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## Community Meetings

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

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

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

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

\* Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Branch Library.

\* East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Great Saint Luke Missionary Baptist Church.

\* Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday 5:30 pm, TTU Market Alumni Center.

\* Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 7:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center, 1301 E. 24th Street.

\* West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturdays of each month at 7:00 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations.

\* The Unified Juneteenth Commission of Lubbock meets every Tuesday evening at Bryon Martin Technology Center, 3401 Avenue Q, beginning at 5:30 p.m.





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## **Civil Rights icon Julian Bond has died**



In this Oct. 13, 2006, file photo, Julian Bond, chairman of the Board for The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, gestures as he talk to the media about the organization at The University of South Carolina in Columbia, S.C. Bond, a civil rights activist and longtime board chairman of the NAACP, died Saturday, Aug. 15, 2015, according to the Southern Poverty Law Center. He was 75. (AP Photo/Mary Ann Chastain, File)

Julian Bond, a Civil Rights civil rights throughout his life, Georgia Assembly for 20 years. titan and longtime leader of the NAACP, died Saturday night, Augut 15, 2015, in Fort Walton Beach, Fla. He was 75.

Law Center and was the first African American nominated for vice president of the United A public face of activism for States. He also served in the

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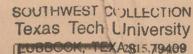
**George Lewis!** 

Bond led the Southern Poverty Bond, the longtime board chairman of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, died after a brief illness, according to a statement released early Sunday by the Southern Poverty Law Cen-

> ter. Reaction to Bond's death came from all corners of the region and the world.

In a tweet, the Rev. Jessie Jackson called Bond "a friend and fellow traveler who with courage, set the moral and academic tone of our generation."

Cornell Brooks, president





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Sister Elurd Conner Devenport

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**Sister Elurd Conner Devenport Honored During The Annual Friends and Family Celebration** 

The Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church sponsored its Annual Friends and Family Celebration on Sunday afternoon, for the services was the Rev. DeShun Avery, pastor of the First Progressive Baptist Church, who delivered a dynmic message on the theme, "Praising God In Unity," Philippians 2:2.

Texas. She is one of eleven children born into this union. Her history reveals her mother only completed the 7th grade; her fa-August 9, 2015. Guest speaker ther the second grade; her grandmother was a slave, but made the value of an education and making an honest living was instilled in all of the siblings and has been carried down throughout the generations. In her teens, Sister Devenport worked for a doctor cleaning the house and ironing clothes for 50 cents an hour while saving for college. When she graduated from high school, she gave the doctor her two weeks notice and told him that she would be leaving for college. He told her that she could have her job back if "everything didn't work out." Needless to say, she never went back She enrolled at Texas Southern University in Houston, Texas in 1947, and got a part-time job with her sister at the renowned "Groovy Grill", flipping burgers after classes. She was no stranger to hard work, because growing up in the country, she knew from experience what 'ringing a chicken's neck' meant

\* 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 vorkforce 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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**George** Lewis

Although Father's Day 2015 has come and gone, George Lewis had a great Father's Day on Sunday, June 21, 2015. All of his children were here to celebrate with him, his eight girls and one son, Curtis.

The family arrived in Lubbock on Thursday, June 18th, and all were with their daddy until Tuesday, June 23rd. All will advise they had a blast hanging out with their Dad.

While all were together, they made sure they pampered him and showed him a good time. He had a full body massage. This was something he had never had in his life. He said he really enjoyed it.

The suit and shirt, he's wearing was one of his Father's Day gifts. He just looked amazing to his children.

He turned 89 years young on May 22, 2015. Brother Lewis keeps himself busy. He's still an Usher at the Agape Church of God in Christ, and wherever he goes

He's always willing to work. At present time, he has a parttime job which he's been very dedicated to over the years. His children count it a blessing, because a lot of young people won't get up and go to work.

Brother Lewis gets around better than a lot of people and he's their age double. It's nothing but a blessing. We pray every day that God gives him strength to go another day.

Even though the brother, Curtis, is a Dad also, he cooked the best turkey and dressing you'll ever want to eat. It was a full course meal. It was awesome!

His sisters always gets Curtis a Father's Day gift, or he'll feel left out. As the sisters made known, Curtis is their spoiled Baby Brother.

Remember if your Dad is still alive, please cherish him, because.se if it wasn't for him, believe it or not, you wouldn't be here

This article was written by the Lewis Family.

and Chief Executive of the NAACP, wrote on twitter: "The life and legacy, the eloquence of Julian Bond's example, yet speak to the present and future of the NAACP and the nation."

A native of Nashville, Julian Bond was considered an icon of the civil rights movement and led the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, SNCC.

As a student at Morehouse College, Bond helped found SNCC and served as its communications director.

Bond later served as board chairman of the 500,000-member NAACP for 10 years but declined to run again for another term in 2010.

Horace Julian Bond was born Jan. 14, 1940 to Julia and Horace Mann Bond, who was the president of Fort Valley State College. The elder bond was also the first black president of Lincoln University, a historically black university in Pennsylvania.

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Serving as Master of Ceremonies was Brother Sammy Sanders. Sister Sarah Bunton gave the Call of Celebration; with Brother Bennie Jordan offering prayer. Sister ReJeanne Sylvester read the scripture.

The Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church presented a motivating Praise Dance.

Sister Alyssabeth Pinkard gave a well received welcome. The occasion was presented by Sister Lesa Rollison who gave the biography of the honoree, Sister Elurd Conner Devenport.

Sister Devenport was received by the congregation of well wishers. She was presented a token of appreciation for her contributions to her family, church and community.

Sister Devenport was born November 25, 1929 to Wilhite and Emma Conner in Brenham,

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## Mrs. Catherine McCormick Will Celebrate Her 103rd Birthday On August 28th

Mrs. Catherine McCormick will celebrate her 103rd birthday on Friday, August 28, 2015.

Mrs. McCormick moved to Lubbock, Texas from Granbury, Texas in 1946.

She united with Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church where she served faithfullyin several auxiliares: Missionary Society, and Sunday S chool for several years.

Later she united with Smith Temple Church where she has served as Past Mission President; faithfully attended Sunday School, and is currently the 'Mother of the Church.

After moving to Lubboock, she was owner & bookkeeper of **Continue on Page 4** 



**Mrs. Catherine McCormick** 

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## **1**frican Methodist Episcopal Church ponsoring 100 Men Choir **Concert On August 22, 2015**

Sons of Allen of the rican Methodist Episurch, 2202 Southeast vill host a 100 Men Concert on Saturday August 22, 2015, beat 7:00 p.m. at the A.M.E. church. The proud pastor of the

l African Methodist Epis-

If you have ever sung, think you can't sing, or just want to

use your hidden talent; this is the time to do so!

Psalm 133:1 savs "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity.

The theme for this event is "For as the body is one." I Corinthian 12:13.

Rehearsals have been held Church is Pastor Darrell at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, beginning at 6:30 p. m. on the following dates: August 4, August 11, and

## **Annual Day Set For The Mission Department of St. Luke**

The Greater St. Luke Baptist attend. Church Mission Department Sunday afternoon, August 29, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. We are inviting everyone to

Sis. Geraldine Thompson will celebrate its Annual Day on and Sis. Jewel Love are speakers. Join us and lets spread the Gospel of Jesus throughout our community and the world.

## **Opportunities At The Bridge**

South Plains College is offering Pharmacy Tech, Phlebotomy, and EKG Technician courses at the Bridge of Lubbock. Residents that live in zip codes 79403 and 79404 may qualify for financial aid. For more information call (806) 834-2848 or (806) 329-9051 Seating is limited.

Free Financial Literacy Classes at the Bridge of Lubbock, The North & East Lubbock Community Development Corporation is offering a Free HUD Certified Financial Literacy Course at the Bridge of Lubbock located at 1301 E. Redbud Ave For more information and to sign up contact Reggie Dial at (806) 747-5937. Seating is limited.

Free GED Classes at the Bridge of Lubbock located at 1301 E. Redbud Ave. Classes are hosted weekly on Monday and Wednesday from 9 A.M. - 11 A.M. and Wednesday and Thursday from 6 P.M. - 8 P.M. For more information and to sign up contact Literacy Lubbock at 806-775-3636 christopher.moore@ttu.edu.

For information, contact Christoper S. Moore, Family, Community, and Adult Education Manager, East Lubbock Promise Neighborhood Texas Tech University, MS 1071, Lubbock, Texas 79409-1071.

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#### August 18, 2015.

All dates are on Tuesday evenings.

According to the men in attendance, this has been a very positiive effort. If there are men who haven't practiced for the concert, then come and stand with these men.

