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### Community Meetings

- \* 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. Washington 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.
- \* The Unified Juneteenth Commission of Lubbock meets at Mae Simmons Community Senior Citizens Center every Monday 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 announcement about your organization, please advise by calling (806) 762-3612 or e-mail swdigest@sbcglobal.net.

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### Celebrating Outreach: Ten Years Of Service To The Lubbock Community

Almost 200 people gathered at Westminster Presbyterian Church on Friday, January 13, 2012, to celebrate our 10th Anniversary. Brooke Thomas of KLBK kept the night light and fun as we honored Bill Kingsbery, Long-time Supporter and Friend of The Bridge. The Bridge is an example of West Lubbock's increased interest in East Lubbock, said Kingsbery.

"I think the main function of The Bridge that has been so noticeable to me is the mentoring program — the mentoring program with young children. And the Bridge has allowed a lot of the children to enter our society that would have had a difficult time," he said.

Bodyworks received the Business of the Decade Award, Covenant Health Systems received the Volunteer Group of the Decade Award, Live Oak



Supporters of The Bridge

Community Church received the Church of the Decade of Award and Johnny and Frances Scogins were awarded Volunteer of the Decade.

### First African American Woman, Rosalind Brewer, Named CEO of Sam's Club

Bentonville, AR -- Wal-Mart Stores (WMT), the world's biggest retailer, said Friday that it has named Rosalind Brewer CEO of Sam's Club - the first woman and the first African-American to hold a CEO position at one of the company's business units.

Brewer, 49, is replacing Brian Cornell, 52, who is leaving the company so he can return to the Northeast for family reasons.

Brewer, who will also be president of Sam's Club, was previously president of the retailer's U.S. East business unit. She will report to Wal-Mart CEO Mike Duke. The moves are effective Feb. 1.



Rosalind Brewer

Wal-Mart has in recent years has been battered by a combina-

tion of the slow-growing economy and its own decisions that caused U.S. customers to flee to competitors. But it has refocused on offering the lowest prices and shoppers' favorite goods and that strategy has been paying off.

In its third fiscal quarter ended Oct. 28, its net income fell 2.9% but it reversed a slump in U.S. namesake business.

Its Sam's Club warehouse club business has outperformed its namesake stores. Revenue in stores open at least one year rose 5.7% at Sam's Club and 1.3% at Walmart U.S. stores in its third quarter.

Before joining Wal-Mart, Continue on Page 6

### History of the Hub City Kiwanis: 25 Years of Service to the Lubbock Community



Pictured above are some of the members of the Hub City Kiwanis Club. These hard working members are very much concerned about the future of this community.

In 1986, Mr. Roy Roberts had a vision of building a new club in East Lubbock when he was a member of Downtown Kiwanis. Mr. Roberts was the former principal of Dunbar and Estacado High Schools. At the time, Roberts was one of a very few African-American Kiwanis members in the Texas/Oklahoma District. He consulted with Med Hunt, then Lt. Governor for District 7 clubs and was assured that the Downtown Club would gladly sponsor the chartering of a new club in East Lubbock.

Roberts then dedicated himself to personally recruit and educate African-American men about Kiwanis International programs and activities. Within six months, he had lobbied civic

and spiritual leader throughout East Lubbock. There were commitments from 32 men: (1) to join the new club and to meet at least once weekly for one hour; (2) to pay annual dues; and (3) to be involved in numerous fund raising activities annually with membership in an international organization that focuses on youth development worldwide. His recruiting achievement was extraordinary and a testament of his enormous popularity with his peers given that few people were willing to dedicate their time and financial resources to persons who were unknown to them.

The 32 Charter Members for Hub City Kiwanis 1986: Fulton Berry, J. T. Braxton, Leon Bunton, Harold Chatman,

C. E. Cooke, Leslie Cross, Earl Elliott, D. C. Fair, Jr., Rev. J. H. Ford, R. J. Givens, Dr. Damon Hill, Jr., Virgil Lewis Johnson, Oscar Jones, Garnett Lee, Jr., Joe McWilliams, T. J. Patterson, Raymond Peppers, Joe Phea, Sr., Robert Pillow, Clarence Priestley, Eddie P. Richardson, Michael Roberts, Roy Roberts, George Scott, McKinley Shepherd, Rev. D. A. Smith, Harry Stokley, Carrol "Butch" Thomas, Jimmy Walker, Buford Wiley, and Rev. William Williams.

Getting members to join was only the start of the tedious and time consuming work that lay ahead for the newly chartered club. Hosting fundraising events Continue on Page 7

### The Seven Sisters Art Exhibit to Open Friday, February 3rd



Quanita Ganong



Vivian Cooke



Margo Dupre



Denise Bean



Claudia Stuart



Desting Strong

The Seven Sisters Exhibit presented by the Lubbock's Roots Historical Arts Council, features the works of seven talented West Texas African American female artists from the cities of Amarillo, Lubbock, Midland, and San Angelo. The exhibit will be on display at Lubbock's Municipal Garden and Arts Center, 4215 University Ave., throughout the month February, in recognition of Black History Month. The opening reception, also at Garden and Arts Center, is scheduled for 7:00 PM on Friday, February 3rd, as part Lubbock's First Friday Art Trail. Entertainment and refreshments will be provided at the reception. The featured artists for this historic exhibit are:

**Dr. Denise Bean**, of Lubbock, is a painter and mixed media artist. Denise holds a doctorate in Fashion and Textile Design from Texas Woman's University. She is currently pursuing a Masters of Fine Arts Degree in Painting at Texas Tech. Before working as an artist, Denise spent 25 years in the fashion industry as a university professor, professional designer, and small business entrepreneur. Her paintings speak to the social, cultural, and economic conditions of the world.

**Vivian Cooke**, of Lubbock, is a sculptor and painter. Vivian holds Masters in Education and first began teaching in Lubbock schools in 1955. She became the city's first full-time African American art teacher in 1957. Since her retirement in 1988, she completed three public art pieces, including two life sized bronzes and a 200-foot-long mural. Vivian has received numerous awards, including induction into the Lubbock African American Chamber of Commerce Educator's Hall of Fame, for Lifetime Achievement in the Arts.

**Margo Dupre**, of Lubbock, is a mixed medium colorist. Margo works in colored pencil,

acrylic paint and yarn. She holds Bachelor's Degree in Art Education from the University of Detroit and has credits towards a Masters in Special Education. Margo has worked at the Craft and Folk Art Museum in Los Angeles, CA. Her art seeks to capture the feeling and adventure that come from observing the visual and tactile textures found in nature. Margo makes every effort to incorporate 100% USA cotton in her art.

**Quanita Ganong**, of San Angelo, is a painter / graphic designer, often utilizing pencil in her work. Quanita is student at Angelo State University and is completing her degree in Graphic Design this summer. She is a seven-year Air Force veteran, turned artist. Aside from Quanita's obvious interest in Graphic Design, she is also an aspiring architectural student. She plans to incorporate her graphic design concepts and artistic flair into the structures she hopes to someday design.

**Claudia Stuart**, of Amarillo, is a poet, artist and has authored seven books. Claudia's whimsical art often depicts penguins. Claudia is professor a West Texas A&M University. She teaches Sociology and Criminal Justice and is a Licensed Master Social Worker and holds a Masters Certification in Criminal Justice. Her works are exhibited at numerous venues throughout the Amarillo Area.

**Desting Strong**, of Lubbock, is a painter and also in pencils. She earned her Bachelor's of in

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**TTU Presidential Lecture & Performance Series  
Presents**

**Ailey® II – The Second Company of the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater**

The Texas Tech University Presidential Lecture and Performance Series kicks off its Spring 2012 season with the New York based Ailey® II on Friday, February 17th at 7:00 pm in the Allen Theatre, located in the Student Union Building (SUB) of Texas Tech University.

