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Community Meetings

* African American Chamber of Commerce, Lubbock meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, from 12:00 - 1:00 pm at the Chatman Hill Restaurant, 512 East 23rd Street.

* Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.

* Hub City Kiwanis meets every Tuesday evening, 1708 Avenue G.

* Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm.

* Booker T. Washington American Legion, Post 808, meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon.

* Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Branch Library.

* East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mae Simmons Senior Citizens.

* Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Market Alumni Center.

* Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 7:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center, 1301 E. 24th Street.

* West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturdays of each month at 7:00 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations.

* Texas Juneteenth Cultural & Historical Commission - Lubbock Affiliate meets at Patterson Branch Library, every 3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm.

* West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men of West Texas meets 3rd Monday evenings at 7:00 pm at Lanier Center, 2nd Floor, TTU Law Center.

* The Parkway & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evenings, 7:30 pm at Hunt Elementary School.

* Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm at Hies Elementary Cafeteria.

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Obama marks stimulus plan milestone



President Obama speaks on the economy in Columbus, Ohio, on June 18.

(CNN) — President Barack Obama traveled to Columbus, Ohio, on Friday to mark the groundbreaking of what the administration is touting as the 10,000th road project to be funded by the politically controversial \$862 billion economic stimulus plan.

The trip was part of the launch of the White House's "Recovery Summer," a six-week push to highlight what the administration says will be a summer and fall of job creation fueled by a new surge in federal stimulus spending.

Obama visited a project in downtown Columbus expected to create more than 300 construction jobs while contributing "to the broader economic development effort underway in the area," according to the White House.

"These projects haven't just improved communities," Obama said. "They've put thousands of construction crews ... to work."

The project is a good example of the purpose of the stimulus plan, which is "not just to jumpstart the economy ... but to make the investments that will spur growth and spread prosperity and pay dividends to our communities for generations to come."

The trip marked Obama's eighth visit to the politically critical swing state since assuming the presidency a year and a half ago. Obama last visited Ohio on May 18 — a trip also used to defend the stimulus plan.

The stimulus, which is formally known as the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, was designed to boost the country's economy by increasing federal government spending and cutting taxes. Critics have repeatedly characterized the plan as a budget-busting boondoggle that failed to sufficiently reduce unemployment.

No Republicans in the House and only three in the Senate voted for the bill. The measure was initially believed to have a price tag of \$787 billion, but earlier this year, the Congressional Budget Office increased its forecast for how much the stimulus will add to the nation's deficit, raising its estimate by \$75 billion.

While job creation is a top issue across the country, it's especially important in Ohio, where the most recent data put the state unemployment level at 10.9 percent.

Ohio is a crucial state in presidential elections. Obama won Ohio by 5 points over Republican Sen. John McCain in the 2008 election. The most recent polls in Ohio indicate that Obama's approval rating on the job he's doing as president stands around 45 percent.

The state also has some high-profile contests in this November's midterm elections, including governor and senator. In the gubernatorial contest, incumbent Democrat Ted Strickland faces a tough re-election battle against his Republican challenger, former Rep. John Kasich.

The Republicans are hoping to hold on to the seat of retiring Sen. George Voinovich. Surveys suggest a close race between the GOP nominee, former Rep. and Bush administration budget director Rob Portman, and the Democratic nominee, Lt. Gov. Lee Fisher.

Republicans note that Fisher didn't team up with the president the last two times Obama was in Ohio. Both Fisher and Strickland were scheduled to appear at Friday's event.

Man arrested after wife writes to President Obama asking for help

New York (CNN) — Not everyone expects a response when they write a letter to the president of the United States. But Caroline Jamieson got much more than she expected when her husband ended up in jail and afraid he would be deported.

Jamieson, vice president of marketing at a new-media advertising company, wrote President Barack Obama in January because her husband, Hervé Fonkou Takoulo, was facing deportation to his native Cameroon. Takoulo failed in a bid before political asylum almost a decade ago, and a judge issued a deportation order after

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Mr. & Mrs. H. Jamieson

NNPA And MillerCoors Announce 2010 A. Philip Randolph Messenger Award Winners

NEW YORK, NY — MillerCoors and the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) proudly continued their 20-year partnership in presenting the 2010 A. Philip Randolph Messenger Awards. The awards, named in recognition of late civil rights leader and labor organizer A. Philip Randolph and his pioneering black publication, The Messenger, honors writers, reporters and publishers from the nation's black press for journalistic excellence focusing on the black condition. Pictured above at last week's ceremony in New York City are (from left) Kenya Vaughn, arts & entertainment editor of The St. Louis American; Bernice Foster, publisher, The Skanner; Larry Walters, director of multicultural relations for MillerCoors; Elinor

Tatum, publisher, The New York Amsterdam News and Michael House, president of The Chicago Defender.

The 2010 award winners, who took home trophies and monetary awards totaling \$30,000 were Nayabe Arinde, The New



2010 A. Philip Randolph Messenger Award Winners

LeAndria Johnson Sunday Best Winner Is LeAndria Johnson

The votes are in! LeAndria Johnson, 27, from Orlando Florida has been named this season's SUNDAY BEST! The 27 year old single mother from Orlando, Florida won over America's hearts against Elder Goldwire McLendon, 79, during last Sunday's, June 20, 2010, season finale.

Over the gospel singing competition's 12-week season, Johnson's heartrending story and soulful voice captured the hearts of viewers, bringing in the larger percentage of the more than 2 million total votes. Along with the title of SUNDAY BEST, Johnson brings home a national recording contract 2010 Ford Taurus SHO and a cash prize courtesy of Degree Nature Effects.

During the one-hour season finale, viewers were treated to special performances from gospel artists Hezekiah Walker, Kim Burrell and Donald Lawrence featuring season two winner Y'anna Crawley and season

two finalists Jessica Reedy and Latice Crawford. Johnson concluded the season with a medley performance of songs "I Love The Lord," "He Was There All The Time," "In The Midst Of It All" and "I Shall Leap Into My Destiny."

Prior to joining the competition, Johnson lost her home in the mortgage crisis. Motivated by the look in her children's eyes and their many questions about where they would live, she made her way to the New Orleans auditions. Quickly becoming a fan and judge favorite, she began to shine episode after episode. Johnson has been singing gospel music since the age of two and is currently a praise and worship leader at HQ Ministries in Altamonte Springs, Florida.

"God will do what he says he will do," said SUNDAY BEST season three winner, LeAndria Johnson. "I'd like to thank everyone who has prayed for me."

Payton & Tates Family Reunion Parade Set Here

The Payton and Tates Families will have something special for the east Lubbock Community.

