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NEWS

African-American Press Suffers A Loss

It is with deepest regret that we have suffered the loss of 4 Publishers.

L e s Humphreys: (78) Publisher of the Pensacola Voice, died on Saturday January 28th from complications caused by diabetes. Services were held in Pensacola on February 2nd.

Mary Simpson: (77) Publisher of the Florida Star News, died on Sunday, January 29th from a long illness. Services were held in Jacksonville Florida on 1-February 2nd.

Virginia Taylor: (62) Publisher of the Thurston County Dispatch and The Northwest Dispatch in Tacoma, Washington, died on Thursday February 1st, from a long battle with cancer. Services will be held 11 a.m. Thursday February 8th at Allen AME Church, 1135 Martin Luther King Way, Tacoma Washington. For additional information call Reverend Johnson (Virginia brother) (253) 272-0705.

Lecia Swain Ross: (36) Publisher of The Ebony Tribune, Oklahoma City, Ok and NNPA Board member died on Saturday February 3rd from complications arising from surgery. Services will be held 1 p.m. Saturday, February 10th at First Christian Church, 3700 North Walker St., Oklahoma City, OK. Contact person is Don Alexander at (405) 525-6551. Donations in lieu of flowers should be made to "Lecia Swain-Ross Memorial Scholarship Fund" c/o Rankins Mortgage Company (405) 427-0299, or to the "Ebony Triane Scholarship Fund" at (405) 677-8711.

I don't recall ever losing so may Publishers at one time. The contributions made by these Publishers have added immensely to the success of this organization. The loss of their friendship and support will be a hardship

Reverend McCormick Relocates to North Carolina



Reverend Ralph McCormick, son of Maxine McCormick and grandson of Catherine McCormick of Lubbock, recently accepted the position of Minister to Youth at the University Park Baptist church in Charlotte, North Carolina. On January 21, 2001, Reverend McCormick delivered a powerful farewell message to his spiritual family at Mount Sinai Missionary Baptist Church in Austin, Texas, entitled "Don't Forget to Say Thank You"

(Luke 17:11-19). Reverend McCormick's spiritual journey began at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, in Lubbock, where he served in Sunday School and held several offices in the Young Peoples' Pastor. McCormick became Mount Sinai's Youth Minister in January 1997 and served in that capacity until February 2001. Under his direction and leadership, the Mount Sinai youth programs expanded to 12 ministries, including Boy's Rites of Passage; Young Women's Destiny; Drill Team; Drama Ministry; Lamb's choir; Junior Ushers; Praise Dancers; and Boy Scouts. As a result of his efforts, the number of young people actively participating in the program increased over 100 percent.

Reverend McCormick wants today's youth to emulate Christ in their walk, talk, and thought. It is also important that they know they are saved, who it is that saved them, and how to share the plan of salvation with their

peers. Focusing on the whole person, McCormick's approach in teaching Bible study emphasized biblical principles that equip young people with the necessary tools to handle life's daily challenges.

Reverend McCormick, born in Lubbock, graduated from Dunbar-Struggs High School, with Honors, in 1988. He then attended the University of Texas in Austin where he received a Bachelor of Arts Degree, with a concentration on Government, in 1992. In December 2000, McCormick completed graduate work at Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas earning a Master of Divinity Degree.

University Park Baptist Church, with a membership of over 5,000, is completing construction of a new sanctuary and family life center on a 54-acre tract of land. They are scheduled to move into their new location in April of this year. The Reverend Claude R. Alexander, Jr. serves as Senior Pastor.

A Visit with Sam Guzman



City Councilman T.J. Patterson, right had an opportunity to visit with Sam Guzman, left, Chief Executive Officer of the Texas Association of Mexican American Chamber of Commerce (TAMACC) prior to the annual Banquet at the Holiday Inn Civic Center on Friday evening, February 2, 2001. Guest speaker for the affair was Chancellor John T. Montford of Texas Tech University.

(photo by John P. Cervantez)

SBA Financing and Informational Workshop

LUBBOCK, TX - There will an "SBA Financing and Informational Workshop" Wednesday, February 28, 2001, at the Texas Tech University Small Business Development Center, 2579 S. Loop 289, Lubbock, Texas. The workshop is being sponsored by the Texas Tech University Small Business Development Center, U. S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and SCORP. The program begins at 6:00 p.m. and will conclude at 8:00 p.m.

Subjects for the evening workshop include: "Financing Options: All You Should Know About SBA Loans." There is no charge for the workshop but advanced registration is encouraged due to limited seating.

Information will be available on what a business owner should have before applying for a loan, what the banker is looking for, information in a business plan and the programs and services available from the Small Business Administration. This is an opportunity for small business owners and prospective business owners to learn about financing options and the SBA Guaranty Loan Program.

Reasonable arrangements for persons with disabilities will be made, if requested in advance. For more information or registration call the Texas Tech University Small Business Development Center Lubbock at 806-745-4637.

Looking for Mrs. Lubbock

The Mrs. Texas America Pageant has issued a call for Lubbock to find a candidate to compete for the title of Mrs. Texas America 2001.

The Mrs. Texas America Pageant will take place July 6th, 7th & 8th, 2001, at the beautiful Doubletree Post Oak Hotel in Houston. The contestants will compete in Evening Gown, Swimsuit and Personal Interview. Mrs. Texas America 2001 will go on to participate in the nationally-televised Mrs. America Pageant to be held in Honolulu Hawaii, in September.

Bonnie Productions, producers of Mrs. Texas, Mrs. Arizona and Mrs. Utah America Pageants, has experienced significant success in the pageant industry. Mrs. Utah 1999, Starla Stanley, was crowned Mrs. America 1999 and went on to win the Mrs. World crown.

Now in it's twenty-fifth year, the Mrs. America program has only one purpose: to celebrate the beauty of America's married women. Mrs. Texas contestants do not necessarily fit any particular mold. They represent an incredible variety of backgrounds, lifestyles and personal interests. Contestants range in age from 18 to 72 years.

Women interested in competing for the title of Mrs. Texas 2001 are encouraged to contact Bonnie Productions at (480) 563-4216, or visit their web site at www.mrs.texasamerica.net.

Texas Resident, Renee Hornbuckle, To Host National Television Show

(Arlington, TX) January, 2001—Renee Hornbuckle, of Colleyville, has been named co-host of Solutions, a new television show that can be seen on the Daystar network. The magazine formatted show brings real Biblical Solutions to everyday life issues, such as Home/Work Balance, Life After Divorce and Adultery, Raising Healthy, Happy Children, Overcoming Addiction and much more. Also co-hosting Solutions, are Kathy Hayes, Hattie Hill, Sharon Parsons, Anna Kendall and Kittie Cochran, who along with Renee, provide viewers practical applications and ideas to help find the Solutions to

their problems and live a more purposeful, successful life.

Helping people, especially women, find Solutions to their problems is not new for Renee Hornbuckle. She is the founder of Women of Influence, a ministry committed to the personal development of women worldwide. A wife, mother, pastor, author and entrepreneur, Renee understands the demands and pressures of the 21st Century woman. "So many women dream for a better way of life, but are will equipped to turn their dreams into reality. My purpose is to equip women with the developmental tools and resources needed to achieve their goals." Renee's seminars

on Women in Leadership, Practical Living, Improving Your Image and Organization have equipped and empowered thousands of women, from senior-level executives and successful entrepreneurs to "NFL" wives and full-time mothers. Often referred to as a "Life Designer," her teachings have caused ordinary women to transform into women of influence, distinction and worth.

Providing yet another outlet for women seeking Solutions, Renee is the host of one of the nation's premier women's personal development and empowerment events, the annual Women of Influence Personal Development

Conference. This year's theme, You've Got The Power promises to deliver the resources and Solutions women need to reach their full potential. More than 1,000 are expected to attend the conference to be held June 21-23, 2001 at Agape Christian Fellowship in Arlington, Texas. Conference speakers include: Laurie Beth Jones, author Jesus CE O; Susan L. Taylor, ESSENCE Magazine Publication Director, Debbye Turner, Miss America 1990 and Stacia Pierce, Pastor, Author and Radio Personality.

