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Community Meetings

- * Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.
- * Hub City Kiwanis meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p. m., Mt. Vernon UMC, East 23rd & Cedar Avenue
- * Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm.
- * Booker T. W Washington American Legion, Post 808, meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon.
- * Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Branch Library.
- * East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mae Simmons Senior Citizens.
- * 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 7:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center, 1301 E. 24th Street.
- * West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturdays of each month at 7:00 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations.

- * The Unified Juneteenth Commission of Lubbock meets every Monday evening at Patterson Library, 1834 Parkway Drive, beginning at 6:00 p. m.
- * West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men of West Texas meets 3rd Monday evenings at 7:00 pm at Lanier Center, 2nd Floor, TTU Law Center.
- * The Parkway & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evenings, 7:30 pm at Hunt Elementary School.
- * Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm at Iles Elementary Cafeteria.

CITIS (Creating Inspirational Thoughts in Singles) meets 2nd & 4th Thursday at 2404 23rd near Avenue X at 7:00 pm

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"Let My People Go!"



The St. John's United Methodist Church, 1501 University Avenue in Lubbock, celebrated Black History Month with a variety of worship experiences. Included was music by African American composers and spiritual/hymns for solos, choirs, and congregational singing. The handbell choir played by "My Lord, What a Morning," The play, "Let My People Go," was written by Texas Tech University professor, Dr. Norman A. Bert and directed by Page Petrucka, a doctoral student, Mary Ann Lawson, a 1964 graduate of Dunbar High School, starred as Harriet Tubman.

Other actors were Dan Donahue as Levi Coffin, DeRon W. Williams as Joe Bailey, and Dravon Rangelas Dinah Bailey. Scholarship students, Stephanie Council and Ben Terry sang solos, "Precious Lord," and "Take My Hand." The Chancel Choir ended the performance with "Go Down Moses."

As was reviewed in the church's The Explorer newsletter, "This production was very moving and thought provoking."

Pictured from left to right: playwright Norman A. Bert, cast members Dravon Rangel, Deron Williams, Mary Ann Lawson, Dan Donahue, and Director Page Petrucka.

William Powell, Former Dunbar High School Principal Succumbs In Huntsville, Texas

Funeral services for William ("Romeo") Powell are scheduled for Saturday morning, March 23, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at the First Missionary Baptist Church, 1530 10th Street, Huntsville, Texas 77320. The church telephone number is 936-295-0022.

The body is held at Cox Funeral Home, 1305 13th Street, Huntsville, Texas 77320 where the telephone number is 936-295-2621.

Instead of flowers, the family would like donations to Texas Tech University and/or Jarvis Christian College.

Powell was born June 7, 1928 and began his walk with God on March 12, 2013 at the age



Mr. & Mrs. William "Romeo" & Doris Powell

Parkway Roses Involved In Community Service At Windmill Village



The fifth grade Parkway Roses have been very busy this school year! The sponsors are very proud of their success in completing membership application requirements and demonstrating good study habits and citizenship. The girls meet from 3:25 - 4:30 after school is dismissed each Monday. They participate in activities that develop leadership skills and an appreciation for community service. A lot of emphasis is placed on a "can do" attitude and the great potential they have within themselves. They are encouraged to do their best in school right now to ensure a bright future as they prepare to attend and graduate from college.

These photographs are showing some of the girls at the newly constructed Windmill Village.



Annie Sanders

Lubbock Meals on Wheels Sponsors Annie's Chat and Chew

For over 20 years, Lubbock Meals on Wheels has benefited from "Annie's Chat and Chew". This fundraiser was started by long time volunteer Annie Sanders and is being continued in her memory again this year at the Mae Simmons Senior Center, 2004 Oak Avenue, on Saturday March 23, 2013 from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Guests can enjoy some great fried catfish and other tasty dishes while visiting with old friends and remembering a very special woman, Annie Sanders. Donations will be accepted at the door to help fund the purchase of meals for the homebound community served by Lubbock Meals on Wheels. Help us keep Annie's giving spirit alive by joining us at Annie's Chat and Chew. For more information, please call 792-7971.

A Brief Look Back At Sexton Automotive In Lubbock



Nicole Sexton

Over 27 years ago, according to Nicole Sexton, her parents, Donald and Lori Sexton, founded Sexton Automotive. Nearly 18 years ago, at the age of 15, she became intrigued in the business. She began answering telephone, taking in and cashing out customers as well as working on vehicles. Anytime, she was able, she was under the hood or in her father's lap learning all she could.

The first job she was paid for was at the age of 5, when she was helping her father rebuild a steering column which she watched him tape apart.

As she grew older, the tasks and jobs she were given within the business became more complicated. She will tell you: "I rebuilt my first automatic transmission at the age 10, and then I rebuilt my first engine at age 2, both were used for race cars.

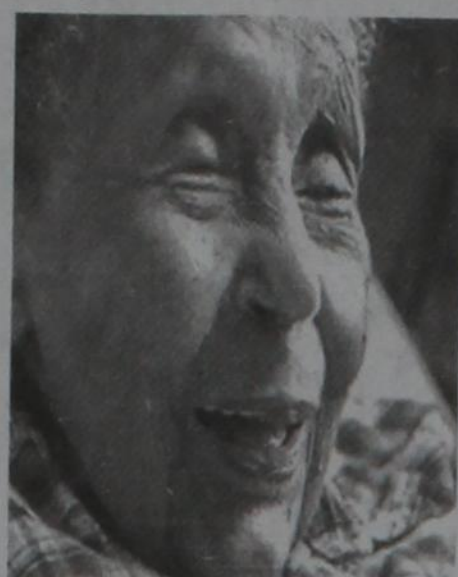
At the young age of 7, Nicole was given an opportunity to begin drag racing which she pursued for 12 years. During this time, she became fascinated with performance and fabrication. "Anytime the race cars needed work, I was the first to lend a hand and learn," she said.

As she grew older, she began to strive to be apart of the entire assembly, tuning, repairing, and driving process.

"At the age of 15, my father

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106-Year-Old Woman To Finally Get High School Diploma



Reba Williams

Reba Williams, a 106-year-old woman from Columbus, Ohio, is finally getting her high school diploma. Apparently, she never graduated from Mount Vernon High School even though she completed all 12 years. It was all due to what is being called an "academic rebellion", whereas she refused to read the final book assigned by her teacher during her last se-

mester.

But 88 years later, the local Board of Education has agreed to forgive that act of academic rebellion. They have also made a motion to approve her diploma. Williams, who has had a long career as a cook at what is now the state's only working farm and park, Malabar Farm State Park, reacted to the board's decision by saying, "That's nice."

Funeral Services held For Mattie Hillyer



Pastor Charles Tanner

Church services for longtime Pastor Charles Tanner were held on Saturday morning, March 16, 2013 at Trinity Church.

Interment followed at Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Orange Texas -- Funeral services for Mattie Hillyer were held on Saturday afternoon, March 16, 2013 at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Orange, Texas.

Interment was held at Magnolia Memorial Garden Cemetery Orange under the direction of the Calvary Mortuary Staff.

Hillyer Teetie, 88, formerly of Orange, Texas, resident of Austin, Texas, went from labor to reward on Friday, March 8, 2013.

