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School News

Public Release for Free and Reduced-Price Meals

Texas Tech University Early Head Start Program today announced its policy for free and reduced-price meals served under the Child and Adult Care Food Program. Each facility and Texas Tech University Early Head Start has a copy of the policy, which anyone may review. "The following household size and income criteria will be used to determine eligibility:

Size of Family Unit	Income
1	58,860
2	11,940
3	15,020
4	18,100
5	21,180
6	24,260
7	27,340
8	30,420

"Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced-price meals.

Application forms and a letter to parents or guardians are being sent to all homes. To apply for free or reduced-price meals, households should fill out the application and return it to the contractor. Additional copies are available at the contractor's office. The information provided on the application will be used to determine eligibility, it may be verified any time during the contract year by the contractor or other program officials. Households must provide the following information on the application: all household members names; the Social Security number of the head of the household (or other responsible adult); and all household members' incomes by source; OR the household's food stamp or AFDC case number, if appropriate; and the signature of an adult household member certifying that the information is correct. Applications may be submitted any time during the year. According to the free and reduced-price policy, La Nelle Etridge will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may discuss the decision with Ms. La Nelle Etridge. Parents may request a formal appeal either orally or in writing by contacting:

Cathy Nathan
PO. Box 41162
Lubbock, TX 79409
(806) 742-3189

Households must report increases of over \$50 per month or \$600 per year in household income, and decreases in household size. If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the contractor. These changes may qualify children for reduced-price meals or for free meals if the household's income falls to or below the levels shown above. AFDC/Food Stamp households must report termination of benefits. Some foster children are also eligible for free or reduced-price meals. A household with foster children should contact the contractor for more information. The information that households provide is confidential and will be used only to determine eligibility and verifying data. In the child nutrition program administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, no child will be discriminated against because of race, color, sex, national origin, age, religion, political belief, or disability. If you believe you have been discriminated against, write immediately to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250.

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Minority Students TAAS Scores Go Up as New TAKS Begins

The scores prove it: Lubbock ISD student TAAS scores have improved. LISD recognizes its African American and Hispanic students' improvement across the board.

Dr. Jack Clemmons, superintendent of the Lubbock ISD, stated that he was pleased to see the dramatic improvement that has been made by Lubbock ISD students and especially the areas labeled as special segment groups by the Texas Education Agency. Dr. Clemmons said, "Our students continue to move forward and show their abilities to excel."

Beginning with the dropout

rate, all students went down from a 1.3 percent rate in 2001 to a 1.1 percent rate in the 2002 school year. African American students had a considerable drop from 2 percent to 1.5 percent dropout rate from the 2001 to 2002 school year. Hispanic students also improved from a 2.2 percent dropout rate in 2001 to a 1.9 percent rate in 2002.

In reading, all students taking the TAAS test went up from a 2001 passing rate of 89.6 percent to a 92.2 percent passing rate in 2002. African American students improved from an 80 percent passing rate in 2001 to an 84.3 percent passing rate in 2002. Hispanic stu-

dents also improved from an 85.2 percent passing rate in 2001 to an 88.8 percent passing rate this year.

Math scores increased from a 91.2 percent passing rate in 2001 to 93.7 percent in 2002. African American students' passing rate increased from 82.3 percent in 2001 to 86.2 percent in 2002. Hispanic students' scores increased from an 87.9 percent passing to 91.3 percent in 2002.

Overall, all students scored higher in 2002 for writing. The passing rate went up from 88.3 percent in 2001 to 90 percent in 2002. Hispanic scores rose from 83.3 percent passing to 86.5 per-

cent passing in 2002.

This year, students will begin taking the TAKS test. Clemmons said he feels that student scores will initially fall as the new test is implemented but that the trend of rising scores will come back. "I feel this trend of improved test scores will continue once the new Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skill State test has been implemented and in place for a few years. I expect all segments of our student population to face a period of adjustment, but I have confidence that we shall again see our students working above the norm."

On June 18, 2001, TAAS II was renamed the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) and will become the new statewide assessment program in 2003. It includes more of the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) than the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) did and attempts to ask questions in more authentic ways. TAKS has been developed to better reflect good instructional practice and more accurately measure student learning.

Minter & Reed Families Hold Their Reunion in Lubbock, July 12-14, 2002

Family members of the Minter and Reed families held their family reunion at the Lubbock Housing Authority Building, 515 N. Zenith Avenue, July 12 through 14, 2002. Their motto was: "Let's Do It Again 2002 Family Reunion."

More than 150 family members were in attendance. They came from several locations around the country. They came from Dallas, Fort Worth, Amarillo, San Antonio, Levelland and Powderly, Texas and Clovis, New Mexico. Special guest was Mr. Joe Chavez.

Both parents of the Minter family preceded their children in death. They were parents of six daughters and one son. Mother Rose Lee Minter passed October 26, 1983, and Father Maxie Eugene Minter passed June 1, 1993. A daughter, Emma Jean Minter-Benson passed February 23, 2001. A great aunt, Rosie Reed, was the oldest family member present 1st year, July, 2001. She passed August, 2001. Erma Lee Owens August, 2001. Family members want to say: "We missed the presence of family members, who were unable to come this year, 2002."

The T-shirts were in rainbow colors this year. Each household had on a different color of T-shirt. The colors were Burgundy, Purple, Red and White. All T-shirts were gold and brown hands. The following appeared on the T-shirt: "The Strong Survives." Everyone looked so beautiful in their T-shirt.

The family members want to thank Velda Gilbert for ordering T-shirts.

We were glad to have Aunt Roberta Smith join us this year. This was her first time attending the family reunion. She is the sister of our grandmother, Rose Minter. We hope Aunt Roberta enjoyed herself. The Minter family was glad to shower her with love. May God continue to bless you

too, and you will have a wonderful birthday celebration.

Our cooks this year were all family members. We also had a new family member this year. He is De'Metrek C. Stewart, II, a baby boy. Congratulations to Earnestine Minter, another grandmother.

Our family spent several hours laughing, eating, and dancing. Aunt Thelma Jackson brought a plague back this year, and it was handed over to Uncle Willie Minter to bring it back to the Family Reunion in 2003.

The family gave a silent prayer in honor of our Aunt Emma Jean Minter Benson. We want to thank Lee and Tommie Stewart for the music. Uncle Willie had remarks on his Sister Emma Jean Minter Benson about her love. One year has passed and we haven't had a death in our family. Thank you, God!

On Friday, July 12, 2002 at the Housing Authority Building. It was the Minter Family Fish Fry and Churches Chicken. A welcome was given by Kenneth Gilbert. Prayer was offered by Uncle Willie Minter. Remarks were given by Effie Nelson.

The family members gathered to eat fish and chicken. Our cooks were Aunt Lorine Minter, Tammie Stewart, Valrie Gilbert, Aunt Thelma Jackson and Velda Gilbert.

Family members had family pictures made, and hung them in the building as they were

on the poster boards. A family tree was made. About 40 family members were present. Prayer was offered by Uncle Willie Minter. Recreational activities included dancing, basketball, golf. At 11:30 p. m., the building was closed.

Saturday, July 13, 2002. A welcome was given by Kenneth Gilbert. Prayer was given by Uncle Willie Minter. Remarks were given by Kenneth Gilbert and Effie Nelson.

Cooks were family members.

Breakfast was served at 7:30 a. m.

At 11:00 a.m. food served. Everyone was in high spirits. The menu of the day included brisquets, chicken fried steak, German Sausages, Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Potato Salad, Garden Salad, Mexican Beans, Fruit Salad, Chili Beans, Spaghetti, Barbecue Sauce, and Deserts — Chocolate Sheet Cake, Sour Cream Pound Cake, Carrot Cake, Cream Cheese Pound Cake and Strawberry Cake. Bread and Cornbread and Muffin Cornbread. Drinks include tea, leomade, 7Ups, Cokes, Pepsi, Dr. Pepper, Diet Cokes and Little Hugs Juices.

A Talent Show was held at 2:30 p.m. It was conducted by Kenneth Gilbert. Everyone who participated received a watch. Kitchen was cleaned.

