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- African American Chamber of Commerce, Lubbock meets on the 3rd monday of each month, from 3:30-6:30pm at the Parkway Community Center, 405 MLK Blvd., 806-771-1815
- Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00pm at the Patterson Branch Library
- Hub City Kiwanis meets every Tuesday, 7:00pm, 1708 Avenue G.
- Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm
- Booke, T. Washington American Legion Post 808 meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon
- Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm. Patterson I ibrar
- East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets eve. 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm. Mae Simmons Community Center
- Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3.1 Tuesday, 5:50 pm, TIU Merket Alumni Center
- Dunbar/Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 3rd Thursday at 6:00 pm 1303 East 24th St. (outreach center/party house)
- West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturday of each month at 7:00 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations.
- Texas Juneteenth Cultural & Historical Commission - Labbook Affiliate meets at Patterson Branch Library every 3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm
- West Texas Native American Association meets 2nd Saturday each month at Groves Library, 5520 19th Street, 7:30 p.m.
- West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men meets the 3rd Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Parkway Neighborhood Center.
- The Parkway Guadalupe & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 pm at Parkway Neighborhood Center.

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BCT soldiers break down cultural barriers, build friendship while in Iraq

By Musier Sgt. Lek Mateo 56th Brigade Combat Team Public Affairs Office Texas Army National Guard

AN NASARIYAH, Imq (Oct. 15, 2005) - Soldiers are highly trained and prepared to engage the enemy on the battlefield with lethal fire power, but civil affairs (CA) team members of the Texas Army National Guard's 56th Brigade Combat Team, 36th Infantry Division, are learning another rewarding method of engagement diplomacy - and the weapon they rely on is understanding.

The CA Soldiers regularly meet with local civic leaders and tribal shells to discuss issues and help them nominate various public works projects to their government that will benefit the people living in their area.

Capt. Jason C. Beaty, of Albuquerque, N.M., and a civil affairs officer of the 2nd/142nd Infantry Battalion, based in Lubbook, Texas, got a rare insight into the Iraqi culture when he and his men were invited to lunch with Sheik Tayser Mohammed Al Manshad, of the Al Ghizzie tribe in southern Iraq.

The informal luncheon meeting was held in the village guest house where Soldiers and tribal leaders saton the floor together to share a traditional Iraqi meal of lamb and beef and afterwards drink "Chai," a popular very sweet hot tea.

very important to listen to all of their issues, no matter how minor some may seem. He said they can be anyfew lost sheep that may have wanproposing construction of a new roadway or school in their village.

"We take every issue that they Beaty said. "It is important that we maintain a positive working relationship with the village leaders because they have a lot of influence in the community."

The captain said he appreciates being able to experience the rich Iraqi culture first hand and thinks that it is very important for every Soldier to have a chance to interact with the because it will give them a better ture. appreciation and understanding of their lifestyle and culture.

their culture and puts you at eye level with the people when you are invited into meir homes and experience their hospitality," Captain Beaty said.

Austin, Texas, and a fire support offi-



Iraqi tribal leaders and Texas Army National Guard Soldiers sit down to a luncheon made in the Soldiers' honor during a visit to a local village in southern Iraq. The Guardamen belong to the 2nd Battalion, 142nd Infantry Regiment, 56th Brigade Combat Team, 36th Infantry Division. (Army photo by Master Sgt. Lex Mateo, 56th Brigade Public Affairs Office)

kabobs, which in fraqi custom are cer of the 3rd Battalion, 133rd Field made especially for honored guest, Artillery Regiment, based in El Paso, Texas, explained that he is trained as a field artillery officer to direct lethal Captain Beaty stressed that it is fire from howitzers and rockets to destroy tactical targets miles away.

Now he is working with the CA team and using non-lethal methods thing from trying to find out about a bike building schools and distributing donated school supplies to make a dered onto a nearby coalition base to big impact on the lives of the Iraqi people ... especially the children.

"Our Soldiers enjoy helping the Iraqi government build schools the bring to us very seriously," Captain most because we all know that it is for the children and they are going to be the future of a new Iraq," Lieutenant Alderman said.

Sgt. Edward I. Freeman, of Lubbock, Texas, said he thinks it would be a good thing for Soldiers to get out and meet the Iraqi people because it will give everyone a chance to know one another better and dispel some of the stereotypes Iraqi people whenever they can that they have about each other's cul-

"If everyone had a chance to get out and visit some of the villages like "It gives you a better respect for "I have, it would definitely open their eyes so they can see that the Iraqis are really good people," the sergeant saidSergeant Freeman also said he was honored to be invited to the First Lt. David P. Alderman, of home of the sheik to have lunch and was humbled to be allowed to eat the



A Texas National Guardsman stirs a class of hot "Chai," a traditional sweet tea as he listens to Iraqi tribel leaders discuss issues during a luncheon meeting at a local village in southern Iraq. (Army photo by Master Sgt. Lek Mateo, 56th Brigade Public Affairs Office)

meal before his host, which is an Iraqi custom that made him feel a little more special. He added that Iraqi food was unique and tasty but admitted he would rather have Texas bar-

becue if he had a choice. Spc. Brent Cruz, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2/142nd, agreed with the sergeant about the food served at hinch but said that it was pretty simjiar to some of the food esten back at



Sgt. Edward I. Freeman, of Lubbock, listens as iraql tribal leaders discuss issues during a luncheon meeting at a local village in southern Iraq. Sergeant Freeman belongs to the 2nd Battalion, 142nd Infantry Regiment, 56th Brigade Combat Team, 36th Infantry Division, Texas Army National Guard. (Army photo by Master Sgt. Lek Mateo, 56th Brigade Public Affairs Office)

The 24-year-old resident of the Iraqi people live. Crosbyton, Texas, noted that this was the first time that he has traveled out- ory of having lunch with a sheak that side of the United States and was very privileged to see first hand, how return home," Specialist Cruz said.

"I'll always take back the mem-I will tell my children about when I

Lubbock's bond rating improves to "positive" with

(Opinion issued by Moody's Investors Service)

NEW YORK, Nov 22, 2005 -Moody's Investors Service has revised the outlook to positive from stable for the City of Lubbock's A1. general obligation bond rating affecting \$391 million in purity debt. The positive outlook reflects Moody's belief that the City has made a substantial effort to improve financial operations which could lead to a rating upgrade if recent positive trends continue over the medium term. (General obligation bonds are indebtedness for capital improvements, i.e., parks, facilities, etc., approved by voters through a bond election.)

As noted in prior arelysis, questions arose in the past wearding previous financial management; however, recent changes in management and prodest fiscal decisions have supported improved financial operations. Fiscal 2003 general fund oper-Liters weakaned resulting in the garsend fund believe decreasing from \$18.6 million, or 21.5% of General management is able to establish a

revenues in fiscal 2003. However, in fiscal 2004, City officials eliminated staff and made significant budget the General Fund balance to \$12.7 million, or 13% of General Fund 15%enues. In fiscal 2005, the unsudited rest is indicate the fund balance will subsequently increase to \$15.2 milfrom due to ongoing expenditure controls and conservative budgeting for revenues at dexpenditures. The fund balance will be further bolatered by a one time transfer from the risk munagement fund which will increase the total reserve to \$19 million, or 20%. of revenues. City officials report that they intend to maintain the fund balance at a level equal to at least 20%: going forward. The 2006 budget is balanced but conservative estimates could result in an additional surplus.