Mattie's love and memories will remain in the hearts of her daughter, Laura Robinson (Nelson); sisters: Bettye Atchan, Maxine Green, and Margaret Spears; brother, Ernest McDonald; two grandchildren, Morgan and Matthew; nieces, nephews, relatives, loved ones, and friends.

Easter Egg Hunt Set!

A Easter Egg Hunt will be held at the Rawlings Community Center, 213 - Avenue B, beginning at 2:00 p. m.

The cost to participate is \$5.00 to hunt for prizes.

A Praise-A-Thon at the Word of Truth, 308 Avenue B, Saturday afternoon, April 13, 2013, from 2:00 p. m. until 6:00 p. m.

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Longtime Pastor Charles Tanner Succumbs Here

Pastor Tanner, 74, of Lubbock passed away on March 7, 2013.

Charles was born on October 9, 1939 in Kemp, Texas to the parentage of Pearley Miles-Tanner and Albert Tanner. He was raised in the church and saved in his early twenties under the leadership of the late Bishop T.L. Ford.

He was a well-known evangelist in the Church of God in Christ across the country. His work of teaching and preaching nothing but holiness and righteousness as an evangelist began over 55 years ago in Fresno, Calif. at Fresno Temple Church under the pastoral leadership of the late Bishop H.Y. Rogers.

He blessed and saved many lives throughout his lifetime.

Pastor Charles A. Tanner was the founder of four churches, Hope Deliverance Temple #1 of Lubbock, Texas, Hope Deliverance Temple #2 of Amarillo, Texas; Hope Deliverance Temple #3 of Denver, Colo., and Hope Deliverance Temple #4 of Lawton, Okla. He also built the first prayer tower of the Church of God in Christ, the Hallie Sheppard Prayer Tower.

He has owned numerous businesses.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Annie Mae Tanner-Easter; and one brother, Albert Tanner.

Pastor Charles A. Tanner is

survived by five children, Dealma De-Aloma Tanner, Jacqueline Baines (Conrad), Marcie Tanner Hall (Christian), Charlotte Necole Tanner Starr (Larry) and LaJerial Danella Thompson; four sisters, Christene Tanner-Griffin, Willie Tanner Moore (Conaway), Doresa Owens and Lavondra Tanner; a very special niece, Jackqueline Smith (William) and a special nephew Pastor Rodney Tanner; thirteen grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and close friends; two God-daughters, Patsy Ann and Kathy Bailey; and extended family, Deacon Jeremiah Yates and Sis. Mable Yates.

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Pastor Eddie William
First Lady Sister Janice Williams

Nicole Sexton Talks About Sexton Automotive

and I began the three year restoration and fabrication of a 1946 Plymouth Custom Deluxe car that had been put onto a 1988 Chevy Truck Chassis," said Nicole. She continued, "Every piece had to be custom fabricated to fit both the chassis and the body, including all electrical components, bumpers, body stands and supports, stereo, exhaust, and powertrain. Known to most as PLUM1 due to the license plate, which is named for the color of the car (Plum Crazy Purple), the car has become the icon and logo of the company.

"Over the course of my life, I have been asked by many, including my parents, if I would continue the business. Up until recently, I had always refused due to personal reasons."

In July, 2010, it was decided that the business was to be sold, and for my parents to retire. 'I decided to stay with the business for a short period of time to ease the transition. At this time, I was in college pursuing a Mechanical Engineering degree in which I shall be completing in the near future,'" she said.

"After leaving the company, I focused on my degree," she said. "In late September of 2012, it

was decided that the company be foreclosed upon. Once again, I was prompted with the opportunity to take over the reins of the business," she continued.

After looking from whence she had come, he said, "This was the third time that I was asked, and I decided that God was trying to teach me something here and I took over the business, and with much guidance from my parents, I've been operating it since."

In closing, Nicole says, "I intend to use my degree well here in custom fabrication and performance work."

You know what, Nicole Sexton means what she says!

Iles Reunion Talent Show!

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Mae Simmons

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What's Happening This Month!

ANNIE'S CHAT-N-CHEW

March 23rd at 11:00 am, \$5 Donation

Enjoy a catfish lunch at this annual event that benefits Lubbock Meals on Wheels! Donations accepted to help fund the purchase of meals for the homebound community. There will be great food, lively conversation and the remembrance of Annie Sanders.

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Church News



From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith Giving Thanks For A Band Of Immigrants

There is an article by Rick Casey entitled "Giving thanks for band of immigrants" that appeared in the San Antonio Express-News and mySA.com. Casey praise Timothy J. Henderson for his documenting in his book, "A Glorious Defeat: Mexico and its War with the United States." This book gives an imaginary look on the thoughts processes of those people of the past who were intent on being the rulers of the world like the rich and power whites in America today who look down with disdain on 47 percent of their fellow Americans.

In his book, "A Glorious Defeat: Mexico and its War with the United States, Henderson tells the story of Stephen F. Austin and the American men who followed him to Texas. Henderson describes him as "likeable, handsome, hardworking, and well educated." Austin was a man with "cultivated manners, a moderate temperament, and a sometimes unfortunate tendency to assume the good intentions of others.

Austin believed in playing by the rules. He went to Mexico City to negotiate with Mexican

authorities, who were eager to populate Texas with settlers who would ward off the Indians.

Austin won a generous deal. A head of an immigrant family would get 4,438 acres for farming and another 177 acres for livestock. For every 200 immigrants he or other impresarios brought in they would receive another 66,774 acres.

In exchange, Austin pledged to bring Anglo settlers into Texas according to rules set out by Mexican authorities. Henderson wrote that Austin "from the outset made plain his intention to do everything by the book, and for most of his adult life he never wavered from his commitment with Mexico."

The basic rules were what you would expect from a Catholic nation. Immigrants had to pledge loyalty to Mexico. If they weren't already Roman Catholics, they had to convert. Despite Austin's best efforts, Henderson writes, Anglos came pouring in and most "had no intention of abiding by their end of the bargain." Mexican law, for example, stipulated that any slaves would be free as soon as they entered Texas. Anglo immi-

grants "elected to assume that this referred only to the buying and selling of slaves and did not apply to slaves brought by colonists for their own use."

On Mexican general wrote that the colonists "commit the barbarities on their slaves that are so common where men live in a relationship so contradictory to their nature: they pull their teeth, they set dogs upon them to tear them apart, and the mildest of them will whip the slaves until they are flayed."

Some newcomers were adventurers. Others came for economic reasons, often fleeing debts. Others were escaping the law.

Some writes Henderson, were men "sporting brands on their faces marking them as miscreants." When some of these men continued their criminal ways they were sometimes executed in clear violation of the (still existing) Mexican prohibition of the death penalty.

These immigrants either came into Texas illegally or violated the terms of their legal entry. Many made no pretence of abiding by Mexican laws.

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We Thank God for Jesus

"America Is Damned!"

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

Jemimah 8:6a-7 -- I harkened and heard, but they spake not aright; no man repented him or his wickedness. Yes, the stork in heaven knoweth her appointed times; and the turtle and the crane and swallow observed the time of their coming; but my people know not the judgement of the Lord.

(The Greek word for damned is: **KAAK-REE NO, MEANS TO JUDGE AGAINST**).

