



## 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 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 ashington American Legion, Post 808, meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 pm, American Legion Building in Yellow-house 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 Iles Elementary Cafeteria.

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## 100 Black Men of West Texas 16th Annual Gala Held January 29th

Photos and consultation provided By Totsie Bass & Benny Nash!



Members of the 100 Black Men of West Texas and Calvin Davis, president, are posing during the 16th Annual Gala at Overton Hotel Saturday, January 29th!



Two Honorees, John Whington and Baron Batch, with Calvin Davis, and Dwight McDonald at the 16th Annual Gala at Overton Hotel.



T. J. Patterson, center, is shown with Calvin Lewis, Dwight McDonald, Calvin Davis and Chad Grant at the Gala on Saturday, Janu ary 29, 2011.



Calvin Davis, president, right, is shown speaking with young boys from the Parkway Neighborhood Center. These young fellows did a splendid job with their responsibilities for the gala. These are future members of the organization.

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Angela Richardson, left, is shown with a plaque given for her father, Eddie P. Richardson.



Baron Batch is shown with the young fellows from the Parkway Neighborhood Center. What a time!



John Washington and T. J. Patterson are seen with young fellows from Parkway Neighborhood Center.



John Washington is seen visiting with Lubbock ladies during the 16th Annual Gala January 29, 2011



Homer Norville had a wonderful time at Gala!

This page is dedicated to the 100 Black Men of West Texas for their dedication to working with young people of the Lubbock and West Texas Community

The 16th. Annual Scholarship fundraiser and Gala was held on Saturday, January 29, 2011 at the elegant Overton Hotel in Lubbock, Texas from



Ron McLurin & Eddie Harris are visiting.

Special guest were guest were Garland Independent School District Assistant Superintendent. John Washington and current Red Raider running back, Baron Batch.

A special recognition was given to Eddie P. Richardson, who paased away here DecemContinue on Page 6



The Volunteer Center of Lubbock will present a workshop titled Building & Supporting Strong Youth Partnerships on Feb. 23, 2011 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Volunteer Center Conference Room, 1706 23rd Street.

This workshop will explore how a youthful voice can positively impact and add value to your organization, and discuss ideas for targeting, recruiting, training and retaining youth volunteers.

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Let us continue to pray for those who are sick and shut in

Wadley, who has been a patient at Lakeside Medical Center. He is reported to be doing nicely at this report.

Also, Rev. Edwin Scott, Sr. is doing well at this report at his residence.

Rev. Sonia J. Scott delivered the ship dinner following services.

> Greater St. Mark **Baptist Church's Ministry Lunch** Each Month! John 21:5-17: "Feed my Sheep."

From 12:00 p. m. until 1:00 P. M. Members will be serving the Soul and the Spirit. Ten to fifteen minutes of God's Word for the Spirit as well as physical food for the Soul.

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this week.

Among them include Gary

Members of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church traveled to Johnson Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Amarillo last Sunday. Annual Founders' Day Sermon. Rev. Phillip Randle is pastor. Sunday, February 20, 2010, Bethel will celebrate its Founders' Day, with a fellow-

The 3rd Saturday of

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skirts that flare at the bottom are

great in plus size because they

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figure.....

Pray in season and out of season. Its hard to stumble when you are

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Plus size women should

avoid clingy fabrics, they

tend to cling to all the wrong places, heavy fabrics are so

much better, they tend to

shape the body instead of the

smile.

on your knees. Continue on Page 7

#### **New Light Baptist Church News**

On Sunday morning, February 13, 2011, church services he will continue to use us in started at New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road, where Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson is the pastor.

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Church School started at 10:45 a.m. with Sister Alvera Johnson teaching the lesson entitled: "Follow The Leader" with its printed scripture coming from Mark 9: 2-13. Sister Rochelette Hood taught the Youth class. Breakfast was served to those that was in attendance.

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

Rev. L. C. Lee led the pulpit devotion. The Senior Choir marched to the choir stand singing "O, I Want To See Him" The responsive reading came from Psalm 23: 1-6 and was read by Rev. Lee. The altar prayer was led by Rev. Jackson with the choir singing "I Need Thee."

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

The Senior Choir sung "Old Time Rugged Cross & Hush "Amazing Cross" was sung before the sermon. Rev. Jackson preached the sermon entitled: "Where Is Your Faith?" with the scripture text coming from Hebrew 11:1 "Walk In The Light" was song after the sermon.

There was the invitation to discipleship that was extended and several went up for prayer. The lord continue to add to the church as he sees fit.

Pray for the lord to keep all his

#### whatever way he sees fit to.

**Community and Senior Centers** 

What's Happening This Month!

#### LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES

Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 4:00 pm Ages 50+ Painting ~ Crafts ~ Scrabble ~ Puzzles ~ Pool Tables Scrapbooking ~ Karaoke ~ Movies Plan to stay for lunch at 12 Noon!

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#### **BREAKFAST FOR SENIORS**



Wednesday, Feb. 23 (4th Weds) 8:30 am \$1.50/person Enjoy great food and fellowship!

