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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 Yellowhouse Canyon.
- * Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Branch Library.
- * East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mae Simmons Senior Citizens.
- * Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Market Alumni Center.
- * Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 7:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center, 1301 E. 24th Street.
- * West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturdays of each month at 7:00 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations.
- * The Unified Juneteenth Commission of Lubbock meets at Community Baptist Church every Monday at 7:00 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.
- * If you have an announcement about your organization, please advise by calling (806) 762-3612 or e-mail swdigest@sbcglobal.net.

Lubbock Redistricting Hearings Set For May, 2011

It is very important that if we want to make sure the Black community has representation on the Lubbock City Council, it is important to participate in the upcoming Redistricting meetings which got underway Sunday, May 1, 2011.

Lubbock is a home rule city governed by Article XI, section 5 of the Texas Constitution. Since Lubbock elects six of its council members from single member districts, the 14th Amendment to the United States Constitution requires under the principle of "one-person one-vote" that all the districts have essentially the same number of people. Also, Texas and its political subdivisions are jurisdictions covered by the Voting Rights Act of 1965 and as subsequently amended. Under Section 5 of the Act, the Attorney

General of the United States must pre-clear all voting changes before they may be implemented. The Attorney General must determine that all voting changes made by the city do not have a discriminatory purpose or effect upon the rights of minorities to vote.

The Attorney General's regulations strongly encourage community input into the process. Therefore, a public hearing will be held for the purpose of securing community comment upon the proposed redistricting plan. The date, time, and location of the public hearings are as follows:

District 1: Sunday, May 15, 2011 at 3:30 p.m. at Cavazos Middle School (Cafeteria) 210 N. University Avenue, Lubbock, Texas 79415

District 2: Monday, May 16,

2011 at 7:00 p.m. at Alderson Middle School (Cafeteria) 219 Walnut Avenue, Lubbock, Texas 79403.

District 3: Wednesday, May 11, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at Roscoe Wilson Elementary (Cafeteria) 2807 25th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79410

District 4: Thursday, May 12, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at Honey Elementary (Cafeteria) 3615 86th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79423

District 5 meeting was held Sunday, May 1, 2011, Irons Middle School, but no one came to give comments.

District 6: was held Monday evening, May 2, 2011 at Mackenzie Middle School

All citizens of the city of Lubbock are encouraged to attend and participate in these important.



Mr. Quincy White Honored by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. 79th Regional Conference

On Saturday, April 2, 2011, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. honored Mr. Quincy White, Assistant City Manager for the City of Lubbock, during the Public Luncheon at the 79th South Central Regional Conference. Many guest, International Sorority officers, and sorority members from Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas and New Mexico were in attendance.

hood Education and Care. He initiated in conjunction with Texas Tech University, a Parents as Teachers program as well as an Early Head Start program for children 0 to 3 years old. He previously served on Governor George Bush's Drug Policy Advisory, the United Way Board, Success by 6 Board, and the Youth Corps Board.

Quincy, a 1965 graduate of Dunbar High School, was recognized and received a special plaque for his interest, passion and dedication to youth involvement, early childhood development, access to educational opportunities and the betterment of Lubbock.

As financial chair of the Youth Corps, each year Quincy's committee raised the \$250,000 necessary to operate this unique and outstanding youth leadership program.

The Public Luncheon was held at the Albuquerque Convention Center, Albuquerque, and New Mexico. The prestigious event is an opportunity used by each region of the aortas to honor exemplary public figures who are making a difference in our society.

In 2002, Eta Delta Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. awarded him a special "check" to express appreciation for his contributions and valuable assistance resulting in the success of planned community projects.

Quincy currently serves on Governor Rick Perry's State Advisory Council on Early Child-

hood Education and Care. He initiated in conjunction with Texas Tech University, a Parents as Teachers program as well as an Early Head Start program for children 0 to 3 years old. He previously served on Governor George Bush's Drug Policy Advisory, the United Way Board, Success by 6 Board, and the Youth Corps Board.

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Jarryl A. Jenkins Will Graduate From The United States Military Academy May 21st

During the Christmas Holidays December, 2008, T. J. & Bobbie Gean Patterson met a young man while attending worship services at the Bethlehem Baptist Church in Mansfield, Texas. He was West Point Cadet Jarryl A. Jenkins. Since that time, much has happened in the life of this young man.

makos which was published in a scientific journal for contributions on the bionic foot.

He was voted Best Activities Officer in 2011. He was also a Platoon Leader in 2011.

His future Duty Station will be Fort Campbell, Ky. - 101st Airborne Division.



Lt. Jarryl A. Jenkins

The Pattersons received an invitation which request the honor of their presence at the Graduation Exercises Saturday, May 21, 2011 at 10:00 a. m. in Michie Stadium in West Point, N. Y.

He is the son of Jarryl and Leontyne Jenkins. His grandparents are Rev. Warren and Brenda Farr.

Lieutenant Jenkins will receive a degree in Bachelors of Science - Engineering Psychology.

A very proud great grandparent is Ola Phillips.

He has had a very rewarding experience while at West Point. His accomplishments include the following: Airborne Badge, German Proficiency Badge, and National Defense Service Medal.

West Point exists to provide leaders of character for our U. S. Army who are inspired to careers as commissioned officers and to a lifetime of service to the nation.

Lieutenant Jenkins is the first American to complete the Norwegian Survival School - Tele-

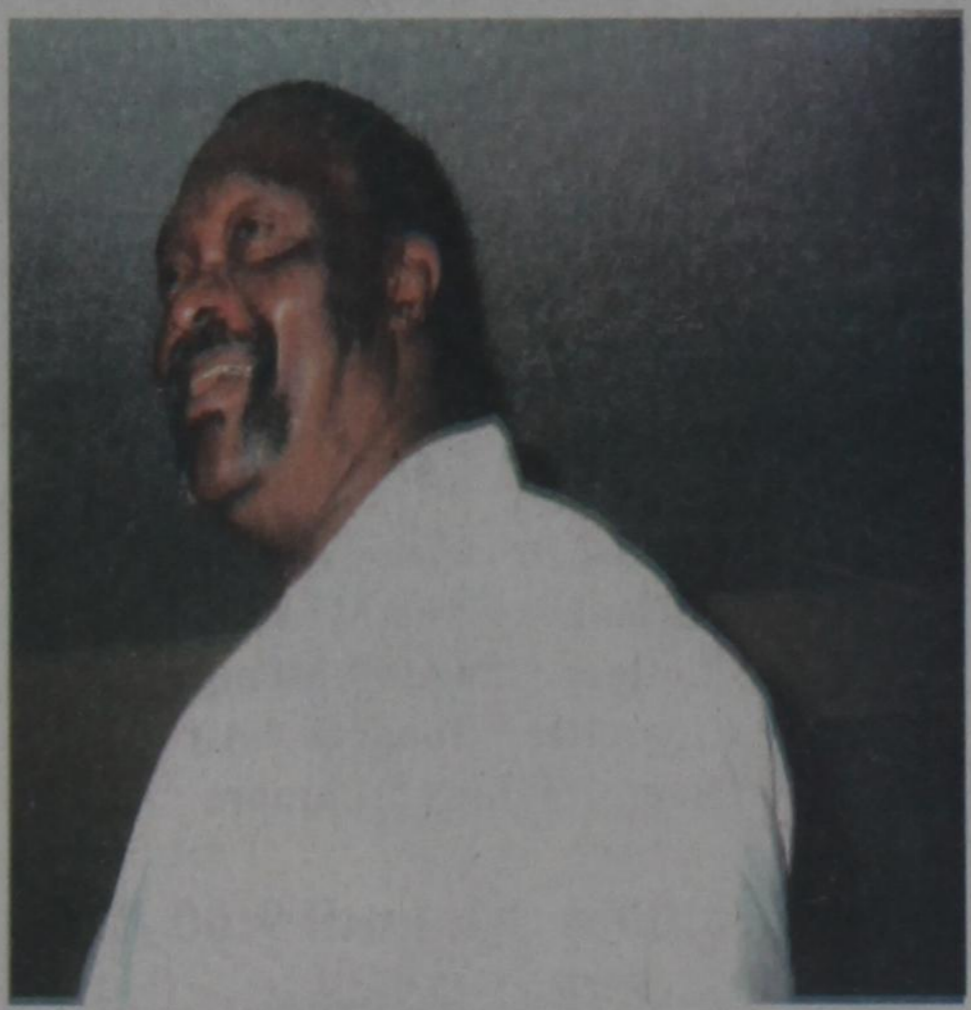
Bethlehem Baptist Church awarded \$6,000.00 in scholarships to eight high school seniors in April, 2007 at the Rev. Michael A. Evans, Sr. Scholarship Banquet at the T. M. Moody Gymnasium.

