



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. W ashington 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 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
- * 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

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STATE HONORS: Congratulations to Laken Johnson. She was recognized as Academic All State Honorable Mention in cross country.



FOOTBALL HONORS: Congratulations to our Bi-District Champion Matadors. Many players earned individual recognition at the district level. This included Robert Johnson as Offensive Player of the Year and J. T. Cotton as Defensive Player of the Year. The following players earned All District First Team: Shaquille Bogus (quarterback), Ti Russell (receiver/linebacker), Nate Lewis (tight end), Brandon Holmes (tackle), B. A. White (guard/defensive lineman), Kiante Harris (linebacker), Jalen Moore (secondary), and Raymond Rios (secondary). The following players earned All District Second Team: Ryan Salinas (center), Tamory Terry (running back), Jalen Moore (receiver), Jesse Gomez (defensive lineman), Frank Duran (linebacker), Eddie Spencer (linebacker), D. Rutherford (secondary), and Adam Adame (punter). Robert Johnson (running back) was recognized as All State Second Team. All State Honorable Mention included: Brandon Holmes and B. A. White (linemen), J. T. Cotton and Kiante Harris (linebackers), and Jalen Moore (defensive back).

Dunbar High School Class of 1982 Held Clean Up Day At Caviels



The Dunbar High School Class of 1982 volunteers during a recent Clean-up Day at the former Caviel's Pharmacy Building. These civic minded Dunbar exes are helping to get the building ready for the Caviel African American Museum and Cultural Center Renovation Project. The organizer of this special project was Regina McConic. If you want to work with this project, call her at 747-2883.

More photos of the Dunbar High School Class of 1982, the largest class to graduate in the school's history, will be published in the next issue of the Southwest Digest.

The Concerned
Citizens
Holiday
Assistance

For the Thanksgiving Holiday, the Concerned Citizens requested Bozeman Elementary School select a family to receive a complete Thanksgiving Dinner. Bozeman selected the family of Lyndra Horton, a family of eight to receive the meal. Ms. Horton was appreciative for our assistance.

For Christmas, Iles Elementary School was asked to provide a family in need. Iles Elementary selected the family of Verinell Thomas, a family of five with children enrolled at Iles Elementary and Dunbar Middle School. Ms. Thomas was all smiles and thankful for her Christmas Dinner.

The Concerned Citizens appreciates and thanks both Bozeman Elementary and Iles Elementary for their efforts in this event, according to William Burrell, Treasurer of the Concerned Citizens.

The Concerned Citizens provided eighteen toys to the 'Toys for Tots' Drive to provide a gift for the less fortunate children of our city.

The Concerned Citizens donated \$300.00 to the City Wide High School Marching Band for support of Estacado High School's contribution for the January 2, 2012 Rose Bowl trip to Pasadena, California.

"The Concerned Citizens will continue to do all we can to assist and support the efforts of Lubbock to show that we are a City with HEART," Ethel McCoy stated.

Dwight Pierce is President of the Concerned Citizens.

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Honoring The Brawleys!



Rev. & Mrs. H. L. Brawley

Slaton, Texas — The New Zeal District Association and the Bethlehem Baptist Church will be honoring Rev. H. L. and Sister Margie Brawley on Sunday afternoon, January 8, 2012, at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church, 887 Flint Street, Slaton, Texas. Host pastor is Rev. C. C. Peoples.

Rev. Brawley resigned from the Triumph Baptist Church on August 21, 2011 due to health problems and reloc at ed to the Dallas area with family so they could care for them.

Rev. Brawley has done so much for the people of West Texas and t he Churches of t he District with his powerful teaching and leadership. He has been missed.

The public is invited to join in honoring the Brawleys in a day of love and thanks.

The Moderator is Rev. A. Kelly; and Pastor, Rev. Ray McCoy.

