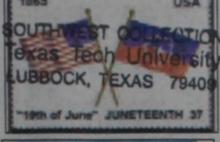
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Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.

* Hub City Kiwanis meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p. m., Mt. Vernon UMC, East 23rd & Cedar Avenue

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

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

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

* East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Great Saint Luke Missionary Baptist Church.

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

* Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 7:00 pm ind every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center,



Karen Gibson

for the Lubbock City Council as of May 10, 2014. But at this time, two of those seats have been filled at this time. Those votes for the Lubbock City elections are the unofficial results until the canvassing of the votes on Monday, May 19, 2014.

Incumbents Victor Hernandez, District 1, and Karen Gibson, District 5, were re-elected for another years.



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Gibson & Hernandez Winners For Council Seats In Municipal Elections



There were three seats open will continue to find a way to establish a new energy rate class for residents who need the help like those on fixed income.

Victor Hernandez

If you'd ask Karen Gibson about her first term as a city councilwomens in District 5, she'd tell you it has been rewarding.

Serving as the present mayor pro tem and District 5 received 62.78% of the 3,240 votes casted. Her opponent, Brian Carr, received 37.22%.

Laura Vinson Wins At-Large Seat In LISD



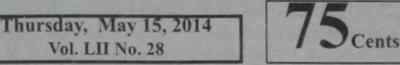
Laura Vinson

As of Saturday evening, May 10, 2014, Laura Vinson, a candidate for the LISD School Board Trustee At-Large, received 50.12% of the 7,346 votes casted. With more than 50%, she was elected.

Vinson, who is senior vice president at Prosperity Bank and a longtime parent volunteer with LISD, led her opponents Brett Underwood and Boyd Goodloe during the evening. According to sources, Underwood received 36.48% of the vote, and Goodloe received 13.40%. Vinson said, "I'm gratified that my work in the district an d my passion for doing the right thing for the district has played well the voters and they understand at and they support me, and I'm gratified to know I'm able to move ahead and get to work in the district."



cial January 1, 1863. The Emancipation Proclamation had little impact on the Texans due to the minimal number of Union troops to enforce the new Executive Order. However, with the surrender of General Lee in April of 1865, and the arrival of General Granger's regiment, the forces were finally strong enough to influence and overcome the resistance.





Gordon Granger, landed at Galveston,

Texas with news that the war had ended

and that the enslaved were now free.

Note that this was two and a half years

after President Lincoln's Emancipation

Proclamation - which had become offi-

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GOOD EDITORIAL FOR EAST LUBBOCK: On Saturday morning, beginning at 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., scores of East Lubbock residents and other citizens of Lubbock, Texas came together in a gigantic Clean Up Campaign for East Lubbock. The area where the clean up took place was between Martin Luther King Blvd. and the Dunbar College Preparatory Academy and the Joan Y. Ervin Elementary Schools.

1301 E. 24th Street.

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

* The Unified Juneteenth Commission of Lubbock meets every Monday evening at Bryon Martin Technology Center, 3401 Avenue Q, beginning at 6:00 p. m.

* 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 Iles Elementary Cafeteria.

CITIS (Creating Inspirational Thoughts in Singles) meets 2nd & 4th Thursday at 2404 23rd near Avenue X at 7:00 pm

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

Thee will be a run-off election Deanne Clark and Jeff Griffith for the seat in District 3. The you stick to the issues and you run-off election to determine the winner in District 3 will be Saturday, June 14, 2014.

Of the 148,440 only 12,970 voted in the Lubbock elections. This is only 8.74% of the number of qualified voters.

Hernandez defeated his two challengers, Lana Bear Moore and Frank Gutierrez. In that race e, Hernandez received 641 votes out of 1,267 cast. He received 50.59% of votes casted, and was declared the winner.

Moore received 149 votes or 11.76%, while Gutierrez received 471 votes or 37.65%.

Hernandez admitted it had been a very hard-fought campaign. "I had a lot of help from every section of the district and we had some wonderful volunteers.," he said.

money contributed to his reelection after the first campaign finance report, asking instead the funds be donated to Lubbock Power & Light's Project Helping Hands.

He had hoped to have been able to send \$15,000 by election day, but it wasn't to be.

He said he will continue his efforts and in his next tenure he

"You run a good campaign, go forth with what you know is right and what is good," she said.

Both candidates, Gibson and Carr, have a passion in fighting against synthetic marijuana. Gibson has spearheaded a city ordinance banning the chemical compounds found in the drug and Carr, on the other hand, is leading a grass-roots effort to provide awareness about the addictive substance. Carr says this is a fight he won't give up after election day.

"I think there will be continued work for me as chairman of the Board of Health," Carr said.

Carr will tell you without hesitation that he is very proud of what he accomplished during the campaign.

"I hope we can serve as a The campaign returned all the model for people to show that ordinary citizens can make a difference," Carr said.

> In the District 3 race, with all votes tallied, political activist Clark led the three-way District 3 City Council race with 38.56% or 681 votes of the 1,714 cast. Griffith received 33.31% or 571 votes.

The third candidate, Maurice Stanley received 482 votes or

Vinson will assume her role of trustee Monday, May 19, 20014, replacing Steve Massengale.

Vinson will tell you she entered this race with a desire to make a difference for all children.

28.12% of the votes.

Clark and Griffith are running for the seat which has been held by Councilman Todd Klein. He chose not to seek another fouryear term. He has served for two terms.

Both, Clark and Griffith, appear to be pleased with their outcome, and appreciative the support they received in round one.

The unidentified young girl above is hopeful as well as others, this picture will receive positive attention.

This special effort had the support of LUNA.

(Photo Courtesy of Totsie Bass)

Estacado High School Matadors Participating In State Meet In Austin



Pictured above are some of Estacado High School Matadors who participated in the UIL State Track Meet in Austin recently.

Upcoming Fifth Grader Artist Enjoys Drawing On Sidewalks

Zellars Elementary in Dallas, Texas. Her two favorite subjects are Art and Physical Education. She is the daughter of Shane Branson (Dallas, Texas) and services for her uncle, Joshua

Emmah Branson is a 5th granddaughter of Mrs. Janyce grader who attends school at Branson of Lubbock, Texas. Emmah, along with her father (Shane) and brother (Kieren) were here in Lubbock over the past week attending funeral

Branson.

While here, Emmah decided to display her love and skills to her grandmother by these drawings she made on her grandmother's sidewalk.

The Southwest Digest would

like to thank Emmah for spreading her love in the neighborhood on Globe Avenue. What an array of sunshine she left to be remembered, as various artist do when they leave their signature on their artwork.