From 3:30 p. m. until 6:00 p.m., the center was open. Pictures were taken. Everyone was present. Photos were taken from each generation. Games were played which included dancing, skating, basketball, singing and skibo. All family members sang "Happy Birthday" to three of their family members who were Ms. Bernice Nickerson, Roberta Smith and Thelma Jackson. Cards were given to each one of them with autographs. Poems were read by Donna Minter. Remarks were given from Aunts and Uncles. They expressed how much they loved their family members. All were glad to have another Family Reunion.

At 6:30 p. m., the center was closed until 9:00 p.m. At 10:00 p.m., everyone was back in the building for an Adult gathering for family and friends until 2:00 a.m. Family members want to thank their Aunts, Great Aunts, and Uncles for attending by coming back at night. All had a wonderful time.



Some of the members of the Minter and Reed Families took time to pose at the Lubbock Housing Authority Center, 515 North Zenith, during their Family Reunion held here July 12-14, 2002.

Sunday, July 14, 2002: Breakfast began at 6:00 a.m. with the cooks in the kitchen. The menu was Bacon, Sausages, Eggs, Toast, Jelly, Coffee, Donuts, Milk, Juice and Fruits.

Breakfast was served from 6:30 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. Some family members had an opportunity to read the morning paper while waiting for the breakfast to be served at 8:45 a.m. after prayer was offered until 11:45 a.m. The floor was opened from 12 noon until 4:30 p.m. At this time, family members communicated with family members. It was time to say goodbye. All exchanged addresses. Music was played. There was an opportunity for quiet prayer which was in honor of Aunt Emma Jean Minter Benson. More pictures were taken. Attending the family reunion from the longest distance was Aunt Roberta Smith. The oldest person in attendance was Ms. Bernice Nickerson.

Pictures of the officers were taken this year. The officers are as follows: President, Patricia Minter; vice president, Effie Nelson; President, Kenneth Gilbert; Treasurer, Velda Gilbert; and co-Treasurer, Tammie

Stewart. Pictures were purchased from last years family reunion from Lee Stewart, along with pictures on the spot for this year. Family members danced to song — "And The Beat Goes On," in honor of Emma Jean Minter Benson.

Again, we want to thank everyone for coming this year. We want to tell Anthony Thomas and Lornia Raven we missed them, and we love you. Our motto this year was "Let's Do It Again In 2002 Family Reunion." But our theme is: "Only The Strong Survives."

Information will be sent out to family members about the next family reunion. Family members, let's stay connected with God and keep praying for one another. A family that prays together, stays together.

It was reported that all family members did arrive home safely. Thank you, God!

Family members, God is blessing our family.

The building was closed at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 14, 2002.

A Spectacular 90/10 Celebration Is Slated for Jarvis Christian College

On Saturday, September 14, 2002, Jarvis Christian College, Hawkins, Texas, will celebrate two milestones, namely the 90th-year recognition of the existence of the College and special commemoration for 10 years of leadership and growth under the presidency of Dr. Sebetha Jenkins.

Coined the 90/10 Anniversary Celebration, the black-tie gala will be held at the Omni Mandalay Hotel (Los Colinas), 221 East Las Colinas Boulevard, Irving, Texas. The Jarvis Christian College Board of Trustees and executive officials at the College have invited everyone to come and be a part of this spectacular celebration. The event will also serve as a fund-raiser for the College and a silent auction will precede the program and dinner that begins at 7 p.m. The program will culminate with an evening of tributes, fun, entertainment, surprises and laughter.

Tickets and corporate sponsorship for this momentous Jarvis Christian College 90/10 Anniversary Celebration can be purchased by contacting Mr. Ron Hay, Chair, or Dr. Johnnie Jones at (903) 769-5725.

Jarvis Christian College, founded

in 1912, is a private, Historically Black, co-educational, fully accredited, liberal arts college that offers many academic programs leading to the baccalaureate degree. It is a small but dynamic college that has been the source of hope for many individuals who want the opportunity to get a quality liberal arts education, professional preparation, personalized attention, and guidance in a Christian environment. It is affectionately known as "The College With The Personal Touch: Where Dreams Come True!"

Dr. Sebetha Jenkins is the tenth and current president of Jarvis Christian College. As the first woman president in the College's ninety-year history, Dr. Jenkins has continually gained national recognition during her tenure at Jarvis. Her esteemed leadership has been recognized with numerous awards and appointments to a number of prestigious professional organizations, commissions and boards. Most recently she was named President of the Presidents Council for all the United Negro College Fund (UNCF)-member institutions, which essentially places her as the top president over all other UNCF school presidents. A native of

Mississippi, Dr. Jenkins is an expert on topics relative to higher education, equal education and employment opportunities, women's rights, due process, and issues relating to youth.



Dr. Sebetha Jenkins

If you find mistakes in this publication, please consider that they are there for a reason. We publish something for everyone, and some people are always looking for mistakes.

Oliver recognized for contribution to Texas public power industry

Derrell Oliver Assistant Director for Lubbock Power and Light, was recognized for his contributions to the electric industry during an awards luncheon hosted by the Texas Public Power Association (TPPA). Oliver was awarded the "Industry Achievement Award" for "significant individual contributions to the electric industry and to public power," according to TPPA. The award was presented at the 2002 TPPA Annual Meeting Awards Luncheon held July 31 at the Four Seasons Hotel in Austin.

"While it is always nice to receive recognition, it is especially rewarding to be recognized by your peers and colleagues," said Oliver. "The Texas Public Power Association has a strong voice in Texas and I am proud to be a part of the organization."

Oliver has been with Lubbock Power and Light for nearly 11 years. He served as the Chairman of the TPPA Government Relations Committee and has been an active member of the TPPA Board of Directors and the TPPA Industry Restructuring Task Force since 1997.

The Texas Public Power Association represents Texas' publicly-owned electric utilities. Members include municipal utilities, joint action agencies, river authorities, and rural electric cooperatives.



Fashion Fun

by Shirley Roberson

EMBELLISHED SUITS

Just when we thought we had enough decoration on suits, the fashion industry exhibits even more embellishments. Actually for the past several years, J-signer suits for women have changed very little if any at all.

This fall will be no different, except for one thing, there is more, so much more.

Embellishments are pleasantly overwhelming and also over powering in a very distinctive sort of way. When shopping ladies, don't be shy, forget being bashful. This fall its all about dressing sassy, classy, bold, bright and brassy.

More is a good thing and there is more of everything, from clear and colored rhine stones, beaded



beads of all shapes, sizes and colors to multicolored sequences. Anything and everything goes, embellished suits are plentiful, what you wear, how you wear it and the amount of decoration on it, is entirely up to you.

Remember, when you think you have on a little to much, its probably just enough.

NEXT ISSUE... DESIGNER HATS "JUST CHURCHIN"

Tip...For your total fashion look, always wear a smile

FASHION, JUST FOR THE

South Plains Obedience Training Club "Show and Go"

The South Plains Obedience Training Club will be hosting a "Show and Go" Dog Obedience Trial and conformation handling practice at the South Plains Fairgrounds Commercial Building. The event will be held on Sunday, August 25th. The registration hours are from 9:30 am to 10:30 am. Judging will start at 11:00 am. The entry fee is \$6.00 for each dog and \$2.00 for each additional entry of the same dog.

The South Plains Obedience Training Club will also offer testing to well mannered dogs for American Kennel Club Canine Good Citizen (CGC) certification

Dogs that pass will receive an AKC "CGC" certificate which will distinguish them as well mannered members of the community. The AKC has awarded over 1,000,000 CGC certificates since the programs inception in 1989. Owners who want to test their dogs must have a 6 foot leash, slip or buckle collar and written proof of rabies vaccination. The test fee is \$6.00 per dog. Free canine educational material will be available at this event. There is no admission fee and the public is encouraged to participate. For more information concerning these events call 794-256.

Army Hometown News

Frank R. Williams has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program. The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year.

The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$50,000 toward a college education. After completion of basic military training, soldiers receive advanced individual

training in their career job specialty prior to being assigned to their first permanent duty station.

The recruit qualifies for a \$4,000 enlistment bonus. Williams, a 2002 graduate of Lovington High School, N.M., has reported to Fort Penning, Columbus, Ga., for basic training.