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Bishop Lemuel Thuston Named City Wide Speaker Martin Luther King Celebration



Bishop Lemuel F. Thuston

The speaker for the Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. City Wide Services on Sunday evening, January 15, 2012, will be the new Vice Chairman of the General Assembly of the Church of God in Christ. These special services will be held at the New Hope Baptist Church, 2001 Birch Avenue, beginning at 6:00 p. m. Host pastor is Rev. B. R. Moton.

The Martin Luther King Commemorative Council is proud to announce this year's celebration will be held January 13 thru 16, 2011.

Friday evening, January 13th, is Youth Night, beginning at 6:30 p. m. at the Dunbar Academy, 2010 East 26th Street.

Saturday evening, January 14th, Individuals of Distinction Award Banquet will be held at 6:30 p. m. at the McInturff Conference Center, 602 Indiana Avenue, beginning at 7:00 p. m.

Guest speaker will be Mechelle A. Brown of Tulsa, Oklahoma. She currently serves as the Onsite Program Coordinator and Tour Guide for the Greenwood Cultural Center for 15 year.

Ms. Brown has been active in her community as a former United Way Volunteer, Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade Committee member, Assistant Baseball Coach for the North Tulsa Youth Ranch, a member of the 2008 North Tulsa Economic Development Initiative (nTedi), and Tulsa Public Schools' Parent Leadership Institute in 2009.

She is a member of he Oklahoma Registrar's Association and Oklahoma Museum Educator's. In 2011, she was appointed to the Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women, and the City of Tulsa Human Rights Department's Bridge Committee, which works to increase the number of women and minorityowned businesses contracted to work with the city.

Tickets for this annual banquet are \$25.00 per person. For information about purchasing a ticket, contact one of the following members: L. V. Andrews, 765-5001; Tracey Snell -Jackson, 777-6017; or Yolanda Jeffery, 773-1625.

Bishop Thuston is a rare



Mechelle A. Brown

blend of academic preparation, pastoral passion, recognized scholarship, community connectivity, dedicated churchmanship, and spiritual vitality. After successful pastoral and teaching assignments ranging Carthage, Missouri, Chicago, Illinois, Indiana, Bronx, N. Y., Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Lubbock, Texas, he was appointed to the Historic Boone Tabernacle in Kansas City, Missouri. For the last 13 years, this anchor congregation has blossomed into an anchor urban core renewal parish in the 2 million populated Midwest metropolis has glorified God wit h the full Gospel message and witness in the Church of God in Christ reformation. Additionally, he shepherds Mason Temple COGIC in Kansas City, Kansas.

Bishop Thuston has also initiated and led the Re-LINK, exoffender re-entry program. Currently hosting the weekly "Better Tomorrow ... Beginning Today" telecast and the daily radio broadcast -- "The Voice of the Bishop" -- serving widely as a professional consultant in urban educational arenas. He is currently a professor at-large in Urban Studies and Theology at North Central University Minneapolis, Minnesota, Logos College in the Bronx, New York, Nazarene Seminary, and St. Paul Methodist Seminary.

Pastor Thuston was signally honored March 2004. Upon the recommendation of the jurisdictional pastors, the Presiding Bishop G. E. Patterson appointed Pastor Thuston the Jurisdictional Prelate of the Kansas East Ecclesiastical Jurisdic-

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As we enter the New Year 2012, there is a program which my be of assistance to many of you. It is Legal Aid of Northwest Texas. It provides free legal services to eligible low-income residents in such areas as public assistance denials, divorce and child support, evictions, foreclosures, domestic violence and consumer fraud.

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is able!

You! May God continue to bless each of you is our prayer. Remember, we can do a lot in the New Y ear, that is, if we ALL work together!! Do you want to work together! Hope so!!

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Let us continue to pray for those who are on the sick and shut-in list.. A visit, if possible, or a telephone call will go a mighty long way! Today it is someone else, and tomorrow it could be you. As the late Sister ruby Jay would remind us: God

Happy New Year to all of

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GREAT GIFTS DURING T HE YEAR!. HOW GREAT IS THAT!

