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National News Wire

Breast Cancer Twice as Deadly for Black Women
CHICAGO, ILL.—According to new research released last week, black women are more than twice as likely as white women to die of breast cancer. The major reason is poverty. The researchers concluded that because of poverty and the lack of education about the disease, black women were less likely to seek early treatment. Emory University Doctor J. William Ely, chief author of the study, said, "We have to concentrate on access to mammography and physical breast exams and educating women to understand the risk of breast cancer." The study was published in last week's issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association. It involved over 1,100 women in Atlanta, Georgia, New Orleans, Louisiana and Oakland, California. It tracked deaths from 1990 and found that black women were 2.2 times more likely to die of breast cancer than white women.

Four Charged in Beating Black Philadelphia Family
PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Four whites have been charged with beating into the home of a deaf black woman and beating her and her teenage son with baseball bats. Police say the attack was racially motivated. Joan Smith, 39, suffered a broken arm, a broken foot and gashes which required 14 stitches while her 15-year-old son received eight stitches for cuts to the head. Family members say they have been attacked before. They live in the Fishtown section of Philadelphia. That section is nearly 98 percent white. Police speculate that the attack was aimed at driving the family out of the neighborhood. Three men in their twenties and one 41-year-old woman were charged in the attack.

Financial Mismanagement Crisis Shakes Morehouse
ATLANTA, GA.—Morehouse College, one of the nation's most prestigious predominantly black universities, has been shaken by a financial audit which has prompted the abrupt resignation of school's president and now has members of the board of trustees demanding that the board chairman also resign. The president, Leroy Keith, Jr., 55, resigned recently when board members learned that he was receiving compensation and salary totaling \$428,000 and lived in a \$700,000 college-owned house located in a section of the city miles away from the predominantly black neighborhood where the college is located. Board members are now pressuring chairman James L. Hudson to resign because most of the compensation package was done without their knowledge. But as of late last week Hudson was refusing to resign saying "I have done nothing unethical." Meanwhile, the board issued a statement calling the current controversy, "a state of emergency unprecedented in the history of Morehouse College." Civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. graduated from Morehouse.

George Woods Awards Banquet

The Lubbock Branch of the NAACP will sponsor its 7th annual George Woods Awards Banquet Saturday, October 29, 1994 at the Holiday Inn-Civic Center at 7:30 p.m. The speaker for the event will be Mr. Simon Reeves, Regional Director of the Region VI of the NAACP. Tickets are on sale for \$17.00 each and may be purchased from any NAACP member or call 747 8463 for additional information.

1994 George Woods Awards Nominees:

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Tyrone Walton
Hope Oberhelman
Roy Roberts
Patricia Thorton
Tracy Hollie
Eddie Dickson | CIVIL RIGHTS
Ira L. Roy
George Scott
Abraham Spires
Tom Burtis | EDUCATION
John Washington
Walter Yearwood
Bobbie Patterson
Kenneth Wallace | Dorothy Johnson
Brenda Gipson
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Wiley's Bar-B-Que
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Annie M. Jones
Garland R. Hollins
Rev. D.A. Smith
Cassandra Stephens
Annie Johnson | JOURNALISM
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Ruby Jay
Deanna Dewberry
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Charolett Gatewood
Callie Howard | Georgia Richardson
Mary Williams
Dr. R.J. Wilcox | RELIGION
Rev. Larry Brooks
Rev. N.H. Franklin
Rev. Solomon Fields
Dorothy Hood
Mendelyn Davis | ORGANIZATION
Interdenominational Ministerial Fellowship Alliance
Hub City Kiwanis
Lubbock NAACP
MLK Birthday Committee | POLITICS
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Abraham Spires
Max Ince
Kathyl Anderson
Sonny Keesee
Rev. Otis Cook | SPORTS
Marcus Brown
Otha Woodard
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Charles Planks
Marsha Sharp
Garland Hollins | YOUTH LEADERSHIP
Saki Milton
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Southwest Digest Will Endorse Candidates Next Week

The Southwest Digest will endorse candidates for various offices in County and State government in next week's edition. The Editorial Board of the Southwest Digest will make these endorsements. Several candidates have been endorsed in "This N That" this week.

Many Veterans are Unaware They Can Get Benefits

Although over \$32 BILLION were paid out in veterans benefits last year, billions more went unclaimed in the past few years. Every year eligibility for benefits and the array of available benefits are changed and very few veterans or their survivors keep up with the latest rules. Because of this, and changes in their circumstances, many veterans, their families and survivors are now entitled to money and other benefits from the government even though they were not eligible in the past.

A study group of the Consumer Education Research Center, a 20-year-old national nonprofit consumer group found that over one-fourth of the money paid in veterans benefits goes to persons who never served in the armed forces of the United States. Most of these were related by blood or marriage to veterans but many were not. Others were members of the armed forces of countries who fought with us against our enemies.

Each year the Center compiles a book describing the latest rules on available benefits and how to qualify for those benefits. The 240 large-page COMPLETE GUIDE TO FEDERAL AND STATE BENEFITS FOR VETERANS, THEIR FAMILIES, AND SURVIVORS with a foreword by Sen. Robert Dole is \$11.95 (plus \$3 p&h) from CONSUMER CENTER, 350 Scotland Road, Orange, NJ 07050 or by calling 1 800872-0121 with credit card.