Above all her many responsibilities, Renee most values her role in assistance to her husband, Bishop Terry

Hornbuckle in overseeing Agape Christian Fellowship, one of the nation's fastest growing churches, and as the loving mother of three children; Matthew, Rachel and Jordan. Renee holds a Bachelors Degree in Business Administration from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, and a Masters in Biblical Studies. For additional information or show listings go to our web site, info@solutionstv.net or www.agapecf.org. You can also register for the conference online or obtain additional information by viewing our web site at www.womenofinfluenceonline.com or www.agapecf.org Or call 817-557-5811 for more information.

Lieutenant Governor Bill Ratliff Visits Texas Southern University Campus

Houston - During his first visit to a state university since becoming Lieutenant Governor, Bill Ratliff explored the campus of Texas Southern University to familiarize himself with TSU's buildings, housing units and infrastructures. Lieutenant Governor, Bill Ratliff was accompanied by TSU President, Dr. Priscilla Slade; U.S. Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, D-Houston; State Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston; State Rep. Garnett

Coleman, D-Houston and members of the TSU Board of Regents.

"This is my first higher education visit since I became Lieutenant Governor," Ratliff said. "I chose to visit TSU because they've been through trying times and they're doing so well and I'm meeting all their challenges. I am very pleased with what I have seen and heard today."

Among the initiatives

noted during the our was TSU's \$50 million capital improvement plan that includes a new museum, and a new student health center. An 86,000 square-foot student recreation facility and additions to student housing. This year, 308 apartment style living units will be built for TSU students, with more to come. Renovations have begun on the Martin Luther King Building and are scheduled to begin at Gray Hall. Enhancements are also underway

to campus infrastructure including entrances, lighting and improvements to the track and field facility.

"Lieutenant Governor Ratliff support is substantive and meaningful for TSU as we strive for excellence in achievement," said Dr. Slade. "Indeed, our goal is excellence in every aspect of our college life - a level of success that will establish TSU as one of the best colleges in the nation."

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In this Publication
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That they are there
for a Purpose.
We publish
something for
everyone, and some
People are
always looking
for MISTAKES!!

Ruby Jay's Corner



THE NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH, 2002 BIRCH AVENUE, IS THE "CHURCH WHERE THE PEOPLE REALLY CARE," AND THE REV. BILLY R. MOTON IS THE PROUD PASTOR. OUR DOORS ARE ALWAYS OPEN FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME. COME BY ANY SUNDAY MORNING, BECAUSE YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

CHURCH SERVICES BEGAN LAST SUNDAY MORNING WITH SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:30 A. M. WITH ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT HENRY HIGH PRESIDING. ALL TEACHERS WERE PRESENT AND ON TIME. THERE WERE THIRTY MINUTES OF INSTRUCTION. AT 10:15 A. M., TEACHERS AND STUDENTS REASSEMBLED TO THE MAIN AUDITORIUM MARCHING AND SINGING. PRAYER WAS GIVEN BY BROTHER EARNEST SWAIN WHO ALSO BROUGHT SOME MIGHTY GOOD POINTS ABOUT THE MORNING LESSON.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: YOUTH DEPARTMENT — INTERMEDIATE CLASS RECEIVED THE OFFERING BANNER. ADULT DEPARTMENT — ADULT CLASS NO. ALSO RECEIVED THE OFFERING BANNER.

THE DEVOTIONAL PERIOD WAS CONDUCTED BY BROTHER AND SISTER CLARENCE ERVIN, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE PRAYER TEAM. WHAT A TIME IN THE LORD WAS HELD!

THE SENIOR CHOIR MARCHED IN THE PROCESSIONAL SINGING OUT OF THEIR HEARTS. ALTAR PRAYER WAS OFFERED BY REV. JEFF BROWN. A SONG, "TRUST IN THE LORD," WAS SUNG BY THE SENIOR CHOIR. THE MORNING SCRIPTURE WAS READ BY SISTER KIM BRICKEY. AFTER ANOTHER PRAYER, A SONG, "GOD IS GOOD," WAS SUNG BY THE SENIOR CHOIR. BOY, DID THEY SING!

THE RESPONSIVE READING WAS DONE WITH THE CONGREGATION STANDING. THE MORNING HYMN WAS "WHAT A FRIEND." PASTOR MOTON GAVE HIS PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS.

FOLLOWING THE SINGING OF ANOTHER SONG, PASTOR MOTON LIVERED HIS MORNING SERMON WHICH WAS ENTITLED "JESUS IS MY WONDERFUL SAVIOUR." HIS SCRIPTURE TEXT WAS ISAIAH 9:6-7. IT WAS A WONDERFUL MESSAGE.

LET US KEEP THE SICK AND SHUT-IN CITIZENS OF THE COMMUNITY AND WORLD IN OUR PRAYERS. IT WAS LEARNED THAT SISTER VICKIE KINDRED ENTERED THE HOSPITAL MONDAY MORNING.

SISTER ANNIE MAE MCBRIDE IS A PATIENT IN A LOCAL HOSPITAL. BROTHER OLLIE GUY'S BROTHER, ROBERT, IS ON THE SICK LIST. ALSO SISTER ELSIE YOUNG HAS BEEN SHUT-IN. YOUR PRAYERS FOR ALL OF THESE AND OTHERS WILL MOST APPRECIATED.

SISTER FANNIE PRICE LOST A RELATIVE IN DALLAS, TEXAS LAST WEEK. YOUR PRAYERS ARE APPRECIATED.

IT WAS GOOD TO SEE SISTER LUCILLE JACKSON AND SISTER CLARA COLQUITT IN CHURCH SERVICES LAST SUNDAY MORNING. GOD IS ABLE.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE PRESENTED AN OUTSTANDING FOUNDERS' DAY PROGRAM LAST SUNDAY AFTERNOON. THE YOUNG PEOPLE DID WELL. THESE ARE THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH WHERE REV. ELLIOTT C. LAMBERT IS PASTOR. WHAT A TIME ALL HAD IN THE LORD!

Army & Air Force

Hometown NEWS

Army Pfc. Kevin A. Chester

Army Pfc. Kevin A. Chester has graduated from the intelligence

analyst course at Fort Huachuca, Sierra Vista, Ariz.

The course provided training in the collection, management, analysis, processing and

dissemination of combat defense and counter strategic and tactical intelligence.

He is the son of Boyd E. and Sandra M. Chester of 86th St., Lubbock, Texas.

South Plains Obedience Training

The South Plains obedience Training Club of Lubbock, Inc. Will be hosting 2 American Kennel Club All Breed Dog Obedience Trials at the South Plains Fairgrounds, Merchants Building, February 24th and 25th. Over 100 purebred dogs from 6 surrounding states will be judges at this event from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Many of the top obedience trained dogs in the country will be competing.

Each exhibitor and dog team will be judged at one of the three different levels of competition; Novice, Open or utility. These dogs will be demonstrating their proficiency in such exercises as heeling, high jumps, broad jumps, retrieving and scent discrimination. The dogs are working towards various AKC obedience titles and obedience trial championship points. There are also Non-Regular class competitions such as Veterans, Brace and Team Dogs that

complete in the Veterans class must be 7 years old or older. In Brace competition one exhibitor works with 2 dogs and Team class has 4 editors working with their dogs in unison.

The newly approved AKC obedience class, Rally, will be debuted at this trial. This will be the first time this competition class will be offered in West Texas. Each dog and handler team competing in Rally obedience will complete a routine fired with a variety of modified obedience exercises which includes 360 and 270 degree turns, jumps, heeling backwards, etc... Each routine is new and different each day.

There is no admission fee charged for this fun filled and educational event. For more information call Sherell Guichard-Thomas, Publicity and Public Education Coordinator at 794-1256 or visit the club's web site at: <http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/spotc>.

Student from Lubbock honored at Lipscomb



NASHVILLE, Tenn. (January 17, 2001)—A student from Lubbock has been honored at Lipscomb University for academic achievement during the fall session.

Nicole Harter has been placed on the Provost's List for earning perfect grades while taking 12 credit hours or more during the semester, said Dr. Craig Bledsoe, provost.

Harter, of 2508 54th Street, Lubbock, is an English major. Harter is a graduate of Lubbock High School.