Fashion tip..always wear a smile

Fashion..just for the fun of it!

New Light Baptist Church News

On Sunday morning, January 1, 2012, church services got started at New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road, where Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson

Church School got started at

Morning Worship started at

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

ble In My Way" led by Sister. Green and "Jesus Is The Rock"led by Sister Alvera John-Sister Lucinda Griffin

played the theme song of the church "Amazing Grace" before the sermon. Rev. Jackson preached the sermon entitled: "Stay In The Race"

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Community and Senior Centers

What's Happening This Month!

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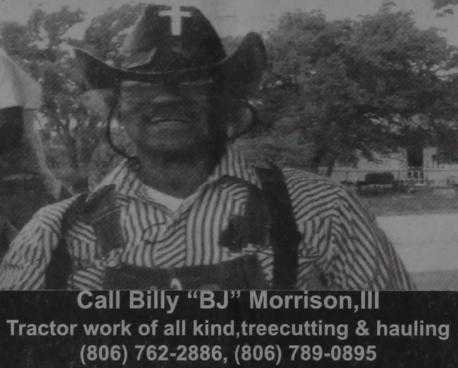
is the Pastor.

9:45 a.m. with Sister Alvera Johnson teaching the lesson entitled: "A Life Of Integrity" and its scripture text coming from Genesis 39: 7-21a.

11:00 a.m. with the devoted Praise Team leading the way.

Rev. L. C. Lee led the pulpit devotion. The Senior Choir sung "O' I Want To See Him". The responsive reading came from Corinthians 1:23-30 and was read by Rev. Lee. The altar Prayerwas offered by Rev. Jackson with a song "I Need Thee" was sung.

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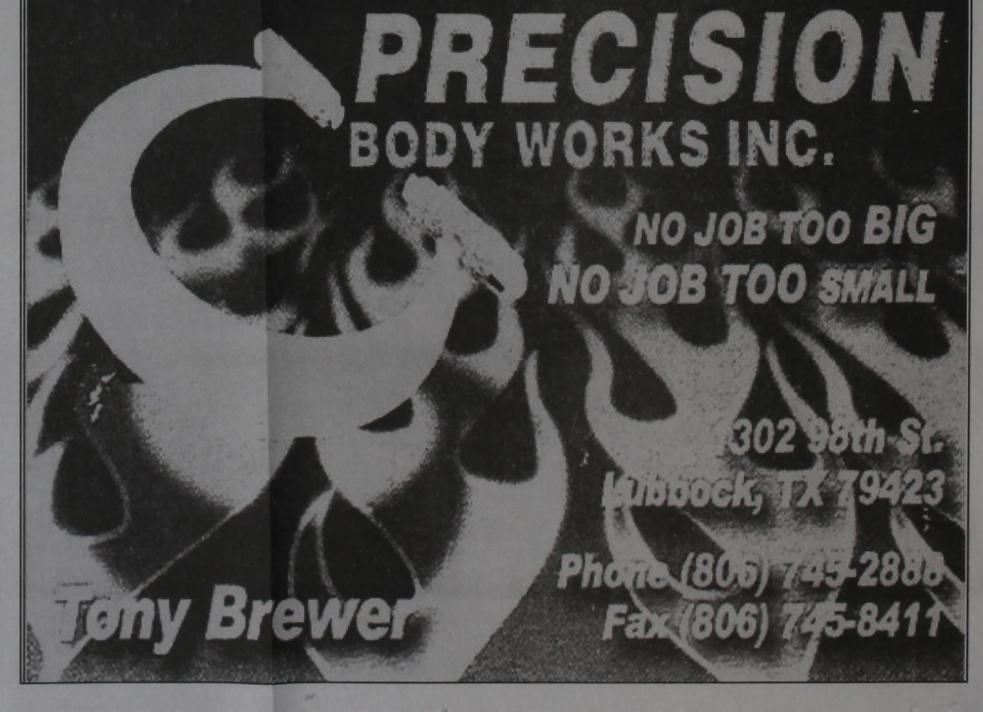
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Church News





From the Dock of Paren DA Smith "Lessons Learned From Geese"

This writer could be harsh by labeling John Boehner (House Leader of the Republican Party) as a lackey to the Tea Party and those who are rich, be they Republican or Democrat. He is too blind to see that the Minority Leader: Eric Cantor wants his job and will like a snake in the grass do anything to become the "big dog" of the Republican Party in the US House.