They will sponsor a Payton and Tates Reunion Parade, beginning at United Supermarket, 2630 Parkway Drive, and ending up in Mae Simmons Park.

The parade will be held Saturday morning, June 26, 2010, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

According to a spokesperson, the parade route is as follows: Starts at United Supermarket, 2630 Parkway Drive, down to east Second Street, to Zenith Avenue (by

Alderson Middle School) down to East Broadway Avenue, to Martin Luther King, Blvd (by Kwik-O-Food Mart), to east 19th Street, and ending up at Mae Simmons Park.

For more information or if you would like to be in the Payton & Tates Parade, call either of the following persons: Vanessa Griffin, (806) 535-3901; Harold McGruder, (806) 445-0936; or Dorsita Tates, (806) 535-4017.

The public is invited to attend.

"We are going to have a wonderful time, and with the help of God, everything will be alright," says Ms. Tates.

York Amsterdam News; Victoria Lewis, The Houston Defender; Wendell Hutson, The Chicago Defender; Brian Stinson, The Skanner and Lisa Loving, The Skanner.

Photo by Carole Gerry/Courtesy Flower Communications Group.

Final Meeting Set Before Reunion

The final meeting before the Dunbar All-Class Reunion will be held Saturday afternoon, June 26, 2010, at the Dunbar Alumni Building, beginning at 4:00 p.m.

During this meeting, we will be making sure things are in order," says Ms. Bennie Sims, president. "Look's great!"

Chatman Hills Corner

By Doris Reynolds

The Volunteer Center of Lubbock presents the new workshop series "Nonprofit Technology Workgroup" offering technology support for the beginner, novice, or expert. This workshop will take place over three months starting July and is open to non-profit organizations and technology professionals.

The first session is scheduled for Wednesday, July 7th, 2010, at the Volunteer Center Conference Room, 1706 23rd St., from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. The following two sessions are set to be August 11th and September 15th, 2010, each at the same time and place.

The Buddy Holly Center is excited to present Amanda

Shires as part of the BHC's Summer Showcase, the weekly Thursday night concert series held in the Meadows Courtyard. On June 24, 2010, from 5:30 - 7:30p.m., Amanda Shires will treat the audience to roaring fiddle music. The concert is FREE and open to the public. A cash bar and food will be available for the crowd's enjoyment. Please, no outside food or beverages allowed.

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Lubbock Independent School District will be held Friday, June 25, 2010, beginning at 7:00 AM in the Boardroom, School Administration Building, 1628 19th Street.

If you want to learn more

about your Lubbock Public Schools, then why not take an advantage by attending this one tomorrow morning.

Senior citizens may enjoy a hot, well-balanced lunch Mondays through Fridays at senior centers.

Homestead Senior Center serves lunch at 11:30 a.m. and the others serve lunch at noon. Adults age 60 or older are requested to donate \$3 per meal; guests younger than 60 are required to pay \$5 per meal.

For those needing a ride, the centers also offer a transportation program for \$1. Seniors unable to pay will not be turned away. For more information, call one of the listed senior centers:

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- Maggie Trejo Supercenter, 3200 Amherst St. 767-2705.
- Copper Rawlins Community and Senior Center, 213 40th St. 767-2704.
- Homestead Senior Center, 5401 56th St. 792-6952.

Let us continue to pray for those who are sick and shut-in in our community.

One of our longtime residents and businessmen, Alfred Cavieil visited the Southwest Digest last week for a very interesting visit. He was traveling with Jobe Anderson.

FASHION FUN with Shirley Roberson Military Prints

That's right, fashion changes constantly and now on the fashion scene are bold and beautiful military prints. What's wrong with giving much respect to the men and women who are serving your country, than to display your

loyalty in the clothes you choose to wear. Military prints are popping up every where, from infants, children and mostly adults.

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Fashion tip...always wear a smile!! Fashion...just for the fun of it!!

New Light Baptist Church News

On Sunday morning, June 20, 2010, church services got started at New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road, where Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson is the pastor.

Church School Started at 9:45a.m. with Sis. Ambra Jackson teaching the lesson for the adults entitled: "Encourage One Another" with its printed scripture text coming from 1 Thessalonians 3:1-13. Sister Gloria Lee and Sister Rochelette Hood taught the youth. Breakfast was served afterward to those whom was in attendance.

Morning worship started at 11:00a.m. with the devoted Praise Team leading the way.

Rev. L. C. Lee led the pulpit devotion. A congregational song "O I Want To See Him" was sung. The responsive reading was read by Rev. Lee and it came from Psalm 119:1-16. The altar call prayer was led by Rev. Jackson with the congregation singing "O How I Love Jesus."

Sis. Hood read all the morning announcements and told of all the upcoming events that will be taking place. There was the pastoral period that was held by the pastor and then the offering was taken up.

The congregation sang "He'll Understand It By And By" and "Pass Me Not." "Amazing

Grace" was sung before the sermon. Rev. Jackson preached the sermon entitled: "Look At The Father", with his scripture coming from Luke 15:18-24 and Ephesians 6:1-4. "O How I Love Jesus" was sung after the sermon.

There was the invitation to discipleship that was extended. All visitors that was in attendance were acknowledged by Sis. Mosley.

Pray that we learn to listen more and speak less.

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK: "Enter through the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the road is broad that leads to destruction and there are many who go through it. How narrow is the gate and difficult the road that leads to life and few find it. Beware of false prophets who come to you in

sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravaging wolves. You'll recognize them by their fruit. Are grapes gathered from thorn bushes or figs from thistles?" Matthew 7:13-16

Each one of us is God's special work of art.

Through us, He teaches and inspires, delights and encourages,

informs and uplifts all those who view our lives

John Eareckson Tada You're here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world.

God is not a secret to be kept... If I make you light-bearers... I'm putting you on the light stand.

Now that I've put you there...shine! Matthew 5:14-15 Given by Rubye Melton

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Church News



From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith Daylight-Home-Invaders-& Perry's Short-Sightedness

Last week a group of three or more human curs kicked in the rear door of a home across the alley from my residence.

A little girl between the ages of 10-13 was at home and was frightened to death by the two or more men that entered her home. The community should be proud of this little girl for her courage and praise God these inferior pieces of human rubbish did not harm this child.

If this wasn't enough two of the bastards broke through my rear fence gate, entered my yard, put their boorish anatomy on my porch with my wife and grandbaby in the house with the intent of breaking my rear door and entering my house with my two precious loved ones on the inside.

One could imagine what these creatures—perhaps bred or seeds from South of the Border would have done if it was not for the quick action of the Lubbock Police Department.

