastor, officiating.

She passed away at the Vista Care Center on Thursday, October 4, 2007.

She was born October 19, 1922.

She is survived by three daughters; Hester Tyrone (Williams), Donna Gilbert, and Robbie Johnson; one son, Robert Hastings; one aunt, Gevena Fisher; 12 grandchildren; 26 great grandchildren; six great-great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Mount Olive Baptist Church Will Sponsor Annual Women's Day on Saturday

Slaton - The Mount Olive Baptist Church will sponsor its Annual Women's Day on Saturday, October 13, 2007, beginning at 10:30 a. m. with Fellowship and Brunch.

With the theme of "These Are They," (Titus 2:3-5) the guest will be Sister Lisa Huey of Faith Deliverance Church and Sister F. Betts of Bethel Baptist Church. The Pr

Worship Services will get underway at 12:00 noon.

Speakers will be Rev. Ruby Doss of Freewill Baptist Church and Sister Carolyn Walker of Greater Works Church.

Sunday afternoon, October 14, 2007, beginning at 3:30 p. m., the guest speaker will be Minister E. Morgan.

Rev. C. C. Peoples is pastor, and Sister V. Peoples is president of the Women's Department.

1st Annual Garrison Center Cookbook

In commemoration of our 5th anniversary, we would like to honor the people who have left indelible impressions in our hearts and memories.

The Garrison VCenter Employee Relation Committee (ERC) will be putting together a cookbook this year. All proceeds from the sale of the cookbook will be used by the ERC to recognize outstanding efforts from excellent employees.

The public is invited to attend all services.

Former Pastor & Wife Visit Lubbock

The former pastor and wife of the Martin Luther King Seventh Day Adventist Church, Dr. Norman Stiggers and Dr. Loraine Stiggers, visited their former church on Saturday, September 29, 2007.

Dr. Norman Stiggers delivered the morning sermon. At present time, he is pastor of Bethel Seventh Day Adventist Church in Corsicana, Texas. They reside in Lancaster, Texas.

Also, appearing on program that morning was a group called "Uncion", which is a local group of young men from Lubbock.

Since leaving Lubbock, Dr. Norman Stiggers, who is a musician, has recorded several CD's. He is happy over the results so far.



Dr. Loraine Stiggers & Dr. Norman Stiggers

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FASHION FUN

By Shirley Robinson

Recycle Your Old Jeans



Never, ever throw away a pair of old jeans. It is truly amazing what you can create out of them. It is so much fun to recycle your favorite jeans into another favorite item. The ideas are endless. So why not recycle your old jeans into skirts, bags, jackets, pillows, quilts, numerous accessories and crafts. I've even seen a formal gown made from recycled jeans.

Add a tee hoodie to go with your jeans skirt. There are so many fashion items you can create. You are the designer. How cool is that!

FASHION TIP: Always wear a smile! FASHION - Just for the fun of it!

Caviels Will Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Caviel will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on October 26, 2007.

They are the proud owners of the Caviel Pharmacy, 1719 Avenue, and have been in business for 47 years.

Congratulations are in store for Billie and Alfred Caviel.

May God bless each of you.

The ERC would love to have your favorite recipes. With permission, each recipe will have your name and the name of your loved one that lives or has lived at Garrison Center. Please have these recipes back to Marti Kay Mims by November 1, 2007. You can mail, fax or email your recipes.

The cookbooks will go on sale in December. An announcement will be made when the cookbooks be available.



Church News



From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

Roland S. Martin, a nationally award-winning, multifaceted journalist and CNN Contributor wrote an interesting commentary entitled: "Why is the GOP scared of black voters?" This writing is interesting and worthy of feedback to the editor since the great city of Lubbock is predominately white Republican and black Republicans are as scarce as "hen tea", so to speak.

Roland: The GOP as a whole is completely scared of black voters, and the actions by the front-runners for the party's 2008 nomination show they are continuing the same silly political games the party has played for years. Oh, don't bother tossing out the appointments of Colin Powell and Condoleezza Rice as secretary of state by Bush. Yes, they are African-American. But I'm speaking of the party.