Ailey® II has become a renowned dance company, winning rave reviews and regularly selling out its North American tour stops and annual New York seasons. South Plains dance artists and enthusiasts are invited to witness this critically-acclaimed company as they include Lubbock on a 32-city domestic and international tour sponsored by official U.S. Tour Sponsor: MetLife Foundation.

Founded in 1974 as the Alvin Ailey Repertory Ensemble, Ailey® II embodies Mr. Ailey's pioneering mission to establish an extended cultural community that provides dance performances, training and community programs for all people. Today, it has become one of the most popular dance companies in the United States. Under the artistic direction of Sylvia Waters, and

joined by Artistic Director Designate Troy Powell, Ailey® II dancers are chosen from the most promising scholarship students of The Ailey School which offers unique opportunities for these young artists.

The Ailey® II performance will include, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater Artistic Director Robert Battle's, The Hunt. Set to the wildly percussive soundtrack by Le Tambours du Bronx, the ballet for six men examines the relationship between modern sports and the rituals of the gladiators, revealing the aggressive side of human nature and the primitive thrill of the hunt; Thang Dao's Echoes, Jessica Lang's Splendid Isolation II, The Calling and Alvin Ailey's timeless masterpiece Revelations.

General Admission tickets are \$15.00 and are available through all Select-A-Seat locations (806) 770-2000 or www.selectaseatlubbock.com. TTU Students receive one free ticket with valid ID at the SUB information booth located at the entrance to the Allen Theatre on the campus of Texas Tech University.



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**Lillie Smith**



Funeral services for Lillie Smith, a longtime Lubbock resident, were held Monday afternoon, January 30, 2012, at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church. **Continue on Page 6**

**FASHION**

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with  
**Shirley Roberson**  
"Enjoy Black History Month!"



**Black History Month is a time to reflect and represent, and what is more suitable than the fashion you choose to wear, There's no doubt about it, we should**

wear more President Barack Obama T-Shirts, caps, and beanies, also Negro League Baseball Shirts. If you don't show who

you are or represent, then who will.

After all, Beautiful Colorful African American Shirts, Ladies exotic pants sets, with long tops. Remember, Color, Color and More Color!

**Fashion Tip**  
Always Fashion. Wear a Smile! Always wear a Smile!  
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Let's enjoy Black History Month as t here were those before us who made it possible for all of us in the Black Community. God Bless You!

**New Light Baptist Church News**

On Sunday morning, January 29, 2012, church services got started at 11:00 a. m. at New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road, where Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson is the pastor.

Church School started at 9:45 a.m. with Sister Alvera Johnson teaching the lesson entitled: Delivered Out Of Egypt" and its printed text coming from Exodus 15: 1-3, 19, 22-26.

Breakfast was served to those that was in attendance afterward.

Morning worship started at 11:00 a.m. with the praise team leading the way.

Rev. Jackson led the pulpit devotion . A song "O, I Want To See Him" was sung. The responsive reading came from Psalm 139: 1-24, and was read by Rev. Jackson. The altar prayer was also led by Rev. Jackson with the song "I Need Thee" sung by the choir.

Sister Linda . Green read all the morning announcements and told of all the upcoming events that will be taking place. There

was the pastoral period that was held by the pastor then the offering was taken up..

The choir sang "We've Come This Far By Faith." "Amazing Grace" was sung before the ser-

mon. Rev. Jackson preached the sermon entitled: "What Do You Have?" It's printed text came from Acts 3: 1-8. A song was sung after the sermon.

There was the invitation to discipleship that was extended. **Continue on Page 6**

**Mae Simmons**

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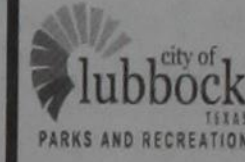


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**Tony Brewer**



# Church News



**From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith**  
**Text of President Obama State of The Union**  
**An America Built To Last - Part 1**

The following is Part 1 of President Obama's State of the Union Message on January 24, 2011. This State of the Union message may become one of the greatest of all American Presidents.

Last month, I went to Andrews Air Force Base and welcomed home some of our last troops to serve in Iraq. Together, we offered a final, proud salute to the colors under which more than a million of our fellow citizens fought and several thousand gave their lives.

We gather tonight knowing that this generation of heroes has made the United States safer and more respected around the world. For the first time in nine years, there are no Americans fighting in Iraq. For the first time in two decades, Osama Bin Laden is not a threat to this country. Most of all Qaeda's top lieutenants have been defeated. The Taliban's momentum has been broken, and some troops in Afghanistan have begun to come home.

These achievements are a testament to the courage, selflessness, and teamwork of America's Armed Forces. At a time when too many of our insti-

tutions have let us down, they exceed all expectations. They're not consumed with personal ambition. They don't obsess over their differences. They are focus on the mission at hand. They work together.

Imagine what we could accomplish if we followed their example. Think about the America within our reach: A country that leads the world in educating people. An America that attracts a new generation of high-tech manufacturing and high-paying jobs. A future where we're in control of our own energy, and our security and prosperity aren't so tied to unstable parts of the world. An economy built to last, where hard work pays off, and responsibility is rewarded.

We can do this. I know we can, because we've done it before. At the end of World War II, when another generation of heroes returned home from combat they build the strongest economy and middle class the world has ever known. My grandfather, a veteran of Patton's Army, got the chance to go to college on the GI Bill. My grandmother, who worked on a bomber assembly line, was part of a workforce that turned out the best products on

Earth.

The two of them shared the optimism of a Nation that had triumphed over a depression and fascism. They understood they were part of something larger; they were contributing to a story of success that every American had a chance to share - the basic American promise that if you worked hard, you could do well enough to raise a family, own a home, send your kids to college, and put a little away for retirement.

The defining issue of our time is how to keep that promise alive. No challenge is more urgent. No debate is more important. We can either settle for a country where a shrinking number of people do really well, while a growing number of Americans barely get by. Or we can restore an economy where everyone gets a fair shot, everyone does their fair share, and everyone plays by the same set of rules. What's at stake are not Democratic values or Republicans values, but American values. We have to reclaim them.

Let's remember now we got here. Long before the recession, jobs and manufacturing began I

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*We Thank God for Jesus*

**"AN ANGEL HAS FALLEN!"**

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

**PSALM 1:1,2, BLESSED** - is the man (or woman) that walk not in the counsel of the ungodly, not stand in the way of sinners, not sit in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law does he meditate day and night.

I heard on Friday the 13th : that sister **BOBBIE GEAN PATTERSON** had gone **HOME..** And **IN GOD'S KINGDOM: IS WHERE SHE BELONGS!!!**

**John 14:1-3** -- Jesus Said, let not your heart be troubles: you believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have have told you. I go to prepare a place for you and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there you may be also.

I went and visited with **SISTER PATTERSON:** about 3 weeks before she died. I did take **A FLOWER PLANT TO HER; BEFORE SHE EXPIRED!!!**

**\*\*\* ALWAYS TRY TO GIVE FLOWERS; WHILE THEY LIVE!!!\*\*\***

**II Corinthians 5:8** -- We are

confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord. God allowed her **73 YEARS,** to share her love with **YOU AND ME.**

And she did just that; **JUST AS GOD ALLOWED IT TO BE!!!**

**Psalm 90:10** -- The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they are fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for is soon cut off; and we fly away.