THE RIGHTS IN THE GARDEN ... are the same ... WRONGS OF ADAM AND EVE. THE DEVIL telling man TODAY HIS RIGHTS ARE OKAY. HE IS BEING DECEIVED.

Proverbs 14:12 -- There is a way which seemeth right unto man, unto the end thereof are the ways of death.

(You see God didn't say give **MAN HIS RIGHTS**. (He said: **GO INTO ALL WORLD AND PREACH THE GOSPEL. IF GOD wanted man to have RIGHTS. HE would have said so. But HE DIED ON THE CROSS. FOR**

ALL MAN'S SINS. THE ONLY RIGHT MAN HAS IS. THEY HAVE A RIGHT TO BELIEVE ON JESUS CHRIST AND BE SAVED, LIKE EVERYONE.) This **COUNTRY IS BLIND**, and it's leading **THE CHILDREN, WHO ARE BLIND, WE** even say: **WE'RE AGAINST DRUGS, and PUT IT BEFORE THE CHILDREN ALL THE TIME.**

Luke 23:28 -- Jesus said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children.

Our **CHILDREN** love **SPORTS** and there is plenty of it on TV. **We SHOW THEM LITE BEER TEASING THEM; YOU THINK THEY ONLY WANT IT TO SEE.**

Isaiah 5:20 -- Woe (CURSES) unto them that call evil good, and good evil, that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

AMERICA LOVES MONEY .. and don't care how it gets it NOR WHERE FROM, THAT'S WHY THERE'S CHEATING IN

THE WHITE HOUSE, THE CHURCH HOUSE & BEYOND.

I Timothy 6:10 -- For the money is the root of all evil; which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

THIS COUNTRY WAS BUILT ON PRAYER, AND NOW IT'S HELL BOUND. BECAUSE IT DOESN'T WANT TO OBEY THE WORDS OF THE LORD!

John 14:6 -- Jesus said, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. (I've heard that **AMERICA IS A CHRISTIAN NATION**, but that is not **TRUE. THIS IS A SAVAGE LAND!** The word **SAVAGE** means, it's not under **HUMAN CONTROL, IT'S UNTAMED, IT'S FEROCIOUS, UNCIVILIZED, RUDE & SICK. IT KILLS PEOPLE FOR DRUGS).**

******* WILL AMERICA ROB GOD? *******

St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Again, church services were well attended at the historical St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, on last Sunday morning, March 17, 2013, where the dynamic pastor is the Reverend Edward Canady.

Church services begun at 10:10 a. m. with Sunday School. Sister Shirley Davis, our Superintendent, is back on the past.

The teacher is Sister Susie Davis did an outstanding job.

The subject of the morning lesson was "Dreams For A Bet-

ter Tomorrow". The Unifying Topic was Gabriel Interpretation.

The main thought was Daniel 8:26, KJV.

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted by Deacon Edward Williams and Deaconess Sister Ethel Williams.

Our proud Pastor, Rev. Edward Canady, entered the Church with the St. Matthew Choir and Congregation singing "Because Of Who You Are."

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "God Demands Obedience, Not Sacrifice." His scripture text was 1st Samuel 15:18-25. It was a very informative sermon for all in attendance. Praise God for the work.

The morning announcements were read by our First Lady, Sister Shirley Canady. The members really appreciate all she does for the Church. May God continue to bless her.

Let us continue to pray for those who are on the sick and shut-in list. These are for those who are members and residents of the community. God is able.

Our Thought For The Week: "In all circumstances, we can give thanks that God has not left us on our own!"

The weekly meetings held at the St. Matthew Baptist Church are as follows:

The Missionary Society meets at 5:00 p. m. on Wednesday evenings.

Bible Study is held on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p. m. All in attendance are able to study the word and discuss knowledge with each other.

If you are a member of St. Matthew Baptist Church and can sing, then come a join the choir which practices on Friday afternoons at 2:00 p. m. So if you want to improve your singing. God is able!

Remember, if you a member and is a member of any of these meetings, we will be look-

ing forward to seeing you next week.

If you are looking for a Church Home, then come and visit with Pastor Edward Canady and members of the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street.

"So be careful how you live... Make good use of every opportunity you have, because these are evil days.

Ephesians 5:15-16

Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast want to share with each of you this Prayer.

"Prayer"

Daniel 57

Daniel interpreted the writing on the wall. Daniel answered: Keep your gift or give them to someone else. But I will tell you what the writing means.

They called for a Praying Man. Daniel, who prayed three times daily. This is what it means. Numbered: God has numbered the days of your reign. They are ended. Tekel means weighed. You have been weighed in God's balances and have failed the test.

Persians divided. Your kingdom will be divided and given to the Medes and Persians. At this time, Daniel was in his eighties and one Darius to three administrators, whom was working with and did not believe in God. How do you represent God on your job of non-Christian workers? Remember you are not fighting this battle alone. God is with you, and if He's for you, who can be against you? Remember God is in control, so go

for it. **Stomp on the enemy!** All we have to do is focus on Jesus as our Lord and Saviour. Do it now before you are forced to do so. Bow now and acknowledge Jesus is Lord!

Although Daniel knew about the law against praying, he still prayed three times a day. As he always did. Daniel had a discipline prayer life. Our prayers are usually interrupted not by threats, but simply by the pressure of our schedules. Don't let threats or pressure cut into your prayer time. Don't let threats cut into something as important as **Prayer! Pray daily, Saints, like Daniel!!**

We have many sick and shut-in citizens in our community. Let's keep smiling and praying, People!!!

Glory To Christ

II Thessalonians 1:3-12

Paul's letters to the church in Thessalonica reverberate with themes that are still relevant to us some 2,000 years later. The Christians in that vibrant metropolitan city were under pressure to return to their old way of life. They faced persecution for their

faith. We all can relate to their everyday struggles of life, pain, and the need for hope. In II Thessalonians, Paul immediately begins dealing with the dangers they faced.

Just keep studying the Word, Saints! God is able, no matter what posture we are in!

As we begin to celebrate remember these words:

Life-Giving Light

John 1:1-5, 14

In the beginning was the Word. Obviously echoing the first words of the Bible (Genesis

1:1), John affirms that Christ existed before creation began. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. This verse tells us of Christ's eternality, his personality, and his deity. William Hendriksen describes Proverbs 8:27-30 as "probably the best commentary on John 1." He was with God in the beginning. The pre-existent Christ is the beginning (Revelation 22:13).

Jesus was not a created being, as some false teachers claimed (Colossians 1:16). Instead, everything was made through him. No exceptions! In him was

life, and that life was the light of men. Jesus was life, just like his Father (John 5:26)—life that could reanimate even the dead (11:25). The light shines in the darkness. Darkness represents the sinful world where Christ's

holy light came to shine (8:12; 12:35). The darkness does not understand it, nor can it overpower it.

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; and Sister Elnora Jones, teacher.



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Obsequies

Richard Essix

Funeral services were held for Richard Essix held on Saturday afternoon, March 9, 2013 at Hope Deliverance Temple with Elder Charles Tanner, pastor, officiating.

Interment followed in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Essix, 38, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Tuesday, March 4, 2013.

