

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, Great Saint Luke Missionary Baptist Church.
- * 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 neets 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 Bryon Martin Technology Center, 3401 Avenue Q, 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. ROOTS meets every 2nd Saturday at 2:00 p. m. at 20th & Birch Church of Christ, 2001 Birch

Avenue. All Invited.

* If you have an annoucement about your organization, please advise by calling (806) 762-3612

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Southwest Digest Community Meetings 902 East 28th Street Lubbock, Texas 79404 (806) 76first to publicly release a workforce demographics report earlier this year. They were commended for doing so, and so far, experts say they are the most aggressive at

addressing the issue.

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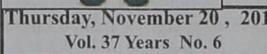






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Loretta Lynch Nominated Attorney General



President Obama nominated U.S. Attorney Loretta Lynch as his next attorney general on November 8, 2014. (AP)

President Obama on Saturday, November 8, 2014, nominated U.S. Attorney Loretta Lynch as his next attorney general. If confirmed, she would be the first African American woman to serve in that post.

Lynch, 55 is an experienced prosecutor with deep relationships inside the Justice Department and a long history of litigating political corruption, terrorism and organized crime

"Ms. Lynch is a strong, independent prosecutor who has twice led one of the most important U.S. Attorney's Offices in the country," White House press secretary Josh Earnest said in a statement Friday, November 7, 2014, "She will succeed Eric Holder, whose tenure has been marked by historic gains in the areas of criminal justice reform and civil rights enforcement." Holder and Lynch joined Obama in the Roosevelt Room for Saturday's announcement.

Lynch was the least controversial of the final choices before the president, according to several government officials. She has been confirmed twice by the Senate. And she was respected for the way she conducted several high-profile cases without seeking publicity.

Still, the nomination could spark a battle on Capitol Hill. Republicans warned before the midterm election said they opposed the idea-of approving a nomination in a lame-duck session of Congress. Democrats, however, may choose to have the confirmation fight while they still have control of the Senate.

Sen. Charles E. Grassley (R-Iowa), who is expected to be the new chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, said Friday he expected Lynch to get a "very fair but thorough vetting" from the committee.

"U.S. attorneys are rarely elevated directly to this position, so I look forward to learning more about her, how she will interact with Congress and how she proposes to lead the department," said Grassley, who has tangled repeatedly with Holder. "I'm hopeful that her tenure, if confirmed, will restore confidence in the attorney general as a politically independent voice for the American people."

Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.), who is expected to be the

next Senate majority leader, said: "Ms. Lynch will receive fair consideration by the Senate. And her nomination should be considered in the new Congress

through regular order." Lynch, who had been rumored for weeks to be a leading contender to replace Holder, chairs the Justice Department review commission that has advised Holder on policy decisions. In that capacity, she worked closely with several senior Justice officials, including former associate attorney general Tony West, who stepped down from his post in September.

"Loretta's an excellent choice - smart, steady, talented and experienced," West said in an interview Friday. "You'd be hardpressed to come up with anyone better qualified or more prepared to be the nation's next attorney general."

Her appointments to be U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of New York — first from 1999 to 2001 under President Bill Clinton and again in 2010 each had to be confirmed by the

"She's the wonderful combi-Continue on Page 9



Succumbs November 10th

A house full of local citizens were in attendance of the funeral services for Helen Faye Viser Fitzgerald at the St. John Baptist Church on Saturday afternoon, November 15, 2014, with Pastor Solomon E. Fields officiating.

Interment was held in the City of Smyer Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Special remarks were given by the following: Jane Clausen, City of Lubbock; T. J. Patterson, Sr., Minister Murray Peppers, Willie Butler, Darrell Burgess, and Supt. David Haynes.

Quincy White, Assistant City Manager, presented Mrs. Fitzgerald's 20 year pin to her husband as she was unable to attend those services.

Mrs. Fitzgerald passed away Monday, November 10, 2014.

She was born February 24, 1955 in Wolfforth, Texas to Cleo Lee and Dollie Mae Harris. She graduated from Frenship High School in May, 1973. She also attended Childhood Evangelism classes in Lubbock for several

She enrolled at Texas Tech University and pledged with Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. While there, she met her husband, Otho Viser, Jr. They

moved to Houston, Texas where Helen attended the University of Houston. She then worked for Houston Public Libraries for seventeen years. After the homegoing of her husband in 1993, she returned to Lubbock in 1995. She joined the St. John Baptist Church and worked as their Education Director.

While employed with the Lubbock Public Libraries at Mahon Library, she received her Bachelor of Science degree from Wayland Baptist University in

She moved to Denton, Texas and attended The University of North Texas earning her MLS Degree in 1999.

Returning back to Lubbock, she became the first African American Librarian hired by the City of Lubbock as Branch Manager of the T. J. Patterson Library, known now as the Bobbie Gean & T. J. Patterson Branch Library.

Helen became a student of Shalom Bible College & Seminary.

She married Gerald D. Fitzgerald on February 27, 2005 in Lubbock becoming "immediate mom" to his children.

She later became a Licensed Continue on Page 9

Narrow Gate Church At Work



FEAST OF TABERNACLES: On Saturday afternoon, October 18, 2014, at the Chatman Park, free bar-b-que and prizes were given to the Elderly, Adults, and Children in the neighborhood.

Pictured above, on Monday, October 20, 2014, gifts were given to the Covenant Childrens Hospital to the Burn Unit. All Glory and Honor to the Lord for making all of this possible.

The Narrow Gate Church, with Pastor Perry Clark and Minister Laverne Clark, provided the effort for these outstanding fetes.

Dunbar Preparatory Collegiate School 2014-15 City Football Champs



Dunbar Prepartory Collegiate School Panthers

The Dunbar Preparatory Collegiate School Panthers had an came back from being down by exciting Thursday night, November 4, 2014, at Plains Capital Park.

The "B" team rolled over the Evans Middle School Eagles

The "A" team fought and 2 and won their game 18-8.

The Panthers are football city champions!!

These Panthers are shown above after winning this exciting

Both teams were 8-0 this 2014 football season. Coach Adrian Holland is the coordinator.

Congratulations to the Dunbar Preparatory Collegiate School Panthers A & B teams for an out standing year.

Free Thanksgiving Dinner

22nd Annual Community-Wide Thanksgiving **Dinner Hosted by First United Methodist Church**

Saturday, November 22nd, 11:00am to 2:00pm at the **FUMC Christian Life Center**

November 22, 2014: First United Methodist Church of Lubbock will host the 22nd Annual Community-Wide Thanksgiving Dinner at the Christian Life Center located between 13th and Avenues O and M. The entire Lubbock Area Community is welcome to share this wonderful dinner made by volunteers with donations from local businesses. First United Methodist Church anticipates serving 1,600 turkey dinners during this fellowship filled afternoon. Approximately 200 volunteers participate in this event and represent the entire Lubbock and surrounding communities. Since its inception in 1993, over 23 thousand people have received a free traditional Thanksgiving dinner.

Perry Files First Bills As A **State Senator**

Tuesday, November 11, 2014, Senator Charles Perry filed his first pieces of legislation as state senator. The series of bills and Constitutional Amendments focus on fiscal responsibility, reducing taxes, and eliminating government waste.

"As a lifelong conservative and a CPA, I have used my background to audit the government to hold them accountable for wasteful spending," said Senator Charles Perry. "I am proud to say that this first set of bills will ensure that our government is more efficient and transparent with our taxpayer dollars."

"Last Tuesday, the people of Texas sent a clear message at the ballot box," continued Perry. "Texans want government to live within its means and stay out of our pocket books. These bills will help Texas continue down the path of prosperity and remain an example for the nation when it comes to fiscal responsibility and economic growth."

Below is a brief synopsis of the bills filed by Perry earlier years.

Amendment Constitutional



Senator Charles Perry

places a common sense cap on state government spending by capping our budget growth to population growth plus inflation.

S.B. 136: This legislation ensures the government lives within its means by requiring each state agency's budget to start at zero on a regular basis. This should curb back wasteful spending and ensure each taxdollar spent is justified.

S.B. 138: This legislation gives much needed tax-relief to small business owners by phasing out our state's cumbersome franchise tax over a period of 4

S.J.R.12 & S.B. 139: This S.J.R. 11 & S.B. 137: This Constitutional Amendment creates a permanent solution for

Lubbock Public Library Events

Bluebonnet Book Club at the Mahon Library

Children in grades 3 through 6 are invited to the Bluebonnet Book Club at the Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 20. We will read this year's nominees for the Texas Bluebonnet Award and have a book-related activity. For more information, please call 775-2838.

