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Community Meetings

* Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.

* Hub City Kiwanis meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p. m., Mt. Vernon UMC, East 23rd & Cedar Avenue

* Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm.

* Booker T. W Washington American Legion, Post 808, meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon.

^e 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

Three-time Presidential candidate Ron Paul told libertarian pundit Lew Rockwell that the Congressional Black Caucus does not support war "because they want all of that money to go to food stamps for people here."

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Paul, the father of possible 2016 Presidential candidate Senator Rand Paul (R-Ky.), was interviewed on Rockwell's podcast. In a discussion on the use of sanctions rather than military action, Paul said, "I was always annoyed with it in Congress because we had an anti-war unofficial group, a few libertarian Republicans and generally the Black Caucus and others did not-they are really against war because they want all of that money to go to food stamps for people here."



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Ron Paul: Black Congress Members

Ron Paul

Representative Barbara Lee (D-Calif.) was the only member of Congress-the House or the Senate—in 2001 to vote against going to war in Afghanistan, and Lee and most of the members of the Congressional Black Caucus

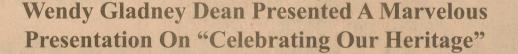
voted against the war in Iraq one year later. Their reasons, of course, had nothing to do with

Paul has never shied away from racially insensitive comments. He came under fire during his 2012 Presidential campaign for newsletters bearing his name that were sent out in the late 1980s and early 1990s, and were full of racist statements.

Among the comments

• "I think we can safely assume that 95 percent of the black males in [Washington, D.C.] are semi-criminal or entirely criminal.

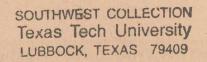
• "We are constantly told that it is evil to be afraid of Black men. It is hardly irrational." **Continue on Page 8**



With the theme, "Celebrating Our Heritage," the 13th Annual African American History month Program and Reception was most informative at the Bobbie Gean and T. J. Patterson Branch Library on Saturday afternoon, February 28, 2015.

The guest speaker, Wendy Gladney Dean, a coach, consultant, speaker and author, did a splendid job speaking on the She is a native of Southern California and received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science, from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). Wendy is also a graduate of the Center for Nonprofit Management & Antioch University Coaching Tools Program and is a member of the International Coaching Federation (ICF). Wendy is the author of two books focused on the subject of forgiveness. Her first book,







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SPIRIT OF MLK WINNERS – South Plains College recently presented the Spirit of Martin Luther King Jr. awards to Elise Browne, second from left, and J. Jerome Johnson during the annual Black History Month event held in the Sundown Room.

Browne is the Department Coordinator and Associate Professor of Associate Degree Nursing at SPC. Johnson is the senior pastor at Mount Gilead Baptist Church in Lubbock.

Also shownn are Maria Lopez Strong, Diversity Coordinator at SPC, left, and Cathy Mitchell, Vice President for Student Affairs at SPC.

Prayer & Fasting Services Will Continue Through Easter

scheduled "Community Wide-Prayer & Fasting 2015 Services" at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church on Wednesday evening, February 25. 2015, the Rev. J. Jerome Johnson, pastor of the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, said, "I thought this was pastor of First Progressive Bapa funeral with all the cars and people present tonight!"

After arriving at the last February 25th, but was representede by the following pastors: Rev. Larry Brooks, pastor of Community Baptist Church; Rev. B. R. Moton, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church; Supt. David Haynes, Christ Temple COGIC; Rev. Deshone Avery, tist Church; Rev. Hiawiatha Culver, pastor of Rising Star Baptist An announcement was made Church; Rev. Solomon Fields,

every Tuesday evening at Bryon Martin Technology Center, 3401 Avenue Q, beginning at 5:30 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 2301 Avenue A.

* ROOTS meets every 2nd Saturday at 2:00 p.m. at 2301 Avenue A.

* If you have an annoucement about your organization, please advise by calling (806) 762-3612 e-mail swdigest@sbcglobal.net.

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Southwest Digest Community Meetings 902 East 28th Street Lubbock, Texas 79404 (806) 76 first 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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T.J. Patterson, Sr. pictured with Wendy Gladney Dean



Other attendees at the Paterson Library posing with Wendy Gladney Dean

East Lubbock Barbers Welcomed Tracy Martin To Lubbock



Four barbers of Paul's Barber Shop, 1528 East 19th Street, took time to pose with Tracy Martin, the father of Trayvon Martin. He was invited to speak at Texas Tech University by the Iota Upsilon Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity for the Annual Black Gala held on Thursday night, February 19, 2015, at the Lubbock Civic Center.

The four barners are: from left to right: Victor Hatchett, Ralph Leggett, Reginald Russell, and Frankie Baucham. TracyMartin is shown sitting.

Tracy Martin was keynote speaker and spoke on the importance of African-American lives and bringing awareness about the African-American population in the Texas Tech University and Lubbock communities.

In talking with these barners, Tracy observed the lack of Black owned businesses in East Lubbock, and wondered why this is the way it is. He also asked why was there not a bank in this area of Lubbock. The barbers enjoyed this opportunity of meeting Tracy Martin, and saluted him on what he is doing by going around the United States of America telling the story about his son, Trayvon Martin.

by Rev. Wendell Davis, pastor of Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, agreed to continue this special effort, 'Communith Wide Prayer & Fasting 2015 Services,' through Easter." The services for last Wednesday evening, March 4, 2015.

Rev. Darrell Willie, pastor of Bethel African Methodist Epscopal Church, was unable to be present at the special meeting on

pastor of St. John Baptist Church; Rev. E. W. Austin, pas-"Tonight, the pastors have tor of New Jerusalem Baptist Church; and Rev. Wendell. Davis.

> Before the benediction, all Pastors gathered around T. J. Patterson, Sr., Publisher of the Southwest Digest, and offered prayer which was led by Pastor Fields.

> > "I want to thank God for this **Continue on Page 9**

SPC honors King and Queen during homecoming



SPC HOMECOMING WINNERS – Miranda Perez of Sundown and Christopher Lowery of Paradise were crowned as the 57th Homecoming King and Queen of South Plains College. Perez is the daughter of Connie Castillo and Richard Perez. Lowery is the son of Mary and Jess Martindale. The pair represented the Student Government Association. The crowning ceremony was conducted during halftime of the Lady Texans' basketball game Tuesday (Feb. 24) against Midland College in the Texan Dome. The homecoming contest is open to all student organizations, club and residence halls. This year's event featured 13 nominees representing the Campus Ambassadors, the Baptist Student Ministry, Gay Straight Alliance, the Plainsman Press, the Student Life Center, the Residence Hall Association and Student Housing. (SPC Photo/Wes Underwood).

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February 24th, 1969 -- Rangers sent to Wiley College in response to student demonstrations

(Editor's Note: Since many young people fromWest Texas to attend Bishop College or Wiley College in Marshall, Texas, this article should bring back memories of those students who attended one of these colleges. Ye Ed).

On this day in 1969, approximately 100 Texas Rangers, local lawmen, and state police were dispatched to Wiley College, the oldest black college west of the Mississippi River, in response to a series of nonviolent student demonstrations on the Marshall campus. The students were demonstrating over faculty hiring practices, primitive dormitory facilities, and cutbacks in the intercollegiate athletic program. The lawmen undertook a massive search for

concealed weapons in the dorms; the search was fruitless, but the school was closed down for several weeks. Further demonstrations resulted in the school administration's agreement in August to improve living conditions on campus. Wiley College was founded in 1873 and chartered in 1882. In 1907 Wiley received the first Carnegie college library west of the Mississippi. In 1962 Wiley and Bishop College students held sit-ins at the local Woolworth store. Their activities and the local reaction made national headlines. These demonstrations helped integrate public facilities in Marshall. In 2004, Wiley College had a student body of 552 and a faculty of 56, and Dr. Haywood Strickland was president.

