

Southwest Digest



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 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 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 announcement about your organization, please advise by calling (806) 762-3612 or e-mail swdigest@sbcglobal.net.

If you have an announcement you want to appear in this paper, there are three ways to get information to us:

Southwest Digest Community Meetings 902 East 28th Street Lubbock, Texas 79404 (806) 761st 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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An Historical Visit At Patterson Library



A PROUD PAW PAW — THIS N THAT, T. J. Patterson, Sr., had much to be thankful for this past Thanksgiving Holiday. Pictured above standing with him are his only two great-grandchildren: Nathan and Layla Williams, and grandson, Marcus Williams, who came to visit with him and his wife from Chicago, Illinois.

They are standing in front of the sign: Bobbie Gean & T. J. Patterson Branch Library. This was the first time THIS N THAT had the opportunity to see his great-granddaughter, Layla in person since her birth in October. They are also great-grandchildren of the late Bobbie Gean Patterson.

They are the children of Marcus & Emmanuella Williams, and grandchildren of Avis Patterson.

(This weeks' artwork Christmas heading was courtesy of Emmanuella Williams)

THIS N THAT reported a wonderful 4 day visit with these great-grandchildren. He said, "I'm looking forward to their return visit to Lubbock."

What a wonderful time everyone had. Little Nathan and Miss Layla surely kept their Paw Paw laughing and amazed at how energetic and intelligent they were. This will be a Thanksgiving THIS N THAT won't forget. Thanksgiving is about family and friends coming together to love on each other. There's nothing like being together as a Family!

100 Black Men of West Texas Sponsored Sickle Cell Screening At The Bridge

The 100 Black Men of West Texas, along with Dr. O. of Texas Tech Communication & Media Department, was able to do Sickle Cell screening at The Bridge of Lubbock, 1301 Redbud Avenue, on Friday, November 19, 2014.

Sickle Cell is one of the least researched diseases and thanks to The 100 Black Men of West Texas and their Health & Wellness program, this was made possible. Look to the future for more Health & Wellness programs sponsored by the 100 Black Men of West Texas.

Have you had your Sickle Cell screening?

Vision On Chatman Hill Will Be Presented December 5th

The end of semester showing of the final outcome for this semester's work on a vision for Chatman Hill will be at Urban Tech, 1120 Main Street, Suite 206, during the First Friday event from 6:00- 9:00 pm on December 5, 2014.

Students have been working on this project this past semester and would now like to show it to the community at large. This would be an excellent time for members of the community to view and comment on the ideas proposed by the TTU graduate architecture class for revitalization of Chatman Hill, an important and significant Lubbock neighborhood.



Photographer Totsey Bass Took This Happy Young Lady After Her Sickle Cell Screening At The Bridge.

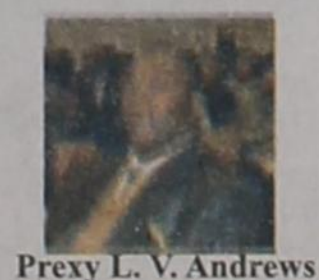
Martin Luther King Little League Will Meet Tonight

The Martin Luther King Little League Baseball will be conducting a Baseball meeting to discuss the upcoming 2015 season at the Ted Phea Boys & Girls Club, 1801 East 24th Street, tonight, Thursday, December 4, 2015, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

This important meeting will involve electing officers and board members for the upcoming baseball season.

If you are interested or have any questions, then contact Charles Curry at (806) 577-1373 or Ron Sanders at (806) 535-3937.

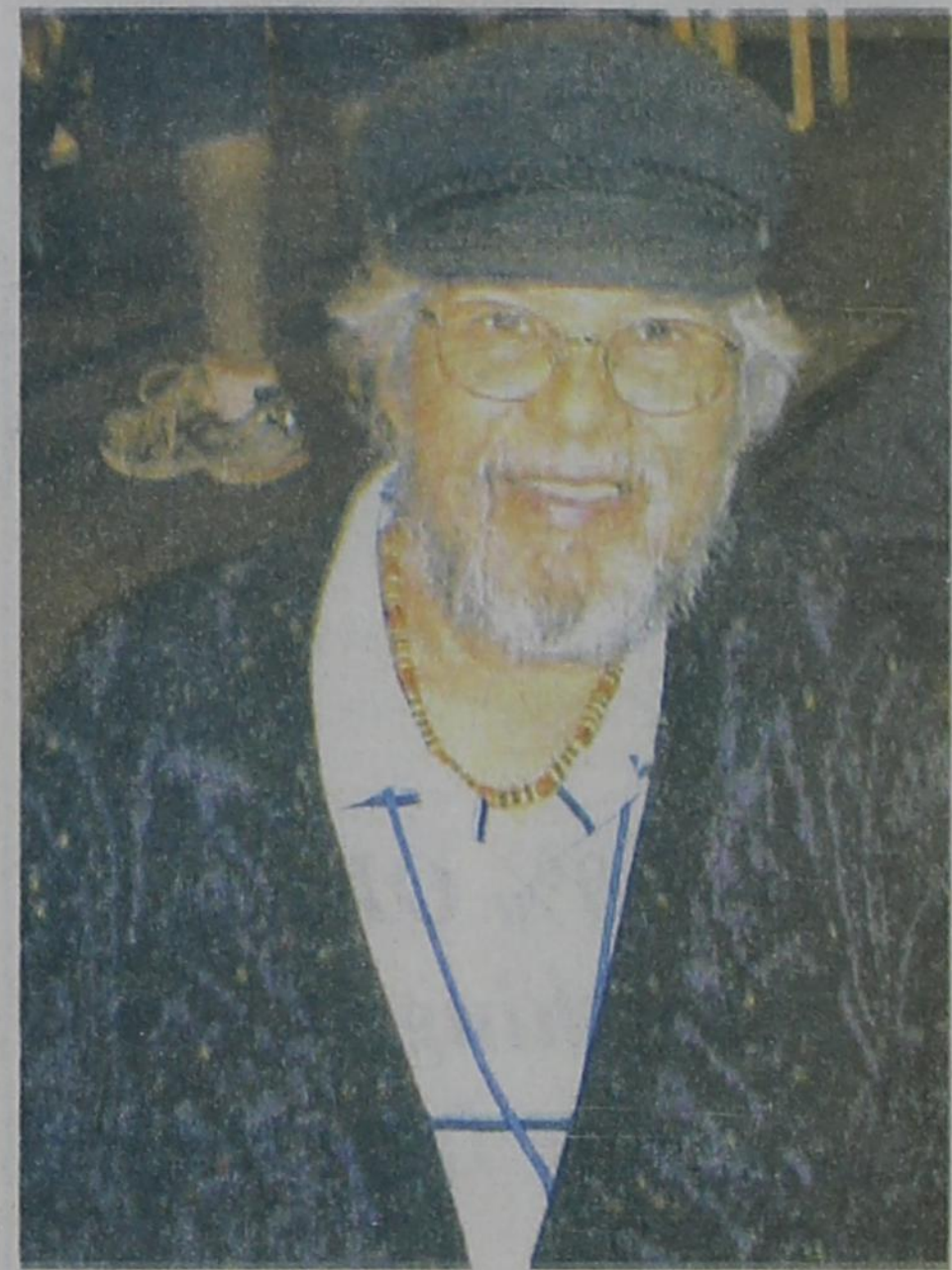
MLK Prexy L. V. Andrews Announces Mass Choir Rehearsal For Adults & Children



Prexy L. V. Andrews

The MLK Commemorative Council is preparing for the 2015 MLK Celebration. Your participation is needed. Mark your calendars for a marvelous time January 16-19, 2015.

MLK Mass Choir Rehearsal for Adults and Children will be held at St. John Baptist Church, 1712 East 29th Street, 7:00 p.m., on the following dates: December 1st, 8th, 15th, 19th, 22nd and 29th. January 5th, 9th and 12th, 2015.



Bidal Agüero

New Award Will Recognize Community Activist

On Thursday, November 6, 2014, El Editor Publisher Olga Agüero and Abel Cruz announced the creation of a new award designed to recognize individuals who, through their community involvement and activism, have demonstrated their commitment to advocating for civil rights.

