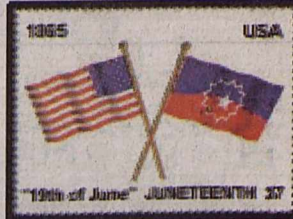
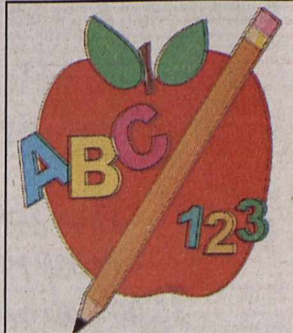




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Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association Removes 11 Tons In Clean Up

Lubbock City Councilwoman Shelia Patterson-Harris had a busy Saturday morning, July 22, 2017, during the clean up in Chatman Hill.

The clean up began at 8:00 a. m. and continued until 12 noon. The clean up area included: Avenue A on the west; Southeast Drive on the east; East 19th Street on the north; and Coronado Drive on the south.

Volunteers walked allies, picking up trash, rubbish, and other items. More than 50 mattresses were picked up; different kinds of appliances, household items, and many other kinds of household goods.

Among those joining in this special clean up was Diana Thomas, President of the Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association. "This was a very motivating effort, and we appreciate all who have participated in this special effort," said Ms. Thomas.

She also thanked young students from Frenship High School, Coronado High School, and Texas Tech University who served as volunteers. Also, she was excited about the residents who reside in Chatman Hill who participated.

Councilwoman Patterson-Harris made it known that there will be another clean up in District 2 in the month of October. "We will need your assistance in our next clean up."

According to Councilwoman Patterson-Harris, more than 11 tons were picked up and disposed of during this clean up.

She also sends a special 'Thank You' to the City of Lubbock, which includes the Code Enforcing Department for their assistance and utilization of various pieces of equipment.

"We will advise on the date of our next clean up, and where it will be," concluded Councilwoman Patterson-Harris.



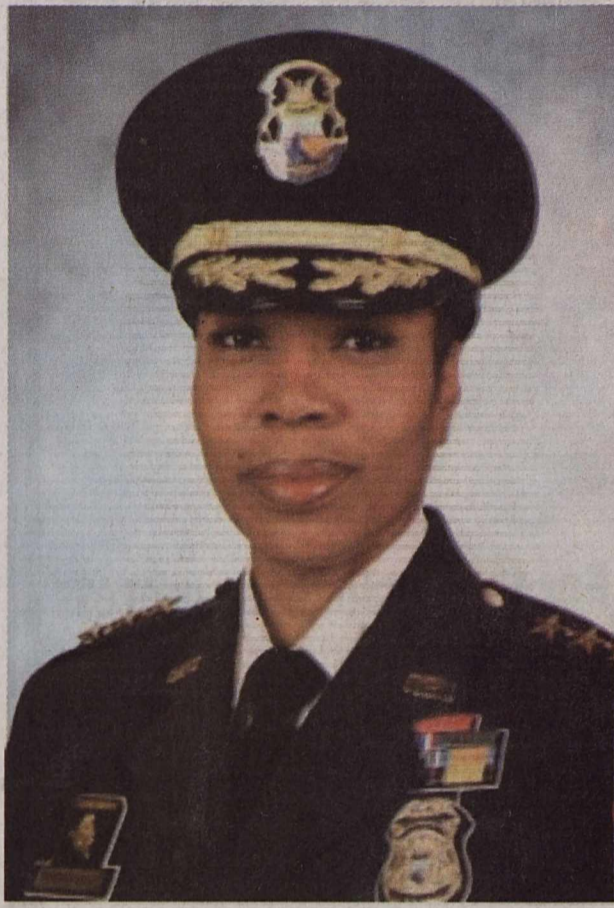
Volunteers Removing Rubbish In Chatman Hill.

Recreational Water Illness

The City of Lubbock Health Department has seen an increase in reports of recreational water illnesses (RWIs) including Cryptosporidium (Crypto). RWIs are caused by germs spread by swallowing or having contact with contaminated water in swimming pools, water play areas, and natural bodies of water such as lakes. RWIs account for a wide variety of infections, including gastrointestinal, skin, ear, respiratory, eye, neurologic and wound infections. The most commonly reported RWI is diarrhea.

Contrary to popular belief, chlorine does not kill all germs instantly. There are germs today that are very tolerant to chlorine. Once these germs get in the pool, it can take anywhere from minutes to days for chlorine to kill them. Swallowing just a little water that contains these germs can make you sick.

