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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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Third Anniversary Set For Elder & Mrs. Daryl Collins

The Agape Temple Church of God in Christ will honor their pastor and wife Elder Daryl Collins and Lady Le'Gena Collins, third anniversary on Sunday April 7, 2013 at 11:00 A.M. 4510 Ave Q, Lubbock, Texas 79412, during the congregation's regular worship service.

Everyone is welcome. A dinner will be served immediately following the morning service. For more information please contact the church office (806)763-2066.

On December 21, 1969, Elder Daryl J. Collins a native of Lubbock Texas, was born to the parents of Elder Charles and Jean Collins. At the age of 14 Elder Collins heard and accepted the call of God to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In 1994, under the leadership of the late Bishop W.H. Watson, he was ordained an elder in the Church of God in Christ.

While attending Texas Tech University, Elder Collins responded to the voice of the Lord



Elder Daryl Collins and Lady Le'Gena Collins

to enter into the ministry full time. From then on he has been appointed and anointed to minister in various capacities in the ministry. Striving to adhere to the directives of Joshua 1:8,

Elder Collins has made it his goal to speak, mediate, and walk in the ordinance of God.

In addition to his preaching abilities, Elder Collins possesses

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Annual Water Conversation Measures Got Underway Monday, April 1, 2013

The City would like to remind its water customers that Stage 1 drought restrictions are still in place. Restrictions associated with Stage 1 include:

- Landscape irrigation allowed during two assigned days per week

- Irrigation schedules are based on the last digit of the house address:

- Addresses ending in 0, 3, 4, or 9 – Monday and Thursday
- Addresses ending in 1, 5, or 6 – Tuesday and Friday
- Addresses ending in 2, 7, or 8 – Wednesday & Saturday

- Soaker hoses, drip irrigation, and hand watering are allowed any day at any time

- City operations and wholesale customers must adhere to restrictions.

- Variance applications for irrigating new landscape material are available at water.ci.lubbock.tx.us/waterrestrictions.asa.

In addition, on April 1st, the City's annual water conservation measures begin. These measures include:

- On your scheduled watering days, irrigation is allowed from midnight to 10:00 a.m. and from

6:00 p.m. to midnight.

- No irrigation is allowed between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on any day from April 1 to September 30.

- Irrigation must be applied without significant runoff.

- Irrigate less than 1.5 inches of water per week.

- Do not irrigate during precipitation events.

For the past couple of years, the South Plains has experienced

extreme drought conditions. State climatologists are predicting that 2013 will be another hot, dry year. Based on the continued drought forecast, the City will remain in Stage 1 drought restriction this summer.

The City of Lubbock asks that all residents and businesses continue to be considerate and efficient with their water usage in an effort to conserve water and reduce overall demand

Dunbar International Alumni Association Passes Memoriam March 13, 2013

The Dunbar International Alumni Association members on March 13, 2013, presented in Memoriam of Virgil Lewis Johnson, who passed away on Sunday, February 24, 2013. He was a beloved friend.

They acknowledged that on March 13, 2013, Dunbar International Alumni Association, All-Class Reunion, "join the family and community with broken hearts in grieving yet rejoicing, glorifying and praising God for allowing our friends to sojourn among us and uniquely



Virgil Lewis Johnson

touch each of our lives." Continue on Page 4

Meet EHS Chess Team Members



CHESS CHAMPIONS: The Estacado Knights Chess Team won the Lubbock Open Chess Championship organized by the Texas Tech Chess Program. Estacado Team Members include (FRONT): Daquavious Graham, Hollis Ready, Larry Saucedo, Kelvin Cassity, Zachary Ramos. (BACK): Tiamara Payne, Chris Evans, Daniel Guajardo, Tedrick Stephens, Abrial Cruz, Jevon Bascus, Robert Mitchell, Deverick Parks, CJ Gambles, Mr. Jonathan Whitfill (Sponsor), Julius Hendrix, Carlos Godinez, Traivon Sanders, Jesus Tafoya, Tyrell Ross, Kenosha Jackson. Not Pictured: Zan Twon Cook.



Darius Clark

A Hard Working Young Black Man of Lubbock, Darius Clark!

Of course, there are many other young Black men in Lubbock who believe in working for what you have earned and not always of wanting someone to give you something. One young man is Darius Clark who was born in Atlanta, Georgia.

This 28 year old young man is single, and has attended schools in the Lubbock Public. They were Parkway Elementary, Alderson Junior High, and graduated from Estacado High School on May 24, 2003.

A grandson of the late Eddie P. Richardson, who is co-publisher and former editor of the Southwest Digest, Darius has been employed by four companies since he was sixteen years of age. Those companies include: United Supermarket on Parkway Drive; Walmart, located on Frankford Avenue & 4th Street; Pepsi Distribution, with his CDL License; and his present job with the Oil Field in Midland, Texas, with his CDL.

"I have been employed since I was sixteen years of age, and have only been without a job for four weeks," he says.

Darius has purchased seven automobiles since he has been working. At present time, he still has four of them. One of the four, which is a Tahoe has the words "Thank You, God," on it. He will tell you everything he owns is a blessing. "Without God, I would have nothing!"

Not only does this young man purchase automobiles, but he

purchased his first home when he was 23 years of age.

"I believe one must save his earned money for a rainy day," he says. "Continuing Darius says, "If it's meant for me to have it, then I'm able to pay for it!"

"I have no credit cards, and I don't want any!" he continues. If you would ask him, he would say, "I don't have any credit cards." This young hard working man has excellent credit!