Every since Richard Nixon ran for the White House, the GOP has run on a "Southern Strategy," meant to alienate blacks in an effort to garner white voters. They've worked the strategy to perfection. When he was head of the Republican National Committee, Ken Mehlman apologized for that strategy as he sought to make inroads among black voters.

Republicans will tell you they are the party of Abraham Lincoln, who signed the Emancipation Proclamation, but their outreach efforts to black voters are lacking.

Oh, yes, I know Democrats have a stranglehold on the black vote, receiving upward of 90 percent in national elections. A significant part of that is result of the party seeing blacks as the backbone of the party. But the reality is that when you have only one party that truly makes a play for those voters, of course you will see such disparities!

That's why it's dumb, dumb, and dumber for the leading GOP candidates to skip Thursday's debate hosted by Travis Smiley and airing on PBS.

Mitt Romney, Rudy Giuliani, Fred Thompson and Sen. John McCain have called "scheduling conflicts" as the reason for their lack of attendance to debate at Morgan State University in Baltimore, Maryland, even though Smiley personnel tell me they began discussions with then-RNC head Mehlman in February 2006. When the debate was announced earlier this year, with a Democratic forum held in June at Howard University, the RNC promised their candidates would speak. But those of us who follow politics knew that wasn't going to happen.

This summer, all of the Republican candidates, save Colorado Rep. Tancredo, skipped the NAACP and the National Urban League conventions. OK, I get the former, but the Urban League? President Bush has spoken there several times as presi-

dent. The GOP keeps blowing a big opportunity by ignoring blacks. And what about the debate sponsored by Spanish language TV station Univision? Only McCain accepted the invite.

Today's generation of blacks and Latinos shouldn't be seen as the same as their parents. An increasing number of people are refusing to identify themselves with a party, and looking at issues. Latinos have been a huge part of the Republican outreach, but the immigration debate is turning that in a different direction.

Why should the GOP talk to black voters, and what would they talk about? First, I can tell you that immigration is huge in the black community, and gets folks riled up in a hurry (you ought to see my talk show lines when this comes up). Education and health care are also major. And every GOP debate has been about faith in the public square, and we know that plays well with black voters.

Roland writing will continue next week. Be sure to write a letter to the editor of the Southwest Digest" expressing from a Martin point of view how the Republican Party relates to the 17,000 or less African-Americans in Lubbock and throughout the South Plains of Texas. It will be amazing to what will come out of his writings. So take time and read, and drop us a letter to the editor. Will be looking for it.



We Thank God for Jesus "Peace Of Mind In A Troubled World"

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

Ezekiel 13:9a-10a -- The Lord said, Mine hand shall be upon the prophets that see vinity, and that divine lies because they have seduced my people, saying peace and there was no peace.

Oh, how America is like a ship, tossing and turning in an angry sea. The world is gone plum crazy, because mankind can't find no peace!!!

Isaiah 1:4a -- Oh, sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a speed of evildoers. Children are corrupters. They have forsaken the Lord.

***** Have You Forsaken The Lord *****

But God so loved the world who gave his only begotten son. Everyone can have God's peace, because God loves everyone.

Luke 4:18 -- Jesus said the spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor. He has sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives and to recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

Jesus being obedience to death. He went out and died on the cross. The people who don't know Jesus are the ones miserable and lost!!!

John 15:13-14 -- Jesus said greater love hath no man than this, That a man lay down his life for

his friends. You are my friends, if you do whatsoever I command you.

I, Billy "B. J.", was at one time lost, and lived in that world of sin. There was no joy, no peace, and there was no love from within!!!

Romans 7:24-25 -- Oh wretched man that I am! Who shall deliver me from the body of this death? I thank God through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So then with the mind I, myself, serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin.

I was believing in the lie called: Free At Last! Free At Last! But inside my heart, I was miserable, full of hate and was so sad!!!

John 8:36 -- Jesus said, if son, therefore, shall make you free, you shall be free indeed.

***** Do You Have Joy-Peace-And- Happiness??? *****

Then one day I heard something very nice about this man Jesus Christ. My hateful heart was changed. When I let him into my life.