Thank you, Little Miss Emmah! We look forward to seeing more of your work of art in the near future. Keep up the good work!

We wish you the very best as you continue your education and bringing good news to the neighborhoods.









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Parks And Recreation To Offer Summer Job Fair

holding a Summer Job Fair for hiring seasonal summer staff on Thursday, May 15, 2014, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 pm. The job fair will take place at the Parks and Recreation office located at 1611 10th Street. Part-time positions available include summer camp counselors, lifeguards, cashiers, concession attendants and pool laborers, and all positions require a criminal background check and drug screening. Applications may be completed in advance at www.ci.lubbock.tx.us or online at the time of the job fair. Applicants should come prepared to interview, and qualified individuals will be screened, hired and processed at the time of the job fair. For more information, contact Parks and Recreation at 806-775-2673

Summer Camp Counselors: Applicants must be 18 years of age or older and have a High School diploma or GED equivalent. Applicants must be able to work consecutively from May 27th through August 22rd, from 7:30/7:45 am-5:30 pm. Applicants must be able to swim. Experience working with kids age 6-12 preferred, but not required. Must be willing to obtain First Aid and CPR certification.

Lifeguards: Applicants must be 16 years of age or older at the time of hire. Experience as a lifeguard preferred, but not re-

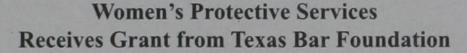
Parks and Recreation will be quired. Applicants must be American Red Cross certified in CPR, First Aid, and Lifeguarding. All certifications must be obtained prior to being hired. Proof of current enrollment in class or certifications must be turned in with application.

> Cashiers/Concession Attendants: Must be 16 years of age or older at the time of hire. Ability to lift and carry 25 pounds and up to 50 pounds. Must be able to work between the hours of 12-7PM daily and on weekends. Cash handling experience requested but not required. Will provide training.

Pool Laborers: Must be 16 years of age or older at the time of hire. Ability to lift and carry 25 pounds and up to 50 pounds. Must be able to learn to operate pool cleaning equipment, learn and follow safety procedures, and maintain written records. Will provide training.

No	one is as deaf as the man
	who will not listen.
	Jewish Proverb

List	en to counsel and accept
	discipline,
That	you may be wise the rest
	of your days.
Ma	iny plans are in a man's
	heart,
but th	ne counsel of the Lord will
	stand.
1	Proverbs 19:20-21



Women's Protective Services is excited to announce that it has received a grant award in the amount of \$5,000 from the Texas Bar Foundation. The award will be used to support the Regional Outreach/Community Education program in purchasing additional outreach materials such as brochures and other resources to educate the community about domestic violence and the criminal justice system. Women's Protective Services commends the Texas Bar Foundation for their continued support of the women, children and men that are served.



Nigerian girl: Kidnappers said they were soldiers

extremist group called Boko

Haram. They kidnapped the en-

tire group of girls and drove

them away in pickup trucks into

are still missing. At least two

have died of snakebite, and

about 20 others are ill, according

to an intermediary who is in

find them --- has drawn interna-

tional attention to an escalating

Islamic extremist insurrection

that has killed more than 1,500

so far this year. Boko Haram, the

name means "Western education

is sinful," has claimed responsi-

bility for the mass kidnapping

and threatened to sell the girls.

The claim was made in a video

seen Monday. The British and

U.S. governments have ex-

pressed concern over the fate of

the missing students, and

protests have erupted in major

Nigerian cities and in New York.

Their plight — and the fail-

touch with their captors.

Three weeks later, 276 girls

the dense forest.

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) -The girls in the school dorm could hear the sound of gunshots from a nearby town. So when armed men in uniforms burst in and promised to rescue them, at first they were relieved.

"Don't worry, we're soldiers," one 16-year-old girl recalls them saying. "Nothing is going to happen to you."

The gunmen commanded the hundreds of students at the Chibok Government Girls Secondary School to gather outside. The men went into a storeroom and removed all the food. Then they set fire to the room.

"They ... started shouting, 'Allahu Akhbar,' (God is great)," the 16-year-old student said. "And we knew."

MORE: What you need to know about the mass kidnappings.

What they knew was chilling: The men were not government soldiers at all. They were members of the ruthless Islamic

Nigerian Islamist Leader Threatens to Sell Kidnapped Girls

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Curtis Neloms

Funeral services for Curtis Neloms were held on Saturday morning, May 10, 2014, at Unity Baptist Church.

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

Neloms, 70, of Lubbock, passed away on Saturday, May 3, 2014.

Curtis was born on January 10, 1944, in Bryan, Texas to the parentage of Peter Koonltz and Margie Neloms-Covington.

Curtis received his formal education from Dunbar High School. He accepted Christ at an early age, and worshipped at Unity Baptist Church.

He was employed as a truck driver for more than 50 years.

Curtis met and married Shirley Anderson and to this union five children were born.

Later he remarried Loraine Bradley; to this union four children were born.

Curtis was preceded in death ure of the Nigerian military to by his parents, Peter Koonltz

> mote corner of northeastern Nigeria on April 14. By some counts 276 remain missing.

> The kidnappings are the latest assault by Boko Haram, which has committed dozens of massacres of civilians in its five-year insurgency in Nigeria's north with the aim of destabilizing and ultimately overthrowing the Nigerian government. Earlier this year, for instance, more than 50 teenage boys were slaughtered — some burned alive — at a government school in the north. That attack, like many others, was quickly forgotten in Nigeria and barely noticed outside of it.

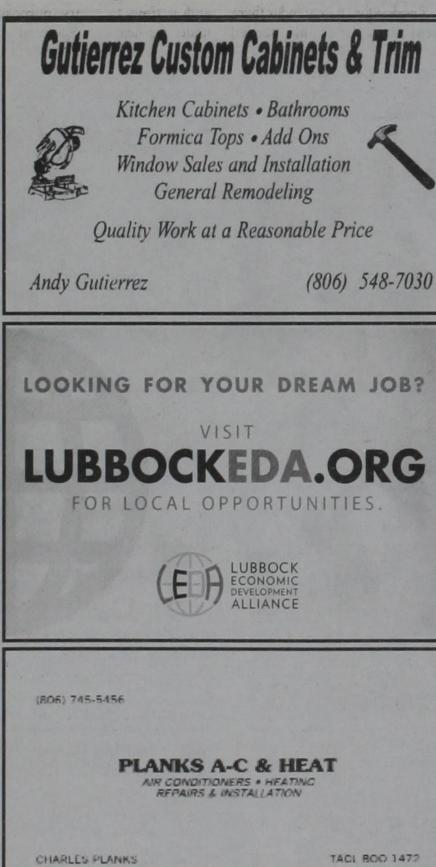


and Margie Covington; and two sons, David and Rodney.