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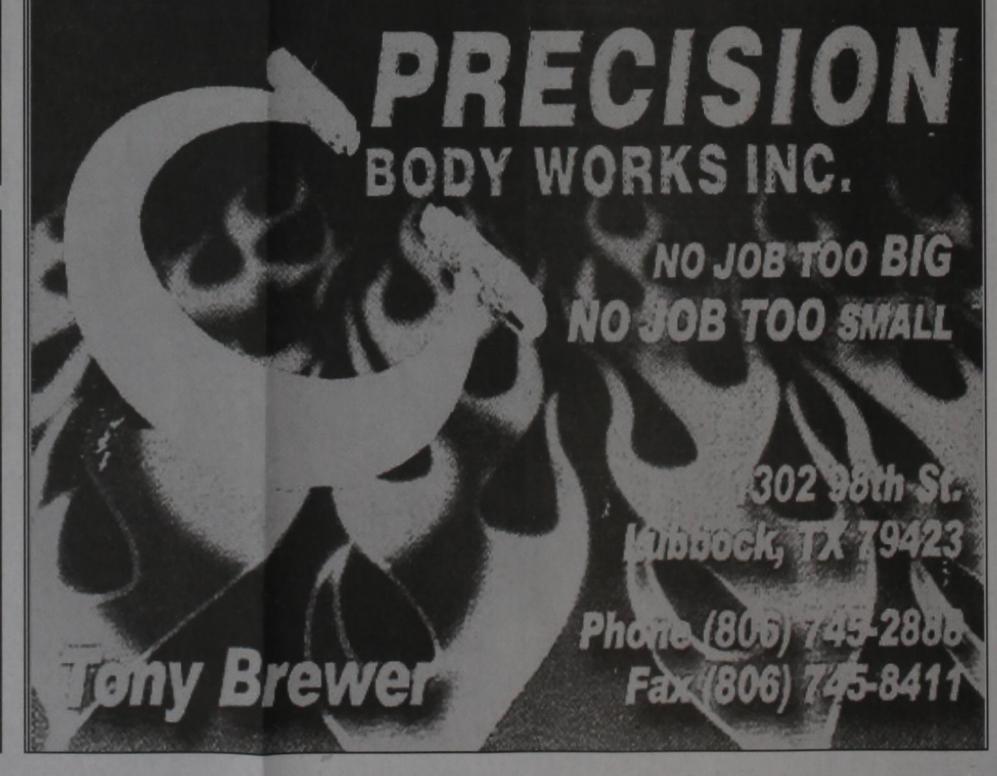
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## Church News





From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith Kill Obamacare???

A few days ago a group of people who feels the elected president of the United States, Barack Obama (the first African American ever) by their so called little outhouse knowledge has violated the constitution of the United States by signing into law new health care legislation that would help every American, has filed suit against him, Nancy Pelosi and Harry Reid.

This information must reach and be disseminated to every person of color in Lubbock and across the state of Texas. The people of America must know how a group of simple-minded, outhouse thinking, backward, racist, negative and owl soup on a limb these people in Lubbock, Texas are who has taken upon themselves to destroy that what would be beneficial to the lives of all American who someday will become sick if they do not die first.

This writer knew the people of this city had a problem beyond ignorance when they invited someone whose action are liken to Jezebel in the Bible to speak at a so-called religious institution of higher education in ceed (what it believe) is its orig-

Judge Sam Cumming on the spot to halt reform is saying that his care for humanity is less than the federal judge in Tennessee's Eastern District who threw their garbage out.

The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal reported that a resident of Slaton, TX who is a member of Liberty Legal Foundation, a conservative activist group dedicated to "strategically challenging flawed court precedent to restore the Constitution" has volunteered to serve as a plaintiff to challenge health care in Obamacare Class Action suit. Again the Obama Class Action Suit is a Federal suit challenging the Constitutionality of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The goal of the OCA lawsuit is to have the entire "Obamacare" Act ruled unconstitutional and unenforceable. Additionally, the goal of the OCA lawsuit by Liberty Legal Foundation is to reverse the legal precedent that has allow the federal government to ex-

inal Constitutional limits as enu-However, to put U. S. District merated in Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution.

> The Liberty Legal Foundation notes in its publication soliciting money for their cause that the OCA lawsuit also uses the PPACA as an opportunity to revisit the Commerce Clause precedent that has given Congress free reign to regulate all aspects of American life. This group believes the Constitution clearly intended Congress' authority to be limited to specific matter. They note the 10th Amendment of the Constitution emphasized this point. The OCA lawsuit seeks to re-establish the original meaning of the enumerated powers and of the 10th Amendment by re-establishing that the Commerce Clause was intended to allow Congress only the authority to prevent one state from creating trade barriers to doing business with another

> Liberty Legal Foundation has noted that it is critical to the success of this lawsuit that every

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#### We Thank God for Jesus

"The Seven P's And The Schools"

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

Luhe 23:28-29 & 31 -JESUS SAID, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves and your children. For behold the days are coming, in which they shall say, blessed are the barron, and the wombs that never bear, and the paps which never gave suck. That shall the begin to say to the mountains, fall on us, and to the hills, cover us. For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry?

Look at sick AMERICA. and its because of the SEVEN P'S. We took GOD'S WORD LIGHTLY, and our CHIL-DREN HAVE BEEN DE-CEIVED.

HOSEA 4:6 -- The Lord said, my people are destroyed for the lack of knowledge, because you have rejected knowledge. I will reject you, seeing you have no priest to me, seeing you have forgotten the law of your God. I will also forget y our children.

\*\*\* HAVE YOU SEEN OUR SICK CHILDREN???

It all started with the 1st P. It was GOOD for the children. IT

WAS CALLED PRAYER. SATAN told the 2nd P. A PAR-ENT IN SCHOOL; HE DIDN'T WANT IT THERE!!!

Isaiah 9:16-17a -- The Lord said, for the leaders of this people cause then to e err, and they that are led of them are destroyed . Therefore, the Lord shall have no joy in their young men, neither shall have mercy on their fatherless and widows: for every one is an hypocrite and an evildoer, and every mouth speak folly.