First Friday Art Trail at the **Buddy Holly Center**

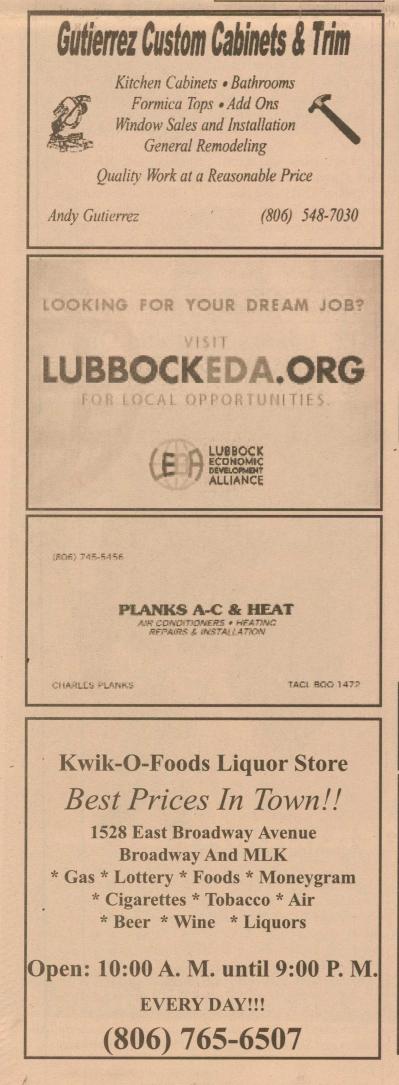
the Buddy Holly Center invites the community to participate in Lubbock's First Friday Art Trail, an event held on the first Friday of every month in venues around the city, organized by the Louise Hopkins Underwood Center for the Arts. Galleries, restaurants and businesses open FREE of charge to display local and regional visual and performing art. A free trolley service to and from venues will be offered.

The First Friday Art Trail works to promote art and outreach within the community of Lubbock by providing an opportunity to enjoy fine art and entertainment. On Friday, March 6, 2015 the Buddy Holly Center will be open from 6:00 - 9:00p.m. for patrons to view its exhibits. There will be FREE admission and refreshments. For

On the first Friday of March, more information on the First Trail visit Friday Art www.ffat.org.

> The new exhibition, The Semi-Arid Landscape will open March 6, 2015 and will be displayed in the Fine Arts Gallery. This exhibition will feature works that depict and celebrate the drama and beauty of the semi-arid landscape. Displayed in the Foyer Gallery is David DuBose: Above and Below featuring prints and mixed media works on paper that demonstrates DuBose's multi-layered approach to the printmaking medium.

When you feel like giving up, remember why you held on for so long in the first place. Unknown



New Director of Public Works Named

Wood Franklin, P.E., has been named the city's new Director of Public Works. He will replace Keith Smith, who is retiring as director on March 27, 2015

This is a rare opportunity for the city to have an outgoing director be able to work together with his replacement and share valuable knowledge and information," said Quincy White, Deputy City Manager. "I want to thank Keith for his decades of great work at the city, and I believe we have found an exceptional person in Wood to take over this important area."

In the position, Franklin will responsible for public be works, including water, sanitary sewer, storm water management, street maintenance, and traffic engineering.

A native of Lubbock, Franklin earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Texas Tech. He is a licensed professional engineer in the state of



Wood Franklin, P. E.

Texas

He is currently 2nd vice president of the Texas Society of Professional Engineers and past vice president of the Water Environment Association of Texas. Franklin previously served as City Engineer for the City of Lubbock. He has worked for the city since 1999.

Community Development Corporation is offering a free HUD certified Financial Literacy course at the Bridge of Lubbock, 1301 Redbud Ave. The next

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group of classes start Monday, March 9, 2015. For more information and to sign up contact Reggie Dial, NELCDC at (806) 747-5934. Seating is limited.

Classes are held on Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday from 6 P.M. - 8 P.M. For more information and to sign up contact the East Lubbock Promise Neighborhood at (806)834-6233 or christopher.moore@ttu.edu.

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BOOT CAMP

See results fast! New session begins March 9 Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 5:30 pm 4 Weeks for \$100, Instructor: Maya Clayton

LADIES TEA PARTY

Share in the spirit with the ladies of Mae Simmons! Enjoy lively conversation, light refreshments and this month's craft, St. Patrick's Day Shamrocks. 3rd Tuesday each month ~ March 17, 1:30 pm, FREE!

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Lubbock Parks and Recreation

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During the early months of a new year, many of us are trying to shed the pounds that we put on our bodies during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. During these times, we eat just about everything that we enjoy which does not bite us first. The year is coming to a close and like the harvest time, we rejoice, make merry and celebrate not only the birth of the Christ child, but our own successes that we have made or earned throughout the year. We revel with the New Year with plans, promises or resolutions to do better and most always to eat less in some form or fashion that we call a diet.

Unfortunately, many of our diets go in the same direction as many of our New Year resolutions; down the drain or out of the window. The next thing we know, we are ten or fifteen pounds heavier than we were this time last year and are now in need of a new wardrobe. Most often, we fail to realize that larger clothes often call for larger sums of money. In other words, being obese is expensive and unhealthy.

In the first place of figuring expenses is the cost of our diets. The more food we eat, the more food we buy and every day the prices are creeping up higher and higher and recently, it only takes a couple weeks after a purchase to return to the same store to find the item that you purchased before is at least a dime more than it was before. This is true even when you are not pretending to be on a reducing diet.

When on a diet for reducing, many of the items such as low fat, low carbs, low salt, low sugar, high fiber, gluten and lactose free items cost more in the first place than regular nutritious food items. These items add to the expense of a purposeful diet of any kind. When using some

of the advertised diet systems for losing weight, expense is really involved if you have to purchase the food items that the diet companies sell to you. They spend a lot of money advertising so you know it is expensive. Any way you look at it, eating while obese is expensive.

On the other hand, finding the clothing that one need to cover an excess number of pounds or adipose tissues is also expensive. I leaned this the hard way when I attempted to purchase some clothing for an obese friend. Unfortunately, my friend wears a size 6X which is tantamount in other numbers to a 42-44 sized garment. I could only find the 5X size in places that advertise that they cater to big people. The catalogs which say they carry the plus sizes have about three or four items size 6X. This means that a person who wears a 6X needs to have their clothing made by a seamstress or a tailor. If they are topheavy, it is mandatory because the need for raglan sleeves is rare. Big clothes call for more cloth, more thread, more time cutting, sewing and trimming a garment, therefore increasing the cost of the garment. These same garments when made by a factory cost at least three times more than they do for the so called normal sized people. So, it appears that if no more than to cut down on expenses, we need to get 'in cinque' and cut out obesity at all levels. AMERICA, we are too fat and need to reduce!

Don't fear failure so much that you refuse to try new things.

The saddest summary of a life contains three descriptions: could have, might have, and should have.

Louis E. Boone

Eric Holder Says Race Is At Least Partly To Blame For His Struggles With Republicans



Eric Holder

In a wide-ranging exit interview with Politico, outgoing U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder opened up about race and the Republican Party and called for an overhaul of federal laws that govern proof of civilrights offenses.