He leaves to cherish his memories his loving wife, Loraine Neloms; five sons, Curtis Jr., John, Shawn, Jonathan and Curtis Deshone; four daughters, Toni, Calondra, Barbara and Monique; sisters, Elaine, Catherine Ann (Larry) and Ollie Ruth (Milton); brothers, James Arthur, S.C. Jr., Peter Jr. and Nathaniel Carl (Awndra); 29 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

federal agency or agencies were helping to locate the missing girls. Marie Harf, a State Department spokeswoman, told reporters at a daily briefing that American officials had indications that many of the girls had "likely been moved out of the country to neighboring countries at this point." She declined to specify which countries.

Jay Carney, the White House spokesman, said that President Obama had been briefed several times on the abductions and that the State Department had been "in regular touch with the Nigerian government about what we might do to help support its efforts to find and free these young women." The government's helplessness so far - the army first claimed to have rescued the girls, then retracted the claim has shaken Mr. Jonathan's administration, and the president has spoken of reaching out to **Continue on Page 5**



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DAKAR, Senegal — In a video message apparently made by the leader of the Nigerian Islamist group Boko Haram, Abubakar Shekau claimed responsibility for the kidnapping of hundreds of schoolgirls nearly three weeks ago, called them slaves and threatened to "sell them in the market, by Allah." "Western education should end," Mr. Shekau said in the 57minute video, speaking in Hausa and Arabic. "Girls, you should go and get married." The Islamist leader also warned that he would "give their hands in marriage because they are our slaves. We would marry them out at the age of 9. We would marry them out at the age of 12." The message was received by news agencies in Nigeria on Monday and is similar to previous videos purportedly from Boko Haram. It is the first time the group has claimed responsi-

bility for the kidnappings, which

have gripped Nigeria, ignited a rare antigovernment protest movement and embarrassed the government of President Goodluck Jonathan, who has so far been unable to rescue any of the teenage girls. They were abducted from their school in a re-

But the kidnappings of the girls have attracted rare international attention, with foreign governments weighing in. Obama administration officials said on Monday that the United States had offered intelligence and information sharing to the Nigerian authorities, although they declined to specify what

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We Thank God for Jesus "God's Warning -- Not Global Warming" Written by Evangelist Billy "BJ" Morrison, III

Matthew 15:8 - Jesus said -- This people draw near unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.

AMERICA left the OLD COUNTRY, and came to THIS **NEW LAND. SHE STARTED OUT LOVING HER PEO-**PLE WITH THE BIBLE IN HAND!!!

Matthew 11:28-30 -- Jesus said -- Come unto me, all you that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke (THE BIBLE) upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart, and you shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke (THE BIBLE) is easy, and my murden is light.

AND GOD BLESSED AMERICA with riches untold. But she wanted A GOD. SHE LOVED HER WHEAT, OIL, CATTLE, AND THE MONEY AND GOLD.

I Timothy 3:6 - For the love of money is the root of all evil; which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows -- (FOREST TORNADOS, FIRES, FLOODS, SNOW STORMS, AND DROUGHTS). AMER-ICA LEFT GOD; SHE WANTED HER RIGHTS TO **DO HER OWN THING. Now** everywhere you LOOK SHAME, SHAME, SHAME!!! (AMERICA AND HER

And then it was May Dr. James L. Snyder

RIGHTS IS FULL OF THE DEVIL!!!)

Isaiah 1:4a -- Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters; they have forsaken the Lord.

With the **TROUBLE IN AMERICA, SHE WANTS TO GO TEACH THE FOREIGN** MAN. AMERICA IS FULL **OF HYPOCRITES. SHE'S** THE WORSE IN ALL THE LANDS!!!

Malachi 3:5 - The Lord said, I will come near to you to judgement, and I will be swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that oppress the hirelings in his wages: the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside he stranger from his rights, fear not me.

When she kicked: GOD OUT OF HER SCHOOL, HOMES, COURTS AND LAND. NOW SHE HAS TROUBLES, BECAUSE HER GOD IS NOT IN HER PLANS!!!

Micah 7:2-3 -- The good man is perished out of the earth, and there is none upright among men; they all lie in wait for blood; they hunt every man his brother with a net.

That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince ask, and the judge asked for a reward; and the great man, he utters his mischievous desire; so they wrap it up.

Texas Officer Who Shot Armed 93-Year-Old Fired

HEARNE, Texas (AP) - Officials in a small Central Texas town voted Saturday to fire a police officer who shot and killed an armed 93-year-old woman during a confrontation at her home.

The city council's unanimous vote to dismiss Officer Stephen Stem came after a meeting that lasted less than 30 minutes, KBTX-TV reported (HTTP://BIT.LY/1FXYWMQ). Mayor Ruben Gomez had said he would recommend the termihate it when somebody tells me

what to do. My calendar looks at me and I look back and it simply nation of Stem, who shot and killed Pearlie Golden on Tuesday night. Gomez promised that to demonstrators who marched to city hall protesting the shooting of "Miss Sulie," as many residents called Golden.

Hearne police have said in a statement that Golden "brandished a gun" when Stem ar-

ATTEND CHURCH ON **SUNDAY MORNING!**

during the month of April to realize that April has a time limit. April has 30 days and when those 30 days are kaput, April is over and it is May.

Judge Joe Brown Runs For DA In Memphis

Brown, who is a Democrat, was a criminal court judge for 10 years in Memphis before stepping down to hit the Tinsel Town spotlight. Brown will be running against incumbent Amy Weirich, a Republican.

The debonair judge whose hard-hitting erudite responses made those who stood before him feel like mental midgets, made headlines earlier this year when he was arrested and jailed, after a Shelby County Juvenile Court magistrate found him in contempt of court five times during a contentious hearing.

RELATED: Judge Joe

Brown Arrested!

At the time of Brown's arrest, Weirich's campaign manager had this to say about Brown's court antics, "That sort of disrespectful circus stunt may get Hollywood ratings, but this is real life and real people, and Joe Brown knows better. He should be ashamed of himself."

The good judge is appealing the charges.

ment further. Stem was on administrative leave while Texas Rangers investigated the shooting.

Jones, told the TV station in the his aunt became upset when she was denied a driver's license renewal and armed herself when Jones said he called 911, and he said Golden fired two shots before the officer who responded shot her.