He is the son Carolyn Hughes of Lamesa, Texas, and Larry Williams of Lubbock, Texas.

Final Plea for Lubbock Area Host Families

Foreign high school students are scheduled to arrive very soon for academic semester and year program holidays, and the sponsoring organization needs a few more local host families.

According to Pacific Intercultural Exchange (P.I.E.) Executive Director, John Doty, the students are all between the ages of 15 and 18 years, are English-speaking, have their own spending money, carry accident and health insurance, and are anxious to share their cultural experiences with their new American families. P.I.E. currently has programs to match almost every family's needs, ranging in length from a semester to a full academic year, where the students attend local high schools.

P.I.E. area representatives match students with host families by finding common interests and lifestyles through an informal in-home meeting. Prospective host families are able to review student applications and select the perfect match. As there are no "typi-

cal" host families, P.I.E. can fit a student into just about any situation, whether it be a single-parent, a childless couple, a retired couple or a large family.

Families who host for P.I.E. are also eligible to claim a \$50.00 per month charitable contribution deduction on their itemized tax returns for each month they host a sponsored student.

For the upcoming programs, P.I.E. has students from Germany, the Former Soviet Union, Venezuela, Argentina, Brazil, Finland, Hungary, Korea, Switzerland, Mexico, Italy, Paraguay, Australia, Yugoslavia, China, Belgium, Vietnam and many other countries. P.I.E. has also been invited to participate in a special government-funded program to bring scholarship students from the Newly Independent States of the former Soviet Union to the United States. P.I.E. is a non-profit educational organization that has sponsored more than 20,000 students from 40 countries since its founding in 1975. The organization is

designated by the United States Department of State and is listed by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET), certifying that the organization complies with the standards set forth in CSIET's Standards for International Educational Travel Programs.

Doty encourages families to contact the program immediately, as it will allow the proper time for the students and hosts to get to know one another before they actually meet for the first time.

Lubbock area families interested in learning more about student exchange or arranging for a meeting with a community representative may call P.I.E., toll-free, at 1-800-631-1818. The agency also has travel/study program opportunities available for American high school students as well as possibilities for community volunteers to assist and work with area host families, students and schools.

SBA Financing and Informational Workshop

LUBBOCK, TX -There will be an "SBA Financing and Informational Workshop," Wednesday, August 28, 2002, at the Texas Tech University Small Business Development Center, 2579 S. Loop 289, Lubbock, Texas. The workshop is being sponsored by the Texas Tech University Small Business Development Center, U. S. Small Business Administration (SBA); and SCORE. The program begins at 6:00 p.m. and will conclude at 8:00 p.m.

Subject for the evening workshop is, "Financing Options: All You Should Know About SBA Loans". There is no charge for the workshop but advanced registration is encouraged due to limited seating.

Information will be available on what a business owner should have before applying for a loan, what the banker is looking for, infor-

mation required in a business plan, and the programs and services available from the Small Business Administration. This is an opportunity for small business owners and prospective business owners to learn about financing options and the SBA Guaranty Loan Program.

Reasonable arrangements for persons with disabilities will be made, if requested in advance.

For more information or registration call Sandra at the Texas Tech University Small Business Development Center, Lubbock at 806-745-1637.

Legal Notice

Request for Proposals:

Competitive Sealed Proposals

FOR

TTUHSC El Paso - Clinic Expansion & Repair

for
The Texas Tech University System
Lubbock, Texas
Project No. 98-53

Competitive Sealed Proposals will be received for the following project:

Texas Tech intends to design and construct a 43,000 sq. ft. 3rd floor addition to the existing clinic in El Paso, TX with a total project budget of \$10,400,000. The scope of work includes replacement of the existing HVAC system including fresh air ductwork, hydronic piping, and fan-oil units. Responding firms must use one of the four prequalified mechanical firms.

By:

Ms. Jean Carlton
Manager of Construction Contracting
Office of Facilities Planning & Construction
Texas Tech University System
Box 42014
Administration Building
15th and Akron
E. Basement, Room 5
Lubbock, Texas 79409-2014

until 3:00 PM CST, September 11, 2002

Proposals received after closing time will be returned unopened. Proposals may not be withdrawn within sixty(60) days after the opening date.

The RFP and further information can be obtained by accessing the Texas Marketplace <http://esbd.tbpc.state.tx.us/1380/sagency.cfm> GSC Class item No 914-89

Texas Tech reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Proposals and to waive any and all formalities. The Texas Tech University System is an equal Opportunity Employer and all Historically Underutilized Businesses are encouraged to participate.

For additional information contact the Texas Tech University System:

Project Manager: Debbie Griffin. Contact via phone (806) 742-2116, Fax 806-742-2241 or e-mail: debbie.griffin@ttu.edu.

JAY'S CORNER

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. Billy R. Moton is pastor. Our doors are always open for those who are looking for a church home. Come and visit, you will be glad you chose to do so. God is able.

Services began last Sunday morning with Sunday School beginning at 9:30 a.m. with all teachers at their post of duty. After thirty minutes of instruction, all teachers and students marched to the main auditorium singing and praising God for a mighty good day of worship. High points of the morning lesson were given after prayer was given. It was another wonderful lesson.

The morning devotion was led by Sister Jean Ervin and Sister Doris Dailey, and assisted by the Praise Team. What a time in the Lord!

The Senior Choir marched in the morning procession singing out of their hearts and souls. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. M.C. McClendon. After the singing of another selection, scripture was read by Sister Marian Alien with the morning prayer from Sister Dorothy Kinner. There was another selection sung, and the responsive reading was done with the congregation standing and led by Sister Vickie Kendrick.

The morning hymn was "Standin' In The Need of Prayer." After pastoral observations were given by Pastor Moton, another selection was sung by the Senior Choir. The morning sermon was preached by Rev. Thea McClendon. Her subject was "Didn't I Tell You." Her scripture text was John 20:1-9. It was a wonderful sermon. Praise God for the sermon. May God continue to bless Sister McClendon. Her husband, Rev. McClendon, is the moderator in New Hope's District.

After invitation discipleship was extended, announcements were read by Sister Anita Henry and all visitors were welcomed by Sister Shiretha Chase.

The Women Missionary Society General Mission will be held on August 26, 2002, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

The National Baptist Convention will be held in Philadelphia, Pa. September 2 through 6, 2002.

Annual Men and Women's Day will be held on September 15, 2002. The theme for the program will be "Making Room To Pray." Guest church will be the New Jerusalem Baptist Church where Rev. E. Austin is pastor.

The "Women in Red Banquet" will be held at the University Medical Center's McInturf Conference Center on September 27, 2002. Rev. Betty O'Neal is guest speaker. Chairpersons are Sister Margie Thomas and Sister Billie Caviel.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut in citizens. There are so many of our citizens who are ill. We must remind them that God is able.

Don't forget to pray for our bereaved families. The loss of a loved one is something which will bother us. Let us put it in God's hands. He knows best. He has never made a mistake.

If you are unable to attend church services on a Sunday morning, keep in mind the New Hope Broadcast over Radio Station KJAK, 92.7 FM, each Sunday morning, beginning at 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

Mount Pleasant Baptist Church was special guest of the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church last Sunday morning during their 19th Homecoming Celebration. Rev. B. Castle, pastor, brought the message of the hour. The Mount Pleasant Choir sang out of their hearts. The church is from Wichita Falls, Texas.

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has been set for Sept. 7th

For those interested in helping, you may contact either
Steven Deavenport (806) 763-3110 or Danny Douglass at (806) 791-3256.