She was a woman of about 5'2, but **BIG HEART MADE HER TEN FEET TALL.** God put into that small body of her's; **ENOUGH LOVE FOR US ALL!!!**

**\*\*\* IN GOD SISTER PATTERSON DID TRUST!!!\*\*\***

**SISTER PATTERSON** was a **GOOD WIFE TO T.J.;** and to **HER CHILDREN;** she was a **GREAT MOTHER.**

She **LOVED CHILDREN;** with over 40 years of **TEACHING; SHE WAS OTHER CHILDREN'S MOTHER!!!**

**John 13:34,** Jesus Said, A new commandment I give unto you, that you love one another; as I have loved

You, that you also love one another.

God put **HIS WORD IN HER;** and many Christians don't have that **THAT TODAY.** **Sister PATTERSON** would speak of God; **SUN UP, SUN DOWN;** with her it was **OK!!!**

**Proverb 31:10,20,30** -- Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies. She stretched out her hand to the poor; yes, she reaches for her hands to the needy. Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that fears the Lord, she shall be praised.

Sister **PATTERSON** was a true Woman, with Patience, so Sweet and Kind.

She was Good to all God's People; **RACE AND COLOR WAS NOT ON HER MIND!!!**

**Psalm 119:10,11** -- With my whole heart have I sought thee (GOD); O let me not wander for your commandments. Your word have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

Sister **PATTERSON** said what she **MEANT ;** and in that **SWEET VOICE; SHE MENT WHAT SHE SAID..**

That very same voice even now: **I CAN HEAR, INSIDE**

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## St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Church services got started last Sunday morning, January 29, 2011, at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, where the dynamic pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

Services begun with Sunday School and Assistant Superintendent Sister Annie Onasanya presided. Teacher for the morning was Pastor Canady, who also reviewed the lesson.

The subject of the morning lesson was as "Following A Trusted Leader." The Unifying

Topic was "Out of Egypt. The lesson passage was Exodus 15:1-3; 19, 2-26. His background passage was Exodus 1:8-14; 15:1-27.

The lesson text were "The Song of Moses," Exodus 1:3, 19; and "Bitter Water Made Sweet", Exodus 15:2-26.

The main thought was found in Exodus 15:9. KJV.

The devotional period was conducted by Sister Barbara Johnson and Sister Annie

Onasanga. What a time!

Pastor Canady entered the sanctuary with the congregation singing "Precious Lord."

The St. Matthew Baptist Church Choir sung the following selections: "Order My Steps," "New Season," and "Victory Is Mine."

The sermon of the morning was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "Why Blame God For Our Mistakes?" His subject was Judges 6:13-14. His key verse was Judges 13. This is

a question each of us can ask.

The Song of Inspiration was "Pass Me Not."

The Black History Month program will be under the direction of Sister Betty Wilkerson and Sister Aerleen Jackson, with Sister Barbara Johnson assisting.

St. Matthew Baptist Church is always happy to have visitors come and worship with us. Last Sunday morning, Tamorra Wilkerson was a visitor.

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

Among those who are on the sick and shut-in list include: Sister Conaway, Brother Hereford, Brother Saunders, and the community. Also, Sister Susie Davis.

**Thought For The Week:** "It's hard to stumble when you're on your knees praying."

The weekly meetings at St. Matthew Baptist Church are as follows:

Mission meets on Wednesday evenings, 5:00 p. m.

Brotherhood meets on Wednesdays at 5:00 p. m.

Bible Saturday is held at 6:00 p. m. on Wednesdays.

Choir Rehearsal is held on Friday evenings at 5:00 p. m.

Usher meeting is held every Saturday morning at 11:00 a. m.

Our Announcing Clerk is First Lady Shirley Canady. News is submitted by Sister Barbara Johnson.

God is able!!

## Outreach Prayer Breakfast

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

**II Chronicles 7:14**

It is said that large numbers of our young Black men and boys have been killed in our country over the last five years. Most of the killings were drug related. The picture looks gloomy for our race. Knowing that we already have a shortage of Black men. This writer can

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

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

**"If my people, who are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."**

From this scripture comes the subject of our conversation.

Next week will be Humility. (1) humble themselves and pray; (2) and seek my face; and (3) and turn from their wicked ways.

If you will take these topics seriously, you will find that our

Lord is not short on his Promise to forgive sin and heal our land. He is waiting for us to put our trust in him and know that he is a God who can change things.

**Thought Impossible**  
**Thought of the Week:** "God acts according to his word and experience the joy of being a Christian."

Write if you feel the need. We would just love to pray with you. Write: Outreach Prayer Breakfast, 2132 East 30th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79404.

Keep smiling and praying

and loving those you know care less about you. It's God and it will work out for you.

**Just a little thought:** "Freedom is never given by the oppressor; it must be determined by the oppressed."

We will meet Saturday

morning, February 4, 2012, at 2416 East 1st Street, beginning at 9:00 a. m. Hope to see you there!

Dorothy Hood, president; Christener Burleson, vice president; Elnora Jones, teacher.

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# Obsequies

## Leon Ellis Hodge

Littlefield, Texas -- Funeral services for Leon Ellis Hodge, 56, of Odessa and formerly of Littlefield, were held Saturday morning, January 20, 2012, at the Irvin Street First Baptist Church, 1411 MLK Blvd, with Pastor James Price officiating.

Interment was held at Littlefield Memorial Park under the direction of McCarty Funeral Home.

Hodge passed away January 15, 2012 in Odessa.

He was born February 18, 1955 in Littlefield. Leon was a Littlefield High School Graduate. He served three years, three months and 18 days in the U.S. Army.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Lussia Hodge; father, Bera Hodge; three sisters, Ocie Ola Hodge, Lois Ross and Lubera Eggin.

Survivors include his seven brothers, Howard Hodge of Oklahoma City, Okla., Preysol



Hodge of Littlefield, Texas, Matthew Hodge of Dallas, Texas, Larry Hodge of Odessa, Texas, Tommy Hodge of Odessa, Texas and Charles Hodge of Hobbs, N.M.; five sisters, Eva Lois Walker, L.V. Crayton both of Dallas, Texas; Doris Randolph of Grand Prairie, Texas, Bernice Henderson of Los Angeles, Calif. and Vestella Williams of Littlefield, Texas.

## Deaconess Lillie M. Johnson

Funeral services for Deaconess Lillie M. Johnson were held Saturday afternoon, January 21, 2012 at Unity Baptist Church.

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

Deaconess. Johnson, 62, of Lubbock passed away Sunday, January 15, 2012.

She was born to the parentage of Willie T. Sansom and Maggie Mosley on May 28, 1949 in Chatfield, Texas. She married Deacon Robert L. Johnson on February 27, 1981 who preceded her in death.

She was also preceded in death by three brothers and two sisters.

She leaves to cherish her memory four children, LaShall Parson (Todd), Willie L. James, Robert D. Johnson, and Jonathan Johnson; eight grandchildren; one great-grandchild; mother, Estella Sansom; one brother, Morris Bonner; four sisters, Benetta Ausborne, Ruthie



Wilson, Patricia Smith, and Valerie Toliver; a special sister-in-law, Dorothy Lewis; four special nieces; one nephew; and a host of other relatives and friends.

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Article entitled "A New Foundation is Needed!"  
We have begun a series, entitled, "A New Foundation is Needed!" Our services begins promptly at 10 a.m. at Church of the Nations. The address is: 5902 11th Place, Lubbock, Texas 79416. For more information please call Pastor Roy Davis @ 806-445-1545  
More information to follow!