Now PRAYER was very good BACK IN MY DAYS: EVEN FOR MY MOTHER AND FATHER THE DEVIL, told the 3rd P, the PRESI-DENT, to tell the 4th P, the PRINCIPLE, DON'T BOTHER!

Luke 6:39 -- Jesus said, can the blind lead the blind? Shall they not both fall into the ditch? \*\*\* YES, THE PRESI-DENT ROBBED GOD!!! \*\*\*

When the 3rd P, the PRES-IDENT removed the SPACE, THAT WAS FOR PRAYER. The SCHOOLS HAVE GONE TO DRUGS AND KILLINGS.

THE DEVIL IS THERE!!!

John 10:10 - Jesus said, the thief came not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I am come that they might have life, and that they might it more abundantly.

The 4th P, the PRINCIPLE, said take PR AYER OUT. IT'S OK!! Now there are GUNS, POLICE DOGS, AND THE RIGHT TO KILL THE CLASSMATE!!!

Proverbs 14:12 - There is a way which seems right unto man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

There was a time when the 5th P, the PREACHERS were SCHOOLS. CARED!!! Now they around THINKING OF MONEY CAUSE THEY DON'T CARE!!!

Isaiah 56:10-11 - The Lord said, his watchmen are blind. They are all ignorant. They are all dumb dogs. They cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber. Yes, they are greedy dogs which can never have enough, and they are shep-

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## St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Church services for the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, were well attended last Sunday morning, February 13, 2011, where the proud pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

Sunday Church School begun at 10:00 a. m. with Sister Shirley Davis, Superintendent, presiding. She was the teacher for the morning lesson, with Rev. Canady giving the review.

The morning lesson was entitled "Follow The Leader." The lesson passage was Mark 9:2-13. The Unifying Topic was

"This Is My Beloved."

The lesson text were: "The Transfiguration," (Mark 9:2-4; "The Response To The Transfiguration," (Mark 9:5-8; and "Jesus and Elijah", (Mark 9:8-

found in Mark 9:7.

The morning devotional pe- "Pass Me Not." riod was led by Deacon Williams and Sister Williams. Pastor Canady enter with the congregation singing "Victory Is Mine."

The St. Matthew Baptist

Church Choir sung several selections: "Victory Is Mine," "Too Close To The Mirror," and "God Specializes."

The morning sermon was preached by Pastor Canady. His subject was "Fishers of Men." The Main Thought was His scripture text was Mark 1:17.

The song of Inspiration was

Since this is Black History Month, a special presentation was done by Sister Barbara Johnson. The theme was "Shirley Chisholm, (1924-2005), "The Confidence."

The month of February has one member who will celebrate her birthday. She is Sister Ruby

Among upcoming events for February include the St. Matthew Baptist Church's Black History Fellowship Dinner which will be held following morning worship hour on Sunday, February 20, 2011.

Among our prayer list include Sister Bernice Hameed and Minister Nina Davis.

Let us continue to pray for

all of our sick and shut-in of the Lubbock Community.

Also, let us not forget those who have lost loved ones. Brother Gerald Jackson and

the Rev. Jimmy Brown are both in Covenant Hospital.

The Weekly Meetings are as follows: Mission meets on Wednesdays at 5:00 p. m.; Brotherhood meets Wednesdays at 5:00 p. m. on Wednesdays, and Bible Study is held at 6:00 p. m. on Wednesdays.

Choir rehearsal is held on

Friday evenings at 5:00 p. m. The Usher Meeting is held

on Saturday mornings at 11:00

Thought For The Week: "We must align ourselves with the Holy Bible. And never try to align the Holy Bible to ourselves.'

Announcing Clerk is First Lady Shirley Canady, 744-25445; and Reporter is Sister Barbara Johnson: 831-4627 or 535-8218.

Remember God is able!

#### Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast want you to think about these words.

There's a story about a man who tied his heavy money belt full of gold, around his waist right before he jumped overboard from a sinking ship. Later, the divers found him at the bottom of the sea with the weighty gold still in the money belt around his waist.

There's another story about a millionaire who was buried in a new Cadillac, diamond rings on his finger, and a ten dollar cigar was being lowered into the grave, a bystander remarked: "man, that is living!"

Few of us would agree. Real living is measured by how much we accumulate., but rather how well we use what we possess. Our living is measured by our Stewardship instead of our savings. Luke 16:1-2.

In another example, those of us who have spent most of our lives trying to be weighty Gold. Wise, you are headed in the wrong direction. Have you made a mess of your life? Life is not over yet! There is still time to get up and back to living with the right goals in mind.

Thought of t he Week: "You cannot serve God and mammon.

"Let's Pray"

Father, may our use of material things, be to further your cause, and to help others indeed through Christ Jesus, we pray. AMEN"

Thanks for reading our article this week. Also, keep smil-

ing, Precious Saints! Keep your eyes open and guard ag against every sort of covetousness." Luke 12:15.

Covetousness is more than simply the desire to have money or certain things, which could have their proper use and purpose. It is the "inordinate desire for wealth or possessions or for another's possessions," according to one dictionary. It can involve the insatiable, greedy urge to have things -- perhaps those belongings to someone else -simply for the sake of having

them, without regard for one's own needs or the effect on others. A covetous person allows the object of his desire to dominate his thinking and actions to such an extent that it in essence becomes his god. Recall that the apostle Paul equates a greedy person with an idolater, who has no share in God's Kingdom --Ephesian 5:5; Colossians 3:5. Interestingly, Jesus warned against "every sort of covetous-

ness." Why? Because covetousness comes in many forms.

Sometimes it gets really difficult, but with God it is much easier to travel!