The award will be known as The Bidal Agüero Justicia Award. Mr. Agüero was the founding publisher of El Editor, Texas' oldest Hispanic owned newspaper, up until his death on November 3, 2009.

The announcement was made at a reception held at the Bobbie Gean & T.J. Patterson Library in Lubbock, Texas to commemorate the 5th anniversary of Mr. Agüero's passing. It was attended by his family and close personal friends of Mr. Agüero. The co-founders of the award outlined three objectives the award will symbolize:

1. The award will convey the message that the recipient of the award has built upon the foundation of the body of work that Bidal Agüero left behind.

2. The award will also recognize the value of his work, his struggles, his acceptance of his responsibility to his community, and his willingness to sacrifice for his community.

3. The award will serve as a symbol to present and future generations that Bidal Agüero's contributions to society made a difference to the Chicano community and the city of Lubbock. Mr. Agüero started El Editor in

October of 1977. Through the newspaper and his direct community involvement, he impacted many other areas of the Hispanic community and the city of Lubbock. He was a publisher, book author, playwright, musician, and businessman. He was a co-founder of Lubbock's first and only Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, known as COMA.

He held a Bachelors degree from Texas Tech University and his Masters from the University of Wisconsin in Whitewater, Wisconsin.

He was also one of the original members of "Los Premiers", often referred to as "pioneers of Chicano music". The group's name is inscribed on the West Texas Walk of Fame.

The first recipient of the award will be selected in 2015. The requirements and qualifications for the nominees will be released at a later date.

"As co-founders of the award, we are confident that Bidal's impact on the Chicano/Hispanic community and the city of Lubbock, affirms our decision to name an award in his honor. His documented history and accomplishments, are proof that he dedicated his life to advocating for civic, political, legal, economic, and moral justice."

Contact: Olga Agüero editorsales@sbcglobal.net or 806-763-3841 for additional information.

Where Is This Billboard?



HOW MANY OF YOU HAVE SEEN THIS BILLBOARD? If you have noticed this billboard while driving then tell someone about it. Where did you see it? Babies can read!

The United Family, The Salvation Army, U.S. Marine Corps Officially Launch 2014 Toys for Tots Campaign

The United Family on Thursday, November 20, 2014, joined the United States Marine Corps Reserve and The Salvation Army Angel Tree Program as partners in the annual Toys for Tots campaign to provide toys to economically disadvantaged children at Christmas. This year's campaign kicked off with an event at the Toys for Tots headquarters on Marsha Sharp Freeway.

The occasion also marked the official beginning of the annual Salvation Army Angel Tree Program, which gives holiday shoppers the opportunity to adopt and purchase gifts for a child in need during the holidays. The Salvation Army will also provide a

food box for guests to support local families.

The United Family president and chief executive officer, Robert Taylor, presented two \$2,500 checks on behalf of the company to get this year's effort underway for Toys for Tots and The Salvation Army's Angel Tree Program.

"We are honored to partner in the Toys for Tots campaign again this year, to help make the holidays a little more special for thousands of Lubbock area children," said Taylor. "Our efforts wouldn't be possible without the support and leadership from the Salvation Army and Marine Corps Reserve."

The former United Supermar-

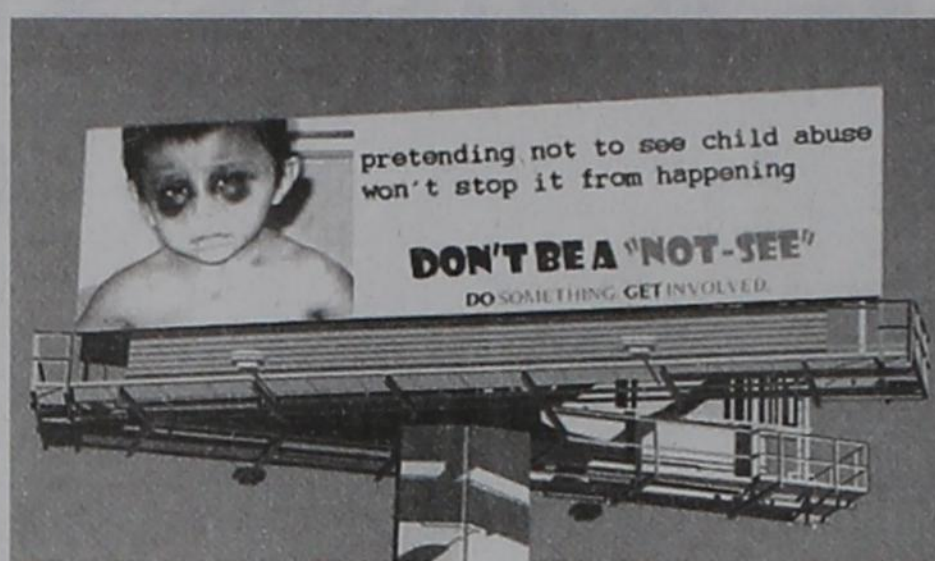
kets location, near the corner of 29th Drive and Marsha Sharp Freeway, served as the toy drop-off and distribution headquarters for this year's drive, which ran through December 1.

The sponsoring organizations expect to provide assistance to more than 5,500 children and 1,800 families between the two programs this year.

Texas Tech University Lady Raiders basketball coach, Candi Whitaker, made the first toy donation at today's event, officially kicking off the campaign.

During this year's campaign, participants may drop off new, unwrapped toys at The Salvation Army, located at 1111 16th St. in downtown Lubbock.

New "N" Word Presents Universal Challenge — Don't Be A Not-see®



Nationwide — Positive Prints P. S. is excited to announce the release of a new music video for its universal call to action, Don't Be A Not-see®. "We have launched a new community," says Adam L. Perkins, originator and spokesperson for Don't Be A

Not-see®. He goes on to explain that the term "Not-see" came about after noticing the tendency of people to ignore injustice. Perkins adds, "Not-see® is defined as one who ignores injustice by pretending not to see it." It's been said that if it bleeds it leads. What does that say about our society?" asked Perkins, who feels that people can do more. "I take issue when a person knows, suspects, or witnesses an injustice and does nothing. Pretending not to see injustice won't stop it from hap-

Continues to differ dramatically between hospitals and the impact that this variation may have on health outcomes and organizational costs. For example, from 2011-2013, if all hospitals as a group, performed similarly to hospitals receiving five-stars as a group, on average 228,426 lives could potentially have been saved and 169,298 complications could potentially have been avoided.*

"Being recognized for our outstanding quality of care is the best award we could possibly receive," said Dr. Craig Rhyne, chief medical officer of Covenant Health. "One of our main goals is to achieve clinical excellence, and honors such as these help us realize our tireless efforts and continuous strides for excellence are making a difference for the lives of our patients."

A five-star rating indicates that Covenant's clinical outcomes are better than expected when treating the condition or conducting the procedure being evaluated.

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Mae Simmons Community Center Hosts 6th Annual Christmas Carnival

Mae Simmons Community Center will host their 6th Annual Christmas Carnival on Saturday, December 6, 2014, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. All ages are welcome with plenty of activities for the entire family. Children will enjoy carnival games and a Christmas art project in Santa's Workshop. Walk through the winter wonderland and listen to Christmas carols, then have your photo taken with Santa Claus. Bring your own camera or let us take a photo for \$1/photo. Thanks to our door prize sponsors. Concessions will be available from the Candy Cane Snack Shop. Admission is free!

Mae Simmons Community Center is located at East 23rd and Oak Avenue. Hours for the center are Monday-Friday from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m., and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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The hospital also was recognized earlier this year with the 2014 Outstanding Patient Experience Award as well as being in the top ten percent in the nation for outstanding patient experience.

The achievements are part of new findings and data released recently on Healthgrades.com and in the Healthgrades 2015 Report to the Nation. Every year, Healthgrades evaluates hospital performance at more than 4,500 hospitals nationwide for 33 of the most common inpatient procedures and conditions.

The new report demonstrates how clinical performance con-

Support South Plains Food Bank!!!

Friends of Library Sponsors Book Sale

The Friends of the Library are holding a book sale for the public in the basement of the Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, on Friday, December 5 and Saturday, December 6. Sale hours both days are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. In addition to books, there will be audiobooks, CDs, DVDs, puzzles, art and more! Cash and checks only, please. For more information, please call 775-2835.