The Program Coordinator is Bobby Darty, and if there are any questions, call him at (806) 401-7523.

Hillary Hutchinson is President of the Sons of Allen, and he may be contacted at (806) 747-6591.

"We are looking forward to having a joyous time as we come together for this Concert," says Brother Darty. "If you want to participate, then come and join us," continued Brother Darty.

"The Brothers of Bethel are eager about this opportunity, and getting ready for special effort," said Brother Hutchinson.

"If you know of some Brothers who love to sing, then bring them with you when you attend the rehearsals," said Brother Hutchinson.

"Will you join us, Brothers?"Darty asked. "Come and bring someone with you!"

Brothers Darty and Hutchinson are praying for th is special effort to continue next year. "This has been a blessing," said Brother Darty.

"When you think of how good has been to each of us, this is just a blessing," concluuded Brother Hutchinson.

## **Back to School Bash Set For Butler Park**

The Keepers of My Brother and Sister Life Skills Training Skills Center will hold their Second Annual back to School Bash

The two day event will begin on Saturday morning, August 22nd, from 11am -7pm (activities and food) and conclude on Sunday afternoon, August 23rd, from 4 pm-7 pm (award ceremony, food, inspirational music, and a youth motivational speaker). The Back to School Bash will be at Butler Park.

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### **Back 2 School Kickoff and Zero Tolerence Youth Conference**

Join us as we kickoff the start of a brand new school year! Mae Simmons Community Center and Lubbock County Voices Coalition/Starcare will be hosting their 7th Annual Back 2 School Kickoff and Zero Alcohol Youth Conference (Z.A.Y.C.) on Saturday, August

## Minter & Reed's 23rd Annual Reunion

(Editor's Note: The continuation of the Minter & Reed Reunion). The Ed)

Congratulations, Effie, Family Members, saw you in the Juneteenth Parade as a clown. We heard you clowns won first place again this year! We also saw you on T.V., and was spotted in the Lubbock/ock Avalanche Journal.

We missed seeing Cousin Willie and Linda Darnes, Cousin Ricky Johnson, and the rest of the Jackson Family as well as the Lee Family. The Family is looking forward to seeing you next year, July 2016.

We have a poem on the back of our T-Shirts: FAMILY

We are family, All from one source We are family **One Unit, Oneforce** We must believe in each other Father, Mother, Sister, **Brother** Together forever we stay strong

Pray together and hold on Give Praises to God for **Our Lives**, **Cause Only The Strong** Survives! \*\*\*\*\*\*

Family Members, please send in your dues as soon as possible. Help our Family to be sure we get a building. It's hot in July.

We served 50 Family Members this year. Let's do better in the year 2016. Again, thanks to all the man power this year!

Our Family wants to Thank the Southwest Digest and staff for giving a summary of this Reunion as news in the newspaper. Thank you, Mr. Patterson. Our Family Reunion was fantastic this year! Our Family is so funny! Everyone was lifted up with Spirit. Several games were played: dominoes, Uno, basketball.

22, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Participants will enjoy hot dogs sponsored by Sonic Drive-In, live music, giveaways, information booths, and backpacks with school supplies for the kids. This event is free, and all ages are welcome to join in the fun. Children must be present to claim their backpack.

A big thank you goes to Amerigroup who has contributed 1,000 backpacks for this event. We are also grateful to the many local businesses and organizations that have generously contributed school supplies to fill the backpacks.

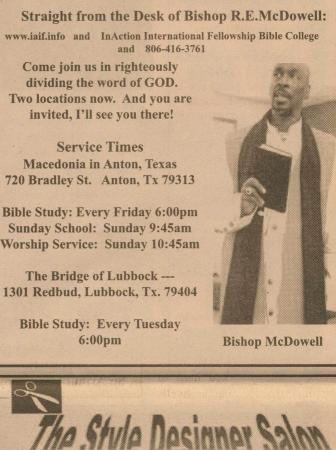
Backpacks will be given away to children and youth in Grades K-12.

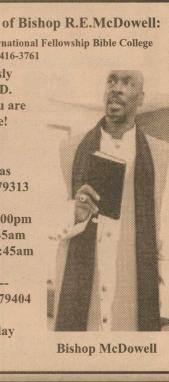
Mae Simmons Community and Senior Centers are located at 2004 Oak Avenue (East 19th and Oak Avenue). Hours for the Community Center are Monday-Friday from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m., and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The Senior Center is open Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For more information, call 767-2700 or 767-2708.

So get rid of every filthy habit and all wicked conduct. Submit to God and accept the Word that He plants in your hearts, which is able to save you. **James 1:21** 

## **TTU Early Head Start**

TTU Early Head Start is now hiring Infant/Toddler Teachers and Assistant Teachers. Apply online at www.workattexastech.com; enter via STAFF portal and search for req#ID's 4557 & 4556 (Lead) and 4647, 4596, 4561, and 4297 (Assistant). Call 806-765-2737 for more information. TTU is an EEO/AA/Vet/Disability Employer.





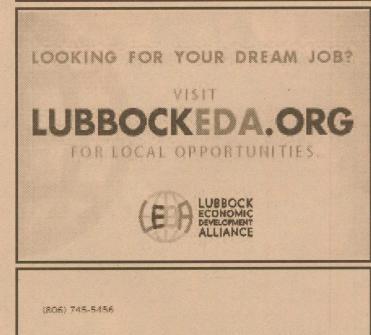


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**Election Day Is November 3, 2015** 

The Southwest Digest advises of an important election which will take place in November, 2015. November 3, 2015 is Elec-

tion Day for Constitutional Amendments.

October 19, 2015 through October 30, 2015 is Early Voting. Go and Vote!!!

Congratulations: Aunt Katherine, all six of your children came home this year.! I won in Dominoes this year.

Again, thanks for coming home. Let's stay connected with God. We give al the honor to God for this happy Reunion. It **Continue on Page 4** 

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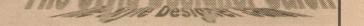
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## **Mae Simmons**

**Community and Senior Centers** What's Happening This Month!

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It is the time of the year when most families have their family reunions and both sides of my mother's family scheduled their reunions on the same days and I was forced to attend my mother's maternal side of the family reunion because I was chosen to be the keynote speaker at the family banquet. The subject was "Submitting In Love Through Unity."

After mulling over the subject, I was finally able to muster up a discourse on the subject. Our family Chairman is a Presbyterian minister and in researching, I discovered that love and unity is the main thread of that denomination and then understood why he had chosen such a topic. Interesting enough, one of the first things that I learned was that we need to really understand the power of love and its role in unity. Luther Vandross sang a song about the 'power of love', but at the time, to me it was just a song.

We cannot have unity without love. In unity, we have spiritual maturity. Our ancestors had spiritual maturity in spite of living a life too often below the poverty level. They loved each other, supported each other with physical help, moral help, financial help, emotional help and above all spiritual help. They attended church on every occasion that they could, depending on the weather, the work and their ability to be mobile. They did not have telephones, many motor apparatuses, or a profuse amount of cash, but they did survive by helping each other with whatever they had. No family was hungry, without domicile or clothing. Many small two to four room houses sheltered as many as a dozen of people without complaints. They had their fill on whatever food was available. They worked hard to maintain a sustainable livelihood. Every member of the community submitted in love to family and community obligations because there was unity; family unity, community unity and ethnic unity.

The description of the family will have to be rewritten since the Supreme Court has made the status of same sex cohabitating couples legal. It used to be a father, mother and children were a family, but with legalization of same sex marriages, we must now recognize two mothers or two fathers and children as a family. Further, two women or two men without children are now couples, rather than only a man and a woman. Even with this new definition, there still has to be love to have unity in which there is submission for the whole entity. Love is the ingredient that holds the couples together to make parents of children. Love holds the community together as a whole and that same love holds the family together.

Our modern day family is scattered across the country, the globe even, and too often we have family members who could benefit from submission in love through unity of our family. Historically, we have had 'love' families and love has brought the American family a long way. Our coming together from across the miles to a reunion of family members is a symbol of 'submitting in love through unity.' A strong family united in love is a happy family. May we get 'in cinque' and make our family reunions the ones where we submit in love through unity and stay happy.

I never remember feeling tired by work, though idleness exhausts me completely. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

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**President Jimmy Carter** is still working and work will save this nation

#### **By Glenn Mollette**

America is only as good as our workers and doers. Dreamers are critical. Faith is vital. However, faith and dreams without works are dead.