Thanks for your many prayers. If you have any questions, give us a call at (806) 762-3347.

Sister Dorothy Hood, President; Sister Christene Burleson, Vice President, and Sister Elnora Jones, Teacher.

#### **Bible Believers**

The Bible Believers Class meets every Thursday from 1:00 p. m. until 2:00 p. m. at Mae Simmons Communi-

The teacher of the class is Rev. Jimmie Brown.

The classes are taught strictly fromn the Holy Bible. Only the Word of God is taught. There is no social

teachings -- only the True Word. Sister Carrie Cox is the Assistant Instructor, Brother Jerril Nathan is Deacon.

Rev. Brown also is the director of the Dateview Apartmernts, 2310 Date Avenue. Vacancies Are Open.



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#### Obsequies

#### Willie Joe "Quince" Byers

Lorenzo, Texas -- Funeral Services were held Wednesday morning, February 9, 2011 for Willie Joe "Quince" Byers at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Lorenzo, Texas.

Interment will follow at Dreamland Cemetery Canyon, Texas under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Byers, 71 of Brownfield, formerly of Lorenzo, passed away Tuesday, February 3, 2011 at Tumbleweed Nursing Home. Willie Joe "Quince" Byers was born in Lorenzo, Texas August 6, 1939 to Joe Willie and Bessie Mae Byers. He was the fifth of eleven children. He attended Ralph Bunche Elementary in Lorenzo, Texas and graduated from Evans High School in Slaton, Texas.

He started out at a young age working as a butcher with his late father, Joe Willie Byers. Other Employment include Lorenzo Independent School Lorenzo, District, Texas, Canyon Independent School District, Canyon, Texas, and Dee Ray Peoples Professional Services, Canyon, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Joe Willie Byers and



Bessie Mae Streets Bouldin Byers; his wife, Shirley Jean Seay Byers; and brother, Robert Lee Byers.

Willie Joe leaves to cherish his memory two sons, Louis Donnell Byers (Merry) and Ricky Lamar Byers (Theresa); one daughter, Tamara Yvette Byers; five sisters, Charlene Watson, Betty Jones, Dorothy Gonzales, Joanne Hearn and Frances Eddins; four brothers, Emerson Eugene Byers, Gene Edward Byers, Rayford J. Byers and James "Richard" Byers; five grandchildren; seven greatgrandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

#### Dave Smith Jr.

Funeral services were held Monday, February. 14, 2011, in Griffin Mortuary Chapel.

Interment followed at Peace ful Garden Memorial Park under the direction of Griffin Mortu-

Smith Jr., 82, of Lubbock passed away Tuesday, February. 8, 2011, at his residence.

He was born December 13, 1928, to Dave Smith Sr. and Lonnie Allen in Corsicana, Texas. He married Jodie Mae Smith in January 1953, who preceded him in death.

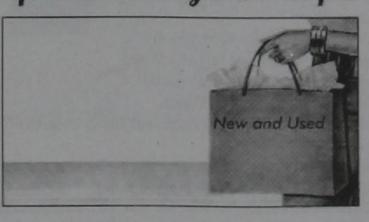
He leaves to cherish his memory three daughters, Katherlyn Graham, Maurine Dinkins and Barbara Moore (John); three sons, George Ralph Smith (Bobbie), Danny Smith (Dessa) and Micrin Todd Smith (Renea); one brother, George Smith Sr. (Evell); 17 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren;



great-great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and

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#### **Dollie Mae Ruth Harris**

Celebration of Life for Dollie Mae Ruth Harris were held Friday morning, February 11, 2011, at St. John Baptist Church, Pastor Solomon E. fields officiating.

Interment will followed at Smyer Cemetery in Smyer Texas under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Harris, 82, of Lubbock passed away Thursday, February 3, 2011, at Covenant Medical Cen-

She was born January 6, 1929 in Cameron, Texas to Miles and Katie (Saddler) Manners, who both preceded her in death.

Also preceding her in death was one son, C.L. Harris and one daughter, Ruthie Mae Harris. She is survived by one brother, L.C. Manners of Wash-



ington D.C.; one son, Thomas W. Harris of Lubbock; four daughters, Jossie (Tommy) Lethridge, Doris (Norris, deceased) Harris, Helen (Gerald) Fitzgerald, all of Lubbock, and Clarissa (Ray) Robertson of Levelland.

#### **Black History Program Set For** The Greater Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Mt Zion Baptist Greater Church will be celebrating with a Black History Bowl on Sunday February 27, 2011 starting at 3:30pm.

There will be a contest on your knowledge of Black History and Blacks (African Americans) in the Holy Bible. There will be teams ranging from 1-5 people per team. The winning team will be awarded a trophy, \$25.00 and their picture in the

Crosbyton, Texas -- The Southwest Digest, Lubbock's only Black owned newspaper.

Mr. T. J. Patterson and the late Mr. Eddie P. Richardson are and will forever be a vital part of our history, 365 days a year, for the important roles they have played in many of our lives.

We look forward to see you all on February 27, for more information contact: Deborah M. Hutchinson at (806) 747-6591.

We will be looking to seeing you!

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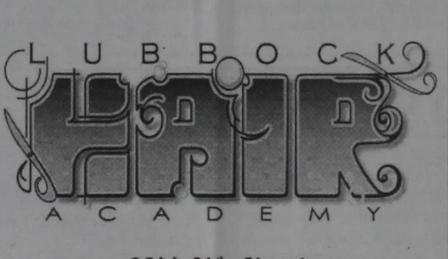
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#### Pastor Percy B. Phenix, Longtime Pastor Passes AwayHere Last Week

Funeral services were held Saturday morning, February 12, 2011, for Pastor Percy B. Phenix, at Agape COGIC., where Bishop W. H. Watson, officiated.