Holder, the first Black U.S. attorney general who is stepping down after six years in office, told the news site that setting a new standard to prove civilrights offenses would give the federal government more freedom to prove discrimination cases like Micheal Brown in Ferguson, Mo., and Trayvon Martin in Sanford, Fla.

Politico reports:

In a lengthy discussion ranging from his own exposure to the civil rights movement of the '60s to today's controversies surrounding the shootings of Trayvon Martin and Michael Brown, Holder also acknowledged that he felt some of his own struggles with Republicans in Congress during his six years in office were driven partly by race.

"There have been times when I thought that's at least a piece of it," Holder said, adding that "I think that the primary motivator has probably been political in nature ... [but] you can't let it deflect you from ... your eyes on the prize."

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THIS N'THA

by T. J. Patterson

..... who were attending at

IF YOU REALLY BE-LIEVE AND HAVE PA-TIENCE, WITH THE HELP OF GOD, THINGS WILL HAPPEN! THIS N THAT saw this happen at a meeting concerning the PARK-WAY DRIVE PROJECT which begun two years ago. During the first meeting called by the Ad Hoc Committee ... under the leadership of ELDER TRENT COX at the BOBBIE GEAN & T. J. PATTERSON BRANCH LIBRARY..... ELDER COX say a need to do something about safety of boys and girls

Beyond the Rhetoric By Harry C. Alford The Big Green Hustle, Part 2

filled with fraud. One year we had 14 high tech startups pay sponsorship for our annual conference. The next year they were all gone – bankrupt. They get quick funding from investors. Then they ripped off as much of the cash without detection and killed the company through the bankruptcy courts. All of the funding that went into the project would now be in the hands of the perpetrators (off shore accounts, etc.). The investors would be left holding the bag.

The Green Hustle is quite similar but this time the perpetrators stick up government money, i.e. tax money - yours and mine. Why rip off investors when the money is already sitting around in Washington, DC and state capitals throughout the land. Like with the high tech games, former Vice President Al Gore is leading the charge. He makes millions, perhaps billions, of dollars along the way. Nobel

that time ALDERSON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL but now it is called **ALDERSON ELEMENTARY** SCHOOL..... At that time ELDER COX called the meeting and among those he invited were LUBBOCK **COUNTY COMMISSIONER** BUBBA SEDENO and LUBBOCK CITY **COUNCILMAN** FLOYD PRICE as well as others from the community..... This meeting was with representatives from the LUBBOCK **DISTRICT OF THE TEXAS**

Yes, the Dot Com Era was Peace Prize, big selling documentary (Inconvenient Truth), books and the sale of a television channel that he bought for pittance and sold for nearly a \$1billion (Al Jazeera). What is so

ironic about Gore's passion for fighting fossil fuels (natural gas, oil, coal, etc.) is that his family's wealth comes from the coal and oil business. They have ownership in Occidental Oil and his clever father was a US Senator known to make crazy deals on the side in the coal business. You couldn't have any major business activity with coal in Tennessee without the "old

man" blessing it. Al Gore is a good example of the "Billionaires Club". That is a nickname Senator David Vitter (R - Louisiana) calls them. These very wealthy environmental zealots put up a relentless fight against energy companies and anything else that improves our infrastructure and promotes industrial progress. They make their money by promoting the

DEPARTMENT OF TRANS-PORTATION...... It was a very GOOD MEETING

..... but there were no funds available for the proposed project on Parkway Drive..... It was believed that the project would cost approximately \$1.2 MILLION..... Just think what will happen when you come together collectively and depend on God..... That is what has happened as the money is there for the project and according to representatives from the Lubbock District \$2.4 MILLION ... has been approved.... Elder Cox and committee is elated.

idea that we produce too much Green House Gases and are threatening the Ozone. Their investments are counter to those who have ownership in the manufacturing and energy industries. That's the long-term answer for their advocacy. They pour billions of dollars supporting groups like Greenpeace, Sierra Club. etc.

President Obama's agenda is to kill coal and drive oil and natural gas usage to a minimum. His belief that if we provide funding new environmentally safe things will come about throughout the nation. That belief has opened the way for a myriad of con artists. Early in his presidency he put up \$80 billion in subsidies and/or guaranteed loans (guaranteed by us the taxpayers). One of the first big awardees was Solyndra with a whopping \$535 million loan guarantee for solar production. Never mind that the principles of Solyndra had no experience whatsoever in the solar industry. They were good fundraisers for the Obama campaign and that is all it took. Obviously, this matter was headed for disaster and it happened at lightning speed.

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We Thank God for Jesus "Our Great Shepherd" Written by Evangelist Billy "BJ" Morrison, III

Psalm 23:1 -- The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

The Lord is OUR SHEP-HERD; and WE DO NOT WANT. He supplies all OUR **NEEDS; AND EVEN SOME THINGS WE DON'T!!!**

John 10:4, 11 -- Jesus said, when he put forth his own sheep, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him; for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him, for they know not the voice of strangers. I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd gives his life for the sheep.

V. 2 -- He makes me to lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside the still waters. If I don't have the things I desire, it may not have been good for ME. The ONLY THING I NEED IN THIS WORLD; IS MY SOUL TO BE SET FREE!!!

John 8:31-32 -- Jesus said, if you continue in my word, then are you my disciples; indeed and you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

V. 3 -- He restores my soul; he leads me in the path of righteousness for his name's sake.

Luke 4:18 -- Jesus said, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he sent me to heal the broken hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty

This year I celebrate another

birthday. I hate to say it, but this

is getting rather monotonous.

Every year I celebrate my birth-

day. Of course, when the year

comes around with no birthday

to celebrate everybody will

The only thing I am wrestling

know what has happened.

Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep

Dr. James L. Snyder

them who are bruised to preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

V. 4 -- Yes, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff they comfort me.

Didn' nobody have to give up their SEAT, WHILE RID-**ING ON THE CITY BUS. My** FREEDOM came from up ABOVE, AND GOD SAID, **THAT'S ENOUGH!!!**

Didn't nobody have to get HIT: WITH THE POLICE-MAN'S BILLY CLUB. MY FREEDOM CAME FROM **UP ABOVE IN THE FORM OF GOD'S OWN LOVE!!!**

John 3:16 -- Jesus said, For God so love the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

V. 5 -- You prepaes a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; you anointest my head with oil; my cup runs over.

Didn't nobody have to get **BIT -- BY THE POLICE-**MAN'S VICISIOUS DOGS. **MY FREEDOM CAME** FROM OUT ON CAL-VARY'S CROSS!!!

Didn't nobody have to get **SPRAYED WITH THE FIRE-**MAN'S WATER HOSE. MY **FREEDOM CAME ON SUN-DAY MORNING -- WHEN JESUS CHRIST AROSE!!!** John 8:36 -- Jesus said, if

day whatsoever. I am not sure

my parents could afford a cam-

era, because there are no pic-

tures of that first birthday. It is

rather sad, but I think I can

would be a rather awesome

thing. The first birthday is cele-

brating the beginning of your

To celebrate my first birthday

change that.

he Son shall make me free, you shall be free indeed.

(The LORD'S BLESSED **ME WITH 4 CHILDREN:** Myra - 5 Children and 5 Grandchildren; Sandra K, 3 Children and 7 Grandcholdren; Kyron, 4 Children and 5 Grandchildren; and Mattiree, 3 Children and 2 Grandchildren -- I DWELL IN THEM, AND THEY DWELL IN ME, AND WE DWELL IN **THEIR HOMES WHICH BE-**LONG TO THE LORD!!!)