## Darrell Eugene Saunders

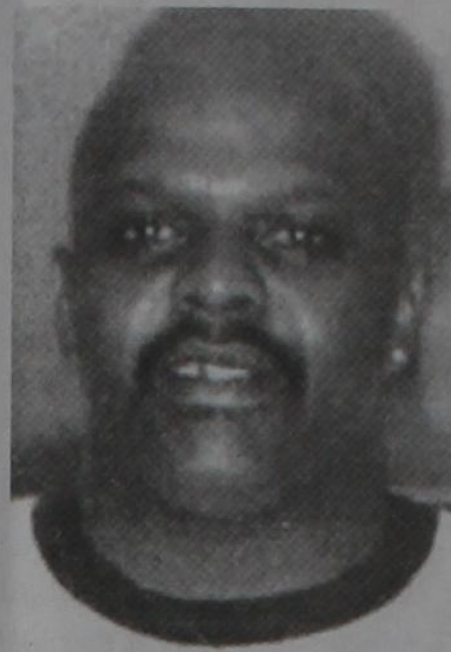
Funeral services were held for Darrell Eugene Saunders Saturday morning, January 21, 2012 at St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church, with Rev. J. H. Ford, pastor, officiating.

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

Saunders, 50, of Lubbock passed away Sunday, January 14, 2012.

He was born February 18, 1961 to Dennis and Dimple Saunders. He received his formal education from Estacado High School and Houston Tullison College. He was employed with Friends Convience Store for 13 years and Convergys for 5 years.

Darrell leaves to cherish his memory his father, Dennis Saunders; two sons, Tremaine Saunders (Cotrandra) and Brandon Saunders; one daughter, Tonyette McCoy; two brothers, Miree Walker, Jr. (Umi) and



Gregory Saunders; three sisters, Janice McCall (James), Karen Walker, and Audrey Gaines; two grandchildren, Jaylen Saunders and Treyondrick Saunders; four aunts, Shirley Canady (Edward), Georganne Hereford (Ronald), Elsie White, and Delores White; fiance, Ella Vaults; four stepchildren, Mykayla, Keyon Goldsmith, Ray, and LaToya; 19 nephews and nieces; a host of other relatives and friends.

## Altha Jean Webster

Funeral services for Altha Jean Webster will be held at Saturday afternoon, January 21, 2012 at the Kingdom Hall under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Webster, 67 of Cedar Hill and formerly of Slaton, passed away Friday, January 13, 2012.

She was born to Jimmy and Florence Doss on June 22, 1944 in Kilgore, Texas. She moved to Slaton in 1954. She worked for Frito Lay for 25 years and later retired. She served as a Jehovah Witness for 30 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

She leaves to cherish her memory three sons, Sherman Daugherty, Kenneth Daugherty and Louis Milo; one daughter, Jeanette Probley (Ian); four grandchildren, Markisa Nedd, Tyron Nedd, Ben Daugherty,



and Deundra Leby (David); three great-grandchildren; four brothers, Jimmy Doss (Ruby), Bobby Johnson, Robert (Velma) Johnson, and Charles Doss; three sisters, Marilyn Doss, Evelyn Cooper, and Glenda Johnson; eight step-children and a host of other relatives and friends

## Singing legend Etta James dies at 73



Etta James, whose powerful voice and passionate delivery created some of music's most iconic love songs such as "At Last," has died at the age of 73 from complications from leukemia, her manager said Friday.

James had been suffering from dementia and kidney problems, and was battling leukemia. In December 2011, her physician announced that her leukemia was terminal, and asked for prayers for the singer.

During her illness, her husband Artis Mills and her two sons fought bitterly over control of her \$1 million estate, though a deal was later struck keeping Mills as the conservator and capping the singer's expenses at \$350,000.

James died at Riverside Community Hospital, with her husband and sons at her side, her manager, Lupe De Leon, said.

"It's a tremendous loss for her fans around the world," he said. "She'll be missed. A great American singer. Her music defied category."

Boldness was as much a trademark of James, a member of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, as her platinum-dyed mane.

She scored her first hit when she was just a teenager with the suggestive "Roll With Me, Henry," which had to be changed to "The Wallflower" in order to get airplay. Over the years, she'd notch many more, carving a niche for herself with her husky, soulful voice and her sassy attitude, which permeated her songs.

But it was her jazz-inflected rendition of "At Last" that would come to define her and make her legendary. The song, which starts with sumptuous strings before James begins to sing, was a remake of a 1941 standard. James made it her own, and her version became the new standard.

Over the decades, countless brides have used it as their song down the aisle, and it has been featured in car commercials and films like "American Pie." But perhaps most famously, Obama and the first lady danced to a version of "At Last" at his inauguration ball.

But the tender, sweet song belied the turmoil that James -- born Jamesette Hawkins in Los Angeles -- would endure for much of her life. Her mother -- whom she described in her 1995 autobiography "Rage to Survive" as a scam artist, a substance abuser and unstable -- was a fleeting presence in her life during her youth.

She never knew her father, although she had been told that he was the famous billiards player Minnesota Fats. When she was older, she met him and asked about the rumor. He wouldn't confirm or deny it: as James recalled, he simply told her: "I don't remember everything. I wish I did, but I don't."

Her mother would come in and out of her life, so she was raised by Lula and Jesse Rogers, who owned the rooming house her mother once lived in. The pair brought up James in the Christian faith, and even as a young girl, her voice stood out in the church choir. James would soon get solos and became so well known, she said that Hollywood stars would come to see her perform.

But she wouldn't stay a gospel singer for long. Rhythm and blues soon lured her away from the church, and she found herself drawn to the grittiness of the music.

"My mother always wanted me to be a jazz singer, but I always wanted to be raunchy," she recalled in her book.

She was doing just that when bandleader Johnny Otis found her singing on San Francisco street corners with a couple of girlfriends in the early 1950s.

"At the time, Hank Ballard and the Midnighters had a hit with 'Work With Me, Annie,' and we decided to do an answer. We didn't think we would get in show business, we were just running around making up answers to songs," James told The Associated Press in 1987.

And so, they replied to Ballard with the song "Roll With Me, Henry."

When Otis heard it, he told James to get her mother's permission to accompany him to Los Angeles to make a recording. Instead, the 15-year-old went home and forged her mother's name on a note claiming she was 18.

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# In Cinque

By Renetta Howard

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I am a fan of soap operas and I used to listen to them on the radio before the days of television. I know I am dating myself, but being a History major, some dates are important to me. I had a friend once who told me that nothing important happened before she was born. Unlike her, I am aware of a vast number of things which took place before I was born and many which have transpired since I was born. One of those things has been soap operas.



drama.

There are so many television stations to watch now, especially with the cable offerings until the longtime major stations which carry soap operas are beginning to cut them back and cut them out. I will miss them when they are all gone, but I will watch faithfully until the end comes. Then there are the full time cable stations which attempt to analyze the news while bringing it to us, including the propaganda and erroneous leads, are making it almost impossible for the major stations to portray the news in depth and bring us entertaining shows.

Early in my life, I listened to the radio shows in my leisure but they were not then a really important part of my life. It was not until upon retiring that my mother had a sudden hearing loss and could not always read the lips of the actors on the television screen that I began to listen intently on my radio which broadcasted television shows to specific soap operas. I listened in my office while working in order to be able to tell her what she had not understood while I was at work. Pretty soon, especially after the advent of the VCR, I purchased one and recorded the show so I could sit with her and tell her what she could not understand.

Later, we were able to have closed captioning which spelled out what the actors were saying and I did not have to listen to the radio any longer to help her. By now, I had become engrossed in the shows myself and I paid close attention to the flow of the actions as it changed from scene to scene. I found myself being able to predict what the next logical action should be.