Everywhere I travel these days I see Nigerians, Kenyans, Egyptians, Asians and of course Hispanics doing jobs all over the United States. They seem to occupy 90% of the maid service jobs in hotels and to dominate the taxi industry. In many areas the Chinese and Mexicans appear to be the ones opening new restaurants. Two of the best restaurants in my town are the local Mexican and Chinese restaurants. Farmers desperate for workers and cheap labor bring Mexicans into America legally by the thousands on H-2 Visas. Farmers reportedly say the Mexicans will do the cheap labor jobs that Americans won't do.

I keep hearing that these Internationals are doing the jobs that Americans won't do.

Why is this? Too many Americans are quite happy to survive on a government check and food stamps rather than work.

Disabled Social Security, SSI and food stamps are disabling this nation. Too many people are willing to survive rather than work and try to better themselves. For all the people who truly deserve these benefits I say God bless you. I'm glad America can help. For the rest of the liars and thieves who work harder at cheating the system rather than trying to earn a paycheck then it's time that your lazy ways end and you start paying back all the money you've stolen from your country.

President Jimmy Carter, age 90, has demonstrated an ethic of hard work. The President's retirement package is generous. He could have lived in an exotic refirement spot the rest of his life but he kept working. His labor

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#### by T. J. Patterson

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**EAST LUBBOCK CAN BOUNCE BACK WITH ALL** OF OUR HELP! THIS N THAT ..... will continue to believe that with the ..... **POSITIVE HELP OF MANY** EAST LUBBOCK RESI-DENTS ...... we can grow in many areas..... There are so ...... MANY TALENTED CITI-ZENS ...... who reside in this area..... Just think what would happen if we begin to capitalize on the many resources in this area...... Can you imagine what would really happen if we would put our ..... FUNDS TO-**GETHER** ...... and quit saying what we can't do .....and start

for Habitat for Humanity has nowhere and many become suicidal. In the meantime their eating and exercise habits are unhealthy and they become obese with declining health. This is further dragging our nation down because it costs hundreds of millions each year to treat all the people who are on welfare. If they were working to feed

for what he has allowed us to accomplish..... It appears as though many of us look at the **NEGATIVE POS-TURE OF THE SITUATION** ..... and begin standing vertical about what we can accomplish together..... Really ..... EAST LUBBOCK ..... in the opinion of ..... THIS N THAT ..... there is no other area in Lubbock who has the resources to move to higher ground...... There is no doubt about it ..... it will take a ..... LOOT OF HARD WORK ..... but through it all ..... there is nothing we can't accomplish together ...... As adult citizens . THIS N THAT ..... believes it is our responsibility to leave something for the young people coming after us..... Oh ...... yes ..... THIS N THAT ..... believes there is so much we can accomplish together..... This is why ...... THIS N THAT ...... will continue to believe a ...... 5 STAR BANK ..... can work in

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learned to do. This vicious cycle is eroding the very core of America that made us great and that core is the heart to work.

We truly need to get our good paying jobs back in America. However, we are only going to lose more if we aren't willing to work. \*\*\*\*\*

Glenn Mollette is an American Syndicated Columnist and Author. He is the author of eleven books and read in all

fifty states.

This column does not necessarily reflect the view of any organization, institution or this paper or media source.

#### Safety City Hosts Summer's **Night Drive-In Movie**

over to Safety City on Friday, August 21, 2015, for a Summer's Night Drive-In Movie. Guests are welcome to arrive early, bring bicycles, and ride around Safety City from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. before the movie starts. Kids can sit on their bikes know their lives are going or bring blankets and lawn

would be out of the house and

their health would be better thus

saving the nation billions in

medical and other welfare costs.

cans also produce children.

Many of these children become

second-generation welfare recip-

ients because that's all they have

Homebound welfare Ameri-

Gather up the kids and head chairs for more comfortable seating. This summer's movie is Disney-Pixar's "Planes" beginning at 8:30 p.m. This event is free and fun for the whole familv!

> Located inside Clapp Park on 46th Street and Avenue U, Safety City is a unique, minia-Continue on Page 10

been remarkable plus all of the other national and international diplomatic efforts that he has performed. Thus, Carter has remained sharp and has continued to be a working American. Carter recently announced he has liver cancer that has spread to other parts of his body. Our themselves they would be doing thoughts and prayers go out to something meaningful. They he and his family as he now bat-

tles for his life. If abled Americans would go back to work and start doing some of these jobs that Internationals are doing we could begin to take back some of our coun-

Many of the illegals would go home because there would not be work for them to do. They are surviving well here because there is so much work to do!

Americans would become healthier physically and mentally. Many Americans have just enough financial support to watch television all day and then do little else with their lives. Millions of Americans are on massive amounts of medication and taking antidepressants and pain medicine each day. They

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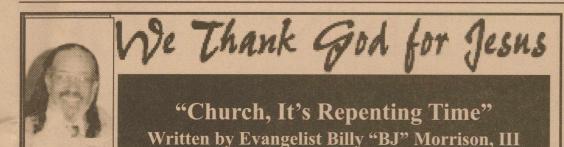
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Revelation 2:5 -- Jesus said, remember therefore from where you have fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto you quickly, and will remove your candlestick out of his place, except your repent.

**GOD BLESSED AMER-**ICA, with the best of land, wheat, cattle, cotton, and other richers UN-TOLD. BUT **AMERICA LIKE THE LAND OF ISRAEL; LIFT GOD FOR IDOLS; LIKE THINGS AND** GOLD!!!

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

\*\*\* THIS IS THE ONLY WAY; A MAN CAN ROB GOD!!! \*\*\*

After GOD BLESSED **AMERICA; SHE BEGINS** TO LOVE MATERIAL THINGS; AND LEFT GOD. SAYING WE BUILT THIS **GREAT COUNTRY; LYING TO HER PROUD HEART!!!** 

Isaiah 1:21-23 -- The Lord said, How is the faithful city becomes a harlot! It was full of judgement; righteousness lodge in it; but now murderers. Your silver has become doss, your wind mixed with water: your princes are rebellious, and companion of thieves; everyone loves gifts, and follow after rewards; they judge not the fatherless, neither do the cause of the

widow come unto them. **AMERICA FORGOT THE** FIRST COMMANDMENT; OF WHO TO LOVE WITH ALL YOUR HEART. SHE FORGOT: TO LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD; WITH **ALL YOUR HEART**, SOUL AND MIND!!!

**BUT AMERICA PASSED OUT; WHAT WAS CALLED EQUAL RIGHTS. NOW ALL** HER PEOPLE DOES THAT WHICH IS WRONG; BY **USING HIS AND HER CIVIL RIGHTS!!!** 

Micah 7:2-3 -- The good man is perished out of the earth; and there is none upright among men: they all lie in wait for blood, they hunt every man bother with a net. That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince ask, and the judge ask for a reward, and the great man, he utters his mischievous desire: so they wrap it up. **OUR CHILDREN TURNS** 

TO WORK WITH ISIS: LIKE AMERICA TURNED AWAY FROM GOD. CHURCH, IT'S TIME TO **REPENT; WITH YOUR** HEART, MIND, AND SOUL; THE **ALMIGHTY** TO LORD!!!

Job 30:8 -- They were children of fools, yes, children of base men: they were viler than the earth.

(THE RIGHTS OF THE **DEVIL; KILL 8 MEMBERS** 

#### OF THE FAMILY RIGHTS, DRIVE BY SHOOTINGS **RIGHTS, BLACK SUICIDE RIGHTS, GAY MARRIAGE RIGHTS. AND** MANY, **MANY MORE!!!)**

**AMERICA KICKED GOD** OUT OF HER COURT-HOUSES, MANY CHURCHES, AND HER SCHOOLS. NOW LOOK AT THE HEATHENS; KILLING HER OWN LOVE ONES; WHO IS NOW THE FOOLS???

Romans 1:21-22 -- Because of that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful, but became vain in their imaginations (DREAMERS) and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools.

\*\*\* REMEMBER I CHRONICLES7:`4. \*\*\*

(THE ONLY RIGHTS GOD GAVE TO ALL MEN: IS THE RIGHT TO COME TO THE CROSS OF JESUS. ADMIT YOU ARE A SIN-NER. ROMANS 3:10. BE WILLING TO REPENT. ACTS 17:30. BELIEVE THAT JESUS DIED FOR YOU, WAS BURIED AND ROSE FROM THE DEAD. **ROMANS 10:9. LET JESUS INTO YOUR HEART TO BE** YOURSAVIOUR. ROMANS 10:13).

IT'S TIME TO CRY OUT,

not to pay much attention to what my friend says. In fact, I think I'm going to get a new friend.

