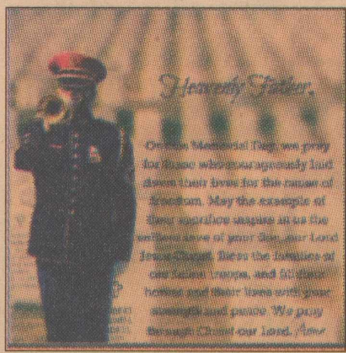
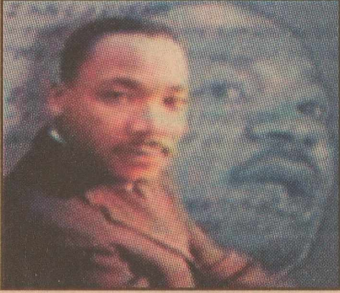


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Community Meetings

- * 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., Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, East 24th Street & MLK Blvd.
- * 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.
- * West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men of West Texas meets 3rd Monday evenings at 7:00 pm at The Bridge 1401 Redbud Avenue
- * The Parkway & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evenings, 7:30 pm at 517 Zenith Avenue, Star Care Center
- * 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.

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Oldest Living WWII Veteran Needs Help Staying In East Austin, Texas House



Richard Overton, the oldest recorded living US veteran, surveys the backyard of his home in Austin, Texas. (Jack Plunkett / AP Images for Philips Lifeline)

Austin, Texas -- In his 111 years on this planet, Richard Overton has seen a lot. The country's oldest veteran has met many presidents and celebrities, but the one place the United States Army veteran enjoys the most is his front porch.

Overton built his East Austin house in 1945, and it's now a struggle to stay inside. His current caretaker can no longer provide for him and Department of Veterans Affairs benefits do not cover around the clock at-home care. "When you're at the point where 24/7 care is needed... what's best for the veteran might not be the home," explains Patrick Hutchison, public affairs specialist for Central Texas Veterans Affairs Health Care Sys-

tem. "The caregiver is taxed at that point too."

The VA does cover at-home care seven days a week, up to three hours a day. Veterans can also apply for compensation to help pay for in-home care. However, Overton's family isn't relying on the VA. They've turned to crowd-funding to keep their loved one where he loves to be.

"I'd hate to see him not have a smile on his face because he's smiling when we come over here. [Going to a nursing home] would take that smile away," says Volma Overton Jr., Richard's cousin. "This smile is America's treasure."

Overton's family has started a gofundme page to help raise

money to pay for his at-home care. Their original goal was \$50,000 and they have now raised more than \$58,000. The gofundme goal is now upped to \$100,000.

AARP research just released last month gives a snapshot of the strain caring for a parent or another loved one can have on families. It shows caregivers spend, on average, nearly 20 percent of their income on caregiving.

More than 78 percent of caregivers face out-of-pocket costs that add up to \$6,954 per year. Household expenses are responsible for the largest share of that spending at 41 percent. Medical expenses account for a big chunk as well at 25 percent.

New Project For 1970 Tornado Memorial Set



Mayor Pro Tem Latrelle Joy, left, and Dr. Heenan Johnson, right, are shown unveiling the plaque which will appear on the project.

During the Thursday, May 11, 2017, City Council meeting, the Mayor and Lubbock City Council recognized the 47th anniversary of the 1970 tornado which hit Lubbock very hard that evening.

During that evening, 26 residents died and 1,500 were injured by this tornado. This left this city in a very bad situation. But thank God, Lubbock citizens came together and begun a task of working together.

At this time, a special effort is taking place which will in-

clude a tornado memorial in an area that was hardest hit.

This project is being done by the Lubbock Central Business TIF or the downtown redevelopment board, to act as a gateway to downtown Lubbock. Robert Taylor, chairman of the board, presented the latest designs to the Lubbock City Council.

During the Lubbock City Council, the council watched a brief documentary about the tornado, and presented a plaque for future public display to the Citizens Advisory Committee that

was created in response to the tornado.

Dr. Heenan Johnson was a member of that committee and was present to accept the plaque.

In accepting the plaque, he was very positive, which was how the city came back from this disaster.

Dr. Johnson said, "Out of the storm and destruction we had in 1970, some good came from it. OK. I think we ought to thank God and feel good about that."

Dr. Johnson was very excited over the outcome of meeting.

Crucial need for CASA volunteers during the summer months

While the end of the school year and the coming summer is a time for many families to enjoy, there are still a considerable number of foster children in our community who urgently need someone to make sure their best interests are being represented. In 2016, almost 800 foster children were left without a voice to speak up for their well-being in the areas served by CASA of the South Plains. There is a way to help. By becoming a CASA volunteer, community members can help make

sure a foster child does not have to face the overwhelming change of foster care alone. A CASA, or Court Appointed Special Advocate is a volunteer who helps a foster child navigate the child welfare system and ensure their needs are being met while working to help find safe, permanent homes. CASA needs the public's help to meet its goal of 35 new prospective CASA volunteers for its June training class, which would potentially help an additional 70 foster children in this community.

Prospective volunteers are urged to attend the upcoming CASA 101 informational session hosted by CASA of the South Plains on Thursday, May 18th from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. in our office at 1215 Avenue J, Suite 301 in the Reagor Dykes Headquarters. This is a great, no-obligation introduction to CASA and its mission. CASA staff and current Advocates will be on hand to discuss the increasing need for volunteers, **Continue on Page 6**



Annie White

Annie White Elected President of Lubbock Branch, NAACP

If you would ask the newly elected President of the Lubbock Branch of the National Association of the Advancement of Colored People, she would tell you with a lot of hard work, with God on your side, you can accomplish your goal.

This lady is Annie White who set a goal to re-organize the Lubbock Branch of the NAACP. It hasn't been functioning since Rose K. Wilson retired as its President for more than 25 years.

"I was tired of people saying what we don't have and always complaining about the way it is," she said. Many who know Annie White, knows she's loves to fish. Therefore, she has the patience to accomplish any goal she would set. Her goal was to re-organize the Lubbock historical Branch. This is what she did

quietly. That is how she reached her goal!