Students at Lipscomb University earn bachelor of arts and bachelor of science degrees in more than 100 major programs of study. Master's degree programs are offered in Bible, education, and business administration. An Accelerated Adult Studies Program is also available.

Lipscomb is associated with the churches of Christ.

Notice of Public Hearing

The City of Lubbock will hold a public hearing Thursday February 22, 2001 at 11:00 a.m. at City Hall 1625 13th Street in the Council Chambers. This hearing will allow for citizen comments on the following items:

- Reallocation of: \$17,352 in Community Development Block Grant Funds
- \$3,900 in Emergency Shelter Grant funds
- \$2,000 in HOME funds

For further information you may contact the Community Development Department at 775-2301. This hearing is open to all persons regardless of disability. If you require special assistance please contact the Community Development Department at 775-2301, or write to Community Development Department, P.O. Box 2000, Lubbock, Texas 79457, at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR LUBBOCK, TEXAS

AccuWeather.com

Thursday	Thursday Night	Friday	Saturday
Partly sunny and warmer. 64	Mostly cloudy; maybe a shower. 44	Mostly cloudy; showers possible. 60/38	A shower or 1-storm possible. 58/32
RealFeel: 65	RealFeel: 33	RealFeel: 58	RealFeel: 57
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Mostly sunny. 64/36	Partly sunny. 68/34	Increasing clouds. 62/32	Variably cloudy. 64/32
RealFeel: 61	RealFeel: 67	RealFeel: 62	RealFeel: 64

The RealFeel Temperature™ is a composite of the effects of temperature, wind, humidity, sunshine intensity, cloudiness, precipitation, pressure and elevation on the human body. The number is the highest for the day and the lowest for the night.

GARDENING FORECAST

Some sun; and warmer for Thursday. At night and on Friday, some showers could cross the area, and there could be a thunderstorm on Saturday, then dry and sunny weather will return for Sunday and the new week.

FISHING REPORT

Partly sunny and warmer on Thursday. Friday and Saturday could bring showers, with a thunderstorm possible on Saturday. Dry and sunny weather will return on Sunday.

TV INDEX

Highest Thur. 4; Low Highest Fri. 1; Minimal Highest Sat. 2; Minimal Values indicate the exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays.

SUN & MOON DATA

Thur. Fri. Sat. Sunset 6:38 p.m. 6:39 p.m. 6:40 p.m. Moonset 6:12 p.m. 7:06 p.m. 8:03 p.m.

MOON PHASES

New First Full Last Feb 23 Mar 2 Mar 9 Mar 16

REGIONAL CITIES

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City	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
	HI/LO W	HI/LO W	HI/LO W	HI/LO W	HI/LO W	HI/LO W	HI/LO W
Abilene, TX	78/66 c	78/66 c	78/66 c	78/66 c	78/66 c	78/66 c	78/66 c
Albuquerque, NM	62/36 s	58/32 c	58/28 pc	58/32 pc	60/32 pc	58/28 s	60/28 pc
Albus, OK	62/40 s	62/40 s	62/40 s	62/40 s	62/40 s	62/40 s	62/40 s
Amarillo, TX	51/31 c	62/38 c	59/31 s	61/31 s	63/37 s	66/38 c	68/35 c
Austin, TX	75/52 c	75/52 c	75/52 c	75/52 c	75/52 c	75/52 c	75/52 c
Beaumont, MO	47/33 c	50/46 c	63/38 r	52/38 e	57/43 c	63/42 e	55/42 r
El Paso, TX	50/34 pc	50/34 pc	50/34 pc	50/34 pc	50/34 pc	50/34 pc	50/34 pc
Dallas, TX	56/45 c	64/57 c	63/42 r	63/45 s	68/51 pc	72/50 c	74/50 c
Denver, CO	48/30 pc	48/30 pc	48/30 pc	48/30 pc	48/30 pc	48/30 pc	48/30 pc
El Paso, TX	76/43 pc	68/46 c	58/39 s	66/40 pc	66/42 pc	75/43 pc	64/43 c
Hobbs, NB	74/42 s	74/42 s	74/42 s	74/42 s	74/42 s	74/42 s	74/42 s
Houston, TX	60/45 sh	66/50 pc	72/54 sh	70/55 pc	71/56 c	77/55 pc	77/55 pc
Kansas City, MO	48/30 pc	48/30 pc	48/30 pc	48/30 pc	48/30 pc	48/30 pc	48/30 pc
Lake Texoma, TX	52/43 c	61/55 sh	62/40 r	61/39 s	64/52 pc	71/52 c	73/52 sh
Lubbock, TX	75/52 c	75/52 c	75/52 c	75/52 c	75/52 c	75/52 c	75/52 c
Lubbock, TX	64/44 c	60/38 c	58/32 s	64/36 s	68/34 s	62/32 pc	64/32 c
Midland, TX	64/44 c	60/38 c	58/32 s	64/36 s	68/34 s	62/32 pc	64/32 c
Oklahoma City, OK	45/38 c	55/47 sh	60/38 sh	56/37 c	62/43 c	64/43 c	64/43 r
Phoenix, AZ	76/52 s	76/52 s	76/52 s	76/52 s	76/52 s	76/52 s	76/52 s
Roswell, NM	64/38 pc	65/38 c	62/34 s	66/33 s	68/38 pc	73/41 pc	70/37 c
San Antonio, TX	66/46 t	70/62 c	73/50 c	71/52 s	73/55 e	78/54 pc	79/54 pc
Shreveport, LA	60/42 s	60/42 s	60/42 s	60/42 s	60/42 s	60/42 s	60/42 s
Tulsa, OK	44/36 pc	55/49 sh	62/37 r	64/38 s	68/44 c	64/43 c	59/43 r
Waco, TX	59/31 c	59/31 c	59/31 c	59/31 c	59/31 c	59/31 c	59/31 c
Wichita, KS	43/32 pc	48/40 sh	55/31 sh	48/36 c	57/38 c	59/38 c	53/37 r
Wichita Falls, TX	60/42 s	60/42 s	60/42 s	60/42 s	60/42 s	60/42 s	60/42 s

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, r-rain, sh-thunderstorms, r-rain, sh-snow flurries, sh-snow, f-fog

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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PLEASE COME SEE US. WE VALUE YOUR BUSINESS.

See our ad in *SWAPS*.

OBITUARIES

James A. Butler



Funeral services were held for James A. Butler on Wednesday, February 7, 2001, at the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church with Rev. Wendell Davis, Pastor, officiating.

Interment was held in the city of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Arthur Hutson, Clarence Sanders, Cyrus Polk, Reginald Mack, Butch Avery, Jr., and Greg Patton.

Honorary Pallbearers were Robert White, Delbert Hood, Bobby Moore, Robert Ray, and H.L. Williams.

Mr. Butler was born October 19, 1929, to the union of Ervin and Willie Ada Butler, in Thornton, Texas. They preceded him in Death.

He was a retired Machinist at Farmers Co-Op Compress. He attended public schools in Thornton, Texas. He moved to Lubbock in 1946. A Baptist, he was a member of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church where he served on the usher board.

Mr. Butler departed this life on Thursday, February 1, 2001.

He leaves to cherish his: two sons, Winfred Lewis, Todd Sanders, and David Butler, all of Lubbock; Three Sisters: Easter Robinson and Mamie Gibson, both of Los Angeles, California; and Angeline Scoggins of San Antonio; One Brother, Robert Powell of Corpass Christi; A very special friend Luella Sanders of Lubbock, two Brother-in-law, Robert Ray of Lubbock, and H.L. Williams of Dallas; one sister-in-law, Louise Tucker of Lubbock; and a Host of Nieces and Nephews, Cousins, other Relatives and Many Friends.

Willie James Brooks



Funeral services were held for Willie James Brooks last Thursday morning, February 15, 2001, at Ossie Curry Funeral Home Chapel with Elder Willie Barber officiating.

Mr. Brooks died here Friday, February 9, 2001.

He was born June 21, 1935. He was married to Mamie Ferguson in 1960 in Lubbock. Mr. Brooks moved to Lubbock from Phoenix, Arizona, and work for Lubbock Auctioneer for many years.