Rain is a very important part of our social makeup. Without rain, much of what we do would simply dry up and blow away. Not only do we need rain for horticultural reasons, but for \$9ciological reasons as well.

For example, we use rain to identify somebody who is not very smart, or at least not as smart as we think we are. We say of such a person, "He doesn't know enough to get in out of the rain '

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## St. Matthew Baptist Church

Rev. Edward Canady, Pastor Lubbock, Texas 79403 2020 East 14th Street

Church services again were well attended Sunday morning, August 16, 2015, at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, where the dynamic pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

Sunday morning services begun at 10:10 a.m. with Sunday School Superintendent, Sister Shirley Davis, was in charge. Praise God for all the knowledge we receive during Sunday School. What a blessing!

The subject of the Sunday School lesson was "The Error of Our Ways." The scripture text was Ezekiel 18:1-13, 31-42. \*\*\*\*\*

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted by Deacon Edward Williams and Sister Shirley Canady. \*\*\*\*

Pastor Canady entered the Church with the Choir singing, along with the Congregation, "Because Of Who You Are."

#### Minter & Reed **Family Reunion Continued from Page 2**

will be 365 days before our next Family Reunion. Information will be sent to Family Members about the next Family Reunion

**AGAINST THE SIN OF THIS DYING WORLD. AMERICA IS LOSING SOULS TO THE** DEVIL: MEN, WOMEN, **BOYS AND GIRLS!!!** 

if God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not.

for reasons known only to him. Perhaps, he is just so delighted with the summer rain he just felt like dancing in the rain. Are we really going to fault a person for indulging in such activity?

I am beginning to think that rain really gets a bad rap all the way around.

Another example comes to mind. Some people will say, "I am saving up for a rainy day." All I want to know is what a rainy day has to do with saving money. Nobody ever says, "I'm

The morning sermon was delivered by our pastor, Rev. Canady. His subject was "Separate Yourselves." His scripture text was II Corinthians 6:11-18.

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It was a very informative sermon, and was well received by all in attendance.

#### \*\*\*\*\*

The morning announcements were read by our First Lady, Sister Shirley Canady, who always does an outstanding job.

#### \*\*\*\*\*

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

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

Bible Study is held on Wednesday evenings, beginning at 6:00 p. m. Come and learn with those in attendance. There is always knowledge for all to

#### in January 2016.

We need a theme for the July 2016 Minter & Reed Family Reunion. Contact Effie Nelson if you have any ideas.

"It has been a blessing to eat a meal with Family Members every year," said Effie Nelson!

It was with great appreciation we received word that all Family Members who attended the July 12, 2015 Minter & Reed left going home, and all arrived safely. Now that is a great **BLESSING!!! WE GIVE ALL THE HONOR TO GOD!** 

Will be looking for all Family Members next year!

money, save money and let the rain out of it. The rain has enough to do without being burdened down with helping you save money. Anyway, the only thing the rain can give you is a rain check.

Perhaps the worst of all is the phrase, "Don't rain on my Parade." I have never really understood this. No person who has ever said this to me was involved in a parade at the time.

Take last week for example. The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage was telling me about

learn when believers come together. Will you come and join us?

If you love to sing, then come join us with Choir rehearsal on Friday afternoons, beginning at 4:00 p.m. \*\*\*\*

Let us continue to pray for those who are sick and shut-in. Many of us are not ill today, but who knows what will be our posture tomorrow. There are many who are sick and shut-in. Shall we pray? \*\*\*\*\*

**Thought For The Week:** "The setbacks in life can teach us to wait upon the Lord for his help and strength.

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If you are looking for a Church Home, then come and visit the St. Matthew Baptist Church. You will be glad you did so. Our Pastor and Members will be glad to have you. May God continue to bless you!

#### Morgan Freeman's Step-**Grand-Daughter Stabbed Dead**

Manhattan, NY — E'Dena Hines, the 33-year old step granddaughter of actor Morgan Freeman was reportedly stabbed to death in Manhattan early Sunday morning. Police say they responded to a call of a stabbing just before 3 a.m. in Washington Heights, New York.

When officers arrived, Hines was reportedly lying in the street with multiple stab wounds in her torso. She was then rushed to Harlem Hospital, where she was pronounced dead.

the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust." (Matthew 5:45 KJV

I certainly cannot control the rain but I can thank God for His wisdom in sending the rain when He chooses. Support states and states and states

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

## **Dancing In The Summer Rain** Dr. James L. Snyder

This is the time of the year when rain is a frequent visitor, especially in the afternoon. It is then that a person is tempted to go outside and dance in the rain. One famous singer was so comes, and just when you think caught up with a rainy afternoon that he did his famous, "Singing in the rain." At my age, the only dancing I do is the bathroom shuffle, which has become more frequent than usual lately. The early Native Americans used to do their "Rain Dance," in the hopes that some rain would come their way and water their crops. It is hard to tell what their average of success was in that practice. Obviously, it was not so successful that it is carried on down today. It may very well be that their "Rain Dance," was simply some contrived activity to break the monotony while waiting for the white man to steal their land.

something that confounds the average common sense, which is not that hard to do. From the advantage of many years of observation, rain will come when rain you have enough rain, it rains some more. In addition, when you desperately need rain those clouds are deliberately looking

the other way. When it is raining a friend of

Jonah 3:9 -- Who can tell

Rain is a funny thing. Well, not so much a funny thing as

mine always says, "I guess we needed the rain." To me this does not make sense. Because it rains when we need the rain and then it rains when we have had enough rain. Or at least when I have had enough rain. My definition of enough rain is, when I have an afternoon outing planned.

I have yet to hear my friend say when the sun is shining and not a cloud in the sky, "I guess we don't need rain today." The truth of the matter is, we may need rain that day. I have come

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What we do not know is, perhaps that person has a good reason to be out in the rain. He may, in fact, know that he is out in the rain and has chosen to stay out

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saving up for a snowy day." Nor, does anybody ever say, "I'm saving up for a sunny day." The latter would make more sense to me. There are plenty of sunny days that I could use plenty of money.

All I say, if you want to save

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some plans she was putting together and I simply indicated that I did not think it was a good idea. I know when to keep my mouth shut; I just do not always do it. With both hands on her hips,

looking at me with one of "those looks," she said to me in that familiar tone, "Don't you dare rain on my Parade."

At the time, I had no idea what parade she was talking about. If she was planning a parade, I wanted to be in on it. I love a parade. Furthermore, where did she get the idea that I could snap my finger and cause it to rain? I'm good, but not that good. Of course, who am I to argue with her?

The only thing I know for sure about rain is that God is in charge of it and he dispenses it at his good pleasure. Jesus said, "That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on

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## Obsequies

#### **Author Lee Lofton**

Funeral services for Author Lee Lofton were held on Friday afternoon, August 7, 2015, at the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church with Overseer J. J. Johnson, pastor, presiding.

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

Lofton, age 67, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Wednesday, July 29, 2015,

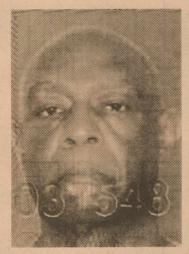
He was born on March 15, 1948, to the parentage of Frank and Frankie Lofton in Taylor, Texas

He attended Shallowater Public Schools, and participated in the FFA program.

He was employed with the City of Lubbock, and retired in 2012.

Author was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Frankie Lofton; one sister, Earnestine Hines; one brother,

Work around your schedule



James Lofton; and a daughter, Teresa Brown.

He leaves to cherish his memories: one brother, Jerry Lofton; sisters, Savannah Lofton and Barbara Jackson; a brother, Cornelius Lemuel; maternal grandmother, Mattie Belle Fowler; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

When we accept tough jobs as a challenge to our ability and wade into them with joy and enthusiasm, miracles can happen. **Arland Gilbert** 



### **Catherine K. Person-Wilson**

Garland, Texas -- Funeral services for Catherine K. Person were held at the New Generation Holiness Church on Saturday afternoon, August 1, 2015, with Pastor Carnelius Yates officiating

Catherine, age 61, passed away on Monday, July 27, 2015.

She was born to the parentage of Herbert and Olivia Moore on December 5, 1954 in Lubbock County, Texas. She was the eighth child of ten, including: Leo Thomas, Roger Thomas, Billy Thomas, Julia Monroe, Trudy Pitts, Annie Lang and Helen Jean, Herbert, Jr. and Joseph Moore.