CHURCH DIRECTORY



WE THANK GOD FOR JESUS "WHY BLESS AMERICA"

ISAIAH 1:4, AN SINFUL NATION, A PEOPLE LADEN WITH INIQUITY, A SEED OF EVILDOERS, CHILDREN THAT ARE COPRURTERS: THEY HAVE FORSAKEN THE LORD.
OUR FOUR FATHERS: THEY PRAYED AND WORSHIPED GOD IN TRUTH, AND GOD SAID, HE WOULD BLESS THEIR SEEDS; THAT IS ME AND YOU.
DEUTERONOMY 7:13, THE LORD SAID, HE WILL LOVE THEE, AND BLESS THEE, AND MULTIPLY THEE; HE WILL ALSO BLESS THE FRUIT OF THY WOMB, AND THE FRUIT OF THY LAND, THY CORN, AND THY WINE, AND THINE OIL, THE INCREASE OF THY KINE(CATTLE), AND THE FLOCKS OF THY SHEEP, IN THE LAND WHICH HE SWARE UNTO THY FATHERS TO GIVE THEE.
GOD DID BLESS AMERICA; SHE BECAME SMART; AND THANKS SHE IS COOL, SHE THANKS SHE DON'T NEED GOD ANYMORE; SHE IS NOW BECOME A FOOL.
ROMANS 1:21,22, BECAUSE THAT, WHEN THEY(THE LEADERS) KNEW GOD, THEY GLOKIFIED HIM NOT AS GOD, NEITHER WERE THANKFUL, BUT BECAME VAIN IN THEIR IMAGINATION(DREAMERS), AND THEIR FOOLISH HEART WAS DARKENED. PROFESSING THEMSELVES TO BE WISE, THEY BECAME FOOLS.
AMERICA'S CHRISTIANS; LET THE DEVIL TAKE PRAYER OUT OF SCHOOLS, NOW THERE IS GUNS, DRUGS, KILLINGS; NO WISDOM, JUST FOOLS.
ISAIAH 58:1a, THE LORD SAID, CRY ALOUD(SHOUT), SPARE NOT, LIFT UP THY VOICE LIKE A TRUMPET, AND SHEW(SHOW) MY PEOPLE THEIR TRANSGRESSION,
*****LET'S LOOK AT THEM*****
(AMERICA SIN RIGHTS: CHILDREN RUN AWAY RIGHTS, GAY RIGHTS, NO PRAYER IN SCHOOLS RIGHTS, WHITE, BLACK AND BROWN RIGHTS, CAR JACKING RIGHTS, DRUGS IN SCHOOL RIGHTS, CONDOMS IN KINDERGARTEN RIGHTS, ABORTION RIGHTS, DRIVE BY SHOOTING RIGHTS, SHACKING RIGHTS, ATM KILLING RIGHTS, NO SPANKING RIGHTS, KILLING CLASSMATE AND TEACHERS RIGHTS, KKK RIGHTS, BOMB THE FEDERAL BUILDING RIGHTS, CLONING RIGHTS, KILL THE FAMILY RIGHTS, KILL THE ABORTION DOCTOR RIGHTS, BABIES HAVING BABIES RIGHTS RAPE RIGHTS, ALL OF AMERICA RIGHTS ARE WRONG).
ISAIAH 5:20,21,25a, WOE(CURSED) UNTO THEM THAT CALL EVIL GOOD, AND GOOD EVIL; THAT PUT DARKNESS FOR LIGHT, AND LIGHT FOR DARKNESS;
THAT PUT BITTER FOR SWEET, AND SWEET FOR BITTER! WOE(CURSED) UNTO THEM THAT ARE WISE IN THEIR OWN EYES, AND PRUDENT(INTELLIGENCE) IN THEIR OWN SIGHT! THEREFORE IS THE ANGER OF THE LORD KINDLED AGAINST THIS PEOPLE, AND HE HAS STRETCHED FORTH HIS HAND AGAINST THEM, AND AND HATH SMITTEN THEM: AND THE HILLS DID TREMBLE AND THEIR CARCASSES (BODIES) WERE-TORN IN THE MIDST OF THE STREETS(THINK 9/11). FOR ALL THIS HIS ANGER IS NOT TURNED AWAY, BUT HIS HAND IS STRETCHED-OUT STILL.
AMERICA RIGHTS:TEACH CHILDREN HOW SIN-AND THEN GO TO JAIL, THAT LIE YOU'RE FREE: A SLAVE IN JAIL: AND CAN MAKE BAIL.
(YOU ARE A SLAVE; YOU EAT WHAT IS GIVEN TO YOU, YOU PUT ON WHAT YOU'RE TOLD TOO, SLAVES DON'T WARE SHOES, YOU'RE TOLD WHAT TIME TO GET UP AND WHEN TO GO TO BED, CAN'T DO THIS OR THAT: ARE YOU FREE?)
AMERICA HAS NO TRUST; IT IS NOW GONE FROM THE CHURCH HOUSE, AND IT IS NO LONGER IN PRESIDENT; ITS NOW OUT OF THE WHITEHOUSE.
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from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith God's Spiritual Embroidery



The hymn God Moves in a Mysterious Way has been a source of great comfort and blessing to many people. William Cowper wrote the hymn in the 18th century. A great number of people are unaware of the unusual circumstances that led to its composition.
The story told of William Cowper was he had accepted Christ as his personal savior, but he had sunk to the depths of despair. One foggy night he called for a horse drawn carriage and asked to be taken to the London Bridge on the Thames River. He was so over come by depression that he intended to take his own life. But after two hours of driving through the mist, Cowper's coachman reluctantly confessed that he was lost. Disgusted by the delay, Cowper left the carriage and decided to find the London Bridge on foot. After walking only a short distance, though, he discovered that he

was at his own doorstep! The carriage had been going in circles. Immediately he recognized the restraining hand of God in it all. Convicted by the Spirit, he realized that the way out of his troubles was to look to God, not to jump into the river. As he cast his burden on the Savior, his heart was comforted. With gratitude he sat down and penned these reassuring words: "God moves in a mysterious way. His wonders to perform; He plants His footsteps in the sea, and rides upon the storm. O fearful saints, fresh courage take, the clouds you so much dread at big with mercy, and shall break in blessing on your head."
The "mysterious ways" of God did not begin with Cowper nor are they confined or restrained to man's knowledgeable particulars; One day Jesus was traveling along the border between Samaria and Galilee when He encountered the ten lepers.
Leprosy was a dreaded disease in Bible times. Leprosy is said to be caused by a bacillus and is character-

ized by formation of nodules that spread, causing loss of sensation and deformity.
The life of a leper was a life of misery. The disease itself was degenerative and debilitating.
Medicine could offer no hope for the leper. Lepers were simply quarantined in the hope that their disease and ritual defilement would not be spread to others.
Since lepers had to leave the mainstream of life, they could neither work to support themselves nor enjoy normal family relationships. They were barred from normal religious practice.
In short, being diagnosed with leprosy was like receiving a sentence to a living death. The lepers in Luke's were given instruction by Him and upon obeying His command were healed at a distance.
It is hard for us to imagine the extreme emotions of a person instantly cured of leprosy in Bible times. There can be no doubt that all then men were

extremely happy to learn they had been cleansed of the terrible disease that had shattered their lives. They certainly must have been a hurry to comply with Jesus' command to go to a priest. It would be an understatement to say that they were anxious to pick up the pieces of their lives.
God moved mysteriously in the lives of these men and one was so grateful that he showed his gratitude by praising God and worshipping a Jesus' feet. He was overwhelmed with the relief that Jesus gave him. He had to express his love and thankfulness to the Lord.
Has God moved mysteriously in your life? What you might count as ordinary is the mysterious ways of God. He was so mysterious that He has awakened you morning after morning wrapped in your right mind. He continues to wind the clock of your life so that you days may roll on. His everyday mysteriousness is mind-boggling!