Teen Game Day at Groves Branch Library

Teens, come to the Groves Branch Library, 5520 19th Street, at 4 p.m. on Thursday, November 20 for a variety of board games and video games. For more information, please call 767-3733.

"Ready to Read" at Patterson **Branch Library**

Families with children ages 0 to 5 are invited to a read-aloud at the Patterson Branch Library,

Backyard Boutique at Maxey **Community Center**

Start your holiday shopping early at Maxey Community Center's Backyard Boutique Arts and Crafts Fair on Saturday, November 15, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Local artists will showcase their unique arts and crafts including holiday items, jewelry, quilts, wood art, handmade soap, hair bows and more. Over 20 vendors will be on hand with gift ideas for everyone on your list. Admission is free!

Maxey Community Center is

transportation funding by eliminating diversions from the state highway fund to DPS. This measure will increase transparency, while at the same time funding the construction and maintenance of transportation infrastructure without raising taxes or fees.

S.B. 140: This legislation extends the current sales tax-exemption for agriculture equipment and to GPS services used by farmers on tractors and other farm equipment. This is a common sense bill that will help our rural district by aligning our tax law with the changing technologies in the field of agricul-

If you have any questions or comments about Senator Perry's legislative agenda, please feel free to contact Travis Mc-Cormick at 512-463-0128 or Travis.McCormick@senate.stat

1836 Parkway Drive, at 1 p.m. on Saturday, November 22. Join us for stories, songs, snacks, and free books. This program is sponsored by East Lubbock Promise Neighborhood. For more information, please call 767-3300.

Book Discussion at Patterson Branch Library

The Left-to-Right book discussion group will meet at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive, at 2 p.m. on Saturday, November 22 to discuss Heaven Is for Real by Todd Burpo. Copies of the book are available for checkout at the library. For more information, please call 767-3300.

Too Many Black Women Going Bald -- So What's the Root Cause?



Hair loss can happen to anyone, regardless of gender or race. But there is an epidemic of hair loss going on now among black women. The International Society of Hair Restoration reports that nearly 30 million U.S. women are losing their hair; however, it's happening more to black women. Why?

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located at 4020 30th Street . They are open Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. - Noon and 1:00 - 8:00 p.m., Fridays 8:30 a.m. - Noon and 1:00 - 6:00 p.m., as well as on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. For more information, call the center at (806) 767-3796.

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Colleen Evans Celebrates 10 Years at the Lubbock Chamber

The Lubbock Chamber of Commerce is proud to recognize Colleen Evans for her 10 years of service to the Lubbock Cham-

On Nov. 15, 2004, Evans began working at the Chamber as Administrative Assistant. She was later promoted to Membership Director and then to her current position as Vice President- Membership and Investor Relations.

Evans is responsible for all new member sales and is responsible for all retention efforts and member relations. She has been recognized by the Association of Chamber of Commerce Circle of Champions for her sales efforts and has placed in the top six in the nation for membership sales every year since 2008. Evans previously worked with the Lubbock Chamber Ambassador program helping it grow and become one of the largest and most successful nationally.

In August 2011, Evans received the U.S. Chamber of

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Colleen Evans

Commerce Institute of Organizational Management (IOM) professional designation and served on the Board of Regents for the Northeast Institute from 2012-13.

If only our tongues were made of glass, how much more careful we would be when we speak! Unknown



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Mae Simmons Community and Senior Centers What's Happening This Month!

THREE EVENTS ~ DECEMBER 6

HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR

9 am-3 pm Free! Shop for holiday bargains! Rawlings Community Center, 213 40th, 767-2704



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA 10 am Tickets on Sale Now! \$10 each

Maxey Community Center, 4020 30th, 767-3796

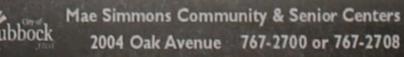
SIMMONS CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL 2-4 pm Free!

Photos with Santa \$1 Carnival Games, Holiday Crafts Concessions, Carols & Door Prizes Simmons Community Center





Lubbock Parks and Recreation



In Cinque

By Renetta Howard



There comes a time, sometimes in some of our lives when we must take on the responsibility of making the final arrangements for a loved one. Unfortunately, some of us are in a situation wherein we must perform this duty numerous times. It is not an easy task and in most instances, an expensive task. However, the job must be done.

When the dust is settled and we attempt to get back into our normal routines after a loved one has gone on to the great beyond, there are a number of things which need to be settled regardless to the financial status of the deceased.

One of the first things that we need to do is to give thanks to everyone who has given us a shoulder to cry on, a bouquet, a crust of bread, a kind word, an act of kindness or a donation. All gestures are not equal in themselves, but the meanings are equally profound and deserve our heartiest thanks. One of the greatest problems with giving thanks, especially in small, rural urban communities is the fact that respondents often do not make their addresses known and it is difficult to give an adequate thanks. Personally, I feel that everyone who has your best wishes at heart, deserve a 'thank you.' Because of inadequate means of correspondence, it is often necessary to make a public 'thank you' in the newspaper or some other form or media. So many people rely on Facebook rest in peace.

now until it is almost impossible to communicate with some people unless it is via Facebook. It seems that some people virtually live on Facebook.

When one has successfully attempted to thank everyone who has had your best interest at heart, the person usually responsible for coordinating a farewell occasion is also left to figure out how to pay the medical bills that are usually left behind by the decedent. If the decedent had any assets, they will be liable for probate in order to pay debtors. If there are no assets, debtors will usually not be paid unless there is an insurance policy for which the estate is the beneficiary. If the insurance policy has an individual as the beneficiary that benefit is not subject to be paid to debtors. It is in the interest of the family to know what the after death liabilities and assets of a loved one consists.

As family members, we need to make sure that someone in our family is aware of our medical and financial status before we make our demise. I am aware of a friend who died and her family is still trying to find out what she owned and who she owed after two years. Friends and family members have been helping her dependents pay utility bills etc. because she never gave them any information about her financial status. Let us get 'in cinque' and make life easier for the living and the dead so we may all

Letter to the Community

Each year, during the holiday of life. season, the Community Empowerment Ministry of The Difference Maker's Fellowship of Lubbock, Texas, works towards positively impacting the individual growth and personal development of people from all walks

This year, on Saturday, November 22, 2014, from noon until 2:00 PM, we will be hosting our annual, free Thanksgiving Community Luncheon. Last year, we were able to serve approximately 300 meals, and this

Snooze alarm

It's inevitable, the older you get the more sleep-deprived you feel. But, are those who claim they suffer insomnia really getting less sleep than the rest of us? The Association of Mature American Citizens cites a recent study in which researchers at University of Chicago used new, minimally-invasive technology to record what really happens when seniors retire for the night.

It turns out that many people who say they can't sleep may only think they can't. For example, 42 percent of those who participated in the study said they rarely, if ever, had trouble falling asleep. On average, the wristmonitors they wore showed that it took them about 27 minutes to nod off for the night. Twelvepercent said they usually had trouble falling asleep at night, but their monitors showed that it took them only about four minutes longer fall asleep.

The study showed that those who said they got less sleep because they woke up at night, actually slept an average of 19 minutes longer than those who said they usually slept through the night. And, it concluded that test subjects who complained

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year, our goal is 500!

As your agency shares in the goal of fostering community development through family empowerment, we find great joy in inviting you to partner with us. Any contributions that can be made to assist in this endeavor will be greatly appreciated.

For more information, please feel free to contact me by phone or email.

Thank you, in advance, for partnering together to make a difference!

> Yours in the Lord, Bill Stubblefield, Pastor The Difference Maker's Fellowship 224 Buddy Holly Avenue Lubbock, Texas 79401 (806)239-3788

THISBNER

by T. J. Patterson

SCORES, SCORES & SCORES OF LUBBOCK-ITES PAID THEIR TRIBUTE TO HELEN FAYE VISER FITZGERALD! THIS N THAT were among those who were in attendance of the funeral services at the St. John Baptist Church last Saturday afternoon November 15, 2014 for **HELEN** FAYE FITZGERALD who was BRANCH MANAGER of the BOBBIE GEAN & T. J. PAT-TERSON BRANCH LI-BRARY..... She did an OUTSTANDING JOB

MINISTER she brought a lot to this library as there was always some exciting activities happening at the Patterson Library..... THIS N THAT visited with her, via telephone on Monday morning, November 10, 2014 and she passed away that evening..... It was a VERY POSITIVE TELE-PHONE CALL as she was excited about the upcoming **BLACK HISTORY MONTH ACTIVITIES IN FEBRUARY** as she was excited about another nationally known poet.... She will be missed and her many contributions to the CITY OF LUBBOCK will al-

ways be remembered THIS N THAT is hoping for another DEDICATED BRANCH MANAGER HELEN FAYE VISER FITZGERALD!!!

