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Community Meetings

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

- African American Chumber 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
- Lubbook Area Client Comoil mens 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 Libeary
- . East Lubbook Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center
- Lubbook Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Merket Alumni Center
- Dunbar/Munhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 6:00 pm and every 4th T. amday 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 elternating 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
- 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 mosts the 3rd Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Parkway Neighborhood Center.
- The Parkway Gundalup & & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 pen at I funt Elementary.
- Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets the 2nd Thursday of every mouth at 0:00 pm, at Des Elementary Careterio.

2007 Estacado Homecoming Court Presented During Halftime Activities!

The scene was set, the band was softly playing in the background, Estacado LR.O.T.C (Junior Officer Reserve Training Corps) members were in their dress uniforms with sahers drawn creating a elegant walkway for the Estacado homecoming court to make their appearance before learning who would be the next young lady to wear the homecoming crown. As the nominees were introduced, their credentials and aspirations announced, the tension mounted in the air along with the excitement. A highly anxious crowd waited patiently as the nominees tried to hide their nervousness behind beaming smiles. The tension mounted as 2006 Estacado Homecoming queen, Meagan Ramos made her way toward her soon-to-be predecessor. Finally, the moment all had been waiting for, the naming and crowning of the new Estacado homecoming queen. Karen Grant beamed with excitement and pride as her name was announced as

While naming the next queen year were seniors Tijuhan Green, Karen Grant, Zaquia Mackey, Rickard. This group of young ladies was nominated by Estacado staff members and faculty. The student body was then given the responsibility of selecting who would represent their school during the next year as queen. Each cominee represented a wide involvement in a number of school organizations. Many of the nominees are active members in the National Honor Society (NHS): organizations such as Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA), Cross Country, Volleyball, Basketball, Varsity Cheer and Spanish Club were also represented due to the leadership roles of the young ladies. School organizations were not the only areas where queen nominees shared their excitement at representing the school. Senior nomiabout being part of such a wonderful group of young ladies, "I felt awesome and honored about being numinated. I enjoyed being nominated with such a wonderful group of girls that are leaders in school and represent themselves with class."

Homecoming activities did not solely focus on the crowning of a new queen, theme days, the annual pep raify and parade, the highly anticipated game was just as much the focus during the week. An entire week of theme Reyna was selected beau and oriented celebrations; help get the student body, faculty and administration in a celebratory mood. Theme week allowed faculty and students to display their school pride together. Theme days focused on pajama day, 80's flash back day and spirit day, among themus to display Matador pride. Not only did the students and faulty dress up to show their pride, but the annual door decorating contest showed a variety of ways in which Estacado students looked forward to puttin' on a hurting against the Caprock Longhorns, Door themes focused on destroying the longhorns, massive Matadors conquering small suttle and host of other pictorials. raised the sprit level on campus. The daily small colebrations led up to the higgest moment of seleheatien at subout during the week. The first pup rally of the school by all Milistors, but held a specialplace for Matador seniors. Not



Queen Karen Grant & Mr. Calvin Grant (Father)

this year's recipient of the coveted only was this homecoming week cheerleaders added their enthusiwas the highlight for the nominees gym, but most importantly this ball team almost guaranteed a vicat the end of the week, this group was one of many chances seniors torious outcome for the Matador of young ladies consisted of would have throughout the year to lootball team. Although the pep exemplary students. 2007 nomi- show their pride as Matadors and rally concluded the school day nees for Homecoming queen this their pride in being the top dogs of Friday it was not the end of the

come together in one large showing of Matador pride. One of the highlights during the homecoming pap rally started off with the annual senior walk". The walk allows the seniors the chance to be the center of attention in recognicurrent Mandors, before moving bers of society in Lubbock and across the country. Seniors strutted their stuff in a variety of outfits, accessories and senior pride. After the seniors kicked off the pep rally with their walk, a variety of Estacado athletic teams were raighty Matador football team.

After all introductions were nee Green shared her excitement made, the homecoming queens were given their moment to shine as well. Escorted individually by members of the JROTC each young lady was introduced and later presented with a roe by a kneeling recruit member. The presentation of the homecoming nominees by the JROTC members has become of the special moments during the pep really. After the introduction of the homecoming nominees the Football beau and Cheerleader sweetheart were announced. E.Z. Tijuana Green was henored with

the sweetheart crowing. The pep rally picked up momentum us the football team

and the pep rally would be held in asm. The enthusiasm of the the brand new multi-million dollar crowed and eagerness of the footeciclirations before the big game The pep rally provided a on Saturday. The homecoming Edith Macias, and Kelsey chance for alumni, current stu- parade displayed a variety of dents, faculty members, and fami- school sprit and pride es it made ly and community members to its way down Martin Luther King Boulevard. The Lubbock police department escorted, J.R.O.T.C color guard, the homecoming queen nominees the Matador band and a variety of Estacado floats, student and teacher sponsored, down the tion of their last homecostring as street. The J.R.O.T.C provided a sense of regalness to the festivion and becoming valuable mem- ties. The Matador band showcased not only a new director, but a great sound for all spectators to get into the homecoming spirit with. The homecoming queen nominees enjoyed their moment in the sun as they were escorted by teachers during the parade in introduced before the highly flashy new Mustangs, Football anticipated introduction of the themed floats were loaded not only with Estacado students and teachers, but most importantly for eager onlookers tons of candy tossed from the floats. Senior Jamesha Bradley, summed up the weeks worth of activities, "The big amount of school spirit and pride was fun and entertaining to watch this year" as she nodded and clapped her hands to the beat

of the band. After the festivities of the pep rally, the excitement of the parade flually the moment previous and current Estacado Matadors, their family members and community members had been waiting for arrived, the game itself. The Matador football team made an impressive entrance onto Lowery field this year. Estacado sponsors and teachers were able to finally was unnounced and the band and provide the football team with