He was survived by his wife, Mrs. Mamie Brooks of Post; Three Daughters: Dianne Brooks of Fort Worth, Georgia Quigley of Houston, and Gladys Little of Phoenix, Arizona; Two Sons: Willie Brooks, Jr. and Luther Mc Gee, both of Lubbock; Four Brothers: Reco Brooks of Chicago, Illinois, Gene Walker of Phoenix, Arizona, Sonny Brooks of Richmond, California, and Charles Brooks of Detroit, Michigan; Two Sisters Essin Bagby of Phoenix, Arizona and Elnora Ellis of Detroit, Michigan; Three grandchildren, and Two great grandchildren.

WISDOM

"I know no man who has the monopoly upon the wisdom of this universe. It belongs to those who can use it to help themselves and others."

L. Ron Hubbard

One of the most acclaimed and widely read authors of all time.

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Jesse Smith



Funeral services were held for Jesse Mae Smith last Monday morning, February 19, 2001, at the First Progressive Baptist Church with Rev. Wendell Davis officiating. Rev. Homer Avery is Pastor.

Burial was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Brock's South Plains Funeral Directors of Lubbock.

Ms. Smith died on Tuesday, February 13, 2001.

She was born August 13, 1934, in Bryan, Texas. She moved to Lubbock in 1948 and attended Lubbock public schools. She later moved to Akron, Ohio, where she was employed at B.F. Goodrich many years.

Survivors include Three Sisters: Bernice Jarmon and Vivian Smith, both of Lubbock and a Mary Baumberger of Stow, Ohio.

Openings For SPC Summer Cosmetology Instructor Classes

Licensed cosmetologist who want to teach in their field can complete an instructor's certificate program this summer at South Plains College in Levelland.

SPC's cosmetology instructor certificate option has openings for summer classes, according to Carolyn Newkirk, assistant professor of cosmetology.

"Enrollment is limited, but we need to know right away if someone is interested," said Newkirk. Registration is scheduled May 29.

Students will need to take a placement exam, and if they have minimum of two years' work experience, they may be granted credit for three of the courses offered on an individual basis in accordance with placement exams, she noted. That process would allow them to complete the certificate option program during the summer.

Students need to have a valid Texas Cosmetology Commission operators license.

For more information, contact SPC at 894-9611, ext. 2287.

Cosmetology Pre-Exam Set

A pre-entrance test for students wishing to enroll this fall in South Plains College's cosmetology program is scheduled February 21.

The exam is scheduled 9 am-12pm in the Counseling Center in the Student Services Building. Fee is \$5. A Picture ID is required.

Additional exam are scheduled March 29 and April 26.

Prospective cosmetology students will be given the pre-TASP exam, an in-house exam similar to the Texas Academic Skills program (TASP), state-required exam which measures college level entry skills in reading, writing and math.

Following the exam, students will interview with program faculty.

Students also must make separate application to the cosmetology program.

Students entering SPC's cosmetology program will be taught the theory and skills of shampooing, hair and scalp treatment, hair cutting, chemical hair relaxing, hair styling and shaping, manicuring, cold waving, hair coloring and facial. They will be exposed to the knowledge, skills and experiences necessary to become licensed by the Texas Cosmetology Commission and work as cosmetologist in the State of Texas.

Students completing the curriculum will receive a certificate of

proficiency.

Program advisor is Carolyn Newkirk, assistant professor of cosme-

tology.

For more information, contact SPC at 894-9611, ext. 2287.



Denzel Washington

“He stood about five-foot, nine-inches tall, but he was a giant. Billy Thomas. He ran the Boys & Girls Club where I grew up. Now, I know today it's different. Young people face problems I never even had to think about.

But that's why now, more than ever, we need the Boys & Girls Club. It's a positive place where thousands of people like Billy Thomas help young people succeed. Does it work? It did for me.”

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Thank You

Whatever part you played in making the Lincoln-Douglass Tea a success, we wanted to tell you how much you are appreciated in making this event a success. So many times people fail to say how much you are appreciated, but we take this time to say so and may hugs and kisses for the people who worked without complaining.

Dr. Alford gave a wonderful speech; Eric Strong did a wonderful job as its Emcee, and as you would have guessed, Rev. Charles Johnson, Pastor of Second Baptist Church, gave an inspiring Prayer. Rev. B.J. Morrison topped the afternoon off by giving such a beautiful poem and benediction.

The entertainment from the children from Ella R. Iles Elementary school with their songs and dancing. As well as the young people of an organization called "Ambassadors for Change" who are from the Dunbar/Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association, were fantastic. Their sponsors are Elurd Devenport., Dorothy Hood, and Elnora Jones.

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A POSITIVE BROCHURE ON EAST LUBBOCK OUT SOON! THIS N THAT HAS LEARNED THAT A NEW BROCHURE "REDISCOVERING EAST LUBBOCK" WITH PICTURES AND DATA ON WHAT EAST LUBBOCK REALLY IS WILL BE COMING OFF THE PRESS REAL SOON AND THOSE OF US WHO RESIDE IN EAST LUBBOCK WILL KNOW WHAT THIS AREA OF THE CITY IS ALL ABOUT IF YOU GET AN OPPORTUNITY READ THIS BROCHURE AND WITHOUT ANY DOUBT YOU WILL SEE THAT WHEN YOU "REDISCOVER EAST LUBBOCK" YOU WILL BE GLAD AS WELL AS THE 549 BUSINESS IN THIS AREA OF THE CITY WITH ITS 11,549 EMPLOYEES OH YES LET US ALL REDISCOVER EAST LUBBOCK!

WHAT'S NEXT! THIS N THAT IS LOT REALLY SURPRISED HEAR OF CRAZY THINGS WHICH IS HAPPEN IN OUR CITY AS THE MAL WHO DROVE HIS PICKUP TRUCK THRU THE CITY HALL DOORS LAST SATURDAY AS CAUSED APPROXIMATELY 450,000 SOUTH OF DAMAGE WHAT'S NEXT? WAS THIS REALLY AN ATTEMPTED SUICIDE? ANYWAY LET'S MAKE SURE WE HAVE THE PROPER SAFETY ON ALL OUR CITY PROPERTIES WHO KNOWS WHAT'S NEXT!

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: "EVERY DAY IS BLACK HISTORY DAY BECAUSE BLACK HISTORY IS ONLY AMERICAN HISTORY AND THE TRUE STORY MUST BE TOLD!"

CONGRATS TO NATALIA SALAZAR! THIS N THAT WANTS TO SALUTE A HARD WORKING LADY NATALIA SALAZAR FOR BEING CHOSEN AS "COMMUNITY LEADER OF THE YEAR" BY THE LEAGUE OF UNITED LATIN AMERICAN CITIZENS (LULAC) LAST SATURDAY NIGHT AS PRESIDENT OF THE ARNETT-BENSON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION SHE WORKS REAL HARD KEEPING HER COMMUNITY TOGETHER. THANKS TO COUNCIL NO. 236 FOR MAKING CHOICE.



Ask A.G.

"Dead Beat" and "Dead Broke" Parents

by John Cornyn, Attorney General of Texas

Q: I saw you discussing "dead beat" and "dead broke" parents on the local news. What is that all about?

A: There is a difference between a "Dead Beat" and "Dead Broke" parent. Parents who are able to care for their children financially but refuse to do so are "Dead Beats" and morally bankrupt.

"Dead Beat" parents will continue to face legal consequences such as license suspension, interception of tax returns, income withholding, and potential incarceration for failing to pay child support. License suspension filings increased 31 percent from 1,984 in State Fiscal Year (SFY) 1999 to 2,608 in SFY 2000. The number of dead beat parents put in jail increased 23 percent from 1,196 in SFY 1999 to 1,473 in SFY 2000. The Office of the Attorney General also referred 172 cases to federal and county district attorneys for criminal prosecution in SFY 1999 and SFY 2000.

Parents who want to pay child support but cannot because they don't have a job are "Dead Broke." We help cooperative parents so they can take responsibility for their children. We are not excusing parents for missing child support payments. But we are working with poor and uneducated parents to help them become better providers for their children.

By emphasizing enforcement and

offering needed assistance, I intend to produce better results for the children of Texas — meaning more financial and emotional support from non-custodial parents.