PRAYERS FOR BANK IN EAST LUBBOCK!!! THIS N THAT is hoping as you enter the upcoming HOLI-DAY SEASON let's PRAY for a 5 STAR BANK in East Lubbock Will you join THIS N THAT with this needed PRAYER FOR EAST LUBBOCK! If you really

believe things are possible!!!

Texas Teacher Resigns After 'Crackers...Kill Yourselves!' Tweet

Nearly a week after posting controversial tweets about events in Ferguson, Mo., that sparked accusations of racism, Texas high school English teacher, Vinita Hegwood (pictured), has resigned, KHOU reports.

during her tenure. Also a

In a statement released Thursday by the Texas chapter of the American Federation of Teachers, Hegwood acknowledged the tweet, calling it a reaction to "a series of threatening and racist attacks" made against her on Twitter during a debate about Michael Brown, the unarmed Black teen who was shot and killed this summer in Ferguson by a White police officer, the re-

"My reaction in no way reflects the standards to which I have held myself and my students for the last 20 years of teaching," Hegwood, who worked for two years in the Duncanville Independent School District, said in the statement. "I accept full responsibility for my actions, and I regret the embar-



rassment that it has caused the school district."

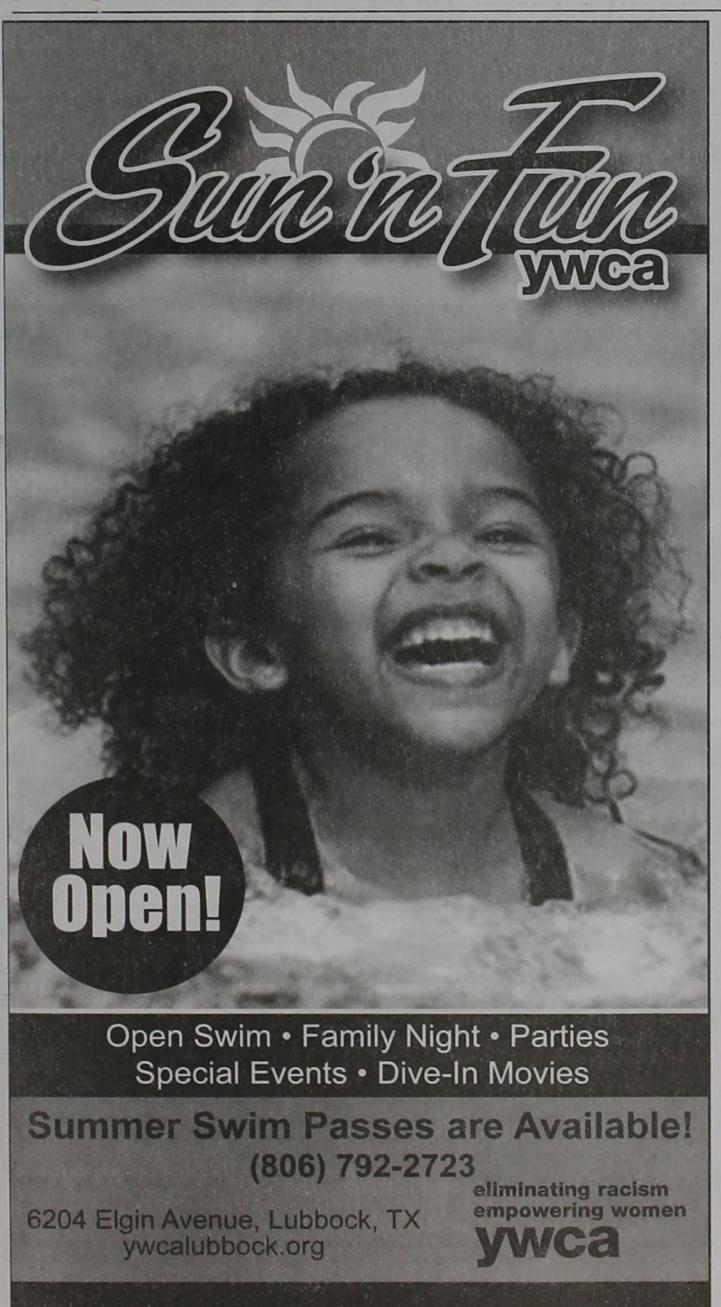
The controversial tweet was posted last week on her personal Twitter account. "Who the (expletive) made you dumb duck (expletive) crackers think I give a squat (expletive) about your opinions about my opinions RE: Ferguson? Kill yourselves," she said in the since-removed post, which erupted a firestorm of controversy.

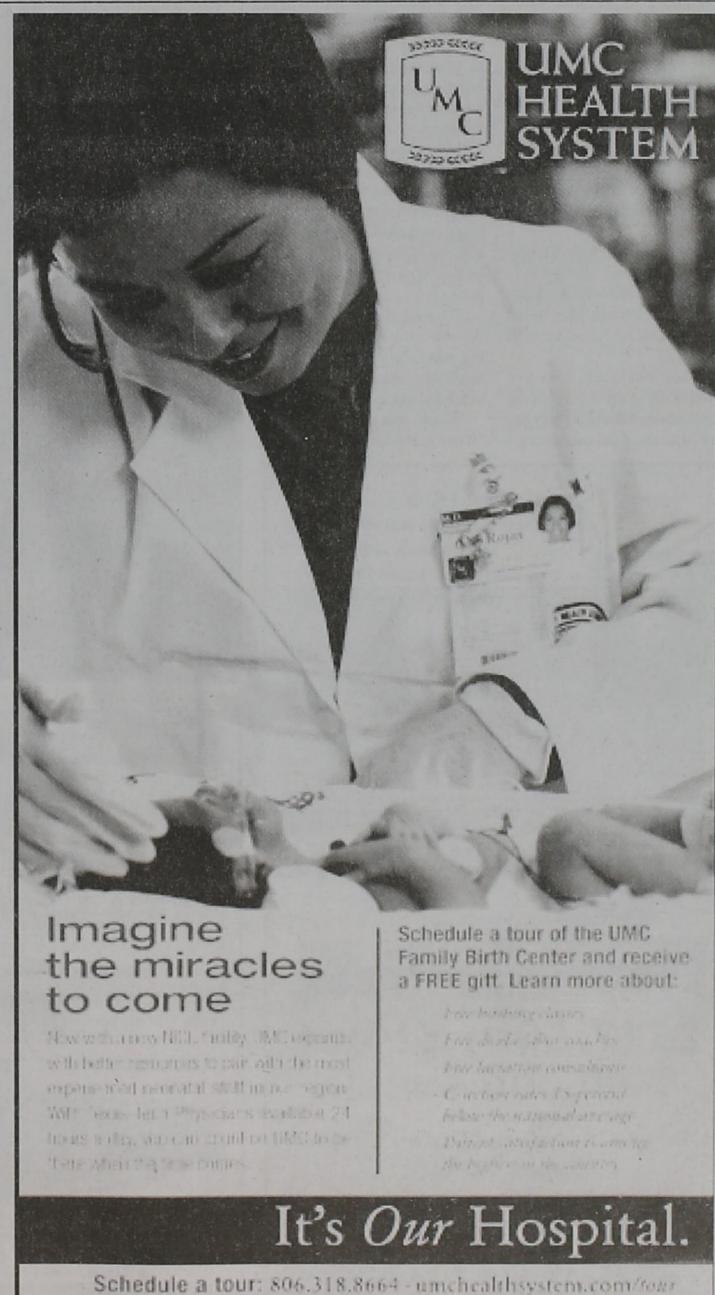
She was suspended without

pay prior to her resignation after district administrators called her tweets "reprehensible."

You are what you are and where you are because of what has gone into your mind. You can change what you are and where you are, by changing what goes into your mind.

Zig Ziglar







We Thank God for Jesus

"UN -- THANKFUL AMERICA" Written by Evangelist Billy "BJ" Morrison, III

IITimothy 3:2 -- For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedience to parents, unthankful, unholy.

I know you've seen it: HELL-O-WEEN'S OVER; NOW IT'S XMAS ON THE MIND. Nothing on TV SAY-ING: LORD, WE THANK YOU FOR GIVING US THIS TIME!!!

Romans 1:21 -- Because that, when they (CHRIS-TIANS) knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful, but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves (CHRIS-TIANS) to be wise, they became fools.

*** ARE YOU ONE OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES??? ***

ALL CHRISTIANS ARE TO BE JEHOVAH'S WIT-NESS, TELLING OF GOD'S TRUTH OF JESUS' DEATH, BURIAL, AND RESURREC-TION; LIKE WE'RE SUP-POSE TO DO!!!