Darius was reared most of his life in a single parent home in the Parkway Neighborhood with his mother, Angela Clark, who worked from 60 hours to 100 hours a week, displayed good work ethics for her son. This is how he developed the position that if its worth having,

It makes me feel great when I'm able to help my Mom, who has been a Charge Nurse and Director of Nursing, had to retire because of her illness.

"I want my sister, Dericka Renee Clark, to just keep her head up," says Darius.

Darius is proud to know that his Mom is proud of his accomplishments as he continues to get good work. He will tell you that his goal in life is to buy property for rental purposes. "I know I can reach this goal, because it's reachable!"

Darius Clark is an example of what one can accomplish with hard work!

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Celebration Service Set For The Reverend C. C. Peoples



Rev. C. C. Peoples

The Reverend C. C. Peoples, pastor of the Mt. Olive First Missionary Baptist Church of Slaton, Texas, will celebrate his 43rd Appreciation Service on Sunday afternoon, April 21, 2013, beginning at 3:30 p. m.. The public is invited to attend.

FIRST Robotics teams compete in first Hub City Regional



The first West Texas regional competition for For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST) Robotics, dubbed the Hub City Regional (HCR), March 1-2. Teams traveled to Lubbock from destinations as distant as Kansas and even (Old) Mexico. Last year's world champion FIRST team from Arkansas was among those who participated.

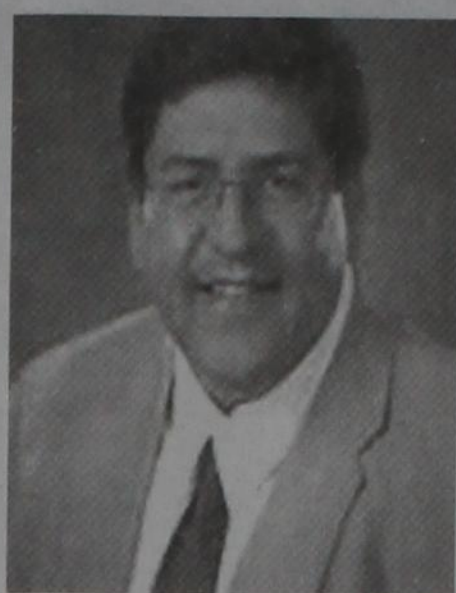
Four teams from Lubbock ISD competed including teams as Estacado High School.

Estacado engineering instructor and long-time rocketry and robotics coach Greg Burnham was given the "Volunteer of the Year."

Estacado Robotics Coach Greg Burnham and HCR Assistant Director Kristi Holman are shown above.

The hybrid team won the Judges Award and compete in the Dallas regional competition at the Irving Convention Center last month.

City Councilman Victor Hernandez Discovers Discrepancies in City of Lubbock Audit Process and Lack of Internal Controls



Victor Hernandez

As a result of multiple inquiries and open record requests made to the City of Lubbock, City Councilman Victor Hernandez has discovered multiple areas of concern as they relate to information provided (or not provided) by the City of Lubbock to BKD (CPA's & Advisors) during the audit process, as well as the absence of internal controls as it relates to franchise fees and hotel/motel taxes. Councilman Hernandez stated, "After speaking to and exchanging multiple e-mails with BKD representatives, I discovered that the City of Lubbock did not notify BKD (in the client planning questionnaire) of the fact that hotel/motel taxes were not being paid or were delinquent to the City of Lubbock, from a number of hoteliers/moteliers. Furthermore, I discovered that the City of Lubbock was lacking with re-

gard to internal controls." Neither the Lubbock City Council nor the Audit Committee has

been informed of all aspects of the audit currently being concluded. Currently, BKD continues to solicit information from the City of Lubbock to determine whether or not "any receivable [hotel/motel taxes or franchise fees] would be immaterial [or material] to the overall financial presentation" thus, requiring or not requiring that the 2012 audit approach be altered or the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) be modified. Also, BKD continues to solicit information from the City of Lubbock concerning "implemented controls and controls remaining to be imple-

mented as it relates to franchise fees and hotel/motel taxes." Councilman Hernandez continued, "At this time, based on the information I currently have, I cannot vote in favor of Item 6.3 of this week's agenda which is a resolution accepting the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for fiscal year ended September 30, 2012. It is my hope that other Council members join me in referring this matter back to our Audit Committee in order that they be fully briefed on my findings. It is also my hope that the entire Council be briefed by BKD prior to our vote on this issue."

Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church

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Morning worship - 11:00 am

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Pastor Eddie William

First Lady Sister Janice Williams

Elder & Sister Darlyn Collins Celebrates

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a plethora of gifts and talents, serving in a variety of offices in the local, state, and national church. He has served as the co-pastor, administrator, Worship Leader, and now pastor at Agape Temple COGIC. He also operates as the Texas Northwest Finance Chairman and the leader of the Inspirational Praise Team.

Furthermore, he works in the finance department for the International Church of God in Christ. The Lord has bestowed upon him numerous gifts and talents such as, the gift of preaching, teaching, pastoring, prophesy, word of knowledge, exhortation, and administrations. Through these gifting he has ministered under the anointing in revivals and workshops across the country.

One of Elder Collins' greatest accomplishments is being the husband of his lifelong friend and partner Lady Le'Gena Watson-Collins and fathering three beautiful children Alisha Michelle, Elizabeth Ashley, and Stephen Christopher.