Authorities say a revolver believed to be the weapon Golden

80 days. Why be so legalistic



Judge Joe Brown (pictured), whose syndicated and wildly popular and now-defunct eponymous TV show ran for 15 years, has now entered a political race, running for district attorney general for Shelby County, Tenn., according to Web Pro News

During his 10 years holding the gavel, Brown developed a rep for imposing creative sentences. He once ordered an outof-town businessman caught transporting drugs through the county to apologize for his crimes in a letter in the newspaper. In another one of his cases, an admitted child molester was ordered to confess to his Sunday

had at the time of the shooting was found at the scene.

Robertson County District Attorney Coty Siegert said because the case is still under investigation, he could neither confirm nor deny that Golden fired her gun. He said a preliminary autopsy shows Golden was shot twice in the body and grazed by a third bullet.

Stem's attorney, Robert Mc-Cabe, said he believes his client's actions were justified under the circumstances and called the mayor's comments inappropriate and unprofessional.

can't I go back and be 37 for just one day? I do not need to be 37 forever, just one day!

But no, Father Time has made

church congregation, something the church was totally against.

On August 7th, voters will get to make their decision on whether Brown or Weirich will be best suited for the job in Tennessee's largest county.

"He probably knows less facts about what occurred than I do." McCabe said.

Hearne is home to about 4,500 people and is surrounded by cotton farms and railways. Friends say Golden still shopped at the grocery store and greeted friends with a jubilant "Hey, baby!"

The fatal shooting was the second involving Stem since he joined the department in 2012, Siegert said, but the circumstances surrounding Stem's first one were different. Siegert said a group of officers had responded to a call in the middle of the night and wound up chasing several suspects through an unlit area before Stem fired. He was cleared by a grand jury.

would arrive. Once I got out to recess, it went so quickly I had to return to class almost before I left the classroom. What is that all about? I took a little bit of time to think about what good old King Solomon said about the subject. "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven" (Ecclesiastes 3:1). Time is a commodity either you spend it or lose it. The bad part is once you lose it you can never get it back. Enjoy today, it's the only today you have. Rev. James L. Snyder is pastor of the Family of God Fellowship, PO Box 831313, Ocala, FL 34483 . He lives with his wife, Martha, in Silver Springs Shores . Call him at 1-866-552-2543 e-mail or jamessnyder2@att.net. His web site is www.jamessnyderministries.com.

rived, but have declined to com-

But Golden's nephew, Roy Bryan-College Station area that he refused to return her car keys.

about all of this? Why be so judgmental?

For a very brief time last week I was under the impression I was all caught up. Don't you like the feeling that comes knowing you are up to date and everything is accomplished? I do, I just do not experience it enough.

It was entirely my own fault. I was gloating over the fact I had accomplished everything on my to-do-list and had some time to spare. Spare time is a rare commodity these days, at least for me. I do not even have spare change and it has been months since I have seen my spare tire.

Time is a different matter altogether. Just when I think I have a little spare time on my hands, I find it slipping through 'my fingers.

As I said, I was gloating over the fact I was all caught up. Being in a rather cheerful mood, I thought I would look at my calendar. I do not look at my calendar that often. It is so depressing, always telling me what to do. I

says, do this. And there it is in black and white. What else can I do?

Without actually thinking the issue through carefully, I opened up my calendar and discovered something quite startling. It takes a whole lot to startle me. In fact, it takes a whole lot just to get me started on anything. However, I looked at my calendar and was woefully startled.

I noticed on my calendar it was the month of May. What happened to March and April ? In fact, what happened to January and February?

I should have gotten a hint with all the rain we had in April Remember that little line that goes, "April showers bring May flowers"? While I was focused on the showers in April, I did not notice that April was exhausting itself and May was sneaking around the corner to surprise me.

Boy, did it surprise me. I guess I was just too occupied

I do not think May is any different from any other month. It is just that I wish the months would slow down a little bit. It seems at the beginning of the month everything is going rather slowly and then when you hit the middle of the month the days must go into some kind of panic and race towards the end. Why these days of the month have to hasten towards the remainder of the month is something I will never wrap my head around.

If I were a swearing man, I would swear it was still February. I believe there ought to be a month, at least one month in the year, where there are like 75 to

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Every day of the month insists it will only be around for 24 hours. Not 25 hours. Not even 20 hours. But every day insists on being around for 24 hours and then, it disappears. Now, where does it go?

When I go on a vacation, I know where I am going and the sad part of my vacation is at the end of the vacation I come back. Now where does time go? And, why doesn't it ever return.

For instance. I am thinking of celebrating my 37th birthday this year. I am not 37 years old, but I cannot remember what I did on my 37th birthday. I think that if I cannot remember what happened on my 37th birthday, I should be able to repeat it. Why

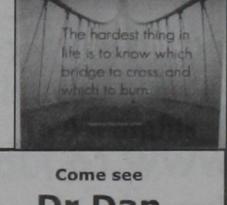
a rule that you can only be 37 one day out of the year and you can never repeat that, ever again. Of course, there was Jack Benny who was 39 all his life.

I noticed in my calendar there were many items that needed doing. As I looked at them, I realized I had done them the month before. Some things are so insistent that you do them every month. My electric bill, for instance. Why do I have to pay that every month? Why can't the electric company give me a vacation once a year?

Another thing that bothers me. When I am having a good time at whatever I am doing, why does time pass so quickly? I remember in school the time leading up to recess went ever so slow and I never thought it

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Obsequies

Mary Alice Austin-Courtney

Funeral services were held for Mary Alice Austin-Courtney Friday morning, May 2, 2014, at Ford Memorial Church of God in Christ.

Interment followed in the Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Courtney, 76, passed away on Sunday, April 27, 2014 in Lubbock, Texas.

Mary Alice Austin-Courtney was born January 23, 1938, in Rockwall, Texas to Daniel and Emma Austin.

The family moved in 1943 to Lakeview-Memphis, Texas; 1948, Shallowater-Lubbock, Texas.

Mary leaves behind three aunts, Inez Smith of Oklahoma, Bobbie Long (Elmarice) of Oklahoma, Earnestine Mulkes (Rev. Alan) Spencer OK; her brother, Daniel Austin (Karen) of Arlington, Texas; daughters, Esther Jackson of Albany, N.Y., Iva Courtney of Lubbock, Texas, and Teresa Courtney of Austin, Texas; son, Manuel Courtney of Lubbock, Texas; grandchildren, Amanda Banks of Austin, Texas, and Teresther Brown (Adam) of Lubbock, Texas; great-grandchildren, Emory Courtney, Madysen Brown, Trinity Brown, and Kaleb Brown; four nephews; and two nieces; a host of cousins and family.

She was preceded in death by her father, Daniel Austin; mother, Emma Austin; son, Donald Courtney; grandson, Cedrick Courtney.