ISAIAH 58:1a, THE LORD SAID, CRY ALOUD(SHOUT), SPARE NOT, LIFT UP THY VOICE LIKE A TRUMPET, AND SHEW(SHOW) MY PEOPLE THEIR TRANSGRESSION,
*****LET'S LOOK AT THEM*****
(AMERICA SIN RIGHTS: CHILDREN RUN AWAY RIGHTS, GAY RIGHTS, NO PRAYER IN SCHOOLS RIGHTS, WHITE, BLACK AND BROWN RIGHTS, CAR JACKING RIGHTS, DRUGS IN SCHOOL RIGHTS, CONDOMS IN KINDERGARTEN RIGHTS, ABORTION RIGHTS, DRIVE BY SHOOTING RIGHTS, SHACKING RIGHTS, ATM KILLING RIGHTS, NO SPANKING RIGHTS, KILLING CLASSMATE AND TEACHERS RIGHTS, KKK RIGHTS, BOMB THE FEDERAL BUILDING RIGHTS, CLONING RIGHTS, KILL THE FAMILY RIGHTS, KILL THE ABORTION DOCTOR RIGHTS, BABIES HAVING BABIES RIGHTS RAPE RIGHTS, ALL OF AMERICA RIGHTS ARE WRONG).
ISAIAH 5:20,21,25a, WOE(CURSED) UNTO THEM THAT CALL EVIL GOOD, AND GOOD EVIL; THAT PUT DARKNESS FOR LIGHT, AND LIGHT FOR DARKNESS;
THAT PUT BITTER FOR SWEET, AND SWEET FOR BITTER! WOE(CURSED) UNTO THEM THAT ARE WISE IN THEIR OWN EYES, AND PRUDENT(INTELLIGENCE) IN THEIR OWN SIGHT! THEREFORE IS THE ANGER OF THE LORD KINDLED AGAINST THIS PEOPLE, AND HE HAS STRETCHED FORTH HIS HAND AGAINST THEM, AND AND HATH SMITTEN THEM: AND THE HILLS DID TREMBLE AND THEIR CARCASSES (BODIES) WERE-TORN IN THE MIDST OF THE STREETS(THINK 9/11). FOR ALL THIS HIS ANGER IS NOT TURNED AWAY, BUT HIS HAND IS STRETCHED-OUT STILL.
AMERICA RIGHTS:TEACH CHILDREN HOW SIN-AND THEN GO TO JAIL, THAT LIE YOU'RE FREE: A SLAVE IN JAIL: AND CAN MAKE BAIL.
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Annual Yard Sale at Mt. Vernon UMC

The Mt. Vernon UMC will hold its Annual Yard Sale on Sat., Sept. 7, from 7:30 am - 1:30 pm at the church, 2304 Cedar Ave.

Also, a Smoke Chicken Dinner will be sold for \$5 each. The dinners will be sold from 11 am - 1:30 pm.

YARD SALE Sat. 9/7!

Mrs. Ada Mitchell is chairperson.

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast want to remind each of you that school has begun, and we're praying. Why not as this is the only thing which will reach our children and make a difference. So, let's all pray!

-Our Prayer-
Father, we thank you for your word which brings light. Thank you for watching over your word, Jesus, we bring before you the Public School System, our dear children, as well as the men and women who will be over them this year who are in position of authority within the Public School System. We are praying for skillful and Godly wisdom will enter into their hearts, and your knowledge is presented to them. Continue to watch over them with your understanding. Keep them and deliver them from the ways of evil and evil men. We pray men and women of integrity and moral standards remain in these position. We also pray the treacherous and the wicked will have a change of heart.
We thank you for being a God of all nations and races. Thank you for spirit filled people over our children. We speak forth your word boldly and confidently. Father, we and our households are covered in the name of Jesus. We are redeemed from the curse of the law. For Jesus was made a curse for us, our sons and daughters are not given into the hands of evil men.
Jesus, we love our children. As parents, may we train our children in the way they should go and when they are old, they will not depart. May our children grow to show themselves to be children who will provide the beauty of your world and try to contribute to it. In spite of in the midst of a crooked and wicked generation,
Thank you, Jesus, for you have given us knowledge and skills as well as wisdom. Give our children favor with those around them. We pray and

intercede that these young people, their parents and leaders in the school system will separate themselves from contact with confrontation and corrupting influences, and they will cleanse themselves from everything that defiles their spirit, souls and bodies. We confess our children shun immorality and all sexual looseness; flee from impurity in thought, word or deed.
We pray they may live and conduct themselves honorably and becoming as you would have them. We confess and believe that they shun youthful lust and flee from them. In the name of Jesus,
"Satan", we speak to you in the name of Jesus. We bind you, the principalities, the powers, the rulers of darkness, and wicked spirits in heavenly palaces, and tear down strong holes using the mighty weapons God has provided for us. In the name of Jesus, we bind up the spirits -- sexual immorality, alcohol, nicotine, drugs, drug addiction and others. We bind worldly wisdom in any form.
Every opposer of the truth, we bind every destructive, deceitful, and thieving spirit. You loosed from your assignment against God's people, from the snares of the devil, who has held them captive.
We thank you, Jesus. You're a delivering God. Thank you for the Good News of the Gospel which is published throughout our Public School System. Thank you for intercessors to stand on your word, and laborers of the harvest to preach your word. In Jesus' name. Praise the Lord!
If you are interested in the Fodor Drive Program, call 762-8033. Thank you for reading this column. You may write to us: Outreach Prayer Breakfast, 2132 East 30th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79404. Let us hear from you today!
Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christine Burleson, vice presi-

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Church School 9:30am
Morning Worship 10:50am
Evening Worship 6:00pm
Wednesday Bible Study 12:00 Noon and 6:00pm

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Pastor: Danny R. Poe

St. John Baptist Church Sponsors a "Block Party"

August 24, 2002

The public is invited to attend a "Block Party" on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 10 am - 3 pm at St. John Baptist Church, 1712 East 29th Street. Rev. Solomon E. Fields is pastor.

The theme for the party is "Power Up With Jesus."
Act 1:8

water wisely

Q. How do I know how much water to apply on my particular kind of grass?
A. This applies during the growing season. See chart below.

Types of Grass	Watering Frequency
Buffalo Grass	Every 2 weeks
Tex-turf-10	Every 7 to 10 days
Bermuda	Every 4 to 6 days
Fescue	Every 4 days

With the exception of Fescue, which needs to be watered approximately every 2 weeks during the winter months, the above grasses go dormant in the winter and do not need to be watered.

For more information call 775-2596.

Water & Solid Waste Services

Religious Poems Sought from Lubbock-Area Poets

Good news for sincere poets! The Texas Poetry Alliance is offering a \$1000 grand prize in their annual spiritual poetry contest open to the public. There is no entry fee and everyone is invited.

To enter, send one poem 21 lines or less:
Free Poetry Contest
3412-A Moonlight Ave
El Paso, Texas 79904, or you may enter at www.freecontest.com.

The deadline for entering is August 24, 2002. A winner's will be sent to all entrants. The editors reserve the right to publish the winning poems.

In Remembrance...



BENNIE LIONEL MCCORMICK
LONGTIME CHURCHMAN
DIES IN FORT WORTH

Fort Worth Texas - Funeral services were held for Rev. Bennie Lionel McCormick on Thursday morning, July 11, 2002, at the historical Baker Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Interment was held in Cedar Hill Memorial Park under the direction of Baker Funeral Home.

He was born in Pineland, Texas. He had been pastor of the historical Baker Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church since 1977. He served as trustee of Paul QUINN College in Dallas, first vice president of Fort Worth Tarrant County Branch NAACP, Sickel Cell Anemia Association board member, founder and dean of Ecumenical Fellowship and member of Black Ecumenical Leadership Alliance in Fort Worth. He served on the City Board of Adjustment, Tarrant Area Community of Churches, Community Development Council, DFW Airport Chaplaincy and executive committee of Prairie View Ministers Conference of Texas. He was a member

of Phi Beta Sigma Theta Fraternity, and a 33rd degree Mason.

An ordained elder of the African Methodist Episcopal Church for 65 years, Dr. McCormick also pastored at New Mission from 1937 to 1938; Kountze Circuit from 1938 to 1939; Dayton Circuit from 1939 to 1943; Sealy Circuit from 1943 to 1947; St. John in Brenham from 1947 to 1954; Grant Chapel in Austin from 1954 to 1961; St. Paul Metropolitan in Dallas from 1961 to 1971; and Baker Chapel in Fort Worth until his death. He was the senior pastor in tenure of the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Dr. McCormick was educated at Wiley Extension College, Paul Quinn College, Huston-Tillotson College, University of Texas at Austin, Austin Presbyterian Seminary and Brite School of Divinity. Throughout his distinguished career as a preacher, teacher, counselor and consultant, Dr. McCormick helped shape the communities in which he served.

In Dallas, he served on the Board of Directors of the Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce, Moorland Branch YMCA, Dallas Council of Churches, chairman of the Dallas Zoning Board of Adjustment, and secretary of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance.