For the limit time, the 2006 hadget includes a five year financial Frecast. The forecast is an example of the long term planting Moody's has requested and reflects positively on the new mant enjets. As new Fund revenues in fiscal 2002 to \$9.4 trend of autilized financial spera-

million, or 11.6% of General Fund tions in the General Fund and City is financially sound and fiscally demonstrate a commitment to maintain healthy General Fund reserves, upward pressure on the rating could cuts which resulted in an increase in result. "As a result of fiscal restraint and good financial management, the City has overcome the tough financial challenges it has faced over the last several years. The positive outlook on our bond mains acknowledg, a our improved financial standing brought about by this council and our management team. Better bond ratings ultimately impact each citizen in the form of lower taxes," Mayor Pro Tem Tom Martin said.

Outhook

The positive outlook reflects Moody's belief that over the next two years, we will see continued significant improvement in General Fund fiscal management which will support a rating upgrade for the City's general obligation rating. Over this timeframe, the City will have final 2005 aushied results, 2006 nutited restalts and projections for fitted 2007. City Manager Live Arm. Dambaold proof, "A top priority of the City Council is to course that the responsible. The Council's leadership in establishing long-range financial plans and policies has gained the attention of Moody's Investor's Service, resulting in this improved outlook on our bond riting." KEY STATISTICS:

2005 Population: 209,120 Direct debt burden excluding selfsupporting debt: 2.7%

Overall debt burden excluding selfsupporting debt: 4.3% Payout, 10 years: 54.1% 2006 Full Valuation: \$9.3 billion Full Value per Capita: \$43,269 2004 General Fund balance: \$12.7 million (13.0% of General Fund rev-

2004 Findesignated General Fund balance: \$12.1 million (12.4% of General Fund revenues)

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The Southwest Digest

If you find mistakes in this publication, please consider that they are there for a reason. We publish something for everyone, and some people are always looking for mistakes.

By Doris Reynolds If you have decorated your aged to bring still and video nicely at her residence, and is

the neighborhood, you can do just that. You may enter into the q0th Annual Lights in Lubbock. if you are a resident of the Chatman Hill Neighborhood will be determining who the winners will be by December winner, you will able to compete for the City Wide affort. For more information, call Carey Don Childers, Chatman 1112 Neighborhood Association president, at 762-0464. The City December 16th, from 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.

the Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association.

know that Santa Land will open just inside the East Broadway entrance to Mackenzie Park.

49 years for the young people of Lubbock with Santa Claus and there is nightly entertainment should say 'Praise the Lord!'" and a 60 foot artificial Christmas tree. It will be open from December 10th thru our sick and shut-in citizens of December 23rd.

home for the Christmus cameras for pictures with Santa able to attend church services. Holidays, and you want to com- Clause or purchase pictures

Minister Dimples Wolker Sunday afternoon, December 4, 2005, beginning at 3:30 p. m. at Association, cour association the New Hope Baptist Church, presentation, baptism and com-12th. If your home is declared a munica will follow. To God be the glory!

Two pews on the south side of the Bethel African Methodist Episco I Church were filled Wide judging will take place Family last Sunday morning, November 27, 2005, as they were present in honor of Mr. So, let's get involved and and Mrs. Lester (Buleah) show off some of our talents in Winters as they celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary Saturday, November 26th. A meces of the couple, Sister Jean For our young children, let them Franklin, sung a solo entitled \ "Amazing Grace." What a at 6:00 p. m. on December 10th, blessing it was for all present. Will be-held at the Christ As the Winters were acknowledged by Rev. Eddie L. This Lubbock holiday tradi- Everline, Jr., they were given tion has been done for the past applause by the congregation. As Pastor Everline uttered, "This is a mil stone, and we

Let us continue to pray for tor. the community. God is able. There is no admission Among them include Sister charge, and visitors are encour- Coleman who is recuperating

5.00

Let us not forget those who pote for the best decorated in with Santa Claus for \$5 a piece. have lost loved ones. Those families include the David Crockett "Sonny" Fair, Family will preach her initial sermon and George Scott, Jr. Family. Your prayers me so precious for these families.

Brother Fair's services were 2002 Birch Avenue. After her held Saturday, November 26th, at 12 noon at the New Hope Baptist Church. The funeral services for Brother Scott were Tuesday morning, November 29th, at the Greater St. Luke Laptist Church.

Also, funeral services for with members of the Cage Sister Bonnie Jeyce Westbrook were held Tuesday afternoon, November 29th, at the Agape Temple COGIC.

Word was received that Sister Lee Etta Barnett, mother of Sister Alma Colquitt, was fineralized Wednesday, November 23rd.

The 26th Women's annual Temple Church of God in Christ, 2411 Fir Avenue, December 3rd and 4th. The theme will be "Spirit-Fitled Women Making A Difference In The World." First Mother Myrna Haynes is conductor. Supt. W. David Haynes is pas-

All ladies are asked to come and wear their beautifu! hats on Sunday afternoon, December 4th, beginning at 3:30 p.m.

Carol of Lights festivities to occur Friday at Tech

Memorial Circle, Engineering Key and the Broadway entrance, will be it as the hig/ tight of the annual Carol of Linhts, Friday (Dec. 2).

Fancy Pants

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blouse or sweater and of

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days. Colors... black, cal.

AT YOUR PTTTER

FASHION TIP: Always wear a smile!

DEPARTMENT STORES.

Walter To

The 47th annual event, with a theme of "A Season to will be available at the door. Remember with commence with Proceeds benefit the scholarship a civillation per or to 10 p.m. M. P. Gond of the Texas Tech University p.mac.time Saidle Training Tourist Tourist Tourist Tourist Office of Visual and Performing Light Processional will imaginary. Arts. the university seal at the Broadway entrance and will follow the luminimiz-lighted route

second Memorial Circle to the

Science Quadrangle. The Texas Tech Trombone Choir, under the direction of Don Lucas, will accompany the Texas Tech University combined choirs, under the direction of John Dickson. Karl Dent of the School of Music will sing "O Holy Night" followed by comments from dignitaries and the lighting of the lights.

Festivities will continue with a Association.

More than 25,000 colored carol concert at 8 p.m. in the lights, illuminating 13 buildings Hemmle Recital Hall, featuring around Texas Tech University's the University Singers and the University Choir, Tickets are available through Select-A-Seat and are \$13 for idults, \$10.50 for service citizens and \$10 for studeats. A limited number of tickets

> A team from the Texas Tech physical plant has been hanging lights since early October. Preparation for the Carol of Lights also includes the placing of 3,000 luminarias around Memorial Circle by Alpha Phi Omega and Chi Rho fraternities and the hanging of a 20-foot fresh pine wreath by members of the Women's Service Organization.

The Carol of Lights is sponsored by the Texas Tech University Residence Halls







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Christ Temple Church of God in Christ 2411 Fir Avenue, * ubbock Supt. W. David Haynes, Pastor

26th women's Annual Securday, Dec. 3 - 7:30pm e: Spirit-filled Women Making a Difference In the World

Speaker Saturday, Dec. 3 Pastor Linda Sawyer

G = Christian Fellowship.

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Speaker Sunday, Dec. 4 State Sug-envisor Weenen TNW

Co-conductors: Mother Gertrude Holmes and

Sunday Featuring "Women in Crown of Glory Come and wear your beouttful hart

Remembrance

November 26, 2005, at the New

Church, begin-

Baptist

Hope

Burial was held in the City of

Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of McCarty Funeral Home in

Littlefield with M. C. Brock direct-

in Lubbock to D. C. and Corine Fair,

Sr. He graduated from Dunbar High

of Arts degree from Samuel Huston

College and his master of Education

degree from Texas Tech University.

the United States Army. He taught

in the Lubbock Independent School

District for many years and was a

executive director of the Lubbock

ter, Sonya Fair (Cassie) of Houston;

son, David B. (Maragie) Fair of El

Dorado Hills, California; grandchil-

dren, Tyrone (Carloine) Fair, Kristal

Fair, Joshua Fair, and Jeremiah

David Crockett Fair; sister-in-law,

Freddie Garney and husband Pete,

all of California; and many friends.