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

Pastor Phenix, 70. of Lubbock passed away at Covenant Saturday, February 5, 2011, after a lengthy illness.

Pastor Phenix was born in Milam County on December. 6, 1940, to proud parents, Mr. Leon and Mrs. Ellen Phenix. He attended school in Rosebud, Texas. He moved to Lubbock, Texas, in 1960, after graduating high school. In 1962, he married the love of his life, Mrs. Willie Mae Phenix. To this union three children were born (David Glenn, Felicia Carol and Percy Bernard Phenix).

Pastor Phenix accepted the Lord as his personal Savior under the leadership of the late Bishop W. D. Haynes. He served as the Chairman of the Deacon board and in 1971 he accepted his call to the Ministry. In 1974, he was appointed Pastor of the 1st COGIC of Slaton, Texas, where he faithfully served until his demise.

Pastor Phenix was employed by Underwood Barbecue, White Swan Foods and Don Crow Chevrolet prior to becoming an entrepreneur. In 1983, he founded the first African-American advertising agency in the Lubbock area, "Phenix Advertising." He also founded and funded a nonprofit organization, the Youth Outreach Center (YORC). He loved young people and touched the lives of so many through YORC. The Youth Outreach Center was a safe, Christian environment



where young people, mostly of single parent households, could go for recreation, instruction, mentoring and free lunches. Pastor Phenix also provided clothing, coats and shoes to those in the community who were in need. Through the Youth Outreach Center, Pastor Phenix provided numerous academic scholarships to deserving students to help further their educa-

His mother and father; his only daughter, Felicia Carol Phenix; and four brothers, Henry Phenix, James Phenix, Roy T. Phenix Sr. and Burns Phenix Sr. all preceded him in death.

He leaves to cherish his life and legacy his wife of 48 years, Mrs. Willie Mae Phenix; two sons, David Glenn (Monica) and Percy Bernard Phenix Jr. (Nakia); four sisters, Mae Ella Ross, Cathrine Petty, Marjorie McDaniel and Rose Mary Scott; four brothers, R.C. Phenix, Leon Phenix Jr., W.T. Phenix and MacArthur Phenix; six grandchildren, Demodric, DeShawn, Donovan, Kennington, Tameara and Addyson; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

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### EDITORIALS-COMMENTS- OPINIONS



#### THIS 'N' THA' by T.J. Patterson

SOUTHWEST DIGEST publish the comments written by WILL PUBLISH EDDIE P. my ..... friend and brother ..... RICHARDSON'S EDITORI-EDDIE PRICE R RICHARD-SON!! ALS! THIS N THAT ..... after receiving telephone calls from

THIRD ANNUAL BLACK HISTORY PROGRAM AT ROOSEVELT HIGH to re-print some of the ..... ED-SCHOOL THURSDAY!! THIS N THAT ..... was glad to know that the ..... ROO-SEVELT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL sponsored their ..... THIRD ANNUAL BLACK HISTORY least once a month .... and on the PROGRAM ...... Wednesday..... This special program was to ..... INFORM THE looking forward to in the days to STUDENTS OF SEVELT HIGH SCHOOL about the history of .....

AFRICAN-AMERICANS... and we will continue to do what One of the goals of this special project is to ...... HELP RAISE we can to report the news and MONEY ..... for a local charity give editorial comments about ...... COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL **ADVOCATES** the South Plains of Texas....

ticipating on the program will included: WONDERFUL SINGERS, SPEAKERS, AND ACTORS ...... from the Black Community of West Texas..... THIS N THAT ..... has been invited and is looking forward for an outstanding program...

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: Don't WASTE .... your time on JEALOUSY..... as sometimes you're ahead.... SOMETIMES YOU'RE BEHIND .....The race is long and, in the end ..... IT'S ONLY WITH YOUR-SELF!

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By Renetta Howard

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Lately, each time you pick up a newspaper or listen to the news on the radio or the television, or on the wide, wide web, the conflict in Egypt is in the forefront. It ran a very close first with the hoopla for Super Bowl XLV. I never cease to be amazed at how Egypt and its civilization have long been presented to the world as a country 'without a continent.' Seldom do you read or hear spoken, that Egypt is in Africa, the 'dark continent.'

History books have long painted Egypt as the cradle of civilization while finding evidence, concrete evidence that the earliest forms of human beings were not found in Egypt, but in an area of 'darkness' on the continent of Africa. Seldom do you hear or read about the astute civilization of Timbuktu in Mali. During the reign of Mansa Musa Timbuktu University flourished and the city was a commercial center. One has to look deep and hard to find any information on this bit of history because it is often omitted by the textbooks which are approved by the various boards of education. However, you can pick up any textbook on world history find Egypt and and Mesopotamia and a discourse on the 'cradles of civilization.'

Unless one simply does not care about what is going on in Africa, Egypt would not be of concern, or any of the other fifteen countries in Africa which are at war or having unrest as a result of a war. Why must Egypt have preferential treatment, concern and attention? The reason lies in its relationship with major countries such as the United States; its strategic trade position coupled with its location and its ability to stay friendly with Is-



rael. It not only gets front page news positions in American papers, but it also gets support from the American government. President Obama and Secretary of State Clinton are busy trying to help Egypt move from being an autocracy to a democracy. The other countries at war do not get the support that Egypt receives. The natural resources in the countries with conflict are major objects in their unrest.