Dr. McCormick has served as President of the Correctional Council of African Methodist Episcopal Church, General Board member, General Conference Commission member, Chairman of the Finance

Committee, Board of Examiners, member of the Judicial Committee and committee on Presiding Elders Work for the North Texas Conference. Dr. McCormick was instrumental in 10th District work in the move of Paul Quinn College to Dallas and the acquisition of Richard Allen Plaza headquarters.

At the 2002 May commencement ceremony, Dr. McCormick and his wife, Ulma, fulfilled a longterm aspiration by donating \$100,000.00 to start an educational fund for ministerial education at Paul QUINN College.

His first wife, Lillie Mae Brown McCormick, who spent more than 60 years of her life and ministry with him, died in 1995. He was also preceded in death by his beloved mother, Llie Wolford; son, Leroy McCormick; and brother, James.

Survivors include his beloved wife, Mrs. Ulma McCormick; of three years; brother, John McCormick of San Diego, California; grandson, Collin Keath McCormick; granddaughter, Lynn McCormick Ferrell and husband, Chuck; great-granddaughters, Cydney and Chelsea Ferrell; many nieces and nephews, including Marvin and wife, Phonorah, Myrtle Brown, Louise Yates and husband, Leon, and Wilma Warner and husband, Donald, daughter-in-law, Clara McCormick; many other relatives and friends; and his Baker Chapel church family.

Strength for Today hope for Tomorrow

by Gerald Jackson

Question: What does the Bible say about cremation?

Answer: According to the Bible, Jews and Christians buried their dead. I have been able to find three occasions where burning is spoken of in Scripture. The first is found in Leviticus 20:14 where God commands Moses to burn those in immorality. The second is found in Joshua 7:16-25 where Achan and his family were stoned and then burned. This was due to Achan's theft and lying to conceal his theft. The third occasion is where Saul and his sons bodies were burned by the valiant men of Israel. This is found in 1 Samuel 31:7-13.

Let me begin with the case of Saul. The Israelites had just been defeated by the Philistines. The bodies of King Saul and his sons were captured by the Philistines, beheaded and nailed to the city walls. The valiant men of Israel later collected the bodies of Saul and his sons. They burned the bodies and took the bones to be buried. It would appear that the bodies were burned because it was no longer possible to conduct the regular burial for the corpses due to the beheading. Also it is possible that Israel did not want the Philistines to further abuse the bodies of their King and his sons.

Seemingly the cremation of Saul was more a matter of emergency than one of choice of proper burial custom. The difference in the first two occasions of cremation and Saul and his son's cremation appears to have been a matter of judgement and punishment ordered by God. The first case is when a man marries a woman and her mother (Leviticus 20:14).

God commands that the man and the woman should be burned. I assume the burning would take place while they were still alive since there is no

We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.

mention of any other form of death. If for no other reason, they should have been burned for being stupid. Imagine the man who thinks it is a good idea to marry his bride and his mother-in-law. It shouldn't take a declaration of God to convince this man or these women that this is a bad idea. Nevertheless, God has a way of eliminating this level of stupidity from the gene pool.

The case of Achan stealing, harboring the stolen goods and making his family an accessory to the theft is handled by stoning and then burning. The stoning was according to the Law of Moses (Deuteronomy 17:2-5). It would appear that the burning could have been symbolically a method of cleansing the evil that had infected God's people. In both cases burning appears to be a means of detouring others from carrying out the same sins.

Cremation was practiced by the Greeks and some Romans during the time of Jesus. This was their customary method of burial for the dead. The Roman historian, Tacitus, writes about the custom (History volume 5).

I have been asked this question about cremation more and more in recent years. I am not sure that I know the reason(s) why. It could be that those who are burdened with the loss of a loved one are being required in advance by them to cremate their body. If you believe that this request violates Scripture then I can understand the dilemma. I want to be careful and not go beyond what is written in this matter (1 Corinthians 4:6). I

do not have the liberty to impose what God does not impose, neither does anyone else. I can neither condemn or endorse the practice of cremation. What I would encourage you to do is follow the example of burial that you see written in the Bible. Then you know you can't go wrong. If however, you are feeling guilty or fearful about a loved one being cremated, let me assure you that if that loved one died in Christ, God has the ability to raise him or her from the dead, scattered ashes and all. He is an all powerful God. Paul says we are to be comforted by the knowledge that those who die in Christ will be raised to be with Him (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18). Hopefully this information will give you strength for today and hope for tomorrow.

Grace and peace
Gerald



PARKWAY DRIVE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Cool Down Your Electric Bill

Energy saving tips from LP&L

As temperatures continue to rise this summer, so can the amount of energy you consume. In fact, LP&L recently recorded the utility's highest electric consumption in their history. The folks at LP&L encourage customers to conserve energy whenever possible and particularly during late afternoon hours. Here are some energy saving tips on how you can keep your bill as low as possible.

Appliance Tips "Easier Chores and Easy Savings"

- Turn off anything you're not using. This includes all equipment and appliances, televisions, VCR's, computers and LIGHTS!
- Refrigerator: Give the unit breathing room, clean the coils, and don't set temperatures too low. Fresh foods keep at 37 to 42 degrees, frozen foods at 0 to 5 degrees. Defrost refrigerators and freezers before ice buildup becomes too thick.
- If you have a microwave oven, use it for reheating and cooking small quantities.
- Do laundry, vacuuming, cooking etc. early in the morning or late in the evening when the outdoor temperature is cooler.
- Use ceiling fans and room fans in occupied rooms but keep fans off in unoccupied areas.

Office Tips "No Waste at Work"

- At work, turn off all your office equipment (computers, printers, photocopiers and lights) at the end of the day (contrary to popular belief, this does no harm).
- For large energy consuming businesses, an energy audit should be conducted periodically.
- In offices, ensure that someone turns off the A/C at the end of the day. Programmable thermostats will do this automatically.

Air-Conditioning Tips "Cool Ways to Save"

- Air conditioners: Clean or replace filters regularly. Provide shade for your air conditioner unit outside. Keep weeds and debris away to ensure proper air flow.
- Keep the thermostat set at 78 degrees or higher when the house is occupied and turn the A/C off or set the thermostat warmer when the house is unoccupied. Installing a programmable thermostat will do this automatically.

Washer/Dryer/Dishwasher Tips "Clean Up with These Ideas"

- When using the clothes washer and dryer, do only full loads. Wash in cold water. Clean the dryer lint trap after each use. Hang clothes to dry whenever possible.
- Dishwasher: Wash only full loads in the dishwasher. Use the energy saver, air-dry cycle or open the door and let dishes dry naturally.



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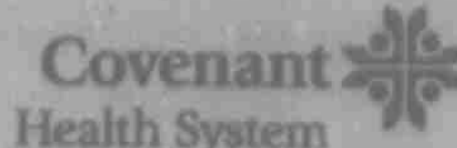
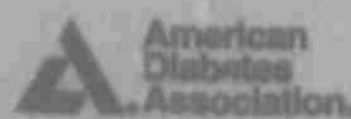
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Ask the Attorney General



Ask Attorney General John Cornyn

A Safer Border

Q: I heard that a man wanted for murder was recently apprehended in Mexico. Did your office have a role in his capture?

A: For many years, the U.S.-Mexico border was seen by criminals as an easy way to escape justice. And considering that more than half of the U.S.-Mexico border runs through Texas, this has been a particular problem for law enforcement in our state.

To combat this problem, my office has developed several innovative solutions to help district attorneys work with Mexican authorities to ensure that those who commit heinous crimes in Texas pay for their deeds. In 2000, my office also began using the Internet as a tool to find fugitives on the run. Our International Fugitives Web Page went online profiling several persons suspected of having committed heinous crimes in Texas and presumably fleeing to Mexico. The information contained in this page is in both Spanish and English, and it features interactive online forms where people with information on a suspect can submit tips electronically. You can access the page through our Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us.

We have also worked with media on both sides of the border to publicize the identity of wanted fugitives and encourage the public to access our Web site. Our efforts have started to pay off. In May of this year, the first dangerous fugitive was arrested in Mexico thanks to the International Fugitives Web Page, the diligent efforts of a Mexican journalist, and the cooperation of the Office of the Attorney General

of Mexico.