No government program can replace personal responsibility and the involvement of a loving parent. However, by working smarter we can maximize the return on tax money already being spent; and by operating with other organizations, we can make use of private resources. My office has formed a partnership with the Texas Fragile Families Initiative. The Initiative assists young fathers who want to support their children but need assistance to learn basic parenting skills.

These young men face considerable - no job skills, a vague concept of fatherhood and responsibility of caring for a newborn. If they are left to their own devices, the likely outcome is failure and dissolution of a fragile family. With help, the young fathers can learn to be financial and emotional providers.

The Fragile Families Initiative has 12 locations across Texas supported by private funds. My office is playing a vital role by encouraging young fathers of children born out of wedlock to participate in the nearest Fragile Families program.

A substantial number of the child support cases that my office handles involve children who

receive welfare - 200,000 cases involving 350,000 children. Children should receive financial support from both parents, not from taxpayers. By helping parents who are on welfare, we can help families support themselves.

Many if not most of the non-custodial parents from welfare families have few job skills and minimal education. That is why my office and the Texas Workforce Commission established cooperative projects in several Texas cities to help move families from welfare to work.

My Child Support Division refers non-custodial parents of children who receive welfare to job programs provided by the local workforce development board. In some cases, the Court makes participation in the job program a condition of probation.

The partnership with the Texas Workforce Commission is spreading across the state as the 28 local workforce development boards come on line.

For Texas to be truly great, we must do everything within our power to see that every one of our children is a success - not a statistic. We must not leave any child behind.

For more information on child support services offered by the Office of the Attorney General, visit our Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us or call us at (800) 252-8014.

Rev. Jesse Jackson unfortunatly indiscretions

(Editor's note: This editorial appeared in the January 27, 2001 issue of the Chicago Crusader.)

Many people were stunned by the pronouncement by Rev. Jesse Jackson that he had fathered a child out of wedlock. The news has been circulating for a while, however, and there was a lot of speculation about the situation. Rev. Jackson made his statement on the same day that a cover story hit the newsstands about the Reverend's big secret.

Rev. Jackson's story is

one of a long line of politicians whose dirty laundry was discovered and aired for the public. The irony about Rev. Jackson's problem is that his paramour, the mother of his new 20-month-old girl, was four months pregnant with his child during the time he counseled them battled former President Bill Clinton about the Monica Lewinsky debacle. There is, in fact, a photograph with Rev. Jackson, President Clinton,

Karin Stanford, Ph.D., (his baby's momma) and a few other individuals taken at the White House.

This story is becoming all too common, so common that the scenario is bound to play out in a predictable manner. First, Stanford is going to be vilified. Many individuals will automatically put all of the blame on her. In fact, this has already started. The next predictable outcome is that people will rush to Rev. Jackson's side to express forgiveness and support. The third factor is that anyone who expresses an opinion in opposition to the above stances will be attacked verbally and marginalized. The next move will be that people will say that this is a private matter that does not concern the rest of us. African Americans, therefore, will be reluctant to express

a dissenting opinion, lest they be considered traitors.

The bottom line is that, though we should honor the maxim "judge not that ye be not judged," it must be pointed out that this is an unfortunate turn of events for two people who have given a lot to the world. Rev. Jackson is arguably one of the greatest Americans born in the last century. He is a brilliant advocate for the rights of the poor and downtrodden, and his efforts have crossed racial boundaries. Dr. Stanford is a brilliant political scientist who will no doubt be painted in a similar light as Monica Lewinsky. Both Rev. Jackson and Dr. Stanford were consenting adults, and one is no more culpable than the other. In matters of the heart it, takes two to tango, so to speak.

It is really sad that a powerful figure and advocate like Rev. Jackson lacked self-control. He should have known that his enemies, and enemies of African Americans, would seize upon any indiscretion and exploit it. It is no accident that the disclosure in the National Enquirer was timed to coincide with Rev. Jackson's strident opposition to the Ashcroft nomination and with the planned march in Florida to draw attention to the injustice that was done to Black voters on election day. So, to respond to those who say this is a private matter, it is not. When people are as public as Rev. Jackson or Bill Clinton their actions have an impact on the whole society.

We are truly saddened by this state of affairs and encourage Rev. Jackson to continue in the struggle. We need him. He is

too important to the community to be dethroned because he couldn't keep his pants zipped. But we must also remember that he took a huge and dangerous chance by having unprotected sex with a woman who was having unprotected sex with someone else, and then came home to his wife.

Though we acknowledge Rev. Jackson's greatness, we have to remember that this type of behavior is not positive. And, in fact, assails family values. Jackie Jackson is probably heartbroken and embarrassed, no matter what face she shows to the public. The children are also impacted by this.

Who is to say how this will affect their attitudes about marriage and relationships? We send our love and prayers to the Jacksons.

This Way for Black Empowerment by Dr. Lenora Fulani

What I would have said to President Bush

Many of you read about the recent meeting between the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) and President George W. Bush several weeks ago. In my view, the way the played this encounter is exemplary of the problem with so many Black Democratic elected officials. They didn't go to the meeting representing Black America. They went to the meeting representing the Democratic Party.

They complained about unfair ballot counting in the Black districts in Florida, counties which were presided over by Democrat appointed boards. They protested the nomination of John Ashcroft as Attorney General. I am no fan of Ashcroft. But the notion that the future welfare of Black America turns one way or another on John Ashcroft is ridiculous. What's more, if it were true, it would be a staggering measure of the across-the-board failure of 40 years of civil rights leadership. The protest against Ashcroft was simply designed to rally the faithful and raise money for liberal organizations which thrive off of scaring people into thinking that fascism is around the corner.

If I had gone to that meeting with George Bush, here's what I would have

done. I would have sat down and said, OK, Mr. President. Let's talk business. First I want your support for an immediate mobilization of the private sector. I want to raise \$10 billion to fund innovative community programs based on a developmental approach that helps young people perform beyond their capacities. You could call them "no faith-based" in the sense that they are based on having no faith that government-funded programs can be effective because they become too politicized. Alternatively, you call these programs "supplemental education." I want you to introduce up to 100 major business leaders who will pledge to raise that money from corporate America. I have created several model programs - without a dime of government money. You can use them as a model.

Second, what do you intend to do about school vouchers? 80% of parents in Black and Hispanic communities want them. The teachers' unions oppose them, which means the democrats oppose them, which means we're looking at permanent gridlock. Meanwhile, the kids in our communities are suffering in failing schools, because both parties are afraid to go up against the unions. I'm ready to join with

you in a partnership to introduce vouchers, and I will pressure every Black Democrat to support us in doing so.

Third, while we're talking about taking on the unions' influence over public policy, let's talk about corporate influence. Let me be very blunt, Mr. President. You have said you want to address the inequities in our society. You have said you want to reach out to the African American community. Good. Let's talk about poverty. In order to deal with poverty, we must have a redistribution of wealth in this country. I understand that is not the Republican way. It's also not the Democratic Party way, except in so far as it has funded a self-perpetuating poverty industry and used taxpayer money to do it. But to effect an equitable distribution of wealth in a society such as ours means the society must have greater control over the terms on which business does business. Profit making is successful in the context of a social contract, but the American people have had their power to shape and reshape that social contract drastically curtailed.

Therefore, we must have a serious redistribution of political power. I'd like your support for a program of radical political reform that opens up the ballot, the

debates and the voting booth, and which imposes term limits on all elected officials. Ordinary citizens must be empowered. Independents - who are the emerging majority in American politics - support these kinds of reforms. John McCain almost beat you with his anti-corruption pro-reform campaign. That movement has not gone away. I would strongly urge that you and your administration become allies of mine in reforming the American political system.

Do I have an expectation that President Bush would exceed these demands? That's a complicated issue. At one level, no. For President Bush and the Republicans have their own set of institutional ties and class loyalties, just as the Democrats do. However, as far as African Americans are concerned, our greater involvement in independent politics and independent policy making weakens the Democratic coalition. And that, presumably is something that President Bush and the Republicans would take to be in their self-interest. Black America's capacity to pursue such a path requires that we seek out new alliances and new coalitions - as independents - with other sectors of U.S. society. That is the core of my political tactic.