Visiting With Cornel West At "Mentor Tech Banquet"



"Mentor Tech Banquet" -- Pictured are Cornel West, center, along with Rev. Cory Powell and his dad, Jim Hudson. West was the energetic speaker at the annual Mentor Banquet at Texas Tech University Saturday, April 15, 2011, at the University Center. West took time to visit with this father and son about the status of Black America. It was outstanding affair, according to those in attendance. (Photo Courtesy of Totsie Bass)

Billy Dedrick Retires From VA Hospital



BILLY DEDRICK is a proud man who retired December 29, 2010 from the Veteran's Administration Hospital. He is a young man who retired after 23 years of service doing something he loved to do. He worked in the Emergency Life Support of the hospital. Dedrick is son of Evangelist Missionary Katie Smith of Lubbock.

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Chatman Hills Corner

By Doris Reynolds

The Youth and Young Adult Department of the New Hope Baptist Church will be traveling to Pigeon Forge, TN, for their annual youth summer trip. They will visit Dolly Wood Theme Park, Ripley's Aquarium, Titanic Museum, and Old Mill Town.

Church services were well attended last Sunday morning, May 1, 2011. Services got underway with the Praise Team singing out of their hearts. The

morning scripture and prayer were offered by Ministers. The New Hope Baptist Choir sung two selections.

Rev. B. R. Moton, pastor, delivered a dynamic sermon. His subject was "I Got Just What I Wanted From The Lord." His scripture text was St. Matthew 15: 21-28; II Corinthians 5:7 and Hebrews 11:1.

After the invitation to discipleship, the morning announcements were read by Sister Pamela Moton. Sister Glenda Mooney-Tobe wel-

comed all visitors.

Coach Caddell, Estacado High School Girls' Track Coach, wants all Estacado Girls Track Athletes to contact her by Tuesday, May 10, 2011. She may be reached by calling (806) 789-9101. She will be retiring.

Let us continue to pray for those who are sick and shut-in. Just a telephone call, a visit, a kind word or a deed will mean so much.

Among some of them on the sick list include: Dorothy Kin-ner, Marjorie Thomas, Clarence & Joan Y. Ervin, Randall Harper, Henry High, and many, many more. Just remember, God is able!!

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FASHION FUN with Shirley Roberson EMBELLISHED CHURCH SUITS!

Women of color are extremely excited, designers are returning the embellished church suits to the fashion scene.

For a while the embellished look took a back seat, less and

less embellishments shown on designer suits and dresses, fashions were softer and quieter. But now the embellish look is back, stronger than ever and with its beauty it's bringing the longer length jacket. NOW YOU TELL HOW GREAT IS THAT.

The beautiful long jacket conceals a multitude of sins. Two things to look for.. embellishments and of course longer suit jackets.

Fashion Tip..always



wear a smile & wear & look good!

Fashion..just for the fun of it!

New Light Baptist Church News

On Sunday morning, May 1, 2011 church services got started at New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road, where Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson is the pastor.

Church School started at 9:45 a.m. with Sister Alvera Johnson teaching the lesson for the adults entitled: "Emulating Others" and its printed text coming from Philippians 2: 1-11. Sister Gloria Lee taught the lesson for the youth entitled: "Live Well." Breakfast was served to those in attendance afterward.

Morning worship started at 11:00 a.m. with the devoted 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 I Corinthians 11:23-30, and was read by Rev. Lee. The altar call prayer was led by Rev. Timothy Askew with the choir singing "I Need Thee."

Sister Linda Green read all the morning announcements and told of all the up coming events that will be taking place. There was the pastoral period that was held by the pastor and then the offering was taken up.

The choir sang "Because He Lives" and "I Know It Was Te Blood." The theme song of the church, "Amazing Grace" was song before the sermon. Rev. Jackson preached the sermon entitled: "God Is A God Of Another Chance" and its scripture text came from Matthew 16: 16-19. Another song was song after the sermon by the choir.

There was the invitation to discipleship that was extended and several went up for prayer. All visitors that was in attendance was acknowledged by

Sister. Lee.

Pray for all leaders of our country that the decisions that will be made will be the right

one. **SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK:** Let not your heart be troubled ye believe in God believe also in me. JOHN 14:1
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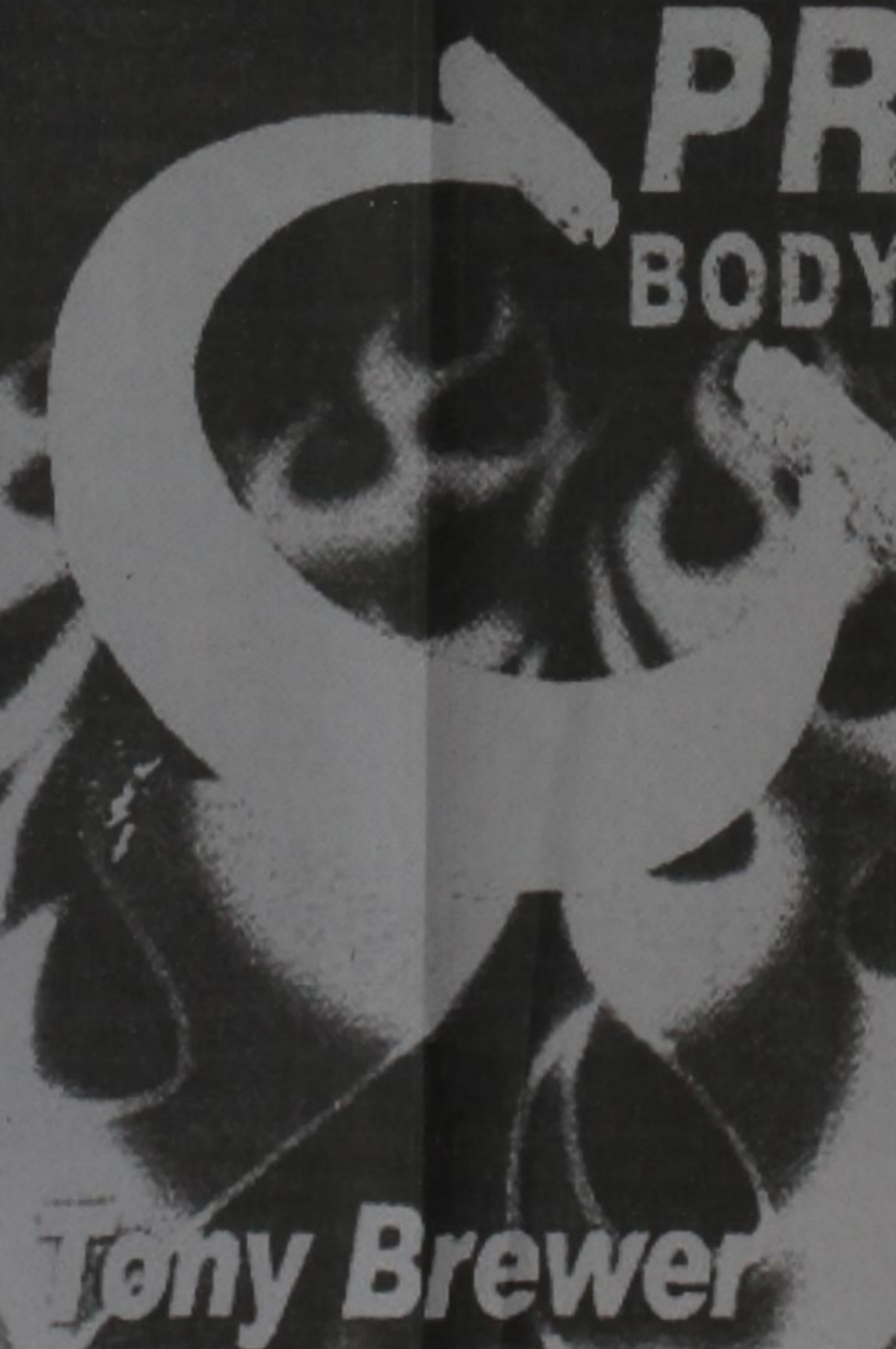