Funeral services for a longitude

Tuesday morning.

November 29,

2005, at the

Greater St. Luke

Baptist Church

with Rev. J. H.

Ford, pastor, offi-

ciating. He was

assisted by Rev. J.

Harnes and Rev.

Interment was held in Peaceful

citizen, George Scott, Jr., were held

Mr. Fair is survived by a daugh-

Housing Anthority.

George Scott, Jr.

W. D. Devis.

Mr. Fair served his country in

He was born August 27, 1926,

David Crockett "Sonny" Fair, Gardens Mcmorial Park in the first African American adminis-

A longtime Lubbock citizen, David Crockett, Jr., passed away here Friday, November 13, 2005, at Garrison Geriatria

Education and Care Center. Funeral services were held Saturday,

ning at 12 noon.

Active pallbearers were Calvin Davis, Merron Teague, Gregory Jackson, John Washington, Vernon Blake and Hank Jackson.

Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

Leroy Moore, Marcus Haynes, Ray Joinson, Romeo Fowell, Paul Williams and Charles Garcia. Also, members of Kappa Alpha Psi Fratemity, Inc., Greater St. Luke Baptist Church Board of Trustees and 100 Black Men.

residence on Wednesday, November

He was born September 7, 1926, in Sugar Creek Taft, Oklahoma. He was the eldest of four children born to Elizabeth Brembry Scott and George Scott, Sr.

He attended Taft Public School School, and received his Bachelor and Manual Training High school in Muskogee, Oklahoma. He attended Langston University for two years when World War II interrupted his college education. After serving two years in the United States Army, he was honorably discharged and returned to college. Mr. Scott earned visiting teacher. He was also an his Bachelor of Science degree in 1949 from Langston University.

His first teaching job was in Fredrick, Oklahoma where he was Head Coach and a Mathematics teacher. For two consecutive years, he coached the high school football team to the Oklahoma State finals.

During the 1952-53 school year, he taught in Guthrie, Oklahoma where he was Head Coach. In 1953, he became Head Coach of the Dunbar High School Panthers in Lubbock, Texas, and served in that capacity until 1959. During his tenure as Head Coach of the Panthers, he won the District Championship.

In 1960, he was named Assistant Principal to Professor E. C. Struggs at Dunbar after receiving his Master of Science degree from Prairie View A&M University. In 1964, he was named Principal t Dunbar and served in that capacity until 1969.

A driving force to integrate Texas Tech University, he became

Woodrow under the direction of trator. From 1969 until 1991, he served as Associate Dean of Students and Associate to the Vicc-President for Student Affairs at Texas Tech University.

Mr. Scott was actively involved Honorary pallbearers were in many local, state, and national organizations and served as a voluntoer for tutoring, mentoring, and Parenting programs. He was a lifetime member of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., and the Langston University Alumni Association. He was strong member Mr. Scott departed this life in his of the American Legion, Booker T. Washington, Post 808 for over 43 venrs. He served as Vice Commander for a majority of the time. He received many awards for his outstanding contributions to the

He was a member of Greater St. Luke Baptist Church for more than 50 years where he served in many capacities including chairperson of the Trusiee Board.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Lucia Scott; son, George Scott, III; and daughter, Renee Scott.

He leaves to cherish his memories: two sisters, Jacqueline Tollett and Tommy Joyce Williams; son, Donald J. Scott, Sr., daughter, Carol Vinnette Wilson; grandchildren: Donall Carver, Christy Brookfield, Tara Renee Scott, Donald Avery Scot, II, Annie Jeaneele Battle, Eva Jennifer Scott, and Troyor Donaldson; seven great-grandchildren, and a host of other relatives

Bonnie Joyce Westbrook Funeral services for Bonnie

Joyce Westbrook were held



Wastbrook

Tuesday afternoon, November 29th, at the Agape Temple COGIC. Burial was held

in the Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow under the direction of

Griffin Funeral and Mortuary. She passed away Tuesday, November 22, 2005.

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We Thank God for Jesus

Lord, If You Came Today, Would I Be Off Base?

Written by Evanguilist Billy "BJ." Montac will - Your Roother in Christ Jesus 2 Ways.

Revelation 3:20 - Junessaid, behold. I stand at the doorand I nock. If any man age of my voice and open the door, I will he with me.

even now, at your front door this day? Would you say, come on in Lord, or would you have to say, "Lord, wait!"

Matthew 24:43 - Jesus said. know this, that if the Goodman of the house had known in what watch (hour) the thief would come. He would have watched, and would not have suffered (allowed) his house to be broken пр:

*** Would A Prescher Reb God?? ***

Preachers, would you have to change your sermon from begging man's gold to the Lasiness of the kingdom of God, and

Galatians 1:6-8 - I marvel that you are so som removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel, which is not another, but there are some that trouble you and ould prevent the gospel of Christ. But though, we or an angel from acaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you. Let him be accursed (bitter-Li cursed).

*** Will A Deacon Rot God??? ***

trantivly turn around to hide the pura books, and mulity from the VCR. would your Bible be

Luka 21:34 - Jesus said. take heed to yourselves. I est at anytime, your hearts be overcharged with suffering, drank living, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you

Sister Missionary, would you be setting and watching the all day soup shows, boosting of going overseas, but hospitals and lonely homes, you wen't visit!!

Revelations 2:4-5 - Jesus said, nevertheless, I have some what against yer because you have left your first love. emember, there from when you dave fallen, and repent, and du that is the saving or lost souls??? the first works or I will come unto you quickly, and remove your candlestick out of his place, except your apent.

Gad??? ***

xBrothers and Sisters, you shack! Will you move your drings into mother room? Or will you say. "We're trying one another now, and will get married sconlic

I Corinthians 7:8-10 - I say to the unmarried and widows, it even as I. But if they cannot con- Everybody ***

tain, les them marry. For it is hether to many liben to burn. And

unto the married, I communical obserbut the Lord. Let not Said Journt from Ler hetsbinds astil if and if also departs, let her remain immarried, or bereconcised to her husband. And let not the hasband put away his

+++ Will The Church Menabers Rob God 772 ***

(I thank God that we're me to X something, but thank Godthat we are st what we us to be. By the general Ood, this is the day to get saved, and get right with God!! Many people don't know that the Lord surves each and everyday, and ise is coming again tomorrow. Will 12y name be among the many obitimey stories, or will yours be there? Will you be ready? Now is the time to

Luke 12:54-56 - Jenus said, when you see a cloud rise out of To West, straightway you (Lere comes a shower, and , it *** Will A Missionary Rob as. And when you see the South wind blow, you say, there will be heat, and it comes to pass. Ye hypocrites, you can discern the face of the sky and of the earth. But how is it you do not discern

the times? *** I'm Just A Nobedy, Trying To Tell Everybody About Jesus! Dying On The is good for them if they abide Cross, For The Sins of



From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

A tribute to Richard Rollison

Lubbook Black Community has of the word "virtue" described lost three men that have contributed to its development. Each ing this lowly and humble of the men contributed in a plumber unique way that left marks on the young and old alike. Two of the pastor, I saw a man who loved men were educators and the other was a plumber. These three black men are the late David Crockett "Sonny" Fair, George Scott and Richard Rollison.