I have often stated in my weekly column that a city with a good police department who do their job in protecting all of its

citizenry, need to be well PAID! A person's home is their castle and when churlish, loutish pieces of sub-human curs get the nerve to invade a citizen's home they need to be dealt with the full arm, powers and penalties of criminal law.

This writer is a true bred and born Texan and believes one should sustain a firearm for the protection of their family.

Governor Perry and this writer agree on one thing at least: The right to bear arms!

In the month of April 2010 a story was written by Lisa Falkenberg on her blog entitled "Perry's stimulus snub leads to higher taxes."

Now we have not heard much about this in our environment so here is the story: Perry's stimulus snub leads to higher taxes. Sure, I've made this point before, but don't take it from me this time.

Take it from Republican state Sen. Kevin Eltife. Or, even better, from Larry Temple, executive director of the Texas Workforce Commission.

Texas acknowledged Thurs-

day to the Senate Committee on Economic Development that Texas's decision not to take \$556 million in unemployment stimulus dollars directly led to higher taxes for business owners and more borrowing from the federal government to replenish the state's broke unemployment trust fund.

As you'll recall, Gov. Rick Perry refused to accept a half a billion in federal unemployment stimulus dollars, saying there were too many strings attached, even though he knew the state's unemployment fund was projected to go broke within months.

Temple testified Thursday that the commission had to double the tax rate for businesses in order to replenish the unemployment fund. And he conceded under intense questioning from Eltife that the hike wouldn't have been as high if we'd taken the half a billion.

Earlier this week, Commission Chairman Tom Pauken notified lawmakers that the agency may have to issue \$2 billion in

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We Thank God for Jesus "God Is No Yo Yo!"

Written by Evangelist Billy "B.J." Morrison, III - Your brother in Christ Jesus always.

Matthew 11:28 - Jesus said, come unto me, all that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Many people don't know the Lord; until troubles come until troubles come unto their lives.

They run to the Lord, because they know he'll be on their side!!!

Matthew 7:24 - Jesus said, not everyone that said unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter unto the Kingdom of Heaven, but he that do the will of my Father which is in Heaven.

People use the Lord as a Yo Yo. They call on him when in trouble.

They come running to Him with tears in their eyes on the double!!!

Hebrews 4:16 - Let us, therefore, come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

*** IS GOD YOUR YO-YO? ***

Then they cast him away, but when Mother gets Cancer, and its for real.

They run back to the thron-

room of grace, saying, let's make a deal!!!

Psalm 103:3-4 - (God) who forgives all their iniquities, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from destruction; who crowns lovingkindness and tender mercies.

After you made your deal, and your Mother is healed. You tell God to go.

Then your child is hurt, you need help again, and the Lord's help you know!!!

Hebrews 8:11 - They shall not teach every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, know the Lord, for all shall know me, from the least to the greater.

*** FOR WHAT REASONS DO YOU KNOW THE LORD? ***

Then troubles come again, your dad is in the hospital from an auto accident.

It is now double time back to the Lord, from the place he was last sent!!!

John 11:25 - Jesus said, I am the Resurrection and the life. He that believes in me, though he

were dead, yet he lives.

Then when we lose our job, and about to lose our Master Card, cars, and homes.

Look out!!! Here we again, back boldly to the grace room throne!!!

Exodus 20:5 - The Lord said, you shall not make unto you any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

*** ARE JOBS-CARS-MASTER CARDS-HOMES YOUR GOD? ***

I had a Cousin Rickie, who was imprisoned in the County Jail. He committed a crime, and needed help. He called on God to get his bail!!!

He would call me many times on collect calls, not to talk about the Lord.

But he knew he had to talk and pray with me, or his businesses would be void!!!

*** GOD NOT YOUR YO-YO!!! ***

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St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Church services were well attended at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, where the proud pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

Sunday School got underway at 10:00 a. m. with Superintendent Sister Shirley Davis in charge.

The title of the Sunday School Lesson was "Encourage One Another." The scripture text was found in 1 Thessalonians 3, the same for the scripture text.

The teacher for the morning was Rev. Timothy Askew. The morning lesson was reviewed by Pastor Canady.

This lesson was a reminder of each of our responsibility as Christians. It gets mighty difficult sometimes, but just hold on a little while longer.

The morning devotion was conducted by Deacon and Sister Williams. Continuation of prayer was offered by Sister Barbara Johnson.

The morning sermon was delivered by Rev. Askew. His subject was "My Father's House." His scripture text was John 14:1-6.

The song of preparation was "Banks of Jordan."

Our Pastor & Wife's Anniversary, Rev. & Mrs. Edward Canady was held last Friday evening, June 18, 2010 with Pastor S. E. Fields and the St. John Baptist Church in attendance.

Services closed out on Sunday afternoon, June 20, 2010, with Pastor J.H. Ford and the Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church in attendance.

The theme for the anniversary was "Pastors After God's Own Heart." Jeremiah 3:15. It was a very beautiful affair, and all had a wonderful time in the

Lord! Other churches were in attendance included: Rev. W. R. Bolton and Bethel Baptist Church of Abernathy; Rev. Larry Slaughter and Mt. Calvary Baptist Church; Rev. Kenneth Jackson and New Light Baptist Church; Rev. Leon Armstead and St. Mark Baptist Church, and Rev. Jimmy Doss and Freewill Baptist Church of Slaton.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in citizens of our community and around the world.

Thought For The Week: "We're thankful for our fathers, Lord. They're special gifts from you; Help us to show we honor them by what we say and do!" Good Fathers reflect the Heavenly Father!

As we have always made known each week, if you are looking for a Church Home, then remember our doors are always open for you at the St. Matthew Baptist Church. Just come and feel at home while we Praise God!

Shall we look to see you in

the near future? Hope so! Just something to think about: The next time you are sitting down to eat, after thanking God for what you have, remember there are so many people in our community who would love to be eating what you are eating during this meal. What we are saying is, just be thankful of what you have, because there are those who would love to eating what you have. It just reminds all of us that we serve a great God, and He loves all of us. Let us not forget who He is!

Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The favorite scripture of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast is II Chronicles 7:14.

It is said that a large number of our young Black men and boys have been killed in our country over the past years.

Most of the killings were drug related. The picture looks gloomy for the Black race knowing that we already have a shortage of Black men.

This writer can see that there will be even fewer Black men for our young girls to marry when they are ready to marry. At times, we can feel so helpless in the face of such tragedies. What can we do?

For one thing, we can search the scriptures to find if there is a word from the Lord for such a time as this. We can take fresh courage in the word of God's inspired scripture writers. We find hope in II Chronicles 7:14.