Mr. Robert L. Berko, executive director of the consumer group, says that many survivors of veterans are unaware that they might be eligible to receive money, medical care, educational assistance, help in buying a home or other benefits. In fact, eligibility and benefits change constantly and some people ineligible in previous years are now able to start receiving money.

The study found that many people are unaware that they are considered dependents or survivors of veterans. These include those involved in illegal marriages, those who remarried after the death or disability of a veteran, children born out of wedlock to a veteran, parents of a veteran and even dependent grandchildren. Any of these may be eligible for benefits.

Mr. Berko says that the study

questioned veterans about benefits and found that the majority were unfamiliar with most of the benefits now being granted under Federal and state laws. Even veterans now collecting were unaware of other benefits for which they were eligible and could be collecting.

For instance, disabled veterans can receive apparel allowances if they use wheelchairs, artificial limbs or any prosthetic device that can wear or damage clothing and, if they have a spouse in need of care, they can receive an allowance to pay someone to provide that care.

Few know that the Bureau of Veterans Affairs is required to send veterans any requests for bids on supplies or labor that are mailed to any other suppliers.

Other benefits the consumer found that were little known are:

A veteran (or dependent) can receive up to \$837 (40% in advance) if he or she will assist the VA in a work-study program while in an educational program.

Federal agencies are required to establish affirmative action plans to facilitate employment and advancement of veterans with any degree of disability. In fact some job classifications must be filled by eligible vets.

Families of veterans buried or mentioned on commemorated on Tablets of the Missing overseas are eligible for free passports to visit these sites.

Disabled veterans can obtain extra compensation of hundreds of dollars per month in addition to their 100% disability if they have certain specified disabilities.

In addition the book includes a complete list of VA facilities and help to secure the information needed with VA applications.

"Even though the Congress and the various state legislatures have provided for money and services to be given to veterans and their dependents," Mr. Berko states, "unless the people know they are eligible and apply they will not collect anything."

As Sen. Bob Dole, a decorated veteran and one familiar with the bureaucracy, says in his foreword, "Mr. Berko's book goes a long way in helping America's veterans cut through the red tape so they can receive the benefits they earned and deserve."

Morales Endorsed by 155 County Sheriffs Across State Sheriffs Cite Support for Law Enforcement, Tough Criminal Justice Stand

Texas Attorney General Dan Morales on Wednesday announced the endorsement of 155 Texas County Sheriffs in his bid for re-election. Representing the state from El Paso to Texarkana and Dalhart to Brownsville, the Sheriffs urged all Texas voters to re-elect Dan Morales as Attorney General.

"The Attorney General's beefed-up criminal law enforcement support operation has provided invaluable assistance to my department with legal advice and investigative expertise when we need it," Sheriff Mary Choate of Bowie County said.

Morales has more than doubled the Criminal Law Enforcement Division of the Attorney General's Office in an effort to provide local law enforcement with legal, investigative and prosecutorial support. The division provides legal advice, specialized investigations and prosecutions at the request of local law enforcement.

"Dan is a former prosecutor and he recognizes the needs of law enforcement and the expectations of a citizenry that feels vulnerable to the randomness and increasingly violent nature of today's criminal," Sheriff Ralph Lopez of Bexar County said.

Jefferson County Sheriff Carl Griffith added: "We agree wholeheartedly with Dan Morales that we must turn our attention to the rights of victims. Dan is bringing back a balance in which victims' rights will not be outweighed by the rights of criminals. He is taking the cuffs off of the law enforcers and helping to put them on the criminals, where they belong. Dan believes that the Constitution is not just for criminals, but for law-abiding citizens also, and we agree."

The 155 Sheriffs from across Texas pledged their assistance to Morales to continue the successes of the past four years. The Sheriffs pointed to the successful end of the Ruiz prison litigation, which eliminated federal control and gave back to the state control of its prison system.

They also support Morales' efforts to stop the abuse of the criminal justice system by inmates who file frivolous claims, especially prisoners on death row whose repetitive appeals can keep them there for 10 years or more.

Ministers' Wives In And Around Lubbock

The Southwest Digest would like to show the pictures of African-American women who are wives of Ministers in and around Lubbock. Some of these ladies may be widows at this time, but we appreciate their role in our community yesterday and today. These photos were made available by Mrs. Vivian Peoples.



Mrs. Franklin Bethel A.M.E., Lubbock



Mrs. Franklin Plainview



Mrs. Gentry Crosbytor



Mrs. Godfrey Mt. Zion, Lubbock



Mrs. Hankson Lorenzo



Mrs. Jenning Triumph Baptis., Slaton



Mrs. Keys Bethel A.M.E., Lubbock



Mrs. Leng Lubbock



Mrs. Moton New Hope, Lubbock

Ruby Jay's Corner



The New Hope Baptist Church, located at 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care" and Rev. Billy R. Moton is the host pastor. Superintendent Thelma Brown opened Sunday School last

Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. with Sister Florenza Stokley as musician and the congregation sang "Where He Leads Me." Devotion was conducted by the Senior Class, with Sister Margaret Moton as teacher, presiding. The classes marched to their various classes singing "Oh, How I Love Jesus." The classes re-assembled singing "Standing on the Promises of God."