Ignacio Ybarra, wanted in connection with the brutal 1993 murder of his 5-year-old daughter near Uvalde, Texas, was one of the suspects featured on our fugitive page. His case had also been covered numerous times by the television show "America's Most Wanted." A reporter in the Mexican border town of Piedras Negras wrote several stories about the Ybarra case, using photographs and information that appeared on our Web site. One day a reader contacted the reporter and said that Ybarra had been working for him for sometime on a nearby ranch. This information was relayed to our office, which in turn contacted federal authorities in Mexico. Within a couple of days, Mr. Ybarra was arrested, and he now faces a joint prosecution in Mexico for his alleged crime. If convicted, he will serve a long sentence in Mexico. Law enforcement in Texas and Mexico are enjoying an increasingly cooperative relationship.

Neither country wants dangerous criminals at large who might exploit the border to evade justice. Now, the Internet, combined with information from the public, has expanded our cooperative efforts and is giving criminals on the run less room to hide. Other suspects currently profiled in our International Fugitives Web Page include the following:

Alfredo Ramirez Rosas - Wanted for the 1993 murder of an 82-year-old woman from Tomball. It is believed that Ramirez fled to the state of San Luis Potosi, Mexico.

Rogelio Guerra V-squez - Wanted for the 1997 murder of his wife of 21 years in Orange, Texas. The suspect is believed to have fled to Monterrey, Mexico.

Alberto Gomez Zapata - Wanted for the 1992 murder of his stepson and the attempted murder of his wife in Bexar County. The suspect is believed to be in Monterrey, Mexico.

Roberto Ivanovich Ojeda Hernandez - Wanted for a 1998 murder at the South Texas Community College campus. Whereabouts in Mexico are unknown.

Jose Juan Salaz - In 1997, Salaz escaped from the Garza East Prison Unit in Beeville where he was serving a sentence for kidnapping. Whereabouts in Mexico are unknown.

In addition to submitting information electronically, people with tips can call my office toll free at 1-800-252-8011. People in Mexico can contact Mexico's Federal Attorney General's Office toll free at 01-800-70690.

All suspects are considered armed and dangerous. Do not attempt to investigate or detain any suspect or inform authorities as soon

Ten Free Colorado Blue Spruce Trees

Ten free Colorado blue spruce trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during August 2002.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

"Colorado blue spruces were selected for this campaign because of their many uses in the home landscape," John Rosenow, the Foundation's president, said. "They lend beauty to their surroundings with their silver blue-green color and compact conical shape. They can be used as individual ornamentals, an energy-saving windbreak, a privacy screen, or as living Christmas trees.

postpaid at the right time for planting between October 15 and December 10 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's colorful bimonthly publication, Arbor Day, and The Tree Book with information about tree planting and care.

To receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to TEN BLUE SPRUCES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by August 31, 2002. Or join on-line at www.arborday.org.

The trees will be shipped

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“THINK!!!”

By Eddie P. Richardson

think, ignorance is passed down from one generation to another.

Not knowing the real truth, life is only a dumb assumption which brings ignorance, and hate is passed on from one generation to another generation. Racism, parents, and peers association are all a part of forming the mold.

To be able to properly perform in today's world, one must know ones self, love self, kind and others. The path to righteousness, respect, first, then with the help of God, ignorance, hate, and anger will be a thing of the past.

Don't let people make you mad and bitter. Let them make you better. Your dreams are fulfilled by fulfilling others dreams. You can not pick who you love, but love everyone. You can't even spend that time treating others right, but if

you must get mad, get over it, and go on with your life. We have our thing with police, most negative. This being the case, THINK... If this is how they (police) treat white men in suits? How will they treat Blacks?

This is all the more reason to think. If and when approached by law enforcement, before you speak, act or react. Make sure you have something to think about as a whole people of different races, cultures, backgrounds so we can get along in a much better posture as individuals, but not group wise.

Come, my good people, and learn to think before we open our minds with negative thoughts. We must all learn to live on this planet.

Most of the time, we fail to look - before we speak. Think before we leap, and usually, end up in a heap of you know what it is very important we take a few minutes to think just think before we speak or act. If we do, we will find ourselves in a much better situation. At all times, leave conflicts and go to love and compassion; help our children by helping ourselves be a good example. By not taking time out to

AmeriCorps Members Assigned to Lubbock Habitat Have Achieved Everything from Satisfaction to Sushi

Lubbock's chapter of Habitat for Humanity has nine new faces on its team—nine new sets of strong hearts and willing hands to help with this year's biggest job.

They're nine members of AmeriCorps, assigned to work here through September 14—when Habitat completes its “Celebration of Solidarity”. That's the name of the 2002 “blitz build”, a week-long drive to produce 15 affordable homes for deserving families to buy.

The nine AmeriCorps members—5 women, 4 men, all 20-something, all single—have gone to work for the volunteer coordinator at Habitat headquarters on Avenue N and for the construction supervisor at the building site off north Avenue D. They come to Lubbock from all parts of the country—California to

Massachusetts and Minnesota to South Carolina.

AmeriCorps is a sort of domestic Peace Corps. It's a network of national service programs that engage more than 50,000 people each year to meet critical needs in education, public safety, health, and the environment. Members serve full or part-time over a 10-to-12-month period. Full-timers receive education awards to pay for college or graduate school or to repay student loans.

The members sent to Lubbock Habitat tell a variety of stories about their experiences. One says she worked in both Wales and Mexico, but decided she'd rather help meet needs in her own country. One remembers the satisfaction of teaching physically and mentally handicapped youngsters how to ski. One

recalls when his group was working to restore a grove of trees and was challenged to eat the grub-worms they found under some diseased bark. They did it. They got treated to dinner in return. The dinner menu was sushi.

The AmeriCorps members assigned to Lubbock Habitat say they're eager to talk to anyone interested in their organization. Habitat officials say they'd like to hear from anyone willing to host some evening entertainment for the visiting group. The number to call is 763-4663.

(Editors: for more information or to arrange at-work interview? with the AmeriCorps members please call Jettonne Buxkemper at Habitat 763-4663)

Bush Administration Announces Additional Protection for Homebuyers to Curb Predatory Lending

Martinez Demands Increased Accountability from FHA Lenders through Credit Watch

WASHINGTON - Housing and Urban Development Secretary Mel Martinez today said HUD will strengthen its oversight of Federal Housing Administration-approved mortgage lenders by allowing fewer defaults and claims on loans before levying sanctions against lenders.

The changes, which will be phased in over nine months under the provisions of the Department's Credit Watch Termination Initiative, will impact over 21,000 home offices and branches of FHA-approved lenders nationwide.

Credit Watch was established to identify poorly performing mortgage lenders, advise marginal performers that they must improve to maintain as an approved lender, and terminate a lender's ability, at the branch level, from originating FHA-insured mortgages if it fails to improve.

“FHA-insured mortgages are a key component of the Bush Administration's housing policy, which has helped push homeownership rates to record levels, particularly for first-time, low and moderate income homebuyers,” said HUD Secretary Mel Martinez during a speech to the American Legislative Exchange Council annual meeting in Orlando, FL. “We will not allow lenders with high default and claim rates on their FHA-insured loans to jeopardize a family's ability to achieve and maintain the American dream of homeownership.”

Under the provisions of Credit Watch, HUD has the authority to bar lenders from issuing FHA-insured mortgages if their default and claim rates on loans made within the last 24 months in a geographical area are 200 percent of the average rate for that area, and if their rate exceeds the national default and claim rate.

Since Credit Watch was implemented in May 1999, HUD has focused its efforts on lenders with the worst default and claim rates, those whose rates exceeded 300 percent of the average rate. That will change on October 1, 2002, however, when HUD

will begin focusing on lenders whose rates are 275 percent of the local averages. Those lenders will be subject to removal under the new guidelines in late December 2002. On January 1, 2003, HUD will focus on lenders with rates of 250 percent; 225 percent on April 1; and, finally, 200 percent on July 1, 2003.

Since launching Credit Watch, the Department has terminated lending approval for 120 branches and placed an additional 219 branches on warning status.