V. 6 -- Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I xwill dwell in the House of the Lord forever.

The Sands of **Forgiveness**

A story tells that two friends were walking through the desert. During some point of the journey, they had an argument and one friend slapped the other one in the face.

The one who got slapped was hurt, but without saying anything, wrote in the sand: Today my best friend slapped me in the face

They kept on walking until they found an oasis where they decided to take a bath. The one who had been slapped got stuck in the mire and started drowning, but the friend saved him. **Continue on Page 9**

Then I thought about cele-

brating my 100th birthday. That

would be awesome. I may not be

around when I am 100 years old

and even if I was around at that

time, I may not know what is

going on around me. Now that

would be the perfect time to cel-

thought entered my head. Just

like my first birthday on my

100th birthday, I could be sitting

Then another disturbing

first birthday.

ebrate.

More Obituaries

Mitchell Dewayne Hearn

Plainview, Texas -- Funeral services were held for Mitchell Dewayne Hearn on Saturday afternoon, February 28, 2015, at the First Baptist Church of Plainview.

Mitchell, 55, of Lubbock, Texas passed away on Monday, February 23, 2015.

Mitchell was born to Ruby Hearn on December 14, 1960, in Plainview, Texas. He was a graduate of Plainview High School, class of 1979.

He had many friends and was voted class favorite. In 1979 he was also an All-District Football Player. After graduating High School, he attended West Texas State University.

He later attended South Plains College, becoming a law enforcement officer. Mitchell began his law enforcement career as Deputy Sheriff for Hale County (12 years). Later, he was employed as a Police Officer for the Lubbock Independent

Hale Center, Texas -- Funeral services were held on Saturday morning, February 28, 2015, for Jamallh Roshon Clark at the First Baptist Church in

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

Clark, age 31 of Lubbock, passed away Sunday, February 22, 2015.

Jamallh was born on June 6, 1983 to the parentage of Joyce and John Clark. He grew up in

> a nap did not do anything for my reputation.

> Now, the situation is completely changed. I can have a nap in the morning and then another one in the afternoon and then, believe it or not, I can take a nap just before I go to bed for the night.

> I feel sorry for those people who are not able to sleep at night. I am definitely not one of them. Sleep has not been a hobby to me; it is a full-time oc-

> > I am not quite sure how old

I was when my parents taught

me a little prayer for when you

go to bed. It began, "Now I lay

me down to sleep." If only I

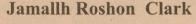
could remember how old I was

cupation I have mastered

Higher Calling made up of young talented male singers. Mitchell accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior and Lord as a young man at Happy Union Baptist Church. Mitchell had a loving heart and was loved by those who knew him. He loved God and family most.

He is proceeded in death by his wife, Cynthia Riggins Hearn and father, Frank Carter.

He leaves to cherish his memory: two daughters, Sydney and Taivia Hearn; two sons Khalid Riggins and Ron Thompson (Houston); two grandchildren, Aubree and Ron Jr.. His mother, Ruby Hearn; brothers, Jerry (Donnette), Greg (Linda), Kevin (Demetreia), Brandon, Jerome, Billy, Joey, Dwight, Frankie; sisters, Sharon Chatham (Leonard) and Michelle Hearn, Pam, Brenda, and Marie Carter.



Hale Center, where he participated and excelled in every sport.

School District, where he later

father, son, brother, friend and

mentor. Mitchell was a Found-

ing Member and a Minister at

Full Armor Ministries in Lub-

bock, Texas. He was a positive

male role model for youth. He

formed the young gospel group,

Mitchell Hearn was a loving

retired after 21 years.

Jamallh was a star football athlete and was a member of the State qualifying basketball team. Jamallh was also a track standout, attending the State meet in the high jump and 400 meter dash.

Jamallh graduated from high school in 2001 and attended West Texas A&M University where he played football

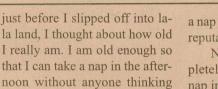
am not embarrassed anymore for anybody catching me asleep.

I think that is what I am celebrating this year. At my birthday party, right after the cake, everyone will join me in taking a nap.

David understood the importance asleep when he wrote, "It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows: for so he giveth his beloved sleep" (Psalm 127:2).

What puts you to sleep is a

He became a father in 2008 **Continue on Page 9**



noon without anyone thinking anything negative about it. If that is not something to celebrate, I don't know what is. If I am going to celebrate my birthday, whichever one I

choose, I will have as the focus of that celebration the wonderful privilege of taking naps. The older I get, the more accommo-

for three seasons.

going to celebrate? I have so many from which to choose, it is hard to really pick out the birthday I want to celebrate.

with is which birthday am I

Some people like to pick the newest birthday to celebrate. I, on the other hand, believe that since it is my birthday, I have the option and right to pick which birthday I am going to celebrate.

It will take me several months to decide, so I need to get started now to pick out which birthday to celebrate.

In thinking this matter over, have been tempted to celebrate my first birthday because I have no memories of that birth-

However, the thing that life. makes it somewhat crazy is, at that time in life you do not know what to think about as far as life is concerned. After all, being only one year old does not give much time to contemplate what the world is all about. There is a certain degree of innocence in a one year old that fast fades as

birthdays come and go As I think about celebrating my first birthday, I thought about sitting on the floor in diapers, drooling, while everybody is singing happy birthday to me. That picture kinda cancels any desire I have to celebrate my

Martin Lather King

on the floor in diapers, drooling, while everybody around me is singing happy birthday. I do not think we want to go there.

Before I can make any real decisions along this line, I think I am going to have to take a little nap.

As I was taking my nap and

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dating an afternoon nap really is. That's worth celebrating.

I can remember when younger, if caught taking a nap people made fun of me. "What's the matter with you," people would say as they pointed laughing in my direction.

To tell them I was just taking

Lubbock, TX

when I learned that, I would celebrate that birthday. Nothing has been more beneficial to me than being able to say, "Now I lay me down to sleep," regardless of the time of day. What a wonderful thing it is FUNERAL HOME to be able to sleep and not be ha-

rassed by "well-meaning friends" who just don't get it. I have not come to any conclusion about which birthday to celebrate this year, but I do plan to celebrate this whole idea con-

cerning sleep. When I was very young, I would fall asleep whenever and not think anything of it. As I got older, it became embarrassing for someone to catch me napping. Then, I passed a certain milestone in life; I do not know which milestone it was, where I

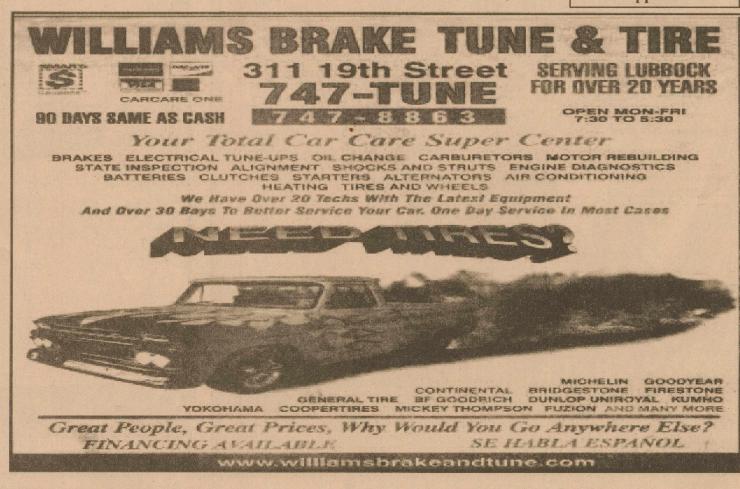
good indication of what kind of person you are.