Zaquia Green



Tijuhan Green





Edith Macias. Kelsey Rickard their own blow up helmet. The letes, "The Matadors were ready black and blue helmet featured the to play. We had a great week of work and the intensity was great. Estacado swords. Junior quarter-We knew we would come out and back Kyle Jackson set the games tempo when he completed a pass play well." The Matadors to senior receiver Jeremy Watson smashed Caprock with a score of 40 - 7, giving the team not only for a 68-yard touchdown on the first play on the game. From that their first victory this year, but the point on Caprock seemed to stay important homecoming victory. Lubbock community memin a sense of shock as the Matadors used their momentum bers, family members and friends all came out to support their from the first score to capitalize on two more touchdowns and led Mandor football team and coach-21-0 at the end of the first quarter. ing staff. Aithough the game took Davoyea Johnson Senior, rushed place during a hot steaming for 107 yards, and added his won Saturday afternoon, by the end of the game the heat didn't matter touchdown on a 4-yard run midway through the second quarter, any more. Jackson added a 1-yard touchdown with 1:36 remaining in the crowning of a new queen, and a

A week of festivities, the quarter. Estacado's offense, con- victory by the football team ended a perfect week of Marador pride.

Written by: Cinra Jackson R adiance Hodge

The Matador football began the second half of the game just as the ended it before halftime, brutal against the Longhorns. Caprock's quarterback Wade Malone suffered the wrath of the Matador defensive line twice before knocking him out of the game with an injury in the third quarter. The backup quarterback for the Longhorns did not Thir much better than his predecessor. during the rest of the game. Matador quarterback Jackson finished the onslaught with an 80yard touchdown to McKenzie before the reserves took over in the fourth quarter.

tinued their assault on the

Longhorns as Jackson hit Senior

Dontre'on McKenzie for a 37-

yard touchdown, followed by

Watson's 29-yard scoring strike to

finish the first half with 297

reception yardage through the air.

First year head coach Danny Servance summed up the stellar performance by his young ath-

conservative views. In the end, fearing that a black voice will legitimize the arguments of many white conservatives, the liberals sought to block Thomas' nomination. Conservatives, on the other hand, embraced Thomas. His unlikely supporters included Sen. Strom Thurmond, who had built his earlier political career on a segregationist platform. Finally, Thomas's confirmation hearings comented the impression that his nomination served to fill an unspoken racial quota on the Supreme Court. Thus, Clarence Thomas joined the Supreme Court under the very shadow of affirmative action that he sought to avoid

Clarence Thomas was bern on June 23, 1948, in Pin Point, Georgia. The second child and first you of M.C. Thomas and Leofa Williams' three children, Thomas spent most of his childhood without his finher who abundoned the family early in Thomas life. Thomas grew up in poverty. The Pin Point community he lived in lacked a sewage system and payed roads. Its labableants dwelled in destitution and carned but a few cents each day performing manual labor. Thomas's mother tried hard to take care of Thomas and his brother and sister. ed from charge charties to suppost her family. At age seven, Thomas' mother decided to remarbarned to the ground. Thomas's mether sem him and his Scother to-

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Learning More About Supreme Justice Thomas



Justice Clarence Thomas

dictions. Although he has opposed racial preference and affirmative action programs, he nonetheless student. Thomas entered the College of the Holy Cross, a Institution began a black recruitment program. Thomas was the beneficiary of a similar minority program a few years latter at Yale Law School. As a young lawyer, Thomas aimed at a career outside the ambit of theil rights. However, for his offert, he named appointment as the heard of the Equal.

Clarence Thomas has lived a. Commission. And racial preferlife riddled with from and contra- ence ultimately explained Thomas's appointment to the Supreme Court. Although President George Bush stated that benefited from them. As a young the chose Thumas for his legal qualifications, it would take conpelous effort to ignore the political in pressures on Bush to name a black Manuschusetts, after the school candidate after the efficement of Thurgood Marshall, the Courts first and only black justice. Thomas' nomination itself threw studitional political loyalties is to tersarray. Liberals, including the NAACP and Congressional Black Caucus, did not know when to do. on the Supreme Court competed



weather will be upon us. It will t he time will change once again. something this writer would like campaign. for you to think about. Your child or children may have a coat for the cooler weather, but, just think, at 12:40 p. m. there are many little Black boys and girls who will not have the luxury of having a cost.

who could use such an item for this upcoming coolers weather.

to think about! Okny?

On Friday, October 19, 2007, Lubbock Poblic Schools will dismiss early, Elementary Schools hosting free adult vision screenwill dismiss at 12 noon, and Secondary Schools (Middle and 12:40 p. m.