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Church News



From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith White America's Shame!

The following was written by George Mitrovich of the San Diego civic leader on April 28, 2011.

On Wednesday the president of the United States was subjected to a humiliating moment that no president of the United States should ever be forced to experience, to prove he's an American citizen and therefore qualified to be president.

Yes, other presidents have had their moments of public humiliation, not least Richard Nixon and Bill Clinton, but in Mr. Nixon's case and Mr. Clinton's their humiliation resulted from illegal and immoral conduct. Neither is true of Mr. Obama.

Barack Obama's humiliation was brought on by circumstances over which he had no control—the color of his skin.

The birther movement was born by Barack Obama's blackness.

Those who led the campaign questioning Mr. Obama birthplace did so because they cannot accept that a black

man is president of the United States. They will deny their racism because to acknowledge it carries legal, societal and political consequences, but there should be no confusion—their hatred of President Obama is centered in the color of his black skin. And what the election of 2008 denied they have sought by other means to counter—no matter how dishonest or despicable those means.

It is no small irony of our history that the political party that has sought to benefit from challenging the president's citizenship is the party of Abraham Lincoln, the man considered by most historians as America's greatest president.

But Republicans who signed on for the crusade of destroy Barack Obama's legitimacy as president have no shame, and being known as "The Party of Lincoln" is valued only to the degree it is useful against charges of racism. But their defense won't stand, because what's happened is

racist at its core—and the party of Lincoln stands in ruin.

Amplify opportunity has been given Republican leaders to denounce the birther movement, but almost always they answer in the language of evasion.

Except, of course, for Donald Trump.

Mr. Trump has used the birther movement to gain the lead among potential Republican candidates for president in 2012, potential candidates that otherwise might have been expected to claim that lead—Mitt Romney, Tim Pawlenty, Mike Huckabee, Sarah Palin—now trail Trump.

There can be no other reason for Mr. Trump's ascendancy than his endorsement of the birther movement, as he alone claimed to have "agents" in Hawaii searching for proof of Mr. Obama's birth. (In this he was given a free media press pass since no one demanded the identity of his "agents.")

Mr. Trump denies racism is

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We Thank God for Jesus

"Blessed Is Our Mother!"

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

Proverb 22:6 – Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Lord, I use to think you gave us the **MEANEST MOTHER AND FATHER IN THE WORLD.** We didn't have the **FREEDOM AND RIGHTS, LIKE OTHER BOYS AND GIRLS!**

Proverb 29:17 – Correct your son, and he shall give you rest. Yes, he shall give delight unto your soul.

I THANK GOD. I didn't have to go it along. There was **SIX OTHER KIDS!** And they got **THE SAME TRAINING THAT I DID!!!**

Proverb 1:7-8 – The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instructions. My son, hear the instruction of your father, and forsake not the laws of your mother.

***** EVERY MOTHER AND FATHER SHOULD MEAN BUSINESS!!! *****

WE went to CHURCH EVERY SUNDAY, couldn't say: **WE DON'T WANT TO**

GO! we didn't have that thing **CALLED MY RIGHTS -- THAT WAS A NO NO!!!**

O. T. Apocrypha Ecclesiasticus xxx, 8-10, A horse not broken becomes headstrong, and a child left to himself will be willful. Cocker (PAMPER) your child, and he shall make you afraid; play with him, and he will bring you to heaviness. Laugh not with him, lest you have sorry with him, and lest he gnash your teeth in the end. Give him no liberty in his youth, and wink not at his follies.

Our **PARENT KNEW OUR BUSINESS WHERE WE WAS AND WERE GOING.** They knew the parents **OF ALL OUR FRIENDS. THEY WERE ALL KNOWING!!!**

Proverb 1:10-11 – My son, if a sinner entice you, consent you not. If they say, come with us, let us lay wait for blood. Let us lurk (AMBUSH) privily for the innocent without a cause.

LORD, we got whippings with **BELTS, SWITCHES AND WORSE, EXTENSION CORDS. NOW MOTHER WOULD WHIP, BUT WHEN**

DADDY WHIPPED, WE CALLED ON YOU, LORD!!!

Proverb 26:3 – A whip for the horse, a bridle for the ass, and a rod for the fool's back.

***** BACK IN THE DAY THERE WERE NO CHILD ABUSE> IT WAS CALLED TRAINING> IF NOW, OUR PARENTS WOULD HAVE STAYED IN JAILS!!! *****

We had to be in bed by nine, and up **BEFORE THE SUN ROSE. FED THE CHICKENS, HOGS, AND COWS, THEN TO THE FIELDS WITH SPIDERS AND FLIES** ***** THAT WAS CHILD ABUSE!!! *****

We had to work: **BOYS WASH DISHES, MADE BEDS, AND LEARNED TO COOK. OUR PARENTS BROKE THE CHILDREN'S RIGHTS LAWS THAT WERE IN THE BOOK!!!**

Proverb 23:13-14 – Withhold not correction from the child for if you beat him with the rod he shall not die. You shall beat him with the rod, and he shall deliver his soul from hell.

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St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Church services got underway at 10:00 a. m. last Sunday morning, May 1, 2011, at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, where the proud pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

Sunday School got underway last Sunday morning at 10:15 a. m. with Assistant Superintendent Sister Annie Onasanya in charge. It was a very good day.

The subject of the morning lesson was "Emulating Others." The scripture text was Philippians 2:1-11. The Unifying Topic

was "The Christ Hymn."

The teacher of the morning was Assistant Superintendent Sister Annie Onasanya. The review of the morning lesson was given by Pastor Canady. What a wonderful lesson for all in attendance.

The main thought of our lesson, was: "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus." **Philippians 2:5.**

The morning worship hour begun at 11:00 a. m. The morning devotion was led by Deacon Edward Williams and Dea-

coness Ethel Williams.

The St. Matthew Choir sung out of their hearts and souls. What a blessing it is to have these choir members sing God's Praises!