Rev. James L. Snyder is pastor of the Family of God Fellowship, PO Box 831313, Ocala, FL 34483 . He lives with his wife, Martha, in Silver Springs Shores . Call him at 1-866-552-2543 or e-mail jamessnyder2@att.net or website www.jamessnyderministries.com.

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Philippians 4:6



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Obsequies

Priscilla A. Henderson

Funeral services were held for Priscilla A. Henderson on Saturday morning, February 21, 2015, at the New Hope Baptist Church with Rev. B. R. Moton, pastor, officiating.

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

Henderson, age 52 of Lubbock, passed away on Saturday, February 14, 2015.

She was born on December 1962 to Rosie Henderson King and Elmo Calton.

Priscilla attended Vernon Public Schools before moving to Lubbock and attending Estacado High School.

She was employed at the University Medical Center's burn unit for many years.

Priscilla was a devoted wife, mother, and a friend of many. She will be truly missed.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Rosie Henderson King and Elmo Calton; and her grandmother, Ella Mae Lewis. She leaves to cherish her

memories: three daughters: Abr-



isha Humphtrey (Cedric), Temisha Henderson, and Shatyra Henderson; two sons, Kendrick Henderson and Donald Henderson; husband, James Willie; two sisters; one brother; 15 grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews; other relatives and friends.

> **Every shut eye** ain't sleep. Every goodbye, ain't gone!

Annie Brown Onasanya

Funeral services for Annie Brown Onasanya were held Friday morning, February 20, 2015, at the St. Matthew Baptist Church with Rev. Edward Canady, pastor, officiating.

Interment followed in the Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under the direction of Giffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Onasanya, 68 of Lubbock, passed away on Thursday, February 12, 2015.

Annie was born October 25, 1946 to the parentage of Tommy and Viola Davis in Lubbock.

She was a loving mother, sister, aunt, grandmother, greatgrandmother, and friend. She was a lovely lady who knew and loved the Lord. Her family and close friends will truly miss her.

Annie was preceded in death by her parents, Tommy and Viola Davis; two brothers, Tommy E. Davis and Lester Davis; and two sisters, Velma Davis and Wanda Gant.

She leaves to cherish her memories: one daughter, Jacqueth Crawford (Emsy); sons: Ronnie Brown, Jr. and Rev. Ronald Brown (Veronica);

Charles Ray Williams, Sr.

Fallston, Maryland -- Funeral services were held for Charles Ray Williams, Sr. on Saturday, February 21, 2015, in the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses in Fallston.

Charles was born in Shreveport, Louisiana on November 5, 1948 to the late Charles and Eunice Williams. He passed away on Wednesday, February 11, 2015, due to heart failure.

Charles was a brother to Robert Williams, Kenneth Williams, Kathy Miller, Neal Williams, and Daniel Williams.

He graduated from Dunbar High School in Lubbock, Texas on May 26, 1967, and later attended Texas Tech University. On May 30, 1970, he married his beloved wife of 45 years, Clemmie Williams.

Charles dedicated his life as one of Jehovah's Witnesses on November 14, 1972.



tives and friends. Active Pallbears were: Ronald Brown, Keith Drones, Dalynn Toliver, Juwan Drones, Bobby Ross, and Tataidrian Toliver.

Honorary Pallbearers were: Rayshad Brown, Bobby Davis, Ronald Brown, Jr., Charles Davis, and Johnny Davis.

Caldwell. Texas -- Funeral

Pittman were held on Saturday afternoon, February 21, 2015, at the Goodwill Baptist Church with Rev.. J. T. Wilson, pastor, as the Eulogist. Rev. E. W. Carter

Interment was held in the Goodwill Memorial Park in Caldwell under the direction of Jones-Washington Mortuary of Bryan, Texas.

Pittman was born to the late Oscar, Sr. and James Anna Pittman on January 6, 1938 in Caldwell, Texas. He accepted Christ at an early age at Goodwill Baptist Church. He graduated from Smith High School.

to the late Bennie Pittman. To this union, three sons were born: Vernon, Timothy, and Wayne.

Texas where he resided for several years. He later married Evelyn Pittman and resided in

working with children with disabilities. Yolanda had a passion

for life and helping people. She was preceded in death by her parents, Dethel and Willie Wilburn; grandparents, Emma and John Mosley; and one sister, Barbara Flournoy.

She leaves to cherish her memories: one son, Jamarick High (Brittany); two daughters, Tameka Green and LaTeffia High; four sisters; two brothers; four grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Arthur "Pitt" Pittman

services for Arthur "Pitt" officiated the services.

He united in holy matrimony

He later moved to Lubbock.



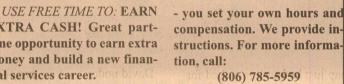
missed, but never forgotten.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Willie Lee Deshone; and a sister, Geneva Walker.

He leaves behind to cherish his memory: his wife, Evelyn Pittman; three sons: Vernon (Christy), Timothy (Anita), and Wayne; sisters: Willie Mae, Halie, Mae, Deola, Blossie, Delores, Helen, and Emma Lee (Alton); brothers: Oscar (Corrine) and Aubrey (Claudia); sisters-in-law, Hattie Jewel and Alice; brother-in-law; grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, and many other relatives and friends who loved him dearly. Active Pallbearers were: Charles Taylor, Johnny Ray Love, Roney Owens, Sr., Oscar Pittman, II, Alton Anderson, Jr., Calvin Hodges, Carey Pittman, Aubrey Pittman, Jr., Rodney Pittman, and Thomas Deshone. Honorary Pallbearers were: Vernon Pittman, Timothy Pittman, Wayne Pittman, Oscar-Pittman, Sr., Aubrey Pittman, Sr., Wilford Wills, and Chris Wills.

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Funeral services for Yolanda D. Wilburn were held on Saturday afternoon, February 21, 2005, at the Agape Temple COGIC with Elder Collins, pastor, officiating. Interment followed at Mt.

Zion Cemetery in Brownfield, Texas under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Yolanda, age 52 of Lubbock, passed away on Friday, February 13, 2015.

She was born December 29, 1962 to the parentage of Dethel and Willie Wilburn in Brownfield, Texas.

Yolanda accepted Christ at an early age and was a member of the Greater New Hope Baptist Church until she relocated to Lubbock.

She attended Brownfield Public Schools and participated in band, basketball, and track.

She attended Texas Tech University and studied Child Develpment.

Yolando was employed with the Lubbock Independent School District for 17 years



Yolanda D. Wilburn

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Williams; and a sister, Kathy Miller.

and one foot of snow, Charles

was determined to make it to

work. He rarely ever missed a

ful privilege of shepherding the

Abingdon Congregation of Je-

hovah's Witnesses. In recent

years, he provided loving sup-

port as the School Overseer of

the Theocratic Ministry School.

his parents, Charles and Eunice

Willims; a brother, Robert

He is preceded in death by

Charles enjoyed the wonder-

He is survived in death by his wife, Clemmie Williams of **Continue on Page 9**

We are not built for our selves, but for God. Not for service for God but for God. **Oswald Chambers**

Bettye R. Gamble Robinson

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Funeral services for Bettye R. Gamble Robinson were held on Friday morning, February 27, 2015, at the Ossie Curry Funeral Chapel.

Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home & Chapel. Robinson, age 83 of Lub-

bock, passed away Friday, February 20, 2015, in her residence in Lubbock.



Lockhart, Texas.

Pittman worked at Texas A&M University for several years. Afterwards, he was employed at the Military Post in Big Spring, Texas.

In his later years, Pittman moved back to Lubbock where he was employed with the Lubbock Public School System.