After close scrutiny and something which I had learned in my social research class, I discovered that the writers were actually following the guidelines for writing; this was not one of those 'spin the wheel' kinds of plots and acting. This is the thing which made me put soap operas in another class of literature and

The internet also has news 24/7 if one chooses to view it that way. I like the news on the internet because I can watch what interests me rather than which movie star or professional athlete bought or sold a million dollar mansion or who lit up the red carpet in a certain style of dress or who looked better in a particular outfit. I can choose not to read those articles as by no means in this financially disastrous atmosphere do I need to know about thousand dollar dresses when my total wardrobe is not worth that much and my house could serve as the pool house for some of the mansions. We need to get 'in cinque' and decide where the media is going to take us and be able to make positive technological choices that suit us individually.

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**Parson Smith**

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eaving our shores. Technology made businesses more efficient, but also made some jobs obsolete. Folks at the top saw their incomes rise like never before, but most hardworking Americans struggled with costs that were growing, paychecks that weren't, and personal debt that kept piling up.

In 2008, the house of cards collapsed. We learned that mortgages had been sold to people who couldn't afford or understand them. Banks had made huge bets and bonuses with other people's money. Regulators had looked the other way, or didn't have the authority to stop the bad behavior.

It was wrong. It was irresponsible. And it plunged our economy into a crisis that put millions out of work, saddled us with more debt, and left innocent, hard-working Americans holding the bag. In the six months before I took office, we lost nearly four million jobs. And we lost another four million before our policies were in full effect.

Those are the facts. But so are these. In the last 22 months, businesses have created more than three million jobs. Last year, they created the most jobs since 2005. American manufacturers are hiring again, creating jobs for the first time since the late 1990s. Together, we've agreed to cut the deficit by more than \$2trillion. And we've put in place new rules to hold Wall Street accountable, so a crisis like that never happens again. To be continued at next writing.

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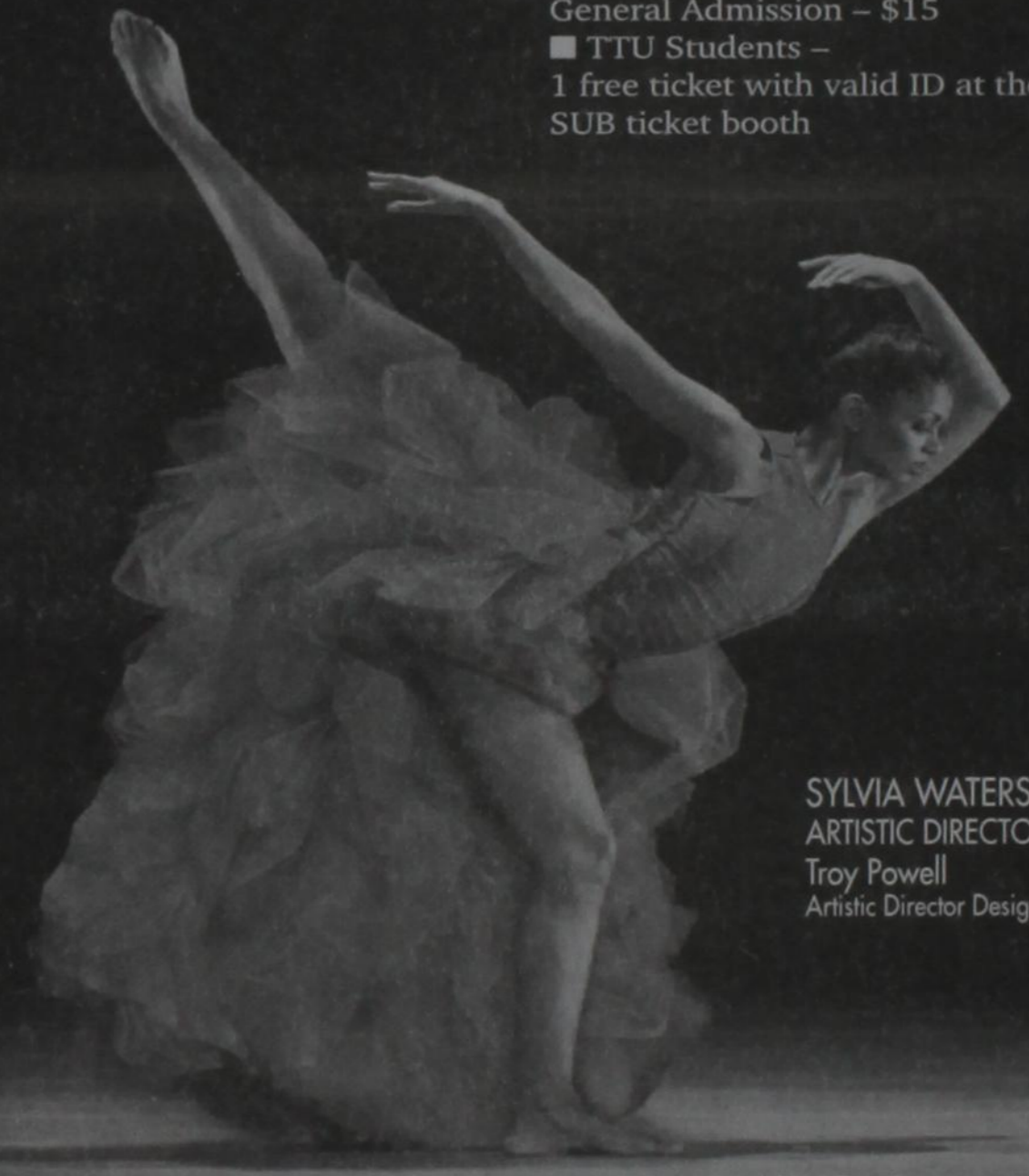
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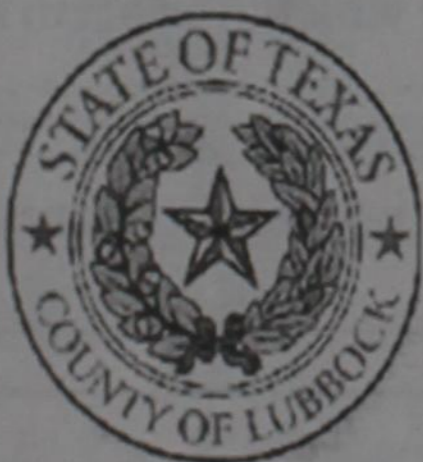


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This week is a new group of individuals who are wanted. Your help is most appreciated in capturing these fugitives who are wanted.