Psalms 40:1-3 -- I waited patiently for the Lord, and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry. He brought me up out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock. He established my goings, and has put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God. Many shall see it, fear, and shall trust in the

Lord.

With Jesus living inside, He made my life so brand spanking new. Why don't you let him take over your life? He will do the same for you!!!

Matthew 11:28 -- Jesus said, come unto me, all you that labour and are heavy laden, and I will y ou rest.

When the mountains get too high, and the valleys get too low, I give it all to Jesus, because he is with me where ever I go.

John 8:31a-32 -- Jesus said, if you continue in my word, then are you my disciples indeed, and you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free!!!

I never worry about wars, not even the world's recessions. I don't worry about nothing. I know Jesus will get me through the depression!!!

Sparrows, they will never go hungry, and this is true. Do you see? In God, I trust, because I know He will take care of me!!!

Luke 11:11-13 -- Jesus said, if the son shall ask for bread of any of you that is a Father. Will you give a stone? Or if he ask for a fish will you give him a serpent (Snake)? If you being evil know how to give good gifts unto children. How much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?

God is love, and He loves all of His children!

St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Services again were well attended at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, on Sunday morning, October 7, 2007. The proud pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

Services got underway with

Sunday School beginning with Su perintendent Sister Luella Harris in charge. It was another wonderful lesson which was taught by Sister Harris, and review wed by Rev. Canady. The subject was "Sibling Rivalry".

The scripture text was Genesis 25:19-34.

The morning worship hour began with devotion conducted by Deacon Edward Williams and Brother Gerald Jackson.

The St. Matthew Baptist

Church Senior Choir again sung out of their hearts and souls for the Lord.

Pastor Canady delivered a powerful sermon. His subject was "The Church That Jesus Built." His scripture text was Matthew 16:18.

Let us remember our sick and shut-in. Just a little kindness to someone on the sick and shut-in list will go a mighty long way. Let us not forget those who are down today. Tomorrow it could be one of us who are fortunate to be well this week. Remember God is able! He knows what we need and when we need it.

The St. Matthew Baptist Church will sponsor a Gospel Musical Festival Showtime on Saturday evening, October 13, 2007, beginning at 7:30 p. m.

The program will consist of choirs, groups, soloists, praise dancers, musicians, and poets.

The program will be taped for promotional recreations. Participants in this program are asked to dress in uniform attire.

The program is open to the public. Everyone is asked to come and share the excitement of worship and praise in the art of performances to the Highest Praise.

For more information about the program, contact Sister Gloria Parker at (806) 368-6650. Bring your lawn chairs, that is, if you would like to sit outside.

Thought of the Week: "To lead or hers out of the darkness of sin, let them see the light of Christ in your life."

Remember, God is able!

Former Musicians Dies

Kevin Schrock passed Friday, October 5, 2007. Services are pending. He served as musician at Bethel AME.

Outreach Prayer Breakfast

This week the members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast are praying for the Body of Christ, and the Nation.

Father, in the name of Jesus, we confess your Word concerning healing. As we do this, we believe and speak your Word. It will return to us void, but will accomplish what it says it will.

Therefore, we believe in the name of Jesus that all who reads I Peter 2:24, Isaiah 53:3 will know that by his stripes we are healed and with his stripes we were healed. And Jesus you took our infirmities and bore our sickness. Therefore, with great boldness and confidence, we say on the authority of that written word that we are redeemed from the curse of the law, and we refuse to tolerate its symptoms. "SATAN," we speak to you in the name of Jesus, and say that your principalities, powers, and your spirits who rule the present darkness, and your spiritual wickedness in heavenly places are bound from operating against the people of God. In anyway, we are property of the Almighty God, and we give you no place in these. We dwell in the secret place of the most high God. We abide, remain stable, and fixed under the shadow of the Almighty. Now Father, because we reverence and worship you, we have the answer of you word that the angels of the Lord encompass round about us and deliver us from every evil work. No evil shall befall us. No calamity shall come near our dwellings. We confess the word of God abides in us and delivers perfect soundness of mind, wholeness in body, and spirit from the deepest parts even to the joints and the whole body. Your word in meditation and life to our flesh, for the law of the spirit of life operates in us and makes us free from the law of sin and death.