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In Cinque

By Renetta Howard



Black Friday has just passed and we are looking at Cyber Monday, the day to shop online. Frankly, it appears that Black Friday is really not a good name for the shopping day which was prefaced with Gray Thursday which began at 6:00 P.M. on the day before Black Friday. It seems to me and some other thoughtful people, that the items touted as bargains are items made especially for the special date sales. Aside from that, many of these items are the last item of its kind being manufactured. Is that why it is called Black Friday; a connotation which in its origin had something to do with the exchange and purchase of slaves on a particular day?

Is it strange that this year, 2014, that across the United States, that protests were being held on Gray Thursday, Black Friday and some even planned to make state capitols their destination on Cyber Monday? It did not all begin in Ferguson, Missouri. Police brutality has been a staple in the United States for centuries. It is just at this time when so many deaths have occurred in a very short time that it has gained the attention of people in this country who feel that we have had enough. It is said that the United Nations has cited that police brutality in the United States needs to be looked into. Most Americans, especially Black Americans agree.

Certainly, it is hoped that Darren Wilson's resignation, the Ferguson policeman who killed the unarmed teen Michael Brown, will bring some hope and peace to the neighborhood and to the country. As quiet as it is kept, the circumstances surrounding his resignation and the fact that he will not receive a severance package, remains to be seen or not seen. We only have the information which is given to us by the powers that be, but we do not know what speculations and course of action will follow this gesture. We heartily pray that it will be good.

The violence which has followed the actions of the city of Ferguson and the grand jury as well as Wilson's retirement will long be remembered in the annals of Black history. Many of us feel that the violence was unnecessary, as there are many other ways to calm unjust situations without destroying the neighborhood in which one lives. Perhaps one day we will think before we act and make our plans positive rather than negative.

From all indications, there is still the chance that Darren Wilson can be charged with some crimes as there was no protocol followed by him or the Ferguson police department after he killed Michael Brown. As for that matter, the whole Ferguson police force may be under scrutiny and

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"Pancho Clos" Is Coming To Town

The famous "Pancho Clos" will be arriving at the Maggie Trejo Super Center on Sunday, Dec. 21st., 2014 at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon and will be bringing bags of fruit, candy and toys to the needy kids in the West Texas area. "Pancho Clos" is sponsored by the American

G.I. Forum and co-sponsored by the Lubbock Area Foundation. "Pancho Clos" originated here in Lubbock forty three years ago by three member of the American G.I. Forum, the late Bidal Aguero, Gus Medina and Jesse Reyes. The "Pancho Clos" project has been a huge success because of all the volunteers, sponsors and non-profit organizations that are involved with this project. Every

TxDOT Reminds Texans To Give The Gift Of A Sober Ride This Holiday Season

AUSTIN – As holiday festivities get into full swing, the Texas Department of Transportation reminds drivers to stay safe and sober when traveling to and from parties and other celebrations.

"We want drivers to have fun over the holidays, but more importantly, we want them to celebrate responsibly," said TxDOT Executive Director LtGen Joe Weber, USMC (Ret). "Make a sober ride part of your plans and don't let one bad choice ruin the holidays for you and your family."

TxDOT's Sober Ride Sleigh will be visiting more than a dozen cities across Texas to draw attention to the importance of having a sober ride. The "sleigh" is a donated limousine wrapped to look like a holiday gift. It will visit shopping malls, parades and other holiday-related venues.

During last year's holiday season (Dec. 1, 2013 – Jan. 1, 2014), there were 2,367 DUI-alcohol traffic crashes in Texas resulting in 763 serious injuries and 92 fatalities. While these figures are staggering, DUI traffic fatalities actually decreased 8.9 percent compared with the same time frame the previous year.

"A decrease in fatalities is always welcome news and I think it speaks to the importance of

year it seems that more and more people want to get involved with "Pancho Clos" because it brings a lot of joy to the needy kids around the Lubbock area. We thank the Girl Scouts troop #6073, Solitos Car Club, Mario's Upholstery, Lubbock Hispanic Police Association, 80 individual bikers, United Super Markets, City of Lubbock, Maggie Trejo Super Center and of course all the news media.

For more information, please call Robert Narvaiz at 781-6277

THIS N' THAT

by T. J. Patterson

THE BIDALAGUERO JUSTICIA AWARD IS A VERY GOOD THING! THIS N THAT salutes the **EL EDITOR NEWSPAPER** for creating an award in honor of our friend **BIDAL AGUERO** as he fought hard to make Lubbock, Texas a **MUCH BETTER PLACE FOR CITIZENS OF LUBBOCK!** The award will convey the message that the person receiving the award will be based on the **FOUNDATION** of the body of work which **BIDAL AGUERO** left behind. This award has been devel-

oped to **RECOGNIZE THE VALUE OF HIS WORK, HIS MANY STRUGGLES, AND HIS ACCEPTANCE OF HIS RESPONSIBILITY TO HIS COMMUNITY.** In other words this award will serve as a **SYMBOL** of what he wanted to see **PRESENT & FUTURE GENERATIONS** will recognize that **BIDALAGUERO** did make an outstanding contribution to Lubbock. **THIS N THAT** salutes his effort and wish t hat it will continue standing for what our friend **BIDAL AGUERO** was all about. It takes hard work to

make efforts like this make a difference and we know it will! *****

A **5 STAR BANK** is still on mind of **THIS N THAT** for East Lubbock. Hopefully one day this will become a **REALITY** If one really believes in something then one day it will become a reality. There's no doubt about it **ROOF TOPS** are needed in East Lubbock but where will people deposit their **HARD EARNED MONEY? THIS N THAT** will keep on asking for this. **4 STAR BANK** and with God it will happen!!!

Texas Legislative Black Caucus Issues Statement on Ferguson Grand Jury Decision

Austin, TX – The decision Monday night, November 24, 2014, by the Grand Jury in Ferguson, Missouri to decline issuing an indictment in the shooting death of Michael Brown is the latest incident to sound the alarm about injustice in our criminal justice system. This recurrent

our aggressive impaired driving campaigns," Weber said. "As Texans, however, we must do better because one life lost to impaired driving is not only tragic, but also preventable."

The TxDOT Sober Ride Sleigh campaign occurs in conjunction with law enforcement's increased holiday efforts to crack down on drunk driving and curb vehicle crashes and fatalities. In many jurisdictions, no-refusal programs will be implemented.

TxDOT also is partnering with the National Safety Council and some of the state's largest employers to help promote the safe and sober message this holiday season. The Texas Hospitality Association and Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission also will

theme of injustice in our great land is the single largest impediment to true progress that we have and will continue to face.

The Grand Jury's decision clearly points out that injustice is a much more common occurrence for African Americans and those of color. As Martin Luther King, Jr. accurately observed "injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere; we are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly."

As proud citizens, our allegiances are pledged to a country

be distributing sober ride materials in stores and venues where alcohol is sold. Finally, TxDOT is working with transit authorities in Austin, San Antonio and Corpus Christi to encourage people to use the bus to get sober rides home.

Texans who make a pledge to have a sober ride this holiday

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backed by a promise of "liberty and justice for all". What do we make of our pledge when the unjustified killing of a teenager suggests otherwise? How do we keep the faith of our young, impressionable children when they witness with their own eyes such a visceral disconnect?

First and foremost, we sympathize with the Brown's on their unfathomable loss. Our hearts and prayers go out to them.

We now await, as we have in every point of crisis this nation has endured, for the rational among us to propel us forward in change. The unjustified killing of African Americans by those whose mission is "to protect and serve" must stop. A wise founder of our nation once stated, "justice will not be served until those who are unaffected are as outraged as those who are." The eyes of the world are now fixed on our country, and what we will do as a nation to address the problems within our criminal justice system.



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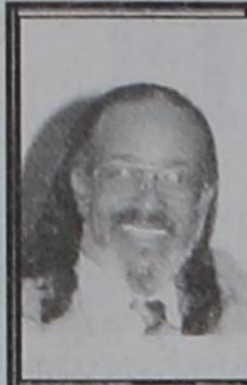
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X-MAS MOCKING GOD
Written by Evangelist Billy "BJ" Morrison, III

Isaiah 1:4 -- Yes, a sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters; they have forsaken the Lord.