Dunbar All-Class Reunion T-Shirts On Sale

"The Dunbar International Alumni Association will be selling 2010 and 2012 DUNBAR ALL-CLASS REUNION T-SHIRTS on Saturday, April 6th, 2013 at United Supermarket on Parkway Drive from 10:00am - 3:00pm. T-shirt are just \$5.00 for Small to X-Large, and \$6.00 for 2XL to 3XL. Stop by and show your support!!! Thank you in advance from the Dunbar International Alumni Association."

New Light Baptist Church News

On Sunday morning, March 31, 2013 church services got started at New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road, where Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson is the pastor.

Church school started at 9:45 a.m. with Rev. Jackson teaching the lesson for the adults. Sister Linda Green taught the lesson for the young teens. Breakfast was served to those in attendance afterward.

Morning worship started at 11:00 a.m. with the devotional team leading the way.

Rev. L. C. Lee Sr. lead the pulpit devotion. The responsive reading came from Psalm 136:1-26 and was read by Rev. Lee. Rev. Jackson lead the altar prayer with the song, "What A Friend."

Sister Linda Green read all the morning announcements and told of all the upcoming events that will be taking place. Instead of pastor period the young teens did an Easter presentation for the church. Then the offering was taken up.

The choir sung "Finishing Line" led by Sister Green and Malquashia Johnson sung a song entitled: "There's A Leak In This Old Building" The theme song of the church, "Amazing Grace", AMAZING GRACE was sung by all before the sermon. Rev. Jackson preached the

sermon entitled: "Where Are You?" and its printed scripture text coming from Luke 19:10. The song "I've Learned How To Live Holy" was sung after the sermon by Sister Alvera Johnson, Sister Angela Mosley and Mother Cavanaugh also "My Soul Loves Jesus," was sung by Sister Mosley.

There was the invitation to discipleship that was extended and several went up for prayer. All visitors was acknowledged by Sister Gloria Lee.

After morning service, we had our Easter and Birthday celebration in the fellowship hall and it was well attended. All had a good and fun time.

Pray in the morning, noon and night. As always it's hard to stumble when you are on your knees.

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK: "Make a joyful noise unto the lord all ye lands".
Psalm 100:1

Free Prom Attire

The Bridge of Lubbock provides free formal attire to young men and ladies who are unable to afford one. We are thankful to offer hair and nail services for the students provided by Cut the Chase, Affordable Cuts, Vista College, Monroe's Salon and Spa; on Saturday, April 6th from 10-1 pm. 1301 E. Redbud Avenue, at The Bridge of Lubbock.

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Church News



From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith
George G. Curry &
Jarvis Christian College



We Thank God for Jesus

"Here's Why The Heathens Rages"

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

There is a story by Faith Harper written by Faith Harper of the Tyler Morning News that I thought would be of interest to some of you products of Jarvis Christian College that include the Rev. J. H. Ford.

The story noted that a world-renowned journalist spoke to Jarvis Christian College students on the importance of rising above discouragement and not defining themselves based on other people's standards or perceptions.

George E. Curry, editor and chief of the National Newspaper Publishers Association Newspaper News Service delivered the convocation speech as part of the college's 2013 Founders and Home-coming festivities.

Curry has worked as a reporter for Sports Illustrated, the St. Louis Dispatch and as a Washington correspondent for the Chicago Tribune. He was the editor in chief of Emerge magazine, which ran stories on issues affecting the African American Community.

Curry also has written three books. "You are today the thoughts of yesterday have brought you, and you will be to-

morrow the thoughts of today take you," he said to an audience in the Smith-Howard Chapel on the JCC campus in Hawkins, Texas.

Curry said grew up in Tuscaloosa, Ala. and graduated from a segregated high school. He said he was denied a job at his hometown newspaper because of the color of his skin. But he did not allow it to discourage him.

"My first job was at Sports Illustrated magazine as a reporter..." he said I could not get a job at the largest sports magazine in the world and could not get a job at my hometown newspaper. I should send them a thank you note, see, because what some people perceive as bad can turn out to be good."

Curry said if he allowed himself to be discouraged he wouldn't have traveled the world, covered political campaigns, and even met Pope John Paul II.

"It's about attitude," he said. "It's about dreaming about what you want to be in life. It's not letting anybody discourage you. It's about making decisions now that are going to affect the rest of your life, because decisions and

choices have consequences." Siblings with the same families, communities and opportunities can take entirely different paths, leading one to success and another to jail. He said the only difference is the choices made.

Community Health Fair

Windmill Village Rehabilitation Healthcare Center will be holding a Health Fair at our facility for the Lubbock Community on Friday, April 5, 2013, from 11:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m. We are Lubbock's newest 120 bed Long Term Skilled Nursing Facility providing medical care, Therapy services for rehabilitation, Hospice and Respite Care. We are located at 507 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.

The Health Fair will be held in the front parking lot and inside the building. United Blood Services will be present for individuals who would like to donate for a worthy cause.

Please bring a photo ID and donor card. Free cholesterol. **Continue on Page 5**

Luke 19:14 -- Jesus said, his citizens (AMERICANS) hated him, and sent a message after him, saying "We will not have this man (JESUS) to reign over us."

Revelation 2:7a -- Jesus said, he that has an ear, let him hear what the spirit says unto the churches.

America started out on the right foot, serving and worshipping the true God, but when she saw that she was most blessed, she said within herself: I'm God!!!