Catherine attended Estacado High School in Lubbock, Texas where she graduated in 1973 She spent the majority of her life in Home Health Care. She was privileged to care for her father and brother, Herbert Moore, Jr. and Sr. before their passing and helped several family members to transition through life. She led many people to Christ while serving them. Catherine received Christ at an early age and her two sons will remember her as a woman after God's own heart. Catherine was fun to be around and she kept everybody with her outgoing personality.

Catherine was preceded in death by both parents, three sis-

#### **Jaylon Ju'Juan Brown-Dial**

Funeral services for Jaylon Ju'Juan Brown-Dial were held Saturday morning, August 8, 2015, at the Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church with Rev. J. H. Ford, pastor, officiating

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

2015.

Jaylon was born on October 1, 1995, to Keisa Dial and James accepted Christ at an early age pastor, Rev. J.H. Ford.

ters: Julia Monroe, Annie Long and Helen Jean Moore; three brothers: Pastor Roger Thomas, Billy Thomas and Herbert Lee Moore, Jr.

Catherine leaves in succession: her husband, Nathan Wilson; sons: Pastor Christopher S. Moore (Melody) of Lubbock, Texas and LaMichael M. Moore of Dallas, Texas; two brothers: Deacon Leo Thomas, Jr. of Lubbock, Texas and Bishop Joseph Moore of Houston, Texas; one sister, Trudy Pitts of Dallas, Texas; two brother-in-laws, Elmo Monroe and James Pitts; eight grandchildren; seven greatgrandchildren; one aunt, Mabeline Yates; one uncle, George Lewis; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends

who will cherish his memories.

Brown-Dial, age 19, passed away on Sunday, August 2,

Brown in Lubbock, Texas. He and was baptized by the family

#### Funeral services for James "Ricky" Tillmon were held at the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church on Tuesday afternoon, August 4, 2015, with Pastor Cory Powell as officiate and eu-Rev.J. H. Ford is host pastor. Interment was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under

& Funeral Home of Lubbock. Tillmon, age 53 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Monday, July 27, 2015.

the direction of Griffin Mortuary

logist.

James was born on August 16, 1961 to Pink Tillmon, Jr. and Melvina Rogers Tillman.

He attended Lubbock Public Schools and graduated from Dunbar High School.

Ricky united in holy matrimony with Mary Belinda Oats on December 25, 1995, and to this union two children were born, namely; Cameron Oats-Tillmon and Nicholas Oats-Tillmon

He worked in the plumbing industry. His love was family, friends, horses and western movies. Everyone knew him as "Ricky."

Ricky was preceded in death by his parents, Pink and Melvina Tillmon; a brother, Ray Charles Tillmon; grandfather, Pink Tillmon, Sr.; and grandmother, Ellen Tillmon.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Mary Belinda Oats; three sons: Cameron Oats-



Tillmon, Nicholas Oats-Tillmon, both of Lubbock, Texas, and Damon Perryman of Austin, Texas; three sisters: Ellen Alexander (James), Annie Tillmon, and Cheryl Tillmon, all of Lubbock, Texas; two brothers, David Tillmon (Brenda) and Ray Charles Tillmon, both of Lubbock, Texas; one grandchild; 10 nieces, 12 nephews, and a host of great nieces and nephews; other relatives, his dog, Shadow; and friends.

Active Pallbearers were: Andy Vasquez, Wendall Fay, Willie Fay, II, Jasmine Tillmon, Keith Tillmon, and Bobby Ray Cobbs.

Honorary Pallbearers were: Shannon Robins, Anthony Justice, Cameron Oats-Tillmon, Marlon Priestly, Kwamane Russel, and Nicholas Oats-Tillmon.

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#### **Adaulph Lee Prince**

Funeral services for Retired M/Sgt. Adaulph Lee Prince were held at the Church of the Nations on Saturday afternoon, August 8, 2015, the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Prince, age 63 of Lubbock, passed away Wednesday, July 29, 2015.

He was born on December 12, 1951, in Sikeston, MO, to the parentage of Mrs. Marie Bell and Mr. Robert Troupe.

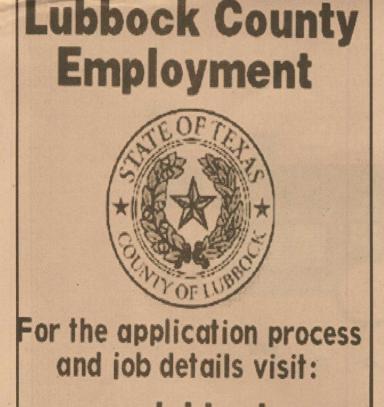
Adaulph became a Career Airman in the U.S. Air Force in 1971. During his tenure he was New Mexico Military Institute He earned many awards includ-



an Aeromedical Superintendent. in Roswell. He became an educator and served in various

## **James "Ricky" Tillmon**

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Jaylon graduated from Estacado High School, class of 2014. He had aspirations to attend college and impacted many of the youth in the community. Jaylon was respectful, outgoing and had a smile that could brighten anyone's day. He will truly be missed by all who knew him.

Jaylon was preceded in death by: his great grandparents, Lee

ories: his parents, Keisa Dial and James Brown; stepfather, Vida Overstreet; grandparents, Peggy Dial, Gloria Johnson, LeRoy Love and James Bibbs Jr.; sisters, Mirakle Bradley and Ja'Walia Brown; brothers, JaQuan Brown, Reginald Johnson, Jyea Marion Dial-Moore; several special sisters; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Andrew and Ethel Dial: Edward

Brown and Thelma Woods; and

two great-uncles and one great-

He leaves to cherish his mem-

#### **Treaderrion Dewayne Crowder**

aunt

Daingerfield, Texas -- Funeral services for Treaderrion Dewayne Crowder were held on Tuesday afternoon, June 16, 2015, at the Daingerfield High School with Bro. Fred Crowder officiating. The eulogist was Bro. Fred Dewayne Crowder.

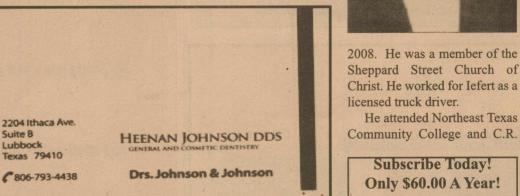
Interment was held in Edwards Cemetery of Mt. Pleasant, Texas under the direction of

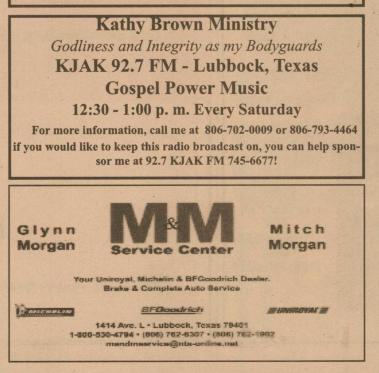
Curry-Welborn Funeral Home of Mt. Pleasant, Texas. Bro. Crowder passed away on

Friday, June 12, 2015. He was born August 20, 1990

in Pittsburg, Texas to the parentage of Fred Dewayne and Dedra -Lafayette Crowder.

He attended Pittsburg School District and graduated from Daingerfield High School in





ing Air Force Commendation medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Air Force Overseas Short and Long Term Tour Ribbons and several others.

He retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1992 at Reese Air Force Base in Lubbock, Texas, after providing 20 years of service. Upon retiring he worked for the

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teaching capacities as a Special Educator Prince was preceded in death by his parents, Marie Bell and

Robert Troupe. He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Benay Prince; daughters, Sheeleah Prince and Cydnee Prince; one brother, William H. Prince (Anita); one sister, Bethany Bean; aunt, Luetta Arnold; sisters-in-law, Pamela Cole, Valerie Cole, Leslie Cole, Raedelle Pope, Tracy Cole; brothers-in-law, Victor Cole and W. David Pope; and a host of other relatives and friends.

England Trucking Company in Cedar Hill, Texas where he received his CDL license.

His greatest passions were singing, writing music, drawing, playing computer gamesand playing with his children, younger cousins, nephews and neighborhood children. He loved and cared for others, always making people smile and

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## **Bobbi Kristina's Aunt: "The Brown Vs. Houston Family Feud is Just Getting Started"**

Atlanta, GA — This past weekend, during Bobbi Kristina's funeral, her aunt, Leolah Brown (the sister of Bobby Brown) was escorted out by security when she interrupted the eulogy speech that was being given by Pat Houston, the sisterin-law and former manager for the late Whitney Houston.

When she was outside, she then told reporters what she yelled out during the eulogy: "I told her that Whitney is going to haunt her from the grave" and that the family feud was "just getting started"

Mad about the invitations

Brown also expressed frustrations over the invitations, which apparently encouraged attendees not to send flowers, but to contribute instead to a foundation run by Houston.