X-MAS IS A RELIGION; THAT'S A STINK TO GOD'S NOSTRILS. Mocking GOD who gave his LOVE GIFT: JESUS, TO A DYING WORLD!!!

John 3:16 -- Jesus said, For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

When mankind started: **PLAYING WITH THE JESUS' BIRTHDAY THING.** It was to teach **THE CHILDREN HOW TO GIVE; IT WAS A GIVING GAME!!!**

I Corinthians: When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child, but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

The **CELEBRATION OF JESUS' BIRTHDAY -- HAS LOST ITS INTENT.** Now it has nothing to **DO WITH JESUS; ONLY HOW MUCH MONEY IS TO BE SPENT!!!**

Galatians 6:14 -- But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

A MAN WILL GIVE HIS

WIFE A NEW CAR FOR X-MAS SAYING: I LOVE YOU ALL I CAN. THEN HE'LL TURN AROUND AND KILL HER; FOR RIDING AROUND IN IT WITH HER LOVER MAN!!!

I John 2:15 -- Love not the world, neither the things that are the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

(X-MAS IS SUPPOSE TO BE THE MOST PEACEFUL TIME OF THE YEAR).

***** BLESSED ARE THE PEACE MAKERS -- AND CURSED ARE THE TROUBLE MAKERS!!! *****

Look at some of the **HEATHEN CHRISTIANS, RIOTING IN THE STREETS!!!**

They were told to go **INTO HEDGES AND HIGHWAYS, AND LEAD SOULS TO JESUS' FEET!!!**

Luke 14:23b -- Jesus said, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in. That my house may be filled.

Now X-MAS is all about, **TREES, LIGHTS, PARTIES, SMOKING AND DRINKING. IT ALL IS MOCKING THE BIRTH OF JESUS WITHOUT EVEN THINKING!!!**

(CAN YOU TELL THE PREACHER'S HOUSE OF X-MAS LIGHTS, FROM THE PIMP'S HOUSE? OR THE DRUG DEALER'S

HOUSE; FROM THAT OF THE MISSIONARY'S HOUSE!!!)

Galatians 6:7-8 -- Be not deceived, God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall He also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of his flesh reap corruption, but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

TxDOT Reminds Texans To Give The Gift of Sober

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season can enter to win donated prizes, including a day at the Richard Petty Racing Experience at Texas Motor Speedway or a SpaFinder gift certificate valued at \$2,000. Three runners-up each will win a \$1,000 American Express gift card. Contest details and ways to enter can be found at holidaysoberride.com.

Texans looking for a sober ride can visit soberrides.org for assistance.

Information contained in this report represents reportable data collected from Texas Peace Officer's Crash Reports (CR-3) received and processed by the department as of Oct. 31, 2014.

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St. Matthew Baptist Church News

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

Church services again were held at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, on Sunday morning, November 30, 2014, where the proud pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

Sunday morning services begun at 10:00 a. m. with Sunday School Superintendent Sis-

ter Shirley Davis in charge. Praise God for the knowledge received during Sunday School. Our teacher for our Sunday School is Sister Susie Davis. What a wonderful job she does!

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted by our Mission Sisters: Sister Susie Davis

and Sister Arlene Jackson.

Pastor Canady entered the Church with the Mission Sisters singing "Yeild Not To Temptation." They sung out of their hearts.

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "Make Sure You Know What You Are Talking About!" His scripture text was St. John 9:9-11.

What an informative sermon it was for all in attendance to hear.

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

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

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

Bible Study is held on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p. m. Come and learn with us.

Choir rehearsal is held on Saturday afternoons, beginning at 3:00 p. m.

Remember, your involvement in any of these important meetings is **KEY** to our growth.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in.

Among those ill include: Sister Alice Lee, Brother Wilborn, and Sister Onasanya.

Remember St. Matthew Baptist Church will sponsor a Bar-B-Que on Saturday, December 6, 2014.

The Menu consists of Bar-B-Que Briskets, Bar-B-Que Ribs, **Continue on Page 9**

Lubbock Public Library Events

Bluebonnet Book Club at 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, December 4. 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.

"Ready to Read" at Patterson Branch Library

Kris Kringle Book Sale at the Mahon Library

The Friends of the Library are holding a book sale for the public in the basement of the Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, on Friday, December 5 and Saturday, December 6. Sale hours both days are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. In addition to books, there will be audiobooks, CDs, DVDs, puzzles, art and more! Cash and checks only, please. For more information, please call 775-2835.

Families with children ages 0 to 5 are invited to a read-aloud at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive, at 1 p.m. on Saturday, December 6. 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.

Children's Holiday Craft Fair at Groves Branch Library

Come to the Groves Branch Library, 5520 19th Street, at from 3 to 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 9 and make a variety of holiday crafts to take home. For birth through 5th grade. For more information, please call 767-3733.

Children's Movie at Mahon Library

Come to the Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, at 3:45 p.m. on Wednesday, December 10 for the second movie about a dolphin named Winter. Call 775-2835 for more information.

The Early Turkey Gets the Gobble

Dr. James L. Snyder

I awoke a little groggy and made my way to the kitchen only to be confronted by the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage. There are times to confront her and then there are times to run the other way. Being in such a groggy state of affairs, I was not really thinking.

"Here is your coffee and breakfast," she said rather sternly, "go to your study, eat this and stay out of the kitchen."

As usual, I did what I was told, collected my breakfast and headed for my study. As I sat in my chair and started consuming my breakfast, I suddenly noticed I was surrounded with an overpowering aroma I knew was not my breakfast. Until I have had my first cup of coffee in the morning, I am really not sure that it is morning.

As the little grey cells begin to wake up after a half a cup of coffee, it dawned on me that the aroma was a familiar aroma but

I just could not place it. Then it hit me. It was Thanksgiving and my wife was preparing the family Thanksgiving dinner. If this Thanksgiving preparation time was like all the times before, I needed to avoid the kitchen area as much as possible.

Just saying. When she is in her family Thanksgiving turkey-roasting mode, I need to stay out of her way. This is an important history lesson for me unless I want to be history.

Then she poked her head through the doorway and said, "I have to go for several hours, I do not want you to go to the kitchen."

"What if I need another cup of coffee?"

"OK, but that's it. Don't get anywhere near the turkey. Understand?"

I understood, at least I thought I understood. I have been married long enough to know not to

take anything for granted when instructions are coming from your celebrated spouse. I was going to stand up and salute, but she disappeared before I could get into action.

Everything went well for the first half hour. Then I noticed my coffee cup was empty and I needed to refill it. I am at the stage of life where I cannot do anything without my coffee. I am not addicted to it, but I think it just might be addicted to me. I cannot afford a psychiatrist to straighten me out on that one.

I want everybody to know, my intentions were good. I was going to go into the kitchen and get a refill on my coffee and then come back to my study and resume the project I was working on. Anyway, that was the plan.

Something happened as I poured my coffee. I smelled the most wonderful aroma in the world. I should have stopped myself when I had the strength, but I did not. I looked in the direction the aroma was coming and there it was.

One of the most scrumptious looking roast turkeys I have seen in my life. There it was on the counter waiting for the family to assemble and then dig in.

I can identify with that person who said that the only thing they cannot resist is temptation. I guess it all determines on your definition of temptation.

There it was in all of its glory. The smell was just overwhelming. I thought that it would not harm anything if I just went over and had a closer look at that

magnificent delicacy. It just looked so good.

I then began thinking to myself, I always get in trouble when I think to myself, what harm would it be if I just tasted a wee bit of that turkey? After all, there was plenty of turkey for everyone.

I pulled off a little sliver of the turkey and examine it rather carefully and then popped it in my mouth. Oh, did my taste buds dance for joy. I was about ready to turn around, get my coffee and resume my project in my office when the taste buds clamored for just one more taste.

After all, what would it harm to have just one more little sliver?

I am not sure how many little slivers I had, I lost count, but I thought I had better stop and go back to my office before I went too far.