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12Th Annual Mayors' Bean and Cornbread Luncheon

Hospice of Lubbock's 12th Annual Mayors' Beans and Cornbread Luncheon is set for Friday, February 23, 2001 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm (come and go). Tickets for the Mayors' Luncheon are \$10 and may be purchased on the day of the event at the door or in advanced at Hospice of Lubbock located at 1102 Slide Rd., #3 in the Redbud Center. Children under the age of 5 eat free. Entertainment will be provided by Don Caldwell and the Lubbock Texas Rhythm Machine. There will also be a silent auction and door prizes. Now in it's twelfth year, the Mayors' Luncheon had become a tradition in the Lubbock community with over 2,000 people attending yearly.

Mayor Windy Sitton will be joined by several may-

ors from other South Plains communities served by Hospice of Lubbock. Business and civic leaders and volunteers well known in the community also contribute by serving as members of the Mayors' 100. Acting as honorary co-hosts with the mayor, they perform such duties as serving tea and bussing tables.

The mayors' Luncheon benefits Hospice of Lubbock and supports unfunded and under-funded programs and services. As the regions' only non-profit hospice organization, Hospice of Lubbock is committed to the highest quality of compassionate care and support for the terminally ill and their loved ones regardless of their ability to pay. Funds raised by the Mayors' Luncheon help support the service and programs provided by Hospice of

Lubbock. While Medicare, Medicaid or private insurance covers most hospice services provided, some patients have no funding source. **Unfunded care is projected to cost over \$139,000 in the current fiscal year.**

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ports provided through an interdisciplinary team comprised of the patient's physician, nurses, social workers, chaplains, certified nurse's aides and hospice-trained volunteers. This team approach enable Hospice to meet the patient's physical, emotional, spiritual and psychosocial needs. Referrals to Hospice of Lubbock may be made by anyone, but most often come from physicians, families and friends.

Not only is the Mayors' Luncheon a fun time for all who attend, it also offers a unique opportunity to contribute to the needs of persons in Lubbock and surrounding communities who are facing a terminal illness. For more information about the Mayors' Luncheon or Hospice of Lubbock, please call 795-2751.

The Most Popular Mistake in Love— & How not to Make It!

by Carrie Wilson

As Valentine's Day is coming what people are looking to learn about love is in the education of Aesthetic Realism, founded by the great American poet and critic Eli Siegel. Every woman, I learned, is deeply hoping that through a man she can come to be in a more just and exciting relation with the whole world. And every man is hoping for the same thing through a woman. The deepest desire of everyone, Eli Siegel explained, is to like the world.

As big a mistake as any people make in love is thinking we can love a person without liking the world. In fact, love has been equated with making a private world apart with someone, where we are made the most important thing.

The popularity of this mistake can be seen on an Internet love site where more than one woman has chosen as her favorite quotation: "To the world you might be one person,

but to ONE person you might be the world." But when a woman uses a man to make herself superior while the rest of the world is dismissed and turned into dim dishwater, she is going against her own, and the man's, deepest desire.

In his essay, "What Opposes Love?" Eli Siegel wrote: "When we use a person not to like the world but to make ourselves important or successful, we are having contempt both for that person and for the world. We also, though we may not know it, have contempt for ourselves."

This is what I needed to know. I wanted a man I could look up to—someone with a sense of social justice, who loved the arts. But there was something I wanted even more: to have a man treat me as if I were the most beautiful thing in the world. Yet as soon as I managed to get a man to act as if I were the answer he was seeking

to life, I felt at once victorious and disgusted—both with him and with myself—and didn't want to see him anymore. I didn't know why this happened again and again.

When I was 24, I was seeing a man who I'll call Keith Morris, with whom I had broken up several times. I was annoyed when I heard that a mutual friend had told him, "There are plenty of other women out there, she's not made of diamonds." I wanted him to think I was made of diamonds.

In an Aesthetic Realism class, early in my study, I told Mr. Siegel there had been trouble between Mr. Morris and myself, and he asked: "Miss Wilson, do you believe you know how to love?" I answered, "No, I don't." And he explained: "We are ashamed when we feel our care for another is only a care for ourselves. A woman has to ask: 'If I'm uncomfortable with a man, how much is it the man, and how much is it something in me?' No one is wholly satisfied with the way one loves. Every woman has this question: 'How can I meet the right person, and also have the light way of seeing that person?'"

Another crucial question he asked was: "Do you think

women want men to place sex in their lives?" I answered, "No." "That's right," he said. "Women want men to be silly about them. Miss Wilson, you'll never be happy unless you have good will. Good will is the desire to have the other person as completely coordinated, as strong, as fortunate as he can be."

Mr. Siegel was so right! I saw that the way I had been with men—seeing them as beings to be exploited for my own glory—was disrespectful and hurtful, and that this was what had made me feel despair about love.

I came to see what I really wanted was to feel I was a true friend to a man—that I made him stronger, in a better relation with everything, and that he did the same for me. I am grateful that because of what I learned this is so in my marriage to composer Edward Green. And I am proud, as a consultant now on the faculty of the not-for-profit Aesthetic Realism Foundation, to teach other women, in individual consultations given both in person, and by telephone anywhere in the world. For information call (212) 777-4490; or visit <http://www.AestheticRealism.org>.

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Across

- Pearl _____, (pioneer dancer that popularized African and Caribbean dance styles)
- J.J.'s sister on sitcom *Good Times*
- Capital of the country Col'n Powell led the war against
- This baseball team's home state was a slave holder but remained with Union during the Civil War
- Former Nation of Islam leader
- Willie _____, (he was released early from prison and allegedly raped a white woman; former President Bush used the incident as part of his 1988 Presidential campaign)
- Paul _____, (dramatic actor, singer of spirituals, civil rights activist, and political radical)
- Fraternity/sorority marching moves
- _____ wood, (in 1922 a mob of racist whites burned this Black town to the ground)
- Starred in the movie *Love Jones*
- Baby Got _____*, (Sir Mix-a-Lot's 1992 hit)
- Chaka _____, (former lead singer with the group Rufus)
- Governor Henry Clay _____, (Pinckney Pinchback filled in for him and became the first Black governor)
- Group that had the 1982 smash hit, *Cutie Pie*
- Donna _____, (the Queen of Disco)
- The _____, (movie starring Jada Pinkett and Larenz Tate)
- Jacob _____, (he worked with Richard Allen in the early 1800's to create the first Black hymnal)
- Peabo _____, (R&B singer)
- Busta _____, (successful rap group)

Down

- Scott Joplin is known as the "Father" of this style of music
- Famed NAACP leader that was murdered at his home in Miss.
- Nigerian born, U.K. based soul singer who's debut album was titled *Diamond Life*
- Member of the group TLC
- Lewis Latimer was a member of this inventors research team
- An offspring of a Black and a White parent
- Jackie Robinson played his first Major League game at this ballfield in Brooklyn
- Molefi Kete _____, (professor at Temple University who is the founder of the Afrocentric movement that focuses on the study of history from an African viewpoint)
- Billie _____, (known as Lady Day, she was one of the greatest jazz singers of all time)
- Ron _____, (he served 27 years as a U.S. Congressman and was known for his fight to create and increase social programs)
- North Carolina's NBA team
- _____ Woogie, (African American folk style of piano playing)
- Known for 1960 hit, *The Twist*
- In 1922 Anna Arnold Hodgeman became the first Black to graduate from this univ. in St. Paul, Minn.
- Ken _____, (Ali beat him in 1976)
- Maxine _____, (she represents California's 35th District in the U.S. House of Rep.
- _____ Dance, (Digital Underground's 1993 rap hit)
- Hooded hate group
- Celestial body

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TITUS 1:2, IN HOPE OF ETERNAL LIFE, WHICH GOD, THAT CANNOT LIE, PROMISED BEFORE THE WORLD BEGINS.

BUT THEN CAME THE 60'S, THE DEVIL SAID: EVERYONE RIGHTS WAS HIS OWN'S; EVERYONE WAS TO DO THEIR OWN THING; WHETHER RIGHT OR WRONG.

PROVERB 12:15, THE WAY OF A FOOL IS RIGHT IN HIS OWN EYES; BUT HE THAT HEARKENETH UNTO COUNSEL IS WISE.