This game is being held in conjunction to the dismissal of school

So, if you have a child who Gladys Smith, pastor of the A Eas outgrown their coat; don't Crown of Eternal Life Church, throw it away, find a young child 1301 50th Street, Suite ite 10B, This is just something for you m. Refreshments will be served rved which will include donut and

ings at the Patterson Branch me Library, 1836 Parkway Drive, on High Schools) will dismiss at Monday afternoon, November 12t, from 2:00 p. m. until 4:00 p. m.; and Thursday morning, On Friday, October 19, 2007, November 15th, from 10:30 a.m. until 1:00 p. m. The screenings include Sister Emma Rowe.

Greater Mt. Zion Baptist Church Celebrates 94th Church Anniversary

Crosbyton - The Greater Mount Zion Baptist Church will be celebrating its 94th Church Anniversary on Sunday afternoon, November 4, 2007, beginning at 3:00 p. m.

On Saturday evening, November 3, 2007, the 23rd

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Ellison

Washington

Also, at the Fatterson Library, Saturday afternoon, November 17th, beginning at 2:00 p. m. The group will be discussing the New Y ork Times Bestseller, "I Got Y our Back," by Eddie Levert, Sr. The public is invited to attend and Gerald Levert with Lyan Beth

> The public is invited to attend and hear a discussion on how father and son keep it real about love, fatherhood, family and

Among them on the sick list

will be held at 7.00 p. m. Guest speaker will be Mr. T. J. Patterson, Sr. of Lubbock.

For more information call Mrs. Mount Zion Pageant & Banquet Deborah Hutchinson at 747-6591.

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"GOD OUR FATHER, CHRIST OUR REDEEMER, MAN OUR BROTHER"

Just think in a few days, colder Anderson Middle School, 219 will be held in the Community Walnut Avenue, will hold their Room. also be a time in a few days when annual student vs. faculty volleyball game, beginning at 12:15 p. Just think, we will be setting in Funds raised by the game will the Left-to-Right Book clocks back for one hour. Here is go toward the campos United Way Discussion Group will meet

a "Church Reception" for Rev. on Sunday afternoon, October 21, 2007, from 3:00 p. m. ontil 5:00 p.

LeFlore.

Oh, yes, if you think you have it going on with your voice, don't forget 'Open Mic Poetry Night' The Prevent Blindness will be on Monday evening, November 19th, beginning at 19th, at 6:30 p.

> Let us continue to pray for and visit those who are on the sick and shut-in list.

Harper

Røy L. "Røper" Harper

Funeral services for Roy L. Harper were held Wednesday afternoon, October 10, 2007, at the Birch Street Church of Christ.

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

He passed away Tuesday, October 2, 2007.

He leaves to mourn his passing: his mother, Lottie Harper; two sisters: Earlene Williams (Steven) and Kathy Shed (Kenneth); special son, Lawrence Gonzales; special daughter, Nedra Gonzales; special niece,

In Remembrance

Survenia Lee Ellison

Funeral services for Surrentil Lee Hillson were held last. Saturday afternoon October,

13, 2007, at the Agape Temple Church of God

In Christ with Bishop W. Watson, pastor, offi-

Burial was hold by the City of Lubbook Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortune: & Funeral Hume of Lubbook.

She passed novey Wednesday, October 3.

She was employed at PYCO for J3 years.

Briant Keith Washington

Funeral services for Briant Keith Washington

Burial was held in the City of Lubbock

He passed away Thursday, October 7, 2007, at

were held last Saturday morning, October 13,

2007, at the Mr. Gileud Baptist Church with Rev.

Cementary under the direction of Griffin

J. Jerome Johnson, pastor, officiating.

Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

the University Medical Center.

Washington; six sons: Bryant Washington, Jr., Domingo

Washington, Deborrious Washington, Aaron Washington, Matthew.

Washington, and Eyan Washington; a daughter, Brianna

Washington; his parents, Tommy Lee and Orta Bell Washington; a

brother, Tommy Washington, Jr.; three sisters: Cannecttee Harris,

Amy Washington, and Renea Davis] a host of relatives and friends.

Mr. Washington is survived by his wife, Maggie Elzondo

2007 a. University Medical Center.

She is survived by her husband, Napoleon Ellison; six sons: Billy W. Owens, Wally Owens, Jerry Taylor, Anthony Draper, Dominque

Draper, and Xavier Draper; eight brothers: R. C. (Dors), Donald Ray

Willard (Brenda), Clurence (Gwen) Royal, Carl (Kny), Leonard C.

Willard, SAmmy L. Lewis, and Emmit Jefferson; six sisters; Sheryl D.

Brown, Linda R. Willard, Patry Taylor, Brenda Draper, Carolyn McCle

ndon (James), all of Lubbock, and Mildred Willard of California; four

nunts, four uncles; 20 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and a

host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

FOREVER IN BLUE JEANS



Denim is practically the United States uniform, You can go anywhere in Jeans, for a lot of us, we'd die if we couldn't show up in denim, Jeans can be dressed up or down played, plain or bejeweled, skinny leg or wide, they will never go ont of style. Here are a few denim tips:

Wear often. Wash as rarely as you can.

To keep the color, wash your jeans inside out, in cold water, then keep instead of fabric softener, add about a half cup of vinegar to your final rinse.

Most fades comes from the dryer. For a vintage look, wash in werm water and dry. Press, starch and cease, that's considered dressed.