Psalm 2:1-3 -- Why do the heathens rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The Kings of the Earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against his anointed, saying, "Let us break their band asunder, and cast away their cards from us."

******* AMERICA DOESN'T WANT GOD IN HOMES, SCHOOLS, CHURCHES AND COURTHOUSES!! *******

America was one of the

most blessed country, in all parts of God's world, but she's full of hate and killings in her men, women, boys and girls!!!

Romans 1:18-21a, 22 -- For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth (THE CHURCHES) knew God. They glorified him not as God. Neither were thankful, professing themselves to be wise, they became fools.

In America, you have your rights to poke fun of anyone you like to and do so. Blacks can say Nigger even the word "Ho" whites can't. That's a No! No!!!

The Black Preachers have come fighting, and being on TV, and not preaching. But they want to get on TV, and God's word, they are not speaking!!!

Galatians 6:7-8 -- Be not deceived, God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man sows, that shall he also reap. For he that sows to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruptions. But he that sows to the spirit shall of the spirit reap life everlasting.

(The Flesh Rights, No Prayer in Schools, Gang Killing Rights, Black Suicide Rights, Abortion Rights, Road Rage Rights, Drugs in School Rights, Christians Divorce Rights, Gangs In School Rights, Woman Rights, Kill The Judge Rights, White Rights, Kill Rights, Gangs In School Rights, Nappy Head Ho Calling Rights, and many more).

John 3:16 -- For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life.

(If God wanted mankind to have equal rights, he would have had Jesus to get it for them, when he was on earth. God only wanted the world to have Salvation Rights! But the Churches wanted to do something God didn't want them to do; get rights for the people, and now look at the heat hens and their rights!!! Shame, Shame, Shame!!!)

Isaiah 14:5a -- A sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity. **Continue on Page 4**

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 31, 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, was in charge.

The teacher, Sister Susie Davis, was absent. Our pastor taught the lesson and what a

wonderful job he did.

The subject of the morning lesson was "Hope Restored." The Unifying Topic was "The Lord Has Risen Indeed."

The main thought was Luke 24:31. KJV.

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted by Sister Annie Onasanya and Deaconess Sister Ethel Williams.

Our proud pastor, Rev. Edward Canady, entered the Church with the Mission Sisters

singing "Because of Who You Are."

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "Why Seek Ye The Living Among The Dead." His scripture text was Matthew 28:1-6; and St. Luke 24:1-6.

The morning announcements were read by our First Lady, Sister Shirley Canady.

Let us continue to pray for our sick & Shut-in. Among them include: Sister Betty Titus, a pa-

tient at University Medical Center; Sister Minnie Lee Davis, a patient at Covenant Medical Center; who is the mother of Sister Shirley Davis.

Also, Brother Clentel Titus is also on the sick list. Let's keep all the sick and shut-in our prayers.

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

The Missionary Society meets at 5:00 p. m. on Wednes-

day afternoon.

Bible Study is held on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p. m.

Choir practice is held on Friday afternoons at 2:00 p. m.

The Missionary Society will sponsor a Bake Sale on Saturday, April 6, 2013, beginning at 8:00 a. m. The public is invited to visit our sale which will be held at King's Grocery and Paul's Barber Shop.

We will be looking forward to seeing you. It will be a good day, and the Bake Sale will be great!!

Our Thought For The Week: "The empty cross and the empty tomb provides a full Salvation."

If you are looking for a Church Home, then you are invited to visit our services at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, where our pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

For more information, call us at (806) 744-2445.

Our church is on the move, so come see what's going on at the Historical St. Matthew Baptist Church.

Outreach Prayer Breakfast

History of the Outreach Breakfast of Lubbock and Littlefield, Texas

Purpose

As we as Black people have begun to celebrate Black History Month, we want you to know the purpose of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast. It is meant to meet in someone's home from time to time to spread love, food, sunshine, prayers, and faith.

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast was organized in 1976. God gave the late Mrs. Mary Ward a

vision to go into the homes of the sick and shut-in, prepare food and serve it. This project has brought sunshine into the lives of many down through the years. The first theme at that time was: "Spreading Sunshine."

Ms. Juanita Sowell was then first to open her door when she was sick and shut-in. The ladies brought food and prayed. This was the beginning of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast had its first article published in the first issue of the

then called "Lubbock Digest." It was published September 11, 1977. The article had the com-

munity getting to learn about the Outreach Prayer Breakfast.

The Outreach Prayer Break-

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fast organized in Littlefield, Texas in 1991. Sister Betty Kemp was elected as president. In 1992, the second Outreach Prayer Breakfast was organized. The late Sister Lula Spence was elected president. Their theme was: "Aim to Bring Sunshine."

Their object was to: "Witness to the Unsaved."

"Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white and already to harvest." St. John 4:35.

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Obsequies

James A. Dunn

Funeral services were held for James A. Dunn on Saturday afternoon, March 23, 2013, at Rising Star Baptist Church, with Rev. Hiawatha Culver, Jr., pastor, officiating.

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

Dunn, 77, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Saturday, March 16, 2013.

James was born on September 11, 1936, to the union of Cleo Berry and Cornelius Dunn in Henderson, Texas. At an early age he became a member of Jenkins Memorial C.M.E. Church.

He received his formal education at Henderson Colored High School and obtained his B.A. in social science from Butler College in Tyler, Texas. James served his country in the U.S. Army and received an honorable discharge following his years of service. James married Marva Lane Turner on August 2, 1969. To this union two children were born, Cynthia Regina and Brian Anthony.