High points of the lesson were given by Sister Dorothy Kinner, and it was very well done. We thank God for her.

Eight young people of the Sunday School were on the honor roll during the six-week period in the Lubbock Public Schools. God bless each of them, and hope they will keep up the good work.

Class Reports: Intermediate Class retained the Offering Banner. Senior class received the Attendance banner. The Men's Class lost the Offering banner to Class No. 4. Class No. 2 lost the Attendance banner to Classes No. 3 and 4, which was a tie.

Devotional period began at 10:45 a.m. with the assistance of Sister Jenkins and Brother Ervin.

The Senior Choir marched in singing "Glad to Be in the Service." Altar prayer was offered by Brother Jenkins. Another song, "Lift Him Up," was sung. The scripture was Romans 10:1-9, and was read by Sister Joan Ervin. Prayer was given by Brother Givens.

Another song, "The Lord is Holy," was sung. Responsive reading was done with the congregation standing. The morning hymn was "Lead Me, Guide Me."

Pastoral observations was a letter from Pastor Moton who is at the bedside of his mother in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. She is in the Eruid City Hospital. Our prayers go out to the entire Moton family. A special prayer, however, for Pastor Moton's mother.

Another song, "See What the Lord has Done," was sung by the choir. It was a beautiful song, and the spirit was in it.

The sermon of the morning was delivered by Rev. B. Johnson. His scripture was Job 1:9-11. His subject was "When the Devil Stands Against You." It was a wonderful message.

An invitation to discipleship was extended and two came to Christ.

Plans are underway for the celebration of the 5th Anniversary Service of our pastor and wife, Rev. & Mrs. Billy R. Moton. Events are scheduled for Friday, November 4th at 7:00 p.m.

A program will be presented by the Youth and Young Adults and Saturday, November 5th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. It will be a drama and will be held at the church.

Anniversary day will be Sunday, November 6th with morning worship, and the appreciation hour at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday afternoon. Special guests will be Rev. Wendell D. Davis and members of the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church.

More on this later.

Remember the sick and shut-in residents of the community. Among them are Sister Precious Brown and Sister Winnie Knighton.

It was good to see Sister Biggers in church last Sunday morning.

Rev. R.S. Stanly, pastor of St. Matthew Baptist Church, is a patient in the hospital.

Federation of Choirs was good at New Hope Baptist Church last Sunday afternoon. All choirs were wonderful.

She Works for All of Us.

When elected, Kay Bailey Hutchison promised to represent all Texans. She's kept that promise.

Her African-American Advisory Committee keeps her in touch with the community's needs: stronger families, better schools, safer neighborhoods and economic empowerment.

Creating Jobs.

As a small business person, Kay knows what it takes to create jobs.

She supports enterprise zones, expanded job training, and tax credits to renew our most needy neighborhoods with jobs and businesses.



Sen. Hutchison discusses legislation with her Regional Director, Albert Myres(R) and Staff Assistant, Willie Walker.



Kay wants a future that's better for our sons and open for our daughters, with better schools, safer neighborhoods, and more opportunity.

Creating Opportunity.

Kay wrote legislation to expand opportunities for minority small businesses to get federal contracts.

She introduced a bill to help minority small businesses under the SBA's 8(a) program.

She's worked hard to increase availability of Pell Grants so children from poor and low income families can go to college.

And Kay is a strong supporter of historically Black colleges and universities.

An Open Door.

Kay is accessible to us and will continue to be. She takes her pledge to be a Senator for all Texans seriously.

She Listens. Our Senator,
Kay Bailey Hutchison.

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Delwin Jones

Delwin Jones is the Man for State Representative District 83

We at the Southwest Digest support the re-election of Delwin Jones because:

Delwin Jones has been a long-time friend of the African-American community in Lubbock and has earned our support for re-election.

Delwin Jones promised us that he would protect the voting strength of all minorities, and as Vice-chairman of the Redistricting committee Delwin did protect our voting strength.

Delwin Jones supported our efforts to re-name Quirt Ave. as Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard.

Delwin Jones worked and supported the re-opening of Chatman Hospital as a great health resource for our community.

Delwin Jones almost single-handedly preserved Buffalo Lakes as a recreation area for all the people of Lubbock County.

Delwin Jones always listens when we talk and gives us help when it is needed. His experience, knowledge, compassion, and willingness to support minority causes certainly merits our support for his re-election.

We are proud to endorse Delwin Jones for STATE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 83.

I Would Appreciate Your Vote November 8th

Paid For By The Committee To Re-Elect Delwin Jones For State Representative, District 83

CRAIG TOUNGET FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE



- **Crime:** Work to ensure that violent criminals are locked up for the length of their sentence and juveniles are given solutions and alternatives to crime.
- **Term Limits:** Elected office should be a short-term service, not a lifetime career.
- **Education:** Work for the highest quality public education system possible. It's time for a change.