Andrew Motion, Poet Laureste, said, "Eulogies are for everyone. They are a reminder that each of us leads a life of special interest and value and that each of us is unique, with our own special gifts."

A culogy is a commendatory oration or writing especially in honor of one deceased. Described another way, a eulogy applies to a prepared speech or writing extolling the virtues of a person.

conformity to a standard of right: a particular moral excellence (2) manly strength or courage: valor (3) a commendable quality or

Funny, But A World Of Truth!

said, "Unce again, the earth has

become wicked and over-populat-

Noah and the Ark

Over the past weeks, the Richard Rollison four meming above come to mind in describ-

> Through the eyes of a former the Lord with heart, mind and soul. And in the vein of the Second Commandment, "his neighbor as himself." I knew a man who loved the Church and gave of his best in that he knew how for the growth and development of God's kingdom. I sat with him in board mouting where he commended that what was right and condemned that what was contrary for the good of the church.

Through the eyes of a former pastor at quarterly and annual conferences of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, I seen and heard him tell quietly the "authorities" their actions The word virtue means (1) a were not good for the growth and development of the church and that they would regret their actions.

Richard Rollison was comtrait: merit (4) a capacity to act: mendable in when the church fell As a former pastor of the late enhancing it physical structure in enly thought.

Outreach Prayer Great

good times, he would put his name on the dotted line at a financial institution. The lare Charles Terrell said of Richard Rollison, "He's a good old East Texas boy," He merited the saying through the way he helped others when they could not help themselves.

Richard Rollison had the eapacity to act. He served on the Steward Board, the male chorus, treasurer and other capacities in the church. He was seldom late for any service that was held at his church.

1 agree with his daughter Carolyo that her daddy was a plumbes. Howeves, her daddy was no ordinary plumber. He was God's relief layman for a stopped up sinful world that needs the acidity of the Holy Ghost to become vibrant again.

The Lubback Binck Community will miss Richard Rollison! I am sure he and Charles Terrell are having a good time across the threshold of life. Brothers Ardee Hunt, Roscoe Howard, E. J. Donaldson, and Revs. Edwin Scott and Charles on lean financial times or Planks would attest to this heav-

St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Sunday morning, November 27, 2095, was a wonderful day at the St. Matthew Baptist Church. 2020 East 14th Street, where the pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

The morning services began with Sunday school, beginning a. 10:10 a. m. with Superintendent Sister Luella Harris in charge.

taught by Sister Harris, and it hearts and souls. It is just god to around you."

was reviewed by Pastor Canady. The subject was "Saying Good-Bye!" It was another wonderful lesson. Have you ever had to say "Good-Bye?" As you recall the lesson, this is what Paul did

The morning worship hour began at 11:30 a.m. The morning devotional services were led by Deacon Edward Williams. The The morning lesson was Senior Choir sung out of their

hear God's songs and hymns. Pastor Canady delivered the morning message. H is subject

was "God Demands Obedience, Rather Than Sacrifices. His scripture text was I Samuel I 5:22. Praise God for the message and the messenger.

Thought For The Week: "The porter of Christ within you is greater than the power of evil

ed and I see the end of all flesh before me. Build another Ark and save two of every living thing along with a few good humans." He gave Noah the blueprints, saying, "You have 6 months to build the Ark before I will start the

nights." looked down and saw Noah weeping in his yard, but no Ark. "Noah!" He roared, "I'm about to

start the rain! Where is the Ark?"

unending rain for 40 days and 40

"Forgive me, Lord," begged Noah. "But things have changed. I needed a building peanit. I've been arguing with the inspector about the need for sprinkler system. My neighbors claim that I've violated the neighborhood zoning laws by building the Ark in my yard and exceeding the height limitations. We had to go to the Development Appeal Board for a decision. Then the Department of Transportation demanded a bond be posted for future costs of moving power lines and other overhead obstructions, to clear the passage for the Ark's move to the sea. I argued that the sea would be coming to us, but they would hear

nothing of it." "Getting the wood was anothstarted gathering the animals, I got sued by an animal rights confining wild animals against their will. As well, they argued the accommodation was too restrictive and it was cruel and inhu-

made to put so many animals in a going to destroy the world?" confined space. Then the EAPA ruled that I couldn't build the Ark In the year 2005, the Lord until they'd conducted an envicame unto Noah, who was now ronmental impact study on your

living in the United States, and proposed flood. complaint with the Human Rights Commission on how many minorities I'm supposed to hire for my building crew. Also, the trades unions say I can't use my sons. They insist I have to hire

only Union workers with Ark experience. To make matters worse, the IRS seized all my assets, claiming I'm trying to Six months later, the Lord leave the country illegally with endangered species. So forgive me, Lord, but it would take at

> Suddenly the skies cleared, the sun began to shine, and a rainbow stretched across the sky. Noah looked up in wonder and asked, "You mean, you're not

has something for

everyone!

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"No," said the Lord, "The government beat me to it." (Author Unknown)

Thought: "The word of God is the highway to prosperity. I'm still trying to resolve a Money does not define prosperity by itself." Read III John 2:2.

We're hoping you had a blessed Thanksgiving. The Outreach Prayer Breakfast will meet Saturday, December 5, 2005. beginning a 9:00 a.m. in the home of Sister Dotsie McBride, 2402 Walnut Avenue. Please make plans to attend this meeting. It's all about prayer. As you can see, we need to pray for the world.

To all of you who are sick and for families who have lost loved least ten years for me to finish this ones. Remember, we're praying for you.

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president; Sister Elnora Jones, teacher; and Sister Rosianna Henderson, secretary.

LSO features native Lubbock musician Tom Braxton in annual Holiday Pops

Traditional heliday music is always a hit at the Lubbock Symphony Orchestra's Holiday Pops concerts, which will take place Saturday, December 3rd at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. The concerts will be held at the First Baptist Church Lubbock and will feature special performances by saxophonist and Lubbock native Tom Braxton, the First Baptist Church Celebration Choir and Kids of the Kingdom Children's Choir. Maestro Constantine Kitsopoulos will be the guest conductor. Atmos Energy, Covenant Health System, and Watson-Sysco are the proud sponsors of these concerts. Braxton is a 1979 graduate

of Dunbar High School.

On Friday afternoon, December 2, Tom will perform for music students from Alderson, Donbar, Estacado, and lies. The performance will take place in the Dunbar auditorium at 1:30 P.M.

Tom's music career started. when he was in the 6th grade. He studied piano and the saxpphone. He was also an outstanding athlete. He ran track and played baskethall while continuing his studies in music. He graduated as Valedictorian of his class at Dunbar.

Manhattan Heights Church of

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Braxton

Com continued his music# studies at Texas Tech University. While attending Tech, he formed a jazz group caned "No Compromise" and they traveled throughout the Southwest playing concerts. At Tech he was a member of the Marching and Stage Bands and continued to run variity track. Tom graduated as Salutatorian of his class in 1983, receiving a Orchestra at (80c) 362-1688. Bachelor of Music Degree.

Presently, Tom is Director of Fine Arts at Covenant Church in Carrolton, Texas, where he teaches band and continues to travel with outstanding musicians such as Wayman Tisdale and Kirk Whalum. He has four CD's on the market. His latest CD is "Bounce", and can be purchased throughout the U.S.

Tom has a wife, Sharon and two very talented sons. He is the son of proud parents J.T. & Bernice Braxton. Welcome home Tom.