"If my people, that's us, who are called by my name shall humble themselves and Pray, seek my face and turn from their wicked ways. Then I will hear from heaven. Will forgive their sins and heal their land."

From this scripture comes the subject of our convictions. We have to humble ourselves before we can pray. Seek the face of God, turn from wicked ways. Only then will he hear from heaven and heal our land. Only then will he heal our land.

Let us pray for our President. Pray for his Cabinet as well.

Our Boys and Girls need our prayers where we see the pants hanging down. Don't get angry.

Pray on the spot. Especially do drive by prayers. They work!

Just Pray, Saints. Thanks for reading! P.S.—Young man, did you hug your Father on his day?? Fathers, did you tell your sons you love them?? Regardless of his life style!

Demonstrated in Action (1 Thessalonians 4:1-12)

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast want to share this Sunday School Les

A car zipped by me sporting this bumper sticker: "Jesus is coming soon... and boy is He mad!" That sums up what some folks think about Christianity—it's all about an angry God who can't wait to pour out his wrath on anyone who crosses him. What a tragic misunderstanding!

Like most, that bumper sticker contained an element of truth. Over and again in his letters to the Thessalonians, Paul stressed the imminent return of Jesus and the urgency of being ready for that moment. Seven of eight chapters address that matter in one fashion or another (1 Thes-

salonians 1:10; 2:19; 3:13; 4:13-18; 5:1-11; 2 Thessalonians 1:6-10; 2:1-11), and among other things, Paul acknowledges that in Jesus' return, God will express his wrath (1 Thessalonians 1:10; 2:16; 2 Thessalonians 1:8). If that is all you get out of these letters, you have missed the point altogether! In fact, more central to Paul's message is that properly understanding the second coming fills us with hope and encouragement (1 Thessalonians 4:13, 18). In Christ we have been released from the coming wrath (1 Thessalonians 1:10)! Paul, therefore, wants us to understand how to live full and fulfilling lives while we await our Lord's return.

Cultivate Our Appetites

For example, consider 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12. In these verses, Paul offers three guidelines on how to "live in order to please God" (v. 1). In a surprisingly formulaic way, he says, in effect: "Here are three steps that will lead you closer to God's heart!"

First, Paul suggests we release our appetites to Christ: "It is

God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; that each of you should learn to control his own body in a way that is holy and honorable" (vv. 3, 4). There is a legitimate way to fulfill every human hunger. How we treat our appetites reveals whether we are Christian or heathen (the latter term is used by Paul to describe someone who does not know God and is still following his own passionate lusts; see v. 5).

Although this principle is certainly applicable to all human hungers, Paul selects as his example the particularly challenging appetite of sexuality. When we seek sexual fulfillment outside of God's prescribed boundaries of marriage (i.e., one man living out a lifelong commitment to one woman), we are not holy, but impure and living

under the threat of punishment (vv. 4-8). Yet, when we choose to fulfill our appetites in accord with God's plan, we live in the warmth of his smile.

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Obsequies

Cleveland Thibodeaux, Jr.

Funeral services were held for Cleveland Thibodeaux, Jr. Monday, June 21, 2010 at Good Shepherd Family Worship Center.

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

Thibodeaux, Jr., 59, of Lubbock passed away Wednesday, June 16, 2010 at Covenant Medical Center.

He was born May 4, 1952 to Cleveland and Gladys Dartest Thibodeaux in Jennings, LA.

He leaves to cherish in memory his wife, Felecia; sons, Dewayne, Lil Cleve, and Joseph (April); one daughter, Hisha (Ricky); 12 grandchildren; three



sisters, Retha, Ljanna, and Nell; two nieces, Yolanda and Dette; three nephews, James, Johnny and Gerald; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Roger Wellington

Funeral services were held for Roger Wellington Wednesday, June 23, 2010 at United Baptist Church.

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

Wellington, 49, of Lubbock passed away Monday, June 14, 2010 at Lakeridge Nursing Home.

He was born July 23, 1960.

He leaves to cherish his memory one daughter, Yvonne Wellington; mother, Lucinda Griffin; two sisters, Doris Jean Wellington and Gloria Jean Wellington; four brothers, Micheal D. Wellington, Royce Lee Wellington, Douglas Ray Wellington and Dennis Ray Wellington; two uncles, James Young and Richard Young; two aunts, Viola Young Edwards and Juanita Young Pritchett; 11 nieces; 14 nephews; three great-



nieces; and a host of other relatives and friends.

I still find each day too short for all the thoughts I want to think, all the walks I want to take... The longer I live, the more my mind dwells upon the beauty and the wonder of the world.
John Burroughs

Gary Coleman to Get His Wish: No Funeral Service

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—The independent attorney appointed to oversee the property and cremation of late actor Gary Coleman said Wednesday there will be no funeral services for the former child TV star.

A Utah judge on Monday named Robert Jeffs the special administrator of Coleman's estate after a dispute between the "Different Strokes" star's ex-wife and ex-girlfriend.

Jeffs told The Associated Press on Wednesday that Coleman's 2005 will specifies that there should be no funeral services.

Coleman died May 28 after suffering a brain hemorrhage at his home in Santaquin, 55 miles south of Salt Lake City.

The judge ordered that Coleman's remains be cremated no sooner than Wednesday afternoon.

"The judge hasn't entered the order granting me authority as special administrator," Jeffs said. "That's just a technicality; (I) need a formalized order."

Jeffs said even if the order were entered Wednesday, it was unlikely Coleman would be cremated the same day.

Jeffs has said Coleman's ashes and property will be securely stored until a final determination is made on an estate executor. It's a decision Jeffs said could take months.

Coleman said in a 1999 will that he wanted to be remembered in a wake conducted by people who had no financial ties to him and "can look each other in the eyes and say they really cared personally for Gary Coleman." He also wanted none of the media that followed Coleman's legal, financial, health and marriage troubles through his adult life to be allowed to attend.

"I direct my personal representative to permit no members of the press to be present at my wake or funeral," Coleman stated.

That will named Dion Mial, one of Coleman's friends and former managers, who on Monday withdrew his petition to be named as the special administrator of Coleman's estate. Mial's attorney said the 2005 will that names ex-girlfriend Anna Gray as administrator takes precedence because it is more recent.

Gray and Coleman's ex-wife, Shannon Price, both contend

Janet Jackson On American Idol



Gary Coleman

they are the lawful administrators of Coleman's estate. Price is named in a 2007 handwritten note by Coleman that names her as the sole heir.

Coleman starred for eight seasons on the sitcom "Different Strokes," starting in 1978. The tiny 10-year-old's "Whachu talkin' 'bout, Willis?" became a catch phrase in the show about two African-American brothers adopted by a wealthy white man. Coleman played Arnold Jackson, the younger of the two brothers.