This writer grew up on the farm and was always inspired by how geese would follow their leader in formation as they move from one region to another in a survival nature. John Boehner, being a farm boy, must not have observed Geese.

Christopher M. Knight as written about some "Facts and Lessons Learned from Geese" that I wish to share.

1. Fact: As each goose flaps its wings it creates "uplift" for the bird that follows. By flying in a V-formation, the whole flock adds 72% greater flying range than if each bird flow alone.

Lesson: People who share a common direction and sense of community can get

where they are going quicker and easier because they are travelling on the thrust of another.

2. Fact: When a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of flying alone. It quickly moves back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird immediately in front of it.

Lesson: If we have as much sense as a goose we stay in formation with those headed where we want to go. We are willing to accept their help and give out help to others.

3. Fact: When the lead goose tires, it rotates back into the formation and another goose flies to the point position.

Lesson: It pays to take turns going the hard tasks and sharing leadership. As with geese, people are interdependent on each other's skill, capabilities, and unique arrangements of gifts, talents, and resources.

4. Fact: The geese flying formation honk to encourage those up front to keep up their speed.

Lesson: We need to make sure our honking is encouraging. In groups where there is encouragement, the production is greater. The power of encouragement (to stand by one's heart or core values and encourage the heart and core of others) is the quality of honking we seek.

5. Fact: When a goose gets sick, wounded, or shot down, two geese drop out of formation and follow it down to help and protect it. They stay with it until it dies or is able to fly again. Then they launch out with another formation or catch up with the flock.

Lesson: If we had as much sense as geese, we will stand by each other in difficult times as well as when we are strong.

Fact: Geese fly south for the winter in the Northern Hemisphere.

Lesson: It is a reminder to take a break from the cold of winter and take a vacation to some place warm & sunny to rejuvenate ourselves.

7. Fact: The larger flocks of geese usually inhabit areas where geese eating for human are more popular or in demand,

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Thank God for

"JESUS, THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING! "

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

James 1:17 -- Every good gift and every perfect gift is from the father of light, with who is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

Many people celebrating the Birth of JESUS, thinking it is the IMPORTANCE THING.

But its the DEATH, RESUR-RECTION, AND FAITH; IN JESUS' NAME!!!

1 Corinthians 15:3-4 -- For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.

JESUS was **BORN** in Billy B.J.'S SINNING HEART; November 23, 1979; when GOD showed ME MY DEATH.

The LORD works in MYS-TEROUS WAYS; I SURREN-DER; AND I'm AT REST!!!

Revelation 3:19, -- Jesus Said, As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent...

*** YOUR THRILL GONE THE DAY AFTER X-MAS ???***

When X-MAS is over, and the TREE taken DOWN; and a man give in exchange for his

back into THE BOX.

JESUS THE GIFT; that from above, and come down never stop GIVING; DID YOU receive HIM OR NOT???

> John 14:6, Jesus said, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man come unto the Father, but by me

> *** DID YOU GET THE WAY; FOR X-MAS???***

> When you take your lights from around the HOUSE AND WINDOWS; and put them in the BOX.

Will the LIGHT IN YOUR HEART BE DARKENED; BECAUSE JESUS YOU HAVE NOT???

JOHN 9:5, JESUS SAID, AS LONG AS I AM IN THE WORLD, I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD.

**** DID JESUS LIGHT YOUR WORLD???****

The GIFT OF MONEY; it can be gone in a DAY; and some day it will: be ALL GONE.