FASHIOR TIP: Always went a smile! FASHION - Just for the fan of It!

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Sonya Harper: and a host of nieces, nephews, consins, aunts, uncles, and friends.

Unction Sung At MLK Seventh Day Adventist Church





Unction sung at the MLK Seventh DayAdventist Church Saturday, September 28, 2007.

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hurch News





From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

"Why Is The Republican Party Scared of Black Voters?"

Continued from last week ...

Roland S. Murtin, a nation-ally awarded-winning, multi-faceted journalist and CNN Contributor wrote and inter-esting commentary entitled: "Why is the GOP scared of black voters?" We contime from last week. Why should the GOP talk to black voters, and what would they talk about? First, I can tell you that immigration is gets folk riled up in a Furry (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.

Now when it comes to the war in Iraq, the GOP can forget that paign donor, tune. No one is listening. And they issue of civil rights.

Several years ago, a Republican in the Dallas-Fort Worth area was trying to unseat then Rep.-Martin Frost, a heavily entrenched Democrat. That summer, a series of black churches were being burned. My good friend, Michael Williams, a third-generation black Republi-can, was planning to hold a fundraiser at his home for the GOP candidate.

He called the campaign and said it would be a good idea for the candidate to make a statement on the burnings, condemning them and saying it didn't make sense. The campaign said no.

seem as If they were pandering to at that because the campaign was bringing then-Rep. J. C. Watts, a prominent black Republican, to visit black churches with the candidate. Healo! That's pundering.

So Williams told his wife, huge in the black community, and Donna, what the candidate said, She replied, "Any man who is such a coward that he can't speak against churches being burned is not welcome in my home."

> The fundraiser was called off. Here was a simple opportunity to actually show that he cared, but the candidate was so scared to say something, he tuned off a cam- is at it again! You may well

are completely uneven on the turn around decades of black support for the Democrats? Nope. But not speaking will just mean business as usual, and the GOP declared anyone who opposes needs less of that.

> should grab hold and stir the and "xenophobic." minds of African American voters in Lubbook. Does the GOP or the Democratic parties really respond to the needs of the Black voters in this community? Have black voters been written off as useless and worthless to the white dominated Republican party of Lubbock? How many times has the Representative of District 19 spoke to a party of Black voters? CNN's Larry King Live watch How many of the few times has

Williams called back and made the representative sent an underthe suggestion again, and the ling to "sugar cont" a few black response was they didn't wan to people and given them a sugar pill filled with political hay? Has the the black community. He laughed local Republican as well as the Democratic Party serious considered black voters to serve on decision-making boards and for committee appointments? Is it true when a state board vacancy becomes available in Lubbock or the surrounding areas that black voters or not ever appointed? We appreciate you thoughts by writing a "letter to the editor of the Southwest Digest" expressing your views how the local Republican Party interact with African-Americans?

Well that Mexican Vicente Fox remember a few weeks ago, he Will speaking at one debate was on a tour promoting his new book-Revolution of Hope. It has been pointed out Mr. Fox trumpet rampant globalization and has such "harmonization" and dimin-The opinion of Mr. Martin ishment of sovereignty "racist"

This Mexican whose word were not kind toward blacks, want a North American Union, a single North America currency (mix Mexican, Canadian and American money) and a complete overhaul of the U.S. immigration policy to allow more Mexicans to legally enter our great nation.

Those of you who saw him on Continued on Page 8



We Thank God for Jesus "When You're Dead Its Not Done"

Written by Evengelist Billy "B.L." Morrison, III - Your Brother in Christ Jesus always.

Mintthew 24:4-5 -- Jesus said, take heed that no man deceive you for many shall come in my name, shall deceive many,

The Jehovah Witnesses say there is no hell. When y on are dead it's to the grave!!! Then we and not be saved!!!

Romans 6:23 - For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

We know we're living in the last and evil and wicked days. We see signs! Jesus is soon to come, and we can tell that it's just a matter of time!!!

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

*** It's Time To Get Right Time!!! ***

Jehovah's Witnesses teaches hell is a place to sleep, only the grave. Then why is there a place for the wicked person, and the one's God saved???

II Corinthians 5:8 - We are confident, I say, and willing rather word of God. But there is a price

rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

The Bible says, that in the last say ing, 'I am the Christ, and days, there would be many faise prophets. This we can now see, but don't let them, mislead you to the hell pit!!!

Matthew 7:13 - Jesus said, should just live like t he Devil? enter you in at the strait gate for wide is the gate, and broad is the way that leads to destruction, andmany there be't hat finds it.

We know the Jehovah's Witnesses, t hey teach and preach there is no hell. But I'm t elling y ou, rend your Bible, Folks! And the truth it tells!!

II Timothy 2:15 - Study to show y our self approved unto God, a workman I hat needs not t o be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

*** Read Your Bible And Ask God For His Leading!!! ***

But every one have r ights, and t hat's to to Heaven or to go to Hell. Hell is made for the Devil and all his angles. This is what my Bible tell!!!

Matthew 25:41b - Jesus said, With God, And Be Saved depart from me. You cursed into everlasting fire, prepared for the Devil and his angles.

> *** Jehovah's Witnesses Is into my burn. The Grave Everlasting Fire???