Janet Jackson recently appeared on Fox's American Idol to perform her latest song, "Nothing" and one of her biggest hits, "Nasty." Spectators were impressed with her performance, and no one believes that she's 44 years old.

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Former NBA Player, Humanitarian Manute Bol Dies at 47

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP)—Manute Bol, a lithe 7-foot-7 shot-blocker from Sudan who spent 10 seasons in the NBA and was dedicated to humanitarian work in Africa, died Saturday. He was 47.

Bol died at the University of Virginia Hospital in Charlottesville, where he was being treated for severe kidney trouble and a painful skin condition, Tom Prichard, executive director of the group Sudan Sunrise, said in an e-mail.

Sudan and the world have lost a hero and an example for all of us," Prichard said. "Manute, we'll miss you. Our prayers and best wishes go out to all his family, and all who mourn his loss."

Bol played 10 seasons in the NBA with Washington, Golden State, Philadelphia and Miami and later worked closely as an advisory board member of Sudan Sunrise, which promotes reconciliation in Sudan. Bol averaged 2.6 points, 4.2 rebounds and 3.3 blocked shots.

"Manute's impact on this city, our franchise and the game of basketball cannot be put into words," 76ers president and general manager Ed Stefanski said in a statement. "He ... was continually giving of himself through his generosity and humanitarian efforts in order to make the world around him a much better place, for which he will always be remembered."

Bol joined the NBA with



Manute Bol

Washington in 1985 and played three seasons there. He returned to the team briefly toward the end of his career. The Wizards lauded him as a "true humanitarian and an ambassador for the sport of basketball."

"Despite his accomplishments on the court, his lasting legacy will be the tireless work and causes he promoted in his native Sudan and the cities in which he played," the club said in a statement.

Bol was hospitalized in mid-May during a stopover in Washington after returning to the United States from Sudan. Prichard said then that Bol was in Sudan to help build a school in conjunction with Sudan Sunrise but stayed longer than anticipated after the president of southern Sudan asked him to make election appearances and use his influence to counter corruption in his home county.

He said Bol had undergone three dialysis treatments and de-

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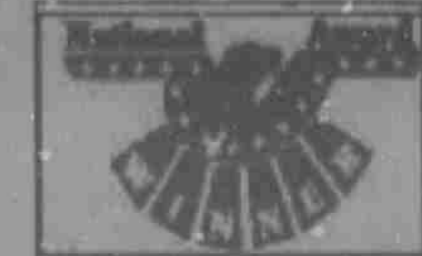
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EDITORIALS-COMMENTS-OPINIONS



THIS 'N' THAT

by T.J. Patterson

COMMENTS OF VICTOR HERNANDEZ DURING SWEARING IN LST FRIDAY MORNING:

When I formally announced my intention to run for City Council a few months ago, the theme was, "If you want Peace, Work for Justice," words of wisdom spoken by Pope Paul IV many years ago. At this time I'd like to reiterate a few of those remarks.

I said it back then and I believe it now, that District 1 needs someone who will work for justice. Someone who is not afraid to speak up when an injustice is occurring. Someone who believes that city government has a role to play, not only in providing core city services but a role in providing for broader societal

needs. District 1 needs, and the City also needs, someone who not only believes in open government but does his or her part to make sure open, transparent government is had.

But most of all, District 1 needs someone who has not forgotten that it is people that make up a city, and that the people and their city are one. This District, and the City as a whole, need someone who cares.

This campaign has hopefully shown that people from all walks of life can work together, if they so chose. This campaign has shown that old adversaries can set aside their differences, if they so choose. And this campaign has shown that even if people disagree, a political cam-

prison can be run without mud-slinging.

It is my hope that we continue to work together as a community for the betterment of this City.

You know, I'd like to take credit today and say that we won because I'm such a great guy but I cannot. I am like most people, an ordinary man trying to do his best. And as much as I tried, to tout my credentials as a human being there were many who tried to boil this race down to one which should be judged based solely on the skin color one has.

Now do not be mistaken, I am proud of my skin color, a beautiful reddish brown skin color. I am proud of the fact that I am bilingual, bicultural, with a deep sense of my culture and heritage. But I am also proud of the accomplishments achieved over a life time with the help of my family and the community.

And yet, I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge that as a result of single member districts a sense of balance in this city was regained. My friend TJ Patterson called the city councils of old, meaning pre-single member districts, "silver dollar councils." He described past councils as being comprised of nothing but Anglo men who all lived within blocks of each other and that if you placed a silver dollar on a map you could locate all of their homes within that circle.

Single member districts provided for diversity on the city council. But the diversity it provided was not based just on the color of ones' skin. It provided diversity based on background, outlook in life, and sensitivity to a variety of issues that were many times, overlooked. Single member districts provided a voice to those who were left out.

I think it is important that we remember these things because it is our combined history that teaches lessons which if forgotten, are destined to be repeated.

THINK ABOUT IT!

BLACK NEWSPAPER HITS THE STREETS TO FIND THE TRUTH!



Springfield, IL (Black-News.com) - Have our inner cities become true war zones? What are the causes of their steady and rapid decline? The Capital City Courier, one of the fastest-rising Black newspapers in the nation that is internationally read in over 30 countries around the world, introduces another powerful subject that affects the Black community. Written by gifted investigative writer, Kim E. Gordon, "Do Unsafe Neighborhoods Really Mean Poor Neighborhoods?" explores our own communities. Specializing in hard-hitting articles such as "Skin Deep: Does Our DNA Predispose Us to Drug Abuse?" "Why Do So Many Women Stay in Abusive Relationships?" "What Makes a Black Woman Strong?" "Can Black Women Raise Black Boys To Be Black Men?" and "Why Do Blacks Disproportionately Excel in Sports And Music?" the provocative and compelling newspaper continues to tackle

the tough issues.

"Do Unsafe Neighborhoods Really Mean Poor Neighborhoods?" examines the factors that have contributed to headlines such as: "More People Die in Chicago Than in Iraq!" The newest, insightful article from the trendsetting publication delves into this thought-provoking topic.


What was the effect of New York's legally sanctioned policy of "planned shrinkage" on Harlem? Why have politicians suggested calling out the National Guard to patrol the streets of Chicago? Pick up a copy of the Capital City Courier's May 2010 issue, "Do Unsafe Neighborhoods Really Mean Poor Neighborhoods?" available at your local newsstands or on the web at www.capitalcitycourier.org to find the answers to these and many more questions.