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Monica Monique Planks



Final rites were read for Monica Monique Planks Wednesday morning, October 19, 1994 at Lethel African Methodist Episcopal Church with Rev. D.A. Smith, pastor of Smith Temple Church, officiating. He was assisted by Rev. N.H. Franklin, pastor.

Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Curry Funeral Home. Active pallbearers were John Altman, Tyler Craft, Walter B. Johnson, Bobby Orr, Deon Stevenson, Marcus Tinnell, and Craig Ward. Honorary pallbearers were the Class of 1994 of Monterey High School. Flower bearers were Sister Ella Smith, choir members and friends.

She was born October 1, 1975 to the parentage of Charles Edward and Ruthie Stevenson-Planks. Monica attended Waters Elementary and Atkins Junior High Schools, and graduated from Monterey High School May, 1994. Her activities and recognitions include: The Courage Award from W.P. Atkins in 1991; a member of Young Teen Line, participant in Mock Trial; co-secretary of 1994 Senior Class at Monterey High School; Teen of the Month; recipient of Phoenix Award; member of Future Business Leaders of America; Peer Counselor; Treasurer of Science Club; member of Dare to be Different; Key Club; Texas Association of Future Educators; 1994 Prom and Homecoming Queen; and held an office with the Young Adult NAACP.

Monica united with the Church at an early age. She was a member of Smith Temple Community Church where she served as secretary of the Sunday School Department; and member of the Smith Temple Youth For Christ (STYFC); and a member of the choir.

Monica departed Thursday, October 13, 1994. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Planks; one sister, Karla M. Anderson; one brother, Charles E. Planks, Jr.; and two nephews: Gabriel MarShaun and DeVante Christian Anderson; and a host of relatives and friends.

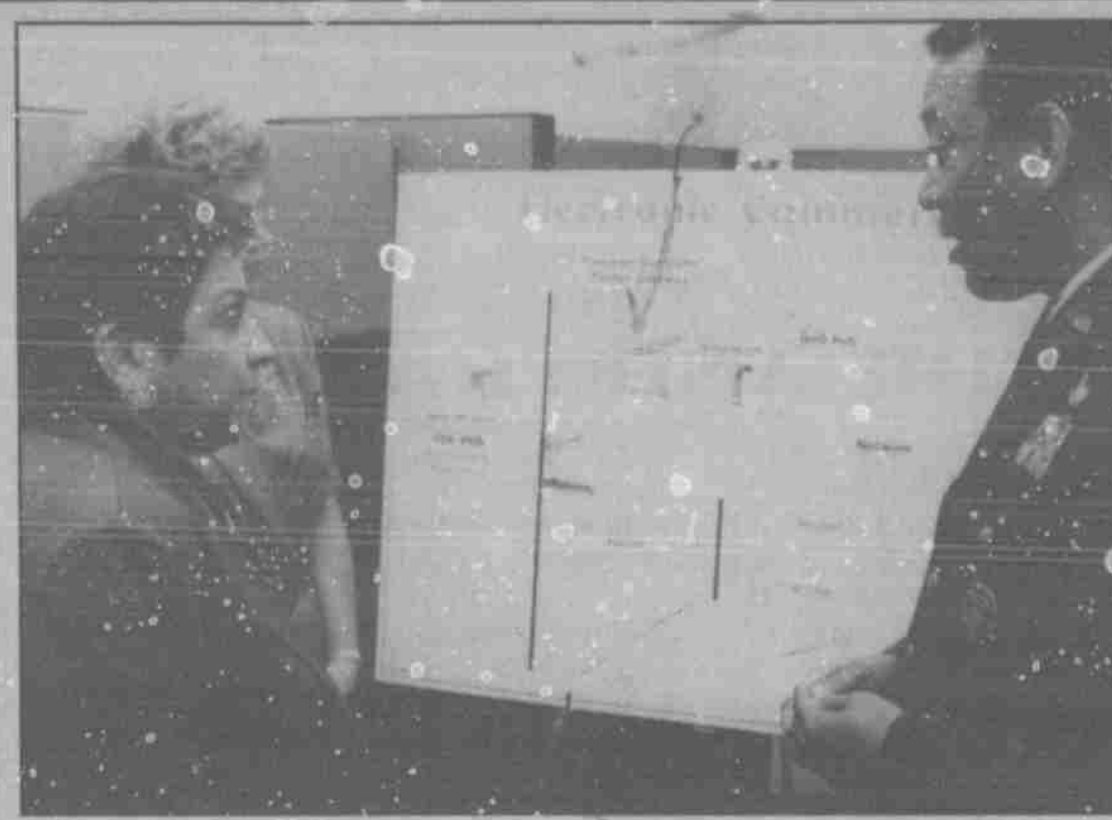


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Health and Human Services on Commerce System

HHS Secretary Donna E. Shalala talks with Air Force Lt. General Albert J. Edmonds after she conducted an electronic purchase Oct. 4, making the Department of Health and Human Services the first federal civilian agency on the government-wide electronic commerce system. General Edmonds is director of the U.S. military's Defense Information Systems Agency. The Department of Defense operates the network through which federal agencies will be able to electronically announce requests for bids receive bids from private firms and make purchases. Others participating in the launch at HHS included Deputy Undersecretary of Defense Colleen Preston and Steve Kelman, procurement policy administrator, Office of Management and Budget.