(I, Billy B. J. Became Jehovah's witness on the 23rd day of November, 1979; not a member of THAT CHURCH -- but that was the day JESUS WAS BORN INTO MY HEART. "THE DAY HE WAS BORN TO ME," -- NOT ON DE-**CEMBER 25!!!)**

I have known for a very long

time that every day has 24 hours,

every hour has 60 minutes and

every minute has 60 seconds. I

want to thank my first grade

teacher for drilling this informa-

tion into a rather thick skull.

This information, along with a

lot of other information, has

helped me get through life up to

seven days except for the Beat-

les, who think there are "Eight

Days a Week." I am not sure

how they got up to that point,

but I have sometimes felt that

than the 24 hours allotted to it.

Moreover, I think some hours

that are much longer than the 60

minutes they are supposed to be

brought me to a new level of un-

derstanding. Although every day

has 24 hours, I did experience a

This past week, however,

Sometimes a day feels longer

I also know every week has

this point.

way myself.

limited to.

BORN IN YOUR HEART???

JEHOVAH'S WITNESS CHURCH: FOR NOT PLAY-ING WITH SANTA, FOR X-MAS, AND BUNNY RABBIT FOR EASTER GAME!!!)

The DEVIL AND HIS PEO-PLE, want all your MONEY, AND THAT'S A SHAME.

I John 4:5-6 -- They are of the world, therefore; speak they of the world, and the world hears them. We are of God: he that knows God hears us; he that is not of God hears not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.

AMERICA is a HYPRO-CRIT; only talking about THE LOVE GAME, THIS WIN-TER PEOPLE ARE COLD; **HEATING PRICES HIGH:** SHAME, SHAME, SHAME!!!

Matthew 22:39b -- Jesus said, You should love your neighbor as yourself. Shut up his boels of compassion from him, ho dwells the love of God in

Already X-MAS LIGHTS AND TREES ARE IN STORES; BEFORE THANKSGIVING DAY. AMERICA SHOULD BE PRAISING THE LORD, SAYING -- THANK YOU FOR THIS DAY.

day that had at least one thou-

sand hours to it; each hour an ex-

enough. The Gracious Mistress

of the Parsonage asked me a

very simple question. I have

been married long enough to

know that there is no such thing

as your wife asking a simple

question. I guess in my old age I

am beginning to forget a few

there any gas in your truck?"

My wife simply asked, "Is

On the surface, it looked rather

simple and in the moment and

being caught off guard, as I usu-

ally am, I answered very list-

lessly, "Yes, the tank is full of

the conversation I began walk-

ing away. As I walked away, I

heard the echo of my wife's

"if our granddaughter and I bor-

"Would you mind," she said,

voice following me.

Thinking this was the end of

It all began quite innocently

cruciating moment in time.

The Longest Day of My Life

Dr. James L. Snyder

X-MAS IS NOT

*** WHEN WAS JESUS PROMISED -- TO ANY-BODY!!! ***

Psalm 118:24 - This is the **DON'T GET MAD AT THE** day which the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

> Remember, happiness doesn't depend upon who you are or what you have, it depends upon what you think.

> > Dale Carnegie

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

Isaiah 52:7

WHY NOT GO BY AND VISIT THE ESTACADO HIGH SCHOOL, AND LET THOSE MATADORS AND PRINCIPAL MOORE **KNOW YOU** APPRECIATE WHAT THEY ARE DOING FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE!!! THEY WOULD LOVE

TO SEE YOU!!!

need to do some shopping across

is wrong on several levels.

This, as you may well guess,

First, why did they need my

truck to go shopping? On the

surface all I could see was \$'s.

going to do if you need a truck?

angle, is borrowing my truck! A

man's truck is a man's truck.

Need I say more? A real man

does not borrow his truck out to

anyone. There is something per-

sonal about a man's truck. It is

the only place where he can sur-

round himself with silence and

where he is "King of the road."

mind," she said as she reached

for the keys to the truck. After

"I didn't think you would

How much shopping are you

Second, the most important

town."

St. Matthew Baptist Church News

Rev. Edward Canady, Pastor 2020 East 14th Street Lubbock, Texas

you come, you quickly learn of

how important it is to study

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with those in attendance.

Church services, again were Wednesday evenings at 6:00 well attended at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th p.m. This is where we learn Street, where the weather was more about God's Word. When

Sunday morning, November 16, 2014, services begun at 10:10 a.m. with Sunday School and Superintendent Sister Saturday afternoons, beginning Shirley Davis in charge. Praise God for the knowledge received during Sunday School. Rev. Canady did a wonderful job. We appreciate his wisdom when teaching the Sunday School les-

cold and snowy, and the proud

pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted by Deacon Williams and Sister George Ann Hereford. It was a moving expe- in this week are: Sister Alice rience doing God's wishes!

Pastor Canady entered the Church with the Choir singing "He Keeps On Blessing Me."

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "The Battle Belongs To The Lord." His scripture text was I Samuel 17:46-47.

What an important sermon it was for all who were in attendance to hear.

The morning announcements were read by our First Lady, Sister Shirley Canady. She always does a splendid job in her presentation.

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

The Missionary Society meets on Wednesday evenings at 5:00 p. m. If you want to become a part of this outreach program, then come and he with us

row your truck for today? We some struggle, I finally surrendered the keys.

> "We will not be back for lunch," she said as she raced towards the door, "so you are on your own for lunch."

Then, to add insult to injury she shouted, "And, you can use where."

That will be the day! I was tempted, just tempted for a moment, to drive her car around and use up all her gas. I toyed with the idea and jingled the keys in my hand and then I realized I would be the one to put the gas in her car.

It certainly was a long day. Occasionally I glanced out the window to where my truck used to be parked. No truck. Sadness has its levels, if you know what

attack me.

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Thought For The Week: "When we forgive someone, we look more like Jesus than at any other moment in our life.'

From Pastor Edward Canady and Members of the St. Matthew Baptist Church, We wish each of You A Happy Thanksgiving. May God continue to bless each and everyone of you!

May God Bless All Of You!



my truck tire fixed.

The hours struggled on and

it seemed like an eternity. I ate

my lunch in silence, staring out

the window where my truck

used to be parked; now an empty

After one thousand hours of

excruciating pain, I heard my

truck pull into the driveway. As

I gazed out the window, I saw

the back of the truck piled high

with "stuff. But there it was,

cause you a lot of anxiety. Only

one attachment in my life worth

all the anxiety in the world. That

is my relationship with Jesus

Christ . Sometimes I do have an

anxious moment but then I turn

ise. "Thou wilt keep him in per-

fect peace, whose mind is stayed

on thee: because he trusteth in

Lord, I don't mind anything else

I have this marvelous prom-

When my mind is on the

Rev. James L. Snyder is

Sometimes attachments can

safely in the driveway.

to the Scripture.

thee" (Isaiah 26:3).

Several hours after my granddaughter and wife left, I got a text. Now I know why men die before their wives. When I read the text my heart was about to

It seems, how, I will never my car if you need to go some, know, but there was a hole in my tire probably put there by some nail. And she needed to have the tire fixed and was just informing me that she was going to do that.

> truck, you know exactly what was taking place. That hole in the tire was my truck reaching out for me to come help it. I think my truck thought that if the tire was not working it would end this whole charade. Unbeknownst to my truck, my wife, undaunted by the situation, had

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Jeremiah A. Yates

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

Yates, age 84, passed away on Sunday, November 2, 2014.

He was born April 2, 1930 in R oxton, Texas to the parentage of Mother Ann Yates and Hor ace Yates, Sr.

Jeemiah attended Roxton public schools. He gave his life to Christ at an early age. He was a carpenter for 25

years, and also worked for Frito Lay for 30 years. He united in holy matrimony

with Mable William Yates, and to this union two sons were born: Jerry Yates, Jr. and Kenneth Earl Yates.

He was preceded in death by: his parents, Ann and Horace Yates; five sisters; five brothers; and a son, Jerry Yates.

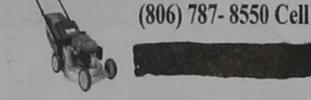
He leaves to cherish his mem-



ories: his loving wife of 65 years, Mable Yates; one son, Kenneth Earl Yates; a brother, Herbert Yates; five grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; a brother-in-law, George Lewis (Rose); sister-in-law, Beulah McCalister of Roxton, Texas; two godsons, Jeremiah D. Ellis and Donovan; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

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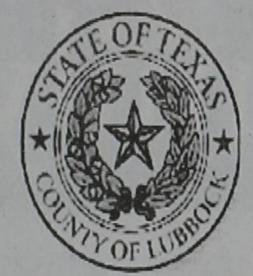
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Robert Lee Johnson, Sr.