"At the Capital City Courier, we believe that if we are going to see real progress on the topics

that concern our Black community, we must become more comfortable raising the issues that sometimes make us uncomfortable," stated Michael Pittman, the editor-in-chief of the Capital City Courier. "We feel this is another one of those such issues. We believe the Black community will be very informed and enlightened by our latest article, 'Do Unsafe Neighborhoods Really Mean Poor Neighborhoods?'"

"The Capital City Courier will continue with these articles that spur rippling discussions across this country," Pittman concluded.

For additional information on the Capital City Courier or the "Do Unsafe Neighborhoods Really Mean Poor Neighborhoods?" article, contact Michael Pittman or Norman Calmesse at (217) 528-2998 or visit the CCC's website at www.capitalcitycourier.org



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By Renetta Howard

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Crises arise and crises go away. The United States has had its share of crises and many of them bloomed into full-fledged combat zones. Some have been wars of words and some have been actual physical and artillery combat. So far, the latest episode involves words, some good and some are not so good. One thing that most Americans need to know is that BP is short for British Petroleum. Further, the knowledge that BP is not an American company, should shed some light on the fact that foreign relations are involved in the Deepwater Horizon Explosion.

Another thing which most Americans need to know is that the flames of this fire of disaster has been fanned by none other than Texas Congressman of the Sixth District which includes such cities as Fort Worth, Arlington, Corsicana, Ennis and Crockett, Texas, one Joe Barton, who apologized to BP because President Obama negotiated a \$20 billion escrow account with BP to pay for the claims of citizens whose lives have been disrupted by the spill resulting from the explosion.

Congressman Barton admitted on NBC "Meet The Press" that British Petroleum is responsible for the damages, but at the same time, during the Congressional Hearing, he referred to President Obama's negotiation as a "shakedown." Fellow Senator John Croeyn from Texas agreed with Mr. Barton. They both appear to have some 'Tea Party' characteristics.

The next thing that Americans need to be mindful of, is the fact that Texas is an oil rich state and Mr. Barton, especially, has had the backing of the oil industry from day one of his political



journey. He is a member of the Energy and Commerce Committee in Congress. With oil backing, he is expected to see that big oil gets all of the advantages that it can get. His statement regarding President Obama's action is exactly what he was expected to do for the energy group, but what should the constituents who live on or near the Gulf Coast of Texas, think or feel about what he has said?

For most Americans affected by the Deepwater Horizon Explosion directly, \$20 billion for reparations should have been \$50 billion and according to the latest estimates on the daily spill, 100,000 barrels of oil per day, perhaps even more is really necessary. This is an example of why we need to get 'in cinque' and take a careful look at how our Congressmen and women see and weigh their feelings and actions on behalf of their constituents.

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Dallas police chief's son killed Lancaster officer

Dallas, Texas (CNN) - A man suspected of killing a police officer and another person Sunday night at a suburban Dallas, Texas, apartment complex was the son of the Dallas police chief, authorities said Monday.

David Brown Jr., the son of Dallas Police Chief David Brown, was also killed during an exchange of gunfire with responding officers, Dallas County Sheriff Lupo Valdez said.

Lancaster, Texas, Police Chief Keith Humphrey said David Brown Jr. was a resident of the apartment complex. Humphrey also identified the slain police officer as Officer Craig Shaw, who local media said was a five-year veteran of the Lancaster force and the father of two children.

Authorities at an afternoon press conference Monday, June 21, 2010, wore black bands around their shields to mark the death of their fellow officer.

The incident began when officers responded to a call of a shooting at the complex Sunday.

"According to our investigation, Lancaster officers were called out to a scene and shots were exchanged where two people were killed including Officer Shaw and the suspect," Valdez told reporters Monday. "It appears the shooter is going to be David O'Neill Brown Jr."

"Another male victim was also discovered dead at the scene, apparently from a shooting that had occurred earlier," Valdez said, adding the younger Brown is also a suspect in that victim's death.

Kim Leach, a spokeswoman for the sheriff's department,

TWO OF LUBBOCK'S GREAT MEN

by BROTHER ASKARI

T.J. PATTERSON was Honored by Congressman Randy Neugebauer, Mayor Tom Martin, Councilman Floyd Price and others who appreciate integrity and sincere commitment to human excellence and opportunity. T.J. Patterson a TRUL SERVANT and MODEL for all of us in the service of being a gateway for human progress. This man is one of my mentors. My other mentor is his partner and friend for over 35 years Mr. Eddie Richardson. These two men have MODELLED for us and shown us what REAL SOLDIERS AND DRUM MAJORS REALLY ARE when it comes to fighting "THE GOOD FIGHT" for the DIS-ADVANTAGED, DIS-ENFRANCHISED, DIS-RESPECTED, & THE DIS-CONNECTED. These two men are the founders of the SOUTHWEST DIGEST, A VOICE IN THE HEART OF THE BLACK COMMUNITY that speaks to the MINDS, HEARTS, and CONSCIOUSNESS OF THIS ENTIRE CITY. These two men have witness as well as have been the reasons for others of us to be able to enjoy some of the fruits of their hard labor for not just equality but for quality of life period. These two men are sometimes taken advantage of by the offsprings of some of our great men and women who died



in the process of fighting for us to live better lives as a people in this city. The way these two great men run the SOUTHWEST DIGEST makes it more than just a NEWSPAPER. These two men find places for people to live. They reach in their pockets and help people financially. They help people with city officials. They run ads in their paper for community events and they write articles for people in our community at the expense of not being paid just because of the great big hearts they have. They even run ads for people who only come to them when they want something for nothing. In fact, some of the people who

take advantage of these two GREAT MEN'S good nature and hearts didn't even show up to Mr. Patterson moral support when a White congressman came all the way from Washington D.C. to acknowledge one of this strong team of GREAT BLACK MEN. I know that Mr. Patterson and Mr. Richardson both appreciates all of conscious minded people who did show up but I can not even print what I think about the fakes who only show up when they want to MIS-USE these two LIVING GREAT BLACK MEN!!!! These two men being my mentors have often told me that THE GOOD, BAD, AND THE UGLY AMONG US ALL WILL GET WHAT THEY ALL GOT COMING. They have continued to encourage me to continue working for the betterment of our living condition MENTALLY, MORALLY AND HUMANLY. I am always humbled by their wisdom and that is Continue on Page 8

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If you are a Mary & Mac alumnus or have a good collection of the school, please contact Sarah Barwinkel in the City of Lubbock Planning Department. We would like to gather information on the school's history so that it might eventually be added to Lubbock's list of historic landmarks. Email Sarah at sbarwinkel@mylubbock.us or call (806) 775-2162

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The Volunteer Center of Lubbock offers a workshop that focuses on the importance of online presence for nonprofit organizations. "Where Are All the Nonprofits?" will take place Tuesday, July 6, 2010 at the Volunteer Center Conference Room at 1706 23rd Street from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Through this workshop, participants will learn and explore a series of multiple FREE tools offered by Google. The usage of these tools will increase agencies' online presence and will help advance their mission and purpose. Anyone interested in developing their online presence or involved with nonprofit special events, fundraising, marketing, program management, grant writing, or other facets of nonprofit is welcome to attend.