The morning message was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "A Made Up Mind And A Fixed Heart." His scripture text was Daniel 3:13-18.

The Weekly Meetings held at St. Matthew Baptist Church are as follows:

The Mission meets on Wednesday evenings at 5:00 p.

m. The Bible Study meets at 6:00 p. m. on Wednesday evenings.

Choir Rehearsal is held on Friday evenings at 5:00 p. m. Everyone is welcome to attend these services.

The Morning Announcements were read by Our First Lady, Sister Shirley Canady, last Sunday morning.

Let us remember to pray for those who are on our sick and shut-in list.

Also, let us remember those who have lost loved ones. Remember He is always able. He never makes a mistake.

Remember: Lord, help me live a godly life of faith, and love and purity. So those who watch my life will see reflections of your work in me.

Thought For The Week: "The most powerful testimony is a godly life!"

If you looking for a Church

Home, then come and visit with us at the St. Matthew Baptist Church. You are welcome at anytime!

"If you were going to die soon and had only one phone call to make, who would you call and what would you say? And why are you waiting?" **Stephen Levine**

Do not withhold good... when it is in your power to act. **Proverbs 3:27**

Outreach Prayer Breakfast

THOUGHTS:

There is a story about a man that 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.

While he thought he had gotten his gold, his gold had gotten him.

There is another story about a millionaire who was buried in a new Cadillac, diamond rings on his fingers, a ten dollar cigar in his mouth. As the Cadillac was being lowered into the grave, a bystander remembered.

"Man, that is really living, few of us would agree. Real living is measured by how much we accumulated, but rather how well we used what he possess. Our living is measured by our stewardship instead of our savings. **Luke 16:1-2.**

In another example. Those of you who have spent most of our lives striving to be weighty gold. Wisely, you are headed in the wrong direction. Have you made a mess of your life??? Is it not over yet. There is still time to get up and get back to living with the right goal in mind.

"Let's Pray" *"Father, may our use of material things be to further your*

cause and to help others in need." **AMEN.**

Outreach Prayer Breakfast Members, we will meet in the home of our teacher, Sister Elnora Jones, 3416 East 30th Street, at 9:00 a. m.

We have missed several meetings this year. WE are getting back on track as we should. Just keep praying for us!!!

Looking back over the years, officers and members have kept their commitment to meet, worship, and serve their fellowman. It's a long journey, but we will make.

This Sunday School Lesson is entitled "Perpetual Praise" Alternate Title - "Heav-

enly Worship"

Bible Lesson: Revelation 4 (For the alternate title, read Revelation 4:1-2, 6b-11)

What we shall learn from this lesson: God has sovereign control of the world, and deserves complete and continuous worship. That means we should live our life according to His commands. We are to constantly thank Him for what He has done for us, and praise and worship Him for who He is. God deserves perpetual praise and this

is how he was worshipped in Heaven as detailed in this scripture.

If you an opportunity attend Sunday School. It's always exciting.

Sister Dorothy Hood, presi-

dent; Sister Christene Burselon, vice president; and Sister Elnora Jones, teacher.

Remember each of you are invited to attend our monthly meetings. Just come as you are, and bring the Holy Spirit with you!

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Obsequies

R.C. Willard

Funeral services were held for R. C. Willard Saturday, April 23, 2011, at the New Hope Baptist Church with Rev. B. R. Moton, pastor, officiating.

Interment will follow at Englewood Cemetery, Slaton, Texas, under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral of Lubbock.

Willard, 57, of Lubbock passed away Sunday, April 17, 2011, at Covenant.

He was born June 12, 1953, to the late Ella and Collie B. Willard Sr. in Littlefield, Texas. He attended Lubbock public schools and received his G.E.D.

He leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Dora Willard; children, Shatagia Johnson, Robert Charles Johnson, Rita Luellen and Felicia Cooper; 16 grandchildren; four great-grand-



children; five sisters, Mary Moore, Sheral Reynolds, Mildred Willard, Patsy Traylor and Brenda Draper; five brothers, Donald Willard, Royal Willard, Carl Willard, Lenord Willard and Sammy Willard; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Willie Dee Jackson

Graveside services were held Saturday morning, April 23, 2011, for Willie Dee Jackson at Levelland Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & funeral Home of Lubbock.

Jackson, 74, of Lubbock entered his eternal home on Monday morning, April 18, 2011, at home surrounded by family.

He was born March 21, 1937, in Groesbeck, Texas, the son of the late Zora and E.J. Jackson II of Whiteface, Texas. The Jackson family moved from Groesbeck, Texas, to Whiteface, Texas, where Willie D. attended school in Whiteface. He enlisted into the U.S. Army Reserve in 1965. He served in the Vietnam War, where he served his coun-

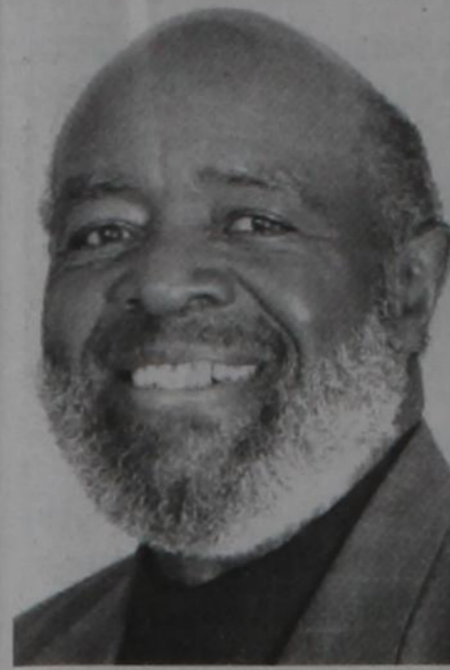
Former Dunbar Coach. Prenis Williams Dies In Amarillo, Texas

Amarillo, Texas -- Services for Prenis Williams were held Saturday afternoon, April 23, 2011, at the Mount Zion Baptist Church with the Rev. James Collins, pastor, and the Rev. Vurn Martin, pastor of Greater Mount Olive Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Llano Cemetery by Warford-Walker Mortuary.

Williams, 75, of Amarillo died Sunday, April 17, 2011.

Williams was born Jan. 28,



1936, in Wilson. He was the second child born to Otis Williams and Margaret Overstreet.

The family moved in 1941 to Lubbock, where Prenis attended Dunbar Low School and graduated in 1953 from Dunbar High School. He received a full athletic scholarship to Prairie View A&M College. In 1957, he graduated from Prairie View with a Bachelor of Science degree in industrial arts and a second concentration in science.

From 1962 to 1964, Prenis attended Texas Tech University as a graduate student on a National Science Foundation Stipend. In 1974, Prenis again attended Texas Tech for certification in secondary school administration.

Prenis was married to Barbara Fields and to this union one child, Adrienne Frances, was born.

Prenis had an outstanding career as both a high school football coach and track coach. He began his coaching career in 1957 at Austin High School in Sealy as athletic director, football coach, track coach and instructor. In 1958, Prenis became athletic director, football coach and track coach at Dunbar High

School in Lubbock. From 1970 to 1973, he was athletic director and head coach at Ector High School in Odessa.

From Odessa, he went back to Lubbock as a football coach, track coach and instructor at Coronado High School. In 1974, Prenis was recruited by Darrell Royal to become an assistant coach at the University of Texas. He was the first full-time African American football coach at the University of Texas. The team won the 1974 Southwest Conference (Gator Bowl) and was runner-up for the 1975 Southwest Conference (Bluebonnet Bowl).