We have on the whole armor of God, and the shield of Faith

protects us from all the fiery darts of the wicked. Jesus, you're the high priest of our confession, and we hold fast to our confession of Faith in the word. We stand unmovable and fixed in full assurance that we have health and healing now in the name of Jesus. (AMEN).

Once this has been prayed, believe. Thank the Father that Satan is bound, and continue to confess your healing and thank God for it.

We eat the world's dirt. Check it out! Check what you're putting

in your bodies! Some of it makes us sick. Our Lord will hold true to his part. Check out these scriptures:

Isaiah 53:5; I Peter 2:24; Matthew 8:17; Galatians 3:13; Psalms 9:10; James 4:7; Ephesians 6:12; II Corinthians 10:4; Psalms 34:7; II Timothy 1:7; Hebrews 4:14; Proverbs 4:2; Mark 11:22-26 and Chronicles 7:14.

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Tax-filing Extension Expires Oct. 15; Don't Overlook Tax Breaks

Dallas — The Internal Revenue Service today urged taxpayers whose tax-filing extension runs out on Oct. 15 to double check their returns for often-overlooked tax breaks and then file their returns electronically using IRS e-file or the Free File system.

Many of the more than 10.2 million taxpayers who requested an automatic six-month extension this year have yet to file.

A record 58 percent of the 135.3 million returns received so far this year have been filed electronically, and that's no wonder according to Clay Stanford, an IRS spokesman in Dallas. "Using IRS e-file just makes good sense," Stanford said. "The program checks the math for you, and you receive electronic verification that the IRS received your return. Where convenience and accuracy count, IRS e-file makes all the difference."

In addition, the IRS urges all taxpayers with incomes at or below \$52,000 to file their returns for free using the Free File link on IRS.gov. Seven in 10 taxpayers qualify to use the software and electronic-filing services made available through the Free File Alliance, a public-private partnership between the IRS and a consortium of tax-preparation software manufacturers. Telephone customers can also use Free File to request this year's one-time telephone excise tax refund.

Taxpayers who have purchased their own software or use a paid tax preparer are also urged to file their returns electronically. Almost 78.8 million individual taxpayers have already used IRS e-file, a 9 percent increase over last year at this time.

Taxpayers who file electronically can e-file and e-pay in a single step by authorizing an electronic funds withdrawal or making a credit card payment. The IRS does not charge a fee for processing an electronic funds withdrawal. However, credit-card payments are subject to convenience fees charged by the authorized service providers.

Paper filer, as well as electronic filer, who cannot pay what they owe, may be able to set up a payment agreement with the IRS. Check out the Online Payment Agreement section on IRS.gov for more information.

Anyone expecting a refund can get it sooner by choosing direct deposit. Nearly three in five refunds have been direct-deposited this year, a new record. This year for the first time, taxpayers can choose to have their refunds deposited into as many as three accounts.

Before filing, the IRS urges taxpayers to take a moment to check out these often-overlooked tax breaks:

- **Telephone Excise Tax Refund:** This is a one-time refund of long-distance excise taxes available on tax year 2006 income-tax returns. The refund applies to charges billed from March 2003 through July 2006. The government offers a standard refund amount of \$30 to \$60, or taxpayers can base their refund

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Katrina Contracts Questionable By Congress

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was part of a team that won a \$127 million competitive contract from HANO to redevelop the St. Bernard public housing project, which has been shuttered since Katrina. In his written responses, HUD spokesman Brown said that Jackson was not part of the selection team and played no "role in the selection of any team members." The four-member selection panel included Scott Keller, who was until recently Jackson's deputy chief of staff and who is often described within HUD as Jackson's "right-hand man." But in an interview, Keller said that because of the press of other HUD business he did not participate in, or influence, the selection of the Columbia Residential team. Keller left HUD in August to become a private consultant.

The Housing and Urban Development Department is certainly no stranger to scandal. President Clinton's former Housing secretary, Henry Cisneros, pleaded guilty in 1999 to a misdemeanor count of lying to the FBI about payments to his former mistress. Clinton later pardoned him.