Symphony patrons will

enjoy a program of popular holiday classics to get in the holiday spirit. Tickets for the concerts are \$20 for adults, \$15 for students, and \$10 for children 9 and under. All tickets are general admission and can be purchased online at www.lubbooksymphony.org, by calling (806) 762-1688 or by visiting the LSO office at 1313 Broadway, Suite 2 (the LP&L Plazs Annex located on Broadway and Avenue M). Group rates are also available for a special outing with friends, family, or coworkers. For more information, please contact the Lubback Symphony

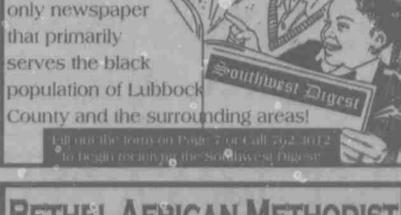
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Seven tips to slash soaring home heating bills



The Infiltrometer instrument pinpoints where energy wasting air leaks are, and measures your home's fresh air exchange rate.

will hit homeowners everywhere Crisis" is back. in the wallet this winter. The storms have caused real damage and disruption to the natural gas ind stry, adding to strains already

Flurricanes Katrina and Rita descends upon us. The "Energy

How high will natural gas prices rise? As much as a whopping 71% more this winter compared to last year. This will trans- home's worst air leaks are, such

Here are seven tips from the Comfort Institute to make your home un energy sipper instead of a gas guzzler!

1. Have your duct system tested for air leaks. Many assume that windows and doors are the major cause of a home's energy wasting air leaks. But according to recent research by the Department of Energy (DOE), gaps, joints and disconnections in the typical home's duct system are much 25 to 40 percent of the evergy put aving a heating contractor test for leaks and then seal their with a brushed-on fiber-reinforced scalar. Duct tape usually dries out and fails. It turns out cuer sealing ducts isn't o of them!

2. Ask your contractor to perform an Infiltrometer "blower mor" test. The blower door is a computerized instrument originally invented by the Department of Energy. It pinpouts where your

can reduce how much you use. for offer an infiltrometer test as Cooling Contractor", go to contractors. For more informapart of a "Whole House Health & www.comfortinstitute.org. Comfort Checkup" that also all duct performance. Ask if they also provide an infra-red comera. scan to pinpoint hidden heat

> 3. Close your fireplace damper. Did you remember to close it last time you used the firerlace? Shut it now or waste precious warm nir all winter long!

more significant. The DOE states 4. Replace your furnace or heat that the typical duct system loses pump air filter. Most systems need this done every month to out by the central furnact or heat tensure rafe and efficient operapump. Authorities recommend tion. Keep forgetting to do it? Ask your contractor for information on an extended surface area whole house uir filter that only needs to be replaced once a year. It also does a far better 'ob of tape is great for many things, but keeping your equipment and the air in your home .!ean.

5. Have your heating system cleaned and funed. A pre-season tune up is a great investment. It reduces the chances of breakdowns on cold winter nights, improves safety, and more than pays for itself through more energas prices are now at a record annual home and water heating how leaky the overall house is. your contractor also performs a high, and the Department of bills for most homeowners and Most homes have the equivalent complete carbon monoxide safety

checks insulation levels and over- 6. Install a programmable setback thermostat. Turn down your thermostut 8 degrees for 8 hours a day and you'll save 8 percent on home beating costs. But you don't have to sacrifice comfort! Ask your heating contractor to install a "programmable thermostal" that will turn the heat back up before you wake up or before you come home. New models are much easier to pro-

7. Consider replacing your old furnace or heat pump. Just like a cur, heating and cooling equipment doesn't last forever. Is your system more than 12 years old? It probably wastes 35 cents out of very dollar you pay for fuel. Planning to stay in your home. more than a few years? Many authorities recommend replacing it before it fails permanently. A new system is safer, improves comfort, is more dependable and creates less air pollution. New units pay for themselves over time as they only waste eight cents out of every dollars worth of gas. However, government and caused by rising demand. Natural late into a \$500 to \$800 jump in as duct leaks, and also measures gy efficient operation. Ensure utility research has found that over 90% of newly installed high efficiency systems have energy Energy states they will keep over \$1000 for may. While you of an open window in combined check. For a free report: "How To wasting instaliation mistakes. Do going up as the cold weather can't control the price of fuel, you air leaks. Many heatin, contrac- Identify a Good Heating and some homework before talking to

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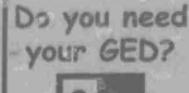
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Buddy Holly Center announces December end of the Art Trail "SOFA Happening"

the Fine Arts, or SOFA, sponsor an end of the Art Trail "SOFA Happening." Every month Lubbock's First Friday An. Trail provides the community an opportunity to enjoy fine art, entertainment and refreshments in venues that promote fine art and outreach

Trail, the Buddy Holly Center is one night only installation by artists pleased to have the Supporters of Ian F. Thomas and Shreepad Joglekar sponsored by Lubbock's Supporters of the Fine Arts. The Lubbock make a point to attend unique installation is entitled: "Ology: after form, after material, tions, as an interdisciplinary and and ultimately, after us,"

ian F. Thomas and Shreepad Joglekar have developed a reputation in Lubbock creating collaborasuch as the Underwood Center, the tive installations in a variety of loca-Buddy Holty Center and Stein's. tions over the past year. For numer-For the December 2, 2005 Art Trail, our First Friday Art Trails in 2005, supporters of the Fine Acts are sponthe Buddy Holly Center will remain the artists have built "one night soring Thomas and Joglek r's open for an extra hour, from 6:00 - only" installations for the apprecia-installation on December 2, 2005 in located at 1801 Avenue G in the

For December's First Friday Art 10:00 pm, so patrons may view a tion of Art Trailers lucky enough to the Fine Arts Gallery during an Depot District of Lubbock, Texas. happen upon their work.

As their reputation has grown, appreciators throughout Tromas and Joglekar's installainteractive experience is sure to occur. The artists state, "With collaborative site-specific installations we have a dialogue with the viewer by initiating an intersection between the viewer and our artwork." The

interval between exhibitions.

Supporters of the rine Arts invite Art Trailers to return to the Buddy Holly Center after the Trail to enjoy a cash bar, refreshments and conversation with background jazz music in the Courtyard. Patrons are invited to partake in this unique "SOFA Happening," on December 2, 2005. from 6:00 -10:00 pm with fellow art appreciators and show their support of Fine Arts in Lubbock.

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Holiday shoppers can avoid the crowds and look for unique gifts on Saturday, December 3, 2005, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. as the Copper Rawlings Community Center hosts their 4th annual Holiday Crafts Bazaar. Participants from surrounding neighborhoods and the community will offer gifts and Christmas crafts for sale that include: wood crafts, ornaments, jewelry, candles, wall hangings, and center pieces. Shopper's can also enjoy refreshments from the Center's kitchen including hot dogs, chili dogs, Frito pie, pickles, and popcom, as well as hot cocoa and soft drinks, all at very affordable price. In addition, there will be opportunities to win door prizes.

Booth space is still available for area vendors and artisans that would like to rent a booth. Pricing is \$15 for a 6'x6' booth and one six foot Hodges Community Center Open table is provided for each booth.

Copper-Rawlings Community Center is located at 213

Rawlings Hosts Holiday Crafts Street). Be sure to visit with City staff about ongoing activities for seniors, adults and youth, Kid's Caff and facility rental opportuni-

> Community Centers To Host Center. This event has been held for Open Houses

Maxey Community Center Open to win door prizes. House - December 3

House on Saturday, December 3, 2005, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Open House provides the Center's staff an opportunity during this special time of year to thank its many patrons, and it allows newstaff and the many outstanding programs offered at Maxey Community Center. Refreshments will be provided as we'll as door prizes for those in attendance.