#### Leolah Brown, sister of Bobby Brown and Bobbi Kristina's aunt

How did this start in the first place?

The Brown/ Houston family feud seemed to have started back in 2012 when Bobbi Kristina's mother, the later singer Whitney

## **Free Hair Cuts Offered**

Free Hair Cuts are being offered on Saturday morning, August 22, 2015, from 6:00 a.m.

until 9:00 a.m. at Antwain Over Street, 1109 Main Street. After 9:00 a. m. two cuts for \$15.00



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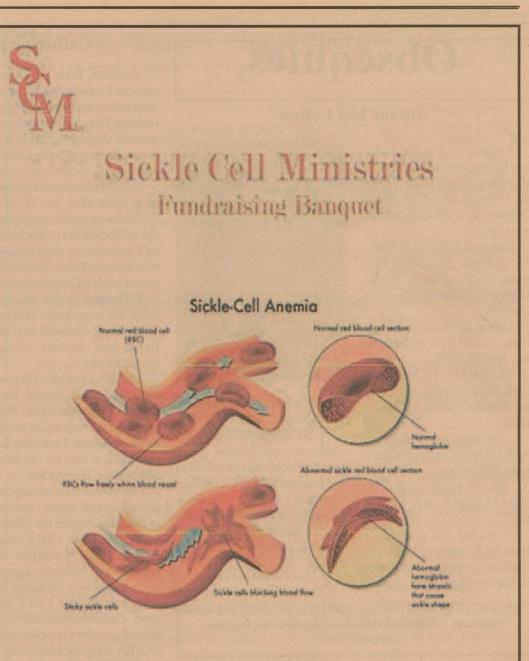
Houston, was found dead in a bathtub after an apparent overdose in her Beverly Hills Hotel. The Houston family reportedly blamed her husband, singer Bobby Brown, for introducing her to drugs. Of course, Brown denied the accustations.

But this past year, Bobbi Kristina, the couple's 22-year daughter, was also found unconscious in a bathtub in her Atlanta area home and remained in a coma for months before she also died. This seemed to re-ignite the family feud with fingerpointing, and also involved Bobbi Kristina's boyfriend Nick Gordon, who the family suspects had something to do with her death. Gordon, however, was not in attendance at the funeral.

#### **Tyler Perry attended the** funeral

The funeral, held at St. James United Methodist Church in Alpharetta, Georgia, was, however, attended by hundreds of family members and friends, including both the Houston and Brown families. Other notables that attended included Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed, singer Monica and actor Michael Jai White. Filmmaker Tyler Perry was also reportedly in attendance.

Habits are like comfortable beds; they are easy to get into BUT difficult to get out of. **Denis** Waitley



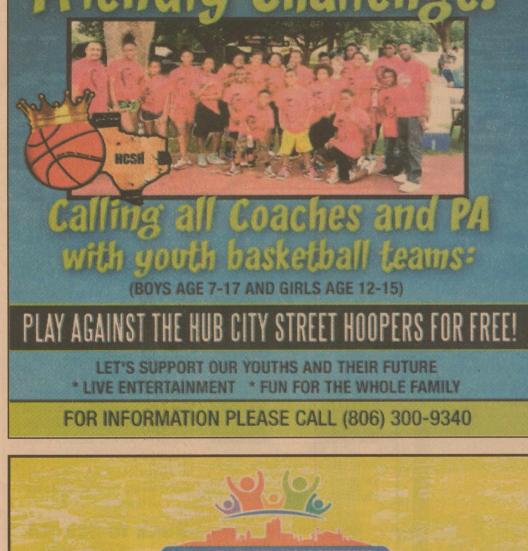
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Man in prison 35 years without

**Black Father of Five Jailed & Indicted For Child Murder Despite Police Testimony Stating No Eye Witness** or Physical Evidence That Ties Him To The Murder



Nick Hillary (center) with his Family

Nationwide — New York resident & military veteran Nick Hillary (www.truthfornickhillary.com) is an African American father of five children who's life has been turned upside down for a murder he did not commit

On October 24th, 2011, a 12year-old boy, Garrett Phillips (who is white), tragically lost his life. Nick Hillary is charged with murdering 12-year-old Garrett Phillips inside Phillips' Potsdam home. Phillips was found strangled and suffocated.

A police lieutenant and a former police chief said under oath that there's no evidence tying former Clarkson University soccer coach Oral "Nick" Hillary to the killing of a 12-year-old boy. Potsdam police Lt. Mark Murray and former Chief Edward Tischler said in court documents that there's no evidence placingHillary at the 2011 crime scene, the Watertown Daily Times reported.

In the court documents, Tischler stated that neither Hillary's

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fingerprints nor DNA evidence were able to connect Hillary to the boy's death. Both Murray and Tischler stated that there are no witnesses who saw Hillary at Market Street apartment on the day Phillips was killed.

Hillary was reindicted on murder charges in January 2015 after the charges were dropped in October, 2014. The original charges were dropped due to accusations that Rain and other prosecutors improperly questioned witnesses and injected their own opinions to the grand jury

Hillary's new trial will begin in November 2015.

"This is a case that is screaming for justice and every American needs to know about it. The DA prosecuting Nick Hillary ran her campaign promising to convict him for the crime. Hillary life & reputation have been destroyed and he has been threatened with bodily harm by members of the community. Nick Hillarydeserves justice," said Hillary's legal counsel, Attorney Lisa Marcoccia. Nick Hillary has a Civil Rights Law Suit Pending against Potsdam Police Department that was initiated two and a half years before he was charged with murder.

In October 2010 Hillary wrote an official complaint against Deputy Sheriff John Jones stating that Jones threatened to enter his home and physically assault him. In January 2011 Mother of victim (Tandy Cyrus) wrote an official complaint against deputy sheriff John Jones that he has threatened her and she fears for the lives of her son.

And He said, "I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

**Matthew 18:3-4** 



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Statement by Robert L. Johnson Applauding the White House and Xerox

**Corporation For** Adopting the RLJ Rule Which is Based on the NFL's 'Rooney Rule'

Bethesda, MD — For the past four years, I have been urging the Congress and the White House to encourage corporate America to voluntarily implement and adopt the RLJ Rule1 the RLJ Rule which encourages companies to interview qualified minority candidates and minority businesses for procurement opportunities is based on the NFL's Rooney Rule. I am therefore delighted that Xerox Corporation and the White House have agreed to adopt a version of the RLJ Rule which they call the 'Wilson Rule'. As I have stated many times, it doesn't matter what name a company chooses to use to identify their commitment and support of the initiative, as long as it is consistent with the innovative spirit of the RLJ Rule to embrace creative ideas that support minority diversity.

## conviction gets new trial By Debra Cassens Weiss, ABAJournal.com A retrial begun on Monday, August 10, 2015, for a Texas inmate imprisoned an additional 35 years after an appeals court ruling overturned his conviction. Prosecutors say they may be

partially responsible for the delay in retrying Jerry Hartfield, 59, but Hartfield is also responsible for not seeking the retrial, the Associated Press reports.

The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals overturned Hartfield's capital murder sentence in 1980 because a juror who expressed reservations about the death penalty should not have been dismissed for cause. Though the ruling overturned only the sentence, state law at the time required a new trial. Three years later, Texas' governor commuted Hartfield's sentence to life in prison.

In 2006, a fellow inmate informed Hartfield that because of the appeals court ruling, it appeared there was no sentence to commute. Hartfield sought a retrial or release from prison with the inmate's help.

Hartfield no longer faces the death penalty because of a 2002 U.S. Supreme Court ruling that barred the execution of mentally impaired people. Hartfield's IQ of 67 is below the threshold, a psychologist testified on Friday.

Hartfield was convicted in



Jerry Hartfield

1977 in the pickaxe murder of a bus station ticketing agent. Hartfield confessed, but he later said the confession was "bogus." Another piece of evidence was an unused bus ticket at the crime scene that had his fingerprints.

If Hartfield is convicted again, he will immediately be eligible for parole, according to the AP story.

**Confess your faults** one to another, and pray one for another, that you may be healed. The effective fervent prayer of a righteous man has great power.

James 5:16



# C Men's Ministr Prayer Breakfast

The St. John Men's Ministry would like to invite you to join us in fellowship at our men's prayer breakfast on Saturday August 22, at 9 AM.

Theme: Men Applying God's Instruction Proverbs 16:1-3

> St. John Baptist Church 1712 E. 29th St (806)-762-4823

# August 22, 2015 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

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## **More Obituaries Milton Busby**

Funeral services were held for Milton Busby on Tuesday afternoon, August 11, 2015, at the Divine Love Church, with Pastor Kenneth Burns officiating.