In the past two decades, there has been a substantial increase in the number of RWI outbreaks associated with swimming. Crypto, which can stay alive for days even in well-maintained pools, has become the leading cause of swimming pool-related outbreaks of diarrheal illness. Protect yourself, your family and your friends from germs in



Police Chief Renee Hall

Detroit PD's Renee Hall to be new Dallas Chief of Police

Dallas, Texas – Detroit Police Department's chief deputy will be transferring to Dallas Police Department to be their first female police chief in the city's history.

As deputy chief of the Detroit Police Department, Ulysha Renee Hall directed the city's Neighborhood Policing Bureau for the last three years and has been a part of the department since 1999.

Dallas City Manager T.C. Broadnax announced Wednesday that Hall was chosen and is expected to begin her duties on September 5, 2017.

"I am honored to be chosen to lead the Dallas Police Department at this critical time in its history," said Hall in a written statement. "I look forward to building on the successes of the past, preserving community trust and ensuring the safety of our officers and the entire Dallas community."

According to the statement release, more than 55 community and business leaders participated in panel interviews of the top seven candidates and Broadnax said Hall was chosen based on her background and passion.

"Chief Hall is a proven leader with a stellar background and a passion for public service," Broadnax said in a written statement. "These are qualities I believe are critical as we tackle crime to make our city safer while addressing organizational and policy issues within the department."

Hall has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Grambling State University and master's degrees in Security Administration and Intelligence Analysis from the University of Detroit Mercy. She graduated from the FBI National Academy and completed the Police Executive Leadership Institute.

the water. Follow these 4 easy steps to help keep germs out of the water:

* Stay out of the water if you have diarrhea. If diarrhea is caused by Crypto, wait at least two weeks, after the diarrhea has stopped, to go swimming.

* Shower before getting in the water. This helps to remove any germs on your body that could contaminate the water.

* Don't pee or poo in the water. Take kids on bathroom breaks often, and check diapers in a diaper-changing area and not right next to the pool.

* Don't swallow the water. We want everyone to share the fun in the water, but not the germs. To learn more about healthy swimming go to www.cdc.gov/healthyswimming.

Building New Homes In Chatman Hill Addition Looking Good For Area



NEW DEVELOPMENT IN EAST LUBBOCK; Four new homes are being constructed at Cedar Avenue & East 23rd Street. This is a positive omen that East Lubbock is on the move. This new development will serve as a catalyst on what will happen in this area of Lubbock. Yes, without any doubt, East Lubbock is on the move! Chatman Hill residents are very excited!

Parkway Drive Traffic Signal Fully Operational As of Monday

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will fully activate the traffic signals at the US 82 (Parkway Drive) and Zenith Avenue intersection on Monday, July 31, 2017.

The signal is currently in a flashing-red, all-stop condition and will continue to flash-red throughout the weekend. Message boards have been placed to notify motorists of the upcoming signal changes occurring on Monday.

The new traffic signals are part of a \$6.4 million project that made traffic and pedestrian safety improvements to the roadway, including removing the frontage roads along the south side of Parkway Drive, between MLK and Cherry Avenue, re-

placing the raised medians with a two-way left turn-lane, adding/upgrading pedestrian crossings and the addition of sidewalks.

For more information, contact TxDOT Public Information Officer Dianah Ascencio at (806) 748-4472.

Work will take place weather permitting.



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

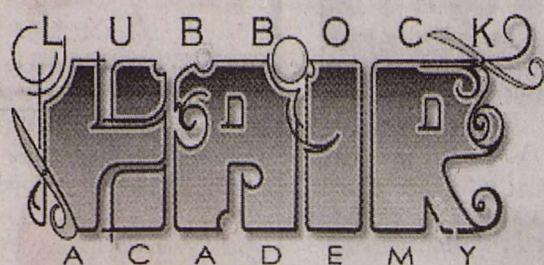
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(806) 762-3612 to publicly release a workforce demographics report earlier this year. They were commended for doing so, and so far, experts say they are the most aggressive at addressing the issue.

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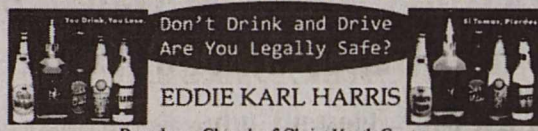


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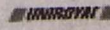
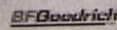
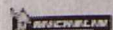
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By Renetta Howard



SUMMERTIME

"Summertime and the livin' is easy, Fish are jumpin', And the cotton is high. Your daddy's rich and your mamma's good lookin', so hush little baby, don't you cry!" That was the melody many of us heard as we grew up and listened to George Gershwin's lullaby from Porgy and Bess. It was a typical description of how Colored people lived on the southern eastern part of the United States, around Charleston, South Carolina in 1925 when the novel Porgy was written by Dubose Heyward, who collaborated with the Gershwins to create an opera. It was not until 1935 that the opera was first performed in New York by classically trained people of color. It did not get the best reception and it was not until 1976 that it became recognized at the Houston Grand Opera and has been popular since that time.