Upon moving to Dallas, Texas, he joined New Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, where he was also baptized. James served many years as a deacon, trustee and di-



rector of the youth department. He was a very active member of the church and loved Sunday school. Prior to his declining health, you could always find James working in his yard. Caring for his large elephant-ear plants and maintaining the look of his property were his pride and joy.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Tommy Ray Shepherd.

James leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Marva Dunn; daughter, Regina Culver (Rev. Hiawatha Culver Jr.); son, Brian Dunn (Kimberley); nephew, Thomas Paul Shepherd (Lakeesa); aunt, Grethel Moss; cousin, Thomas Henry Ward (Peace); grandchildren, Hiawatha (Trey) Culver III, Jere-

Tommie Sweargin

Funeral services for Tommie Sweargin were held on Saturday morning, March 23, 2013, at First Progressive Baptist Church with Rev. Shaun Avery, pastor, officiating.

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

Sweargin, 80, of Lubbock passed away on March 19, 2013.

Tommie was born on November 17, 1933, to the parentage of the late Annie Mae and Floyd James Sweargin.

Tommie was preceded in death by his parents; seven brothers, Floyd, J.C., Jessie, John L. John Edd, Andrew and James Sweargin; three sisters, Melinda, Dorothy and Annie Mae Sweargin; and one great-granddaughter, Latasia TaTa Foster.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Ester Lee Sweargin; two brothers, William and Leroy Sweargin; two sisters, Faye Sweargin and Rosie Rogers; two sons, John Larry Davis and Jamen Henry Johnson; four daughters, Mary Nell McMary, Tommie Joyce Harris, Lorraine Simpson and Jackie Sweargin; nine grandchildren, Titus Sweargin, Michael Sweargin, LaQuinton Dude Sweargin, Christopher Sweargin, Tyrun-

miah Jamar JJ Culver, Jarrett Ryan Culver, Ava Regina Dunn and Sydney Michelle Dunn; one godson, Dan Pride (Vanceeka); three goddaughters, Nikki Pride Young, Danielle Pride Hightower and LaDacher Jackson; and a host of other relatives and friends.



gula Tootie Titus, Jermain McGuire, Jermel Simpson, Derrick Westbrook and Shrona Westbrook; and a host of nieces, nephews, grandchildren, other relatives and friends.

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In Memoriam of Virgil Lewis Johnson

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Continuing it said: "On behalf of our Alumni Association, we express our deepest sympathy to his family. We express our appreciation and thankfulness to a distinguished man, fellow classmate, teacher, coach, singer and principal."

"In 2004, the Dunbar All-Class Reunion selected Mr. Virgil Johnson as our "Outstanding Alumnus," and dedicated the program to him. He served faithfully as our President for many years. We thank him for the fight to keep the memories of Dunbar alive. He worked tirelessly, far beyond the call and scope of duty. Today, because of his ded-

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This Memoriam was signed

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quity, a seed of evildoers, children who are corrupters. They have forsaken the Lord. Why should you be stricken anymore? You will revolt more and more. The whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint.

Luke 9:62 -- Jesu said, no man, having put his hand to the (GOSPEL) plough, and looking back is fit for the Kingdom of God.

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by Charles Curry, President of the Dunbar International Alumnus Association.

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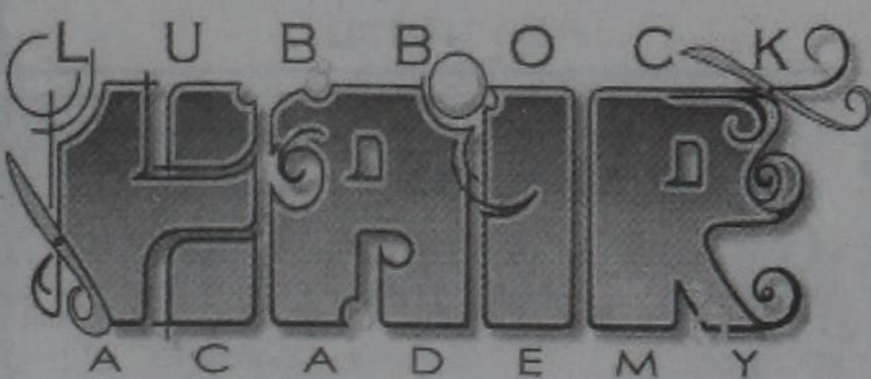
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By Renetta Howard



It seems that history is about to repeat itself. Easter Sunday has been made into an historical day, militarily. The United States, according to Reuters, has sent F-22 stealth fighter jets to South Korea. The jets will be involved in the military drills to defend Seoul because of the intensified threats against South Korea from North Korea. The United States is committed to defend Seoul and the jets were sent from a base in Japan to South Korea. Kim Jong Un has threatened an attack on Japan where those jets were housed.

In the past few weeks, the dialog from North Korea has been hostile toward South Korea and the United States. It appears that the young president of North Korea speaks with a 'forked tongue.' He expressed to Mr. Dennis Rodman that he wished a dialogue with Mr. Obama and did not want to 'do war.' On the other hand, he has refused to comply with the demands of the United Nations Security Council and the sanctions placed on his country.

It was 60 years ago that we called an end to the Korean Conflict. It was never declared a war in the United States and thus was not labeled as such. It was indeed a civil conflict between kindred of Korea. This divided country; two separate governments are composed of people

who are blood relatives in each section. When the conflict of the fifties was over, families attempted to unite though the dividing line remained, but individuals were free to travel between the countries. Blockades are now in place and the tension is high.