FROM THE DISOBEDIENT MARCH; NOT OBEYING THE LAW; ITS CALLED PROGRESS; NOW ITS IN THE CHURCHES, HOMES, SCHOOLS, AND JOBS; WE'RE NOW IN A MESS!!!

LUKE 6:39, JESUS SAID, CAN THE BLIND LEAD THE BLIND? SHALL THEY BOTH FALL INTO THE DITCH?

LORD, FROM THAT NO RIGHT TO OBEY THE LAW; CAME NO PRAYER IN SCHOOL; THE LEADERS HAVE ALLOWED: GUNS, SEX, DRUGS AND KILLINGS; WHO IS THE FOOL???

ROMANS 1:21,22, BECAUSE THAT, WHEN THEY KNEW GOD, THEY GLORIFIED HIM NOT AS GOD, NEITHER WERE THANKFUL; BUT BECAME VAIN IN THEIR IMAGINATIONS(DREAMS), AND THEIR FOOLISH HEART WAS DARKENED. PROFESSING THEMSELVES(THE CHURCHES) TO BE WISE, THEY BECAME FOOLS.

(FOR YOU THAT BELIEVE THAT LIE; PRAYER IS NOT IN SCHOOLS; BEHOLD, PRAYER IS IN THE CHILD; TEACH HIM OR HER AT HOME TO PRAY, THEN SEND THEM TO SCHOOL. PRAYER IS LIKE THE CHURCH; ITS NOT ON THE CORNER, THE CHURCH IS--IN THE PERSON; THE BUILDING IS EMPTY WHEN THE PEOPLE GO HOME; SO THE WORD OF GOD IS RIGHT: THEY BECAME FOOLS!!! PRAYER IS NOT WHEN YOU'RE PRAYING OUT LOUD; PRAYER IS IN THE HEART.)

JAMES 5:16,b, THE EFFECTUAL FERVENT(INTELLIGENCE) PRAYER OF A RIGHTEOUS MAN AVAILETH(ACCOMPLISHES) MUCH.

THE CHURCH AND ITS RIGHTS; LED THE YOUNG TO ROB, STEAL, KILL, AND GO TO JAIL IT WAS SUPPOSE TO HAVE BEEN TEACHING; WAYS TO STAY OUT OF HELL.

PROVERB 14:12, THERE IS A WAY WHICH SEEMETH RIGHT UNTO A MAN, BUT THE END THEREOF ARE THE WAYS OF DEATH.

LORD, NOW THERE IS NOW SIN IN THE WHITE HOUSE, CHURCH HOUSE, JUST A LITTLE SIN; DISOBEDIENCE; IT WAS NOT KICKED OUT!!!

1 CORINTHIANS 5:2,5,6, YE ARE PUFFED UP, AND HAVE NOT RATHER MOURNED, THAT HE THAT HATH DONE THIS DEED MIGHT BE TAKEN AWAY FROM AMONG YOU. TO DELIVER SUCH AN ONE UNTO SATAN FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF THE FLESH, THAT THE SPIRIT MAY BE SAVED IN THE DAY OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST. YOUR GLORYING IS NOT GOOD. KNOW YE NOT THAT A LITTLE LEAVEN (SIN) LEAVENETH THE WHOLE LUMP?

GOD IS NOT THROUGH WITH US YET. SO LETS PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER ALWAYS. WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY B.J. MORRISON, III, YOUR BROTHER IS CHRIST JESUS!!!

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

Some of the members of the outreach prayer breakfast attended the Women of Virtue conference last Saturday. We were blessed by doing so. We give a special Thanks to sister Shirley Cleveland, President of Lyon Chapel Missionary Society.

"Giving Thanks"
Giving Thanks for all things. You might say, why give thanks? For all things. You know why, the Bible says so. The praise of go drives back the enemy and brings down blessings of God. Don't dwell on what the Enemies are doing. Let's keep our eyes on Jesus. When the families of this nation get them-

selves together and began to heal so will the schools, communities, cities, and governments will also begin to heal.

When God is not represented in a place, then enemy claims it for himself, and when he does, Evil spreads like wild fire and takes over our homes, our children, Husbands and wives.

Not only them but our families members, neighborhoods, and eventually all over the world. He said in the scripture, Don't be furious, but really don't walk in fear. He hands already been whipped at the cross. He said, Revisit him and he will flee.

Parents, some of you're wondering how come your little Johnny is out of control, and you raised him right. And now, he wants to jump on you, steal from you, have no love for you, takes your money, and thinks nothing of it.

Parents, your warfare is not against flesh and blood. You can't fight with guns, locks, safety bars, tanks, and bombs. It won't work. Parents, join the army of God, and put on the whole armor, and that powerful weapon is the word and prayer. We're ready for battle, and you know what, we win. It only takes two or three.

Read Ephesians 6: 10-18. Get ready - Get Ready - Get Ready.

Keep reading. We thank you for doing so. Come by and you are welcome!

Keep those drive bys going through you community, school, and for the leaders of our great city.

Read your bible. It will make a difference in you life. read II Chronicles 7:14; MARK 11: 22-26.

Sister Dorthy Hood, President; Sister Christene Burleson, Vice President. Sister Roachell Thompson, secretary.



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

Who Would Be Free, Themsevels Must Strick the Blow

Part 5

What troubles Parson Smith in February 2001 is the political and racial climate that exists in Lubbock, Texas and across America. Who would be free, themselves must strike the blow.

Again I ask, are the words of Douglass, "Who would be free, themselves must strike the first blow" empty and vain in the 21st Century? No! His words still live. I remember in my early ministry hearing the voices of Blacks of African Ancestry of Wesleyan or Methodist tradition singing a hymn of Isaac Watts in the tune Arlington Common Meter, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross?" The following words of the hymn had great meaning to a people of African Ancestry struggling for their civil rights:

Am I a soldier of the cross,
A follower of the Lamb,
And shall I fear to own His cause,
Or blush to speak His name?

Must I be carried to the skies
On flowery beds of ease,
While other fought to wind the prize,
And sail through bloody seas?

Sure I must fight if I would reign;
Increase my courage Lord;
I'll bear the toil, endure the pain,
Supported by Thy word.

Remembering the words of Douglass ("In contemplating the little progress made by the colored people in the acquisition of property in the South, and their present wretched condition, the circumstances of their emancipation should not be forgotten. Measurement in their case should not begin from the height yet to be attained by them but from the depths whence they have come. It should be remembered by our severe judges that freedom came to us not from the sober dictates of wisdom, or from

any normal condition of things, not as a matter of choice on the part of the landowners of the South, nor from moral consideration on the part of the North. It was born of battle and of blood. It came across fields of smoke and fire strewn with wounded, bleeding, and dying men.

Not from the Heaven of Peace amid the morning stars, but from the hell of war - out of the tempest and whirlwind of warlike passions, mingled with deadly hate and spirit of revenge; it came, not so much as boon to us as a blast to the enemy. Those whom the measure was directed where the landowners and they were not angels, but men, and, being men, it was to be expected they would resent the blow. They did resent it, and a part of that resentment unhappily fell upon us.") calls our attention once again to the fact that freedom come with a price. If we are to win the battle for our freedom in the 21st Century, we must use every available means of the legal system to free ourselves of the tyranny of white conservatives males in America.

This month, a hate crimes bill meant to toughen penalties for crimes directed against minorities, women, gays, and other groups won final approval from a key Senate Committee in Austin, Texas. The Senate Criminal Justice Committee, the same panel that rejected a similar bill in a contentious debate in 1999, approves the measure five to one. The bill must now go to the full Texas Senate. This will give us an opportunity to take a deep look at Senator Robert Duncan.

The bill approved enhances the penalty for crimes motivated by race, religion, color, disability, sexual orientation, national origin, or ancestry. Under the bill, defendants would be more harshly punished for crimes if a jury concludes their action was motivated by hate.