When major countries cannot go into these areas of conflict and take control, they do not attempt to quell the conflict as there is no reward. Many private organizations are attempting to help to find peaceful solutions to the problems that keep unrest fu-Global Witness.org and Transparency International are two groups which are committed to helping to bring an end to the exploitation of resources and the abuse of human rights in these neglected countries. There are other groups and initiatives attempting to help African counas well. For those of us

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American who opposes Obamacare join it as a plaintiff. They continue to say that a Federal judge might dismiss a few thousand plaintiffs, but would have a very difficult time ignoring hundreds of thousands of plaintiffs. They suggest that you send them a donation of \$10 to help cover their administrative costs.

The people of Lubbock who are intelligent should not buy into the act of these fools. It is noted that a fool and his ways will fail!

who would like to have world peace, it would do us well to get 'in cinque' and seek ways to help Africa and its people to have democracy, freedom and enjoy the benefits of their natural resources.

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#### **Black History Month** "Orangeburg, South Carolina Massacred February 8, 1968

The Orangeburg massacred fired on officers, a 1968 newspawas an incident on February 8, 1968, in which nine South Carolina Highway Patrol officers in Orangeburg, South Carolina, fired into an aggravated but unarmed mob protesting local segregation at a bowling alley. Three men were killed and twenty-eight more injured,[2] hitting most of them in their backs. After the shooting stopped, two others were injured by police in the aftermath and one, a pregnant woman, later had a miscarriage due to the beating. The incident pre-dated the Kent State shootings and Jackson State killings.

In the days leading up to February 8, 1968, about 200 mostly student protesters gathered on the campus of South Carolina State University in Orangeburg) to protest the segregation of the All Star Bowling Lane (now called All-Star Triangle Bowl), on US 301 (now SC 33). The bowling alley was owned by the late Harry K. Floyd.

That night, students threw firebombs, bricks and bottles and started a bonfire. As police attempted to put out the fire, an officer was injured by a thrown piece of banister.[3] The police stated that they believed they were under attack by small arms fire. A newspaper report said "about 200 Negroes gathered and began sniping with what sounded like 'at least one automatic, a shotgun and other small caliber weapons' and throwing bricks and bottles at the patrolmen."[4] Protesters insisted that they did not fire at police officers, but did hurl various objects and insults at the police. Evifired at the time of the incident was inconclusive. While no evidence has been presented that protesters were armed or had

per article reported that students threw firebombs at buildings and that the sound of apparent sniper fire was heard.[5]

Officers fired into the crowd, killing three young men: Samuel Hammond, Henry Smith, both SCSU students, and Delano Middleton, a local student at Wilkinson High School. Twenty-eight others were wounded during the shooting or after in police abuse.

At a press conference the following day, Governor Robert E. McNair said the event was "...one of the saddest days in the history of South Carolina".[6] McNair blamed the deaths on outside Black Power agitators, but subsequent investigations showed this allegation to be without basis and untrue.

At the trial, the first federal trial of police officers for using excessive force at a campus protest, all nine defendants were acquitted. The activist Cleveland Sellers was the only person convicted and imprisoned (7 months) as a result of the incident. He represented the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) and was convicted of having incited the riot that preceded the shootings. In 1973 he wrote The River of No Return: The Autobiography of a Black Militant and the Life and Death of SNCC. Twenty-five years later, Sellers was officially pardoned.

The shootings at Orangeburg predated the Kent State shootings and Jackson State killings. This was the first incident of its kind on a United States univerdence that police were being massacre received relatively little media coverage.

Historian Jack Bass attributed the discrepancy in media cover-

events, to the fact that the victims at Orangeburg were young black men protesting local segregation.[citation needed] In addition, the shootings at Orangeburg happened at night, when media coverage was less. At Kent State, in contrast, the victims were young whites protesting an increasingly unpopular and highly politicized U.S. war in Vietnam. They were attacked by members of the National Guard, which the media may have judged a more inflammatory aspect of the shootings. Other analysts have noted that later events in 1968, such as the assassinations of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and candidate Robert Kennedy, as well as the Tet Offensive overshadowed the events at Orangeburg.

TributesSouth Carolina State University's gymnasium is named in memory of the three men. A monument was erected on campus in their honor and the site has been marked. All-Star Triangle Bowl was integrated. The Floyd family has maintained ownership and operation of the business.

In 2001 Governor Jim Hodges was the first governor to attend the university's annual memorial of the event. That same year, on the 33rd anniversary of the killings, eight survivors told their stories at a memorial service. Robert Lee Davis told an interviewer,

"One thing I can say is that I'm glad you all are letting us do the talking, the ones that were actually involved, instead of outsiders that weren't there, to tell you exactly what happened."

The state general assembly re cently passed a resolution recommending that February 8 be a day of remembrance for the students killed and wounded in the

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#### Black Creativity on the Plains Exhibit **Makes History**

The Black Creativity on the Plains Exhibit, sponsored by Roots Historical Arts Council and American State Bank. TTU Cross -Cultural Academic Advisement Center, and Lubbock MHMR opened February 4th at the Municipal Garden and Arts Center at 4215 University and will remain there on display through February 25th.

The traveling exhibit features more over 50 works of art by more than 30 African Americans who have lived in or are currently living in the Lubbock Area. According Eric Strong, director of the Roots Council, "There has never been an exhibit with as many works of art by this many African American artists in the history of our city. Our hope is that this show will demonstrate the significant number of very talented African American artists in our community, as well as the South Plains' emerging pres-



ence as an arts destination and hub for artistic expression."