During Prenis' coaching career, his teams won numerous district championships and several state championships. Over the years, he received many awards and recognitions for his outstanding coaching abilities. Included are his election to the Athletic Hall of Fame at Prairie View A&M University in 1993, the Hall of Fame Prairie View Interscholastic League Coaches Association in 1995, and the Hall of Fame Afro-American Museum in Dallas in 2002.

In 1998, Prenis moved to Amarillo, where he and Linda Burrell were later married. The couple quickly became involved in church and community affairs.

Prenis was elected president of the Amarillo United Citizens Forum Inc., and later accepted

the position of executive director as well. He was able to bring a citywide focus to this organization and its historical significance. Because of his dedication, commitment and desire to see the forum thrive within the city-wide community, Prenis voluntarily accepted no salary for his performance of these duties during his seven-year tenure.

As a former coach and educator, Prenis had a vested interest in youth. This was exemplified by his participation with the Par for the Courses/Academy for Children (PFC/AFC). Other services to youth included teaching a Sunday school class and serving as a youth counselor at Greater Mount Olive Baptist Church. He also participated in the tutoring program, America's Promise at Carver Early Childhood Academy.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a baby sister.

Survivors include his wife, Linda; a daughter, Adrienne Lucky and husband Arnon; two sons, Kirhone Ransom and wife Joya and Kleshon Ransom; his grandchildren, Alexia Luckey, Aaron Prenis Williams Luckey, Ashton Leroy Luckey, Dontaye Ransom White, Nathaniel Frederick, Korey Williams, Micaf Dunn, Anyssa Elaine Ransom and A'Lyrika Ransom; a sister, Inez Sadler and husband Wellington; a niece, Sonia Lynn

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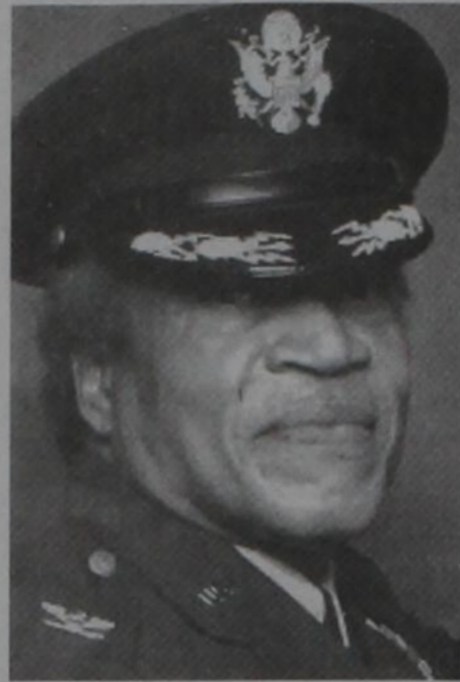


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try with pride and honor, and was decorated with several medals by the U.S. Army. Willie received the Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal and the Vietnam Service Medal. Willie in 1971 was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army with the rank of Colonel.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Pamela and Virgil Green; daughter, Denise Rosemond; nine grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; one brother, Van Jackson; and a host of other relatives and friends.

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EDITORIALS-COMMENTS-OPINIONS



THIS 'N' THAT

by T.J. Patterson

BLACK FOLK, LET'S ATTEND REDISTRICTING MEETING! THIS N THAT is asking for all **BLACK RESIDENTS** as well as others to attend the **RE-DISTRICTING MEETING** on Monday evening May 16, 2011 at Alderson Middle School 219 Walnut Avenue beginning at 7:00 p. m. Many of you who are **YOUNG VOTERS** may not know we have **SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS**in order for equal representation on the **LUBBOCK CITY COUNCIL** from the **BLACK AND HISPANIC COMMUNITIES**..... **THIS N THAT** remembers the special effort by one of our young ladies to get the necessary petition out to the community..... She was **VERA NEWSOME**..... Also it took **TWENTY-FIVE**

YEARS for this **SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS** in Lubbock. It was very difficult but with help of God we prevailed..... So you see it is very important to attend and participate..... If we don't **GET INVOLVED** the Black Community could very well be without someone representing who looks and thinks like us!! This could easily happen if **MAYOR PRO TEM FLOYD PRICE** will not seek another term..... **WE KNEW HE WOULD BE DRAFTED!! THIS N THAT** was attending the 100 Black Men Gala last January and sitting with **BARON BATCH** also **HILLARY HUTCHINSON** when we told him he would be drafted..... Not only was he drafted but he was drafted by the team he wanted..... **THE**

PITTSBURG STEELERS.....He was drafted in the seventh round of the NFL draft and the only **TEXAS TECH RED RAIDERS**..... But get this he was the last one drafted..... Now that has to be a very positive omen.....We wish him well!!

Thank God For Jesus

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(OUR PARENTS WANTED TO HELP US. THEY KNEW THIS IS A WORKING MAN'S LAND, AND IF YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO WORK, YOU SHOULD HAVE GOTTEN TRAINING AT HOME. THAT LIE THE WHITE MAN WON'T GIVE ME A JOB, BECAUSE I'M BLACK IS A LIE FROM THE DEVIL!!! HE WON'T GIVE YOU A JOB BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT QUALIFIED!!!)

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL MOTHERS!!

Parson Smith

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the cause of his birther sympathies. He cites "friendship with prominent blacks as proof he's no racist, but it's too late in the game to make that claim, because the birther movement is a race-based movement.

But in the most profound sense this isn't about Donald Trump or the Republican Party of the collective failure of its leadership to have stopped the birther movement at its inception, because here's the hard truth, we are all to blame—and white America most of all.

Every white American that has allowed this crusade against the first black president of the United States to continue stands under indictment for its moral failing—yours and mine.

Because ultimately this isn't about political parties or philosophy of governance or religious views or none, at its core it's about human values about whether we as a people embrace The Framers' belief "that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.

That's what we claim. That's what we say we believe. That's who we say we are. And from this noblest of sentiments we have forged our national identity. But where in the birther movement does such evidence exist? The birther movement is about is about skin color and class and social standing and is thereby denial of The Framers' vision of America. The consequences of this immoral and corrupt political movement, which is ultimately what the birther movement is, have damaged our national interest by damaging our standing in the world. Beyond our shores there must be great puzzlement as to what kind of people would allow a president's birth certificate to dominate its national debate?

At a time when our common problems call for shared sacrifice we must face a difficult truth—we have permitted our country to be divided by a movement racist in origin, racist in meaning, and racist in denial of man's equality. Thank You Mr. Mitrovich and may God Bless You. —Parson Smith.

We Were Mad, But We've Moved On!

There is no question about it, we were very unhappy -- perhaps mad over the **Southwest Digest** being overlooked or why this newspaper was not advise. We are talking about the Carver Early Center which was recently remolded over the past three months.

Surely, we were mad, but we have moved on down the road and doing more things for the benefit of our community.

What was really upsetting was that, to our knowledge, no Black Church was either advised of what was going on at the Carver Early Center, which is located at East 24th Street and Elm

Avenue. Not only this, but the lady who is perhaps the oldest employee with the Lubbock Early Learning Center is Ruby Phenix, who has been employed for 48 years and five months. She is a faithful member of the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, and was not advised.

Anyway, the **Southwest Digest** supports the efforts of the Carver Early Center as it contributes much to the development of our young children. We don't want to be left out of positive programs as this.

This renovation of the center was made available by a gift

from Mrs. Margaret Talkington and through the Helen Jones Foundation. These funds were made it available for new flooring, new walls, paint, ceilings, cabinets, plumbing fixtures and energy efficient windows.