Jason Fischer, Office Coordinator, will present this workshop. "The necessity for securing your organization's fu-

ture through its online presence is inescapable in today's world. The Internet is everywhere both wired and wireless from coffee shops, restaurants, college campuses, rest stops, and on phones. When one thinks of Online Presence they may think of social networking such as Facebook or FourSquare. However, other aspects remain crucial in the online equation including ensuring your organizations visibility on search engines, making your website effective for visitors, advertising/website promotion (free with Google Grants up to \$10,000 per month), online tools to support administrative and program tasks," Fischer said.

To register, fill out a registration form, available at www.volunteerlubbock.org, and mail or fax it to the Volunteer Center of Lubbock. Cost is \$35 for Agency Partners and \$40 for Non-Agency Partners.

Library Activities This Week!

Teen Chess Club at Mahon Library

The Monday Afternoon Chess Club will meet at the Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, on Monday, June 28 from 2 to 5 p.m. For middle school and up. Chess sets will be provided. For more information, call 775-2838.

Model Trains on Display at the Public Library

Come see model trains in action at the Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, from Monday, June 28 through Friday, July 2 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, July 3 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 775-2838.

Scrabble Night at Groves Branch Library

The Groves Branch Library, 5520 19th Street, will host a Scrabble night on Monday, June 28 at 7 p.m. Bring a Scrabble board if you have one, or just

join a game. Adults and teens welcome. For more information, please call 767-3733.

Learn to Knit at Groves Branch Library

Come to the Groves Branch Library, 5520 19th Street, and learn the basics of Continental style knitting on Tuesday, June 29 at 6:30 p.m. Bring size 8 knitting needles and worsted weight yarn. For more information, please call the library at 767-3733.

Teen Program at Patterson Branch Library

We will be making shoes out of recycled newspaper at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive, on Thursday, July 1 at 2 p.m. For students going into grades 6 through 12. For more information, call 767-3300.

Thank God For Jesus

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When he got out of jail, only his work and his own thing, he would do.

As if to say to the Lord, I am out now, and I don't have time for you!!!

But then he got into trouble again, and this time, the judge gave him 50 years.

He now wants to appeal his case to a higher court, and his eyes full of tears!!!

Galatians 6:7-8 - Be not deceived, God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man sow, that shall

also reap. For he that sows to his flesh reap corruption; but he that sows to the spirit shall of the spirit reap life everlasting.

(He with ears hear! The thing about sowing and reaping; you always get more than you sow. You can take a bucket of corn to the field and plant it. But when you harvest it you will need a pick-up truck to bring it in. Because you will get 30% or 60% or 100%)

Mark 4:19-20 - Jesus said, the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lust of others.

Dunbar All-Class Reunion Here Soon!

Husband Arrested

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they were married.

After he and Jamieson married in 2005, Takoulo applied for a green card based on his marriage to a U.S. citizen. But immigration law requires that the deportation order be lifted before the couple can appear before immigration officials to argue their case that the marriage is legitimate and not a ploy to legalize Takoulo's presence in the United States.

"We want to be given the chance to interview and prove that we are a married couple, so Hervé can get a green card, and that has proven extremely difficult to do," Jamieson told CNN.

They never received a direct response to the letter. But they did get two Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) of-

ficers waiting outside their East Village, Manhattan apartment on June 3 when Takoulo was leaving the apartment to go to the gym.

Jamieson told CNN that the officers cornered her husband and asked him if he had written a letter to the president. "He said 'No, but my wife did.' And they explained that with that letter -- when it was brought to their attention -- that the Obama administration wanted them to resolve this quickly," Jamieson said.

Her husband was held at ICE headquarters for six hours, alone in a room, until he was chained at the wrists, around his stomach and his ankles and taken to the Hudson County Correctional Center in New Jersey, she said.

For the next two weeks, a frantic Jamieson wrote letters to politicians and anyone else who might be able to help. She got

responses, she said, but none seemed to lead anywhere. Takoulo was allowed to call his wife once a day at designated times but he knew little about his situation. He spent his days with repeat sex offenders and men accused of felonies, fearing imminent deportation.

"I did everything I could and went into survival mode and

pushed for all these connections to the press," she said. "We are fortunate to have that leverage. What about the people in the country who don't have access to those means?"

Then, on Thursday, he was brought to an immigration processing jail in Manhattan and released.

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Manute Bol Funeral Services Held

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veloped Stevens-Johnson Syndrome, a condition that caused him to lose patches of skin.

Prichard said the skin around Bol's mouth was so sore that he went 11 days without eating and could barely talk.

Prichard said it's believed that Bol contracted the skin disease as a reaction to kidney medication he took while in Africa.

Janis Ricker, operations manager of Sudan Sunrise, said Saturday that the organization would continue its work building the school in Bol's home village in southern Sudan. The building still lacks a second floor roof, she said.

She said Bol's goal was to build 41 schools throughout Sudan.

"We are in the process of still helping Manute build a school, and we will continue with that," Ricker said.

Parson Smith

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bonds to feed the unemployment funds times runs out on the state's no-interest borrowing from the feds.

Eltife, the Tyler senator who had unsuccessfully championed legislation (it passed the Senate, died in the House) that would have allowed Texas to take the stimulus dollars, is still fuming that Texas passed on free money that not only could have helped business owners but unemployed Texans who would have become eligible for benefits if Texas had taken the money and implemented the federal requirement to modernize our unemployment eligibility.

I wonder if the Tea Party was aware of Perry's action. Surely all of them are not idiots!