Much worse was the HUD influence-peddling scandal in the Reagan administration. Although Secretary Samuel Pierce was not charged, 16 people, including some of his closest aides, were convicted in the high-profile scandal that emerged in the spring of 1989, shortly after President Reagan left office.

Whether the investigation of Jackson will follow a similar path remains to be seen. Still, his role in HUD contracting has been a subject of interest to Democrats on Capitol Hill since he stubbed his toe at the Dallas meeting last year. Indeed, Jackson and Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., engaged in a verbal shoot-out on May 3 during a hearing of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies.

Lautenberg, who wants Jackson out, asked the secretary if he believed that "contract awards should be based on political favoritism." Jackson responded, "I do not interfere with any contract that is given in HUD -- period." Lautenberg pressed on, prompting Jackson to say, "I don't touch contracts." And a short time later, Jackson threw down the gauntlet: "Senator, I have not touched one contract; not one. Now, if you can prove that I interfered with a contract, then you should do that."

Conflict At HANO

Those words may well come back to haunt Jackson. His friend William Hairston said he went to work at HANO around January 2006, after Jackson had recommended him. Hairston was put on the payroll of NKA Contractors, a company owned by Nadine Jarmon, who was then HUD's appointed receiver at the New Orleans housing authority. In an interview, Jarmon said she knew nothing at all about Hairston. "He was brought to our attention," Jarmon said, "by the people at headquarters." She said that her deputy, Lori Moon, a close friend of Jackson's who had worked with him at the public housing authorities in St. Louis, Washington, and Dallas, was approached by someone in Jackson's office and asked to hire Hairston. Moon did not return several phone calls seeking comment.

HUD's account differs from Jarmon's. In his written responses to NJ, the department said that it was Moon who approached Jackson and asked for help in finding a construction manager. Hairston, according to HUD, was one of three contractors whom Jackson later suggested to Moon.

Jarmon said that on Moon's recommendation, she put Hairston on her payroll at \$175 an hour. She said that Hairston was retained to provide construction management, but she made it clear that she and Hairston did not always see eye-to-eye.

In fact, the differences led HUD to order her and Moon to Washington for a meeting with Jackson's top two aides on March 22, 2006. Jarmon said, "We were called on the carpet." Jarmon said in an interview, describing the meeting, "We got our hands slapped, we got a little spanking; that's what it was." Hairston was also called to the meeting, she said, and "they slapped him

around a little bit," too. One person who attended the meeting, but asked not to be identified, said that the subject matter also covered other issues -- including HANO's failure to pay its bills.

Three weeks after the meeting Jarmon's work with HANO ended. HUD decided not to extend her contract, the department said, because it believed that change was needed at HANO, despite Jarmon's "exemplary" work. Jarmon told National Journal that she believed her resistance to "micromanaging by HUD headquarters," along with her differences with Hairston, led to her dismissal. Jarmon also said that a HUD investigator and an FBI agent had interviewed her in August at a New Orleans hotel. "They were very straightforward," she said. "They said, 'We want information on William Hairston.'"

Hairston remained on the job after Jarmon was ousted. HANO's records show that Hairston Construction Services was awarded a "firm fixed price contract" for \$167,858 on July 19, 2006. HANO considered no other proposals. Hairston's hiring was described as an "emergency," according to resolution No. 2006-32 of HANO's board of commissioners. The contract was approved by C. Donald Babers, a senior HUD official who serves as the sole member of the HANO board, according to a copy of the board's minutes. Babers, like other HUD officials, did not respond to calls seeking comment.

At the meeting, Donald Vallee, a retired banker and the president of a landlords association in New Orleans, questioned the propriety of the award. The minutes of the board's July 19 meeting described Vallee's concerns: "Mr. Vallee stated years ago HANO had problems with inside deals and things not being done above board. It was hoped that this administration would do things differently."

When another member of the audience complained about HANO's wasting money on contractors, Babers cut her off. The minutes say: "Mr. Babers stated that they could not be second-guessed as they attempted to move forward with getting residents into units, but the urgency of the situation dictated that they move in this direction."