About an hour later I heard someone coming into the house. I knew it must be my wife. I went back to my work and busied myself.

"Honey," a familiar voice yelled from the kitchen, "did you get into that turkey?"

It was then that I had one of those "uk-oh" moments. At first, I did not comprehend what she was talking about, and then it came to me that I had devoured several slivers of the roast-turkey. From the tone of her voice I knew I was in deep "uk-oh" trouble, the kind of trouble you cannot talk your way out. The evidence was sorely against me.

After her formidable lecture, she left me to my solitude to, as she said, "think about what you just did." As I reflected upon the situation, I thought of a verse in the Bible. "But if ye will not do so, behold, ye have sinned against the Lord: and be sure your sin will find you out" (Numbers 32:23).

Good intentions have never taken away the sting of doing something wrong, especially when you are caught.

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Obsequies

Jvance "High Pocket" Dawson

Funeral services were held for Jvance "High Pocket" Dawson on Saturday afternoon, November 22, 2014, at the Divine Love Baptist Church with Pastor Kenneth Burns as Officiate & Eulogist.

A second service was held Monday afternoon, November 24, 2014, at the Rising Star Baptist Church in Dimebox, Texas. Interment followed in the Antioch Cemetery in Ledbetter, Texas under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Dawson passed away here on Monday, November 17, 2014.

Jvance was born on January 19, 1929 in Dimebox, Texas to the parentage of Willie and Mable Dawson. He attended Fairview High School in Dimebox.

Mr. Dawson was a longtime resident of Lubbock, Texas, earning the nickname of "High Pocket."

For many years, he worked as a Cross-Country driver for Lubbock Auto Auction, Plains Co-



op Oil Mill, Sky Cap at Lubbock International Airport, served as a Porter at the Lubbock Inn, and Lubbock Country Club.

He enjoyed playing dominoes, pool, cards, and bingo. Many friends and family members will miss Mr. Jvance "High Pockets" Dawson.

He was a member of Divine Love Baptist Church.

He leaves to cherish his memories: a son, Gerald Lynn Dawson of Arlington, Texas; six daughters: Branda Kay Dawson-Veasley of Houston, Texas,

Minnie Bell Dotsey-Beaty

Funeral services for Minnie Bell Dotsey-Beaty were held Tuesday afternoon, November 2, 2014, at the New Hope Baptist Church with Pastor B. R. Moton officiating.

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

Beaty, age 76 of Lubbock, passed away on Sunday, November 16, 2014.

Minnie was born on October 9, 1938 to Ras Armand Dotsey, I, and Helen Dotsey in Cameron, Texas. She was raised in Waco and attended Waco Public Schools.

Later, she relocated to Lubbock, Texas, and met and married Ulysses Beaty on September 22, 1961. They remained married for 53 years.

Minnie worked for Margaret Talkington at Margaret's Clothing for four years. She was employed by Farm Pac Packing House for three years, and at Texas Instruments for 18 years from where she retired.

She was a faithful member of New Hope Baptist Church for



26 years. She united with Unity Baptist Church under the pastoral leadership of her son, Raymond Foster.

Minnie was preceded in death by her parents, Ras Armand Dotsey, I, and Helen Dotsey; two sisters, Viola Miller and Everlee McCutcheon; and one brother, Ras Armand, II.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her loving husband, Ulysses Beaty; daughters: Ann Maryland, Ramana Pinder, Sheronda Johnson; sons: Ricky Foster and Raymond Foster; sisters: Helen Louise Simmons and Ernestine Jones; brother, John Andrews Dotsey; 14 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Enola Gay Dawson-Jackson (Kenneth) of Dallas, Texas, Erica Renia Dawson, Yolanda Denise Williams, Jessica Nicole Eddington, and Reshanti Reshoda Hawthorne, all of Lubbock, Texas; one step-son, Billy Dedrick; 24 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

A special thanks to the staff of Cuidado Casero Home Health of Lubbock, Legacy Hospice of Dallas, and the Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center of Lubbock for the gentle and compassionate care provided to Mr. Jvance Dawson and family.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Willie and Mable Dawson; brother, Willie Frank Dawson; sisters: Daisy Ella Harvey, Collins, Jessie Mae, Shepard, Mattie Mable Clemons, and Edna Earl Benson; a son, Harold Craig Shepard; daughter, Samantha Nerlene Dawson.

Active Pallbearers were: Rodney Dawson, Maurice Taylor, Leonerick Washington, Brodrick Davis, and Jeffrey Collins.

Honorary Pallbearers were: Gerald Dawson, Harvey Collins, Ronnie Collins, Johnny Marshall, Kenneth Jackson, Rayfield Johnson, and Billy Dedrick.

George E. Jackson, Sr.

Funeral services for George E. Jackson, Sr. were held Saturday afternoon, November 22, 2014, at the Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church with Rev. J. H. Ford, pastor, officiating.

Interment was held in Resthaven Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Pallbearers were: Brian Wheeler, Roy Tolar, Randy Young, William Jackson, Sr., Anthony Irwin, William Jackson, Jr., Frank Hurd, and Henry Irwin.

Honorary Pallbearers were: Billy Frank Matthews, III, Michael J. Jackson, Charles Rallerson, Charles Lewis Burk, Larry Huff, and Billy W. Huff.

George was born January 13, 1919 in Okmulgee, Oklahoma to Melvin and Fronie Jackson.

He passed away on Tuesday, November 18, 2014, at The Plaza of Lubbock.

George was raised in Clarksville, Texas where he graduated from High School. He joined the United States Army to serve his country. George was a World War II veteran and received a WWII Victory Medal. He was fortunate enough to travel to Washington, D. C. in October, 2013 with the South Plains Honor Flight to the World



II Memorial. A special thanks to Melonie.

George married Dorthene on December 31, 1945, and to this union four children were born: Dorothy, William, George, and Senta.

George was an active and faithful member of the Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church. When visiting Austin, Texas, he was welcomed with open arms to Zion Rest Baptist Church. George enjoyed spending time with his friends at the Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center and Lubbock Senior Center. He was a member of the American Legion, Post 808, and VFW #4443 of Austin, and a 32nd Degree Mason.

He is preceded in death by his loving wife, Dorthene; a son, George, Jr.; his parents; a brother, Claudie B.; and sisters: Jessie, Thelma, Elzilia, and Bonnie Ree.

He leaves to cherish his memory: daughters: Dorothy Irwin (Henry), Senta Judie; son, William B. Jackson, Sr.; sister: Hattie M. Hurd; nine grandchildren: Latoya, Anthony, Sharee, Tammy, Sharlene, William, Jr., La Tanya, Michael, and Ansley; seventeen great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Lawton, Oklahoma, Patricia Adams of Fort Worth, Texas, and Betty Jean Robinson of California, 6 brothers: Jelord Robinson (Marie) of Waco, Texas, Herbert Robinson (Sally) of St. Joseph, La., Jerry Robinson of Abilene, Texas, Tommy Robinson and T. J. Robinson, both of Lubbock, Texas, and Wilmer Robinson of Lawton, Oklahoma; 2 aunts, Nina Davis of Lubbock, Texas and Jerline Holmes of Mexia, Texas; 12 grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Lorene passed away on Saturday, November 8, 2014.

There are a few special friends she would like very much to be acknowledged: Mr. Willie McGee, her very special friend; Rev. Wilbert Austin of Waco, Texas, Sendie Becks, all of her First Progressive Family, good friends Hazel, Effie, and Tammy.

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Emma Mae "Big Mama" Rowe

Funeral services for Emma "Big Mama" Rowe were held Friday afternoon, November 28, 2014, at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal with Pastor Darrell Willie as Officiate and Eulogist.

Interment was held on Monday afternoon, December 1, 2014, in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

She passed away on Friday, November 21, 2014.

Emma was born January 15, 1926 in Croabyton, Texas to Oscar and Carrie Sanders.

She was unique, kind, and a loving spirited woman. Emma was a longtime member of the

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Lorene Lewis

Funeral services for Lorene Lewis were held on Friday afternoon, November 21, 2014, at the First Progressive Baptist Church with Pastor DeShun Avery officiating.