Oh, yes, we want the very best for our children. This is why we were mad. It will work in the future. We want the directors of the Lubbock Early Centers to know that we stand willing and ready to do what we can to help in anyway.

The newly remolded Carver Early Center is taking applications at this time. For more information, call 765-9981.

President Obama's Birth Certificate and His Victory to find and kill

Osama bin Laden
by
BROTHER ASKARI

President Obama is the only President I know who's birth place came into question by America's Rich and White Privileged. Was it about his skin color only? NO! The President's Skin Color was not the only factor, his assumed Faith not his confessed Faith of Christianity and Name were also reasons for the questioning of his birth place. Had his first name been Uncle and his last name Tom instead of Barack Hussan Obama, his birth place would have never been questioned. Why? Because the White Privileged Founders changed the names of light skinned and dark skinned Africans born in America to Bill, George, Ronald, Thomas, even Bubba to



identify their Blacks! Many of the African brought to America had names like Barack, Hussan, Obama, Latifah (like Queen Latifah) Lala like (Lala Hathaway) Muhammad like (Muhammad Ali) etc.... Another fact is almost all if not all of the Africans brought to this country from the West Coast of African were Muslims and Master Builders,

Statesmen, Organizers, Kings, & Queens etc.... many of whom were striped of their identity and killed if they did not Submit to slavery and the part of the Bible that was Psychopathically used by White Privileged People Owners to indoctrinate the so called slave to Obey them as Masters and not the Master that Jesus called Good Master in Mark 16:17! There were numerous articles written stating that President Obama was a Muslim and many of them assassinating President Obama's character by implying that he is a Terrorist Simpathizer! President Obama made it clear that he has Christians and Muslims in his family but that he is in fact a

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In Cinque

By Renetta Howard

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Do you know people with whom you often communicate and just about every six months they have a different telephone number? Yes, we all know someone like that. We wonder why there is a regular change taking place, but never really bother to ask why.

If we should ask why, there are several answers that we might receive. One answer is that they are being harassed by someone; either someone they do not know or someone they wish they did not know. Another answer is that they were late paying their bill and the service was cut off temporarily. One might notice that each new number has a different name on the account and caller ID. Another reason for the change of numbers is to avoid calls from creditors.

All of this may seem insignificant to those of us who pay our bills regularly and are not dodging creditors, or have not lived in such a way to have people harass us. But if you have ever worked in a job which demands that you get into the personal life of the people with whom you have some business dealings, you do become interested in what makes some people tick, especially with identity theft rising higher every day, sometimes in places unimaginable such as our money management sites and our job personnel sites which has access to our vital statistics.

Identity theft is not just being practiced by strangers who target us, but the worse case scenario is taking place in families. Parents are the main culprits in homes where the credit rating is low. Instead of building up their credit, they are using their chil-



dren's name to secure credit for various items. I personally met a 'lady' who had six children and she had an account in each child's name somewhere. Each time the telephone was disconnected, she had it turned back on in a different child's name. Some people go so far as to use the name of a pet animal to get credit.

The problem with this kind of action is the fact that when the child is old enough to try to get credit in his own name, it will already be so bad until it will be 'mission impossible.' Children hardest hit are those children in foster care that have been moved from foster home to foster home and their personal information has been used and abused. This is an opportunity for schools to get 'in cinque' and become involved and help students to know how to establish credit and how to repair credit and make students aware of the need to have good credit.

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY TO ALL MOTHERS!! MAY GOD BLESS YOU!!

Texas Rep. Stefani Carter says Beaumont schools chief is highest-paid in state

Discussing the state budget with three fellow freshman Texas House members and Texas Tribune editor Evan Smith, Republican Stefani Carter of Dallas said she sees room for cuts in the "administrative side" of the state's public schools. As an example, she highlighted the Beaumont school district, where, she said, "the superintendent is making \$356,000 a year."

That prompted Smith, who interviewed the freshmen Feb. 16, to interject: "In fact, among the highest-paid if not the highest-paid school superintendent in the state." Carter agreed: "The highest-paid. And it's a very tiny school district. So, things are out of whack. ... Superintendents should not be paid a salary increase unless the voters say so."

We wondered if the Beaumont school chief's pay is tops in the state.

Carter's chief of staff, Taurie Randermann, pointed us to the Tribune's superintendent salary database, which indicates that Beaumont ISD leader Carrol Thomas' base pay has been the highest in the state for the past three school years. This school year, Thomas' salary is \$347,834, according to the database, which was built with information from the Texas Education Agency.

The Tribune's database also calculates each superintendent's pay per student. This school year, the Beaumont district has about 20,000 students, which means Thomas' base pay is about \$17 per student. Terry Grier — head of the state's largest school district, Houston ISD, which has about 200,000 students — earns about \$1.50 in salary per pupil. Overall, Grier's \$300,000 salary is the sixth-highest in the state, according to the Tribune database.

The \$283,412 annual salary of Austin district chief Meria Carstarphen ranks No. 10 on the list. That makes her per-pupil pay about \$3 a year.

We confirmed the Tribune's



Dr. Carroll "Butch" Thomas, Superintendent, BISD

salary information with TEA's own rankings, current as of October 2010. Agency spokeswoman Debbie Ratcliffe told us that the average annual salary for Texas superintendents is \$119,080.

But that's the average in a state with more than 1,000 districts, about 80 percent of which have less than 3,000 students. Mary Barrett, assistant director of compensation services at the Texas Association of School Boards, told us that the group's annual survey of superintendent salaries and benefits found that half of reported salaries are less than \$105,000 and 75 percent are less than \$138,000. (The association's report is based on surveys sent to Texas school districts. This year, 79 percent responded. Beaumont was not among them.)

How does Thomas' salary compare with superintendents in similar-sized school districts?

According to the association, the average superintendent salary in districts with between 10,000 and 24,999 students this year is \$191,316.

So, why is the Beaumont superintendent's salary higher? In a Dec. 17, 2009, news article, the Tribune wrote that Thomas' "high salary may reflect his uncommon longevity: He's been leading Beaumont since 1996 — a tenure tantamount to eternity in the hyper-politicized, high-turnover world of urban education.

As of this year, Texas superin-



State Rep. Stefani Carter, (R.- Dallas)

tendents had held their posts an average of five years, Barrett said.

A Nov. 17 article in the Beaumont Enterprise said that when Thomas was hired in December 1995, "the district was embroiled in a bitter battle among (school) board members who were split along racial lines, with student performance that was well below the state average." TEA monitors had taken control of the board, according to the article.

The article says that Thomas' initial annual salary was \$152,800. That compared with a 1996 average superintendent salary of \$103,407 in school districts with 10,000 to 25,000 students, according to Barrett.

Ratcliffe told us that the Beaumont district was willing to pay Thomas a high salary because the district was grappling with serious problems when he was hired. "And he's turned a lot of those schools around, so they've given him good raises along the way," she said.

His contract, which the district sent to us, provides for a 3.9 percent annual raise dependent on a positive review from the school board. The average superintendent pay raise for this year was 3.3 percent, Barrett said.