In an interview, Vallee said that Babers "blew me off," but that he was not so easily rebuffed. He called a friend at HUD headquarters in Washington and "raised a stink about" the contract, Vallee said. A week or two later, he said, he discovered that HUD officials had refused to sign Hairston's contract. Vallee said that federal investigators questioned him recently. "They pressed me on how much involvement did the secretary have in the contract," Vallee recalled. He said he told them that he had no information on Jackson.

Hairston was well paid by housing officials. HUD told National Journal that HANO paid Hairston \$392,000 for his work, which ended in June 2007. Separately, Jarmon said she paid Hairston \$93,777 as a subcontractor from January through April of 2006. In interviews, Hairston confirmed that he never received a signed contract from HANO. "No one signed it," he said, "but they told me to stay."

Hairston said he more than earned his fees, saving HANO millions of dollars by cutting costs on construction projects. He confirmed that federal investigators were looking at his relationship with Jackson, whom he described as the most "righteous man I have ever met in my life." Hairston, who said he had not been questioned by investigators, added, "I have done nothing wrong."

Family Friendship
Hairston said he knows Jackson from the secretary's visits to Hilton Head, where both men have homes. They socialize together, he said, adding that their wives are much closer friends. Jackson and his wife, Maria, were among the guests at a Christmas party that the Hairstons gave at their Hilton Head home last year.

Hairston also said he never discusses business or politics when he sees Jackson in Hilton Head. "What I am with the secretary," Hairston said, "we don't talk business, we don't talk politics."

But Hairston left no doubt that Jackson aided him in getting the

job at HANO. Describing events that led him to HANO, he said he understood that a friend of his in Congress had recommended him to Jackson for work at the New Orleans housing agency. Sometime in 2005, he said, Jackson called him on the phone. From that conversation, he said, he understood that HANO "didn't have any construction experience -- they did not have anyone on their team that knew anything about construction."

Although his business had been slow at times, Hairston said he was working on a big project when Jackson called, and that he did not solicit Jackson's help. Asked if Jackson recommended him for the HANO work, Hairston responded, "It was Mr. Jackson who recommended me."

A few months after Jackson's call, Hairston said, he met with HANO officials and started work at the housing agency. Hairston said that it became clear to him soon after his arrival in New Orleans in January 2006 that HANO was being significantly overcharged on some of its contracts. His efforts to clean up that mess, he said, caused friction both at HANO and at HUD headquarters. But he pressed on, he said, because Jackson had promised to bring home people who had been displaced by Katrina. "I do know that the secretary promised the governor and the mayor that he would put 2,000 [housing] units back on line," Hairston said, "and that was my mission.... I promised the secretary to help out."

Looking at what's happened in the past year, the friction with local and federal housing officials, losing his job at HANO, and the federal inquiry, Hairston expressed amazement that investigators are focused on Jackson's ties to him. Millions of dollars, he said, are being wasted on contracts at HANO, and he wonders, "Why worry about some dumb chump change that I was getting?"

In the coming months, federal investigators may well sort the whole thing out and perhaps provide Hairston some answers.

South Plains College to host All-College Reunion weekend

LEVELLAND - South Plains College will host the All-College Reunion Nov. 9-10 as part of its 50th Anniversary Celebration.

The weekend festivities will begin with the Founders Reception and Recognition on Nov. 9 at 6 p.m. in Sundown Room of the Student Center. The event will recognize the families of the Founding Citizens Committee, original Board Members and the original administration, faculty and staff. This is an invitation only event.

Activities on Nov. 10 will start with registration at 10 a.m. in the Student Center Mall. A Reunion Meet and Greet Campus Open House is scheduled for 11 a.m. Campus tours are planned from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Departmental faculty will be available to visit with former students and discuss changes on campus.

At noon, Texans Eggs Reunion Lunch is planned in the Texan Dining Hall. Participants can enjoy burgers and hot dogs as well as alumni entertainment and door prizes.

At 3 p.m., former SPC athletes will be recognized at halftime of the SPC/Costal Bend basketball game in the Texan Dome.

A Reunion Recognition Dinner is set for 5:30 p.m. in the PE Complex. The dinner will include an entertainment showcase featuring students, former faculty and alumni. Tickets are \$10 per person. Payments will be collected at the time of registration.