It was approximately one year ago when she begun her journey of selling memberships. She was often seen talking with local residents about joining this historical organization. Many would say no, but others would say yes.

She begun getting new members while attending the Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center. She will tell you she needed 50 new members. "I couldn't give up as I made announcements," she said. But on March 17, 2017, she reached her goal of 57 members!

She was elected President of the Lubbock Branch of the NAACP on Saturday evening, April 29, 2017.

If you want to become a member, call 806-762-4550!

Zy'Kia Tillman Named March Student Of The Month



Zy'Kia Tillman

Zy'Kia Tillman was named Student of the Month of March 2017. She attends Hodges Elementary School, and her teacher is Ms. Hernandez. Zy'Kia thinks the world of her teacher.

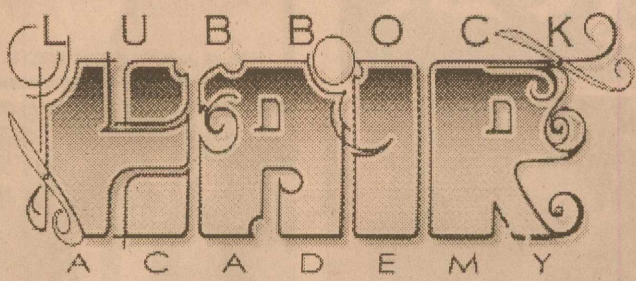
Zy'Kia has made the Honor Roll every six weeks, and has Perfect Attendance.

Zy'Kia will tell you with enthusiasm that she loves her school and her classmates!

She attends Wesley Memorial Church.

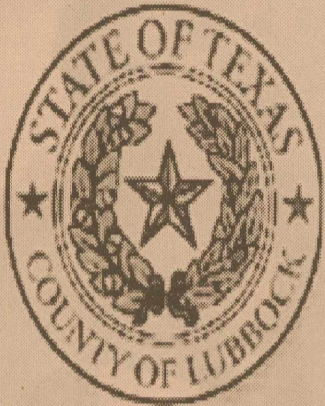
Zy'Kia is a second grader, and if God is willing, she will be a third grader next year.

She is the daughter of Charlene Tillman. Her grandmother is Annie Tillman; uncle is Jasmine Tillman; and has a lot more family members and friends!



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Fees include weekly field trips, themes, swimming, art, games, and more! Our beautiful, newly-renovated community center will be ready for our campers! Space is limited, so register today!

DOMINO TOURNAMENT
Friday, May 26, 1 pm, \$5/person, Ages 50+
Challenge your friends in a game of pool in this double-elimination tournament! Register by Noon.
Mae Simmons Community Center will be re-opening soon. Look for updates here!

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In Cinque

By Renetta Howard



ETHNICITY

It is a pity that ethnicity, religion, race, economic status, appearance, addresses and so many other unnecessary symbols tend to define us, rather than our love for humankind. As a matter of fact, some of us care more about cats and dogs than we do about each other. Above all of that, the almighty dollar bill comes in first for some of us.

It would seem that with the advanced technology in identifying DNA (Deoxyribonucleic acid) to help solve crimes by identifying suspects and victims as well as identifying the ethnic origin of human beings, that we would come to the conclusion that no one group of people identified ethnically or racially is better or more desirable than the other.

The earliest fossil of Homo sapiens, man, was found in Africa. This means that all human life has descended from Africa. Therefore, I was not in any way surprised when I received my DNA ethnicity sample that I was 68.9% African, mostly West African, but also East and North African; 23.7% British and Irish; 4.6% Sephardic Jewish and 2.8% Central American. It seems that I am a true representative of a mixed-up human being. I am wondering if it is time for me to check 'Other' on my ethnic or racial profile.

I was aware that one of my paternal great-grandfathers was Irish and one was African and that one maternal great-grandmother was Indian, but I was shocked to learn about any Jewish ancestry, or that Central America was involved.

If most people have their DNA tested and become aware of their ethnic or racial profile, perhaps some of the hatred in the world would come to a screeching halt

if they care about their ancestors. Having been a member of a downtrodden ethnic group, my eyes and strides have always been on the upward swing, attempting to raise myself and my image as well as that of the many souls and minds which I have had the opportunity to influence in a positive way.

The dollar bill has been a great affecter of which ethnic group has had the opportunity to amass the greater good in the reaping especially in the United States of America. This may have something to do with why so many people with DNA which they consider undesirable attempt to identify with a group eligible to reap the dollar bill. It is time that we get 'in cinque' and realize that we are all God's children, some of us are mixed-up and some of us are messed-up, but we need to put more effort to loving each other rather than hating each other.

Are you ready to buy a home? NELCDC is hosting a homebuyer event on May 18th at 6:30pm at the Talkington School for Girls - 415 N. Ivory. There is a 105 person capacity at the event location register soon while there is still room!

Call Monique Coleman at (806) 747-1505.

Lenders and Realtors will be present at this event!

The purpose of this event is to connect you to resources and information needed to help you buy your own home! I hope to see you on May 18! Remember to RSVP here: Homebuyer Event Registration Link.

Don't Forget This Important Date. It is May 18, 2017. That is if you want to be a Home Owner!

ARE YOU READY?

Beyond the Rhetoric

by Harry C. Alford

Keynote Address to ICSB Knowledge Summit at United Nations

Allow me to first welcome all the delegates and participants of the International Council on Small Business Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Knowledge Summit. This is a very important event concerning the economic status of the entire world via entrepreneurial interaction with each other. I am Harry C. Alford, President and CEO of the National Black Chamber of Commerce which is based in Washington, DC. We are celebrating our 25th year. When we began in 1993, the United States had 300,000 Black owned firms doing \$30 billion in annual sales (according to the US Census Bureau). Today, we can see noticeable growth as the reported total of Black businesses in the United States is over 2.6 million and revenues exceed \$187 billion (2012 estimate, US Census Bureau). We are very proud of that growth.