The bill named "The James Byrd Jr. Act" after the black man who was dragged to his death behind a pickup in East Texas in 1998 by three white supremacists, was voted against by a West Texas white conservative, Senator Ted Bivins, Republican of Amarillo. Governor Rick Perry has said he would carefully consider the bill "if" it makes it to his

Let Blacks of African Ancestry remember, "Who would be free, themselves must strike the blow." Coming soon: "How white male conservatives use the legal system to make slaves forever of young black males through the use of the Criminal Justice System."

"Thank You"

To the following supporters of my Black Chamber Roasting: Rev. Wendell Davis & Lyons Chapel Baptist Church Mr. T.J. Patterson & Mrs. Kathyl Anderson, Lubbock Black Chamber; Mrs. Jewel Love, Mallroy Parks; Mrs. Mary Cofield, San Angelo, Texas; Mr. & Mrs Joe Straws, Colorado Springs, Colorado; Mr & Mrs. Warren Walker; Texas Tech Schol of Nursing, Wellness Center; All of my friends at Texas Tech Health Science Center school of Nursing, May God Bless each of you!
Katie Parks

The Men of God Fraternity, Inc. present the Kingdom Conference: A Meeting of the Kingdom Warriors Saturday, February 24th at the Human Science Bldg. on the Texas Tech Campus. Conference starts at 10am. For more information contact Rodney Shepherd at 724-5082 or look at www.geocities.com/memof-godchristianfraternity.

AARP Meet March 1st

The Public is invited to attend the AARP monthly meeting set for thursday afternoon, March 1, 2001, beginning at 1:30 pm at Mea Simmons senior citizen center. There will also be a membership drive.

Guest speaker will be Mrs. Kristi Crader of the South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG). Her subject will be "area agency on aging."

Refreshments will be served. So please be in attendance, because the subject is important.

For more information, call Mrs. Jewell Love at 747-9873 or Mrs. Katie Parks at 747-2429.

Come! join us as we sing for joy to the Lord; help us shout aloud to the rock of our salvation.



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South Plains College City of Lubbock Administrator to Speak to Area High School Students



Quincy White, Lubbock's assistant city manager for administrative services, will be keynote speaker next week for Black History Month and Senior Sneak Preview presentations at South Plains College in Levelland.

White will talk about black inventors, surgeons and other African-Americans who had a positive impact on American history during a noon program Tuesday (Feb. 20) as part of Black History Month festivities at SPC.

The program will be in the snack bar area of the Student Center. Ruby Moultrie, assistant professor of music, will sing "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" and the black national anthem, "Lift Every Voice and Sing."

Delia Allen, a freshman music education major from Lubbock, will sing "Amazing Grace" and a selection to be announced. The activities are sponsored by SPC's Black Student Organization.

On Thursday, Feb. 22, White, a first-generation college student himself, will talk about

"College Success 101," a session for first-time students in college and first-generation college students. The optional session at 10:30 a.m. in the Sundown Room kicks off Senior Sneak Preview, designed for high school seniors who want to explore future careers and get a taste of college life. Senior Sneak Preview includes registration and a noon luncheon in Texan

Dome, campus tours, visits with college faculty and students, a look at college facilities, entertainment, free tickets to varsity basketball action that evening and an information session for parents at 2:30 p.m. in the Student Services Building. "College Success 101" is designed to help students attending college for the first time to take the first step toward college success. White will discuss issues affecting first-generation and first-time college students, and provide helpful hints on college preparation.

"The transition from high school to college is more difficult if your parents did not go to college," said Gracie Quinonez, multicultural coordinator and diversity counselor at SPC who is helping to coordinate the special presentation. "Students need someone to show them the ropes and help them through the adjustment process. That's why it is important that they reach out during that first crucial semester in college for support and learn how to use the many resources that are available to them."

Quinonez feels White's talk will be a plus for the College Success 101 session. "Because Mr. White is a leader in business and an advocate for the community, he serves as a positive role model for young people. He is also a dynamic and articulate speaker."

White, a Lubbock native, graduated from Dunbar High School in 1965. He and his sister were the first in their

family to attend college, and he attended Prairieview A&M University in Prairieview. Although he didn't earn a college degree, White feels he gained "maturity, discipline, ambition and determination," qualities which helped launch him into a successful business career and his current work in city management. He also feels his college experiences helped inspire his children and nieces and nephews to attend college. They have all since graduated.

Following his own stint at college, White later played professional basketball three years with the Harlem Stars and joined Xerox Corp in 1981. He became a district sales manager in 1983 and motivated his sales staff to a top five percent national ranking. He moved to Federal Express in 1984, where he established and managed a district office to market a new electronic mail product.

White returned to Lubbock in 1990 and has since served in a variety of posts—as program director for the drug elimination program and later executive director for the Lubbock Housing Authority, executive director of the Lubbock Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs, and youth services coordinator, interim recruitment coordinator and assistant director of human resources. He became assistant city manager for administrative services last fall and oversees the finance, human resources, information technology and management services divisions.

KNOW YOUR CITY GOVERNMENT by Eddie P. Richardson

(This is a series of stories which will give the citizens a close look at their city government, namely; its origin, function, every department, and other important matters. This information was supplied by the Texas Municipal League (TML) Tony Privitt, Lubbock Public Information officer.)

We have run the Mayor of Lubbock. Now we will be in a series featuring each City Council member. We will follow the sequence with District 1, and continuing through District 6.

The city council, along with the mayor, conducts business, performs ceremonial duties, listens to boards and commissions' reports, and acts on the information presented to them. The city council also hires the city manager, city attorney, and city secretary as required by the Lubbock City Charter.

The City Council is responsible for setting the annual budget, and voted upon in open setting after holding a public hearing. Also responsible for voting on bids and purchase in open session.

Director of Strategic Planning Jim Bertram



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His responsibilities include overseeing Comprehensive Planning, Emergency Management, Reese Redevelopment and Neighborhood Services. He has been working with municipal government since 1968, including two years with the City of Wichita Falls.

Mr. Bertram earned a Bachelor of Science from Texas Tech University in Park Administration. He has continued his graduate studies on land use law urban design and special problems in city planning.

Attention All Diabetics

There will be a Diabetes Forum Sponsored by Churches United for Kingdom Building & The Department of Internal Medicine at TTUHSC

Smoking Cessation and the Risk for Diabetes-Related Kidney Disease in African Americans.

Saturday, February 24, 2001
9:00 - 11:00 am

To be held at New Hope Baptist Church
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Rev. B.R. Moton, Pastor

• Breakfast will be provided •

For more information contact:
Donald Wesson, MD or Cathy Hudson, CRC
at 743-3155

Contract Ready to be Signed

Father Malcom Neyland, Director of the Vatican Art Exhibition 2002, and Dr. Gary Edson, Director of the Texas Tech Museum will lead a contingent to the Vatican to sign contract for the exhibit.

The group, including Congressman Larry Combest, will leave Friday, February 16th for meetings in Rome.

"The negotiations for the contract have taken us more than a year to complete But, as

you can imagine, the language is very important" said Father Neyland.

Thirty frescos, from the 13th through 16th centuries, will be on display at the Texas Tech Museum for a three month exhibit in 2002. The showing will open in June and close at the end of August. And it will be the first time the ancient art work will leave Italy.

"We are very fortunate

to get this caliber of art work for a showing, in Lubbock" According to Father Neyland. The Exhibit will also include frescos on loan from the HOuston Museum and artifacts currently housed in museums in Mexico City.

"We'll have an original letter written by Christopher Columbus among the artifacts coming from Mexico. I think everyone is going to love this show," said Father Neyland.

More Jobs for South Plains Communities

Recruiting, training and retaining — those are the hot topic when it comes to the South Plains Regional Workforce. But how can these issues be fully developed? Market Lubbock, Inc. has the answer.

Market Lubbock, Inc. has taken a proactive approach in addressing workforce development issues by creating the Community

Workforce Partnership.

To learn more about workforce tools and the initiatives of the Partnership, please join us on Friday, February 16, 2001 at the Lubbock Country Club, from 10:00am to 4:00pm for the first Regional Workforce Conference sponsored by the Community Workforce Partnership.

More than 250 people

from across the South Plains Region have been invited to take part in this first conference. Invited guests include city managers, mayors, economic development corporations, Superintendents and Chambers of Commerce.

For more information or to register for the Regional Workforce Conference, Contact Linda Whiteman, 749-4500.

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