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

Johnson, age 71, passed away on Sunday, November 2, 2014.

Robert was born March 22, 1943 to the parentage of Artise Johnson, Sr. and Annie Mae Johnson. He was raised with strong Christian values and accepted the Lord as his Savior at an early age.

with his family and close friends. He was always willing to help t hose in need. Many will truly miss his life, but his legacy will live forever. He was preceded in death by:

Robert enjoyed spending time

his parents, Artise and Annie Mae Johnson; aunts: Doris Sherman, Flora Johnson, and Elease Fillmore; a brother, Johnnie Lee Johnson; and sisters: Annie R. Overstreet and Lula Spence.

Robert leaves to cherish his



memories: his wife, Mallisa Ann Johnson; daughters: Carolyn Childress, Debra Green, Penny Green, Lorita Green, Georgia Green, and Janet Jones Greer (James); son: Robert L. Johnson, Jr. (Janet); sisters: Bettye Jean Willis (Jimmy Lee), Sandra Kaye Phillips (Fred), Celestine Mosley (Oscar), Suzette Gibson (Doug), and Paulette Frazier (Doug Wayne); brothers: Clifton Johnson (Cassandra) and Artise Johnson, Jr; 25 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Promiment Pastor Dies In Plane Crash

The Bahamas ministry of prominent evangelist Myles Munroe, who was killed in a small airplane crash on Sunday, November 9, 2014, will continue, his close advisers said.

Munroe -- a well-known pastor, motivational speaker and evangelist -- was one of nine aboard the Lear 36 Executive Jet when it went down as it attempted to land in Freeport Sunday evening, officials said. All those aboard were killed.

The crash occurred as Munroe and others were gathering in Grand Bahama for the 2014 Global Leadership Forum. On the Facebook page of Munroe's ministry, a message stated that the forum will go on as scheduled.

'We would like to inform you that the Global Leadership Forum will continue," read the post. "This is what Dr. Munroe would have wanted. Please keep his family and the ministry in prayers."

Severe weather was likely a factor in the crash, Bahamas Foreign Minister Fred Mitchell said Monday. Heavy rain was buffeting the region when the Lear 36 Executive Jet struck a shipping container crane in Freeport as it tried to land, he said.

Mitchell said that a commercial Bahamasair flight making the same route, from Nassau to Freeport, had turned back because it was unable to land around the same time as the flight carrying Munroe and several members of his Bahamas Faith Ministries.

Munroe's wife, Ruth, was also on the plane, along with the pastor considered second-in-command at Bahamas Faith Ministries, Richard Pinder, as well as the group's youth minis-



Dr. Myles Munroe

ter and his wife and child.

The plane crashed in a section of the Freeport shipyard, leaving mangled body parts strewn across the scene amid heavy smells of jet fuel and hot metal, the Bahama Press reports.

Munroe, 60, planned to have dinner in Freeport about 90 minutes after his plane's scheduling landing with former United Nations Ambassador Andrew Young, a speaker at the event, Mitchell said.

"It is utterly impossible to measure the magnitude of Dr. Munroe's loss to the Bahamas and to the world," Prime Minister Perry Christie said. "He was indisputably one of the most globally recognizable religious figures our nation has ever produced."

Born in 1954 in the islands' capital of Nassau, Munroe founded Bahamas Faith Ministries International in the early 1980s after studying at Oral Roberts University, a Christian liberal arts school in Tulsa, Okla.

The charismatic pastor quickly became an influential religious leader among many evangelical Christians, giving sermons around the world and occasionally appearing on televangelist Benny Hinn's popular programs. He was also a motivational

Yates, Jr. were held Saturday morning, November 1, 2014, at the Ford Memorial Church of God in Christ with Senior Pastor Christopher S. Moore as Eulogist. Rev. Jerry Ellis was Offici-

Funeral services for Jerry

Interment was held in th City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral of Lubbock.

Pallbearers were Kenneth Yates, Durant Yates, Gary Yates, Tayvin Reed, Quintan Willis, and Douglas Willis.

Honorary Pallbearers were Leo Thomas, George Lewis, Curtis Lewis, Larry Parks, Reggie Moore, and David Hightower.

Yates was born to the parentage of Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah A. Yates in Roxton, Texas on December 11, 1948. His parents moved the family to Lubbock, Texas where he dwelled in this city until his departure of his life on Tuesday, October 28, 2014.

Jerry graduated from Lubbock High School in 1968. He attended Lubbock Christian University where he received a 3 year football scholarship. He was employed at Reese Air Force Base as a manager for approximately 20 years. He was a skilled carpenter and loved to coach little league baseball.

Jerry attended Ford Memorial Church of God in Christ with his

speaker and the author of numerous books, including the 2008 best-seller "God's Big Idea: Reclaiming God's Original Purpose for Your Life."

As news of the plane crash spread, members of his church were shown weeping on a Bahamas TV station or raising their hands in prayer. Fellow Christian pastors expressed shock.

"At times like these, I don't try to figure things out, I just know that all things ultimately figure into a larger and higher purpose that we may never fully understand in this present limited reality," Bishop Carlton Pearson, a high-profile U.S. minister who was a friend of Munroe's for 40 years, wrote on his Facebook page.

Meanwhile, thousands of visibly-shaken people gathered in Nassau at the Diplomat Center of the Bahamas Faith Ministries International, the Bahama Press

Munroe is a best-selling author and lecturer, and has traveled around the world advising leaders in business, education, religion and other fields, according to his biography on the Bahamas Faith Ministries International website.

Munroe, who grew up poor in the Bahamas, was considered an inspiration for many people in the island chain and abroad, Mitchell said.

"He has really put his name on the world stage and helped the Bahamas achieve recognition for talent," Mitchell said.

Munroe and his wife have two children.



parents at the age of 12 years old. He loved the Lord.

In August, 1968, he married his lovely wife, Mable Joyce Humphrey-Yates. They had been married for 46 years.

His grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. W illiams; and a host of uncles, aunts, and cousins.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Mable Joyce Yates; his daughter, Karen Denise Austin (Daniel); two sons: Duran Lamont Yates and Gary Wayne Yates; his mother, Mable Lee Yates (Jermiah); his father, Jeremiah Amos Yates (Mable); one brother, Kenneth Earl Yates; two grandsons: Quintan DedSean Willis (Onessa), Tayin Arquis R eed; and one great -grandson, Quintan D. Willis, II; and a host of family and friends.

Dessie Lee White



Funeral services for Dessie Lee (Hunt) White were held Saturday morning, November 15, 2014, at the Community Baptist Church with Pastor Larry Brooks officiating.

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

White, age 83, passed away Saturday, November 8, 2014.

Dessie was born on October 1, 1931 to the parentage of John and Alice Hunt in Milam County, Texas. Dessie was reared with strong family values. She attended school in Rosebud, Texas.

Dessie met and married Roscoe S. Judie on June 20, 1949, and to this union, six Continue on Page 8

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Christmas," and many more.

has slightly fallen to 10.9 percent, from 11.0 percent in September. Meanwhile, the national unemployment rate also fell

slightly, from 5.9 percent to 5.8 percent. Experts say this is the lowest in six years.

"What we need now to do is to make sure that we build on this momentum, because we recognize that despite the solid growth, despite the drop in unemployment, there are still a lot of folks out there who are anxious about their futures, who are having trouble making ends meet at the end of the month or saving for their kids' college education, or being able to make sure that they're able to retire with dignity and respect."

He added, "And so everything that we do for the next two

President Obama commented.

years is designed and geared towards ensuring that folks who work hard in this country are able to get ahead."

The Labor Dept reports that their have been nine consecutive months of strong job growth, with 214,000 jobs being added in October, and 248,000 jobs being added in September. They also report that 31,000 more jobs were added in both August and September than they had previously estimated.

But is this enough?

Not according to Dedrick Asante-Muhammad Sr., director of the NAACP's economic department. He comments, "Minorities have shifted from the decimated public and manufacturing workforce to an overwhelming representation in retail occupations such as customer service, administrative support, waste removal and security. These positions in particular have very little pressure to raise wages... [and] until we see significant growth in wages for all occupations and people, we cannot call this a full recovery."