Parkway Manor Care Center News

Willie Jean Floyd visited George Skief last Sunday. It was a very good visit, and they talked about many things.

Mary Lara, a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, came last Sunday afternoon to visit and offer communion to the residents.

McDonald's hosted the monthly birthday party for those born in the month of October last Monday afternoon. Those with October birthdays are: Frank Williams, 10-17; Curtis Lee Mitchell, 10-28; Louvenia Meekins, 10-25. Melissa Strickland and Beverly Barstad were the clown hostesses.

St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church had eight members come last Monday afternoon to visit and hold services for the residents.

Jennie Ann Jordan and Shimira Berger visited their mother and grandmother, Lucille Wiggins, last week.

Mrs. A.D. Pine and daughter visited Scottie Moore and Ethel Grimes this week. They had a most enjoyable time with the residents.

Clara Etta Brown Stingle and Gertrude Williams, who are members of the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, visited with the residents last Tuesday afternoon.

Chassidy Spache, Susie Watkins, and Thelma Pierson, who are members of the Faith Temple Church, came Tuesday afternoon to sing and have a religious service for the residents.

Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church had six members come last Tuesday evening to visit, sing, and hold services for the residents.

Julie Lang visited Ethel Grimes last Tuesday afternoon. They also had a wonderful time together.

Brother Birmingham came last Tuesday to visit the residents. He is a member of Hope Deliverance Temple Church. Elder Charles Tanner is pastor.

Iobbie Lewis came Friday to visit and read to the residents. What a wonderful gesture to the residents. The residents really did enjoy those scriptures.

Lethia and Susie Luda from Alexander Chapel Church of God in Christ, Elder Lemuel Thuston, pastor, visited Jack Stevenson and Minnie Keeton last Saturday afternoon. What a time they had.

Maggie York, William Withelman York, Jr., Tony, and Rosie Arbern visited Lela M. York last Saturday.

Mrs. Norma Owens, A.D. & R., and Rev. W.H. Stephens, Assistant A.D. & R.

Your vote is your voice ... and your duty



DAN MORALES

TEXAS ATTORNEY GENERAL

- Worked to change the system of electing judges to encourage the election of African Americans.
- In 1994, 27.3% of the OAG contracts were awarded to minority businesses.
- 15% of chief administrators and 11% professional employees are African American; 22.6% of the Assistant AGs are minorities.
- Collected over \$1.3 billion in child support.
- First minority candidate to hold a non-judicial statewide office and is working to see that minority voices are heard.
- Recognized for his outstanding administration of the Crime Victims Compensation Fund.
- Recruits talented minority law students who acquire valuable experience and contacts within the legal profession through the agency's law clerk program.

**Vote Early From now until November 4
Re-Elect Dan Morales on November 8**

"Dan Morales has worked hard as Attorney General and has done what he promised to do. We need to re-elect Morales to keep him working for all of us."

Reverend S. M. Wright, Dallas
President, National Missionary Baptist Convention of America

"This election is important for all Texans. We must go out and vote for Dan Morales and the entire Democratic ticket."

Reverend J. J. Roberson, President
Baptist Ministers Association of Houston & Vicinity

"We must re-elect Dan Morales to keep the fight going for future generations of Texans. Our young people deserve a good education and the right to hold any elected office."

Reverend Zan Holmes, Pastor
St. Luke "Community" United Methodist Church, Dallas

"The Democratic Party is the party that welcomes people of all ethnic groups. Dan Morales is working for us all. Please vote the straight Democratic ticket."

Deralyn Riles Davis
President Emeritus, Texas Coalition of Black Democrats



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EDITORIALS • COMMENTS • OPINIONS

God Please Help Our City!

by Eddie P. Richardson

This writer has seen Lubbock grow and mature over the past 30 years in watching the Council over these years through their bad as well as good days, months and years. This present Council represents the most racist, insensitive, out of touch with reality, minorities, disenfranchised, old and young people over my 30

years of Council observance, and it looks as if there is no change in the near future. Over the past few elections it has continued downhill.

This latest addition our freshwoman Councilperson is the epitome of insensitivity, being from the so-called right side of the tracks and not knowing or giving a darn about life on the so-called wrong side of the tracks. She made some deplorable statements on the Health Department situation. In fact, the Council members present portrayed total asinity. The questions asked by our freshwoman sounded more like questions coming from a round table quilting bee, garden club tea, not questions coming from a concerned person concerned about the health and care of disenfranchised, disadvantaged human beings.

Doug Goodman was the only one who displayed any sense at all and care for the best interest of human beings that someplace along the line missed the social, economic, and so-called right side of the tracks. Congratulations, Doug, for presenting a workable, sensible, people health

plan that would cost Lubbock little or no money in spite of the odds being outnumbered and outranked.

One Councilman, Alex (Tye) Cooke, was not among the above insensitive group. He could not get a second on his motion.

During that sick meeting two Councilpersons were not present. Since that time there has been a change in action, maybe not heart but at least a change for the best.