House - December 8

Hodges Community Center will Signups be hosting its annual Holiday Open

2005, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. re-istering teams for the wir.ter sea-The Hodges Center's staff uses this opportunity each holiday season to thank its many patrons and to feature instructors and upcoming classes offered at Hodges Community over ten years, and refreshments will be provided as well as a chance

Maxey and Hodges Community Maxey Community Center will Centers offer a variety of classes for be hosting their 1st Annual Open all age groups beginning with preschool age children through adults with the goal of providing quality programming that will enhance the lives of Lubbock citizens. Maxey is located at 30th Street and Oxford Avenue, and Hodges is located at comers a chance to get to know the 41st Struct and University Avenue. They are open Monday - Friday, 8:30a.m. - Noon and 1:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m. and Saturday, 1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

There is no charge for either

Winter Volleyball Adult League

The City of Lubbock Parks and 40th Street (Avenue B and 40th House on Thursday, December 8, Recreation Department will begin

son of volleyball on December 5-9, 2005. Divisions are available for men, women and co-rec teams. Players must be 16 years old or older to participate. Cost per term is \$170 for the ten-game season, and all games are played at L.I.S.D. Jurior High gyms. Late registration will be December 12-16, 2005, with a late fee of \$25 added to the cost per team. League play begins the week of January 2, 2006.

To register, come by the Parks and Recreation Office at 1010 9th Street between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, contact the Parks Office at 775-2672.

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Lubbock Fire Department honors muralist

Artist Madaleno L. Hernandez was honored by the Lubbock Fire Department (LFD) on Tuesday, November 22 for a mural that he recently completed at the Lubbock Fire Complex. The mural depicts the history of the LFD from its creation in 1909 to the present and is located in the hallway that connects the auditorium and fire training classrooms and offices. The Lubbock Fire Complex is located at 1515 East Ursuline.

Madaleno L. Hernandez was born in Slaton, Texas and raised in Lubboel. At a young age, he dabbled in painting, but was more inclined to partake in various sorts of civic activities throughout his adult life.

After acquiring formal art training from numerous locales including Lubbock Christian and Texas Tech University, Mr. Hernandez, now retired, continues his public servitude through artistic means. Through countless hours of his personal time, he completed the mural that depicts the significant events that have made the Lubbook Fire Department what it is today.

Tech player Taurean Henderson honored as Player of the Week

Senior running back scored and langed for the winning game-winning touchdown score. The senior finished with against Oklahoma as time a game-high 109 rushing yards. expired.



Henderson

Red Raiders'

23-21 win over Oklahoma on

Saturday.

season. on the game clock and Tech 10 wins. The Red Raiders' six explains David Weaver, Jr., executrailing 21-17, Henderson took wins in league play mark a sea- tive director. "Also, some donors the handoff from QB Cody son high for Tech since joining may not plan to serve turkey at their Hodges, rushed left of center the Big 12.

The NCAA active leader in touchdowns, Hender on's score Texas Tech RB Taurean marked the 69th overall touch-Henderson (Gatesville, Texas) down and 50th rushing touchwas named the SBC Big 12 down of his career. Foci Bank hope that many of its Bank." Conference Offensive Player of Additionally, he is currently the the Week on NCAA's third all-time leading inc pre-holiday seasons win donate Monday for his scorer among non-kickers (fifth a frezen turkey in addition to the efforts in the overall) with 414 points. He is usual canned goods, two rushing touchdown shy of The holiday baskets to be pre; ared tying the school record of 52 set by the Food Bank will be more by James Gray from 1986-89.

> Henderson is Raiders completed the regular tional menu item for the organizathe fourth Tech season with a 9-2 overall mark tion are not available so far this seaplayer to earn and 6-2 record in the Big 12 son. week honors this The nine wins are the most in a

Cotton Kings holding tryouts for dance team

Something to Cheer About

After a year away, the Cotton Kings are bringing dancers back to the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum. In the past, the dance



team has halped entertain the hockey games and provided an extra aspect to hockey.

Most of the teams in the Central Hockey League Have team's entertainment value.

be looking for the best dance team members in the South Plains, and

a special invitation tryout.

In the past, the dance team was known as the Rogers. However, Cotton Kings Game. Operations Manager, Dana Jones stated that there will be a name change along with the new squad of dancers. The new name has not been decided. Jones will be in charge of the girls and may enlist assistance in deciding who makes the final cut.

After final cut, the girls will dance teams to help accent their be working hard to get ready for performances. The Kings expect This weekend the Kings will the dancers to be ready by January.

Jones said, "I hope to make

are horting tryours this weekend this dance team the best the Kingx the dance squal should contact on December 2nd and 3rd. On have seen and to bring even more. Dans Jones at 747-7825. Tryout Sunday, December 4, the, a will be entertainment to the Kingdom times are scheduled for 6PM on

Anyone seekin 110 be a part of PM on Sunday.

Friday, noon on Saturday and 2



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Book discussion provided good food and entertainment

Drive, on Saturday afternoon, November 19, 2005.

discussion. There were twenty-four persons in attendance, Gifts were presented to all in attendance. Food was served and pictures were taken.

The food consisted of Fried Chicken, Sweet Por toes, Red Beans, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Macaroni Salad, and Vegetable Salad, Also, Rolls, White Bread, Wheat Bread and Combread,. Drinks included Strawberry, Orange who supported our group.

An exciting "Book Discussion" and Red Soda. Those delicious took place at the Bobbie Gean & T. deserts included Pound Cake, J. Patterson Library, 1836 Parkway Anniversary Cake and Cold Oven

Congratulations are order for was the 3rd Anniversary of such an outstanding program. Everyone is looking forward to November 2006. These members who were not present, we missed

The next meeting will be held Saturday afternoon, December 17, 2005, beginning at 2:00 p. m. The conductor of the meeting is Mrs. Helen Fitzgerald.

A special thanks to everyone

Friend, can you spare a turkey?

generous donors during the upcom-

complete if they include a turkey, Henderson and the Red and the usual sources of the tradi-

regular season since the 1976 purchase an extra turkey when they With two seconds remaining campaign, when Tech registered do-holiday food shopping," homes this year but could, instead,

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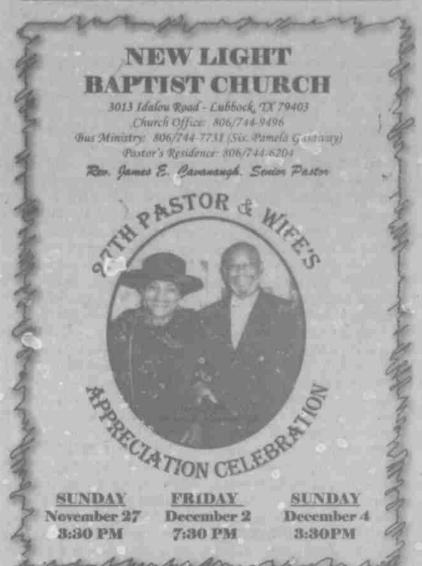
Gifts of turkeys are welcome at the South Plains Food Bank building, 4612 Locust Ave., Lubbock, throughout the pre-holidays season. A refrigerated truck will be available for donated turkeys at the U Can Share location at the United Supermarket located at 8200 St. and Frankford Ave., Dec. 5-10.