It is now the summer of 2017 and the same problems that were experienced by Porgy and Bess still plague young and old people of the cities of the United States of America. Porgy was a poor disabled Black man doing his best to survive, but he had a big heart and wanted to save Bess from her possessive, abusive lover and her drug dealer. He wanted to make her into a respectful woman and he felt that showering her with true love would make it happen.

Today, there are not many people who are concerned about how high the cotton gets, even though some of us are concerned about how high the fish jump, but still, life is not easy! Our government has provided programs to help the indigent and made laws to punish abusers and drug dealers, but the beat goes on. Summertime seems to bring out the worse of it. Any day you

pick up the newspaper, if the top story is not about the 45th U.S. President of the United States and his unpopular tweets or Congress' inaction on needed legislation, it is about young men who are killing their girlfriends or good friends or family members over some drug deals gone bad.

Our young people are not learning anything from history or observation. Couples are involved in toxic relationships and they are not securing intervention from their loved ones or professional entities. Heat and carefree living during the summer contributes to much of the unrest. Unemployment adds to the unrest. The availability of illicit drugs in connection with the absence of constructive life activities makes it difficult to enjoy summertime for everyone; the individuals who are involved in unhealthy activities and the people who care about them and the populace which observes mournfully. Let us get 'in cinque' and do all we can to make summertime as enjoyable as possible for everyone.

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Beyond the Rhetoric

by Harry C. Alford

Nissan – A Miracle in Mississippi

The United Auto Workers union is at it again. The UAW was once the fighter for workers' rights and decent pay. That has become passé since the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the US Department of Labor being the watch dog on such Human Resources Management. Frankly, the need for the UAW is quite questionable. The membership roles for the UAW have been growing in the "south" continuously. States that don't require union labor, Right to Work states, have been growing in number over the past decade. Their number is up to 23 and growing. It makes political sense. While Governor, Mike Pence brought prominence to his political record of accomplishment when he converted Indiana into a right to work state. The Hoosier State was static, if not floundering, in its economic growth. The state now is growing and is on the right track. Hence the growth of Mike Pence from governor to Vice President of the United States.

Today, it is rare for the UAW to try and convert a worksite into a unionized operation. It is "Don Quixote" like at best. Auto unions in the Right to Work state of Mississippi is an oxymoron. Which is why I must voice concern in the recent UAW activity against the Nissan Plant in the fine city of Canton. That is like trying to get chickens to vote for Kentucky Fried Chicken. It would be a shame if the UAW's propaganda, badgering and dirty tricks would influence the very happy workers of Mississippi. How do you convince a person to shake down his boss simply for the hustle of it and pay a part of their wages to the instigator (union dues)? The fortunate workers of Nissan in

THIS N' THAT

by T. J. Patterson

THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, EAST LUBBOCK DESERVES A FIVE STAR BANK!! THIS N THAT and many others who reside in EAST LUBBOCK believes and will continue to believe that this part of Lubbock needs a **FIVE STAR BANK!!!** This part of Lubbock has contributed a **DEAL IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF LUBBOCK** and brings many outstanding developments in the growth of Lubbock. Over the years and we have observed how this area of Lubbock was not given an equitable opportunity so it would grow..... In

looking at the recent development of **SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST LUBBOCK** it brings about the question **WHAT CAN WE DO TO PLACE EAST LUBBOCK IN THE SAME POSTURE AS SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST LUBBOCK?** There's no doubt about it **THIS N THAT** very encouraged on what's happening in other parts of Lubbock but encourage other efforts to move **EAST LUBBOCK** in the same posture..... If you really think about it our childrenwhen they travel to and from the area **THIS N THAT** is sure they ask

their parents **MOM & DAD, WHY DON'T WE HAVE A FIVE STAR BANK IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD?** Now these young boys and girls who reside in **EAST LUBBOCK** can't understand why there is no **FIVE STAR BANK** in East Lubbock? **THIS N THAT** along with others who reside in East Lubbock haven't given up..... There is an opportunity for this to happen and us coming together and asking **GOD** for the right direction surely we can reach this important goal. Keep in mind it is for ... **CHILDREN!!!**

Mississippi are doing very well and are not going to mess that up.