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

Lorene was a surviving twin born February 7, 1961 to the parentage of Lafayette, Sr. and Blanche Robinson in Lubbock.

She attended Lubbock public schools, and graduated from Estacado High School in 1980. She also worked in the Lubbock Independent School District, and later in the health care field.

Lorene was fun loving and loved to laugh. She kept others laughing. She loved to sing, and sung in the Choir at the First Progressive Baptist Church.

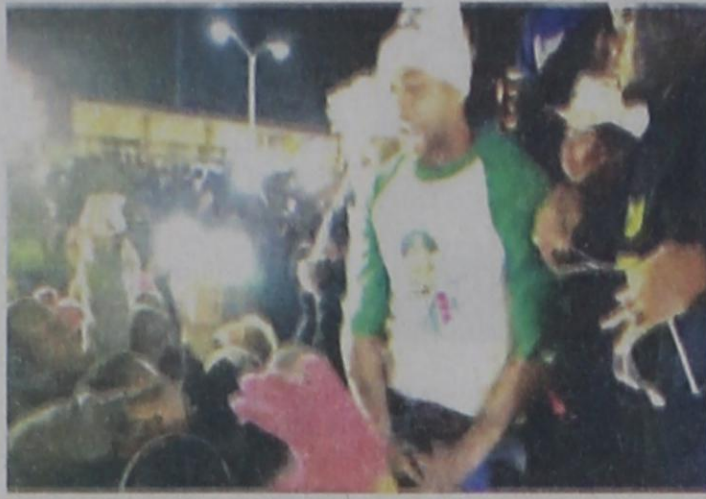
In April, 1985, she met Ronald Earl Lewis. They soon married and to this union, two sons were born, namely: Ronald Lewis, Jr. and Reginald Lewis. Many others also called her "Mama."

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Michael Brown's Stepfather Tells Demonstrators to "Burn this B*** Down" — Later, 21 Fires Are Started

Ferguson, MO — Louis Head, the stepfather of Michael Brown, is being blamed by many for what may have incited some or all of the 21 fires that were started in Ferguson after the announcement was made that the officer who killed Michael Brown would not be indicted. As the announcement was made, Head can be seen on a video obtain by the New York Times telling demonstrators: "Burn this mother f—er down" and "Burn this b*** down." Head, who is 38-years old, is seen saying this at least ten times. At one point, he even yelled asking for a microphone so that those who weren't close to him could hear him.



the police" can be heard from the crowd, and later on that night, at least 20 fires were started and more than 60 people were arrested. Many businesses were burned down and/or looted

including a local car dealership, an apparel shop called Fashions R Boutique, a Little Caesars pizza restaurant, a self-storage facility, a meat market, and an

antiques and jewelry store called Hidden Treasures. Also burned were several police cars.

Sadly, Head's instructions to "burn this b*** down" might have criminal consequences as he could be charged with inciting a riot and inciting violence. Even more, he has brought probably unwanted attention to himself and his criminal records. According to Missouri state records, he is an ex-convict whose rap sheet includes two felony narcotics convictions.

Regarding the situation, both Al Sharpton and the family lawyer Benjamin Crump, condemned what Head said, but also say that Head was simply showing raw emotion.

"We condemn the violence and the looting from last night," Crump said. "But we also condemn the violent acts that happened on August 9th that killed Michael Brown, Jr."

Officer Darren Wilson Defends Shooting Michael Brown — Says "I'm Sorry... But My Conscience is Clear"

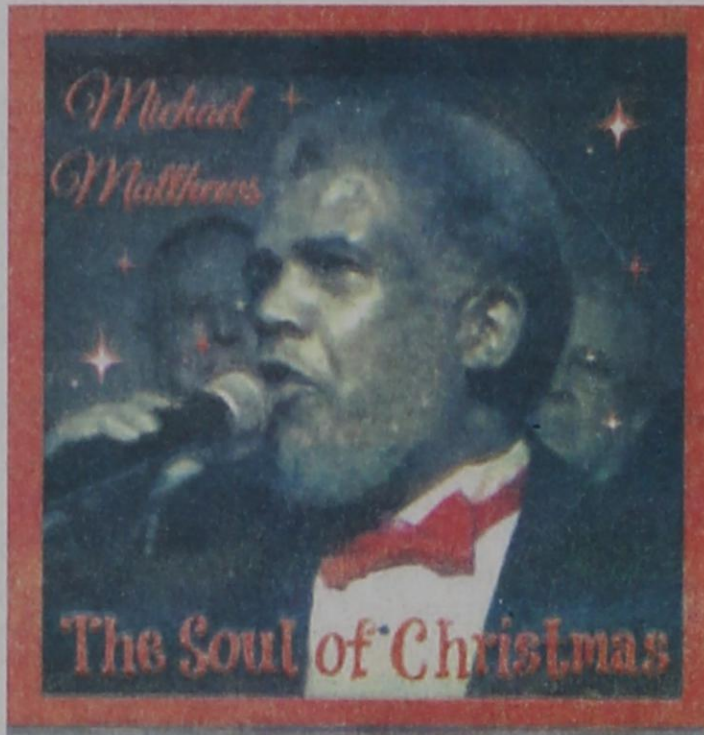


Nationwide — Officer Darren Wilson, in his first televised interview since he shot and killed unarmed teenager Michael Brown, told ABC News' George Stephanopoulos

that he feared for his life and is not tormented about what happened.

Wilson, who is 6-foot-4 and weighs around 210 pounds, Continue on Page 9

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Marion Barry

Washington, DC — Marion Barry Jr., a civil rights activist who served four times as mayor of Washington, D.C., recently died at the age of 78 years old. He had been in and out of the hospital, battling several illnesses including prostate cancer and complications from a recent kidney transplant.

Barry, who was both well-respected and well-loved by the Black community, is survived by

his fourth wife, Cora Masters, and his son, Marion Christopher Barry.

Here are 10 reasons why we will never forget him:

#1 – In 1972, in response to the blaxploitation film Super Fly, Barry formed a protest group named Blacks Against Narcotics and Genocide (BANG) saying the film was harmful to black youth because it glorified drug abuse.

#2 – In 1972, as president of the Washington DC Board of Education, Barry advocated for a larger budget for education and raises for teachers. He also supported the appointment of Barbara Sizemore as the city's first female school superintendent.

#3 – Although he was shot and nearly killed in 1977 by a group of radical Hanafi Muslims, Barry did not give up in

pursuing his goals to help bring justice and economic empowerment to the people of Washington, DC.

#4 – With credentials as both an activist and legislator, in 1978, Barry ran for Mayor with the campaign slogan "Take A Stand". He won the Democratic primary election, and beat his Republican opponent.

#5 – During his first term as

Mayor (1978-1982), Barry was credited for improving city administration and government services, instituting his signature summer jobs program (in which summer employment was made available to every school-age resident), and for fixing the city's financial problems.

#6 – During his second term as Mayor (1982-1986), Barry was credited with creating a real estate boom in Washington, DC and establishing the District's entry into the open bond market with Wall Street's highest credit

rating.

#7 – For his third term as Mayor (1986-1990), despite having a few setbacks and issues, Barry received the endorsement of The Washington Post and was still well-loved and supported by the Washington, DC community.

#8 – In 1995, despite his 1990

arrest after being caught on camera smoking crack cocaine, Barry ran for Mayor again using the slogan "He May Not Be Perfect, But He's Perfect for D.C.". He won 70 percent of the vote, and his victory was deemed one of the most remarkable comebacks in political history.