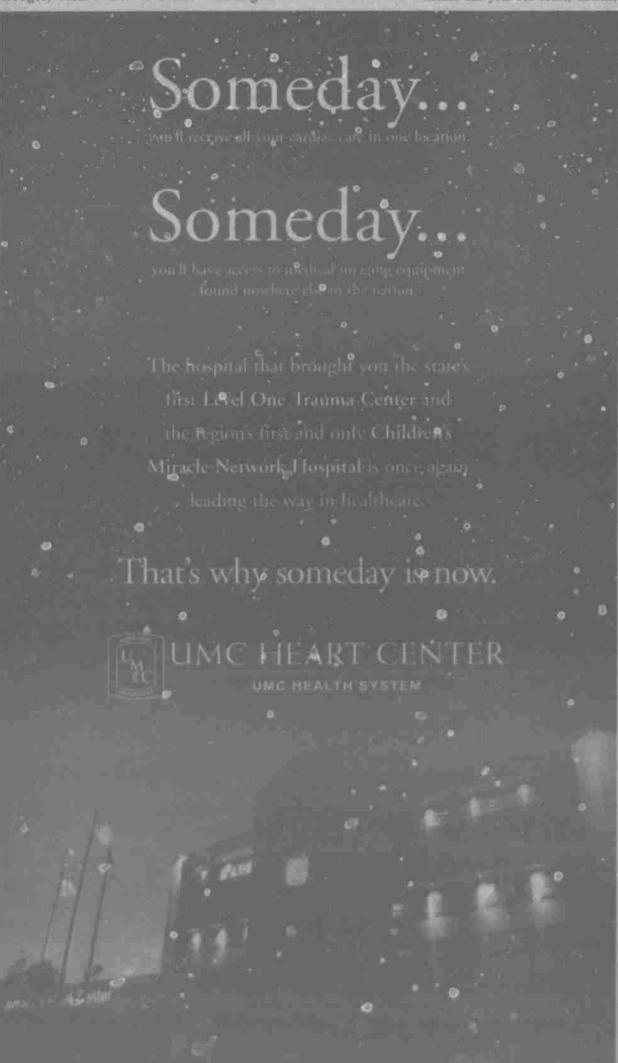
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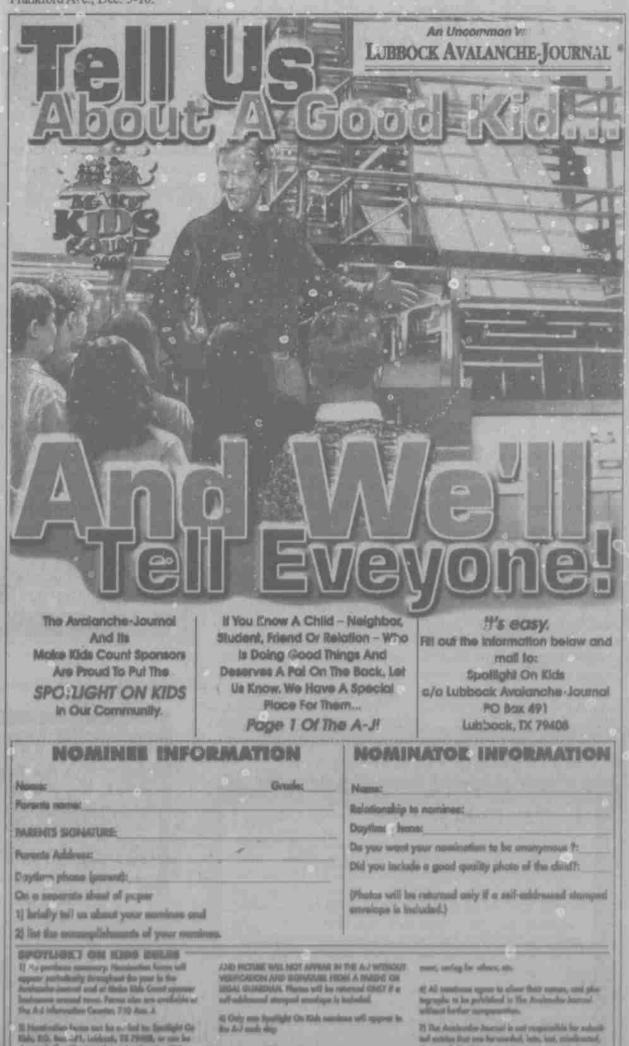
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ANOTHER OUTSTAND-ING CITIZEN PASSES ON! THIS N THAT, as well as many other citizens in the Lubbook Community, will truly miss an outstanding citizen - GEORGE SCOTT, JR. He was also known as "Professor Scott", and , afternoon November 19th, THIS passed away here last week. His funeral was held Tuesday morning, November 29th, and many from different aspects of the community was present to pay their last respects. A native of Taff Oklahoma, he stopped by is moving to a new level Lubbock in 1953 and did an outstanding job for the total community. He served in many capacities, from a football coach and math teacher, to principal of Dunbar High School. He ended his career at Texas Tech University, where he served as Associate Dean of Students to the Vice President for Student Affairs at Texas Tech University from 1969 until 1991. He loved working for Texas Tech University, and was always excited about this institution moving to another level. THIS N THAT would hope that TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY would to something for him in TV (ESPN). So when you see his memory. For example, a BROTHER scholarship in his honor as IRVIN, advise him to beware. GOVERNOR RICK PERRY. THIS N THAT was present when a meeting was held at the Mae Simmons Community Center when JOHN T. MONT-FORD was in his early tenure as Chancellor of Texas Tech & EAST LUBBOCK! THIS N University, and he met with a THAT recently noted that our group of ceal African LUBBOCK CITY COUNCIL Americans to discuss the hiring of an ATHLETIC DIRECTOR. This is when our friend,

GEORGE SCOTT, stood tall visited the CITY OF PLAINfor the hiring of GERALD MEYERS - md be was bredt Speaking of Gerald Meyers, he was in attendance at Mr. Scott's funeral. In a last convection with MR. SCOTT, Saturday N THAT mentioned the Texas Tech Red Raider Basketball team who were defeated badly by Syracuse University. He was excited to make it known that TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

BE CAREFUL, MICHAEL IRVIN! THIS N THAT would like to remind former Dallas Cowboys receiver MICHAEL IRVIN, who was charged recently with misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia in Dallas, Texas during a traffic stop last November 27th. Sunday, Immediately, he reported to police that this equipment didn't belong to him. THIS N THAT wants to remind him that when you are in the spotlight, people are always trying to bring you down. Surely he knows this! This is especially true when you are a sports analyst on national MICHAEL

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAID: "YOUNG PEOPLE, prepare yourself today, because one day, YOUR CHANCE will come to grow."

has taken to the road in West Texas, visiting our neighboring communities. This week, they

VIEW. Now, TETS N THAT believes it is a good ider, but recommends that the Lubbank Lity Council pay a visit to NORTH & EAST LIBBOCK, and even look at the possibility of conducting a CITY COUNCIL MFETING in one of our city's facilities.

TWO OUTSTANDING LUBBOCK WOMEN! THIS N THAT has two Lubbock women he always enjoys to long with and even seeing them at church services. These women are \$1\$-TER LOTTIE BARROW and SISTER KATHERINE MCCOLMICK, who are both hardworking Church members. Sister Barrow is a member of the NEV. HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH, and Sister McCormick is a member of SMITH TEMPLE CHURCH. THIS N THAT is glad to know these ladies, and always wishes them the WERY BEST!

US! THE OTHER CHURCH'S CHICKENS? THIS N THAT has been apprised via telephone calls and visits of the recent closing of the CHURCH'S CHICKEN, localed on the corner of East Broadway & MLK Blvd. Addording to one of our conversations, the windows are boarded up and there is a sign, which says, USE ONE OF THE OTHER CHURCH'S CHICK-WHY NOT VISIT NORTH __ENS!" Now what kind of public relations is this? Don't you think it is time for the troops to stand up to what is going on? Now, if this is not done, what will happen in the future? Shall we



Think About It! Servants, Not Masters!

specially some elected city officials, a having problems understanding. They have become masters, but servants. Public servacis are to be used by the public. They need to understand used and not misused by their bosses which is the voting citizenry.