Let's look at what has happened since the ribbon cutting in 2003 of the Nissan Assembly Plant in Canton, Mississippi. Since the beginning Nissan provides an economic impact to the state via \$2.9 Billion Dollars per year. It has invested \$3.3 Billion Dollars into the plant. Local and state taxes amount to over \$300 million annually. The workers receive \$2.6 Billion in disposable income which is recycled to Mississippi based businesses. There are more than 25,000 happy workers receiving paychecks from various sources related to Nissan activity in the Magnolia State.

And just who are these workers. 46% of the managers are minorities. 62% of the general workforce are minorities. **READ THAT AGAIN!** Is there any other auto plant with more than 6,400 full time workers in this nation that can match that?

Nissan was named one of DiversityInc's (magazine) "Top 25 Noteworthy Companies for 2016". What a fine example for America!

The huge facility is over 4.7 million square-feet sitting on 1,038 acres of Mississippi fine earth. Think about how many statewide workers are included in the daily operations of Nissan. Since the ribbon cutting over 3.2 million cars (Frontier, Murano, NV Cargo, NV Passenger, Titan, and Titan XD) are traveling on U.S. highways and through American communities. Since opening Nissan – Mississippi has donated more than \$13.6 million to local charitable organizations and its employees have contributed more than 8,000 volunteer hours to over 200 local organizations.

Nissan Canton has a safety record that is substantially above the average for the industry. In 2016, it spent more than \$6 million on safety measures at the Canton plant, and they have 32

full-time health and safety employees (24 medical staff and eight safety employees). This must be a national model.

Also, workers at the Canton facility have safe, stable jobs, with some of the highest wages and strongest benefits in the state of Mississippi.

So, why does the UAW want to mess with Nissan? I think they need to go somewhere else. If something is not broken, it would take a fool to try and "fix it". UAW has a very big problem. Its membership is falling and there is nothing they can do to turn it around. Raise all the hell you want to UAW but it is not going to help you. High technology and great Human Resources are facts well established. It may be time to find another hustle.

On August 3 and 4, about 4,000 of the Nissan workers will vote yes or no for union representation. I don't think they are

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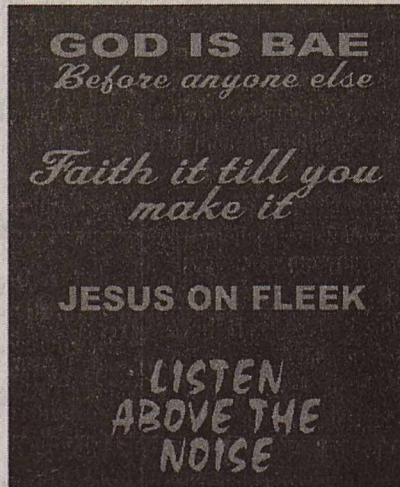
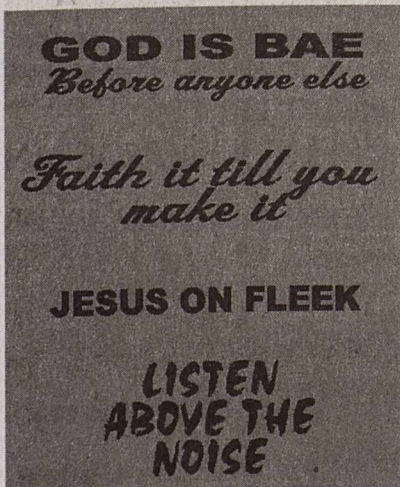
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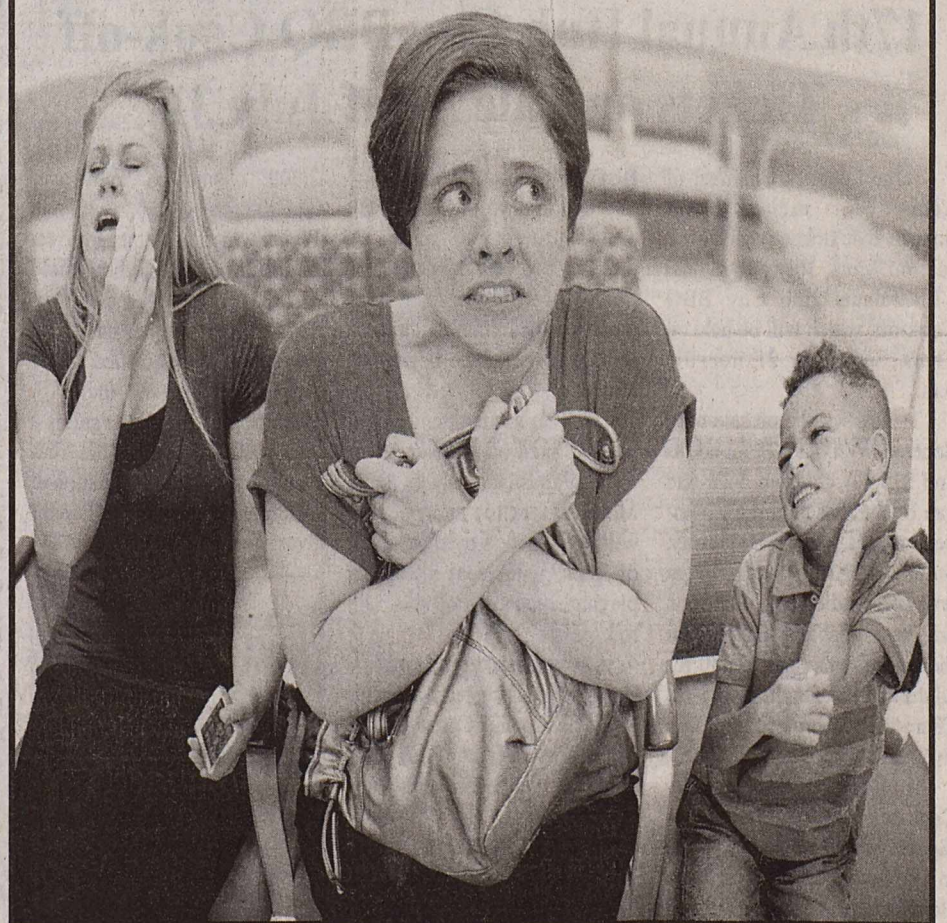
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Michelle Obama Opens Up About The Racism She Faced As First Lady