The National Black Chamber of Commerce is guided by our living mission statement: The purpose of the Chamber shall be to teach capitalism and expand access to capitalization, technical support, procurement opportunities, effective networking, and sharing of information for Black owned businesses and other minority owned businesses as well as the African descent community. The main vehicle of disseminating information concerning this purpose is through the Black chambers located throughout the United States and the entire Black Diaspora and via mass marketing. A strategic plan drives the activities. The Chamber is non-profit, nonpartisan, and non-sectarian and abides by the rules set forth via IRS 501(c)3 classification.

THIS N' THAT

by T. J. Patterson

LET'S QUIT WAITING FOR OTHERS TO HELP EAST LUBBOCK AND START DOING SOMETHING FOR OURSELVES!! THIS N THAT really gets upset sometimes when he hear those of **US WHO LIVE IN EAST LUBBOCK** and want those who live outside **EAST LUBBOCK** to do something for us who live in the area..... Really if you listen to it **IT JUST DOESN'T MAKING ANY COTTON PICKING SENSE!!** In the opinion of **THIS N THAT** if someone in the **NEIGHBORHOOD** would start

the effort it is very possible for it to be completed..... As **THIS N THAT** as often said **EAST LUBBOCK IS A VERY RICH AREA OF THE CITY!** But we must believe we can change it's direction..... One morning **THIS N THAT** observed a young man who was drinking a beer and when had finished it while he was walking he threw the beer can into the street..... There were some school children in the area going to school and they observed his actions..... The question to ask **WILL THOSE LITTLE CHILDREN GROW**

UP AND DO THE SAME? **THIS N THAT** praying they will not!! This afternoon **MAY 18TH** in **MAE SIMMONS PARK** beginning at 3:00 p. m. a special dedication will be held..... These **22 TREES** are being donated to this area for future generations..... These trees were paid for by **EAST LUBBOCK ORGANIZATIONS AND CITIZENS** who believe something good is on the move for **EAST LUBBOCK** no matter what some may say or do! **CHANGE IS ON THE WAY! WILL YOU HELP OR COMPLAIN??**

We have chapters and direct members throughout the United States. Also, we have a presence in France, the Caribbean, Columbia, Costa Rica, Surinam and 34 nations on the African Continent.

We proudly proclaim to be the largest Black business association in the world.

What are the ingredients to a successful Global Movement supporting Micro, Small and Medium enterprises?

The ingredients are few but profound. One is the presence of a "corruption free" society. Too many of our nations reek of illegal activity. There are some governments that litter their manning tables with ghost employees. There are reports that some may inflate their manning tables by as much of 33% of the total. This is to justify foreign aid that is received and reverted to personal gain. Donations that are intended to provide economic growth for a fledgling na-

tion may end up padding the personal wealth of a few who choose to manipulate the intended opportunities for their fellow citizens. Money and more money comes in to never be seen again.

Another ingredient would be the abolishment of illegal trade such as weapons and chemicals to evil doers. The operators of this deadly activity are known or should be known by the distinguished members of this body. It is time to flex the diplomatic and/or military muscle that this union certainly has and eradicate this world of such vermin. Entrepreneurs can only thrive in a peaceful and vibrant environment.

We must all invest in our Human Capital. Why shouldn't 100% literacy be the goal for all nations? Our children cannot have a chance for success if they are not literate. 100% literacy will guarantee a growth of vibrant entrepreneurs thriving

within our communities and contributing to our local economies through their new and positive enterprises which provide jobs and self-sufficiency within our villages, towns, and large cities.

Along with literacy is the deployment of technology such as increasing broadband, Internet and increased access to energy and electricity. This levels the playing field for future entrepreneurs trying to connect with the rest of the world at the speed of thought.

Free and Democratic Elections will also provide a peaceful and productive environment which would be conducive to business possibilities and job growth. It will also lead to a quality of life for an entire nation plus a stable economy resulting in the advance of all economic indicators. Stability is the greatest incentive to all

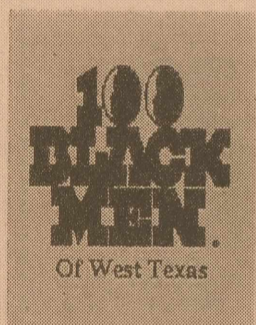
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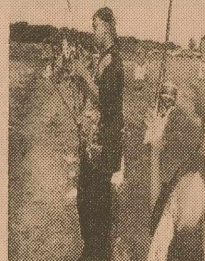
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Just as **GOD** had to **REPEAT; HIS COMMISSION; TO JONAH A SECOND TIME. JONAH DIDN'T HAVE GOD'S BUSINESS ON HIS LITTLE MIND!!!**

***** THIS IS HOW A MAN ROBS GOD!!! *****

Jonah 3:1-2 -- AND the word of the Lord came unto Jonah the second time, saying, Arise, go unto Nin'-e-veh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid you.

JONAH DID WHAT THE LORD TOLD HIM TO DO, AND ALL THE 120,000 PEOPLE GOT SAVED. WHAT THE CHRISTIANS NEED TO BE DOING TODAY, IS TEACHING: "JESUS IS THE WAY!!!"

Jonah 3:5 -- So the people of Nin'-e-veh believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even unto the least of them.

John 14:6 -- Jesus said, I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man come unto the father, but by me.

***** OBEY AND DO WHAT GOD SAY; DON'T FOLLOW MAN; AND DON'T OBEY!!! *****

AS **GOD** told Jonah, to go

and Preach to a **DYING; AND DOOMED; CITY OF THAT DAY. THE SAME PROBLEM WITH THE CHRISTIANS; NOT WANTING TO DO THINGS; JESUS' WAY!!!**

Matthew 28:18-19 -- Jesus said, All power is given unto me in heaven and earth. Go therefore; and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

***** NO SALVATION; IN THE RIGHTS OF THIS WORLD!!! *****

JESUS TOLD HIS CHRISTIANS; GO AND PREACH SALVATION TO A DYING WORLD, TO BE WASHED IN HIS BLOOD; IS THE RIGHTS; -- OF EVERY MAN, WOMAN, BOY, AND GIRL!!! (EVERYTHING GOD MADE IN THE BOOK OF JONAH; OBEYED HIM; BUT MAN, THE WIND, THE SEA, THE TEMPEST, THE FISH, THE GODARD, THE WEST WIND, THE WORM, AND SUN!!!)