The Jehovah's Witnesses they tell us t here is no hell lying on the they'll have to pay for misleading with the word of the Lord!!!! -

I John 2:4 - He that said, I know him, a ndkeep not his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

The Bible says there will be a resurrect ion, then the judgement. Why??? Jehovah's Witnesses will be judged for their teaching with tears in their eyes.

Mark 7:6-13 - Jesus said, well has E-Sai' as prophesied of you hypocrites as it is written. The people honored me with their lips. but their lips, but their heart is far from me. Making the word of Goo of none effect through your tradition which you havedelivered and many such thinhs do you.

Now I'm with Jehovah's Witnesses when they don't play, teh Saints-Christmas-Reindeer

God's people are to be smarter than that; Shame! Shame! Shame!

Matthew 13:10 - Jesus said. let both grow together until the harvest and in the time of the harvest I will say to the reapers. Gathere you together. First the tares and bind t hen in bubdles to burn them. But gather the wheat

> God Is Good!

St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Again services were well attended at the St. Matthew Baptist Chur ch, 2020 East 14th Street, on Sunday, October 14, 2007. The proud pastor is Rev.

Edward Canady. Services got underway with Sunday School with Superinten-

Luclla Harris in dent Sister charge. It was another wonderful taught by Sister Harris, lesson and it Canady. The subject was "Understanding Our Dreams." The scripture text was Genesis 28

The morning worship hour begun with the devotion by was reviewed by Paastor Deacon Edward Williams and Brother Gerald Jackson were in

> Rev. Monty Smith delivered the morning sermon. His subject Moore.

was "Picked Out, Picked Up & ed this world leaving behind his Picked On!" His scripture text "Unfished Symphony," Similarly, was John 5:1-6.

Let us remember our sick and shut-in who include Brother Albert Wilbon and Sister Oretha

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 unforunately to be well this week. Remember, God is able. He knows what we need and when we need it.

Remember October is Pasterial Month. Don't forget to nice t hings for y our paston.

Thought of the Week: "Every Christian should be an expectant uplooker, not a sleepy onlooker."

In looking at the Holy Bible., it reminds that there are so many hopes and dreams remain unfulfilled. It was reported that Composer Franz Schubert depart-

prolific author Charles Dickens was unable to fully develop the plot of his novcel "The Mystery of Edwin Drood."

All of us need to undoubtedly have aspirations that we will be unable to fulfill. But what a blessing to know that the work of our redemption was totally and perfectly accomplished by Je sus on the cross.

The last words of Jesus, "It is finished," are actually a single word inthe original lanmguage, John 19:30, But that word holds oceans of meaning. What Jesus

gasped was "Completed!" or -"Ende i!" That cry from the cross announced that not only had His suffering come to an end but also His redemptive work was eternal.

> Attend The Church Of Your Choice On Sunday Mornings!

Outreach Prayer Bre The Outreach Prayer Breakfast sailors After he confessed he time to go to Ninevahi. Jonah

met in the home of Sister Anie McBride last Saturday, October 6, 2007. We were blessed to have Sister Vivian Peoples and Sister Doss in attendance. Let us thank God for these Godly women.

The devotion was spirited filled with Sister Christene Burleson in charge. The morning lesson was taught by Sister Elnora Jones. Her subject was "Jonah: A days and three nights, God com-Reluctant Missionary."

the Lord came to Jonah saying -Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against, for t heir wickedness has come up against me. But Jonah arose to fice to Tarsgish from the presence of the Lord. He went down to Turshish. He paid the fare and went down into the deck, to escape from the presence of the Lord.

God told Jonah to go yo that great city Nipeveh and tell the people to repent of their wickedness, if not the city would be destroyed in 40days. Nineveh was one of the greatest cities of the ancients times. It was well populated, lots ofd live stock and very wealthy. God would that none perish but all come to repentance.

The fact is, Jonah was slisobedient, without respect to God. The reason for his disobedience was that he foured the Ninevites would take heed to his message and repent and God would forgive the city, which for many years had been a threat to farest, to other words, he was not willing to be foreign mission to a people that oppress Isreal Jonah 4:2. Jonah gives a reason: "Therefore, I fled to Tard ish for I know thou are a gracious God and merciful, slow too nger and of a great kindness land forgiver.

Joseph bounded, the ship, went down in the deck and want to aftern A violent storm arose on the sea, Jonah asked to be thrown ozerboard to ave the lives of the

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Miss. Publisher Charles Tisdale Dies

Charles Tisdale, owner and publisher of the Jackson Advocate and a civil rights lender, died Saturday at age 80," Nicklaus Lovelady reported Sunday in the Jackson (Miss.) Clarion-Ledger.

Charles Tisdale

"Saturday afternoon, dozens gathered at the Jackson Advocate to remember the man they considered a courageous fighter for the people.

"He was fearless,' Jackson resident Wydett Hawkins, a former journalist, said. 'He was a frontline leader. He didn't write from a dark room; he led a lot of the marches, participated in them, and put his life on the line more times than I can remember.'

"Hawkins and others gathered to make a vidco-taped memorial that will be aired during Tidsale's public viewing. Funeral arraignments had not been finalized Saturday.

"Like all great leaders who have led people to victory, Hawkins said, the one thing Tisdale had was courage to his last.

"He'd been hospitalized a week earlier at the G.V. 'Sonny' Montgomery Veterans Affairs Medical Center. He was a diabetic and had gone in for routine dialysis. He was found in his room unresponsive.