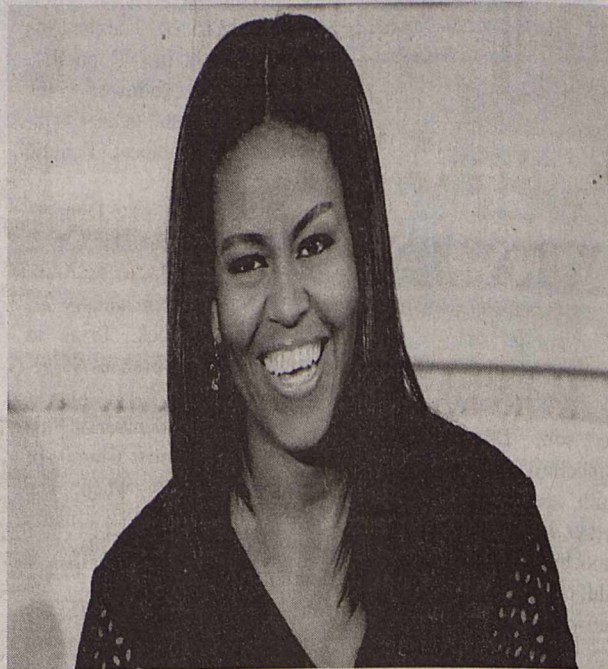
Being the First Lady of the United States is no easy feat, and the added layer of being African-American no doubt dredges up our nation's ugly history of racism.

At the Women's Foundation of Colorado's 30th Anniversary event, Michelle Obama opened up about her experience as America's first Black first lady.

In an interview with WFCO President and CEO Lauren Casteel, Obama discussed shattering the glass ceiling. When Casteel asked which of the falling glass shards cut her the deepest, Michelle Obama eloquently answered, "The shards that cut me the deepest were the ones that intended to cut. Knowing that after eight years of working really hard for this country, there are still people who won't see me for what I am because of my skin color."

She added that she can't pretend like it doesn't hurt because that lets the people who do the hurting off the hook. "Women, we endure those cuts in so many ways that we don't even notice we're cut. We are living with small tiny cuts, and we are bleeding every single day. And we're still getting up."

In a crowd of 8,500 people, Obama encouraged women to seize their power and don't let go. While she didn't address



Michelle Obama

President Trump directly, she threw some shade at the current administration and warned against the belief that the United States was falling apart. "The people in this country are universally good and kind and honest and decent. Don't be afraid of the country you live in. The folks here are good."