BUT THE CHRISTIANS WENT INTO HI-WAYS; MARCHING, SAYING, "WE SHALL OVERCOME." THERE IS NO SALVATION IN THE WORLDLY THINGS, AND THIS WORLD; THE DEVIL RUNS!!!

1 John 2:15 -- Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the

world, the love of the father is not in him.

***** GOD IS LOVE!!! *** JONAH DIDN'T LOVE THE PEOPLE; HIS HEART WAS NOT THE SAME AS GODS. HE WANTED TO SEE 120,000 PEOPLE DIE. THAT'S NOT THE WILL OF GOD!!!!**

II Peter 3:9 -- The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness, but is long suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

***** FOR NO GOOD SINNERS LIKE YOU AND ME; GOD GAVE HIS SON JESUS!!! *****

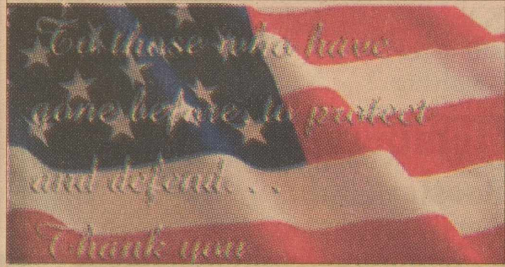
And to see them all **DIE; HE WENT AND SET UNDER A GOURD; ON A HILL. -- HOPING EVERYONE OF THEM; GOD WOULD KILL!!!**

***** BUT GOD KILLED THE GOURD; THAT JONAH LOVED!!! *****

(THE GOURD WAS HIS IDOL; AS THE FRONT OF THE BUS WAS TO CHRISTIANS; AND REST ROOMS, WATER FOUNTAINS, LIVING IN WHITE NEIGHBORHOODS; THEY'RE ALL FANTASIES; JUST AS THE SHADE TREE WAS TO JONAH. -- IT DIDN'T LAST!!!)

Acts 10:34-35 -- Peter opened his mouth and said, Of a

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St. Matthew Baptist Church

2020 East 14th Street Rev. Edward Canady, Pastor Lubbock, Texas 79403 (806) 744-7154

We, the Members at St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, had a wonderful time on Sunday morning, May 7, 2017. The proud Pastor is Rev. Edward Canady. Thank God for him!!

Sunday morning services begun at 10:10 a. m. with Pastor Canady presiding. What a wonderful time we had in Sunday School.

The subject of the Sunday School lesson was "When Calamity Comes." The scripture text was Jonah 1:7-17. It was so great to have this wonderful discussion during Sunday School.

Again, we thank God for being so good to each of us who attend Sunday School.

Pastor Canady also brought a wonderful discussion on the lesson. It was good to receive this information from Pastor Canady!!

The devotion for Church services was conducted by Dea-

con Edward Williams and Sister Shirley Canady.

Pastor Canady entered the Church with the Congregation singing "This Little Light of Mine."

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "You Can Run, But You Can't Hide." His scripture text was Jonah 11-13.

The message was well received by all in attendance.

The Weekly Meetings held at the St. Matthew Baptist Church are as follows:

1. The Missionary Society meets at the St. Matthew Baptist Church on Wednesday evenings at 5:00 p. m.

If you are interested in participating, you are invited to do so. We learn a great deal when we sit down and talk about the goodness of God.

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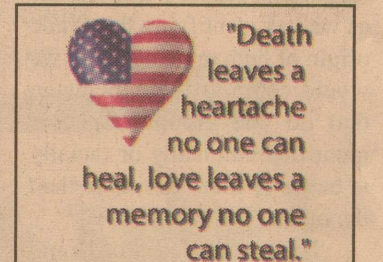
to attend. Bring someone with you. Shall we look for you on next Wednesday? We'll be looking forward to seeing you!!

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Obsequies

Sandra Kaye Phillips

Funeral services were held for Sandra Kaye Phillips on Saturday morning, May 6, 2017, at the Church of The Nations with Pastor Roy Davis as Eulogist.

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

Phillips, 64, of Dallas, Texas, formerly of Lubbock, passed away Thursday, April 27, 2017.

She was born August 12, 1952, in Lubbock, Texas, to Artise Sr. and Annie Mae Johnson.

Sandra graduated from Dunbar High School in 1972 and went on to graduate from Langston University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in 1976. She worked as an accountant for General Dynamics and Masco United States Steel in San Diego, CA. Later worked as an auditor for the IRS in San Diego and recently retired from the City of Dallas Park and Recreation Depart as a Senior Budget Analyst for almost 24 years.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her sisters, Annie Ruth Overstreet and Lula Spence; brothers, Johnnie Lee



Johnson and Robert Lee Johnson.

Sandra leaves to cherish her memories; her devoted husband, Fred Phillips, Jr.; one son, Jeffrey L. Phillips; two grandchildren, Natasha Phillips and Joshua Phillips; four sisters, Betty Willis (Jimmy), Celestine Mosley (Oscar), Paulette Frazier (David), and Suzette Gibson (Douglas); two brothers, Clifton Johnson and Artise Johnson; mother-in-law, Mrs. Eulene Phillips; six sisters-in-law; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Charles Gambles

Funeral services were held for Charles Gambles on Saturday afternoon, May 6, 2017, at Agape Temple Church of God in Christ with Pastor Charles Collins officiating.

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

Gambles, age 66, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away Friday, April 28, 2017.

He was born November 19, 1950, in Hubbard, Texas, to Samuel and Viva Gambles.

Charles graduated from Dunbar High School and Jarvis Christian College and received his Master's Degree from Texas Tech in Ed Psy.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Samuel and Viva Gambles; one sister, Avis McClure; and one brother John Gambles, Sr.