But if you got THE GIFT OF JESUS; IT KEEP GIV-ING GOING ON, AND ON, JESUS???*** AND ON!!!

Mark 8:36-37 -- Jesus Said, What shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall

sorel?

YES; THE WORDLY **GIFTS; ROBBED GOD!!!**

That GIFT you got for X-MAS, back to the store, you can EXCHANGE.

But when JUDGEMENT DAY COME; and you don't have JESUS; HOW WILL YOU EXPLAIN???

Matthew 7:21-23 -- Jesus Said, Not every one that say unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that do the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in your name? And in your name have cast our devils? And in your name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, you that work iniquity.

***DID YOU WORK WITH THE DEVIL'S LYING SANTA CLAUS!!!--- WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH

That BIG X-MAS DIN-NER; it will be DIGESTED; and passed on THROUGH.

JESUS SAID, I'M THE

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St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Again, it was another inspirational day of service on Sunday morning, January 1, 2012, at the St. Mat thew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, where the proud pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

Sunday School was omitted because of Watch Meeting.

The Rev. Willie R. Bolton, pastor of Bethel Baptist Church of Abernathy, Texas, brought a wonderful message. His subject was "Can You Go Through." His scripture text was Acts 16:20-25. What a beautiful mes-

St. Matthew Baptist Church enjoys the fellowship with Bethel Baptist Church on New Year's Eve every year. This service will be held in Abernathy next. It is wonderful to bring the New Year in with Bethel Baptist Church.

The Sunday morning devo-

tion was conducted at 11:00 a. as follows: with Deacon Edward

Church Choir sung out of their m. hearts and souls.

delivered by Pastor Canady. His at 1:00 p. m. subject was "Help Me Lift Jesus." His scripture text was day mornings at 11:00 a.m. St. John 3:13-16.

The Mission meets at 5:00 p. Williams and Deaconess Sister m. on Wednesday evenings. Ethel Williams in charge. Bible Study is held on The St. Matthew Baptist Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.

Choir Rehearsal is held on The morning sermon was Saturday afternoons, beginning

The Ushers meet on Satur-

The morning announcements The Weekly meetings held at were read last Sunday morning St. Matthew Baptist Church are by First Lady Sister Shirley

Canady. She does such a splendid job!

Remember our sick and shut-in members as well as others in our Lubbock Community. Among them include: Sis-

ter Susie Davis, Brother Dennis Saunders, who is home at this report. God is good! Brother Ronald Hereford

and Brother Tyree Morris, Jr. of Dallas, Texas are on the sick list. *****

Our Pastor, Rev. Edward Canady, had a birthday on Mon-

day, January 2, 2012! The congregation sung "Happy Birthday! to our Pastor.

Thought For The Week: "You can acquire much knowledge, but true wisdom comes only from God!"

From the Pastor and Members of St. Matthew Baptist "HAPPY Church: YEAR!!!

Remember, you are invited to visit with us during 2012! Shall we see you? Hope so!!

Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members and friends of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast are asking each of you the following questions: How did you celebrate on Christmas? Did you know it was our Saviour's birthday? (Glad you asked). Here is the scripture about the true

Christmas: Matthew 1:18-25

18 - "Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was expoused to Joseph, before they came t together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

19 - "Then Joseph, her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily.

20 -- "But while he thought on these t hings, behold, t he angel of the :LORD appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear

not to tak unto thee Mary thy wife; for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

21 -- And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

22 -- Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of t he Lord by the prophet, saying,

23 - Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and t hey shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us..

24 -- Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his

25 -- And knew her not till she had brought forth her first born son; and he called his name JESUS!"

Read it as it is the real story. It's not the Santa Claus, Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer; nor Frosty the Snowman. It is none of the above. Always, remember the real facts about what Christmas really is about. God is always able, and never

doubt what He can really do!

Will continue to write in the New Year! Thanks, Brother Pat-

A very Happy New Year to all of our readers, and may you

L.D. Wiley

Owner - Technician

have a very good y ear!!