#9 – In 2007, Barry was chosen

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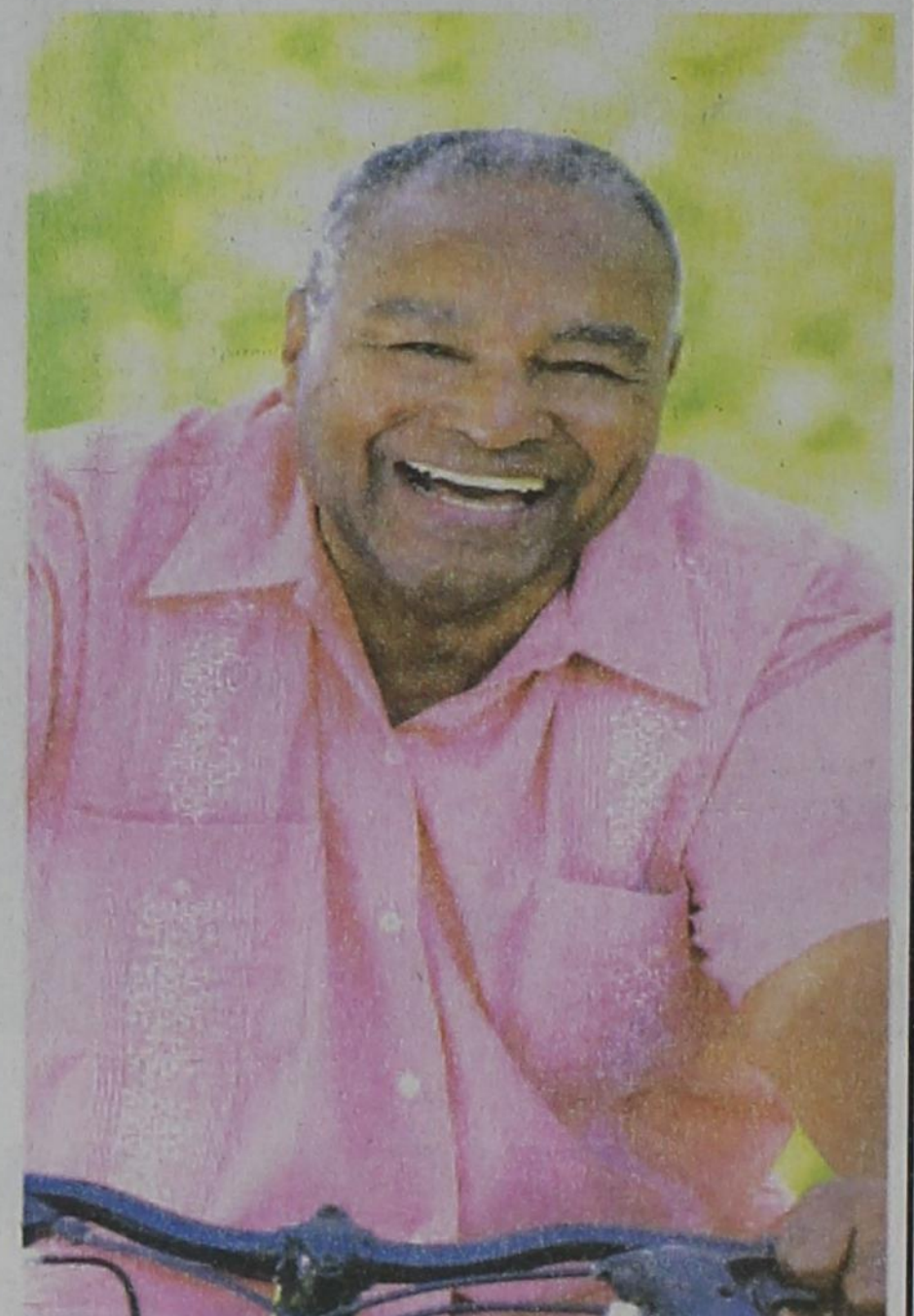
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Queen Latifah Gets Dethroned — Talk Show Canceled Due To Low Ratings and High Costs



Nationwide — The Queen Latifah Show, which has aired for two seasons on CBS and stars Queen Latifah herself as talk show host, has officially been canceled by Sony Pictures Television. A representative from the company said the show has been axed due to low ratings and high costs.

Reportedly, production will continue until December 2014, and then the show will officially end although original episodes will continue to air until March 2015.

The show, which is mostly watched by a daytime audience of women 25 to 54, averages only about 1.4 million viewers per episode, which sounds like a lot but is simply not enough. According to marketing experts, the viewership is actually down 9% from last season, and it ranks last among all talk shows. Disney's Live With Kelly and Michael and NBC's The Today Show had much stronger followings.

Sony spokeswoman Paula Askanas released a statement saying: "We want to thank Dana (Queen Latifah), the producers and the entire staff of The Queen

Latifah Show for creating a program that we are all very proud of." She added, "Thank you also to our terrific station partners and advertisers who supported the show."

The show, produced by Lati-

fah's own Flavor Unit Entertainment, and Will and Jada Pinkett Smith's Overbrook Entertainment, is not Latifah's first talk show. She hosted another daytime talk show that also aired for two seasons from 1999 to 2001.

Raven-Symone Blasts Fake Reports Saying 180 causes on the back for you to choose She Was Abused by Bill Cosby — Tells Gossip-Blogs, "Keep Me Out of This"



Nationwide — 28-year-old Raven-Symone recently used her Instagram account to blast reports saying that she claimed that Bill Cosby molested her when they both appeared on The Cosby Show. She wrote, "This is truly a disgusting rumor that I want no part of."

The rumor was initially reported by a site called Hip-Hop Hangover, which posted a story alleging that the actress had filed

molestation charges after Cosby supposedly molested her after the 1992 series finale. Symone would have been just 6 years old at the time.

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additional charges filed. Let us pray that the powers that be get 'in cinque' and do the right thing and quell the constant unrest which has migrated across America because of this incident and the many others before it.

Don't Be A Not See!

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pening. Our goal is to encourage and motivate people to act when they witness injustice."

According to Perkins the coined word "Not-See" identifies both the act of not getting involved and the individual. He comments, "Thousands of cases of children and women being abused are reported each year and it hurts. It hurts even more when it's discovered that someone could have been the difference but did nothing. That has to stop."

Perkins continues, "I believe getting involved with the Don't Be A Not-see® community will help. This approach will help because of its direct appeal. It promotes awareness and presents in a bold new way a challenge to everyone to confront injustice." He continues, "Being labeled a Not-See® is not appealing to people."

But Perkins admits there were times in his life when he too was a "Not-See". "It's nothing I'm proud of. All of us probably can admit to being a Not-See at some point in our lives regarding something. I know better so now I do better. When the opportunity to DO SOMETHING and GET INVOLVED is neglected the results can be catastrophic."

Perkins hopes to inspire the young and young at heart alike to join him in making a difference. He says, "One of the great attributes of the Don't Be A Not-see® T-shirt is that it has over 180 causes on the back for you

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Her Instagram message, which received more than 30,000 likes, included a photo of her Cosby Show character Olivia, and a caption that read: "I was NOT taking advantage of by Mr. Cosby when I was on the Cosby Show! I was practically a baby on that show and this is truly a disgusting rumor that I want no part of! Everyone on that show treated me with nothing but kindness. Now keep me out of this!"



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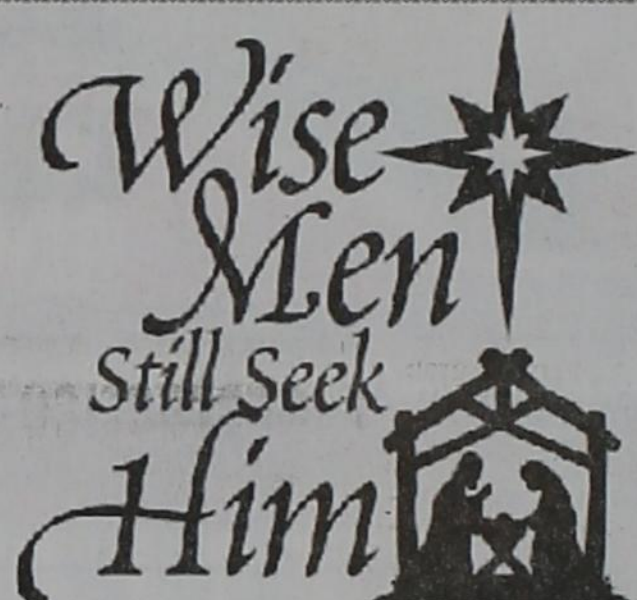
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Pastor Refuses To Bury 93-Year-Old Longtime Church Member Over Lack Of Tithes

The family of recently deceased 93-year-old Olivia Blair are upset over the fact that Pastor Walter F. Houston of the Fourth Missionary Baptist Church in Texas reportedly refused to bury the grandmother because she had not paid her tithes in two years. Blair had been a church devotee for fifty years before being stricken with an illness that resulted in her becoming comatose and placed in hospice care, her reason for not tithing according to KRIV.