Mary worked as a domestic worker for 45 years, including working for Texas Tech Univ. Food Service for 12 years, and Texas Instruments for 23 years.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to her caregivers, Carol, Belinda, Esther, Mike, and Gaye; IntegraCare Hospice, Lubbock, Texas.

Lois Mae Isaac

Funeral services for Lois Mae Isaac were held Friday afternoon, May 2, 2014, at the Community Baptist Church with Rev. Larry Brooks, pastor, officiating.

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

Isaac, 59, of Lubbock, passed away on Tuesday, April 27, 2014.

Lois was born on July 19, 1954, to the parentage of Arthur Lee and Margie Harris.

Lois graduated from Estacado High School in 1973 and attended Texas Tech University. She worked at Texas Instruments for many years.

Lois married Larry Isaac, and to this union two sons were born.

Lois moved to Ft. Worth, Texas, and worked at D/FW Airport until her death.

Lois was preceded in death

Ruby Jean Whitmore

Funeral services for Ruby Jean Whitmore were held Saturday morning, May 3, 2014, at Parkway Drive Church of Christ.

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

Whitmore, 70, of Arkansas, passed away on Thursday, April 24, 2014.

Ruby was born on July 12, 1943, to the parentage of L.E. Brown and Albertha Brown in Fulton, Ark. Ruby accepted Christ in her life at an early age. She married Courtland Whit-



by: her parents, Arthur Lee and Margie Harris; a brother, Donald Ray Harris; and son, Larry Jerome Isaac.

She leaves to cherish memories: a special friend, Stanley Jackson; son, Tyson Isaac (Candice); daughter, Miranda Gatewood; sister, Renna Harris; two brothers, Arthur Harris Jr., and Earl Wayne Harris; ex-husband, Larry Isaac; grandchildren, Larrell Isaac, Larry Isaac Jr., Tykeria Isaac, Keyonce Isaac; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

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Victor Demone Hopkins

Funeral services for Victor Demone Hopkins were held on Saturday morning, May 3, 2014, at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church with Overseer J. Jerome Johnson, pastor, officiating.

Interment followed at Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Hopkins, 41, of Lubbock passed away on Wednesday, April 23, 2014.

Victor was born on June 24, 1972, to Henry J. Hopkins and Magnolia Archie Hopkins. Victor confessed Christ at an early age. He was a member of Praise Center Ministries. Victor graduated from Mon-She leaves to cherish her terey High School in 1990. He studied Criminal Justice at South Plains College. He was employed by Texas Instruments and worked for the City of Lubbock for seven years. Victor later became employed with the Lubbock Housing Authority where he remained employed for 12 years. Victor loved his job and the people and communities he served. He continued to pursue more knowledge about maintenance during his employment to

Funeral services for Vollie B. McCutcheon Blanton were held Saturday morning, May 3, 2014, at the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church with Rev. J. H. Ford, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

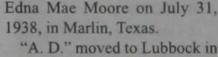
Blanton, 100, was born in Hillsboro, Texas, to the parentage of Burton and Mahalia Mc-Cutcheon, May 4, 1913.

She was preceded in death by her husband, J. D. Blanton, after 60 years of marriage; her

Funeral services for Andrew David Pine were held Saturday afternoon, May 3, 2014, at the St. James Baptist Church with Rev. Johnny Barnes, pastor, officiating.

Funeral services were under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Known as "A. D.", Pine was born in Regan, Texas, on October 2, 1917, to Fancy and Julie Pine. "A. D" was married to



parents; her daughter, Bertha

memory: nephews, nieces, and

She leaves to cherish her

Beamer; and other siblings.

her church family.

Andrew David Pine

1950. He served in the following organizations: NAACP and Century II Lions Club. He was a founding member of Canyon Lake Credit Union. "A. D" was a business entrepreneur, owning his own mechanic shop.

"A. D" was a member of St. James Baptist Church for the past 64 years, and active until his health failed him two years ago.

Survivors include his wife, Ednam Pine of Lubbock; two daughters of Lubbock.

brothers, Henry J. Hopkins, Bassey LeBough Hopkins (Khaleelah) and Henderson San-



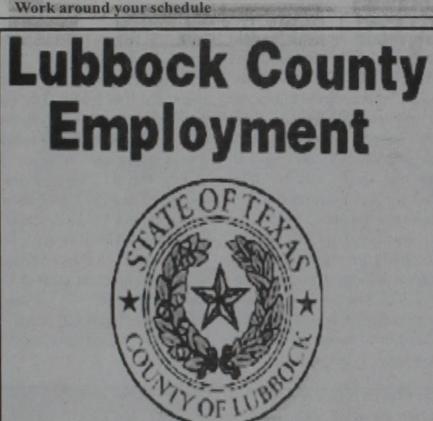
more on Aug. 7, 1964, in Lubbock, Texas. To this union, two children were born.

Ruby worked as a houseparent for 14+ years at the Children's Home of Lubbock, then for L.I.S.D. until she retired. She was a loving wife, mother, sister, aunt, and friend to all whom had the pleasure of knowing her.

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memories: one daughter, Stacey E. Ray (Michael); one son, Jerome Courtiand Whitmore; four brothers, Donnie Brown (Catherine), Danny Brown (Maple), Arthur Brown Sr. (Bettye), and Byron Brown; one sister, Orene Ford; and a host of other relatives and friends

Christ was born on earth below that we might be born from heaven above.' Unknown

and friendly to everyone he met.

help him improve his skills. He

was very giving, kindhearted

Victor was preceded in death by: his father, Henry J. Hopkins; his grandparents, E.J. Archie and Willie Lee Archie.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his loving wife, Tamieka Sheppard Hopkins; four sons, LaQuan Hopkins, Victor Hopkins Jr., Victorian Hopkins and Vyden Kinney Hopkins; five daughters, Cameosha Terrell, Victoria Hopkins, Veronica Hopkins, Valencia Barrientes, Victorious Hopkins; one granddaughter, Damonii Renee Jaqui Hopkins; a loving mother, Magnolia Hopkins Kinney; stepfather, Willie B. Kinney; four

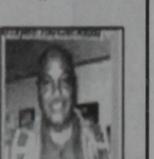
dles and Vincent McDowel; three sisters, Ashlee Robinson, Mantashia Robinson and Connie Barnette: four uncles, Willie J. Archie and Eugene Archie, Kenneth Archie and Charles Hill; two great-uncles, Babe Ruth Archie and Earnest Bluitt; one great-aunt, Edna Fields; his mother-in-law, Barbara Nell Sheppard; three sisters-in-law, Deleshia Brown, Chaka Sheppard and Aja Parker; one brother-in-law, Donnell Brown; two special cousins, Marie Beck and Laura Kinney; and a host of loving family and friends.