The festivities will conclude with a performance by the Fine Arts Department of "Over Here" at 7:30 p.m. The Broadway musical production is a live radio show set during World War II with cast members riding a train across country. The production will include the traditional big band sounds and songs by the Andrews Sisters.

"Over Here" will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 8-10, and a matinee at 2 p.m. on Nov. 11.

Austin's First Black "Teacher of the Year"

(Editor's Note: This article appeared in the July 18-24, 2007 issue of the African-American News & Issues and was written by Darwin Campbell. Michael Perkins is a nephew of Ms. Elrud Devenport of Lubbock who is a retired educator from the Lubbock Independent School District.)

AUSTIN - In an age where it is easy to make excuses for failure, one Austin educator has beaten back all of life's obstacles to rise to the top of his field to become teacher of the year. Michael Perkins is not only the 2007 Austin school district Teacher of the Year, but also is the first African-American to be chosen to receive the award.

He not only is a graduate of Austin's LBJ High School, but also is a first-generation college graduate in his family. Perkins earned a bachelor's degree in Social Work and a master's degree in Education from Texas State University.

His story is one of attaining a dream, overcoming poverty, life without a father and numerous disappointments along the way to being placed in a position to influence the lives he touches everyday at Kealing Middle School. Perkins was selected because of his involvement and dedicated love for his students that has proven to not only be unwavering, but also genuine in every aspect.

His walk through life has not been a rosy one, being born to Wanda McDowell, a mother who was 16-years-old and on welfare at the time of his arrival in 1976. Perkins grew up on the tough streets of East Austin not knowing his biological father and exposed to the many negative factors that keep many African-Americans from escaping the pull of the hood and moving up the ladder towards success.

While growing up, the church had a tremendous impact on his life. At Rosewood Avenue Baptist Church, he had mentors and teachers who encouraged and nurtured him because they realized that Perkins was a bright and special child. That training helped him stay on the right track.

Not making excuses, he dodged some negative family influences and temptations to set aside education and remained focused, wanting to do his best to position himself for success. After surviving the pull of the hood, Perkins went on to college, but soon was threatened by another obstacle that potentially could have derailed his dreams.

After learning that he would soon be a father, he began working extra hard, taking odd jobs for money, including washing cars and picking up trash. He also switched majors to sociology and was working at his old high school, LBJ in Austin, to provide social services to students from his old neighborhood.

He determined to be a better father to his daughter than his father was to him and that motivated him and became a strong push for him making him push forward. However, it was the increasing educational achievement gaps between minority and

White student in the educational system that made him determined to do what he could to turn the tide and that is when he went back to Texas State University-San Marcos and completed his Masters in Education.

Perkins was a man on a mission returning to his community not only to teach, but determined

to make a difference in the lives of so many children walking the same streets he did. Keeping houses both a magnet program for some of the highest-achieving students in the district and a neighborhood school that has some of the lowest state achievement test

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Michael Perkins

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Think About It!

What About Me?

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CONCERNED CITIZENS NEED TO STAY INVOLVED! THIS N THAT is hoping since the controversy on the RENAMING OF THE STREET TO CAESAR CHAVEZ as citizens we need to stay abreast with what is going on. This morning Thursday October 11, 2007 citizens have been asked to come before the Lubbock City Council and give their input at a 7:15 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING. Hopefully there were those who made their presentation and this issue will come to an end in the very near future. One thing which should come out of this public hearing is that these kinds of PUBLIC HEARINGS should be held in the evening hours say after 6:00 p.m. so those who are working citizens will have an opportunity to participate. When many participate it gives information to the outcome of the issue. Anyway regardless of the outcome let's get on with the business of the City of Lubbock. And continue to move Lubbock in positive posture. But don't forget it CONCERNED CITIZENS NEED TO STAY INVOLVED!

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IT'S A GOOD TIME TO VISIT A LUBBOCK PUBLIC SCHOOL! THIS N THAT is still asking that we as citizens of the City of Lubbock take a little time and visit one of the LUBBOCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS and let those young people see we are concerned about their education and stand ready to do what we can to help in anyway. You know it will not take long to do this as the time spent is time invested in the future of our young people.