The voter are the boss or the masters. If they feel you are not carrying out their wishes, they will take occupy. This writer's opinion ad through observation, predicts a lot of seats will be taken back from the White House to the City House.

the national, state, county and local which appears as though they have

that feet as through they are untouchable and will or won't be replaced. Sn look for a drustle change in elected officials this operating election down of the citizens appearance year, especially the city. We have which was high insulting to the vorsome on the city council who have totally developed the mester syndrone If you don't believe me, just look at some of un recent actions by a group of the present city counci' the seats they, so graciously, let you As this sitting city council has transferred affocated funds with disregard of the voters' vishes on the 2003 bond election; not involved in the Texas Municipal League (TML) and So many elected officials from the National League of Cities (NLC).

Out thing some elected officials. Take developed the master posture isolated themselves from the state

One of the agentest shows of the moster syndrone is the recent shut ing citizens of Lubback. You see when one puts him or herself in position to run for public office, you open up your side and the citize a's side. It's your obligation to hear the citiaun's side. If you disagree or agree, that's your job and the citizen's right.

Closing Thought: You can't teach what you do not know, and lead where you do not go."

Nuf Sed! Why Not?

Charlie Daniels Band to perform December 9

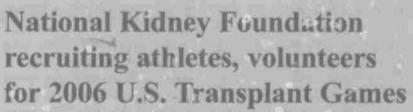
MESCALERO, N.M.- There is sure to be "Fire on the Mountain" when The Chartie Daniels F and performs live in concert on Friday December 9th at the Inn of the Mountain Gods Reson & Casino.

The concert will take place inside the Inn of the Mountain Gods Event Center. Doors will open at 7:15 p.m. and the concert will began at 8

known for their mixed-genre music that can be classified as country, tock. blues, juzz, folk, bluegrass, honkytonk and gospel. Charlie Daniels, an icon of the American West, describes his music as "purely American music with something for everyone." With Do it" and songs from their popular

The Charlie Paniels Band is albur "Fire on the Mountain", "The Charlie Daniels Band was the 1998. recipient of the Academy of Country Music Pioneer & yard.

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petition all their own - the U.S. Transplant Games. Presented by the National Kidney Foundation and sponsored by Novartis Pharmaceuticlas Corporation, the saving transplants, including kidney, liver, heart, lung, pancreas and bone marrow. Team West Texas is currently scouting for athletes, volunteers and sponsors to participate in this very special event, to be held June 16-21 in Louisville, Kentucky.

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A local group of unusual ath- pated 2,000 athletes participating, letes are training for a sports com- the 2006 U.S. Transplant Games promise to be the largest-ever gathering of transplant recipients.

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The Eash administration several military offensives, but aggravated the social issues of the country, continued the Reagan budget deficit and eroded his political career making it easy for 'Tricky Willie' Clinton to be elected President.

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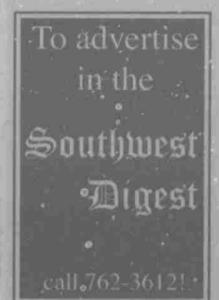
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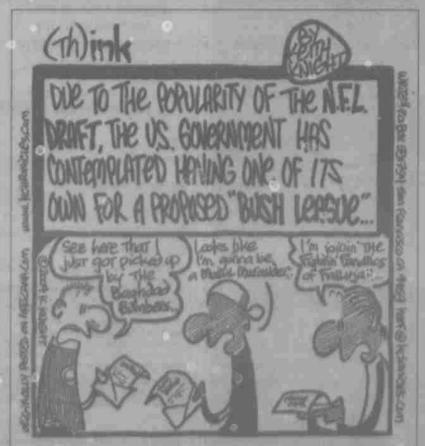
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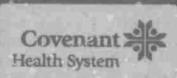
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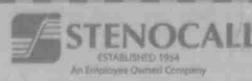
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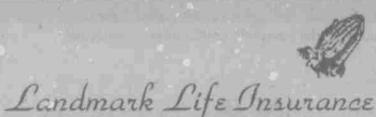
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Organic products a healthy alternative to chemically treated products; organic cotton booming in Texas

the Taxas Organic Cotton Marketing Cooperative hoster and operations to use organic cotton. organic cotton tour in Lubbeck. L' cas is second only to the nation of Turkey in the international production of organic cotton, and provides the cotton to companies around the world. Three major companies that use organic cotton are Nike, Sam'a Call and Patagonia. In addition, they provide the cotton for sister companies that make fabric and personal care items. Several companies, including Levi's and Fruit of the Loom, attended the tour to investigate using organic cotton in their products in the near future.

with pesticide-related illnesses

On Wednesday, October 19, and experts from the apparel industry who have converted their

> The organic cotton market is booming. Companies large and small are making fashionable and casual apparel. Whole Fonds, a grocery store headquartered in Austin, has just integrated organic cotton apparel and home products into its new flagship store in Austin. They report excellent responses from their customers.

According to the Organic Trade Association, sales of organic fiber apparel grew 22 percent in 2003, and are conservatively estimated to grow more than 15 percent a year through 2008; Tour speakers included cotton. Recent decisions by major retailprowers, doctors treating patients ers will likely double that more



This photo shows Terry Pepper, a West Texas farmer, describing the benefits and processes involved with organic cotton growth. The woman at his left, seen examining cotton seeds, is a representative from Nike, the largest user of organic cotton in the world.



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The Wiz will be presented Thursday, December 1 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. Children under five get in free. Tickets can be bought from Choir members during lunch November 28-30 in the school cafeteria. They will also be available at the door. The Wiz an updated, 'African-Americanized version of The Wizard of Oz. Dorothy gets whisked from her inner-city neighborhood to the mystical Band of Oz. All the characters from The Wizard of Oz are in this movie, but with an urban flavor," according to the Interret Movie Database. The Broadway cast included Diana Ross, Michael Jackson, Nipsy Russell, Lena Home and Richard Pryor. It won seven Tony Awards.

This musical will feature students from Estacado's Choir Department and other Quadrant four schools. It is directed by Choir teacher Barbara Jackson who has wanted to produce this show for years. It is choreographed by Jackson and the EHS Cheerleader and Pom Squad sponsor, Meshone Dubose

all. The talent displayed will be said.

ourstanding," Ja kson said.

The play has a jot of new faces looking to find the limehight Tekkin (Ke'Ke) Sheppard is Larothy. Melton Proitt is the Wiz. Tanisha Durham plays Evilenne, the counterpart of the Wicked Witch of the West.

Royce Harris is the Tinman, Reshone Johnson is the Scarccrow and Bryson Zavala is the Gatckeeper. The flying monkeys will be played by Zavaila, LaLa Howard and Roderick Horton.

The Police Mice are Jasmyne Hughes and Shawnoe Hudson. The Poppy Girls, dancers, will be the Estacado Cheerleaders and Pom Squad.

Some parts are double-cast with one person acting on the evening of December 1 and the other acting when they perform for elementary schools that afternoon. Cassandra Lopez is scheduled to play Dorothy for the elementary kids. Glenda the Good Witch will be played by Aysa Harris in the evening and Katie Rankin that afternoon. Elementary students from LISD Quadrant Four will play munchkins.

"The reasor, for me wanting to be in the play is because I want to show that Estacado has great talent. We'd like to thank Hutchinson Junior High's Ms. Kelly White for all of her help "It will be a night enjoyed and time spent to pull this all together," R&B fan Sheppard

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