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

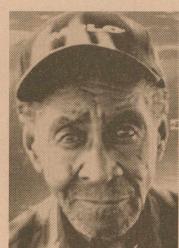
Busby, 89, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Wednesday, August 5, 2015.

Milton was born on August 20, 1925, in West Station, Texas, to the parentage of Will & Leatha Busby.

He was raised in West Texas until he joined the U.S. Army in February 1953. He was deployed to Korea in June 1953 and was one of the first black soldiers to assist with training problems in Korea.

He was honorably discharged in 1956. Milton returned to Muleshoe, Texas, where he met Ethel Lewis, to whom he was common law married; they raised three children.

Milton retired from Friona Transport in 1994 but continued to do farm work until his health



began to fail. He dedicated his life to Christ in 1997 and became a valued and faithful member at St. Luke Baptist Church.

He was a loving son, husband, father and friend to many people. All who knew him will truly miss him. His parents and one grandson, John Busby, preceded him in death. He leaves to cherish his memories: three daughters, Dorothy Busby, Evelyn Busby and Bessie Green; 18 grandchildren and a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

#### **Mark John Blackwell**

Funeral services for Mark John Blackwell were held on Wednesday afternoon, August 12, 2015, at the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church with Overeeer J.J. Johnson, pastor, officiating.

John Blackwell, 86, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Monday, August 3, 2015.

Mark was born on October 18, 1928, to the parentage of Elmyra and Arvie Blackwell in Coffman County, Texas.

Mark was raised under principles that are love and hard work. He was a loving son, brother, husband, father and friend. Mark was always willing to provide a helping-hand to

## Treaderrion Crowder **Continued from Page 5**

## Former Bozeman Elementary Teacher, **Rubye Henderson, Succumbs In Oklahoma**

Chickasha, Oklahoma --Funeral services for Rubye Jewel Henderson, a former teacher at Bozeman Elementary School, were held Friday morning, July 17, 2015, at the First Baptist Church in Chickasha, Oklahoma with Pastor Lewis Gurley officiating.

Interment was held in Fairlawn Cemetery in Chickasha under the direction of Brown/Christian Funeral Home.

She passed away on Sunday, July 12, 2015.

She was born July 6, 1927 in Clarksville, Texas where she was reared by her beloved grandparents, General and Luna Henderson, and mother, Ophella, who preceded her in death.

Rubye Jewel was a long time resident of Chickasha where she accepted Christ at an early age and attended the First Baptist Church. She attended and graduated from Lincoln High School in 1945. Upon graduating from high school, she enrolled in Samuel Huston College in Austin, Texas and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology

In 1966, Rubye decided to return back to college and earned her teacher certification with honors from Oklahoma College of Liberal Arts in 1966. She began her career as an elementary school teacher with the Lubbock Independent School District in Lubbock, Texas. She was a dedicated teacher at Bozeman Elementary School where Clarence Priestly was principal.



She retired and returned home to Chickasha after ter 26 years of dedication, commitment, and service in the field of education. Rubye received many accolades during her professional tenure.

She has served the Church in different capacities including Sunday School teacher and Missionary Society.

She was also an aficionado of historical scrap booking, an avid reader and lifelong learner. Rubye inspired family members to trace and embrace the family history through her oral interpretations, documentations and visuals.

She was a devoted mother of two sons, Don Carroll and Sidney Henderson, both of Chickasha, Oklahoma; and two daughters, Sherri Henderson of Austin, Texas and Kerri Yusuf of Hutto, Texas. She is also survived by her brother, Raymond Mitchell of Lakewood, Colorado; grandchildren, greatgrandchildren, nieces and nephews.

#### Willie B. Slay

#### 2015.

Willie was born on January 19, 1939 to the parentage of Isiah and Leola Slay in Limestone County, Texas. Willie was one of 13 children born to this union.

He attended Mart Public **Continue on Page 9** 

#### ROOTS Meets every 2nd Saturday at

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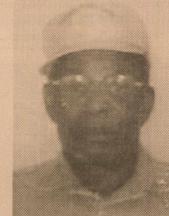




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those in need. He enjoyed spending time with his family and close friends and always had an inviting smile on his face. He will truly be missed by all those who knew him.

Mark was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, M.C., Moses, and Manuel Blackwell.

keeping them laughing and in good spirits. In his free time, he rode horses and spent the majority of his time with his family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Cecil and Mildred Lafayette; grandmother, Shirley Virginia Hayes; grandfather, Jessie James Crowder; and Aunt Sandra Lafayette.

He leavesto cherish his memories to his parents, Fred and D edra Crowder of Pittsburg, Texas; God Mother, Sherry Luster of Mt. Pleasant, Texas; two sisters: Tranequea Hammonds of San Antonio, Texas and Laquedra (Terrence) Hunter of Houston, Texas; two sons: Traeden Dewayne Crowder of Omaha, Texas and Noah Ayden Crowder of Pittsburg, Texas; one daughter, Leilani Crowder; and a special friend, Olivia Fluellen of Pittsburg, Texas; his grandmother, Trent Grant Fleming of Texarkana, Texas; maternal aunts: Lora Lafayette Walker of at his restaurant/tax office until Dallas, Texas, Marsha Abram of Lones tar, Texas, Debra Lafayette of Dallas, Texas, and High School under the tutelage Shonda (Greg) Hammilton of Balch Springs, Texas; uncles: Carlos Williams of Pittsburg, Texas, Mirrac e Abram of Cason, Texas, and John Wilkerson of Dallas, Texas; paternal aunts: Stephanie Lewis and Yolando Lewis, both of Texarkana, Texas, and Francis Walker Richardson of Mt. Pleasant, Texas; uncles: Otis Walker and James Crowder, both of Texarkana, Texas, Quinton Walker of Round Rock, Texas, Frederick and Jerry Walker, both of Mt. Pleasant, Texas; three nephews of Houston, Texas; and a host of cousins, other relatives her church, Bethel African and friends.

Active Pallbearers were:Brandon Laf ayette, Damion Wilder, Javonti Evans, Dominic Elliott, Phillip Lafayette, Terrance Cannon, Quentin Evans, and James Church. Mrs. Devenport as a Crowder, Jr.

students of Daingerfield and untiringly with the Mau Jones Class of 2008.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his loving wife, Mennie Doris Blackwell; daughters, Peggy Blackwell (Chris), Barbara Blackwell (Sharod) and services for Willie B. Slay were Deidra Blackwell Miller (LaCarl); sons, David Blackwell and Wayne Blackwell; four sisters, Michelle, Daisy Mae, Emme Lou and Marie; one brother, Arron Blackwell; and a wood Cemetery under the direchost of grandchildren, greatgrandchildren; great-great grandchildren; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Slaton, Texas -- Funeral held on Saturday morning, August 15, 2015, at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church with Rev. C.C. Peoples, pastor, officiating.

Interment followed in Engletion of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Slay, 76 of Lubbock passed away on Wednesday, August 5,

**Sister Elurd Conner Devenport Honored During Family & Friends Annual** 

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Sister Devenport graduated with her degree in Education in 1952 and sought out to find a job teaching. She ventured to Lubbock, Texas where her uncle, Bill Goldstein, offered her a job she found a teaching position.

She was hired at Dunbar of the late Mae D. Simmons, when Dunbar High School was housed in the Ella R. Iles Elementary School building on Date Avenue. She worked there for 7 years until she was transferred to Wheatley Elementary School where she retired in 1996

Mrs. Devenport taught ht hundreds of children and their children's children. She was the epitome of value of a teacher who really cared for them all and taught them valuable life lessons.

She is currently very active in Methodist Episcopal Church. She attends African Methodist Episcopal Conferences in the 10th Episcopal District as well as conferences in the General member of the Stewardess Honorary Pallbearers were Board and continues to work Pittsburg High Schools; and the Missionary Society. Over the years, Sister Devenport has

served as the Director of Christian Education.

She also serves as the coordinator for Vacation Bible School. Each year, she brings more positive information which helps the young people.

Sister Devenport is a longtime Sister of the Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. since 1974, joining the local chapter in Lubbock.

There's no doubt about it, Sister Elurd Conner Devenport is a pillar in the Lubbock community for over 60 years, always willing to help anyone in need.

Among her family members who were in attendance were her son, Steve Devenport; and two nieces, Gloria Mitchell and Jackie Wright, from Houston, Texas

When asked what she thought of the special recognition, with tears in her eyes, she said, "Thank God for th is beautiful prog ram and those who o made it possible."