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president; and Sister Elnora Jones, teacher.

May God contiinue to bless e ach of you in 2012!!



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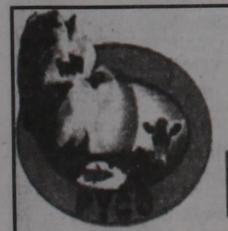


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Obsequies

Ashundrick Sharmar Gray "P-NUTT"

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning, December 27, 2011, at Community Baptist Church under the direction of Rev. Larry Brooks, pastor, officiating.

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

Gray, 31 years of age, was known as "P-NUTT," by his friends and family.

Mr. Gray entered into this life on May 27, 1980, to Ollie Gray and Sammy C. Deary. Ashundrick attended Lubbock public schools and graduated from Roosevelt High School.

Ashundrick departed this life December 22, 2011, at Vista

P-Nutt enjoyed spending time with family and friends, playing various games (cards, dominoes, etc.), and especially spreading his joy through laughter. He was a warm, loving, and caring bundle of delightful joy for everyone!

P-Nutt left to cherish his memories his mother, Ms Ollie Gray; one daughter, Jessica A.



Gray; special aunt, Rita Gray Williams (Glenn); three brothers, Christopher Deary, Cory Bracy and Marcus Pendergraft; three sisters, Tashebia Bracy, Tasha Willis and April Mitchell; special friend, Tremaine Sanders (KoKo); also a special part of his family, aunt, Lora Gray; uncles, Johnny Gray (Celia), Michael Gray (Jacqueline), Jerry Gray (Sherry), Donald Gray (Gloria), and Clarence Gray; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Earl Lee Irvin

Funeral services for Earl Lee Irvin were held Monday afternoon, January 2, 2012, in Griffin Mortuary Chapel.

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

Irvin, 61, of Lubbock passed away Sunday, Dec. 25, 2011, at the Presbyterian Hospital, Albuquerque, N.M. He was born to Gus and Georgia Irvin on Sept. 9, 1950. He attended public schools in Spur, Texas.

He leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Joann Irvin; two daughters, Wanda Nolan and LaWanda Joy; one son, Dominique Irvin; seven grandsons,



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The funeral was held Saturday morning, December 31, 2011 . at Good Street Baptist Church, 3110 Bonnie View Road, Dallas, Texas.

In honor of the memory of Remarcus West, the West family requests that in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to the University of North Texas at Dallas for the Remarcus West Memorial Scholarship Fund. Contributions to the scholarship

Funeral services for Quincy

Rev. Larry Brooks, pastor, offi-

Interment followed in Peace-

Green, 31, of Lubbock passed

away Monday, Dec. 26, 2011, at

Covenant Medical Center. He

was born Feb. 10, 1980, to Sh-

eryl Green and Donald B.

Williams. He graduated from

Roosevelt High School. He re-

ceived his license in MLK Mar-

He leaves to cherish his mem-

ory his mother, Sheryl Green;

grandmother, Doris Williams; girlfriend, Mesha Brown; one

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Ja'Zariya and Ta"Zariya; four

brothers, Bodrick Green

(Tiffanie Anzley), Roedondrick Petties, Terrell Green (Ashley)

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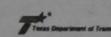
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Public Forums will be held as follows:

January 10, 2012 Wayland Baptist University 801 N. Quaker Ave. Lubbock, Texas 4:30 - 6:00 PM

January 17, 2012 Room 103 Lubbock City Hall 1625 13th Street Lubbock, Texas

Draft of the FY 2011 - 2014 Transportation Improvement Program - Included Projects:

Include Prop 12 V2 Funding into MPO Project MPO-002R.