Drawings, paintings, sculptures, ceramics, photographs, jewelry, fashion, and

quilts help comprise the historic exhibit. The show feature works by three nationally celebrated Smithsonian artists, locally celebrate artists and a number of area

Vivian Cooke, Esther Delaquis, Eddie Dixon, TiAsia Estelle, Tony Gleaton, Beverly Henry, Clinton Hobdy, Daren Jackson, Betty Jenkins, Karen Edwards, Natalie Johnson, Leonard Maiden, Rashaka Mamuso, Robert O'Neal, Jontell Perry, Olufela Raymond, Rolando Shaw,

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artist who have not yet had the opportunity r works featured in a show of this magnitude.

Artist featured in the exhibit Don Armstead, Willis Bagley, Totsey Bass, Denise Bean, Jeralyn Carter-Sayed, Neil Sinclair, Destiny Strong, Clayton Tatum Jr., Mariah Thomas, James "Buster" Tucker, Katha Upton, Shannon Walton, James Watkins, Steve Worthey, and Lavoyne Worthey.

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#### 100 Men of West Texas Continued from Page 1

ber 19, 2010. He was co-publisher of the Southwest Digest for 34 years. He was an activist in the City of Lubbock as he worked untiriingly for the entire

On Saturday, January 29, 2011 the 100 Black Men of West Texas, Inc. (100) will present its Annual Scholarship Fundraiser and Gala at the beautiful Overton Hotel and Convention Center. The 100 was proud to honor former Red Raider and current San Francisco 49er, Michael Crabtree; former Lubbock Independent School Administrator and current Assistant Superintendant for the Garland Independent School District, John Washington; and, recently graduated Red Raider, Baron Batch. Also, a special tribute was given to recently deceased Lubbock Legend, Eddie Richardson. These individuals were selected because of the outstanding example they have displayed as stellar role models and leaders. Entertainment was provided by the West Texas' top band, Element.

This year's gala motto was: "What They See is What They'll Be". This was also the national mentoring motto for the 100 Black Men of America, Inc. Tthe 100 d serve as the host of Lubbock's 2011 kick-off of the African American history month

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celebration. Proceeds from this year's gala will be used to issue college scholarships to current high school seniors who will attend college in the fall, and, to current college students. Thanks to the unprecedented success and public support from last year's gala, a record breaking 13 scholarships were issued to deserving and outstanding stu-With the help of supporters of this year's gala, the 100 seeks to, once again, increase its' scholarship grants in 2011. It must be noted that the

100 provides assistance to youth

of varying ethnic, racial, and

economic backgrounds.

Many West Texans will recall reading about how on June 18, 2010, in Fort Lauderdale, Florida at the National Convention of the 100 Black Men of America, the West Chapter was selected as the Top Chapter in the Nation for Leadership in Mentoring. This was a groundbreaking event and the seminally defining moment in the 17 year history of the West Texas Chapter. The 100 Black Men of American's national leaders commended the West Texas Chapter for its outstanding mentoring and leadership programs and most especially for its amazingly successful and now nationally renowned Annual Kids' Fishing Derby. This is the event that is held on the first Saturday in June of every year at Mae Simmons Park.

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herds that cannot understand. They all look to their own way, everyone for his gain, from his quarter 94 QUARTERS TO AN ANNIVERSARY).

And that 6th P. THE PAT-TER WAS FOR ALL GEN-ERATIONS. It was always GOOD. But the 2nd P, the 3rd P, and the 5th P. It told the 4th P REMOVE IT IF YOU WOULD!!!

Proverbs 13:24 -- He that spares his rod hates his son, but he that loves him chastenes him betimes.

\*\*\* ARE WE CHASTEN-ING OUR CHILDREN???

Now the 7th P, the PUPIL. THEY'VE GONE CRAZY. CHILDREN OF THE WILD. THE BLIND HAS LED THE **BLIND WHEN THEY WERE** A LITTLE CHILD!!!

Proverbs 23:13 -- Withhold not correction from the child; for if you beat him with a rod (switch), he shall not die you shall beat him with the rod and shall deliver his soul from hell.

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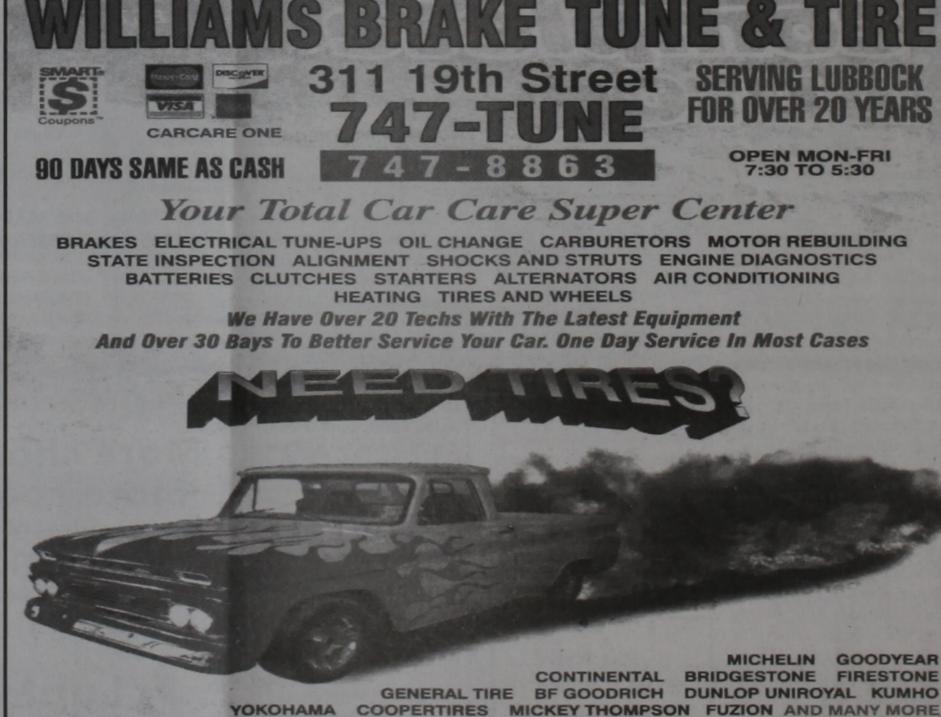
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As things turned out, the state of Ohio was one of the few states in the Union to allow free Blacks to vote in 1860. In the 1860 race for President in the swing state of Ohio there were 8,900 Black Republicans who voted in the general election in a state that Lincoln carried by 6,000 votes. The Ohio and Pennsylvania newspapers carried the story first saying that the Black vote was decisive in carrying the state for Lincoln. But the southern papers soon picked it up and started to call Lincoln a Black President. The Confederates used the information to spread racial hatred toward Lincoln and the Republican Party.