**Castillo, Ezequiel**  
Hispanic, Male, 5'08", 145 lbs., Hair- Black, Eyes- Brown.  
Charge- Sexual Assault (MPAG)  
Warrant #- 2000434805



**Butler, James**  
Black, Male, 5'07", 150 lbs., Hair- Black, Eyes- Black  
Charge- PCS PG1 W/Int. Del. 4-200G (BNDF)  
Warrant #- 2009424522



**Cabrera, Mario**  
Hispanic, Male, 5'05", 135 lbs., Hair- Black, Eyes- Brown  
Charge- Injury To Elderly BI (BNDF)  
Warrant #- 200842027



**Coffman, Christopher Walter**  
White, Male, 5'11", 160 lbs, Hair- Blond  
Eyes- Blond  
Charge- Burglary Of A Building (MPAG)  
Warrant#- 96423235



**Kainer, Ashley**  
White, Female, 5'06", 203 lbs., Hair- Brown, Eyes- Brown  
Charge- Intox. Asslt. W/Veh.- SBI(BNDS)  
Warrant #- 2011431650



**Shriver, Aaron**  
White, Male, 5'07", 155 lbs., Hair- Brown, Eyes- Green,  
Charge- DWI 3rd or more (ARP)  
Warrant #- 2010428760



**Simmons, Brenda F**  
Black, Female, 5'04, 155 lb- Hair- Black, Eyes- Brown.  
Charge- Poss. W/Int. Del. CS PG1<1G (BNDS)  
Warrant #- 2006413555



**Sigala-Ortiz, Concha**  
Hispanic, Female, 5'01", 123 lbs, Hair—Brown, Eyes- Brown.  
Charge- PCS PG1 W/INT DEL > 400G(BNDF)  
Warrant#- 2009423825



**- Caffey, Jennifer J**  
White, Female, 5'09", 125 lbs - Hair- Blond, Eyes- Blue  
Charge- PCS PG1 <1G  
Warrant #- 2010426171



**Kidd, Christopher**  
White, Male, 5'11", 280 lbs, Hair- Black, Eyes- Brown.  
Charge- Sexual Assault- Adult  
Warrant #- 2011430017

**Timothy Nathan Wanted!**



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## Thank God For Jesus

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### OF MY HEAD!!!

Psalm 10:7,29 -- The memory of the just is Blessed: but the name of wicked shall rot. The way of the Lord is strength to the upright: but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity.

It is said the best way to Measure a Tree, IS WHEN ITS DOWN.

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### First African American Woman Named CEO

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Brewer held a number of executive positions at Kimberly-Clark.

Wal-Mart also said Friday that it is promoting Gisel Ruiz, 41, to executive vice president and chief operating officer for its U.S. operations. Ruiz has been an executive vice president working on human relations and store innovation issues.

Wal-Mart is also promoting Rollin Ford, 49, to chief administrative officer. Ford was chief information officer. He will be replaced as CIO by Karenann Terrell, 50.

### New Light News

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All visitors that was in attendance was acknowledged by Sis. Gloria Lee.

Pray for all churches that their doors are open for individuals to worship in. It is hard to stumble when you are on your knees. Let God continue to guide you

and keep you in his loving care on a daily basis.

the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

**SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK:** Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in

Psalm 1: 1 & 2

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## James Wendell Givens Succumbs In Houston

Houston, Texas – A former of resident of Lubbock, James Wendell Givens passed away in Houston. Funeral services were held at the Unity Missionary Baptist Church in Baytown, Texas on Monday morning, November 21, 2011, with Pastor Henry Thomas and Pastor Louis C. Brown officiating.

He was born in Crandall, Texas to the union of Susie M. Gipson and R. J. Givens, Sr. on December 1, 1934.

James was affectionately known by his close friends and family as "Gabby" or "TaTa" and as "Ted" by his older brother. He moved with his family to Lubbock at an early age. He was baptized at New Hope Baptist Church. He attended Dunbar High School and graduated from the school in the class of 1952 as 'Outstanding Senior Boy.' He received his degree in Architectural Engineering from Prairie View A&M University in 1956. While attending Prairie View University, he met his life-long sweetheart, Ruby J. Scales.

After graduating from college, he married Ruby, and was subsequently employed by The Boeing Company in Seattle, Washington. The couple resided in Seattle for 34 years and for three years in Wichita, Kansas.



He retired from Boeing after 37 years of employment. After retiring, James and Ruby made their home in Houston.

James Givens was preceded in death by his mother and father, and his beloved wife of 53 years, Ruby J. Givens.

He leaves to mourn his passing: a brother, R. J. Givens (Octavia) of Lubbock, Texas; a son, James A. Lewis (Beverly) of Kent, Washington; and daughters, Glenda Givens Trotter, Victoria G. Hayes, and Donna Givens Cooper, all of Houston, Texas.

He also leaves in his passing: eleven (11) grandchildren, eleven (11) great-grandchildren, and a host of loving nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

## 10th Annual African-American Program Set At Patterson Library

10th Annual African American History Month Program & Reception. Our very special guest is the New York Times Bestselling Author, Kimberla Lawson Roby. Please join us Saturday February 25, 2012 at 2:00PM, at Patterson Branch Library. Bring your copy of one of her books and meet Mrs. Roby while she signs your book.

Join us for National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day February 7, 2012, from 3:00PM to 8:00PM, at the Patterson Branch Library. Anyone may attend this program. Get Educated! Get Tested! Get Involved! Get Treated! FREE Testing, test results within 20minutes. ALL

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Mrs. Helen Viser-Fitzgerald is the Manager/Librarian of Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive, Lubbock, Texas 79403, call 806-767-3303hviser@mail.ci.lubbock.tx.us.

**Support the Bobbie Gean & T. J. Patterson Library!**

**Happy Black History Month!!**

## Hub City Kiwanis 25 Years Of Service

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to allow for disbursement of charitable donations to worthy organizations and causes in the local community/world is where the real work of the club is centered. The name of the club, Hub City Kiwanis, was suggested by T. J. Patterson, former Lubbock City Councilman and one of the original charter members.

Roberts brought leadership and role modeling direction to

the club with his prior experience as a Kiwanian paid tremendous dividends during our developmental years. He cultivated the numerous talents of the original members and harvested an exemplary club rating during their first year of existence. Hub City Kiwanis Club has had three of its members to serve in the prestigious position of Lt. Governor for District 1 -- Reggie Colley, Daryl Halsey and L. V. Andrews.

Here are the names of Hub City Kiwanis Presidents: 1986 to Present:

Roy Roberts, Charles Brown, Bill Magee, Leon Bunton, Oscar Jones, Godfrey Christopher, Carrol "Butch" Thomas, Raymond Peppers, Reggie Colley, Darrell Halsey, L. V. Andrews, Joe Phea, Jr., and Jeanette Nathan.

**February 20 - Reconciling and Recording**

Learn how to keep track of your spending and how to balance your checking account.

**February 27 - More Money!**

Learn about simple ways to free up more money for your budget.

Maxey Community Center is located at 4020 30th Street and offers classes for all ages including Preschool, Youth, Teens, Adults and Seniors.

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Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Inspirational Choir Rehearsal (1st, 3rd, & 5th)  
Nancy Circle (2nd & 4th)

Saturday 12:00 Noon Brotherhood (2nd & 4th)

Sunday Church School - 9:30 a. m.

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Sunday Morning Worship - 11:00 a. m.

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Elder Johnny L. Barnes, Pastor

## SPC announces test dates for fall 2012 program admittance

LEVELLAND – South Plains College Levelland campus will conduct Entrance Examinations for the Associate Degree Nursing, Vocational Nursing and Cosmetology Programs for students entering the fall 2012 semester. Testing must be completed prior to application deadlines.

Associate Degree Nursing –

the last day to test is March 1, 2012.

**Application Deadline** is March 7, 2012.

**Vocational Nursing** – the last day to test is April 13, 2012.

**Application Deadline** is April 18, 2012.

**Cosmetology** – the last day to test is April 6.

**Deadline is April 11, 2012.**

The cost of test is Associate Degree Nursing, \$50; Vocational Nursing, \$35 and Cosmetology, \$20.

Test registration and payment must be completed at least three days prior to selected test date. Test dates can be found on the SPC website at: <http://www.southplainscollege.edu/information-for/future-spec-students/futuretestingsiinformation.php>

For more information, call (806) 716-2530.

## How To Handle Your Money

Are you living paycheck to paycheck? Are you tired of worrying about money? Parks and Recreation has tools to help you get control of your finances! In February, Maxey Community Center will be holding a new class called "How To Handle Your Money" that will teach participants all about budgeting and their finances. This four-week class will be held on Monday nights from 6:45-7:45 p.m. Admission is free. Come to one or all four! Call-in registration is preferred to 767-3796, but not required.