Michelle Obama also reiterated for the millionth time that she will not seek public office.

The WFCO event was a fundraiser for the organization. Other invited speakers included

Lt. Gov. Donna Lynne, former first lady of Colorado and WFCO co-founder Dottie Lamm.

President Obama and first lady Michelle Obama have largely stayed out of the public since leaving the White House, but recently emerged on several speaking tours after a post-presidency vacation. Mrs. Obama also spoke at the Partnership for a Healthier America summit in May.

Minter & Reed Family Reunion Held In Booker T. Washington Park In Lubbock, Texas

The Minter & Reed Family Reunion was held at the Booker T. Washington Park in Lubbock, Texas on Saturday, July 8, 2017. This was the 25th year of this family reunion which begun in 1992.

There were approximately 50 family members present. The theme was; 'Fun In The Park.' Our motto is; 'Only The Strong Survive.' Family members traveled from several cities to attend.

Both parents of the Minter family preceded their children in death. They were parents of six girls and one son.

The father was Maxie Eugene Minter who passed away June 1, 1993. The mother was Rosie Lee Minter who passed away October 26, 1983.

Four daughters have passed away; Emma Jean Benson, February 23, 2001; Katherine Gilbert, November 14, 2016; Maryallene Thomas, November 8, 2015; and Liriel E. Minter, March 14, 2017.

This year, everyone wore what they wanted. C. D. player was brought by Patricia Minter. Kids had tents, played basket-

ball, volley ball, and dominoes.

Our special guest were; Aunt Roerta Jeffers, Donna Hayes, Xavier Hawkins, Faye Jackson, Angel White, Jaden White, A'yanna Wiley, and Yolanda Jackson.

Prayer was offered by Effie Nelson. Food was served. Our menu this year was Hot Links, KFC Chicken, Boxes of Pizza,

Fried Fish, Spaghetti Casserole, White Bread, Corn Bread, Red Beans, Greens, French Fries, Krispy Donuts, and Varsity Sodas.

We have still living; Auntie Thelma Jo Jackson, Uncle Willie Minter, Sr., and Auntie Earnestine Minter. Our Family wants to say we love you all very much.

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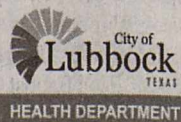
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AN 80TH BIRTHDAY SURPRISE CELEBRATION TO BE CHERISHED & REMEMBERED!!!

Our very own "This-N-That, otherwise known by his family as "Paw-Paw" received the surprise of his life. On June 29, he celebrated his 80th birthday, but on June 30th he was overwhelmingly surprised by his family with a surprise birthday dinner and celebration that lasted throughout the entire weekend.

Family members traveled from various cities and states; Mansfield, Houston, and San Antonio, Tx., Toledo, Oh and Eastvale, Ca. The greatest joy This-N-That received was not only having all his family together, but the pleasure of spending time with his grandchildren & great grand-children. This was the first time every-

everyone was together at the same time. Another big surprise for This-N-That was the attendance of his Step-Mother, Mrs. Dorothy Collins.

The celebration weekend was held at the MCM Elegante on Ave. Q. Friday night kicked off with the Birthday Dinner. A Proclamation was given to This N-That by his daughter, Shelia Harris from the City of Lubbock and by his son, Thomas Patterson, Jr. from TABCCM.