There was also the issue of the Dred Scott Supreme Court decision that had established that Blacks - neither slave nor free were recognized as citizens under the Constitution. The Confederates argued that in light of Dred Scott, it was illegal for Ohio to have permitted Blacks to election should be declared null and void and Lincoln should not be allowed to take office.

As a result, President Lincoln would take office inheriting a divided nation because several states, led by South Carolina, would meet in special session and vote for disunion. One by one these states in their widely circulated "Causes of Secession " cited Lincoln and the Republican Party's hostility to slavery. They would come together in Montgomery, Ala. to form the rebel republic that would be called the Confederate States of America. They would elect Jefferson Davis as their president, Robert E. Lee to head their rebel army, and set themselves on a course to declare war on the United States of America.

On April 12, 1861, the rebels would fire on Fort Sumter and bring the country to its knees. After two years of trying to save the Union without disturbing slavery, President Lincoln - as a military necessity - would be forced to issue the Emancipation, free the slaves, and enlist 200,000 Blacks as soldiers into the Union army in order to save the nation. Citing the argument that theUnited States Colored Troops (USCT) had earned the right to freedom, citizenship and vote, Congress would amend the Constitution to end slavery and pass still another Amendment to end slavery and make Blacks citizens. Blacks played a decisive role in the Ohio election of President Lincoln and came to his aid on the battlefield to help decide the outcome of the Civil

April 12, 2011 will mark the 150th Anniversary of the firing on Ft. Sumter and the start of the American Civil War. The African American Civil War Memorial Foundation will commemorate the beginning Civil War with celebrities reading from Civil War period newspavote; and therefore the Lincoln pers, speeches, and other documents announcing the coming of the war and its profound effect on the ending of slavery in America. We will also have celebrities read from selected press responses to the election of President Lincoln and the antislavery platform of the Republican party of 1860.

> The African American Civil War Memorial lists the names of 209,145 Black union soldiers who joined President Lincoln to save the Union and keep it united under one flag. The monument, located at the corner of 10th and U Streets NW Washington, D. C., was built by a pri-

vate foundation that operates a museum. On July 18, 2011 the museum will host a Grand Opening for its newly renovated 5,000 sq. ft. space with new exhibits, artifacts, and state of the art educational programs adjacent to the monument.

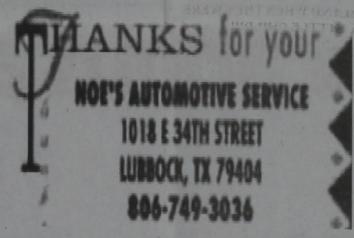
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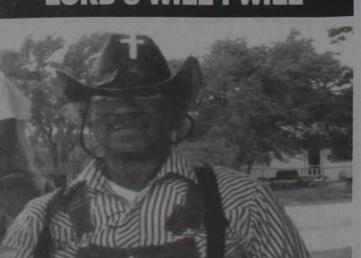
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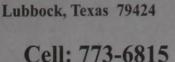
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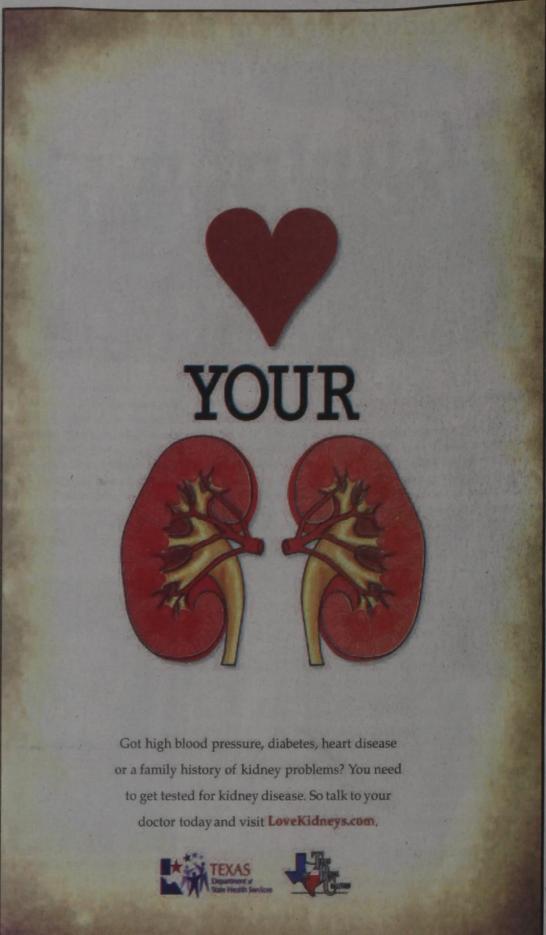






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