Charles leaves to cherish his



memories: his wife, Linda; son, Charles J. R. Gambles, Jr.; three sisters, Aline (Frank), Earlene (Wilbert), and Odessa (Jerry); four brothers, Sam (Pearl), Eric (Wendy), Richard, and Steven; mother-in-law, Verna Avery; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Charles Gambles will truly be missed!

Mary Elizabeth Parr-Bates

Funeral services were held for Mary Elizabeth Parr-Bates on Tuesday morning, May 2, 2017, at the New Hope Baptist Church with Rev. Larry Polk, Pastor, as Eulogist.

Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Rev's Funeral Parlor of Fort Worth, Texas.

Mary, age 83 of Fort Worth, Texas, and a native of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Tuesday, April 25, 2017, in her home in Fort Worth in a peaceful sleep after a lengthy illness.

She was born June 16, 1933 to her parents, William Parr and Christine Thompson Parr in Wilbarger County, Texas. She accepted Christ at an early age, and loved Christ with all her heart and soul.

She married Kelly Joe Bates on July 29, 1949. To this union, ten children were born. She was a dedicated wife and mother, and dedicated her life to her husband and children. Bates was loved by all who knew her, and she was a loving woman of high moral standards.

She worked at the Lubbock State School until she retired in 1985. After retirement, she took care of her husband whose health was failing. After her husband's death, Mary Bates never remarried and devoted her life to Christ and her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death



by both of her parents, her husband, Kelly Joe Bates; one brother, David Lee Parr; three sons: Vernon Bates, David Bates, and Kelly Joe Bates, Jr.; two daughters, Willie Lee Stiggers and Ruthie Cooper.

Mrs. Mary Bates leaves to cherish her memories, one son, Kevin C. Bates; four daughters: Mary Simmons (Quintin), Kathie Bates (Anthony), all of Lubbock, Texas, Elizabeth Royal (T. L.) and Ruby Cheeks of Fort Worth, Texas; and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, relatives, and very special friends.

Pallbearers were James Bates, Jr., Lonnie Stiggers, DeWard Stiggers, Don Stiggers, Quincy Stiggers, and Jerome Bates.

Honorary Pallbearers were Eric Osby, Leshone Bates, Michael Osby, Laffoyette Bates, Darius Cheeks, and Elijah Osby.

Helen L. Dudley

Funeral services for Helen L. Dudley were held Monday afternoon, May 8, 2017, at the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church with Pastor Wendell D. Davis as the Eulogist.

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

Dudley, 90, of Lubbock, passed away Sunday, April 30, 2017.

She was born January 4, 1927, to Charlie and Martha Dudley in Paris, Texas. Helen was a loving mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend. She will truly be missed by all who loved her.

Helen is preceded in death by her parents; three sisters, Shirley Dudley, Marie Johnson, and Marcella Dudley; and five brothers, Ralph Dudley, Walter Wayne Dudley, James Paul Dudley, Hewu Dudley, and Charles Dudley.

Helen leaves to cherish her



memories: two daughters, Eloise Davis and Bobbie Rutherford; three sons, Steven Dudley (Veronica), Kenneth Dudley (Sharon), and Rickey Dudley; two sisters, Ruby Williams and Maggie Washington; three brothers, Sam Dudley (Gloria), Jimmy Dudley, and Billy Joe Dudley; and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Bruce Wayne Reed

Brownfield, Texas --- Funeral Services were held for Bruce Wayne Reed on Wednesday afternoon, May 3, 2017, at the Greater New Hope Baptist Church in Brownfield.

Private Disposition was under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Reed, 52 of Lubbock, formerly of Brownfield, passed away Sunday, April 23, 2017.

He was born November 13, 1964, to John H. Sr. and Sammie L. Reed in Brownfield, Texas.

Bruce participated in sports in Brownfield Middle and High School. After high school he went to McKinney School to earn a degree in diesel mechanics.

He is preceded in death by



his parents, John H. Sr. and Sammie Reed; one sister, Rosie Mae Reed; five brothers, John Willie, Weldon Roy, Leon Sam, Larry, and John H. III.

Bruce leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Mary Jane Hinojosa; two daughters, Destiny G. Reed, and Samara L. Reed; one son, Bronson, P.J. Reed; three sisters, Darlene Nolan (Willie), Kathy Fininen, and Betty Toliver; three brothers, Mike Reed, Charles Reed, and Floyd Reed; three grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Lovie Joe Nunley



Funeral Services for Lovie Joe Nunley, age 69, of Lubbock, were held Monday afternoon, March 20, 2017, at Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness at 1907 E. 13th Street.

She passed away Tuesday, March 14, 2017.

She was born April 16, 1947. Funeral services were under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

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Revelation 2:3

New Light Baptist Church News

3013 Idalou Road Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson, Pastor

On Sunday morning, April 30, 2017, church services got started on time at the New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road, where the proud Pastor is Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson is the pastor.

Church School begun at 10:00 a. m. with Pastor Jackson teaching the morning lesson entitled "Providing Love" with its scripture from John 10:1-15.

The Morning Worship begun at 11:00 a. m. with the devoted Praise Team leading the way. There were the testimony period which was very inspiring for all to hear. The Responsive Reading came from Psalm 27:1-14. Rev. Jackson led the Altar Prayer with the Congregation singing "Oh How I Love Jesus." What a time all had!

Sister Linda Green read all the morning announcements and told of the upcoming events which will be held. This was following the morning offering which was done by the Deacons.

The melodious voices of the New Light Baptist Church sung several selections which were sung: "Peace of Mind" and "Now Behold The Lamb" Our theme song, "Amazing Grace," was sung before the morning sermon.

Pastor Jackson preached the sermon entitled, "Jesus Can Fix It." His printed scripture text was Luke 9:13-17.

We encounter various situations that go on in life, and we become troubled by things that come up doing the week. Our younger generation sees every-

thing these days, but Jesus can fix it. We are troubled by life concerns everyday and sometimes it becomes too much to make you loose focus.