**February 6 - Basic Budgeting**  
Learn how to plan where your money goes before the month even begins.

**February 13 - Cash Flow**  
Learn how to get your "out go" to match your "in come."



AN INVITATION TO ATTEND:

EVENT: "Red Carpet Affair"

SPONSORED BY: Church of the Nations

DATE: February 10, 2012

TIME: 7:00 P.M. – 9:30 P.M.

PLACE: First United Methodist Church (Downtown)

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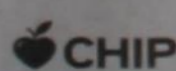


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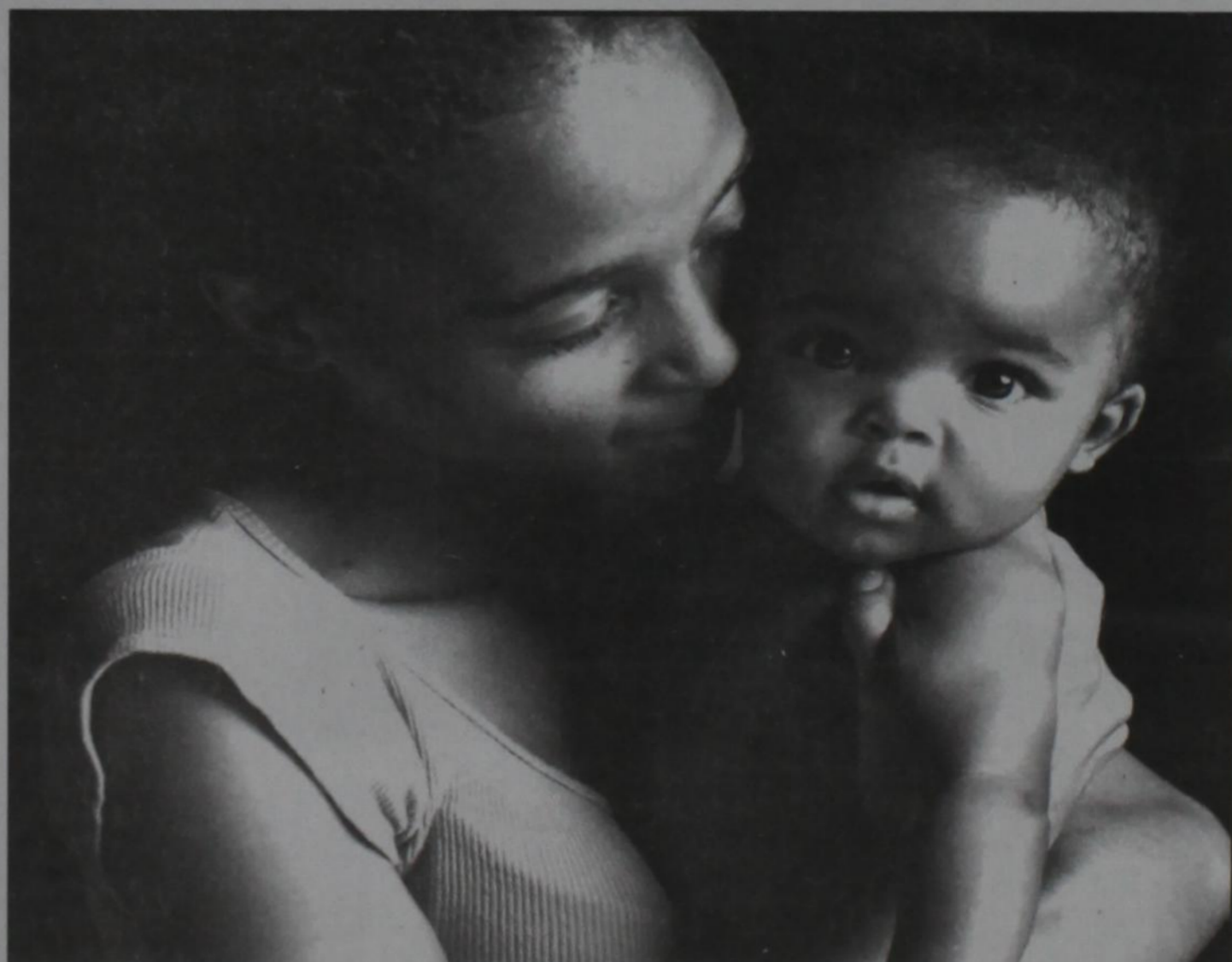
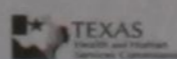
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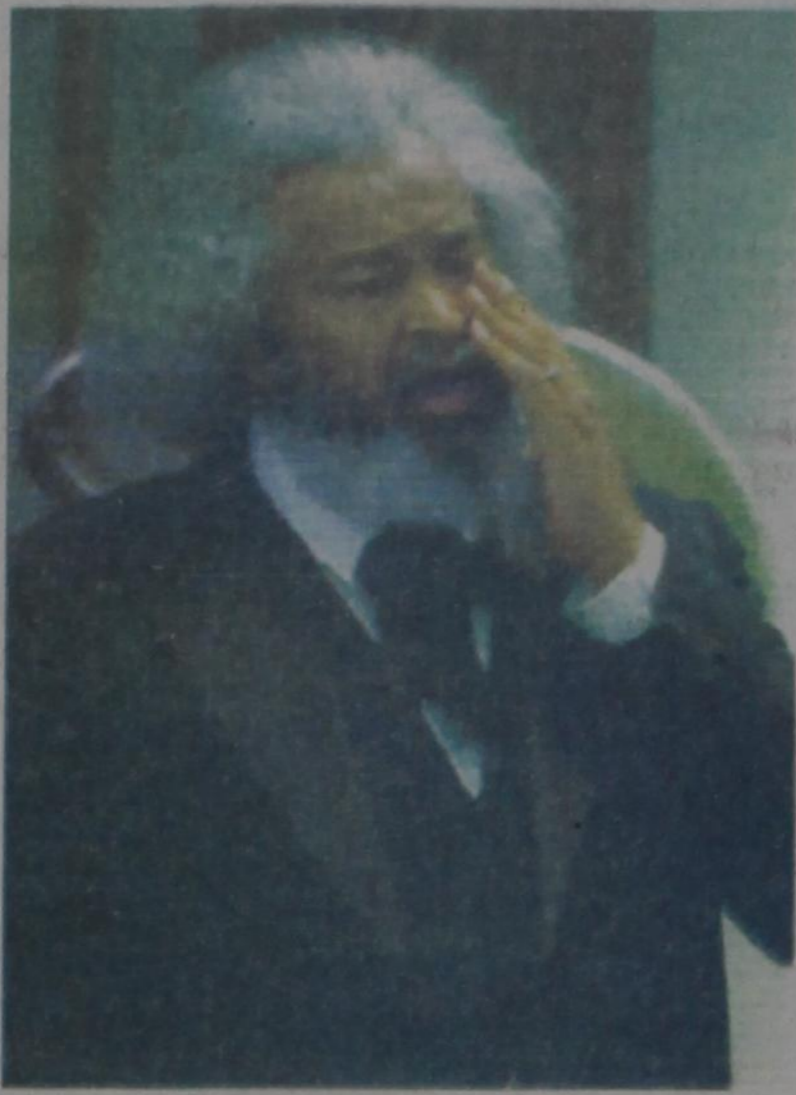
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## Lincoln-Douglass Tea Set Here For February 12, 2012



Lincoln Douglass Actor

The Annual Lincoln-Douglass Tea will be held Sunday afternoon, February 12, 2012, at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, 1501 Mac Davis Lane, beginning at 4:00 p. m.