One thing that appears to show in some modern-day politicians is they do not understand their status. They are not to be bowed down to, they are not the masters, they are the servants and are to be used by the people, the voters, they are to be used by and not abused by the people. They work for the people. The people hire them by their affirmative vote; the people also fire them with their negative vote. They owe the people. The people do not owe them a darn thing. The people vote them in office and can also vote them out, which some of our politicians fail to remember.

With elections right around the corner, check out the candidates as well as possible. Get to know them as best you can with the time you have left. Please vote—it is one of the most important things you can do as an American citizen.

There are some jerks out there running, as well as some of the finest, most honest and willing to serve people. It is up to you to put yourself to a little trouble to find and vote for them. You will be glad you did.



IN CINQUE

by Renetta W. Howard

As we grow older and wiser, less carefree, more calculating, we come to grips with the fact that we will not live forever. We are born, we live and much too soon, we die. Personally, at a very early age in my life, I wanted to know why I had to die since I thought I would be a child forever. I saw no reason at that time to have been born at all. Sometimes now, that same question pops up in my mind again and years of academic pursuit and logic about the eco-system still puzzles me. It is even more puzzling when I see young people every day who have no regard for the life of others or themselves.

The value of life grows with age. The value is even greater when the people with whom you socialize, work with, worship with and communicate with on a regular basis drop out of life all too soon, all too often. You empathize and sympathize and wonder why. You wonder what they thought and what they felt as they departed from life. You wonder if this was something that they looked forward to? Were they expecting this day to come and did it come too soon? Were they ready to make the change? Are loved ones ready to accept the end? How will their lives be affected by your departure? Will you not "be there" for someone who needs you?

We all need to do some soul-searching and find out just how much the way we live will affect the way we die and the people we leave behind. As family members, we need to get "in cinque" and pay more attention to how we live, so dying will be less painful for all who grieve.

THIS AND THAT

SUPPORT GOVERNOR RICHARDS!! THIS N THAT ... wants to go on ... **RECORD ...** supporting ... our ... present ... **GOVERNOR ... ANN RICHARDS ... THIS N THAT ...** remembers back in the ... 1980's ... when she was serving as ... **STATE TREASURER ...** and she told ... **THIS N THAT ... "I WANT TO BE GOVERNOR" ...** and she has accomplished that feat ... and has been ... **VERY SUCCESSFUL ...** in this role ... As ... **AFRICAN-AMERICANS ...** we can't deny the fact that ... **ANN RICHARDS ...** has increased the ... **EMPLOYMENT OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS ...** in key positions in the state system ... If you don't believe it ... then take a look at them ... She has been ... **VERY IMPRESSIVE ...** as she has ... **EMPLOYED MORE AFRICAN-AMERICANS ...** than any other ... **GOVERNOR IN THE HISTORY OF TEXAS ...** Now ... with that fact ... there are others ... as she worked untiringly ... in seeing that ... **GENERAL MOTORS ...** remained in Texas ... and you can also ... put the effort she had on the ... **SUPERCOLLIDER ... ANN RICHARDS ...** is ... **OUR FRIEND ...** and the ... **PUBLIC SCHOOLS ...** of Texas ... have increased their quality ... because she has been a ... **FRIEND OF EDUCATION ...** So ... **JOIN ... THIS N THAT ...** and ... **VOTE ...** for ... **ANN RICHARDS ...** our friend ...

YES! YES FOR JOHN T. MONTFORD!! THIS N THAT ... says ... **YES ... YES ... YES ...** for one of our friends ... who is seeking ... **RE-ELECTION ...** He is ... **STATE SENATOR JOHN T. MONTFORD ...** District 28 ... who is seeking ... **RE-ELECTION ...** He has done ... **SO MUCH ...** for ... **WEST TEXAS ...** and ... the ... **STATE OF TEXAS ... VOTE ... JOHN T. MONTFORD ...** He works hard for us!!

ABRAHAM SPIRES FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER!! THIS N THAT ... has been saying over the past months ... that we ... **SUPPORT ... ABRAHAM SPIRES ...** for County Commissioner ... **PRECINCT 2 ...** Most ... of you who know ... **HIM ...** will agree ...

that he is most qualified for this post ... So ... **VOTE ... ABRAHAM SPIRES ...** for ... **COUNTY COMMISSIONER ...** **PRECINCT 2 ...** on ... **NOVEMBER 8TH ...**