Linda Taylor Murphy

Funeral services for Linda Taylor Murphy were held Saturday afternoon, May 3, 2014, at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church where the pastor is Rev. Darryl Willie.

Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the **Continue on Page 6**





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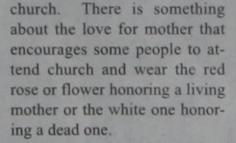
As much as I love and enjoy Easter, I just decided not to attend the regular church services this Easter and stay at home and celebrate a private worshiping of the Risen Lord. There has been so much publicity, expensive advertising in forms heretofore unheard of, to get people to attend church on Easter Sunday.

It is the belief of some pastors that if they can get enough people into church on Easter, following the Lenten Season and Palm Sunday, that they just might get them to become a member of their church and therefore raise the church's membership enrollment. Hopefully the increased membership would somehow entail helping a soul to seek and find the righteous path of life.

Aside from Easter, many pastors also work more diligently during the Christmas season to get more people in church on Christmas. Many of these pastors know full well that some of the attendants only attend church on Easter Sunday and Christmas, celebrating the birth of Christ and his rising from the dead after the crucifixion on Good Friday. Some of these pastors will so much as tell the attendants on Easter that he looks forward to seeing them again at Christmas.

Mother's Day is another well attended Sunday which comes in the month of May. This is another Sunday which many nonchurch goers actually attend

Threatens To Sell Girls Continued from Page 2



The similarity in the Sundays for Easter and Christmas carry along with the religious aspect, a non-sacred aspect of the Easter Bunny just as Christmas has Santa Claus. The Easter Bunny brings colorful eggs and other goodies, new flashy clothing, for mostly children, though many never grow out of this phase of Easter, hence the Easter Parade. At Christmas, Santa brings toys, goodies, new clothes, and presents from our loved ones. Consequently, the merchants have very profitable days during these two holiday seasons. As a result of huge sales just before Easter, there were very few advertisements compared to the weekly average in the Easter Sunday newspapers. I was surprised since Mother's Day is a few weeks away.

It is going to be a very amusing time when we can find more about the essence of a religious holiday in the media than about the advertisements for the things we can purchase to celebrate that special day. It makes one wonder where the true spirit of a given holiday is being kept. We need to get 'in cinque' and ponder what and how religious holidays really affect us, and celebrate in a like spirit.

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60th Anniversary of Brown v. Board of **Education Decision**

May 17 marks the 60th anniversary of the landmark Brown v. Board of Education decision. To commemorate the anniversary, the American Federation of Teachers is joining together with community partners<http://www.reclaimourschools.org/> from across the country to hold a host of events. Key events are being held in Boston, Chicago, Detroit, Newark, New York City, Philadelphia, St. Paul and, of course, Topeka. AFT President Randi Weingarten will travel to Topeka on May 17 to speak at a Legacy Walk from the Brown v. Board of Education National Historic Site to Sumner Elementary School. Prior to the walk, Weingarten will host a roundtable with local community members and civil rights leaders.

Here's a sneak peek of what Weingarten is saying about this anniversary. Feel free to use this quote:

"Sixty years ago, Brown v. Board created access, yet today, we still struggle with true equity. In Philadelphia and Chicago, school closings have a disproportionate impact on students of color. In Newark, reforms being forced through have enraged the entire community and will excessively harm teachers of color. School closings, privatization, zero-tolerance approaches to school discipline, austerity, high-stakes testing all threaten to undercut communities of color. Today, change is being brought about not in a courtroom, but in our communities. There is a groundswell movement of teachers, parents, students and community members pushing for solutions that we know bring about equity-promoting early childhood education, expanding professional development opportunities, recruiting and retaining a diverse teacher corps, boosting parental involvement, shifting our discipline policies, curbing privatization, and fixing, not closing, schools. Together, we are working to reclaim the promise of public education."

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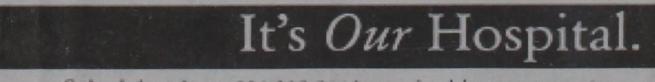
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More Obituaries

Joshua Kendrick Branson

Joshua Kendrick Branson passed away Thursday, May 1, 2014. The family gathered Monday evening, May 5, 2014, at Lake Ridge Chapel and Memorial Designers.

Family and friends gathered to celebrate his life of 34 years on Tuesday morning, May 6, 2014, in Lake Ridge Chapel.

A tribute of Joshua's life may be found at www.memorialdesigners.net, where you may leave memories and expressions

Linda Taylor Murphy **Continued from Page 4**

direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Murphy, 65, of Lubbock passed away on Thursday, April 24, 2014.

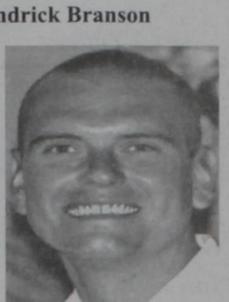
Linda was born on April 12, 1949, to the parentage of Joe and Lucille Taylor. Linda accepted Christ as her savior at an early age.

She graduated from Dunbar High School and later attended a trade school in Waco, Texas, where she received her certification to be a dental assistant. She was employed with the Waco Health Department for several years before relocating to Lubbock.

While in Lubbock, she was employed with Texas Instruments.

Linda was a loving woman of God who lived by faith and generosity and will be missed by all who had the opportunity to know her.

She was preceded in death by: her father, Joe Taylor; and mother, Lucille Davis; three brothers, Bobby Joe Taylor, Eural Dean Taylor, and Donald



of sympathy for his family.

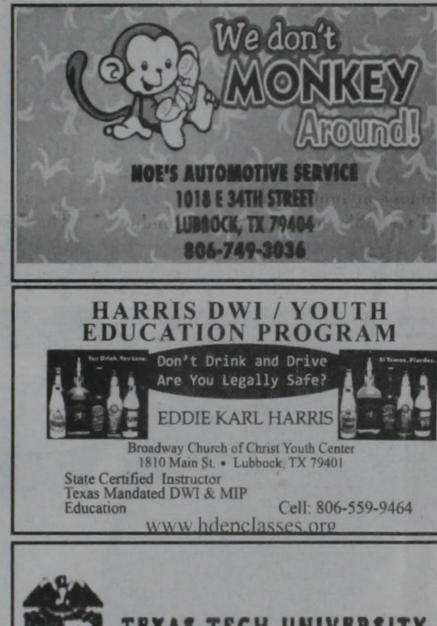
Joshua Kendrick was born on February 18, 1980, to Charles Harper and Janyce Branson in Hereford, Texas.

On February 10, 2007, Joshua married the love of his life, Marka Terral, at the Watson Building in Lubbock, Texas.