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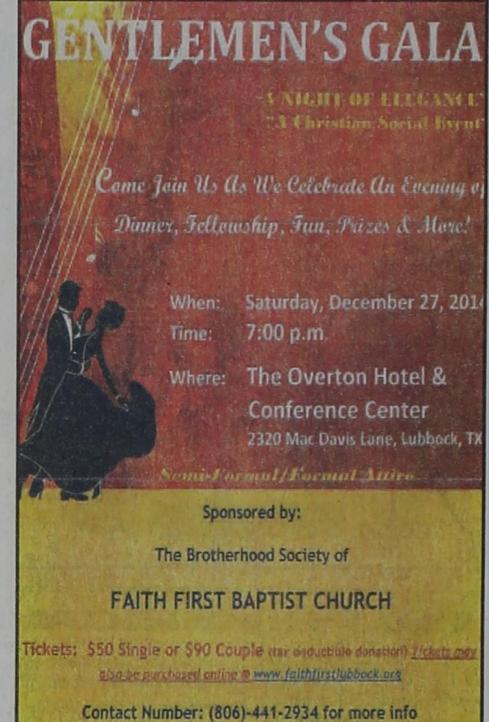
The Thanksgiving Pot Luck will be held at Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center on Sat urday morning, November 22, 2014. It is FREE, and all who will in attendance are asked to bring either a side or deserts.

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Ferguson Braces for Grand-Jury Decision

Even if President Obama hadn't just announced Loretta Lynch as the nominee to replace Eric Holder as Even if President Obama hadn't just announced Loretta Lynch as his attorney general, eyes would still be focused on the Department of Justice this week as the country waits to learn whether a grand jury will indict Ferguson Police Officer 'Darren Wilson in the shooting death of Michael Brown.

Last August, Officer Wilson shot and killed Brown, an unarmed Black teenager, after the two had a scuffle that began at Wilson's police car and ended several minutes later and feet away with Brown lying face down with fatal gunshot wounds. On Aug. 20, a grand jury was convened to determine how Brown died. The Ferguson police say Brown struggled with Wilson inside his police car, then reached for Wilson's weapon. Brown's family and some witnesses say Wilson killed Brown as he raised his hands in surrender.

In the three months since, Brown's family and the Don't Shoot Coalition, a coalition of more than 50 organizations including union workers, clergy, antiwar activists and Black empowerment groups, have led a series of protests in Ferguson to demand tougher scrutiny on police violence and brutality. Racial tensions have also remained high in Ferguson, especially after the complete breakdown in Ferguson's diversity management. Those deep feelings are forecasted to escalate after the grand jury's looming decision, which could come as early as Nov. 15.

"We want people to pray that the system will work, but the family doesn't have much confidence at all," Ben Crump, the lawyer representing Brown's family, told The New York Times. Nor, he added, are they confident that the local police will deal properly even with peaceful protesters.

But regardless of what the grand



new equipment, including riot

gear; sent 350 officers to train-

ing sessions on how to manage

civil disobedience; and met with

police chiefs from other commu-

nities around the nation that

have dealt with unrest. Still

under consideration are canceled

days off for officers and 12-hour

the use of tear gas, riot equip-

ment and armored vehicles by

county and local police in the

early days of the protests. The

heavy initial response led Gov-

ernor Nixon to summon the Na-

tional Guard and temporarily put

the Missouri Highway Patrol in

charge of Ferguson crowd con-

trol Captain Ron Johnson told

CBS News he has been meeting

with students, gang members

and ministers about what might

happen following the grand-jury

Missouri State Highway Pa-

Demonstrators have criticized

jury decides, Mr. Crump said the Browns plan to urge peace from the demonstrators and would continue pressing the federal government and states to pass "Michael Brown laws"—laws that would require officers to wear video cameras.

"The real change they want is for people to use their frustration and turn it into legislation," Crump said. "If you get the Mike Brown law passed, nobody will have to deal with something like this and the insult to injury afterward."

Last Friday, President Obama spoke with Missouri Governor Jay Nixon to get an update on the situation in Ferguson. So far, school leaders are reviewing emergency contingency plans and urging officials to announce the grand-jury finding outside of school hours-preferably on a Sunday-so that children returning home are not caught in a melee. The leaders of at least three police departments—the Missouri State Highway Patrol, the St. Louis County Police Department and the St. Louis Po-Department-are

coordinating efforts for unified preparation.

"We're focused on the preservation of life and property," Jon Belmar, Chief of the county police, said in an interview. His department spent \$37,741 in October on helmets, shields, batons and shin guards.

According to The New York Times, the St. Louis Police Department has spent \$325,000 on "There's a lot of fear. A lot of

decision.

people are afraid of what could happen," Johnson explained. "In the end, this is gonna be the community we have to live in."

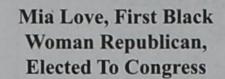
At Metro Shooting Range in nearby Bridgeton, Mo., Manager John Stephenson says gun sales are up 40 to 50 percent with the bulk of new sales being homedefense shotguns. Several other people have signed up for gunrange training.

"Every time that door opens, we're seeing new faces every day," Stephenson told CNN. The new customers tell him they're concerned about what is going to happen in and around Ferguson when the grand-jury decision is announced.

At a recent meeting with anxious business owners and other worried community members, Mayor James Knowles III suggested that people steer clear of the area in the evening if protests break out. "By 8, 9 o'clock, nothing good is going to happen out on the streets," Knowles said. "When the gremlins come out, you're just going to get caught in the crossfire." Residents also were warned to empty their trash often, so it would not be set aflame during protests.

According to the St. Louis CBS affiliate, activists asked last Wednesday for advance notice before prosecutors announce whether Wilson will face charges in the shooting death of Brown, saying they can help prevent widespread violence if

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Nationwide — 38-year old Mia Love, is now the the representative-elect for Utah's 4th Congressional district. She is also the first black Republican woman elected to the U.S. Continue on Page 9



Mia Love

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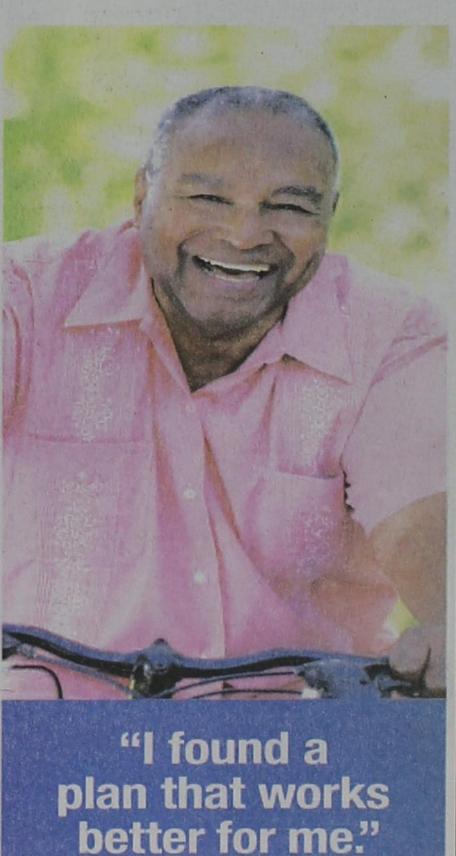
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More Obituaries In Lubbock, Texas Raymond Eli Loggins

Funeral services for Raymond Eli Loggins were held Saturday afternoon, November 15, 2014, at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Seventh-Day Adventist Church.

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

Loggins, age 80, passed away on Tuesday, November 4, 2014.

He was born the fifth child of nine to Ruben Loggins and Rachel Edwards on December 15, 1933 in Falls County, Texas.

He attended public school in Lubbock, Texas, and was a 1954 graduate of Dunbar High School. He later attended University Langston Langston, Oklahoma as a drafting major.

Later, he enlisted in the United States Army where he served as a soldier in the Vietnam War. His military career afforded him the opportunity to reside in various locations in the world, including: Texas, Korea, Germany, Virginia, Washington, D. C., and Colorado.

Loggins was well known for his ethic and dedication to his community and church. In his teens, he and three of his brothers formed a gospel quartet which traveled from congregation to congregation throughout

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children were born. Dessie ally started a career at Texas Tech University from which she

She was a member and participated in the choir of Community Baptist Church, under the pastoral leadership of Larry Brooks until her health began to

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Lubbock and surrounding areas, and he continued to share the gospel through his music throughout his lifetime. He also served as an Elder of the churches where he and his wife were members.

Raymond was preceded in death by: his parents; his wife, Bobbie L. Loggins; one son, Ronnie D. Williams; one grandson, Jerry Williams, Jr.; three brothers: James Loggins, Willie Loggins, and Reuben Loggins; and two sisters: Alene Loggins and Ann Loggins.

Raymond leaves to cherish his memories: two sons: Reginald Loggins and Jerry Williams; three grandchildren: LeRonn Williams, Julian Williams, and Jerika Williams; one great-grandchild, Ty Williams; two brothers: Walter Loggins and Edward Loggins; one sister, Middie Loggins; and a host of relatives and friends.

fail. Dessie was a caring and loving individual who will be missed by many.