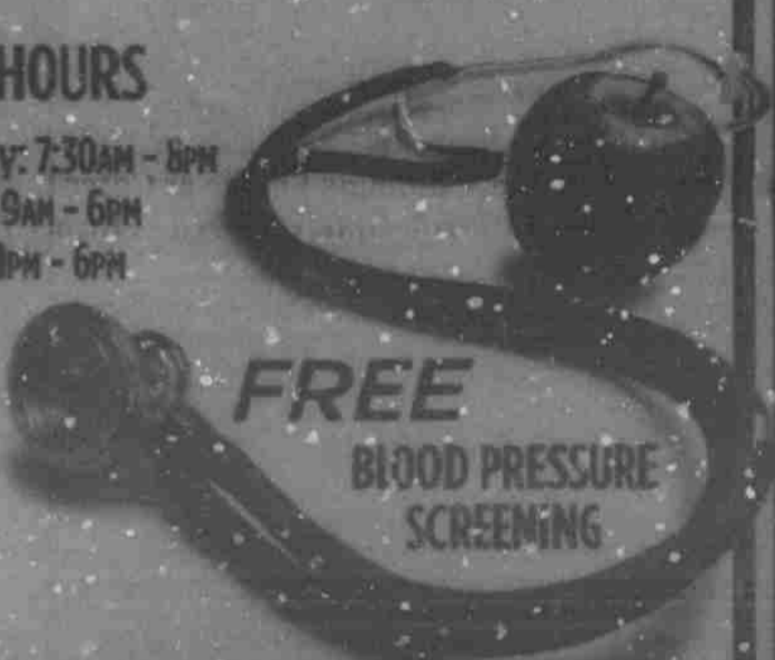
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Co-Publisher's Sister, Delores Patterson Robertson Succumbs In California



Delores Geneva Patterson-Robertson

Inglewood, California -- The sister of T. J. Patterson, Delores Geneva Patterson Robertson, succumbed June 8, 2010 after a sudden illness.

Graveside rites were held Wednesday afternoon, June 16, 2010, at Inglewood Park Cemetery with Minister Zairreus Patterson, a nephew, officiating.

Solomon Mortuary of Los Angeles was responsible for burial.

She was youngest child born to Hannah and Hershiel James Patterson, Sr. on August 8, 1947 in Atlantic City, N. J.

She was the youngest child, and was a June 3, 1965 graduate of Booker T. Washington High School where she participated in the Booker T. Washington Leopard Band, where she played the trombones.

Delores was one of four cousins who graduated on June 3, 1963 from Booker T. Washington High School. Her cousins were Zora Ann Cleaver, Vernon Johnson, Jr. and Hubert Cleaver. Delores was employed by the Los Angeles Fire Department in the Accounting Department for more than thirty years. After her retirement, she spent most of her

time traveling throughout the United States of America. One of her favorite visits was Hawaii.

Some say she was an avid fisherman, and just loved to be around water.

Preceding her in death are her parents, Hannah and Hershiel James Patterson, Sr., her brother, Hershiel James Patterson, Jr., husband, Harold Robertson, Sr.

Those whom she leaves precious memories are: her son, Harold Robertson Jr.; a granddaughter, Meilena Serae Robertson, both of Los Angeles, California; a very special friend for 22 years, Eddie Guillory; a sister, Doris Jean Patterson Joshua of Valencia, Ca.; a brother, T. J. Patterson, Sr. of Lubbock, Texas; many nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

For those of you who would like to show your concern for her life, then send your contributions to American Cancer Society in her memory.

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Dunbar Reunion .. 2010

By now everyone should have received the latest written communication from the Dunbar International Alumni Association. It is more detailed and contains a schedule of activities. In this brief overview, I won't discuss the entire four days of events. At this time, my concern is with a particular happening conceived and brought to the brink of excellence by the brilliant minds known as the class of '63.

Now, from that opening statement you were no doubt trembling in your house shoes, thinking that some sort of mental challenge might be the setting at the Dunbar All-Class Reunion in July. Hey...throw it out of your mind! The class of '63's intellectual prowess has been so widely recognized and accepted, any form of debate would not yield a competitive field.

Therefore, in order for '63 to display an attitude of fairness, and while contributing to the competitive spirit of the Panther...we offer a simple dare...a question of courage is what it really comes down to! In a contest of dance floor excellence, do you have the skills to compare with the "up side your head" precision demonstrated by many who are '63 members. Before you think about attacking a single class member...forget it. We have classmates that will cover every backside. Just like any other Dunbar graduating class, we have varying talents. We are up for any challenge! We'll drop marbles in the red sandy soils of the South Plains or run a bare foot race in front of the Boys Club if a winner will be declared.

For the confidence that permeates throughout '63, we are willing to establish a winner-take-all dance contest. Now, since you are at such a disadvantage, and to balance the odds of you winning...there will be two ways to invalidate '63's supremacy. 1) Swing Out Dance. Back in the day, swing-out was what we grew up on. Whether

on skates at the Pleasures Garden or Saturday Night At the "Y", swing-out was the basic dance. In the 60's, if you ventured on the dance floor or even looking from the sidelines, you knew West Texas Dancing when you saw it.

Although swing-out suffered a decline to fad dances in the '70's and '80's, the new century has spawned a renewed interest in the '50's and '60's way of dance expression. From what I hear, some couples are not "down" with the new moves taught in swing-out classes across the country. I suspect that in July at the Dunbar All-Class Reunion, the dance contest sponsored by the class of '63, we might witness an old school vs. new concept of swing-out dancing! 2) In accordance with '63's credo of equitability, it is only fair that we offer an opportunity for those dancers who showed some unique footwork. For a lack of a better description, let's call these "signature dances"! What I mean by this designation is that...we all, everyone, whether they know it or not, have a "signature dance". Let me expound on that idea. What I'm saying is that you've always done things a little different from what everybody else was doing. Of course, in your thinking, the way you did it was the most correct way the dance was intended. Quiet as its kept, you did crack a smile at the way other dancers attempted to mock or imitate the style and moves that came so easily to you because they were probably inherited.

The only barrier for such a dancer as yourself, is that you need a partner. Uh, we did specify that this is a dance contest. It does not matter what year or dance craze was happening at the time, all we want to know is that you knew what you were doing at that time, had some ability, and can reasonably duplicate your "signature dance" moves now! We do understand that some of you perfected your style and moves alone. I'm sorry to say that for this contest you need a partner! Hey! Don't despair, there's a Soul Train Line



B. J. MORRISON, at right, is shown letting one of the neighborhood children ride one of his horses Saturday, June 12, 2010, at the J. A. Chaiman Park during a cook out sponsored by The Narrow Gate Church, Pastor Perry "PC" Clark and Minister Laverne Clark. Everyone in attendance had a wonderful time. There will be more cook outs at Chaiman Park.

going on over there somewhere!

Contrary to any publication or the absence thereof, the '63 sponsorship of the dance contest is not limited to banquet night. Anytime music is being played, we will be looking for contestants. Our class member, Alice Conger Hunt will be our spokesperson and emcee. I think she might bring along little brother, Elton Conger as her

sidekick. You know how them Conger's stick together.

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