"Fisdale was placed on life support on Tuesday.

"Around 8:20 p.m. Saturday, Tisdale's family decided to take him off life support. He died about an hour later.

Tisdale, a native of Athens, Ala., came to Mississippi in 1978 and bought the Jackson Advocate, a weekly, black-oriented newspa-

[Nikki Burns wrote in 2001 in the Misssissippi Link that Tisdale said the Advocate's first owner, Percy Green, who died in 1977, accepted money from the state funded segregationist spy agency the Mississippi Sovereignty Commission (and often published stories from the commission word-for-word)." Tisdale called Green a brilliant man, who "just didn't have any character."]

"When he bought the Advocate, he instantly gave a voice to the black people in Jackson and Mississippi,' Hawkins said.

"In addition to the newspaper, he also had a weekly talk show on WMPR-90.1 FM.

"As the owner of the Jackson Advocate, Tisdale served as a champion for black journalists and the community, said longtime Jackson Advocate columnist Ivory Phillips.

"Most journalists today may be objective and forceful, but they don't have the passion that he had," Phillips said.

"During his reign, Tisdale received harsh criticism and threats over his writings. In 1982, two former Ku Klux Klansmen were convicted of firing 84 bullets into his then-office at 115 E. Hamilton St."

"His newspaper office near downtown Jackson was fire-

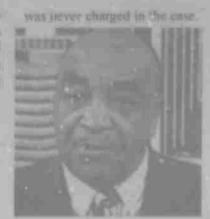
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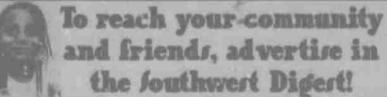


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Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission recently choseDr. Terrence Roberts, PhD, to deliver the keynote address following the nation's Jargest MLK March. The nearly three-mile march is a tribtitle to Dr. King, a civil rights icon and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate. The 2008 MLK March and Commemorative Program is scheduled for Monday, Junuary 21, 2008.

Dr. Roberts is a member of the Little Rock Nine, a group of students who made history by becoming the first African-Americans to desegregate Central High School in Little Rock. Arkansas. Dr. Roberts joins another national figure coming to San Antonio for the 21st anniversary of the City's MLK March and Commemoration. Renowned poet and Virginia Tech University Distinguished Professor Nikki Giovanni will be she featured speaker for the Trinity University MLK Lecture Series. Giovanni. most recently recognized for her moving address during the nationally-televised memorial service at Virginia Tech, will address students and other members of the community on

Wednesday, January 23, 2008. Education: March from Dream to Reality is the theme for the 2008 MLK March Commemoration. An expected crowd of more than 100,000 people of all races, ages and economic status will simulate Dr. King's legacy of marching for equal rights and opportunities for all. The MLK March takes place every year on Dr. King's national holiday and is the highlight of the annual commemoration organized by the City's MLK Commission.

The march starts at 10:00 a.m. at the MLK Freedom Bridge. The commemorative program featuring Dr. Roberts then begins at approximately noon. For more, information on citywide events

The City of San Antonio's call (210) 207-7224 or 207-7278. The 2008 MLK commomoration marks the 40th year observance of Dr. King's death, For more information on San Autonio call 1-800-Alany-07 or go

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Congresswoman Maxine Waters is considered by many to be one of the most powerful women in politics today.

Congresswoman Waters is considered by many to be one of the most powerful women in politics today. Her work has earned her the reputation of being an outspoken advocate for women, children, people of color and the poor.

Born on August 15, 1938, in St. Louis to Remus and Velma Lee Carr Moore, Waters was one of thirteen children. In 1961, she moved to Los Angeles, where she found work in a garment facory and as a telephone operator. In 1966, Waters was hired as an assistant teacher with the newly formed Head Start program in Watts. Waters decided to attend college while working at Head Start, and in 1970 earned a sociology degree from California State University in Los Angeles.

Waters became the voice for frustrated Head Start parents. Her efforts encouraged these parents to make federal budget requests, to contact legislators

Snoop Dogg arrested at California airport

Police say they found marijuana, gun during search of rapper's vehicle

Dogg was arrested on suspicion of iltegal drug and gun possession,

Calvin Broadus, was arrested at 3:45 p.m. Thursday at Hob Hope Airport, police said. Snoop Dogg posted \$35,000 bail and was scheduled to appear in court Dec.

Snoop Dogg at a loading zone for officers searched the vehicle they found a gun and marijuana, police

"There was no basis for this arrest," the rapper's attorney, Donald Etra, said in a statement. "We believe that once this is cleared up, all charges will be dismissed."

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and agencies for increased funding, and to lobby for Head Start components tailored to their community. Waters' concern for parents' rights led her to become involved in local politics, and in 1973 she went to work as chief deputy to City Councilman David Cunninghamn a number of issues, including affirmative action, community development. women's health and welfare reform

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BURBANK, Calif. . Shoop attorney's office has been considming charges against Scoop Dogg after authorities last month discovered a 21-inch collapsible The rapper, whose real name is button in his bays as he bounded a New York-bound flight from John Wayne International Airport.

The rapper was convicted in 1990 of cocaine possession and charged with gun possession after a 1993 traffic stop. He pleaded Airport police officers stopped guilty in exchange for three years' probation and a promise to make a vehicle code violation. When public service announcements against violence.