The tension is high, but few believe that a full scale war is eminent. The new Pope Francis has called for a diplomatic solution to the Korean problem in his Easter Sunday address: "Peace in Asia, above all on the Korean peninsula: may disagreements be overcome and renewed spirits of reconciliation grow." This is serious to the Pope and it is serious to our President and it is serious to me.

Growing up during World War II and then the Korean Conflict is enough to make one truly hate war. I seriously believed that I would not live long enough to become an adult, especially because of the Atom Bomb. By the time I got over that, there was the Hydrogen Bomb. I soon accepted the fact that it would be some bomb that would bring the world to an end. Our country's involvement in Vietnam and then the involvement in the Middle East have not made life any easier. I have often wondered why we cannot have a ceremonial war between the

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To The Youth of Lubbock

by Inmate #1802937

Do you ever find yourself stuck in a situation you feel you can't get out of? Whether it's financial, problems at home or problems in school! I want you to know that God has the keys to unlock all doors to any situation that you feel is impossible!! You may be feeling!

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Through God's word, we have the opportunity to open all doors! The devil puts obstacles in front of us to challenge our faith in God.

Remember this: God has given us the key and answer through his word and our faith in him that he can handle any situation! Matthew 7:7 reads: "Ask, and it shall be given to you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you."

Young people, all you have to do is ask God for what you need and have faith that he will provide! It may not be when you want, but He will not let you go without! I ask you to have faith in God to provide for you! Put your faith in God before you put your faith in man!

Sincerely, Inmate # 1802937

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THIS N' THAT

by T. J. Patterson

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GO FOR IT! is a free resource fair providing one-stop planning for college a technical degree from South Plains College.

If you have ever thought about going to college and didn't know how to get started or whether you can afford it, GO FOR IT! is the answer. Go For It! targets single parents, displaced homemakers, and really anyone who doesn't know how to get started pursuing their dream of a college education. This resource-packed fair features South Plains College and local agency representative who will provide

information on financial aid, childcare funding, technical programs, admissions/enrollment and other special services. Participants will have ample opportunity to speak individually to those who work daily with students helping them achieve their educational dreams.

Representatives from Financial Aid, Admissions, Guidance and Counseling will be on hand to answer questions in all of these areas.

This fair is free and welcomes participants to come and go!

For additional information, contact First Step Counselor Lynn Gregory at (806) 716-4615 or Lynne Cleavinger, Technical Counselor, at (806) 716-2563.

Nearly Half Of Commuters Admit To Texting While Driving

Nearly half of commuters self-reported texting while driving in a recent poll, and 43% of those who did called it a "habit."

Commuters are texting and driving even more than teens - 49%, compared to 43%. And the problem has gotten worse. Six in 10 commuters say they never texted while driving three years ago.

So while efforts to raise awareness of the dangers of texting while driving are working - 98% of commuters surveyed said they know sending a text or email while driving isn't safe - there's clearly more work to be done to change behaviors.

Survey sponsor AT&T* is calling on employers to help end texting while driving by taking action during National Distracted Driving Awareness Month in April, and beyond. It's asking businesses to join the more than 165 organizations already engaged in the Texting & Driving-It Can Wait movement, and to use the policies, technologies and communications materials available free at att.com/itcanwait to help move their employees beyond being aware of the danger to making a personal commitment not to text and drive.

"Businesses can help keep their employees and others on the road safe by encouraging responsible behavior behind the wheel, including obeying all laws related to the use of electronic devices," said U.S. Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Thomas J. Donohue. "We also encourage all businesses to consider joining the 'It Can Wait' movement to end texting while driving. Together we can help turn the tide on this serious issue."

Through It Can Wait, AT&T has reached millions with the insight that most text messages are trivial, and no text is worth dying for. It has made the dangers of texting and driving real and personal by giving thousands of people hands-on experience with driving simulators and sharing the heart-wrenching stories of people - like Jamie Nash in this video - whose lives have been forever changed by texting-while-driving accidents. More than 1.3 million personal commitments never to text and drive have been made at ItCanWait.com, through Facebook, text-to-pledge, tweet-to-pledge or at events.

"Through the It Can Wait movement, AT&T is collaborating with employers, nonprofits, law enforcement, educators, legislators, professional associations and government agencies nationwide," said AT&T Senior Executive Vice President and Global Marketing Officer Cathy Coughlin. "I'm confident, to

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Issued By: Lee Ann Dumbauld, City Manager, and Pam Moon, Executive Director of Finance

This morning, Wednesday, March 27, 2013, District One City Councilman Victor Hernandez issued a public statement expressing concerns with information provided by the City of Lubbock to BKD, LLP, the City's external audit firm engaged to complete the City of Lubbock Comprehensive Annual Financial Audit for Fiscal Year 2012.

Specifically, Councilman Hernandez expressed concern with internal controls and information provided to BKD related to hotel occupancy taxes and franchise fees.

Throughout the audit, City of Lubbock management and staff have worked closely with BKD auditors. This included notifying them of issues of delinquencies on hotel occupancy tax and fran-

chise fees in either the planning phase or during the substantive fieldwork phase. The City of Lubbock prepares a client planning questionnaire, which is a high-level form. Hotel occupancy tax and franchise are self-reported taxes and the controls over cash receipts did not change. The form does not address delinquencies of receivables. The City provided work-



Lee Ann Dumbauld

papers to the external auditors to support the accounting entries for the hotel occupancy tax and franchise fee receivables, including delinquencies and their allowances.