Blair's daughter, Barbara Day (pictured) told KRIV that her stepfather had also been buried at the church. So why would the church officials turn her mother away, the very same institution that held such a prominent role

in her life. "It was like the last insult in the world, there was nothing else that I could do for my mommy but funeralize her in the church that she loved and worshiped all of her life, even as a little girl. For the last two years, my mother has been in either a nursing home or she's been in a hospital," she pointed out. "And the last few months, she was in a coma!"

Day feels she and her family have been blatantly disrespected and shamelessly dismissed by the church and still cannot believe that money is all they reportedly seem to care about telling KRIV, "There's no expla-

nation for anybody that has been paying dues for a church that long, for him to make me have to roll my mother's body around town, and somebody finally picks her up and says, 'Yeah, we'll do the best we can,'" Day insisted. "They knew she was ill! They don't care! All they care about is getting money money money money!"

Preacher watchdog, Tyrone Jacques of PimpPreacher.com heard about the family's plight and stepped into the matter. Jacques contacted Houston who allegedly told him that Blair had not paid her tithes in about ten years. Day however begs to dif-

fer with the preacher man and insists that her mom stopped supporting the church two years ago when she became physically unable to do so.

Jacques pleaded the Blair family's case to the pastor and even generously, offered to spring for the woman's funeral costs as he outlined his plans to Houston. The pastor reportedly responded to Jacques' pleas with the following pat phrase, "Membership has its privileges." Jacques then states on his website how Houston responded to his offer by reportedly stating, "If the family cared so much, why didn't they at least send a dollar to the church a week to reserve her membership?"

Meanwhile Jacques is planning to organize area protests in order to put pressure on Houston to change his mind.

Former NFL Star Walks Away From \$37 Million And Buys Farm To Feed Missouri's Hungry

Jason Brown had a stellar career with the St. Louis Rams. He signed a five-year contract with the team for a reported \$37.5 million that included a \$20 million guarantee, making him the highest paid center in the NFL. He started every game in 2009, 2010 and 14 in 2011. In March 2012, he was released from his contract but was pursued by three of the league's top teams from San Francisco, Carolina and Baltimore. Brown had other plans though, instead of tackling a gridiron player for a pigskin, he wanted to tackle farming, so that he can feed those folks who are hungry in his state of Missouri according to The Boston Globe.

Brown, who knew zilch about farming, purchased 1,000 acres of farmland in Louisburg, North Carolina. The then-28-year-old, 6'3", 320-pounder educated himself with regards to his new-found career choice by watching YouTube makeshift tutorials and interviewing local farmers.

It did not matter that Brown had a few good playing years left in him. It did not matter that his manager tried drilling into him that he was making a huge mistake by walking away from a lucrative playing career. Brown had made up his mind that helping the less fortunate was just more important than football and

that serving God and having a "life of greatness and a life of service" was a paramount calling.

"Love is the most wonderful currency that you can give anyone," Brown told CBS.

On his farm, Brown grows vegetables and donates the first fruits of every harvest to food pantries. According to CBS News, Brown gave away 100,000 pounds of sweet potatoes this fall. Brown appears to get more of a thrill out of seeing his crops sprout, more so than tackling an opponent, telling the Business Insider, "When you see

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to choose from. From abandoned children to world hunger, there's something for everyone. Pick your cause and you pick your change."

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Officer Wilson Breaks Silence

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commented, "I don't think it's haunting. It's always going to be something that happened. The reason I have a clean conscience is that I know I did my job right." He then goes on to say what happened that fateful night, explaining how he first asked Brown to move out of the middle of the street.

He says next that Brown, who was 6-foot-3, nearly 300-pound, walked over to his police vehicle, pushed the door back as he was trying to get out, and reached inside as if he were trying to get hold of his gun.

Wilson continued, "As I looked back at him, punches started flying. He threw the first one and hit me in the left side of my face."

He said he was unaware of how many times he got punched. "I just know there was a barrage of swinging and grabbing and pulling for about 10 seconds," he said. "I reached out my window with my right hand to grab on to his forearm."

He continued, "I just felt the immense power that he had. And then the way I've described it is, it was like a 5-year-old holding onto Hulk Hogan. That's just how big this man was. He was very large, very powerful man."

Wilson, who is said to be fueling the fire by doing televised interviews, told Stephanopoulos he would have acted the same way if circumstances were repeated. He also added that he was sorry that Brown's parents lost their son.

Marion Barry

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as one of 50 wax statues to debut in the Washington D.C. Madame Tussauds Wax Museum. Others chosen included Al Gore, Denzel Washington, Halle Berry, Martin Sheen, Marilyn Monroe, Nancy Reagan and Oprah Winfrey.

#10 - Earlier this year, Barry published a new autobiography entitled, Mayor for Life: The Incredible Story of Marion Barry, Jr., where he discusses his legacy and the many controversies in his life. His recent interview with Oprah Winfrey on her "Where Are They Now?" show is set to air this coming Sunday at 9pm on the OWN network.

Emma Rowe

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Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church where she gave her life to Christ at an early age. She sung in the Senior Choir, and was a member of the Ma Jones Missionary Society. She would have many Missionary Society meetings in her home.

She also attended Lubbock Public Schools. She was employed by National Linen where she retired.

Emma was preceded in death by her daughter, Patricia Walker; husband, Joe Rowe; and her six siblings: Myrtle Wright, Gilbert Sanders, Marcella Fagens, Thomas Sanders, Ora Lee Jackson, and Lillie Smith.

Her spirit is carried on by: her sister, Lottie Childress; her brother, S. L. Sanders; three surviving children: Bennie Jordan (Denise), Eddie Rowe, and Henry Jordan; 8 grandchildren: Timothy Bailey, Robbie & Bobbie Walker (Twins), Tamara Collins, Keith Jordan, Natasha Richardson, Jamar & KeVondrick Jordan; 15 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-grandchildren; and an extended family of friends from every walk of life.

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Three Strikes and You're Out — Bill Cosby Gets Slashed by TV Land, Netflix, and NBC Amid Rape Allegations

Nationwide — Actor/comedian Bill Cosby, although 77-years old is probably going through the toughest time in his life, as nearly every television network that aired or had plans of airing his shows, has now pulled the plug. All of this is in response to 10-30 year old rape allegations against him that have now resurfaced.

First, NBC, which is owned by Comcast, said they won't move forward with a new sitcom they were developing where Bill Cosby was supposed to play a grandfather who would share, often his worldly views and wisdom.

Then, Netflix said that they too would pull the plug on a stand-up special featuring Bill Cosby that was set to debut on Thanksgiving day.

Finally, TV Land, which is owned by Viacom, announced that not only will they stop promoting a marathon of The Cosby Show for the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday, but they would also complete remove the show from their roster.

Ouch! But the decision doesn't just hurt the pockets of Bill Cosby. It also hurts his fellow actors and actresses, as well as the writers and producers, that were also receiving residual

Former NFL Star Walks Away

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them pop up out of the ground, man it's the most beautiful thing you could ever see," he said of harvesting the sweet potatoes according to CBS.

Meanwhile according to Rebecca Page, who organizes food collection for the needy, and who spoke to CBS, "It's unusual for a grower to grow a crop just to give away. And that's what Jason has done. And he's planning to do more next year."



Bill Cosby

checks from the airings.

According to one former executive at Carsey-Werner, which produced the show, reruns of The Cosby Show have generated more than \$1.5 billion in revenue during the last 20 years. And back in the 1980's, the show broke records as TV sta-

tions paid a total of \$4 million per episode.

"People were falling all over each other to do those deals, it was the blue-chip sitcom of its time," said one industry executive.

But according to Wall Street Journal, Cosby won't exactly be walking away empty-handed. His deal with NBC included a penalty fee of more than \$1 million if they ever decided to back out of the deal.

And experts say that likely another network will want to start airing the re-runs after this all blows over. But that's the question: Will this ever blow over? Even more, will Bill Cosby's clean, fatherly image ever recover?

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