> He was acquitted of murder in 1996 following the death of an alleged gang member who was killed by gunfire from the vehicle Snoop Dogg was traveling in.

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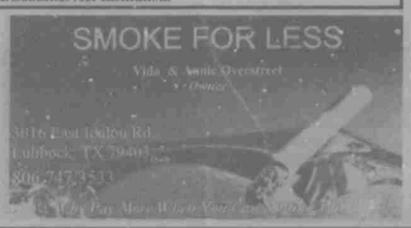
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His (Bill Cosby) words sting because truth hurts (Cynthia Tucker)

Cynthia Tucker is the editorial page editor.



-The administration of the Washington institution is apparently in a bit of a huff because Bill Cosby used its podium to criticize the failings of black America - especially its underclass. Howard's leaders, who won't release a transcript of Cosby's speech, are still not prepared to have a public discussion of self-inflicted wounds.

But much of black America. especially its middle class, is ready to have that conversation, In that sense, Cosby's speech was a wate shed event - a sign that black America is now comfortable enough with its accomplishments to discuss its shortcom-

"Perhaps Bill did us a favor," says NAACP President Kweisi Mfume, who attended the ceremony, "and more people will ow be prepared to step forward. It'll be a tough love conversation, whether or not people want to have it. And it will take opinion leaders to say those things that should be said."

Not all black Americans agree with the remarks Cosby made at a May 17 celebration of the 50th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's Brown v. Board of Education decision. Indeed, his criticism of everything from speech patterns to spending habits among the black poor was pointedly politically incorrect.

"Ladies and gentlemen, the lower economic people are not holding up their end in this deal," he said. "These people are not parenting. They are buying hings for kids - \$500 sneakers for what? And won't spend \$200 for 'Hooked on Phonics' " to improve their children's reading

and speech. Of the disproportionate number of blacks in prison, Cosby had this to say: "These are not political criminals. These are people going around stealing Coca-Cola. People getting shot in the back of the head over a piece of pound cake, and then we run out and we are outraged, sayng. The cops shouldn't have shot him.' What in the bell was he doing with the pound cake in his-hand?"

After the speech, Theodore shaw, head of the NAACP legal defense fund, rushed to the podiam to serve up a rejoinder, noting hat larger (read "white"

American society still bears some responsibility for the failure of so many black Americans to join the economic and cultural mainstream. That is clearly so.

But isn't it about time that black Americans acknowledge that, at the dawn of the 21st century, personal responsibility has at least as much to do with success in America as race? Isn't it only fair to note that the landmark Supreme Court ruling of 50 years ago did roll back much of systemic racism? After all, if you believe that racism continues to argely limit black success, that will certainly prove itself true.

"There is no reason that black students have to do poorly in math and science, in speech, in cognitive abilities," Mfume said. When you're quiet about those [shortcomings], young people notice, and it sounds like you're giving your approval."

Some blacks have recoiled from Cosby's pointed remarks, not because they disagree, but because they don't want to discuss certain ignominious truths in front of white folks. They fear such painful self-analysis will only provide fodder to the racebaiters - the Neal Boortzes and Rush Limbaughs -- who work hard at stoking a white backlash.

I'm sure Booriz and Limbaugh have already made ample use of Cosby's speech to stir up the racist rants among a certain segment of their listeners. So what? They'd look for excuses to poke the tender wounds of race no matter what Cosby had

It is more important that black Americans have a spirited debate about the challenges of the postcivil rights era: How do we raise the academic achievement of black students? How do we curb black-on-black crime? How do we attack an AIDS epidemic spreading like wildfire in black America?

In a way, Cosby's speech was an eloquent reminder of the stunning success of the civil rights movement that followed the Brown decision: Black America is strong enough and successful enough to admit its shortcomings and gird itself for the work





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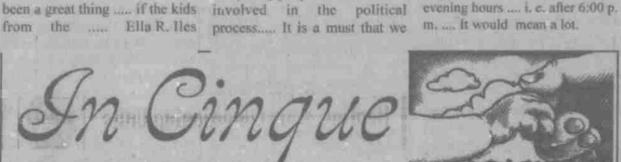
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by Eddie P. Richardson

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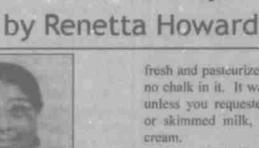
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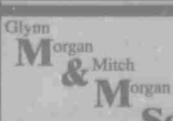


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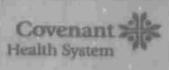
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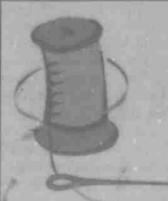
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SCOTISDALE, ARE -Mike Tyson was arrested early Friday on suspicion of driving under the influence and possession of cocsine after police stopped him shortly after he left a Scottsdafe nightclub, police

The former heavyweight champion appeared in Maricopa County Superior Court In Phoenix later Friday and was ordered released without bond on a felony drug possession charge.

No alcohol was detected in his system, and a DUI-drugs charge was not filed pending toxicology tests.

Tyson, 40, will be required to submit to drug and alcohol testing and is prohibited from drinking or taking any nonprescription drugs while the case is pending...