In a March 25 article, the Tribune reported that "student achievement in Beaumont has climbed steadily for the past 15

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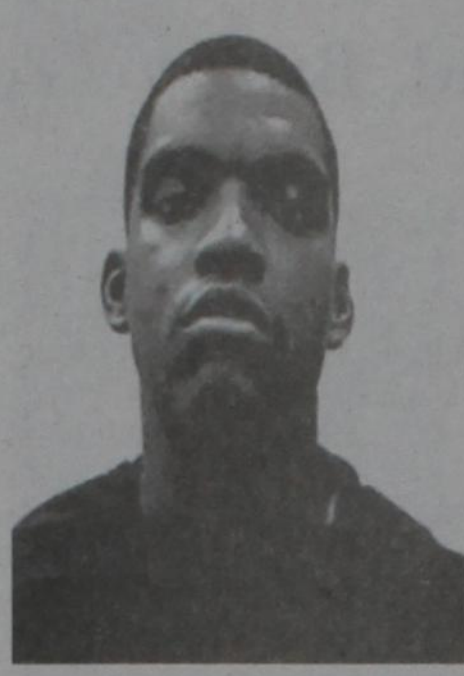
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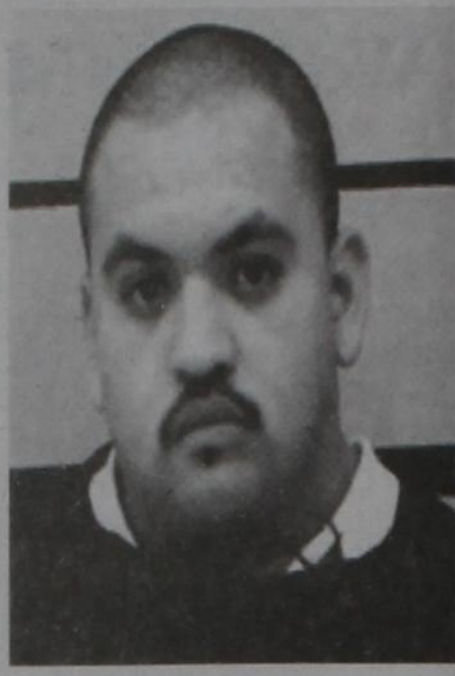
Matthew Benton has been arrested, and replaced by Danny Truelock. Zachery Garzes replaced Jacinto Barrios who turned himself in Lubbock County Sheriff's Office.



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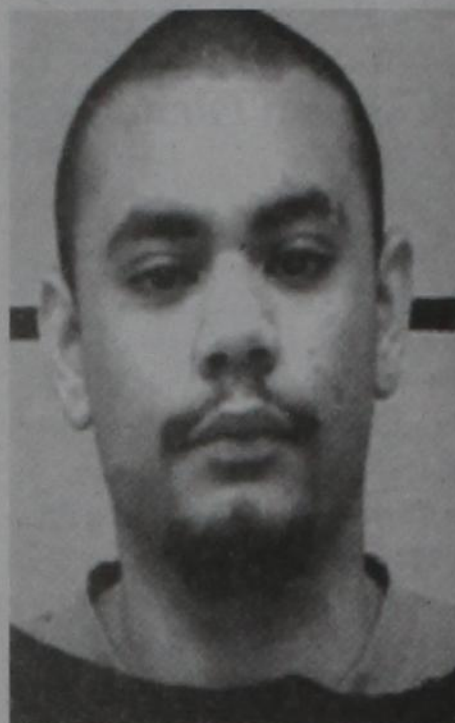
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Sherri Denise Hendrix

Funeral services were held for Sherri Denise Hendrix Saturday afternoon, April 30, 2011, at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church with Rev. J. Jerome Johnson, pastor, officiating.

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

Hendrix, 45, of Lubbock passed away Sunday, April 24, 2011, at University Medical Center.

She was born to Alta Dixon and Edward Jones on Sept. 19, 1965, in Lockney, Texas. She grew up in Quitaque, Texas, where she attended Valley School. Sherri also excelled in academics, graduating valedictorian of her senior class. She graduated from Frank Phillips College with an associate's degree in business and DeVry Institute in Irving, Texas, where she was on the dean's list and received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Accounting. At the time of her death she was employed at Lubbock Housing Authority, where she was a case manager



for a number of years. Sherri leaves to cherish her memory her mother, Alta Dixon; father, Edward Jones; grandmother, Mae Lou Hendrix; one sister, Angela Hendrix; two brothers, Kevin Hendrix (Shirley) and Bradley Green; two nephews, Jay and Little Kevin; three nieces, Jessica, Ashley and Madysun, known as "Sweetie Sweetie"; one great-nephew, SaMarion; five aunts; two uncles; and a host of other relatives and friends.

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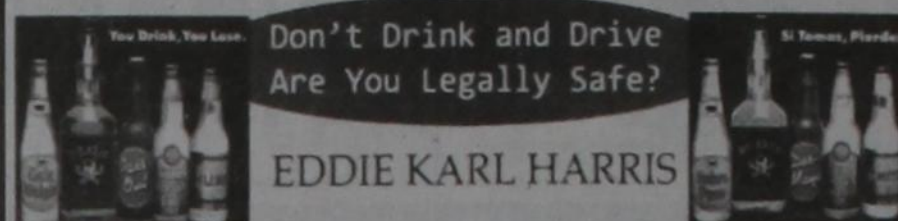
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On Saturday, May 14, 2011, a Prayer Breakfast will be held here at New Light, 3013 Idalou Road, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Also on May 15, 2011 at 3:30 p.m., we will have our 3rd Annual 100 Women in White Celebration.

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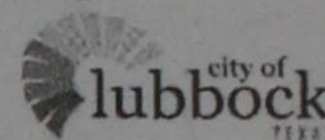


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Sanco Nash, III Succumbs In Lubbock

Funeral services for Sanco Nash, III were held last Thursday afternoon, April 28, 2011, at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church with Rev. Sonia J. Scott, pastor, officiating.

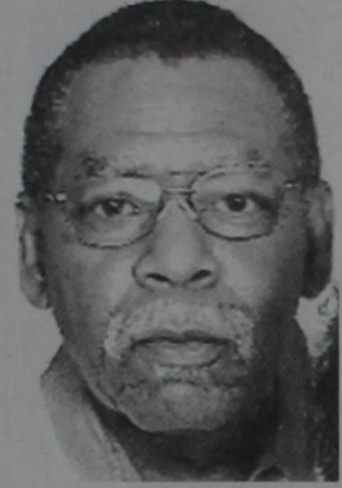
Interment was held follow at City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Nash, 63, of Lubbock departed this life on Monday, April 18, 2011.

He was born February 5, 1948 to Sanco and Dorothy Nash in Lubbock. He was a graduate of Dunbar High School. He served in the Marine Corp and received Honors and a Purple Heart from the Vietnam War.

Sanco leaves to cherish his

David Allan Johnson



Funeral services for David Allan Johnson were held Saturday mornin, April 30, 2011, at Full Armor Ministries with Bishop Lenord Chatman, pastor, officiating.

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

Johnson, 59, of Lubbock passed away Sunday, April 24, 2011, at his residence.

He was born Nov. 12, 1951, to the late Willie and Pearl Johnson in Dallas, Texas. He attended school in Lubbock and graduated from Estacado High School. He also attended South Plains College. David was in the U.S. Army military branch of service with an honorable discharge as a SP4. He later worked for Long Haul Truck Driver (OTR) for 30-plus years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Nancy Johnson Felder; and one daughter, Carolyn Annette Johnson.

He leaves to cherish his memory, wife, Linda; son, Michael; one granddaughter, Reagan Elizabeth; two brothers, James Johnson (Shirley) and Charles Johnson; nephew, Darren Felder (Lisa); and a host of other relatives and friends.

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Sadler; a nephew, Christopher Sadler; a cousin, Brian Overstreet; a great-aunt, Willie Mae Gray; and many cherished cousins and friends.

Active pallbearers were Lester Campbell, Gerald Tucker, Arturis Spencer, Jr., Don White, Larry Sampson, Marvin Roland, Frank White, Clarence Bolton, David Lee, Byron Miles, Kyle Gipson, and Lewis Chew.