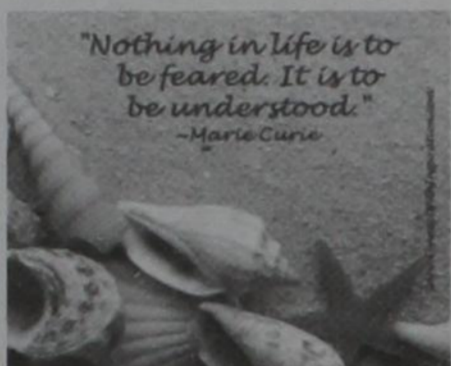
Richard was born on May 7, 1974, to the parentage of Richard and Brenda Thomas in Lubbock, Texas. Richard attended Estacado High School and South Plains College. He loved sports and wanted to become a physical education coach.

Richard was preceded in death by his father, Richard Thomas Jr.; his maternal grandparent, Anne Mae Anderson; paternal grandparents, Tommy and Johnnie Essix; one aunt, Johnnie Louise Essix; and a nephew, Tavorick Essix.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his mother, Brenda Thomas; one daughter, Kristiana Domanique Essix; one brother, Edward Deshon (Rita) Essix; two sisters, Tammy Essix and Sha'kae McConic; eight nieces and nephews, Xavier, L'e-



sha, Kahlil, Shondranay, Keshondrick, Jeremiah and Brenajiah; two great-nieces and nephews; a few special friends who were considered his brothers, Troney Hunter, Edward Bernard Thomas, Anthony Thomas, Reggie Essix, Jessie Duke and Roy Roberts; three aunts, Cora Morris, Susie Essix and Kim (Lawrence) Westbrook; two uncles, Ricky (Denise) Essix and Bobby Miles (Brenda Kay); 57 cousins; and a host of other relatives, family and friends



Dorothy Louise Curry-Buie

Graveside services were held for Dorothy Louise Curry Buie on Saturday, March 6, 2013, at the Court of Memories, Laurel Land Memorial Park in Dallas, Texas. The Singing Hills Funeral Home of Dallas was in charge of arrangements.

Active pallbearers were Algie Curry, Jr., Shelby Curry, Amir Hall, Henry Madison, Jr., Steven Curry and Anthony Sanders.

Honorary pallbearers were Robert Traylor, Tremaine Curry, Shawn Curry, and Vincent Buie.

She passed away in Dallas, Texas on Friday, February 22, 2013.

Dorothy was born within the blending of Arthur and Lurean Curry on October 14, 1944, in Marlin, Texas. As the seventh of 14 children, she was known among her siblings as "Lil Sista," the special child.

After graduating from Dunbar High School, she went on to pursue a career as a cosmetologist, where she acquired certification in the beauty industry. She also graduated from Barbizon School of Modeling.

Shortly after these accomplishments, Dorothy attended El Centro College receiving education in fashion design. As a member of the Dallas Beauticians Association, she was validated for her faculties and expertise by way of honors, awards and many accolades. Her rare and unique flair called the attention of local and statewide publications as well as television disseminations.

Dorothy was a force to deal with, an absolute trendsetter breaking fashion barriers



throughout the general public. She influenced many lives with a positive force towards inner and outer beauty. With record breaking capabilities, Ms. Buie was one of very few to challenge world records with the score of the length of her fingernails. This woman was believed to be the "core of pulchritude."

Dorothy reclaimed her life with Christ as a member of The Potters House, where she worshipped and praised God.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her husband, Noah Buie; five children: Regenia, Jimmy, Monique, Keme, and Kemesheia; nine grandchildren: Brodrick Williams, Roderick, Broderick, Gabriello, Catera, Miracle, Janiya, Jimmy III, and Kanya; five great-grandchildren: Broderick, Jr., Michala, Braylon, Bryan and Carter; five brothers: Arthur II, Leon, Ossie, Charles and Algie; five sisters: Emma, Joann, Katheleen, Patricia and Vera; and a multitude of family and friends

Henry Johnson, Jr.

Plainview, Texas -- Funeral services for Henry Johnson, Jr. were held Saturday morning, March 2, 2013, at the Ash & Carver Church of Christ with Brother Carl Smiley officiating.

Interment was held in the Plainview Cemetery under the direction of Bartley Funeral Home of Plainview in charge of arrangements.

Active pallbearers were Fred Ray, Chuck Ray, Lyn Washington, Curtis Nash, Larry Williams, Craig Williams, Dennis Waters, and Russel Clay.

Honorary pallbearers were Tyrome Johnson, Fred D. Johnson, Jr., Carl Lee Johnson, Broderick Johnson, Ronald O'Neal, Charles O'Neal, Michael Fambrite, and Devron Stancil.

Mr. Johnson passed away suddenly on Friday, February 22, 2013, at Amarillo Hospital after a brief illness.

He was born on October 31, 1936 in Lockney, Texas.

After serving in the U. S. Military during World War II, he returned to Plainview and worked as a leaver puller at the Panhandle Compress.

He later obtained a plumbing license and became a Master Plumber. He moved to Hereford, Texas, and ran a successful business until he retired



at the age of 82.

Henry was preceded in death by two daughters, Stella and Shirley; sisters: Lync O'Neal, Venice Goss, May Pearl Goss, Lo Ellen Johnson, JoAda Johnson, and Carla Lowe; brothers: Milton Goss, Hazier Goss, Samuel Johnson, and James Johnson.

He leaves behind in Rancho Herford, Texas: his devoted confidant and wife of 37 years, Rachel Johnson; three sons: Douglas of Killeen, Texas, Tommie Lee of Washington, D. C. and Bobby Ray (Deborah) of Mesquite, Texas; nine grandchildren, seventeen great grandchildren, and a host of other family and friends.

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She leaves to cherish her memories her mother, Paulina Gomez and stepfather, Jerry Sanders; her father, Valentin Gomez; sis-

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Quincener'a Adjuntas

Funeral services for Quincener's Adjuntas were held on Thursday afternoon, March 14, 2013 at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church with Overseer J. Jrome Johnson officiating.

Interment followed at City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Adjuntas, 19, of Lubbock, passed away on Tuesday, March 6, 2013.

Quincener'a a.k.a. Swagg was born on April 24, 1993 to the parentage of Paulina Garcia and Valentin Gomez in Amarillo, Texas. Quince' attended Lubbock High and Monterey High Schools. She loved listening to music, taking pictures and she



was a very good dancer. She was always happy and very strong-willed. Quince' loved her brothers and sisters, especially Valeria. Quince' had lots of loving friends and family who will

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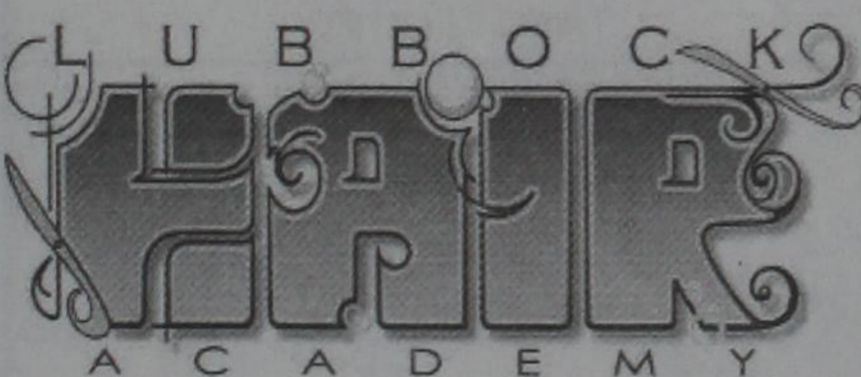
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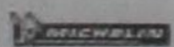
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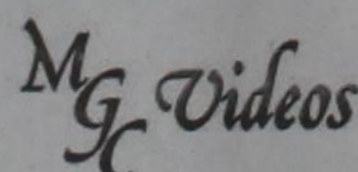
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In Cinque

By Renetta Howard



I was somewhat shocked when I saw a news headline stating that North Korea threatens a nuclear strike and the U. N. (United Nations) expands sanctions. All of this came shortly after I had read some news wherein Dennis Rodman had been to North Korea, socializing with the Korean leader Kim Jong Un who supposedly asked Mr. Rodman to have President Obama to call him.