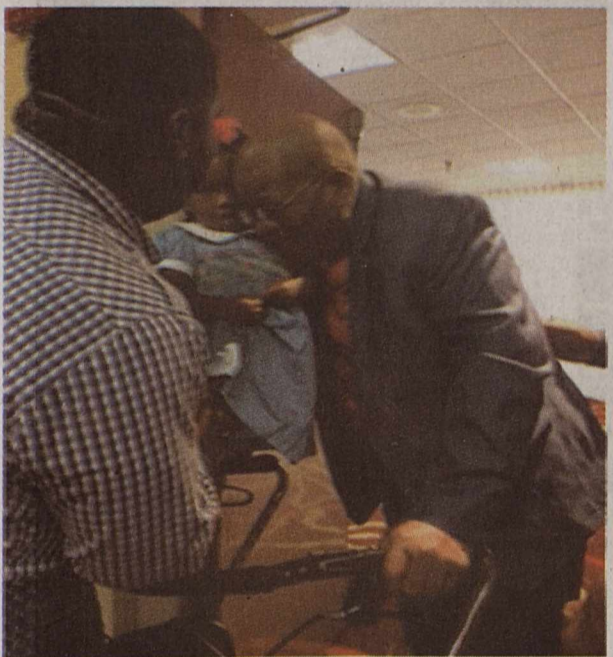
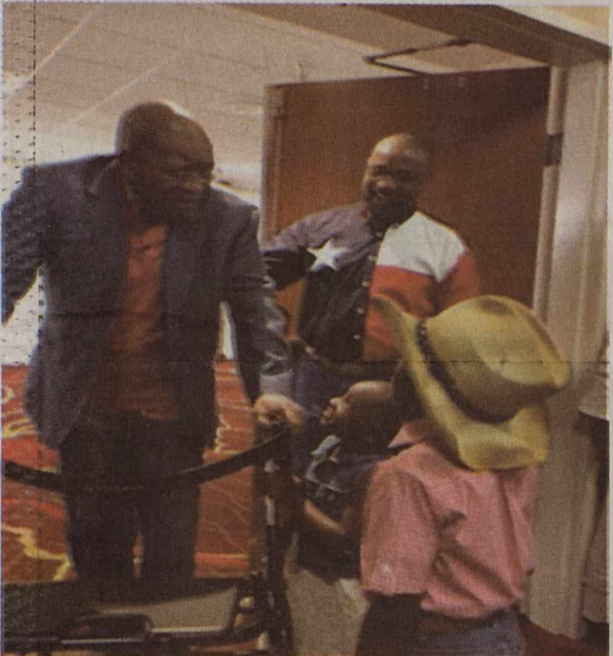
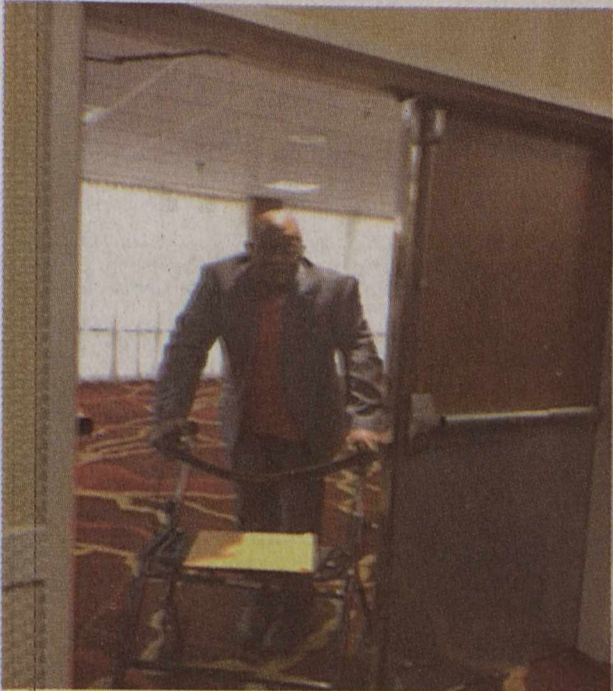
Saturday morning the family ate breakfast together in the hotel restaurant and the day and evening ended with family fun, food and games. As you can see from the photos, the theme for the dinner was "Western" which was chosen based on the

love for Cowboy and Western movies that This-N-That has.

Sunday morning the family shared worship service at the Kingdom Life Fellowship and afterwards enjoyed lunch at Golden Corral. The afternoon was spent allowing the great grandkids to release energy by swimming at the hotel. The evening ended with another time of food, fun and games.

Monday morning was check out time as we had to bid farewell to family members traveling back to their homes. What a joyous time we all had and the greatest joy was to see the smile on This-N-That's face as he was showered with love from his family. Of course to see his great grands absolutely melted his heart. If you all know This-N-That, he loves to talk, but this was one weekend he was speechless and tried to figure out how we got the surprise past him. This is one birthday celebration he'll never forget.

Here are just a few of the photos that captured some of the moments. From dining to dancing, we all had a blast!