She was preceded in death by earned her G.E.D. and eventu- her parents, John and Alice Hunt; sister, Mattie Thompson; brother, Hosea Hunt; and sons: Roscoe and Leslie Judie.

She leaves to cherish her memories: daughters: Frances Shephard (McKinley-deceased), and Marilyn Blackman; sons: Frank Judie, Samuel Judie, Lemuel Judie (Della), and Carl L. Judie (Sharon); sisters: Ida Hamilton and Alice Pittman; brothers: James Hunt, Sr. and Coy Dell Porter (Linda); 13 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces,

Hilford Ray Griggs

Funeral services for Hilford Ray Griggs were held Saturday morning, November 15, 2014, at the Kingdom Life Church under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Griggs, age 69, passed away Friday, November 7, 2014.

Hilford was born on June 13, 1945 to the parentage of Mr. and Mrs. Eunice and Roberta Griggs in Terrell, Texas.

Later the family relocated to Ralls, Texas and eventually to Lubbock, Texas. Hilford also lived in Bakersfield, California, and retuned to Lubbock.

He married Madelene Lewis Griggs on June 12, 1999. He attended True Worshippers C.O.G.I.C. and Praise Center Ministry. He moved his membership to Victory in Praise Christian Fellowship where he was a faithful member until his death.

Hilford was owner and operator of Ray Griggs Lawn Service while employed with University Medical Center. Those who had the privilege of knowing him will truly miss

Hilford is preceded in death by his parents, Eunice and Roberta Griggs; three brothers:

Snooze alarm Continued from Page 3

that they woke up too early in the mornings got just about the same amount of total sleep time as their counterparts who said getting up early didn't bother them.

No doubt that perceptions of sleep are subjective and, according to the researchers, it may be that some of us don't get enough so-called deep sleep-the kind that babies and teen-agers enjoy.

nephews, other relatives, and

Habit starts out as a thread. As new threads are added, it becomes a rope we cannot break.

Unknown



Charles, Jessie Lee, and Lon Griggs; two sisters: Hattie Williams and Jessie Mae Branch; one son, Hilford, Jr.; and one daughter, Anquanet Bai-

He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife of 15 years, Madelene Griggs; eight daughters: Connie, Jackie, Rosemary (Antonio), Devenell, Denise, Alicia, Winnona, and Naquilla; four sisters: Rosie Green, Joyce Lee (Bufus), Lillie Ware (Kenneth), and Alberta Lilly (Greg); two brothers: Elder E. J. (Dorothy) and Elder Robert; 14 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

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The danger of weaves and extensions

Celebrities like Beyonce, Naomi Campbell and Viola Davis are going bald. The cause? Dangerous hair weaves and extensions, and wearing wigs for extended periods of time. The condition is called alopecia areata (ar-ee-AH-tah), which means hair loss in which the hair falls out in patches. The condition is an attack against the hair follicle. In alopecia areata, immune system cells called white blood cells attack the cells in the hair follicles. This condition is often genetic and can happen to anyone.

What is Central Centrifugal Cicatricial Alopecia (CCCA)?

However, there is another type of alopecia called central centrifugal cicatricial alopecia, or CCCA, in which baldness begins at the crown. In a recent study, 59 percent of black women in the study had this.



The Harvest is Near ~By Deborah Ann

The fields are now ready, the harvest is almost near the seed has been planted for every nation to hear.

The season is turning right, the time is drawing close soon our Savior will come but the hour no one knows.

The Word has gone out, the desert rose is a bloom in God's heavenly mansion there's still plenty of room.

The soil has been prepared, the sacrifice has been made the time is running out for lost souls to be swayed.

The showers have increased, the outpouring is on the rise and the day Jesus comes will be twinkling in our eyes.

The message of hope continues, it will to the very end . . . still we don't how much longer the time ~ God plans to extend!

> Matthew 24:36 King James Version

"But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.'

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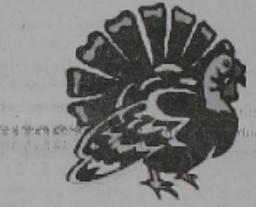
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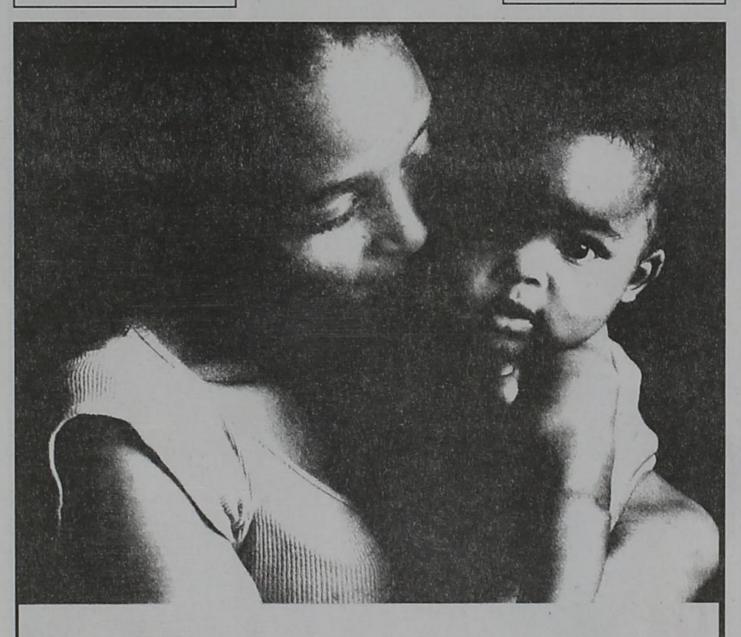
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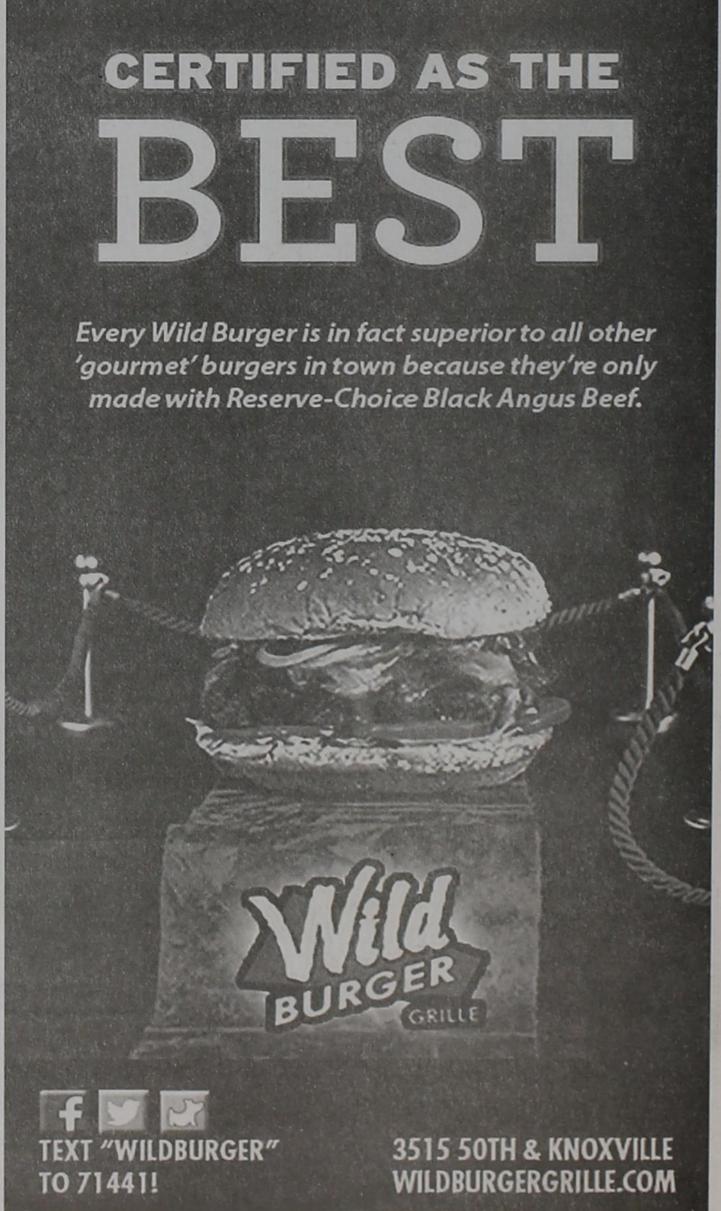
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Bill Cosby Goes Silent After Being Questioned During Interview About Sexual Assault Accusations

Nationwide — During a recent interview on NPR's Weekend Edition with comedian Bill Cosby and his wife Camille, Cosby froze up when interviewer Scott Simon asked him about the "serious allegations raised" about him. Cosby did not reply at all verbally, but simply shook his head.