Mr. Rodman went to North Korea with the Harlem Globetrotters and allegedly told "ABC's 'This Week'" around March 3, 2013, that the 28 year-old leader "doesn't want to do war." Ties between the two countries, North Korea and the United States are currently strained because of North Korea's recent underground nuclear tests.

Of course, we know that since Mr. Rodman is not an elected or appointed representative to any foreign country, the State Department distanced itself from Mr. Rodman and the significance of his visit. The North Korean leader is said to love basketball and since Mr. Obama loves basketball, he felt that this sport could be a starting point for peace talks between them. The State Department did not look upon the "winning and dining" of Mr. Rodman favorably. It seems that Kim Jong Un had a grand feast for the basketball players following the game and numerous toasts.

On March 7, 2013, "North Korea threatened the United States....with a preemptive nuclear strike, raising the level of rhetoric as the U. N. Security

Council approved new sanctions against the reclusive country." (Reuters)

The armistice with Washington following the 1950-53 Korean War have been scrapped by North Korea which accuses the United States of using it puppet South Korea as a military launch pad for nuclear war. North Korea, as a result of their beliefs, continues to conduct nuclear test in defiance to the U.N. Resolutions. Because tensions are high and North Korea claims it has the power to strike the U.S. mainland, the Security Council has expanded its sanctions on North Korea.

With North Korea's formal rejection of the U.N. Security Council's resolution which demands an end to its nuclear arms program, China, North Korea's ally, has stated that the sanctions are not the way to resolve the tensions on the Korean Peninsula. China's Foreign Minister Yang Jiechi feels that the fundamental way to resolve the issues is through dialogue and consultations.

It appears that the young leader of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the official name for North Korea, who entertained Mr. Rodman, may very well be a figurehead and someone else, is running the country. The actions defying the U.N. Security Council are by no means the actions of a leader who wants dialogue and consultations. Therefore, we need to get 'in cinque' and keep our eyes and ears open and not underestimate the threat to the U.S from North Korea.

vast land they had illegally entered. (Check out how the Anglo writer ends his article) For which I and just about every other law abiding Texan are eternally grateful. But I am also grateful for the illegal aliens who very likely picked and plucked the food that became our wonderful Thanksgiving feast. They work hard and they do not try to steal our country! Well KISS MY GRITS!

59th Anniversary of Federation of Choirs Set Sunday, March 24, 2013!

Beyond the Rhetoric

by Harry C. Alford

Street Gangs -- Detroit Style

This is the beginning of a series of articles about street gangs in our nation. Gone are the days back in the 1960's and before when gangs were social organizations and were geographically linked. Beginning in the 1970's these street gangs evolved into criminal organizations. They are the generators of murder, drugs, robbery, etc. No longer are they cool or cute. They are pure savages craving fast money and a fast life style. This week let's take a look at Detroit.

One of the earliest gangs was the Errol Flynn's. They took the name from the Caucasian movie star. Funny, Errol Flynn was a Nazi sympathizer and a complete bigot. The Flynn's developed a good structure on the eastside of the Motor City. Like most gangs the members had creative nick names and hand gestures that would provide quick identity. Their specialty was heroin. They became quite wealthy and had 400 members at their height of activity. A lot of smaller gangs began to pop up, especially on the west side. "Dexter Boys", "Schoolcraft Boys", "7 Mile Boys", "8 Mile Sconys" and just about every major thoroughfare soon had a representative gang.

The new gangs eventually started cutting into the Errol Flynn's market share. When crack cocaine hit the city and became a much cheaper alternative to heroin, the Flynn's started to flounder and eventually faded away. Soon the emergence of Young Boys Inc. (Y.B.I.), came about. This gang was more sophisticated and showed organizational prowess. They eventually controlled more than 80% of the Detroit heroin business between 1978 through 1982. That didn't satisfy their greed as they started opening franchises in other cities.

Young Boys Inc. invented the scheme of having under age youth to move their crack cocaine throughout the city. If caught by the police they would not snitch and were too young to prosecute. They were making \$250,000 per day in Detroit. One of their more successful franchises was Boston where they were netting over \$50,000 per day. Eventually, their top officers started arguing and the organization fell apart. Plus that, the Detroit police department started catching up to them and long prison sentences were given to key members. Their legacy was their organizational structure and new gangs began to copy it.

While all of the gang activity was growing in the Black community, there was something out of the ordinary. A growing population of Arabs was taking shape in Detroit. These Catholics were mainly from Iraq and are known as Chaldeans (pronounced: kal-dee-uh n). They are widely known for owning small supermarkets throughout Black neighborhoods in Detroit. They eventually grew into real estate, dry

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ters, Odelia, Valeria, Tori and Yoli; her brothers, Isaac, Julian and Martin; one niece, Adriana; nephews, Adrian, Jay and her peanut; and a host of other relatives and friends.

THIS N' THAT

by T. J. Patterson

SOMETHING NEEDS TO BE DONE IN REMEMBRANCE OF VIRGIL LEWIS JOHNSON! THIS N THAT as well as many others in Lubbock are hoping something will be done in the remembrance of **VIRGIL LEWIS JOHNSON** who was funeralized here on Friday morning **MARCH 1, 2013** at the New Hope Baptist Church with Pastor B. R. Moton delivering a dynamic sermon..... **THIS N THAT** who was roommate at Bishop College in Marshall, Texas came to Lubbock in 1958 because of Johnson..... but upon my arrival he was in Odessa, Texas teaching and his wife Ida Delores

Johnson was teaching school in Jackson, Mississippi..... But you know what **THIS N THAT** is glad he made the right decision..... But keep in mind Johnson made many positive contributions to **LUBBOCK, TEXAS USA!!** **THIS N THAT** recalls his stand to **KEEP DUNBAR HIGH SCHOOL OPEN**Not only this but he was instrumental in organizing **DUNBAR INTERNATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION** as this was based on graduated from in 1954 and served as principal..... Oh **YES** **SOMETHING NEEDS TO BE DONE IN REMEMBRANCE** of the many contributions he has

made in Lubbock.... In doing so hopefully those doing this will not forget his contributions made outside the city limits of Lubbock..... He was an outstanding **ENTER-TAINER** as he organized a group called **THE VEL-VETS!!** This group did well and the talent was outstanding and came from young students in Odessa..... Oh, YES do something in remembrance of our friend and brother **VIRGIL LEWIS JOHNSON**..... Almost forgot he did well coaching some young fellows attending **STRUGGS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL** as they defeated all they played in football... He deserves a **REMEMBRANCE!**

cleaners, gas stations, etc. They filled the void of lack of entrepreneurship amongst the Black population. They also began to enter the dark side of business. Some from this community started a drug cartel.