*The Guest of Honor Arrival

*This-N-That greeted at the door by his Grand & Great-Grand Kids

*Pictures representing each Family

* Dancing with the little stars



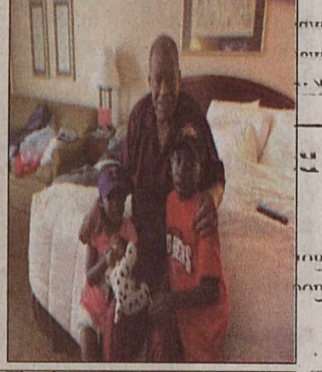
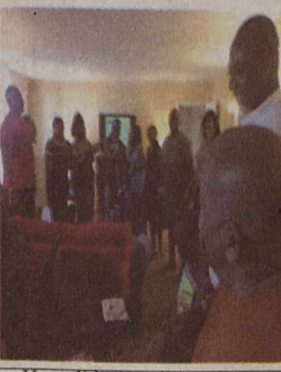
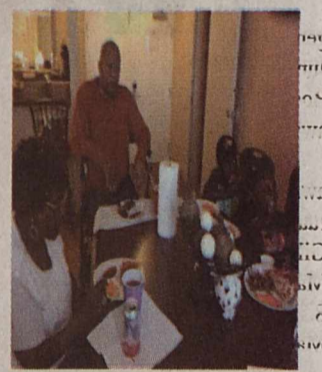
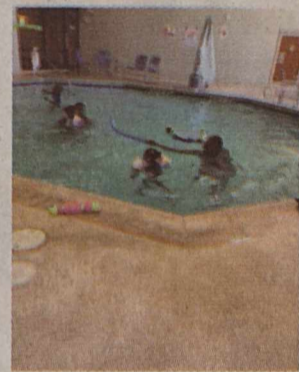
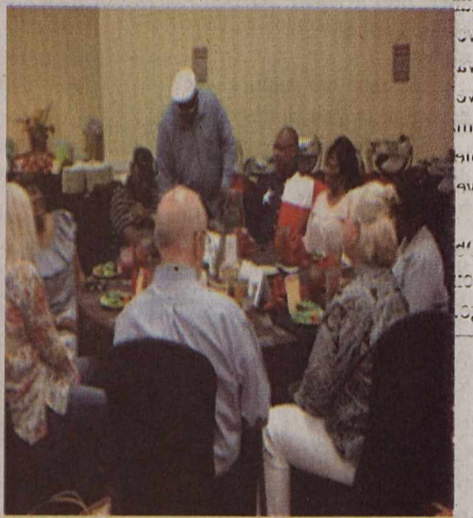
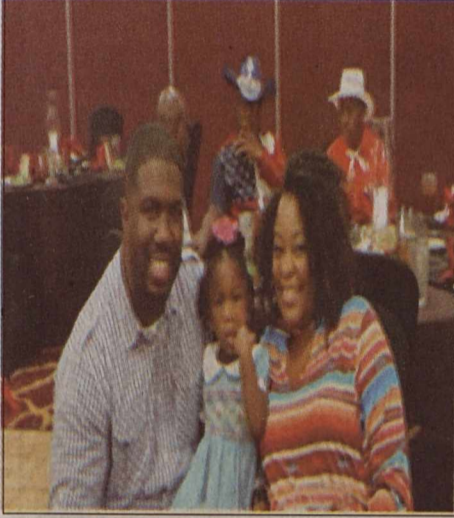
* The Birthday Dinner

* The Breakfast

* Great-Grands Swimming

* Family Fun, Food & Game Night

*Sunday Morning Worship



How did we pull it off? Very well planned and carefully executed. Thanks to "DJ Spoon" for spinning the tunes for us, to the Chef at MCM, you slammed it on the food, to the SWD staff and close friends of This-N-That thank you for sharing with us and to the MCM Event Coordinator, thank you for putting up with me. WHAT A TIME-WHAT A TIME!!! Author and Organizer, Avis Patterson

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Minter & Reed Reunion

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Some family members who were unable to attend this year were Anthony Thomas, Bennie Moore, Jr., and Lornita Thomas. Hopefully, we will see you in 2018. Keep the faith in God!

Congratulations to Effie Nelson! Family members saw you perform as a Clown in the 2017 Annual Juneteenth Parade where the Clowns won 2nd place.

We were glad to have Aunt Roberta Jeffers and Foxye Jackson for bringing her to Lubbock to the Family Reunion. The Minter Family was glad to shower her with Love. She is the sister of our grandmother, Rose Minter.

We miss our Aunties who have gone to their Homegoing.

Breakfast was served Sunday morning for Family Members.

We want to thank everyone for coming to this Family Reunion in 2017!

Our hats are off to Aunt Earnestness Minter and Aunt Thelma Jackson who had another birthday this year, and Uncle Willie L. Minter, Sr. God bless all of you. Family Members, we love all of you!

Everyone was in a happy mood. Even in the park was Amazing today!

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

thetic commonly used during the procedure.

On Thursday, July 20, 2017, five-time Olympic medalist Simone Biles did the world a huge favor by sharing her hysterical post-surgery moment via Twit-

ter. The 20-year-old, clearly more than a little hazy, thought she was stuck in traffic as she sat in her dentist's chair, and yelled gibberish while operating an imaginary wheel and horn.

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