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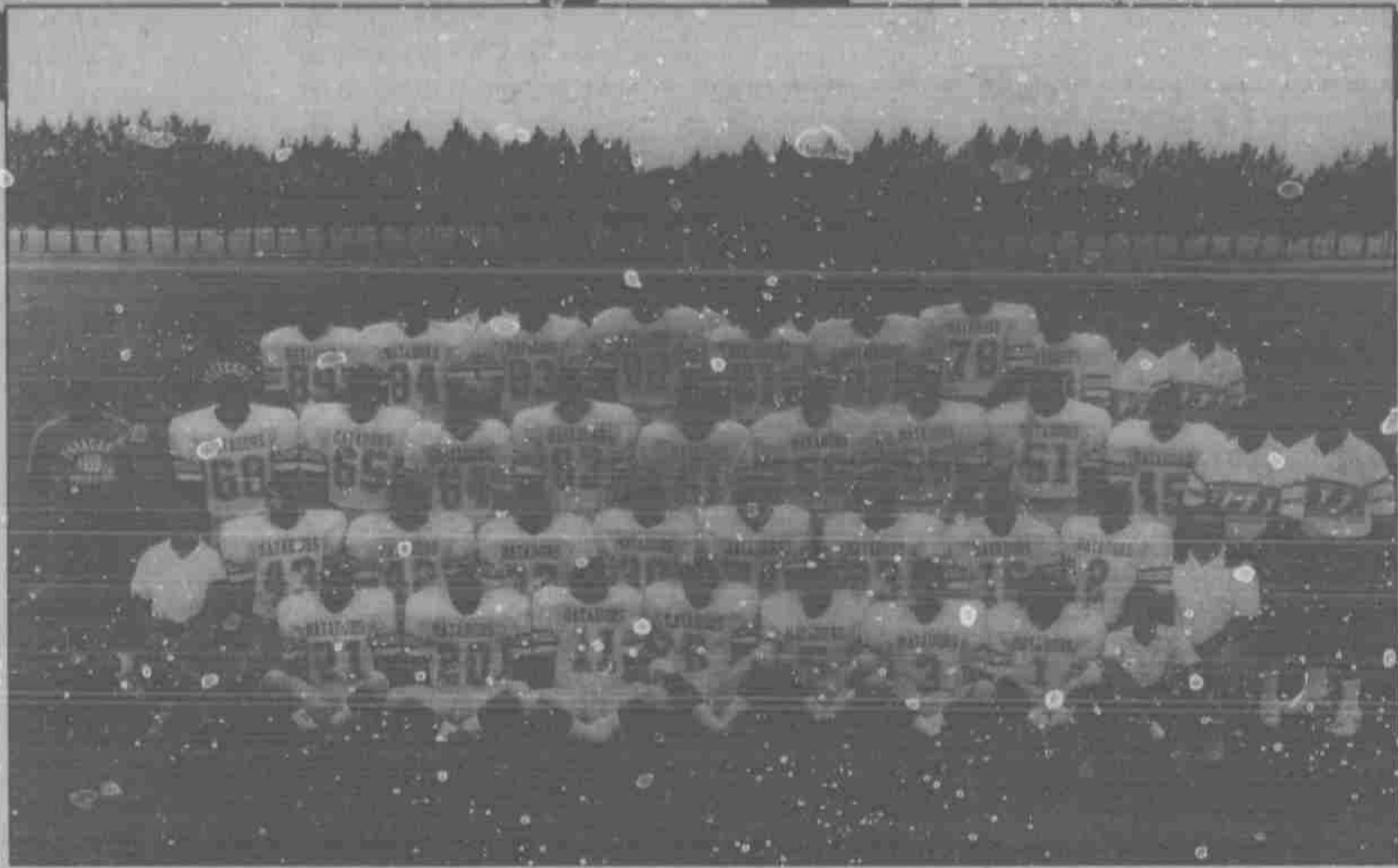
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Sept. 30	Roswell	H	7:30
Oct. 08	Sweetwater	H	2:00
Oct. 14	LaMesa*	T	7:30
Oct. 21	Levelland*	T	7:30
Oct. 27	Snyder*	H	7:30
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Redemptive Love from the Desk Of Parson D.A. Smith

When Gandhi was a young man in the south of India, he went on a journey. When he came back to the camp of which he was in charge, he found that an eighteen-year-old fellow had done a great and grievous wrong. Gandhi began to think: "How can I right this wrong? I can punish him, but punishment doesn't prove to be redemptive. I can just overlook it, in which case the young man will use it as license for doing worse. Or I can do this, and this I will do." He called the young man in and said: "In my absence you have done a very great and grievous wrong. The reason for your failure is that I have failed you. I, your teacher and example, have not been to you what I ought to have been or you would not have fallen. Because I have failed you, I am going on a two-week fast." The sullen young man left the room. Every time he put a spoonful of food into his mouth, he knew that Gandhi was starving. After three days the young man fell down on the floor and said, "Sir, forgive me." Gandhi said, "There is no forgiveness necessary, but if you feel the need of it, I grant it to you." The young man said, "Well, then, will you stop your fast?" "If I stopped my fast, I would be using it as an instrument to get you to do what is right. I am fasting because I failed you. As your teacher and as your example I must complete the fast." So for the remainder of the two weeks he did not take food of any kind. Every time the young man sat down to eat he was conscious that for him Gandhi was starving. The young man knew that Gandhi loved him so much that he was willing to enter into his sin and failure and take his shortcomings as his

own. We need to realize our need of forgiveness, Jesus spoke of debts and debts are actually sins. But while intellectually most of us will concede that we sin, a lot of people never come to believe that their sins are anything more than minor blemishes that can be corrected by living a little better. They don't understand the character and depth of sin.

When we reflect on the various forms that sin can take, we must realize that there is not one of us who is not guilty before God. We all sin, we all fall short of his glory, and we all miss the mark, the standard he has set for us.