The weather, neighbors, and others can make you go there. A set back due to illness or etc.... can throw you for a loop!

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Whether neighbor, relation-

ships, or etc... JESUS CAN FIX IT if we let go and let God, whatever your concerns are or problems, JESUS CAN FIX IT! Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine, Love Lifted Me, Let Jesus Fix It.

After the sermon, "BLESSED ASSURANCE" was sung!

Thought For Week: Let not your heart be troubled!!

Praise God!!!

If you are looking for a Church Home, then you and your family is invited to come and visit New Light!!

David Allen Fluellen

Funeral services were held for David Allen Fluellen on Wednesday afternoon, May 10, 2017, at the Griffin Mortuary.

Private Disposition was under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Fluellen, age 28, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away Monday, May 1, 2017.

David was born December 11, 1988, to Sheryl Fluellen and Wilfred Windell Allen at Lubbock General Hospital.

After graduating in 2007 from South Plains Academy, David entered the army in 2008 where he served as a 13B10 Cannon Crew Member.

He received the Meritorious Unit Commendation, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal and Army Service Ribbon.

David leaves to cherish his memories: his mother, Sheryl Fluellen; father, Wilfred Allen;

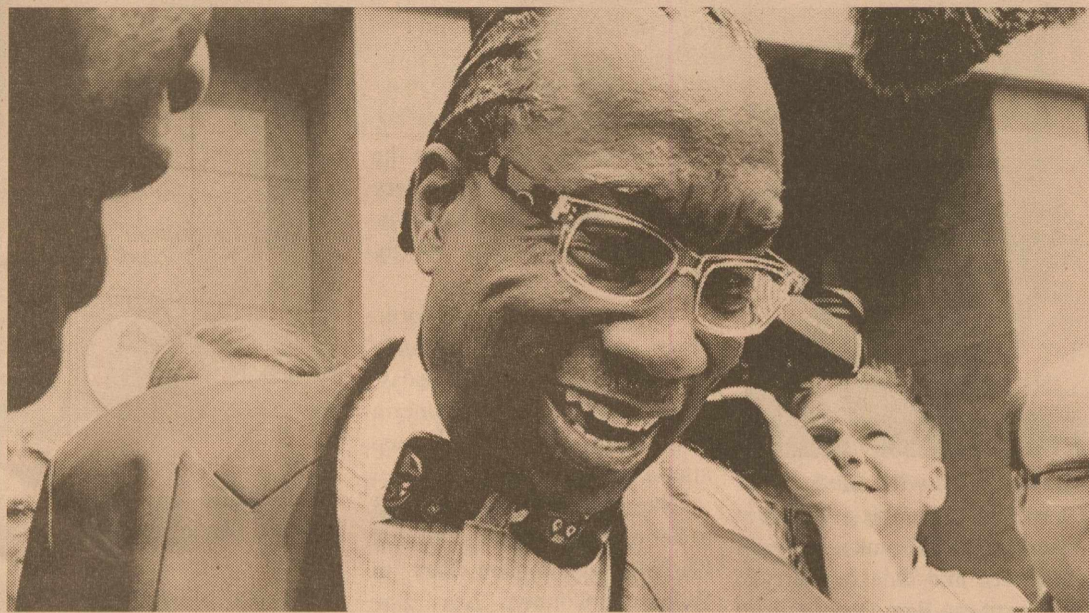


grandmother, Laura Hunter; one sister, Cameisha Matthis; only nephew, Sean Williams; girlfriend, Victoria Williams; and a host of other relatives and friends.

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"Do not come any closer," God said.
"Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground."
Exodus 3:5

Commissioner John Wiley Price found 'not guilty'



Reporters try to interview Dallas County Commissioner John Wiley Price as he exits federal court in Downtown Dallas, Friday, May 5, 2017 LM OTERO

Dallas, Texas -- Commissioner John Wiley Price was found not guilty of bribery and mail fraud charges Friday, while the jury failed to reach a verdict on other counts.

"We're of course very gratified at the finding by the jury of no bribery whatsoever, but we are not surprised," said Shirley Baccus-Lobel, an attorney for Price.

The FBI raided Price's house in June 2011, yet after just over five years, was not able to prove their case. Testimony in the trial began Feb. 27, and jurors began deliberating the case April 19.

Jurors told U.S. District Judge Barbara Lynn that further deliberations would not yield a verdict on tax-fraud charges against Price, so she dismissed the jury and ended the trial.

A conviction on all 11 charges against the longtime political leader and civic activist would have meant decades in prison.

Dapheny Fain, a top aide to Price and co-defendant, was acquitted of charges that included

Beyond the Rhetoric

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business creators (also known as risk takers).

"A government that governs least is a government that governs best." This quote by the famous American founding father, Thomas Jefferson, still applies today. There must be a conscious effort to examine our laws and regulations and ensure that they are not unnecessarily abusive to our upcoming business owners. We find in my country that the cost of abiding to some regulations is costly and damaging to the future of one's business. We are now currently reviewing our regulations and finding billions of dollars of unnecessary costs affecting our small business owners.

Finally, Capitalism will trump Socialism every time. Show me a nation whose economy grows more than it stagnates and I will show you an example of capitalism. Show me a nation which is mired in bureaucratic turmoil and I will show you socialism. How does Venezuela change from compatible wealth to modern day famine? The abuses of socialism.

Mr. Alford is the co-founder, President/CEO of the National Black Chamber of Commerce®. Website: www.nationalbcc.org Email: halford@nationalbcc.org

lying to the FBI. Three others earlier were convicted of charges related to the Price corruption probe.

Lynn has given federal prosecutors a month to determine whether they will retry Price on the four tax-fraud charges that had hung up the jury.

During the trial, Price was portrayed as a hardworking public servant who helped his close friends in need, but also as a greedy and corrupt man who enriched himself by selling his vote.

He was first elected to his position in 1985.

Federal officials accused him of taking almost \$1 million in bribes over a decade from a lobbyist to help her clients. They said he failed to report those bribes and other income in his

tax filings.