An audit tests the financial and accounting systems, including internal controls for an organization. BKD, LLP is a nationally recognized auditor with a proven record of delivery. They follow auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. The auditors have recently revisited the accounting treatment of hotel occupancy tax and franchise fees, including treatment of the delinquencies, and they did not find any internal control issues nor did they propose any changes to the financials. The auditors have discussed implemented controls and controls remaining to be implemented, as it relates to hotel occupancy tax and franchise fees. The auditors have issued an unqualified audit opinion for each of the eight years they have completed the City's audit work, including Fiscal Year 2012.

City Council was briefed several times on legal suits, agreements, and other matters in Executive Session. The auditors communicated with the Audit

Funeral Services Set For Gladys Oages

Funeral services for Gladys "Sister" Oages are set for Friday morning, April 5, 2013, at the Church of the Bless, 1809 34th Street, beginning at 11:00 a. m.

Arrangements are under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

She passed away Sunday, March 29, 2013.

COTN Sponsors Annual "Elevated to Refresh Others" Conference

Church of the Nations is having its Annual "Elevated to Refresh Others" Conference on Saturday, April 27th from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

This year's guest speaker will be Reverend Zebbe Hernandez.

Join us and hear Zebbe's living testimony. Come and be refreshed in His presence! Address: 5902 11th Place, Lubbock, Texas 79416.

Remember you are invited to attend this outstanding program. God is able, no matter what obstacles are in our path.

Oh, by the way, bring a family member or a friend with you. We know you will be glad you did so!!

In Cinque

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heads of the conflicting countries and let that be the end result. Why do thousands of innocent people have to die because of the rants and rages of a very few?

Regardless of the UN sanctions and Kim Jong Un's refusal to accept them, we need to keep a close eye on the North Korean leader and his military antics. The United States needs to get 'in cinque' and pay attention to what North Korea does, as well as China, that is offensive.

Committee during the planning phase of their engagement. The Independent Accountants' Report on Financial Statements will be presented at the City Council meeting on March 28, 2013.

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Opportunity to Comment on the Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Organization's Amendment #2 FY 2013 - 2016 Transportation Improvement Program And Amendment #1 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan

Residents of the Cities of Lubbock and Wolfforth and Lubbock County citizens living within the Metropolitan Area Boundary of the Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) are encouraged to review and comment on Amendment #2 to the FY 2013 - 2016 Transportation Improvement Program and Amendment #1 to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. Written comments will be received through, Sunday, April 21, 2013.

Public Forums will be held as follows:

April 11, 2013 Maggie Trejo Supercenter 3200 Amherst Lubbock, Texas 4:30 - 6:00 PM	May 21, 2013 Room 103 Lubbock City Hall 1625 13 th Street Lubbock, Texas 8:30AM
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Amendment #2 of the FY 2013 - 2016 Transportation Improvement Program - Included Projects:

Erskine Street - North TTU Parkway to North Indiana Avenue
US 87 - 1500 Feet North of Woodrow Road to U.S. 87 - Additional Cat 7 Funding
North University Streetscape - MSF/U.S. 82 - Amherst Street - Transportation Enhancements

Amendment #1 of the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan - Included Projects:

North University Streetscape - MSF/U.S. 82 - Amherst Street - Transportation Enhancements

Locations of Draft Revisions:

Lubbock MPO Office 916 Main, Suite 445 Lubbock, Texas 79401	Lubbock City Hall Streets Engineering Dept. 1625 13 th Street Lubbock, Texas 79457	Lubbock County Courthouse Main St. and Texas Avenue Commissioner's Office Lubbock, Texas 79408
Wolfforth City Hall 302 Main Street Wolfforth, Texas 79382	Citibus Administration Building 801 Texas Avenue Lubbock, Texas	Texas Department of Transportation 135 Stalon Highway Lubbock, Texas 79404

Draft documents may also be viewed on the Lubbock MPO's website www.lubbockmpo.org. Comments may be sent to Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Organization, 916 Main St., Suite 445, Lubbock, Texas 79401 or via email to tbDavis@mylubbock.us or djones@mylubbock.us.

This public notice of "public involvement activities" and time established for public review and comment on the MTP and TIP will satisfy the program-of-projects requirements of the Urbanized Area Formula Program (Section 5307) of the Federal Transit Administration.

Mentor Tech's Annual Banquet Features Actor Taraji P. Henson

Academy-award nominated actress Taraji P. Henson will give the keynote speech during the Lauro Cavazos & Ophelia Powell-Malone Mentoring Program (Mentor Tech) annual banquet at 7 p.m. May 3 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center Banquet Hall.

Henson arrived in Los Angeles as a broke single mom, with no connections, no house, no car, and no job. Fifteen years later, she was personally asked by Tom Hanks to co-star in his latest film, "Larry Crowne."

"Each year we do an exhaustive search for the best possible speaker, who will inspire and motivate those in attendance," said Cory S. Powell, Director of Mentor Tech. "We are honored to have such an accomplished actress as Taraji P. Henson. We expect it to be an elegant and empowering evening."

Mentor Tech seeks to enhance the quality of the educational experience of students from under-represented populations through programs, services, advocacy, and campus and community involvement.