As a youth, he was an outstanding athlete. His abilities earned him a couple of appearances at the State Track Meet. In his later years of life. Arthur enjoyed attending sporting events and supporting his beloved Dallas Cowboys and San Antonio Spurs.

The highlight of his life as attending family reunions and sharing with his siblings, children, grandchildren, and greatgrandchildren. He will be

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North Dakota Pastor's Wife Fined For Praying Too Loudly



Martha Nagbe the wife of a Lisbon, North Dakota pastor has been not only slapped with a few fines but has had two court dates and all because she feels compelled to stand on a street and pray in public, according to Valley News Live.

Even though Nagbe has been issued \$150 in fines for "unnecessary noise," the woman is adamant about not putting the brakes on her public prayers telling Valley News Live, "I can't stop. I'm trusting God," the pastor's wife said. "In the United States, it's one nation under God."

Many folks on the block where Nagbe has set up shop during daylight hours have complained to authorities about the volume of her voice which they say is just too loud. According to Lisbon Police Chief Jeanette Persons, "She is standing outside of their house shouting. It's not that she just walks by, but she will stand out there for a lengthy period of time," she told the news outlet.

Nagbe's husband, Pastor Juwle Nagbe however told Valley News Live that he is upset by the lack of respect his wife has received and how the community has criminalized her actions. "For them to antagonize her, to make her look like a bad person, sometimes makes me angry. Somebody should give her the respect that she deserves," the Pastor expressed.

The ministering woman, who has been deemed by authorities as someone who is 'disturbing the peace' says that the constant fines won't stop her from spreading God's word. Chief Persons told Valley News Live, however, if Nagbe persists in proselytizing, then she will only continue to rack up fines.

The only solution to the Nagbe situation would be for her to lower her volume, says Persons.

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Justice Department Report To Fault Ferguson Officers For Racially Biased Traffic Stops

A Justice Department investigation launched amid allegations the Ferguson, Mo. police department grossly violated civil rights isn't complete, but according to officials, the report is expected to fault the department for "disproportionately ticketing and arresting African-Americans" over the years.

According to the report, the racially biased traffic stops intensified years of racial animosity in the Missouri suburb. Those racial tensions imploded last summer after the shooting of unarmed teenager Michael Brown Jr. at the hands of a Ferguson police officer. Shortly after, Attorney General Eric Holder announced the investigation to examine the police department's alleged violations.

Officials tell the New York Times that the report will force Ferguson authorities to negotiate a settlement with the Justice Department, or risk facing a lawsuit on civil rights charges for the violations detailed below:

While the Justice Department's exact findings are not yet known, Attorney General Eric H. Holder Jr., who is expected to leave office in the next few weeks, and other officials have said publicly that their investigation has focused on the use of excessive force and the treatment of prisoners in local jails as well as the traffic stops.

Blacks accounted for 86 percent of traffic stops in 2013 but make up 63 percent of the population, according to the most recent data published by the Missouri attorney general. And once they were stopped, black drivers were twice as likely to be searched, even though searches of white drivers were more likely to turn up contraband.

The report also suggests that officials relied on the fines from ticketing and arresting African-Americans to balance the city's budget.

For people in Ferguson who cannot afford to pay their tickets, routine traffic stops can become yearslong ordeals, with repeated imprisonments because of mounting fines. Such fines are the city's second-largest source of revenue after sales tax. Federal investigators say that has provided a financial incentive to continue law enforcement policies that unfairly target African-Americans.

Ferguson officials have remained largely mum about the highly anticipated report, but Ferguson Mayor James Knowles III has criticized Holder for suggesting change was needed in the police department, asking why the DOJ "allowed whatever they think is happening to continue to happen for six months if that's the case?"

According to the New York Times, investigators only have to prove that the policies had a "disparate impact" on African-Americans that could be avoided, not that the tactics were "racially motivated."

The report, also set to include details about a racist joke circulated by email among city officials, is expected to be released as early as this week.

She has a heart as big as Texas

It's not often you see a tearyeyed cop in New York City, but the Big Apple was full of them when 10-year-old Texan Savannah Solis visited. The young girl has been sending hundreds of "love letters" to NYPD officers ever since the hateful, unprovoked murder of on-duty officers Ramos and Liu last December "just because they were cops," according to the Association of Mature American Citizens.

"She just couldn't understand how someone could do this to these officers that were risking their lives to protect the public," said one police officer on the scene. He and his brothers and sisters in blue raised the money to invite Savannah to the City in

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Longtime Resident: Edna May Pine Succumbs On February 22, 2014

Funeral services were held for a longtime resident, Edna May Moore Pine, on Tuesday afternoon, March 2, 2015, at the Greater St. James Baptist Church with Elder Johnny Barnes, Pastor, officiating.

Interment was held in the Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park of Lubbock.

Edna was born to Lonnie Moore and Annie Mae Miller Moore on June 9, 1919 in Taylor, Texas.

She lost her father at an early age. She was raised and educated in Calvert, Texas with her mother and step-father, Senator Griffin.

Both parents preceded her in death. She was the youngest of five children: W. D. Moore, Tom Moore, Scottie Moore, and one sister, Ora Lee Bareield, all preceded her in death.

Edna met and married A. D. Pine in Marlin, Texas. They were married for 75 years before his death.

They had one daughter, Earnestine Pine of Lubbock, Texas, and they adopted one

She has a heart as big as Texas Continued from Page 6

an effort to say how much they appreciated her gesture.

"My goal is to tell as many police officers as I can that I love them, and I am thankful for all that they do for us," Savannah explained.

At a formal ceremony to celebrate Savannah's visit, young Miss Solis shared her motivation for her impromptu good deed with police brass and patrol men and women. She called them "my heroes" and went on to say that "many do not care or appreciate the sacrifices you make every day, but I do. Officers of New York City, you matter to me. Officers all across America, you matter to me."

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Edna May Pine

daughter, Dorothy Boyd Noble of Brownfield, Texas.

They have five grandchildren: Ignatius Caraway (Barbara) of Round Rock, Texas; Kin Moore (Mae), Jerry Moore, James Hardaway, Jr., and Stephanie Robinson.

They have eleven greatgrandchildren and five greatgreat grandchildren.

There are a host of nieces, nephews, and friends to treasure her memories. She also leaves three very special children who she raised: Linda Moore, Phillip Moore, and Gaylan Gillespie.

Edna Mae Moore Pine found Christ at an early age and in 1950, she moved to Lubbock where she joined the St. James Baptist Church and worked with the different programs of the Church. She was also known as the Mother of the St. James Baptist Church.

She served her community through the St. James Baptist Church and the Century II Lions Club.

Active Pall Bearers were: Brother Garland Hollings, Steve Finch, Phillip Moore, Christopher Phoenix, LaCarl Richardson, Dale Richardson, and Antwon Richards.

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Don't think this is isolated. Billions of dollars are being written off as each political crony comes up with a clean air gadget to pitch. We know of no successful funding by the federal government on any innovation experiment. That is just the federal government. States are just as reckless or should I say corrupt. Keep in mind that these hustlers get the money and then declare failure and hide behind bankruptcy laws. They are getting rich as our tax money is going to waste. It is a mild form of robbery. No one seems to complain.

For states, California is one of the worst when it comes to environmental fraud abuse. The state has recently cut back on funding for education, assistance to the disabled and law enforcement. However, they have increased money for these environmental failures. Cali has even created new taxes like \$3 on each license plate to fund more and more of these fraudulent projects. New taxes exceed over \$15 billion for Californian citizens.