Price's lawyers argued that money he received from Fain, his chief of staff, was repayment of loans he made to her to launch a business and not evidence of a scheme to avoid paying taxes.

Price took his place in the Commissioner's Court on Tuesday as meetings reconvened.

"Dallas County government is now able to proceed full throttle, and the Commissioners Court will be fully functioning with all commissioners. We know Commissioner Price will hit the ground running. For his constituents in District 3, he is still 'Our Man Downtown.' We wish the best to Commissioner John Wiley Price," Dallas County Democratic Party Chair Carol Donovan expressed in a statement to the media.

CASA Needs Your Help

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what it means to be a CASA, and how community members can help make a difference in the lives of area foster children.

CASA 101 attendees interested in becoming a CASA volunteer can also begin the application and sign-up process. Training classes can fill up quickly and space is limited.

To attend, please register at www.casaoftexasouthplains.org or contact Gabe Ballesteros, Director of Communications and Marketing, by Wednesday, May 16th at (806) 763-2272 or via email at gabrielb@casaoftexasouthplains.org.

southplains.org. Lunch will be provided to attendees.

About CASA of South Plains

CASA of the South Plains empowers community members to serve as volunteer Advocates that speak for the well-being of abused and neglected children in the foster care system.

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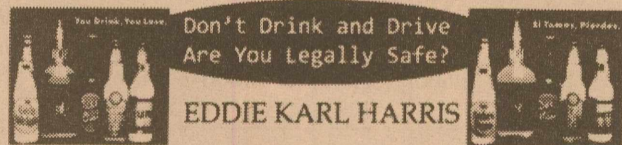
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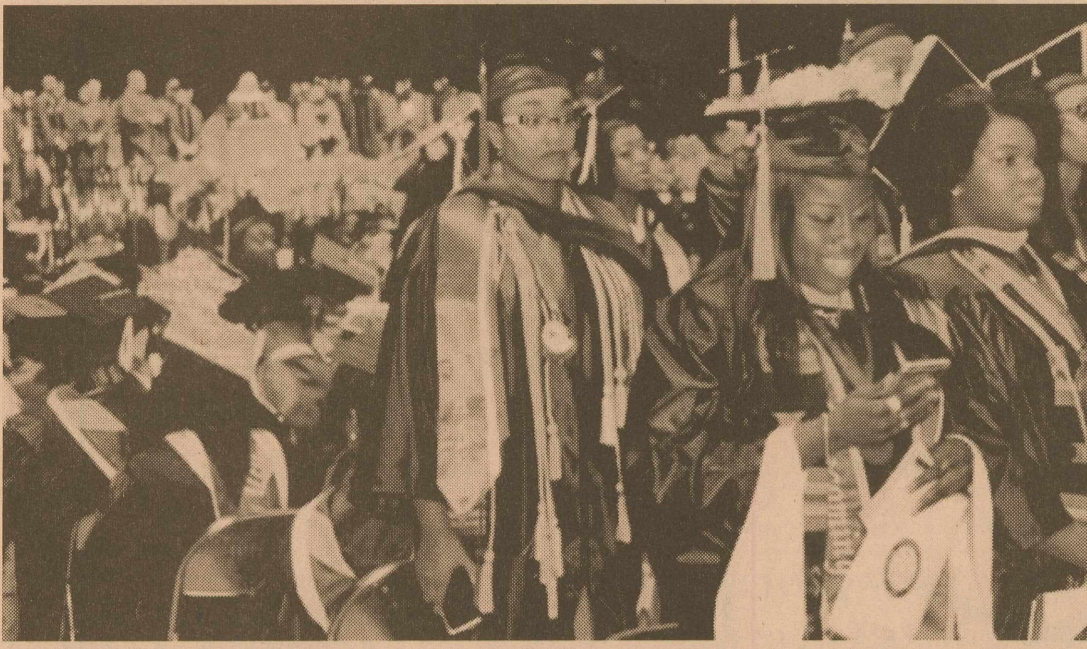
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DeVos Boomed at HBCU Graduation



Bethune-Cookman graduates turn their backs on Education Secretary Betsy DeVos (at podium) as captured in this screenshot while she delivers a commencement address amid boos from attendees.

Boos and jeers from graduating seniors greeted billionaire U.S. Education Secretary Betsy DeVos as she began her commencement address Wednesday, May 10, 2017, at Bethune-Cookman University.

The graduating class also

turned their backs in protest against someone they believe has insulted the Black community and Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).

"One of the hallmarks of higher education and of democracy is the ability to converse

with and learn from those with whom we disagree," DeVos told graduates of the historically Black university in Daytona Beach, Fla.

As boos toward the education secretary grew louder, the university's president, Edison Jack-

son, interrupted her speech with a warning to the approximately 300 graduating students.

"If this behavior continues, your degrees will be mailed to you," he said. "Choose which way you want to go."

Nevertheless, many students persisted.

Jackson invited DeVos to speak at the graduation ceremony. In an opinion piece for the Orlando Sentinel published May 3, the college president said he did not object to inviting a potentially controversial speaker.

"I am of the belief that it does not benefit our students to suppress voices that we disagree with, or to limit students to only those perspectives that are broadly sanctioned by a specific community," Jackson wrote.

Students, alumni and political activists sought to have DeVos' invitation withdrawn, saying they were offended by her earlier comments. In February, the education secretary, a proponent of school choice, sparked controversy when she said, in a now-recanted statement, that HBCUs were "pioneers" of educational choice.

"HBCUs are real pioneers when it comes to school choice,"

DeVos said. "They are living proof that when more options are provided to students, they are afforded greater access and greater quality. Their success has shown that more options help students flourish."

Supporters of HBCUs noted

that the institutions were founded because Black students couldn't enroll in predominantly white colleges in the South, even public institutions. African Americans had no choice but to create colleges and universities.

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Monday, May 29, 2017 at 11:00 AM

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LUBBOCK ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: June 15, 2017

TIME: 5:00 p. m.

PLACE: 1708 Crickets Ave. Lubbock, TX.