He graduated from Monterey High School and attended South Plains College. Josh was a member of Focal Pointe Fellowship.

Survivors include his wife, Marka Branson; son, Charlie Branson; parents, Charles Harper and Janyce Branson; three brothers: Glen Branson II, Shane Branson, Tony Branson; two sister-in-laws, Brandi Tyson, Sabrina Hammond; mother-in-law, Denise Baker; five nieces, Kiera, Emmah, and Shaylee Branson, Brittany and Brooklyn Tyson; and nephew, Kieren Branson.

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Myrtle Lee (Legans) Young

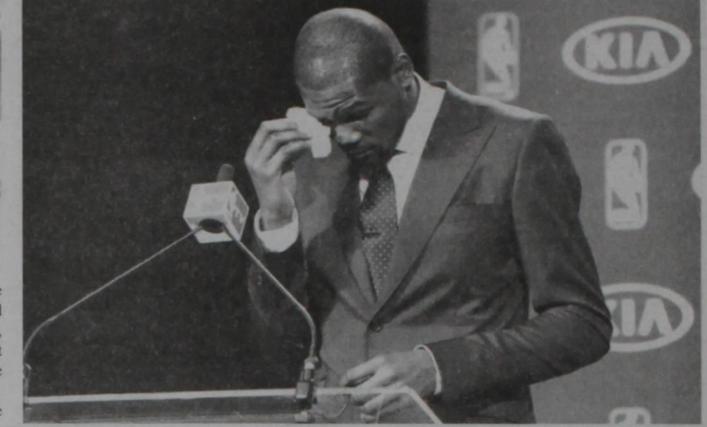
Funeral services for Myrtle Lee Legans-Young were held on Friday morning, May 9, 2014, at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, with Overseer J. Jerome Johnson officiating.

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

Young, known as "Baby Ruth," 80, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Saturday, May 3, 2014.

Myrtle was born on June 7, 1933, to the parentage of R.D. Legans and Martha McGee, the youngest of three children born to this union. Myrtle accepted Christ in her life at an early age. She was an active member of Tree of Life Church of God in Christ, under the pastoral leadership of Superintendent R.L. Caro. Myrtle served as mother of the church for several years until her health began to fail. She never knew a stranger, and al-**Continue on Page 7**

Kevin Durant Gives Thanks in Emotional NBA MVP Acceptance Speech



Oklahoma City Thunder superstar Kevin Durant was officially named the 2013-14 NBA Most Valuable Player on Tuesday. Judging by his acceptance speech, the award really means a lot to him.

Although this season marked the fourth time in his career that he led the league in scoring, it was the first time in his career that he won the MVP award.



Like most winners of the award, Durant thanked everyone who helped him reach this point. From his teammates to his coach to his mom, the 25-year-old was very emotional during his speech: It wasn't all tears and thanks. On the final question of the press conference, Durant did have some fun with a reporter after The Oklahoman dubbed him "Mr. Unreliable" last week. Durant received 119 of the 125 first-place votes, via NBA.com,

more than 300 points ahead of

and his 1,232 points put him the Miami Heat's LeBron James, who was a distant second.



Eugene Mims.

She leaves to cherish her memories: four daughters, Shandra Taylor, Jennie Ann Wilson (Randy), Kayla Wilson (Don), and Linda Carol Jordan (Barry); two newphews, James Clark and Omar Fountain; six brothers, Edward Davis, Gregory Davis, Sidney Davis (Charlotte), Keith Wayne Davis (Robin), Kevin Taylor and Billy Hill; two sisters, Sharon Hall (John) and Shelia Hill; ten grandchildren, Melvin Irving Jr., Ryshawd Irving, Eurletta Irving, Shameca Wilson, Shaketa Wilson, Jamar Wilson, Eldon Gatewood, Kmydron Jordan and Carli Jordan; 11 great-grandchildren; a special great-granddaughter, Kylei Renee Jordan; a special niece, Mitcholete Davis; a very special friend, Johnnie Hardeman; and a special cousin, Lucy Upshaw.

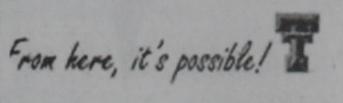
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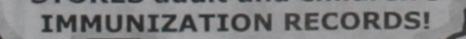
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The Bridge of Lubbock To Host First Ever Seeds Of Hope Fun-Run

The Bridge of Lubbock will be hosting its fifth annual Seeds of Hope Benefit Dinner on May 15th at Stone Creek Event Center @ 6:00PM to raise money for the Seeds of Hope Community Experience. All proceeds from the event will go towards funding for after-school and summer programming for at-risk youth in east Lubbock. These programings will include Christ centered curriculum, field trips, an overnight camp experience, and so much more.

"We are really looking forward to this being the best years so far for our dinner," Hillary Hilderbrand, Director of Operations, said. "This year's Seeds of Hope dinner is so different from years past, and we are expecting a great turn out. We are really working to provide our guests with a fun experience, while also stressing the importance of what they are there for and the great cause their donations will be going towards."

"I get to see our students every week. Over the year I've been able to watch a lot of them grown into strong and motivated young men and women,"Ashlei Watson, Director of Outreach said. "It's wonderful knowing we have such great support from our community, who are invested in the spiritual growth I see every day, and I hope they know the difference they are making just by purchasing a ticket."

The Seeds of Hope Benefit Dinner will be casino themed with a live and silent auction. The attire for the evening is dressy business casual, and tick-

The Bridge of Lubbock will interested in purchasing a ticket hosting its fifth annual Seeds or learning more about Seeds of Hope Benefit Dinner on May h at Stone Creek Event Cen-@ 6:00PM to raise money for brand at (806)-687-0772.

About The Bridge of Lubbock

The Bridge of Lubbock is a Christian non-profit organization serving families around the east Lubbock community by offering after school mentoring programs: Reaching Our Kids for elementary school students and Bridge 2 Success for middle and high school students. Other outreach programs include youth summer camp, a free clothing closet twice monthly to homeless and low-income families and Project: Prom.

The Bridge of Lubbock is funded by grants and private donations from individuals, businesses and churches in Lubbock. The Bridge of Lubbock does not receive funding from the federal government or the United Way.

For more information about The Bridge of Lubbock and their outreach, call (806) 687-0772 or visit their website at www.bridgeoflubbock.org.

Summer Reading Challenge Kick-off

The Lubbock ISD Summer Reading Challenge kick-off event begins on Friday morning, May 16, 2014, at 10:30 a.m. in the Centennial Elementary School library, 1301 North Utica. The theme for this year's challenge is "Reading Rocks!"