Recently, the Governor of Oregon has been busted for hiring his girlfriend to oversee issuing loan guarantees for new environmental projects. Funny, she also kept her lobbying job of finding funding for environmental projects. This was clearly a pay to play scheme using the guise of helping the environment. The governor was in his fourth term and now he has resigned and is awaiting indictments for him and his girl.

It's getting worse! Now the Billionaires Club is encouraging student and activist groups to demand institutions with pension

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funds to divest in energy companies. This is nothing but a scheme to artificially depress the value of the energy stocks. They would quickly sell their energy stocks which would drop in market value and then buy all of the energy stocks they could find and laugh as their values return to normal. This is Wall St. short selling at its best. Meanwhile, the retirees will be robbed of the true value of their pensions.

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charge to display local and regional visual and performing art. A free trolley service to and from venues will be offered.

The First Friday Art Trail works to promote art and outreach within the community of Lubbock by providing an opportunity to enjoy fine art and entertainment. On Friday, March 6, 2015 the Buddy Holly Center will be open from 6:00 - 9:00p.m. for patrons to view its exhibits. There will be FREE admission and refreshments. For more information on the First Friday Art Trail visit www.ffat.org.

The new exhibition, The Semi-Arid Landscape will open March 6, 2015 and will be displayed in the Fine Arts Gallery. This exhibition will feature works that depict and celebrate

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Rev. B. R. **Moton Says He'll Retire** May 25, 2015

The dynamic pastor of the New Hope Baptist Church, Rev. B. R. Moton, made it known to the Southwest Digest he will retire on Monday, May 25, 2015. This information was told to

T. J. Patterson, Sr., following the Community Wide Prayer & Fasting 2015 services at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

The Southwest Digest will do a complete article on him.

> **Ron Paul:** War Money For 'Food Stamps' **Continued from Page 1**

• "I think we can safely assume that 95 percent of the black males in [Washington, D.C.] are semi-criminal or entirely criminal."

• "We are constantly told that it is evil to be afraid of Black men. It is hardly irrational."

• "If you have ever been robbed by a Black teenaged male, you know how unbelievably fleet of foot they can be." And there are plenty more

where those came from.

Whether Paul actually wrote the content has been questioned, but in the past he has at the very least defended the claims.

Rand Paul is the one Republican who has acknowledged the need for his party to engage Black voters, and he has increasingly distanced himself from his father's views.

the drama and beauty of the semi-arid landscape. Displayed in the Foyer Gallery is David DuBose: Above and Below featuring prints and mixed media works on paper that demonstrates DuBose's multi-layered approach to the printmaking medium

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#1- GREAT meal from @theshackbbg lbk! Awesome hole-in-thewall joint, highly recommended

#2 - Fan Frickin Tastic! Thank you Shanna Lockhart and Bobby Lockhart for lunch. Omg the Ribs, Frito pie, chopped beef sandwich and the Hot Potato Salad were beyond expectations! The Apple Pie cheesecake was to die for!! Man yall need to come to Bastrop!! Until then I would love that Hot Potato Salad Recipe!! Anyone living in Lubbock or stopping in Lubbock needs to try this place!!

#3 - I've had my fair share of BBQ, and this place did not disappoint. Awesome brisket, pulled pork was awesome an they nailed the beans! I'll be back! for the ribs!!!

#4 - Very very good sliced brisket! Will be visiting again soon!

#5 - By far the Best BBQ in town, i go here once a week !

,#6 - Excellent chopped Brisket. I will be back and will bring others.

#7 - The meat is so tender that it falls right off the bone of a rib!

Owner: Made some alterations to the smoker over our days off, now we're producing real Shack BBQ, just sampled today's batch, some of the best we've cooked in a long time. Come see for yourself.

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

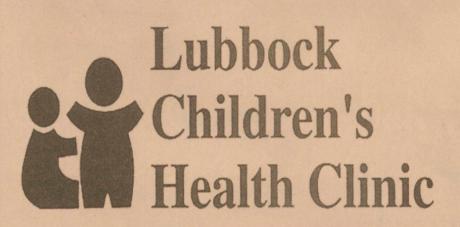
All information is required at the time of the interview, we must have original documents no copies will be accepted.

Make sure you bring: * Make sure that you bring your application completed and signed. (No Blanks) * Birth certificates for all children under the age of 18 (Birth facts will not be accepted!) * Social security cards for everyone in household. * Current picture ID/DL for all adults in household are required at the time of the interview, * All adults must attend this appointment! If you or other adults cannot attend

interview due to working or attending school, you must contact the Intake department before the deadline to see if accommodations can be made for an interview outside the scheduled interview dates!

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City Of Cleveland Blames 12-Year-Old Tamir Rice For His Own Shooting Death By Cops

Incredibly, the City of Cleveland responded on Friday to a lawsuit filed by the family of 12-

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"Healing Without Hate; How to Forgive to Live," provides uplifting strategies to overcome obstacles and find personal fulfillment. The topic of "Forgiveness" is also the center of Wendy's second book, "The Preacher's Daughter: A Memoir," which details her years of abuse by the hands of her father and abandonment by her mother. Wendy developed strategies for understanding forgiveness and discovering its healing effects. She decided to share the information she learned with others and founded the organization, Forgiving For Living, Inc. (www.forgivingforliving.org).

Before her demise, Helen Viser Fitzgerald, who was Branch Director of the Patterson Library, had chosen Wendy as speaker for the 13th Annual African American History Month Program and Reception. The funds for this came from the Fitzgerald & Lusk funds.

Jane Clausen, Lubbock Library Director, served as Mistress of Ceremony. Rev. Frank Hankson gave the invocation and benediction.

The Junior ROTC Color Guard of Lubbock High School presented the Flags. A'shantis McKinney, an Alderson Elementary School student, was present for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Clausen gave a special welcome, and acknowledged the efforts of the late Helen Viser Fitzgerald.

Lubbock City Councilman, District One, Victor Hernandez, gave remarks from the City of Lubbock.

Jerry Serrano sung two selections which were outstanding.

T. J. Patterson, Sr. gave special remarks. He thanked every-, year-old Tamir Rice by saying he was responsible for his own demise. The boy was shot dead by cops while he held a pellet gun.

The city, in its response, wrote that Tamir's death on Nov. 22 and all of the injuries his family claims in the suit "were directly and proximately caused by their

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and was blessed with his second child in 2012. He was an amazing son, brother, father, and friend to many people. His charisma, character, smile, and personalty will truly be missed by all whom he had an opportunity to know him.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Ray Johnson: paternal grandfather. Early Ray Clark; and brother, Toby Clark.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his parents, John & Iris Joyce Clark; children: Jori & Knox Clark (Kendra Clark mother); twin sister, Jametra Hill

But to do good, and to communicate, forget not, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Hebrews 13:16

own acts, not this Defendant." It also says that the 12-year-old's shooting death was caused "by the failure ... to exercise due care to avoid injury."

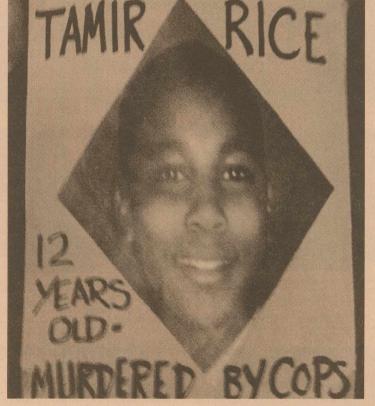
The response does not explain these defenses in more detail, though 20 defenses are listed in all, including another one that says Tamir died because of "the conduct of individuals or entities other than Defendant."