The purpose of the hearing is to obtain input from the city residents in reference to the Annual Plan Submission and the Capital Fund Program Five-Year Action Plan being submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for fiscal year beginning October 1 2017. Total funds being allocated for the year are estimated at \$1,087,254 for Operating Funds and \$658,789 for Capital Funds. The Annual Plan includes proposed changes to the Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP), the Section 8 Administrative Plan and implementation of the Public Housing Non-smoking Policy. Those changes are outlined in the Annual Plan and will be a part of the Public Hearing. All residents are encouraged to attend this hearing. The Plan will be available for review beginning May 1, 2017 during regular business hours. prior to the public hearing at the addresses below. Persons can also submit written comments prior to the public hearing to:

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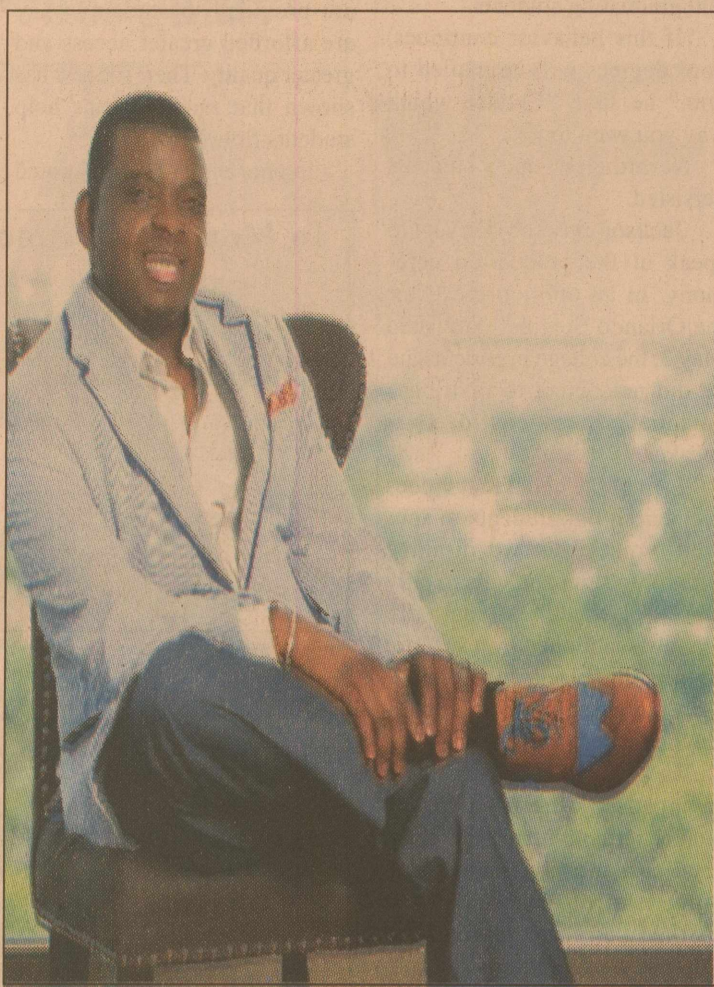
Each One Reach One will sponsor a Gospel Celebration, featuring Paul Porter and other talented gospel singers, at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 2202 Southeast Drive, on Saturday afternoon, May 20, 2017. The concert is free.

Other singers appearing on program are: Debra Barnes, Carolyn Traylor, Buddy & Straightway Travelers, The Mrs. Buddy & Twinkle Duet, and Golden Voices.

"We are going to have a great afternoon of praising the Lord, and those who want to do the same, then come with us," said Faye Brown, President.

Porter, who is an artist with Motown, for nearly three decades has endeared himself to Gospel music lovers around the world. As a founding member, leading vocalist, songwriter, and producer of the legendary group, **The Christianaires**, he earned numerous nominations and awards including, -- **Grammy@, Dove, and Stellar** awards -- and was inducted into the **GOSPEL MUSIC HALL OF FAME**.

While his musical accomplishments are impressive, his personal testimony of triumph over illness is nothing short of **Miraculous**. "In 1996, I had an



Paul Porter

aneurysm on the brain," Paul shares. "I was paralyzed (couldn't walk or talk), and I lost my memory." "I was confined to the bed approximately 1 year and 6 months." "From 1996-2006, I went through all of the

transitions: from the bed to the wheelchair to the walker to the cane." "In June 2006, I dropped the cane!"

"It will be an exciting and outstanding evening of Praising God," says President Brown.

leased from the White House implying that some financial programs for HBCUs may be unconstitutional.

About 60,000 signatures on two petitions were delivered to school officials on Tuesday objecting to DeVos' appearance at the university, which was named for Black educator and civil rights activist Mary McLeod Bethune.

According to CNN, "a university official, who asked not to be named because he didn't want to steal the spotlight from the uni-

versity's president, said 6,000 of the petitions were properly filled out, and of those, the majority came from outside the campus and Daytona Beach."

During her commencement speech, DeVos said she was there to reaffirm the Trump administration's commitment to HBCUs.

Sean P. Jackson, chairman of the Black Republican Caucus of Florida, said DeVos had long been a champion of providing strong education opportunities for minority students, according to Reuters.

DeVos Boosed At HBCU Graduation

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DeVos later clarified her remarks.

President Donald Trump said in a statement on Sunday that DeVos chose Bethune-Cookman for her first commencement address as education secretary to show the Republican administration's dedication to the mission of HBCUs.

However, during the same weekend, a statement was re-

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Inc. Magazine ranks the Reagor-Dykes Auto Group 1,426 among top 5000 fastest growing privately held companies in America. The RDAG also ranks No. 1 among auto retailers with 291% growth from 2011 to 2014.

"I am really excited about this recognition from Inc. Magazine. The day we opened in 2003 we wanted to be the best place to do business and the best place to work in the car business. Our goal today is the same but we have more people on the team now than we did in 2003. I feel if we treat people better than everyone else growth is inevitable. This recognition is affirmation that we have no limits if we continue doing things the right way and working hard every day!" -- Bart Reagor