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Continued from Page 3 him acknowledge the plan for a North American single currency. In an interview with Fox, he stated that he believes "racists" are preventing increased immi-

gration into the U.S. Black Americans need to be aware that this Mexican is out to destroy the American way of life. The leaders of both the Republican and Democratic parties are pandering to Mexico. What kind of mess is this -- our leaders selling us out for a mess of Mexican beans that will bloat us financially.

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Thomas' mother decided to remarry after the family's wooden house burned to the ground. Thomas's mother sent him and his brother to live with their grandfather, Myers Anderson, in Savannah. Life with his grandfather introduced Thomas to much better days which included regular meals and indoor plumbing. Thomas's grandfather also imparted upon his grandsons the importance of a good education. Thomas and his brother worked for their grandfather after school making fuel deliveries. In his spare time, Thomas often went to the local Carnegie library since the Savannah Public Library had not yet allowed blacks to enter. At his grandfather's urgings to become a priest. Thomas left his black high school after two years to attend St. John Vianney Minor Seminary, an all-white boarding school located just outside of Savannah dedicated to training priests. Thomas suffered minor episodes of racism at his new school. His fellow schoolmates excluded him from social activities and made fun of his color. Still, Thomas persevered and



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processed in some plant which has something in it that can make us very ill or kill us. Vegetables purchased in the store have been known to spinach contain e-coli; naw and green onions have been recalled for that reason. Peanut butter has been recalled because e-coli or salmonella. Packaged salad mixes have been recalled due to deadly germs; processed pot pies have been recalled due to being t ninted. Expiration dates mean nothing if the food is contaminated from the beginning. Toothpaste and toys manufactured in China have contained poisonous chemicals and lead paint.

We must now read the labels to see where items were manufactured or processed to decide if we want to buy them. We still need to check the expiration dates especially on consumable items. We will get a general idea about a preoduct but may never know where it really came from as so many companies and most grocery st ores do nmot divulge where their store brands are made.

You can only find out when there is a recall. It seems that we need to get 'in cinque' and find some gardedn plots, raise some animals and be careful about where our food comes from.

graduated with a good academic

Thomas attended the Immaculate Conception Seminary in Missouri as his next step towards attaining priesthood. He left soon after, though, due to the severe racism he encountered in the school. After taking some time off. Thomas enrolled at Holy Cross. He participated actively in the formation of the Black Student Union. Thomas also supported the Black Panthers and once urged a student walkout to protest investments in South Africa. In 1971, Thomas graduated ninth in his class with an English honors degree. The following day, he married Knthy Ambush, a student at a nearby Catholic woman's col-

Yale University Law School accepted Thomas through its affirmative action program. While at Yale, Thomas' wife gave birth to his only child, a son named Jamal. Thomas specialized in tux and anti-trust faw while at Yale, Upon his graduation, many firms tried to recruit Thomas by hinting at

Lawmakers Seek US Action in Jena 6 Case



Mychal Bell, right, one of the Jenn Six, listens while Rev. Al-Sharpton speaks after leaving LaSalle Parish Courthouse in Jens. La., Thursday, Sept. 27, 2007.

WASHINGTON (AP) -Democratic lawmakers denounced federal authorities Tuesday for not intervening in the Jena Six case, citing racist noosehanging incidents far beyond the small Louisiana town where a school attack garnered national

The House Judiciary Committee held a hearing with federal officials and community activists examining the case of the six black teenagers charged with the beating of a white student. The incident happened after nooses. were hung from a tree on a high school campus there - a symbol of the lynching violence of the segregation era.

Democratic lawmakers, many of them black, blasted federal authorities for staying out of the local prosecutor's case against the six, particularly that of Mychal lines, there have been a number of Bell, who is currently in jail after other nooses found in high-profile a judge decided he violated the incidents around the country - in terms of his probation for a previ- a black Coast Guard cadet's bag.

ous conviction. Justice Department officials, directing most of her fury at Donald Washington, the U.S. attorney for Louistana's western noose-hanging investigations in district - and the first black per- five states. It investigated the Jena son to hold that position.

opportunities to do pro bono work. This tactic, however, served only to offend Thomas and he turned every offer down. Thomas decided to return to Missouri to work in the office of then State Attorney General John Danforth. The job allowed him to work in the tax division and did not force his involvement in any civil rights cases. When Danforth won an election to the U.S. Senate three years later in 1977, Thomas left the attorney general's office and became a corporate lawyer in the posticide and agriculture division of the Monsanto Company.

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of tears." Jackson Lee said.

"Why didn't you intervene?" she asked repeatedly, raising her voice and jabbing her finger in the air as some in the audience began to applaud.

Committee chairman John Convers, D-Mich., called for quiet before Washington spoke.

"I was also offended, I too am African-American," Washington told the panel. "I did intervene, I did engage the district attorney. At the end of the day, there are only certain things that the United States attorney can

Following that exchange, Convers pointed out he had invited the local district attorney, Reed Walters, to testify, but he declined. At that, some in the audience yelled out, "subpoent him!"

Since the Jena case made headon a Maryland college campus, "Shame on you," Rep. Sheila and, last week, on the office door Jackson Lee, D-Texas, said to of a black professor at Columbia University in New York.

The Department of Justice has created a task force to handle matter but decided not to prose-"As a parent, I'm on the verge cute because the federal government typically does not bring hate crimes charges against juveniles, Washington said.