Unlike the Black gangs, the Chaldeans jumped into the drug business in a very serious way. They took the name "Chaldean Mafia". Somehow, they linked up with Medellin Cartel from Columbia; Sicilian Mafia; Tijuana and Sinaloa cartels from Mexico. The drugs would come through Phoenix or San Diego and then journey to Detroit. They were making millions. Soon, their leaders became ruthless and were not exempt from murder, kidnapping, arson, etc. Just like the Italian Mafia the leaders of the group began having differences and murder contracts on each other started becoming routine. Finally, the Drug Enforcement Agency, FBI, local police and others finally went after the group and made 111 convictions. They have toned down but they still exist. A major bust by the authorities happened as recently as 2011.

Another popular gang was The Chambers Brothers. They caught the epidemic of crack cocaine at the right time (from a criminal's point of view). The brothers operated a

"factory" out of a vacant apartment complex. They also had the nickname "Cash Money Brothers". Does this sound familiar? Yes, the movie New Jack City was based on the Chambers Brothers. The film makers used New York City as the venue but they channeled this Detroit operation. The novel Warpath by Jeffrey Scott Hansen writes about "The Six-Mile Syndicate" which is based on the Chambers Brothers also.

Probably the most notorious drug trafficking gang in Detroit was the Black Mafia Family (BMF). The Flenory brothers, Demetrius (nick name Big Meech) and Terry, grew an elaborate criminal empire. They grew so large that they decided to spread out all over the nation. Their source was the Mexican cartels and they made a partnership with the Crips street gang network to distribute the heroin. These guys made over \$270 million. The Atlanta authorities broke them down and the brothers along with 150 members received long prison terms. Big Meech and Terry are doing 30 years in prison today.

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Why Firemen Took So Long?

Minister B. J. Morrison reported to the Southwest Digest that it took the Lubbock Fire Department took 28 minutes to arrive at the Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center, approximately 15 blocks away on East Broadway and Zenith Avenue on Mae Simmons Park. According to Minister Morrison, he advised that when they arrived rived, no one apparently had the knowledge to with the problem which set off the smoke detectors.

He wants to know why took so long to arrive? "I talked to Councilman Floyd Price's assistant, but no response.. I am still waiting for Councilman Price to return my call," continued Minister Morrison.

"It just doesn't make any sense when we appear to be the last area of the city have an opportunity for our city officials to respond as they appear to do in the West and South Lubbock areas. My God knows we're tired, but we won't give up!"

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Florida Lt. Gov. Jennifer Carroll resigns amid probe of company she consulted for



Lt. Gov. Jennifer Carroll

Florida Lt. Gov. Jennifer Carroll has resigned as questions arose over a company for which she previously consulted.

In a two-sentence resignation letter delivered to Gov. Rick Scott Tuesday, Carroll said it was an "honor to have served."

The resignation came the same day that some people were arrested "for racketeering and money laundering charges in connection with Allied Veterans of the World's illegal gambling companies," Scott's chief of staff Adam Hollingsworth said Wednesday. Carroll consulted for Allied Veterans while serving in the state House of Representatives in 2009 and 2010.

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of 84. Powell claims he was born in Williamson County, TX or Yukom, TX are the actual place of birth. He was born to Robert Maurice Powell, Sr. and Sally King-Powell. This union produced two children with the late Ophelia Powell-Malone being dad's only sister. Granddad later married Nauretta Jackson and from this union came Robert Maurice Powell, Jr. who is married to Aunt Gloria.

He married the love of his life Doris Mae Bursleson on November 22, 1954 in the home of John and Ellen Powell. They produced their only child, Darrell Wayne Powell. Doris preceded Powell in death on May 18, 2010.

Powell is survived by his son, Darrell; a brother Maurice and sister-in-law Gloria; and a sister-in-law Patricia and brother-in-law Leo Evans.

Other survivors include Renee Powell, Leonda White, Lisa Evans and Leslie Malone. Additionally there are the numerous godfamilies and friends from the McMichael, Jones, and Melton families of Nacogdoches and Lubbock, Texas. Lastly he is survived by a host of cousins, godnieces and godnephews, his beloved church members, former students, and friends of the family.

Mr. Powell was the principal of Dunbar High School from 1969 to 1971. He was very proud to a leader of the second oldest high school in Lubbock.

If you attended the 50th anniversary celebration of my parents, one learned how dad rose up from poverty to build a stellar career in public education starting as a classroom chemistry/physics teacher and ending with a Dean of Students at Jarvis Christian College. He has several accomplishments including funding the MLK memorial in Washington, D.C., he's a member of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, he's listed in Who's Who of America and is the recipient of several other awards.

59th Anniversary Set Sunday At St. Luke Baptist Church At 2:30 p. m.

The 59th Anniversary of the Federation of Choirs will be held Sunday afternoon, March 24, 2013, at the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church, 36 East 26th Street, beginning at 2:30 p. m. Rev. J. H. Ford, is host pastor.

The Mass Choir will be responsible for the special presentation of music.

Ms. Janet Williams, president, invites all to be in attendance. The history of the Federation of Choirs is very interesting. Eleven Black Churches sing each month and praise God!

If you knew dad you knew him by his nicknames: Prof. Mr. Powell, Babydoll, Dad, Daddy, Romeo, Uncle Romeo, Hoss, Bro, and the most infamous name of all time including fweeting. Fweeting is a pet name given to dad by mom and it is a baby form of sweeting. In lieu of flowers the family request donation to educational scholarships as indicated below. Jarvis Christian College: Donations and memorials can be added to the William Powell Education Scholarship by forwarding contributions to the:

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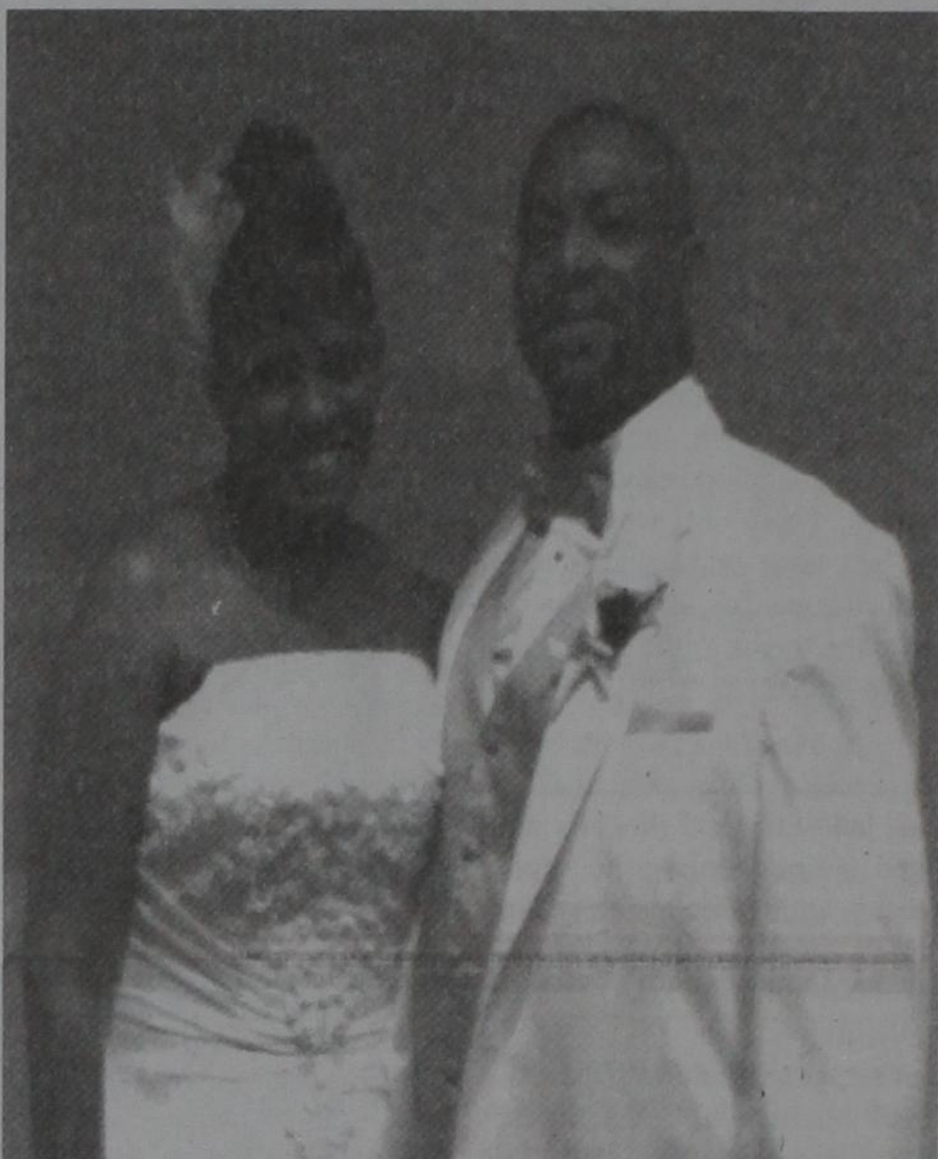
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The 2013 Parkway Roses are Vicencia Doss, Kee'Ariah Lewis, C'Kyra Sims, Mya Williams, Kiaunna Moore, Alexis Edwards, Shai Owens, Taliyah Galindo, Nataley Prieto and Ariel Cade. Mrs. Beatrice Hernandez, Mrs. Beverly Finch and Ms. Donisha Patterson are sponsors; Mrs. Nettie Edwards is coordinator/sponsor.

Meet Mr. & Mrs. Drexal Robinson



Mr. & Mrs. Drexal Robinson

Portia Lethridge & Drexal Robinson were united in holy matrimony on Saturday, March 16, 2013 at 5:00 P.M. at the D'Venue in Lubbock, Texas. The couple are members of Church of the Nations, under the leadership of Pastor Roy P. Davis, who also conducted the ceremony.

Portia, is the daughter of Tommy & Jossie Lethridge and Drexal is the son of Ulysses Robinson and Vernell Tubbs Hickson (deceased).

CONGRATULATIONS to the newlyweds from the Southwest Digest family!

May God continue to bless this newlywed couple, and that they will grow and prosper together!

IRS has \$86 million for Texans who haven't filed a 2009 tax return

DALLAS - Refunds totaling over \$86 million may be waiting for an estimated 86,000 Texas taxpayers who did not file a federal income tax return for 2009, according to the Internal Revenue Service. However, to collect the money, a return for 2009 must be filed with the IRS no later than Monday, April 15, 2013.

The IRS estimates that half the potential refunds for 2009 are more than \$500.

"Some people earn income and may have taxes withheld from their wages but are not required to file a tax return because they have too little income," said Clay Sanford, an IRS spokesman in Dallas. "An example might be a college student with a summer job."

Other workers may not have had any tax withheld but would be eligible for the refundable Earned Income Tax Credit, though they must file a return to claim it. In cases where a return was not filed, the law provides most taxpayers with a three-year window of opportunity for claiming a refund.

For 2009, the Earned Income Tax Credit is worth as much as \$5,657. The EITC helps individuals and families whose incomes are below certain thresholds.

The thresholds for 2009 were: \$43,279 (\$48,279 if married filing jointly) for those with three or more qualifying children,

\$40,295 (\$45,295 if married filing jointly) for people with two qualifying children,

\$35,463 (\$40,463 if married filing jointly) for those with one qualifying child, and

\$13,440 (\$18,440 if married filing jointly) for people without qualifying children.

For more information, visit the EITC Home Page.

For 2009 returns, the window closes on April 15, 2013. The law requires that the return be properly addressed, mailed and postmarked by that date. There is no penalty for filing a late return qualifying for a refund.

The IRS reminds taxpayers seeking a 2009 refund that their checks may be held if they have not filed tax returns for 2010 and 2011. In addition, the refund will

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Covenant Health to Focus

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Black Nurse Files Lawsuit Against Michigan Hospital After They Honor Man's Racist Request

49-year old Tonya Battle, an African-American nurse, is claiming that Hurley Medical Center in Flint, Michigan hospital agreed to a man's request that no black nurses care for his newborn.

She told the local newspaper that she didn't know how to react when she learned about the request back in October 2012. She resigned shortly afterwards, and decided to sue them in Genesee Circuit Court seeking punitive damages.

Her lawsuit claims that a note was posted on a public clipboard that read, "No African American nurse to take care of baby." Battle says it was later taken down, but says that African American nurses were not assigned to the baby's care for weeks afterwards.

Her complaint says she was "shocked, offended and in disbelief that she was so egregiously



discriminated against based on her race and reassigned."

Melany Gavulic, president of the hospital, said in a statement that the father of the baby

showed them a swastika tattoo, which angered the staff. She says supervisors were concerned for the staff's safety.

IRS Has Money For Texas 2009 Tax Filers

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be applied to any amounts still owed to the IRS or their state tax agency, and may be used to offset unpaid child support or past due federal debts such as student loans.

Current and prior year tax forms and instructions are available on the Forms and Publications page of IRS.gov or by calling toll-free 800-TAX-FORM (800-829-3676). Taxpayers who are missing Forms W-2, 1098, 1099 or 5498 for 2009, 2010 or 2011 should request copies from their employer, bank or other payer.

If these efforts are unsuccessful, taxpayers can get a free transcript showing information from these year-end documents by filing

Form 4506-T, Request for Transcript of Tax Return, with the IRS or by calling 800-829-1040.


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About the Seder:

It is not often that a gentle believer, who has placed their faith in a Jewish Messiah, truly understands all that has been accomplished for them. The most obvious is the non-understanding of the Jewish culture. For centuries, we, as a body of believers, have failed to grasp the foundational teaching of the Covenants, the Feasts, and how they clearly reveal the heart, the reason, and the hidden plan of the Father for His son and His bride. Beginning on March 26th at Church of the Nations, I will begin sharing truths, such as why Christ said certain things, and why He acted out strange and powerful things. You will be totally astonished, truly changed, and fully blessed if you will afford yourself to come and participate in this event. You will learn when Jesus will return! You will understand why Jesus said "Only my Father knows"; why He called Himself the true bread; why His cousin John the Baptist called Him the Lamb of God instead of the sheep from heaven. What is the Passover? What month was Jesus born and many other questions will be answered. I want to encourage you to come, and bring your family and friends who are interested! There is no admission charge, but there will be a love offering taken to help cover expenses. I look forward to seeing you there!