The city also wrote that it does not have enough information to respond in full because the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office's investigation into Rice's death by police officer Timothy Loehmann is not finished.

The family had filed an amended lawsuit against the city late in January. As NBC News reported:

The Rice family's lawyers had filed their case initially in federal court last December, a brief eight-page document. On Friday, with a new legal team including Benjamin Crump, the lawyer who has represented the families of Trayvon Martin and Michael Brown, the Rice family

(Michael), and sisters: Sharon Poindexter and Deldra Poindexter (Layton); brothers: Bryan Poindexter, Kevin Phillips, and Billy Clark; grandparents, Nana Johnson and Elsie Clark; eight nieces, seven nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.



Tamir Rice

ficers.

When Rice arrived on the

scene of the fatal shooting, she

saw her 16-year-old son being

held up against a police car sur-

rounded by Cleveland police of-

14-year-old daughter was being

detained handcuffs in the back

of the police car that Officer

Loehmann had gotten out of

her son, the Cleveland police of-

ficers on the scene told her to

calm down or they would put

her in the police car, as well.

"Police gave me an ultimatum"

to either stay with her daughter

or ride to the hospital with her

son Tamir, she explained. "So of

course I went with the 12-year-

old." Instead of riding next to

her dying son, "They made me

sit in front of the ambulance like

Tamir died of his wounds the

next day and the coroner has

since ruled the death a homicide.

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I was a passenger," she said

Rice said as she tried to get to

prior to the shooting.

Meanwhile,

her

filed a 65-page document charging at least 27 different allegations.

Their claims ranging from excessive force by the two officers who encountered Rice, Frank and Garmback Timothy Loehmann, to negligence, intentional infliction of emotional distress, false imprisonment, and deliberate indifference to a serious medical need.

Some of the charges stem from the way family members were treated by police as the boy lay dying. As described in a NewsOne interview with Tamir's mother Samaria Rice:

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blessing, and all the Pastors for standing before God for me," said Patterson. "Praise God!" Patterson continued.

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There have been times when I thought that's at least a piece of it," Holder said, adding that "I think that the primary motivator has probably been political in nature ... [but] you can't let it deflect you from ... your eyes on the prize."

Holder told POLITICO that between now and his departure, probably in early March when the Senate is expected to confirm Loretta Lynch as his successor, he will call for a lower standard of proof for civil rights crimes. Such a change would make it easier for the federal government to bring charges in the case of a future Ferguson or Trayvon Martin.

Well said, Mr. Holder. We will miss your candor about race and the criminal justice system in America.

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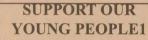
After he recovered from the near drowning, he wrote on a stone: Today my best friend saved my life.

The friend who had slapped and saved his best friend askea him, "After I hurt you, you wrote in the sand and now, you write on a stone. Why?"

The other friend replied, "When someone hurts us, we should write it down in the sand where winds of forgiveness can erase it away. But when someone does something good for us, we must engrave it in stone where no wind can ever erase

MORAL OF THE STORY

LEARN TO WRITE YOUR HURTS IN THE SAND AND TO CARVE YOUR BENEFITS II STONE.



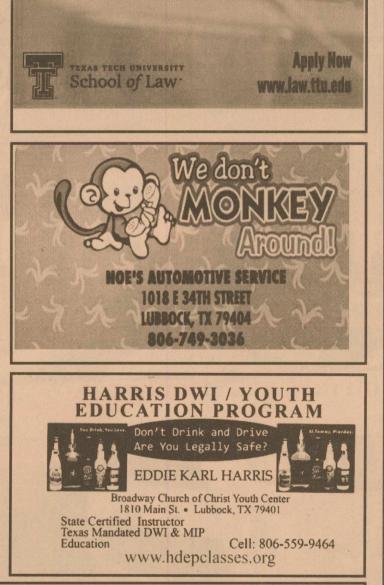


one for being present.

After the program, a delicious meal was severed. It was prepared by Rev. Hankson who has this task each year. Very delicious!!

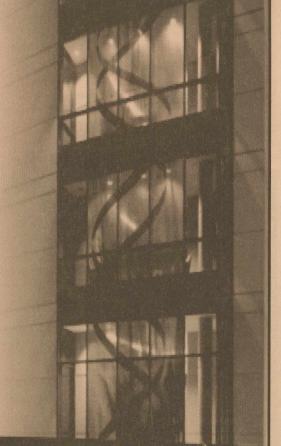
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Edgewood, Maryland; six children: Sean and Vanessa Williams of Long Beach, California, LaTasha Kinney, Domondrick and Rhonda Williams of Lubbock, Texas, and Charles R. Williams, Jr. of Edgewood, Maryland; seven grandchildren: Jamal and Priscilla Williams of Joppatowne, Maryland, Latisha Kinney, Jerry Kinney, Jr., and Keisha Carrington, all of Lubbock, Texas, Jasmine Williams of Austin, Texas, and Jayla Williams of Warrior, Alabama; three great-grandchildren: Jerry Kinney, III, Aubrielle Kinney, and Aryi'anna Kinney, all of Lubbock, Texas; three brothers: Kenneth Williams, Neal Williams, and Daniel Williams; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



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Commissioner Bubba Sedeno and Lubbock County Tax Assessor-Collector Ronnie Keister talk One Sticker Program in Texas

Lubbock is gearing up for a new Texas Two Step. Beginning March 1, 2015, the state will no longer issue vehicle inspection stickers and will move to a "Two Steps, One Sticker" program. Under the new system, Texas vehicle owners will need to pass inspection prior to renewing their registration. The familiar blue-bordered Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) registration sticker will serve as proof of both inspection and registration.

"Lubbock County is prepared to make this transition as smooth as possible for our residents," said Commissioner Sedeno. Lubbock County Tax Assessor-Collector Ronnie Keister also said, "During the first year of the program beginning March 1, 2015, all you will need to do is make sure you already have a valid passing vehicle inspection before you renew your registration in our office, online or by mail."

When vehicle owners renew



Commissioner Bubba Sedeno

their registration, the system will automatically verify whether the vehicle has a valid inspection. Without a passing inspection, the vehicle will not be eligible for registration renewal.

During the second year of the program, beginning March 1, 2016, vehicles' inspection and registration expiration dates will align to the date that is on the registration sticker. Once the expiration dates are aligned in that second year, you will have a convenient 90-day window to pass inspection first and then renew your registration before



Ronnie Keiste

the end of the month listed on your sticker.

"When the 'Two Steps, One Sticker' program is fully implemented, Lubbock County residents will appreciate having just one sticker in the corner of their windshield and only one expiration date to worry about," said TxDMV Executive Director Whitney Brewster. "And because a passing vehicle inspection will be a requirement to renew your registration, more vehicle owners will comply with inspection requirements leading to safer and more environmentally sound cars on Texas roads."

Local organization tours SPC Cosmetology Program



SPC COSMETOLOGY TOUR – Members of Los Fidelis Study Club recently toured the South Plains College Cosmetology Prrogram. The members were treated to manicures following the tour. Shown on the front row, from left, are Juan Partida, instructor in Cosmetology; Betsy Moreland, Fredda Schooler, Helen Brown, Kaye Brown, Sue Jo Cole and Tina O'Connor. On the back row, from left, are Patti Lindsey, program coordinator and instructor in Cosmetology; Paula Dunn, Diane Bridges, Maxine Cook, June Gerstenberger, Betty Morgan, Sandra Stephenson, Georgia Decker and Suzanne Leggitt. (SPC Photo/Wes Underwood)

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