ANTI-CRIME RALLY HELD AT ESTACADO! THIS N THAT was glad to see there are some CONCERNED CITIZENS.

We have said over and over again, and time after time: "It is to be it is up to me." Really this should be the creed of each and everyone of us. What are you doing on your own? Each one of us should be working collectively, unselfishly together to make our community the self sustaining market place it could and should be.

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safe anymore. It appears that when schools could no longer have prayer that we were beginning the end of any kind of harmony in this country.

The country has gone through miscegenation, confrontation and integration and we are now 'beyond' the melting point, yet we are not able to shake racism and hatred as churches and prisons outnumber schools in construction.

I received a poem the other day in my e-mail which was written by a student in an Arizona school, name unknown, entitled, NEW School Prayer:

Now I sit me down in school We're allowed to cuss and dress like freaks,

Where praying is against the rule And pierce our noses, tongues and cheeks.

For this great nation under God They've outlawed guns, but FIRST the Bible.

Finds mention of Him very odd To quote the Good Book makes me liable.

If Scripture now the class recites We can elect a pregnant Senior Queen,

It violates the Bill of Rights And the 'unwed daddy,' our Senior King.

And anytime my head I bow It's 'inappropriate' to teach right from wrong.

Becomes a Federal matter now We're taught that such 'judgments' do not belong.

Our hair can be purple, orange or green, We can get our condoms and

birth controls.

That's no offense; it's a freedom scene. Study witchcraft, vampires and totem poles.

The law is specific, the law is precise. But the Ten Commandments are not allowed.

Prayers spoken aloud are a serious vice. No word of God must reach this crowd.

For praying in a public hall It's scary here I must confess.

Might offend someone with no faith at all. When chaos reigns the school's a mess.

In silence alone we must meditate. So, Lord, this silent plea I make: God's name is prohibited by the state. Should I be shot; My soul please take! Amen.

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It may have been thought harmless that a noose was placed in a tree in a school yard by someone, but this one act has caused racism and ethnic hate to raise its ugly head in various parts of the United States; in the Marine Academy, a police station locker, several college campuses, elementary schools and high schools.

Schools used to be the safe area in a gang's territory, but today, no place is safe. Our legislatures have been so busy protecting all of us until none of us are

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scores in the district.

His focus at Keating remains on working to get students from the neighborhood on the same track as those in the magnet program. "I hate the achievement gap," he said. "It consumes me and I feel it is my purpose in life to help kill it."

Perkins also teaches an elective course — Advancement Via Individual Determination, or AVID — that prepares students for college eligibility. The message he communicates to his students is simple. "Be confident and be sure of yourself."

As a first-year teacher in 2004, he created Keating's Step It Up program that focuses on developing students and promoting academic excellence and friendship. Perkins is an excellent example of not making excuses, but finding the power and courage to overcome obstacles and find solution to life's situations.

He is not only a parent figure to many of the children, but many parents say he helps them feel connected to the Rosewood neighborhood school, like a family. His "greatest accomplishment and hope in education, he says, "will be the day my current students enroll in college."

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request on the actual amount of tax paid. Even if a taxpayer does not normally have to file a return, Form 1040EZ-T (also available through Free File) can be used to request this refund.

* **Earned Income Tax Credit:** Earned income of less than \$38,348 in 2006 may qualify a taxpayer to claim the earned income tax credit. This credit, worth up to \$4,536, is available to low and moderate-income workers and working families. A special interactive "EITC Assistant" is available on IRS.gov to help taxpayers determine whether they are eligible.

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erate-income workers who contribute to a retirement plan, such as an IRA or 401(k), may be able to take the savers credit. This credit is available in addition to any other tax savings that apply. Use Form 8880 to claim the credit.

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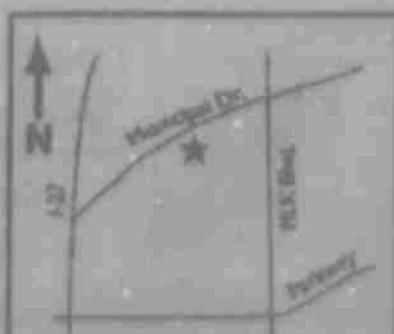
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