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Dr. Charles D. Fraser, Jr Will Speak Here

Covenant Health is pleased to announce that Dr. Charles D. Fraser, Jr., a world-renowned cardiac surgeon, will speak at two special events on Thursday, April 18 and Friday, April 19. Dr. Fraser is Surgeon-in-Chief, Chief of Congenital Heart Surgery and Cardiac Surgeon-in-Charge at Texas Children's Hospital.

Dr. Fraser has a joint clinical appointment at the Texas Heart Institute where he also serves as Director of the Adult Congenital Heart Surgery Program. As the Chief of the Division of Con-

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Application packets may be picked up at the Lubbock Housing Authority Central Office located at 1708 Crickets, Lubbock TX, 79401, during regular business hours!

Completed applications may be returned to the above address, **Monday-Wednesday between the hours of 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM. This is a walk in interview and you will be seen in the order that you come in.** Applications outside of these dates will not be accepted. The following documents will be required at the time of interview:

All information is required at the time of the interview, we must have original documents no copies will be accepted.

Make sure you bring:

- Make sure that you bring your application **completed and signed.** (No Blanks)
- Birth certificates for all children (**Birth facts will not be accepted!**)
- Social security cards for everyone in household.
- **Current** picture ID/DL for all adults in household are **required** at the time of the interview,
- All adults must attend this appointment, **unless working or attending school, contact the Intake department to see if accommodations can be made!** Failure to attend could result in your appointment being rescheduled.

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Young 31-Year Old Mississippi Mayoral Candidate Beaten, Dragged and Burned To Death

Marco McMillian was a 31-year old promising mayoral candidate for the city of Clarksdale, Mississippi, who was recently murdered in the most brutal way possible. According to his family, he was beaten, dragged and set on fire before eventually dying. The death has sent shock waves across the country, and has brought to mind what many still remember about the late Emmett Till, who also died in a similar way in Mississippi in 1955.

McMillian's body was found this week at the Mississippi River after he'd gone missing for a day. The sheriff's department has a suspect, but the murder is not being investigated as a hate crime.

One of the theories regarding the murder is that the death involved a dispute in a romantic relationship between McMillian



Marco McMillian

and his gay lover, but the family believes the murder was a racially-motivated hate crime.

Before his death, McMillian served as the executive director of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity and

executive assistant and chief of staff to the president at Alabama A&M University. He was known as an academic scholar and leader with a good reputation.

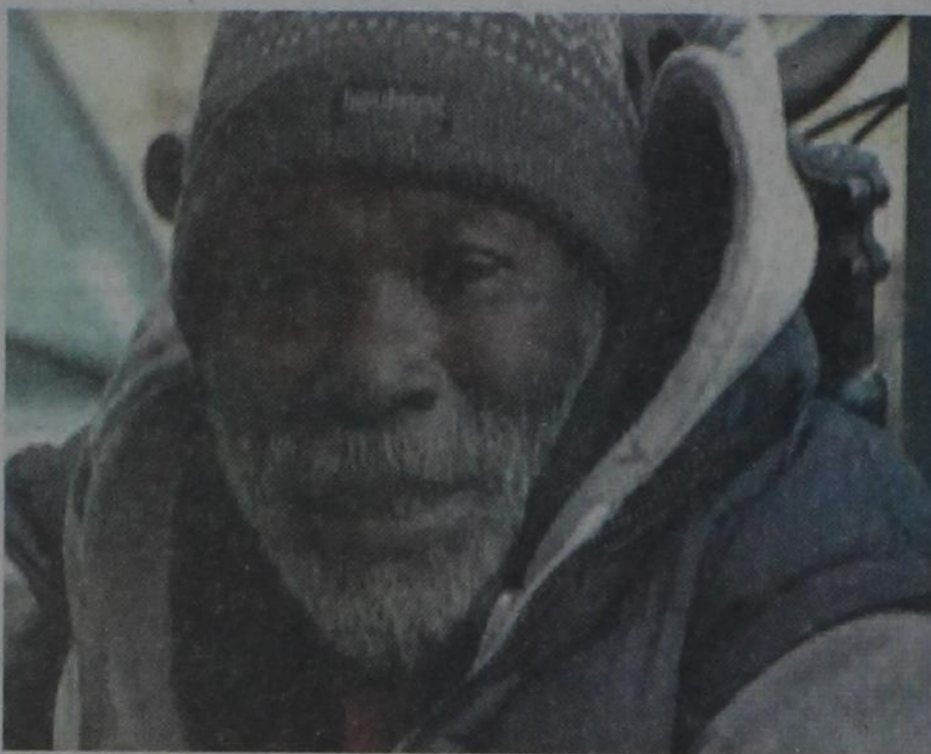
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Internet Raises More Than \$150K for Homeless Man Who Returned Woman's Engagement Ring

Billy Ray Harris, a homeless man in Kansas City, recently received a donation from a woman who also accidentally dropped her diamond wedding ring in his cup. He showed himself to be an honest person by returning the ring to her, and her husband was so moved that he started an online "reward" fund for him for \$1,000 at GiveForward.com.

But a friend of the woman told a local Kansas City news station, KCTV5. They ran the story, and it went viral, eventually being picked up by many national and international news outlets. Billy Ray has now received more than \$160,000 in donations.

Harris is the brother of Rev. E. L. Harris, who was the former pastor of the St. James Baptist



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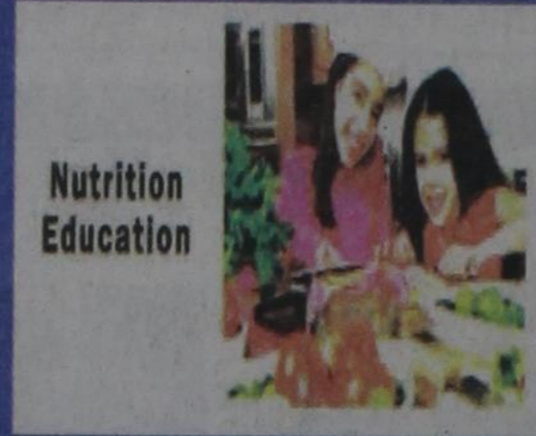
This is an example of what can happen to one when anyone does the right thing.

May God continue to bless the efforts of Billy Ray Harris. God is always able!

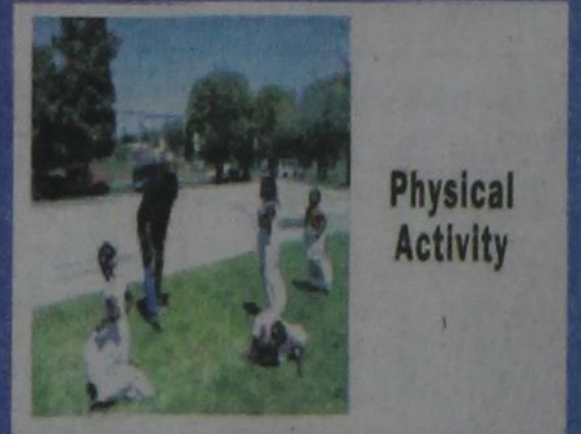
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