Locations of Draft Revisions:

Lubbock MPO Office 916 Main, Suite 706 Lubbock, Texas 79401

Lubbock City Hall Public Information Office 1625 13th Street Lubbock, Texas 79457

Lubbock County Courthouse Main St. and Texas Avenue Commissioner's Office Lubbock, Texas 79408

Wolfforth City Hall 328 East Hwy US 62/82 Wolfforth, Texas 79382

The Revisions may also be viewed on the Lubbock MPO's website www.lubbockmpo.org. Comments may be sent to Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Organization, 916 Main St., Suite 445, Lubbock, Texas 79401 or via email to tbdavis@mylubbock.us or djones@mylubbock.us.

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By Renetta Howard

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"And are we still yet alive?" Another year has come, 2012 and as we put 2011 behind us, we must take every opportunity to make this New Year purposefully profitable. We must set goals for ourselves to first of all continue to do the things that we did in 2011 that were good for us and good to us. The good has to be continued in order to make progress.

We must take inventory and see exactly what we did in the past year that hampered our progress and devise a means for not permitting whatever it was, to impede our progress in 2012. In order to do this, we must at all times think positively. If we set our minds to get something done and start moving we can get it done. Like the commercial that says that a body in motion stays in motion, we must get in motion to accomplish anything. We cannot get anything done staying in one place.

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keeping track of what you actually spend and in some instances you may revise certain items wherein you spend more in one area and less in another, yet stay within your means.

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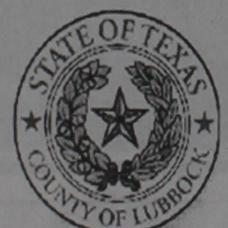
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Singer Etta James off respirator, breathing on her own



Singer Etta James, who is battling the final stages of terminal leukemia, is off the respirator and breathing on her own, but remains hospitalized.

Los Angeles (CNN) -- Singer Etta James is "nearing the ends of her time," but her health has improved in recent days allowing doctors to remove the respirator that was helping her breath, according to her sons' lawyer.

James, 73, has been in a Southern California hospital for two weeks battling the final stages of terminal leukemia and suffering from dementia.

The "At Last" singer spent New Year's Eve watching the ball drop with her sons, Donto and Sametto James, in her hospital room, said Donto James, who played drums in his mother's Roots band for 15

"She's all right," James said. "My brother and I would like to

see her stay in the hospital a little longer until she gets more stable. Our main concern is for her to be taken care of right."

Paul Wright, a lawyer represents the sons in their dispute with Etta James' husband over who makes decisions for her, said Sunday that the singer is "nearing the ends of her time, but she's a tough lady."

The judge overseeing James' conservatorship approved an agreement last month in which husband Artis Mills is the conservator, but he must equally share "end of life" decisions with the sons, Wright said.

Mills is also limited in how much of her estate he can spend and he cannot "encumber her music catalog," Wright said.

"HAPPY NEW YEAR!!"

by **Brother Askari**

The New Year marks the beginning of making life better. I want to say first of all I Thank God for the opportunity to begin this New Year free to be available for my 80 year old mother Mrs. Frankie Hooper. I Thank God for allowing me to live through my mistakes learn from them and to correct and improve my human attributes to be useful in the best human way possible. For the people that I have said or done something wrong to, I ask God and them to forgive me. For those who have said or done something wrong to me, I thank you all because you have all given me more insight on ways to be a better HUE- MAN because I can handle being done wrong but it hurts me to my soul when I do somebody wrong. For all of you who question this confession, I can honestly say there was a time that all that mattered to me was me, but that all changed when I was put in a situation where I had to help some people who would be or were being taken advantage. That experience led to me opening up my heart the way God intended for the human being to care for others. I Thank my mother for her unchanging Love and all the people who have shown me Love for it you all that have



taught me how to Love. But even with this kind of experience one can lose focus but I thank God for allowing us to regain our focus and in the process allow our experience to be a lesson, a healing or both. I thank God for Mr. Patterson and Mr. Richardson who accepted me and my flaws and gave me a chance to be useful at The Southwest Digest. I Thank all the readers of the Southwest Digest for supporting this paper and it's Standards and Good Character. I pray that this years that more people will support the Southwest Digest by subscribing to it, advertise in it, trust this News Paper as one of the most powerful and effective voices coming from the heart of East Lubbock Spreading the New Continue on Page 6