Pastor Willie introduced the speaker of the hour. He also was very th thankful for everything which was done. "We thank God for Sister Elurd Conner Devenport," he said.

"Thanks to all who participated in this year's Friends and Family Day," said Pastor Willie.

:00 p. m. At 2301 Avenue A. **New Office Location of ROOTS!** 

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# Pre-Kindergarten

All children who will be four years of age on or before September 1, 2015, are invited to bring their parents to their neighborhood LISD elementary campus. Don't forget, the first day of school is...

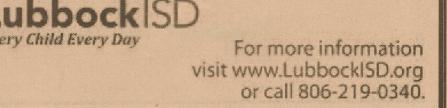
# Monday, August 24

Parents are encouraged to bring the following items:

- \* child's original birth certificate
- child's social security card

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child's up-to-date immunization records \* proof of address



## **Julian Bond Dies**

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Bond was involved in civil rights protests around Atlanta with other Atlanta University Center students, including sit-ins at dime stores, Woolworth's and Rich's department store.

The AUC students at the time received a letter from then-Southern Christian Leadership Conference Director Ella Baker, inviting them to come to Raleigh to meet other young black students engaged in sit-ins. It was there that Bond and other students helped found SNCC. "There were hundreds of black students like ourselves," Bond said. "We felt, we can do this too, as we had done it. We can keep this thing going."

Bond and SNCC, led by James Forman, Bob Moses, and Marion Barry, played pivotal roles in the Freedom Rides, which aimed to desegregate bus systems, and organized mass

#### black voter registration drives in the South. After Selma and the passing

of the Voting Rights Act in 1965, African-Americans around the South were finally able to run for office.

Bond was elected to the Georgia House of Representatives in 1965, one of 11 who were the first black members elected to the Georgia Assembly in 58 years, the result of reapportionment and a special election after the Voting Rights Act.

### Statement by Robert L. Johnson Applauding the White House and **Xerox Corporation For Adopting the RLJ Rule Continued from Page 7**

ethnic diversity in hiring at

every level and to encourage

procurement opportunities for

qualified minority businesses.

The primary goal of the RLJ

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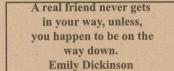
As you know, I have been a proponent of the RLJ Rule which speaks to giving minorities an opportunity to prove that they can compete at the highest levels2 of business. In fact, on December 13, 2011, at a Congressional Black Caucus-sponsored meeting with the President at the White House, I presented the RLJ Rule3 personally to President Obama4 and he said he 'liked the idea' and would give it to his then Jobs Council for consideration and today, I am pleased that the White House has now decided to put its weight behind the RLJ Rule5.

On July 22, 2014, seven bipartisan Members of the U.S. Senate, led by Senator Tim Scott (R-SC) introduced Senate Resolution 511 (S.R.511)6 encouraging all U.S. companies and local and state governments to support the RLJ Rule7. Senate Resolution 511 states in part - the Rooney Rule and the RLJ Rule would improve the economy of the United States and the experience of the people of the United States; and whereas ensuring the increased exposure and resulting increased advancement of diverse qualified candidates would result in gains by all people of the United States through stronger economic opportunities.

> Willie B. Slay **Continued from Page 8**

The decision by Xerox today and contribute with their talent to implement their version of the to the growth of the United RLJ Rule will hopefully moti-States economy both nationally vate other Fortune 500 Compaand on a global scale. nies to recognize the compelling Robert L. Johnson is Founder need to encourage minority and

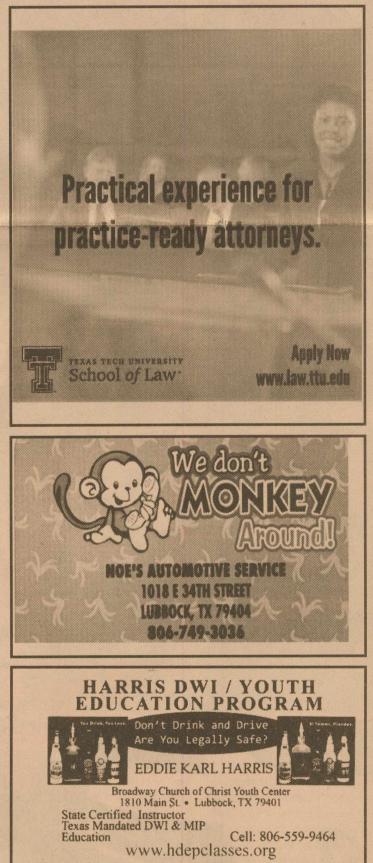
and Chairman of The RLJ Companies and Founder of Black Entertainment Television (BET).



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## **Public Housing Waiting List Opening**

Lubbock Housing Authority will open the following waiting list on August 17, 2015 and close the waiting lists on September 8, 2015:

2 and 3 Bedroom units; as well as elderly 1 Bedroom (62 years and above).

## **Application Process is required!!!**

Application packets may be picked up at the Lubbock Housing Authority Central Office located at 1708 Crickets, Lubbock TX, 79401, during regular business hours!

Completed applications may be returned to the above address, Monday or Tuesday 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 (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 to see if accommodations can be made for an interview outside the scheduled interview dates!

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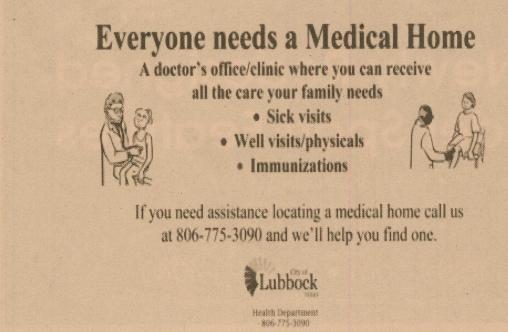
On January 5, 1964, Willie B. married Olivia Slay, in Tahoka, Texas; his wife of 51 years; to this union, three children were born.

Willie had a passion for working on cars and farm equipment at an early age. He became a certified mechanic for Bryant & Hurst Farm Supply of John Deere. He serviced farmer's equipment for over 42 years across the South Plains & West Texas.

Willie was outgoing, hardworking and loved spending time with his family, close friends and especially his grand and great grandchildren. His motto was, Slay way or no way.

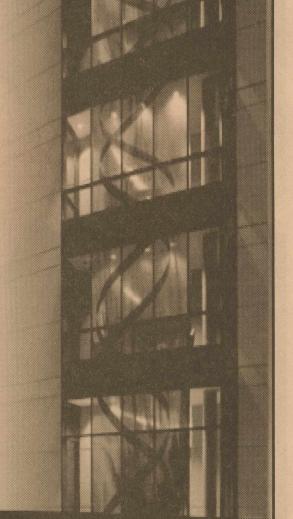
Willie B. was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Alice Whaley, Worthy Medlock; and five brothers, Ezell, Roosevelt, R.D., Vernett and Chuck Slay.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his loving wife, Olivia Slay; daughter, Karonda Slay; sons, Boyd Clay, Ronald Slay (Doris); brother, Donnell Slay; several grandchildren, greatgrandchildren.



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## Your Help Is Needed To Correct The Spelling!



SURELY, THERE ARE THOSE WHO WANT TO SEE THIS CORRECTED! This photo was published in the August 6, 2015 edition of the Southwest Digest, and comments were received about getting it corrected. This sign is located at the corner of Birch Avenue and East 19th Street.

#### **Mrs. McCormick Continued from Page 1**

Dan's Garage, later she purchased D & K Grocery. Due to her health, she sold the business. Mrs. McCormick also served as President of the Dunbar High School P.T.A.

Catherine worked for Lester's Jeweler. Later, she was employed to work for Skibell's where she held the position of Receiving/shipping clerk; layaway and gift wrapper until her retirement.

Catherine, the oldest living African American woman in Lubbock, served as Grand Marshal for the 2015 Juneteenth ine McCormick!!

#### Freedom Parade.

Catherine is the mother of two children, Walter Gates, who is deceased, and Maxine Mc-Cormick. She has two grandsons: Rev./Attorney John McCormick (Erica) and Rev./ Ralph McCormick Dr. (LaKeisha). She has one greatgranddaughter, Erin Janae Mc-Cormick; and one God grandson, Jeff Austin (Janice).

If you meet this outstanding lady, she tell you she loves the Lord. She's always willing to do her part in seeing that Lubbock, Texas is a better place for all of its citizens.

Happy Birthday, Mrs. Cather-

And Jonathan, Saul's son, arose and went to David into the wood,

and strengthened his hand in God.

### Psalm 33:20, 22

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