LISD contact: Brian Morris, 806-219-0010 / 806-577-3879.

Dorothy Lewis Espy Succumbs

Grand Prairie, Texas -- Funeral services for Dorothy Louise Lewis-Espy were held at the Sunset Baptist Church on Monday afternoon, April 21, 2014 with Rev. Magruder officiating.

Interment was held in the Southland Memorial Park in Grand Prairie, Texas under the direction of the Golden Gate Funeral Home & Creamatory of Dallas.

She passed away Saturday, April 12, 2014.

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ways had words of wisdom and encouragement for anyone in need.

Myrtle worked in many fields, but was employed as a home health care nurse.

She was preceded in death by: her parents, R.D. Legans and Martha McGee; her husband, Gene Young; one brother, Jimmy McGee; three sisters, Vernice Draper, Linda Legans and Tootsie Fields; three sons, Larry, Gene and Terry; one daughter, Mary; one granddaughter, Markisha Dickson; and two great-grandsons.

She leaves to cherish her memories: four sons, John Florence, Ruben Florence, Robert Young (Tamica) and Aubrey Young (Carolyn); three daughters, Emma Bowden, Debra White and Shula Green; three brothers, R.D. Legans (Bertha), Robert McGee and Alvin McGee; Jessie Jones, Patsy Johnson (Joe), Hattie Johnson, Catherine Govan, Mattie Johnson, Martha Watkins, Virginia Cooper Ron), Clara Mae



She was born August 30, 1942 to the parents of Julia and Buster Campbell in Lubbock, Texas. She worked as a receptionist.

She is survived by husband, Charles Espy; children: Rory Dell Martin, Darnette Johnson, Tory Matin, and Brian Espym grandchildren: Gavin Martin and Julia Martin; nine great grandhildren, a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, and church family.

Active pallbearers were Daniel Walter, Quinn Marcus, Roderick Lucas, Cedric Byrd, Sylvester Hill, and Michael Jones.

Honorary pallbearers were Thomas Massie and Charlie Davis.

ROOTS Meets every 2nd Saturday at 2:00 p. m. At 20th and Birch Church of Christ 2001 Birch Avenue

From the desk of T.D. Jakes Applaud yourself even if no one else does & realize that each year brings a new set of obstacles, yet we are able to make it through them all! Cook County, Ill., judge, who was deemed "mentally unfit" last year by the Illinois Courts Commission (ICC) after demonstrating a series of bizarre behaviors in the courtroom, was ousted from the bench on Friday by the very same state judicial panel. The seven-member committee concluded that Brim "suffers from a mental disability that persistently interfered with the performance of her judicial duties" and that the mental episodes "brought the judicial office into disrepute and demeaned the integrity of the judiciary," reports the Chicago Tribune.

Cynthia Brim (pictured), a

The 55-year-old, 18-year justice has become the very first sitting Illinois judge to be booted



from the bench in more than 10 years and the seventh to be removed in the last four decades. ICC members did allegedly express sympathy for Brim's medical situation, but felt, however, that Brim's alleged repeated breakdowns over the years and apparent inability to follow a proper course of treatment, brought them to a decision they could not back down from.

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ets are \$50 for adults and \$35 for College age students. Anyone If you have any questions, please call Mr. Morris.

Whitney Houston's Estate Sues Realtor To Get Singer's Property

The estate of the latesongstress Whitney Houston (pictured) is allegedly claiming in a Morris County, N.J., court that a company it hired to sell her home changed the locks and

chained the gates, thereby denying anyone access to the property. According to court documents, Houston's personal property cannot be retrieved and now Marion Houston, Whitney's

manager, sister-in-law, and executor of the estate, who hired the defendants CPMG Mendham LLC and Diego Cevallo back in December of last year to sell the property is suing them, reports Courthouse News.

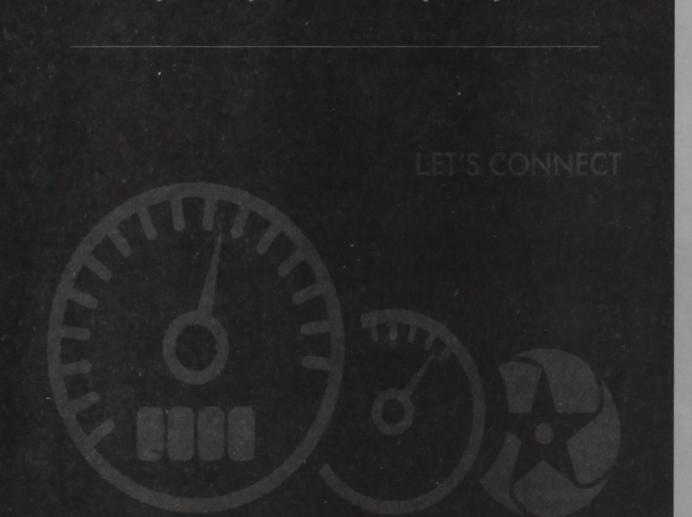
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to review and comment on the Draft 2015 Unified Planning Work Program. Comments may be submitted through April 21st to May 20th, 2014 to the LMPO, located at 916 Main Street, Suite 445, Lubbock, TX 79401 or email to DJones@mylubbock.us

Two public meetings will be conducted. The first meeting is scheduled for April 30, 2014 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the LMPO office, located at 916 Main Street, Suite 445 and the second on May 20, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. at the Lubbock City Hall, 1625 13th Street, Room 103 at 8:30 a.m. Documents can be reviewed at Lubbock MPO office and also at www.lubbockmpo.org.

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Longtime Lubbock Resident Succumbs, Mrs. Charlie Bell Pratt

A longtime resident of Lubbock, Mrs. Charlie Bell Pratt, was funeralized on Tuesday morning, May 13, 2014, at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

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

Mrs. Pratt, 96, of Lubbock passed away on Wednesday, May 7, 2014.

Charlie was born on December 10, 1917, to the parentage of Ivison Brown Sr. and Geraldine Knox.

Charlie accepted Christ at an early age and will truly be missed by all those who had the opportunity to know her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Ivison Brown Sr. and Geraldine Knox; brothers, Earl T. Brown, Ivison Brown Jr. (Pat); one sister, Opal McFrazier

She leaves to cherish her memories her daughters, Pauline Carroll, Connie Franklin, Janice



Charlie Bell Pratt

Scyrkels and Sandra Lee; one son, Harold Pratt; one sister, and friends.

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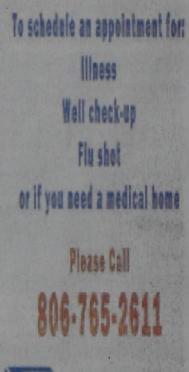
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