Other recent action is by the Bush Administration to protect homeowners from predatory lending and promote homeownership include:

- Early this month HUD announced plans to expand protection of homeowners by proposing performance standards for appraisers of FHA-single family homes under its Appraiser Watch Initiative. (The announcement is on HUD's website at www.hud.gov/news/release.cfm?content=pr02-081.cfm). Under Appraiser Watch, some 25,000 appraisers will be held accountable for faulty appraisals, which too often lead to default and foreclosure. FHA will monitor appraisers' default and claim rates and will levy sanctions - including removal from its list of approved appraisers - against those whose rates are excessive.

- A proposal, currently available for public comment for 90 days, to reform the regulatory requirements of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA) that would make the process of buying and refinancing a home significantly simpler potentially less expensive and would protect consumers from unscrupulous lending practices.

- The recently announced “Homebuyer Bill of Rights,” which requires greater disclosure of costs associated with buying a home, allows consumers more choices in choosing providers of closing services, limits excessive settlement fees and encourages innovation and competition in the

marketplace. • Martinez also announced five major settlement agreements with mortgage lenders and service providers with payments of nearly \$2-3 million. HUD will spend \$1-5 million to investigate RESPA violations, a six-fold increase over current funding, and is more than doubling its investigative staff to further bolster its RESPA enforcement activities. HUD is also increasing its efforts to educate homebuyers in ways to avoid predatory lending practices in the first place.

- A goal to increase the number of minority homeowners by 5.5 million by the year 2010. To reach this goal the Bush Administration has proposed: the American Dream Downpayment Fund, aimed at helping 40,000 families each year with down payment cost, the most common barrier to minority homeownership, and a tax credit for builders of single-family homes. The Administration has also proposed a \$15 million increase in the fiscal year 2003 HUD budget for housing counseling, which would increase funding for consumer education on many topics, including predatory lending.

- Developing a rule to stop “flipping” - quickly reselling properties at inflated values - of FHA insured loans. The proposal would make properties that have been sold within a defined period of time ineligible for FHA insurance, effectively prohibiting resale of the property.

HUD is the nation's housing agency committed to increasing homeownership, particularly among minorities, creating affordable housing opportunities for low-income Americans, supporting the homeless, elderly, people with disabilities and people living with AIDS. The Department also promotes economic and community development as well as enforces the nation's fair housing laws. More information about HUD and its programs is available on the Internet at www.hud.gov.

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Ford Motor Company Executives Ray Jensen and George Frame Honored at FraserNet Power Networking Conference

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L-R: POWER NETWORKING: Motivation speaker Les Brown (left) and entertainer Melba Moore, among the numerous celebrities attending the Power Networking Conference at the Cleveland Convention Center, welcome Ford Motor Company's Ray Jensen, (left) and George Frame (far right).

company's total dealer body in the U.S. Ford has a program where the company finances as much as 90 percent of the price of the dealership to assist in the purchase. These Ford minority dealers and suppliers have created more than 39,000 jobs in minority communities.

The Power Networking Conference, designed to help

foster greater minority participation in business, is the brainchild of entrepreneur, author and networking specialist George Fraser. The conference which included major African American business and civic leaders, was a huge success, with more than 2,000 registrants and another 8,000 who attended the various special functions. Ford Motor Company took lead as principal sponsor of the event.

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Texas Tech University Choir to Tour in England

LUBBOCK - The Texas Tech University Choir will venture overseas to Great Britain as part of the choir's 2002 England Invitational Tour from Aug. 12-25. The visit will be the first international trip for the choir.

"I think the tour will be a life-changing experience for the students," said John Dickson, Ph.D., director of choral studies and conductor of the University Choir at the School of Music. "From the university's perspective, this trip is very significant especially since the university will be able to gain international exposure."

During their visit to England, members of the University Choir will perform at the Association of British Choral Directors National Convention in York, England. Each year, British choral directors attend the convention to gain insight into conducting through workshops, concerts and master classes. The choir was the only American choral group to be selected to perform at the convention.

Additionally, the choir will present a concert at York University and Evensong services at cathedrals throughout Britain. By traveling to England, Dickson said choir

members will be exposed to international music as well as meet musicians and choirs from other countries.

"For some of these students, this will be an opportunity to gain a broader view of life and a sense of history since they will be singing in the most historic venues in Europe," he said.

Prior to their departure from the United States, the choir will give a performance of the music to be presented in England at 5 p.m. Sunday (Aug. 11) at the First United Methodist Church located at 1411 Broadway Ave.



ESSENCE did it again! The joining of city leaders, festival executives and sponsor representatives produced this summer's premier music festival. The Coca-Cola Presents the 2002 Essence Music Festival attracted a record-breaking 223,000 people to New Orleans on the three-day July Fourth weekend. (Standing from left to right) Louis Cunningham, director of national sponsorships and events, Nokia; Vince Burke, senior vice president of worldwide and diversity services; Burger King; Ingrid Saunders-Jones, senior vice-president of corporate affairs and chairperson of The Coca-Cola Foundation; Barbara Britton, vice-president and associate-publisher of sales, ESSENCE; New Orleans Mayor C. Ray Nagin; Mary Landrau, U.S. Senator; Edward Lewis, publisher and CEO, ESSENCE; Edward Stewart, senior director of public relations, Southwest Airlines; Candace McKeever, vice-president and general manager, Essence Entertainment; Ed. Rodney M. Davis, marketing and public affairs, United States Army Cadet Command. (Seated from left to right) Daniel Coleman, director of strategic partnerships and sponsorships, Essence Entertainment; Waudo Wright, director of marketing, Luster's Pink Brand; Michele Williams, recording artist; Gloria Johnson, vice-president of diversity, Circular Wireless; Susan L. Taylor, vice-president and editorial director, ESSENCE; Jeremy Furr, vice-president of corporate affairs, Amuseur-Busch, makers of Budweiser. Not pictured: HBO, Chevrolet Motor Division. The Coca-Cola Presents the 2002 Essence Music Festival will take place in New Orleans July 3-5.

Panhandle South Plains Fair Entertainment

Lubbock (Special) - In an ongoing effort to attract larger and more diverse audiences, begun with last year's fair when he was the "new guy," Herb Higgs today announced an eclectic mix of headliners for Fair Park Coliseum shows during the Panhandle-South Plains Fair scheduled for Sept. 20 - 28 at the 4th and Avenue A fairgrounds in Lubbock, TX.

Headliner entertainment promising to rock fairgoers in the coliseum include a Friday opening day 8 p.m. show by the southern rock group, Marshall Tucker Band; one show only at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 21, by country artist Chris LeDoux; contemporary Christian entertainers Anointed and Jump 5 Tuesday at 8 p.m.; "America's Band," rockers Grand Funk Railroad Thursday at 8 p.m. and rising country star Steve Holy closing out the fair Saturday, Sept. 28, with an 8 p.m. show.

Adding to the rock, contemporary Christian and country mix of shows in the coliseum are free shows on Monday featuring the Nelons and Hinson's Gospel Show, 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. sponsored by the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal; Tejano group Jimmy Gonzalez and El Grupo Mazz, 7 and 9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25, sponsored by Magic 93 radio, Telemundo and United Supermarkets and shows at 7 and 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 27, by Trace Adkins sponsored by KLLL radio. Currently there are no plans for a Sunday evening coliseum show.

According to Higgs reserved seating tickets for coliseum attractions go on sale 10 a.m. August 17 at all Lubbock Select-a-Seat locations but an outlet at the fair office or in the coliseum this year will not be available until ticket sales begin in Fair Park Coliseum Monday, Sept. 16th, and continue until the last day of the fair, Sept. 30. Reserved seating coliseum show tickets are \$ 10 for the Marshall Tucker Band and Anointed & Jump 5. Grand Funk Railroad and Steve Holy tickets are \$15 and Chris LeDoux tickets are \$20.

Tickets are required for sponsored shows and will be given away at locations to be announced by the sponsors in the weeks prior to the fair.

Higgs stressed that tickets to coliseum shows do not include gate admission or vehicle parking fees which will again remain at \$3 per vehicle for parking and gate admission fees of \$5 for adults 12 or older, \$2 for children 6-11 and children younger than 6 being admitted at no charge.

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Speaker for this event will be Mayor Marc McDougal. He is a young man who exemplifies the principles of the Southwest Digest, and are looking forward to hearing from him.

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