This annual event is presented by the Lincoln-Douglass Scholarship Committee. Tickets are \$20.00 per person, which includes a meal. Tables for eight are \$200.00 each.

If there are any questions, call either (806) 72-3350 or (806) 535-8250.

As we celebrate Black History Month, it is important for us to know that we are remembering the 147th Anniversary of the ending of the Civil War. This includes the final tragic ending, when President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated in

Ford's Theater on April 14, 1865. One of the most important friendships that developed during that conflict was the one between President Abraham Lincoln and abolitionist Frederick Douglass.

Immediately after the Civil War began in April 1861, Douglass began to call for the use of Black troops to fight the Confederacy. He argued for the establishment of colored regiments in the Union army. President Lincoln's first concern was preserving the Union, however, so Douglass' call at that time was not heeded.

Lincoln believed the primary directive of the North was to preserve the Union and not to end slavery. He proclaimed: "If I could save the Union, without

## Anna Murray Douglass Abolitionist 1813 - 1882



Because of her husband, Fredrick Augustus Washington Bailey's [prominent place in American Black History, it is easy to see how Anna Murray could easily be over shadowed. However, because of her tremendous courage, loyalty, love, and support for Bailey, she too has secured a place in history. It was through Murray's financial efforts that Bailey was able to escape from Baltimore to New York disguised as a sailor. Upon his safe arrival, she joined him, and the two were married. They assumed the name 'Johnson,' but after meeting Nathan Johnson of New Bedford, Mass., he formally introduced the new couple as Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Douglass.

While Frederick traveled, Anna provided comfort and shelter to hundreds of runaway slaves at their Rochester, New York home, which served as a station on the Underground Railroad. Although illiterate, she was the family's financial manager and maintained rock solid stability during Frederick's absence. Stricken with paralysis, Anna Murray Douglass, a devoted wife and mother of four, died in their Washington, D. C. home in 1882.

freeing the slaves, I would do it. If I could do it by freeing some and leaving others alone, I would do that. What I do about slavery and the colored race, I do because I believe it would help to save the Union."

## Thank You, Lubbock For All You Did For The T. J. Patterson, Sr. Family

On behalf of **Bobbie G. Patterson**, the Patterson Family would like to take this opportunity to extend a hearty **THANK YOU** for all your support during our time of loss. Your visits, phone calls, cards, flowers, contributions, donations, your attendance and participation at the Homegoing service, showed a great display of the love of Christ and what the "Unified Body of Christ" should mirror as He Himself has shown and continues to show toward His people. Because of His work through you, we believe our days were made a little easier to endure. Your demonstration of being "ONE" was deeply noted by all of us; a celebration we will cherish.

The display of your love will always be remembered and hold a special place in our hearts as we continue to press through this time of grievance. God showered us with His great love for us through each of you. **HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD!!!** Your acts of kindness did indeed bring alive the lyrics to the song: "And they will know we are Christians by our love". A thousand 'thank you's' would never be enough, so we speak blessings back to you and may the manifest presence of God always be with you as we continue to be "ONE" in Him!



Bobbie Gean Patterson

Sincerely,  
T.J. Patterson, Sr. & Family

## Seven Sisters Art Exhibit

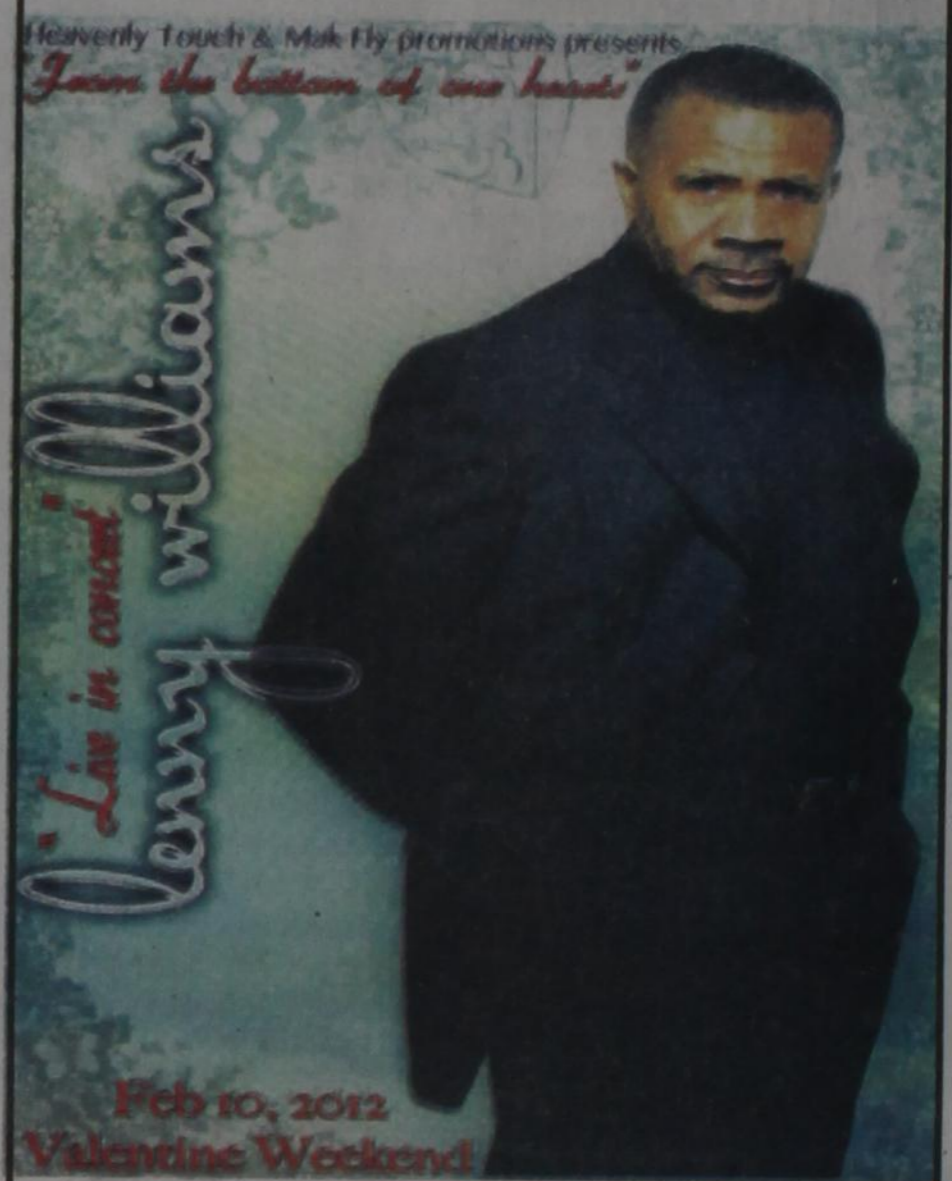
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Fine Art Degree from Texas Tech University in Painting in 2009. Destiny has shown her work at numerous venues in the Lubbock Area and was awarded "Best of Show" twice in the Annual Sabor Hispano Exhibit, and American State Bank Prize "Best Painting" in the Black Creativity on the Plains Exhibit.

**Toya Zachery**, of Midland, is a portrait artist / photographer and also creates works in mixed media. Toya is one of the founding members of the Red Dot Artist Collective. She obtained a Bachelor's of Fine Art Degree in Photography from Texas Tech University in 2004. The West Texas Photographic Society has awarded Toya's photographs both "First Place" and "Honorable Mention" prizes. Toya is currently exploring filmmaking as an additional avenue of creative expression.

**Happy Black History Month!**  
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