The program pairs students with faculty and staff members to assist them in their academic, social, and cultural adjustments to Texas Tech University. More than 2,500 students have been provided service through the program. In the last seven years, more than 530 student participants have graduated from the



Taraji P. Henson

university. The program has awarded more than \$88,000 in scholarships.

Tickets for the banquet are \$60 each or \$75 which includes admittance to a VIP reception & photo with Henson. Tables of eight cost \$550 and \$750, which also includes passes to the VIP reception and photo with Henson. Proceeds benefit the Mentor Tech scholarship fund.

Mentor Tech is part of the Division for Institutional Diversity, Equity and Community Engagement.

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CONTACT: Cory Powell, director, Mentor Tech, Texas Tech University, (806) 742-8692, or mentor@ttu.edu.

Guadalupe Neighborhood Association Arroyo Clean-up 2013

The Guadalupe Neighborhood Association invites you to join us on Saturday, April 13, 2013 in a community effort to clean-up El Arroyo, a part of Lubbock's Canyon Lakes System. For almost 5 years Barrio residents and volunteers have worked hard to clear the area to the North and West of AZTLAN Park. We encourage group and individual volunteers to meet us at the corner of Cesar E. Chavez Dr. and N. Avenue L on April 13 at 8:00 A.M.

Everyone is welcome! In a conscience effort to safeguard our environment, we will be trimming trees, cutting weeds, picking up debris, and doing anything to make this area more beautiful and safe for all to enjoy. Please bring gloves, rakes, shovels, bow saws, chainsaws, and any gardening tools you think you might need.

Breakfast and lunch will be made available for all those volunteers who work from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. Sincere appreciation is given to the North University Amigos-United Supermarkets, El Editor Newspaper, Jimenez Bakery, Guajardo Funeral Home, and LA FUERZA for their sponsorship of this community event. Special thanks to all Guadalupe Barrio residents and friends who continuously support this ongoing neighborhood project. Also, mention should be made of the graduate and under-graduate students under Dr. Gad Perry of the Texas Tech Natural Resources Department and the City of Lubbock Parks crew. Please meet at the corner of North Avenue L and Cesar E. Chavez Blvd. at 8:00 A.M.

For more information, please call Carlos or Lile Quirino at (806) 747-3732.

Darius Clark

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Martha Virginia Estelle Forney, A Relative of Elurd Devenport Succumbs In Waco

Waco, Texas -- Funeral services were held for Martha Virginia Estelle Forney, who is a relative of Elurd Devenport of Lubbock, was held Monday morning, March 18, 2013, at the St. Luke A.M.E. Church. Services were conducted by Rev. Pamela Rivera, officiant; and Rev. Juan Tolliver, eulogist.

Interment was held in the Doris Miller Memorial Park in Waco with the McDowell Funeral Homes.

She was the second child born to Henry Seaward Estelle, Sr. and Ruby Vernita Isaacs in Brenham, Texas on December 31, 1920. Her family moved to Waco in 1922. Her brother, Henry Seaward, Jr., passed away on Thanksgiving Day, 1929 from untreated appendicitis. Martha and her parents moved to Hempstead, Texas in 1936 and Martha graduated from Sam Schwartz High School in 1938. Upon graduation, she attended Prairie View College where she was crowned "Miss Prairie View", 1941-42, and earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in English in 1942.

She earned a Certificate in Librarianship from Emporia State College, Emporia, Kansas and journeyed to Webster Groves, Missouri where she served as librarian for Frederick Douglass High School. In Webster, she earned the lifelong friendship of the Thomas family, developing a 50-year friendship with Miriam "Chicken" Thomas Berry. During her tenure at Douglass, she accepted the proposal of Samuel Alexan-



Martha Estelle Forney

der Forney, then serving as a Second Lieutenant in the U. S. Army and also a native of Brenham, Texas, with whom she had fallen in love at the tender age of 12.

Martha and Samuel were married September 4, 1946 and spent their honeymoon traveling to their new home in Denver, Colorado. While Samuel was attending medical school, Martha was appointed as librarian in the Denver Public Library system, thus becoming only the second African-American to be appointed to that level.

In 1954, the Forney family returned back to Texas, both working briefly in Brenham before moving to Waco where Samuel taught biology at A. J. Moore High School and where Martha was hired as part-time librarian and English teacher at G. W. Carver High School. She attained full-time status the following year and was in charge of the library at Carver High School for ten years. During that

time, she was awarded the Master of Library Science degree (1957) continuing her pioneering pace as the only Master Librarian in the State of Texas.

She was a faithful and loyal member of St. Luke A.M.E. Church, having maintained membership from the age of two until her death. She belonged to a wide range of community and service organizations and enjoys. Golden Life status (50+ years) as a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., was a 39 year member of Links, Inc., Charter Member of Jack and Jill of America, Heroines of Jericho, and the local chapter of NAACP, as well as remaining an active supporter of the Alumnae Association of Prairie View A&M University. She served on the Board of East Side Branch Library and the Waco-McLennan County Library Commission.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Samuel, in 1974, and son, Samuel, Jr. She is survived by her daughter, Jan Forney, of Waco; beloved niece, Willa Forney-Ellis of Houston, Texas; cherished cousins: Earle Bernice Todd, her children: Frederick, Cheryl and Michael, Patsy Wheeler of Duncanville, Texas and her husband, Alex, Gwendolyn Davidson and her family of Dallas, Jimmet Lawrence and her family of Beaumont.

"She was a very outstanding citizen of Waco, Texas where she many outstanding contributions to young people, said Ms. Devenport.

"She was a lady," she said.

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