Honorary pallbearers were Wellington Sadler, Morris Overstreet, Christopher Stevens, Morris Lee Overstreet, Arr on Luckey, Charles Garcia, Christopher Sadler, Larry Gray, Stuart Pearson, David West Hill, Lewis Kelley, Percy Hines, Brian Overstreet, Shannon Gray, Khary Williams, Fonzell Johnson, Curtis Gipson, Gentry Powell, GMOBC Brotherhood/Deacons, and Men of POPGC.



memory wife, Eula Nash; daughters, Tonya LaGail and Monica Sharie; mother, Dorothy Nash; two sisters, Dorothy Jean Nash and Linda Robinson; two brothers, Don Nash and Eldon Nash; five grandchildren, Rickey, O'Shae, Tevin, Eulissa, and Zarriah; and a host of other relatives and friends

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Annual Prayer Vigil Chain Members Day



Pastor James Matthews

The Annual Prayer Vigil Chain Members Day will be held Tuesday, May 10, 2011, at the Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church's Fellowship Hall, 306 East 26th Street, from

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years even as the state has moved to the more rigorous Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills tests and required more students to be included in the testing."

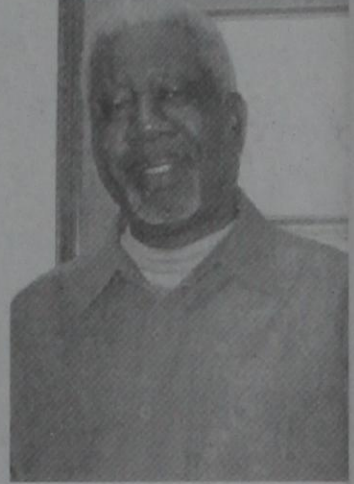
However, according to the article, Thomas' salary and the school district's spending have become issues in Beaumont, where residents in May will vote on an initiative to change election procedures for the school board.

But there's more to superintendent compensation than salary: The district leaders also receive perks — which vary considerably among districts — such as bonuses and car allowances. We wondered how those compare among Texas superintendents with the highest base salaries.

That information proved tougher to get. Ratcliffe told us that the education agency doesn't keep data on superintendents' total compensation packages.

The school board association tracks the most common extras, including allowances for cell phone or home Internet service, bonus payments, professional organization membership dues and car allowances, Barrett told us — but the data is only for use by association members. However, she did say that the top 10 compensation packages ranged from \$338,000 to \$443,000. Thomas' salary alone puts him in that group.

We attempted to conduct our own total compensation analysis, starting with Thomas. Beyond his \$347,834 salary,



Brother Leslie E. Sayles

12 noon until 2:00 p. m. Sister Blanchie Swisher, President, is inviting you to come out and hear two relatives, Brother Leslie E. Sayles, and Pastor James Matthews speak on the theme: "Confession & Forgiveness." II Samuel 12:1; Psalm 5:1-3.

Rev. J. H. Ford is host pastor.

"Come and hear the word," says Sister Swisher.

Thomas' contract shows that he receives a monthly "supplemental allowance" of \$1,000. And Jessie Haynes, a spokeswoman for the district, told us that Thomas' annual health and dental insurance benefits are about \$6,800. The district also pays about \$10,500 a year in premiums for his life and professional legal liability insurance and about \$1,500 a year in membership dues to professional and civic organizations.

That brings Thomas' total package to about \$379,000. How does that compare to his counterparts?

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Quincy White Honored By AKA's In Albuquerque, N. M.
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Quincy's commitment to Lubbock's youth and its older neighborhoods. Quincy previously served on Governor George Bush's Drug Policy Advisory Board, the United Way Board, the Success by 6 Board, and the Youth Corps Board. As Financial Chair of the Youth Corps, each year Quincy's committee raised the \$250,000 necessary to operate this unique and outstanding youth leadership program. For 10 years, Quincy served as President of the Martin Luther King Little League. Whether addressing a youth organization, visiting informally with a group of young people; or talking one on one with a teenager or small child, Quincy is committed to making a positive difference. Quincy believes making good choices and recognizing life's perils are fundamental principles for youth to understand in order to lead healthy productive lives. Adults share in this responsibility and must not only set an example, but must also invest their time in directing our young people towards worthwhile opportunities and beneficial pursuits.

The Delta Sigma Theta Sorority named Quincy their 2003 Man of the Year, and the Lubbock Black Chamber of Commerce has also honored him for his contributions, commitment and involvement in helping the Lubbock community. Quincy has been married to Ruby Phillips since 1973, and is the proud father of three children and nine grandchildren.

"If you were going to die soon and had only one phone call to make, who would you call and what would you say? And why are you waiting?"
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James A. Whitehead Jr.

Funeral services were held for James A. Whitehead, Jr. Monday afternoon, April 18, 2011, in Lake Ridge Chapel. Mr. Whitehead died April 12, 2011.

James was born on April 2, 1962, in Miami, Fla., to Mr. James A. Whitehead Sr. and Mrs. Janice E. Whitehead. He trusted Jesus Christ as his personal savior, and was baptized at the age of 10. James graduated from Central Senior High School, Capital Heights, Md., in 1980. He graduated from Abilene Christian University in 1984 with a BBA in Management. He also attended Texas Tech University and Hardin-Simmons University, where he successfully completed the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps. Program and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant. He lived in Freeport, Ill., Dallas and Austin for the past 20 years. He was actively involved in the arts, business and religious communities in Austin. His interests included photography, travel,



physical fitness, reading and creative writing.

Survivors include his parents; a sister, Patricia Johnson and husband Roy of Lubbock; two brothers, Gerald Whitehead and wife Brigitte of Ventura, CA, and Jonathan Whitehead and wife Linda of Dallas; four nephews; four nieces; a grand-nephew and three grand-nieces; along with a host of relatives and friends.

Special Thanks To All Of You!!

Pastor C. C. Peoples and the Mt. Olive First Missionary Baptist Church of Slaton, Texas would like to give a Special Thanks to everybody who helped them celebrate Pastor Peoples' 41st Anniversary.

This was truly a blessing. God sent a faithful servant.

May God continue to bless each of you is our prayer!

There is no doubt the Special Services on April 10 & 17, 2011 will be all of us for many more days to come. It just shows us God is able.

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Rev. C. C. Peoples, Pastor

Hat & Tie Banquet Set At Mt. Olive Baptist Church



Missionary Sisters of Mt. Olive

Slaton, Texas -- The Mount Olive Baptist Church Mission Department will present "A Hat & Tie Banquet" on Saturday evening, May 7, 2011, beginning at 6:00 p. m. Tickets are \$10.00 each. Rev. C. C. Peoples is the proud pastor.

President Obama Birth Continue frm Page 5

Christian. With all the Slander and attempts to Assassinate The President of America's Character Can all Americans recognize him as the President that got the job done of ending the life of America's and the World's Enemy, a Terrorist name Osama bin Laden! Can Americans accept the truth that President Obama stated that Osama bin Laden was not a Muslim but that he was in fact a Terrorist! Can Americans stop calling Terrorist Muslims and Muslims Terrorist. Remember just 6 decades ago the There were Americans Terrorizing, hanging people and calling themselves Christians of course we all know that Terrorist can call themselves anything they want to but their action always prove them to be Terrorist! So let's thank God and time

Revival Here



The ACTS Church, 7901 Ivory Avenue, will present a Revival with Pastor Steve Morgan of Dallas, Texas as the Evangelist.

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