We need to want forgiveness. Jesus said that we should come to God and ask him for forgiveness. This illustrates that forgiveness is not something which is forced upon us. It is something we desire, and it is something God gives us when we are diligently seeking it.

Many of us fail to ask God for the forgiveness we so badly need because we may not recognize the depth of our sin and we may let pride get in the way. The fear of embarrassment, and the fear of humiliation makes many of us content to live lives in which there is no peace because there has been no forgiveness.

Jesus said that unless we are willing to forgive others God will not be willing to forgive us. Forgiving others is the proper response to the forgiveness that we have already received. It was a very difficult thing for God to forgive us. It was difficult because God took sin seriously and not at all lightly. That meant his having to step into human history and make that long shameful journey all the way to the cross.

If we fail to reach out in love and mercy to others, how can we possibly expect that God is going to reach out with his forgiveness to us? His love is a "redemptive love."



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out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all.

You can tell we're living in the LAST DAYS; the coming of THE END OF TIME, BUT THE WORLD IS SO BUSY; DOING ITS OWN THING, AND PAYS IT NO MIND.

Matthew 24:37, 38, But as the days of No'e were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that No'e entered into the ark.

SINNER MAN: IT'S RAINING FIRE AND BRIMSTONE; THEY'RE TROUBLES FROM ABOVE, THEY'RE ALLOWED TO THE DEVIL: FROM GOD: TO SHOW YOU HIS LOVE.

John 3:17, For GOD sent not his SON (JESUS) into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

Sinner man: you see THE TROUBLES EVERYWHERE; NOT ONLY IN THE FOREIGN LAND WE'VE GOT IT OF ALL KINDS; RIGHT HERE IN THE HOMETLAND.

2 Timothy 3:1-3, THIS know also, that in the last days perilous (DANGEROUS) times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous (Love of MONEY; BINGO & LOTTERY), boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, UNHOLY, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good.

(During all these troubled times, man will TURN TO GOD. When man is doing ok, he will BOAST AND BRAG; But when PAIN HITS: IT'S PRAYING TIME. The seed that was PLANTED in the 60's, YOUR RIGHTS. IT'S BRINGING THIS NATION DOWN. And its all because of SIN; Right to break the laws. Dealing drugs, Drive by shootings, Child Molestation. Shoot the Teacher, No Prayer in Schools, just to name a FEW! Sinner Man and Christians, IT'S PRAYING TIME.)

There are WARS IN THE STREETS; Children just PLAYING THEIR GAMES, WE'VE GOT FALSE PROPHETS AND FALSE

CHRIST, IN CHURCHES; SHAME, SHAME, SHAME.

Matthew 24:5, 6, 8, Jesus said, For many shall come in my name, saying, I am CHRIST; and shall deceive many. And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. All these are the beginning of sorrows.

We've seen NATIONS make a Peace Treaty, only to break it the next DAY. IN MAN'S HEART THERE IS NO PEACE: JESUS SAID: I AM THE WAY.

Jeremiah 17:9, 10a, The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the LORD search the heart.

Sinner man: you've seen the Famines, Pestilences & Earthquakes in the land. THESE ARE THE SIGNS OF THE TIME; A WARNING TO WOMAN AND MAN.

Mark 13:15, 16, Jesus said. And let him that is on the housetop not go down into the house, neither enter therein, to take any thing out of his house: And let him that is in the field not turn back again for to take up his garment.

You've heard that LIE: AMERICA IS A GOOD CHRISTIAN NATION, BUT SHE IS AS FILTHY AS A MENSTRUOUS RAG: AND THERE IS NO SEPARATION.

Isaiah 64:6, But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousness are as filthy rags (Menstruous Rags); and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away. SINNER MAN; change YOUR WAYS TODAY; BECAUSE TODAY THE LORD MAY CALL YOUR NAME, AND THIS IS THE DAY OF SALVATION, AND ONLY YOU CAN BE TO BLAME.

Isaiah 55:6, 7, Seek THE LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; and let him return unto THE LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to OUR GOD, for he will abundantly pardon.

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Psalms 91:10—Angels as protection. One of the functions of angels is to watch over believers. Heb. 1:14, 1 Kings 19:5, Daniel 6:22, Matt. 18:10, Luke 16:22, Acts 12:7-8, Acts 27:23-24, Deut. 22:31. Angels are important—very important.

About Satan, the Devil

Satan is a "fallen" angel. He was created by God. He willfully broke away from obedience to God and now goes about as the Evil Spirit seeking to corrupt and destroy all mankind and creation of God.

We as believers can make this a better place to live. Stop saying what the Devil is doing, start talking about what we can do through the power in Jesus' Name.

It's time to make a change. I know we can do it.

God bless you. Keep smiling and loving all mankind, no matter the color.

Come together in quantity, don't worry too much about quality. If you get the love you will have what you need.

To all sick: Read Mark 11:22-25, II Chronicles 7:14. Stop waiting on your enemy to come to your rescue. Think about it.

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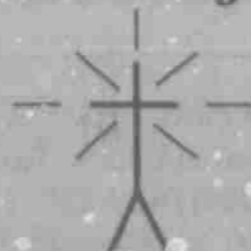
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