"You're shaking your head no," Simon continued. "I'm in the news business. I have to ask the question. Do you have any

Loretta Lynch

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nation of smart, focused, personable and kind," said Robert Raben, an assistant attorney general who worked with Lynch in the Clinton administration and is now a Washington consultant and lobbyist. "She's a great pick—law enforcement and prosecution chops and a deep sense of compassion. That she is an African American woman from the South is just an awesome day for this nation."

The daughter of a Baptist minister, Lynch grew up in Greensboro, N.C. She received a bachelor's degree from Harvard College and a law degree from Harvard Law School.

During her first term in the post, Lynch oversaw the prosecution of New York police officers for brutality against Abner Louima, a Haitian immigrant who was arrested after a scuffle outside a nightclub. She is now prosecuting Rep. Michael G. Grimm (R-N.Y.), who was reelected Tuesday, for alleged fraud

Her team also helped investigate Citigroup's sales of mortgage securities, a probe that culminated in a \$7 billion settlement between the bank and federal authorities.

At a recent goodbye ceremony for West in the Great Hall at Justice Department headquarters, Lynch spoke publicly about the "tug of war" between U.S. attorneys in the field and the headquarters in Washington. But she praised West for working closely with the U.S. attorneys and listening to their needs.

Lynch enjoys the strong support of Democrats and progressive activists.

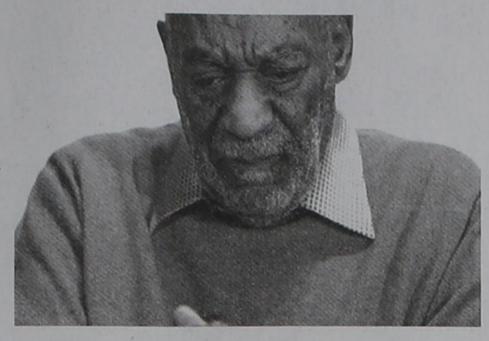
Nan Aaron, president of the Alliance for Justice, which represents a coalition of 100 liberal groups, cheered the prospect of Lynch's nomination in a statement. "We are confident that Lynch will build on Holder's strong legacy of standing up for civil rights and ensuring equal justice for all Americans," she said. "We call on Ms. Lynch to take a leading role in addressing the Supreme Court's repeated efforts to deny access to the courts

Ferguson

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they have 48 hours to prepare for protests.

Ed Magee, a spokesman for St. Louis County Attorney Bob McCulloch, who is overseeing the grand-jury investigation, met with McPhearson and attorney Denise Lieberman earlier Wednesday and said the coalition's request for 48 hours' notice of a grand jury decision is "being considered."



response to those charges?"

Cosby shook his head again, and did not reply.

Simon was referring to allegations that Cosby sexually asand the ballot box."

Hill Republicans were more skeptical but expressed hope that their relationship with Lynch would be better than with it is

with Holder. "When reviewing a candidate to serve as our nation's chief law enforcement officer, a full and fair confirmation process is always essential, and its importance has only increased in light of the troubling abuses under the current Attorney General," Sen. Orrin G. Hatch (R-Utah), the longest-serving member of the judiciary panel, said in a statement. "I look forward to hearing Ms. Lynch's plans for restoring trust in the Department of Justice."

saulted multiple women over the years, and a column that was recently published online by The Washington Post by a woman named Barbara Bowman, one of Cosby's accusers. In the column, Bowman says, "Cosby won my trust as a 17-year-old aspiring actress in 1985, brainwashed me into viewing him as a father figure, and then assaulted me multiple times."

Cosby, who is now 77 years old, has faced such allegations and even settled one civil suit with an accuser back in 2006, but the issue resurfaced again recently after a comedian named Hannibal Buress called Cosby a rapist during one of his performances.

Meanwhile, Cosby has never been formally charged with a crime, and some have questioned why his accusers did not bring up their allegations in the

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Mia Love First Republican Congresswoman Continued from Page 7 ouse of Representatives.

House of Representatives. She defeated Democrat Doug Owens in a Utah district long held by conservative Democrat Jim Matheson. Back in 2012, Love lost to Matheson by only 768 votes.

But Love does not want to make this a racial matter. She tells CNN, "This has nothing to do with race. Utahans have made a statement that they're not interested in dividing Americans based on race or gender, that they want to make sure that they are electing people who are honest — who have integrity, who could be able to go out and actually make sure that we represent the values that they hold dear."

Formally, Love was the mayor of a small Utah city called Saratoga Springs where she says few Black residents lived. She comments, "I wasn't elected because of the color of my skin. I wasn't elected because of my gender. I was elected because of the solutions that I put at the table."

She also added that she would consider joining the Congressional Black Caucus, which currently is all Democrats.

Love, born in Brooklyn, New York, is also a daughter of Haitian-American immigrants. She is the first Haitian-American of any party to be elected to Congress.

past. They why wait until a man is a senior citizen to start accusing him of rape?

So what do you think? Is Bill Cosby guilty or is he a victim himself of extortion?

If you have a mom,
there is nowhere you are likely
to go
where a prayer hasn't already
been.
Robert Brault

Helen Fitzgerald Continued from Page One

Minister through St. John Baptist Church under the direction of Pastor Solomon E. Fields.

Although Helen had many responsibilities, she always made sure to make time for things that mattered most which were her family.

In spite of her declining health, Helen worked faithfully. Although slowing her down, she did not stop completely until God saw fit to allow her to sleep in his arms.

She is survived by her husband, Gerald D. Fitzgerald of Lubbock; two sons, Micaiah D. Fitzgerald of San Antonio, Texas and Micah D. Fitzgerald of Abilene, Texas; one daughter, Maleika A. Smith of Abilene, Texas; one brother, Thomas Harris of Lubbock, Texas; three sisters: Jossie Lethridge (Tommy), Doris Harris (Norris, deceased) all of Lubbock, Texas and Clarissa Roberson (Ray) of Levelland, Texas; one grandchild, Rosemary Isabella Collette Smith.

abella Collette Smith.

She is preceded in death by her

parents, one brother, C. L. Harris; one sister, Ruthie Harris; and one neice, Charlotte Roberson.

Active Pallbearers were: Daniel Roberson, Dan Harris, Damian Roberson, Isaac Deshun Harris, Devin Lethridge, Isaac Donavan Harris, Willie Butler, and Drexal-Robinson.

Honorary Pallbearers were: Ray Roberson, Tommy Lethridge, Kevin Lethridge, Willie Rogers, Norris Harris, Jr., David Roberson, and the Deacon's Board of the St. John Baptist Church.

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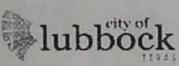
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Thank You President Obama for Inviting Pretty Brown Girls to the Table

Nationwide — Sheri Crawley, Founder of the Pretty Brown Girl Foundation, was thrilled to hear the news yesterday from Valerie Jarrett, Sr. Advisor to President Obama, who announced that the White House Council of Women and Girls will now turn its focus to Girls of Color. This comes with great support from the 150 Pretty Brown Girl Clubs across the United States comprised of girls, parents, schools, universities and churches.

After the announcement earlier this year for My Brother's Keeper, we were waiting for the opportunity to share our revolutionary platform that has touched thousands of girls across the globe," says Crawley. The community based model The Pretty Brown Girl Club, that was launched in 2012 on International Pretty Brown Girl Day, is the first ever organization for girls of color to have a social platform to address, discuss and celebrate the topic of loving the skin they're in. This commitment from the White House gives Pretty Brown Girl additional hope that lives will be changed; one girl at a time and reinforces their motto to "Empower a girl, Empower the world."

Pretty Brown Girl also offers a K-12 After-School Program Curriculum with interactive engagement and learning activities. With the odds of suspension about six times greater for girls of color than whites, this 15-20 week, project-based, self-discovery program is much needed to help reduce school infractions and to improve academic achievement. Young ladies participating in the Pretty Brown Girl programs will be inspired to Dream Big and pledge to walk in their purpose.

Why Pretty Brown Girl? In a country where a full one-third of the population is African American, Native American, Asian, Pacific Islander, Hispanic or



Latina, there is a serious underrepresentation of positive messages and images regarding women and girls of color. Girls today are receiving mixed messages from the media, their peers and countless other places. At a very early age, girls begin to shape their self- image and it is that image that they hold on to throughout their lives. Pretty Brown Girl seeks to empower girls of color from kindergarten to collegiate campuses including Spelman College and the University of Michigan. "The girls are embracing their uniqueness, conquering their fears, learning to love themselves and their peers and learning what it takes to be a change agent," says Deana McClain, a PBG Club Leader in Louisiana.