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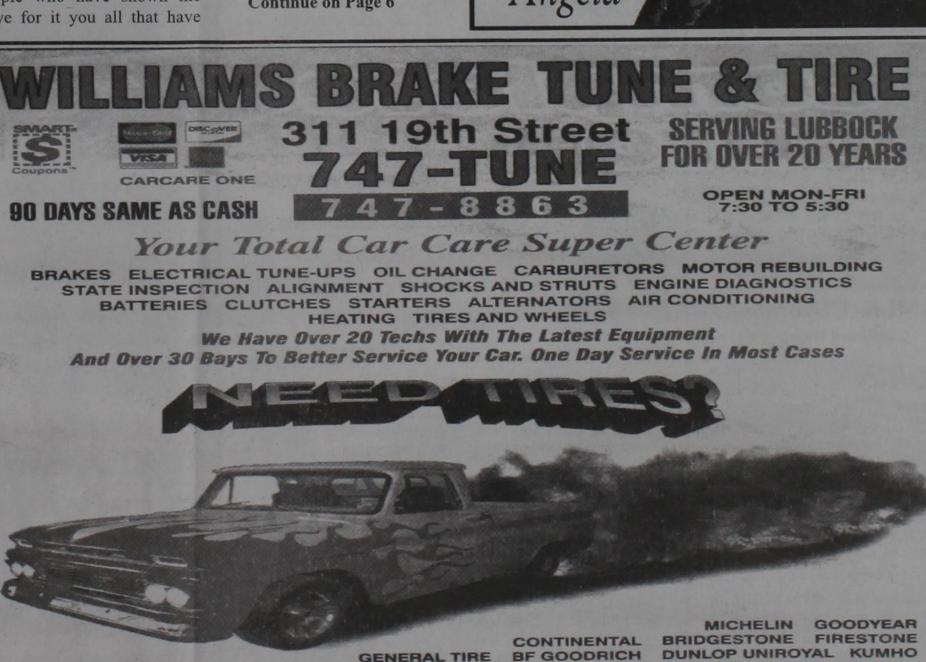
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printed scripture text coming from 1 Corinthians 9: 24-27. The song "I'll Fly Away" was sung after the sermon.

There was the invitation to Discipleship which was extended and several came up for prayer.

Pray that God will continue to bless and keep each one of us in his loving arms this new year. Pray for those that are sick; in the hospital; behind those prison wall; in nursing facilities; those that has recently lost a love one.

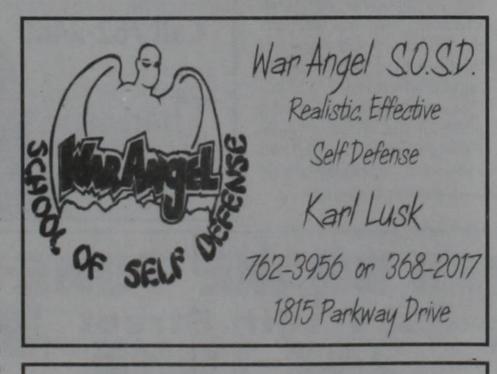
SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK: "The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want'

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tion, which oversees 62 pastors, parishes and ministries in Kansas and Missouri.

Bishop Thuston on is married to Marian for 25 years, and they are partents of a daughter, Melody of Chicago, Illinois.

Bishop Thuston answered the call to ministry in his youth, and traveled extensively lecturing, teaching, and evangelizing in 46 of the 50 states and in 16 foreign nations on four continents. He has authored three writings: Essential Ministry Tools, Tear of Jeremiah, and The COGIC National Adjutancy, and the soon to be released Jabez, Tupac, and The Jesus Prayer.



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Elvin Majors Sr. Passes In Killeen



Kileen, Texas -- Elvin Lennard Majors Sr. passed away at his home on Saturday, December 24, 2011, at the age of 48 in Killeen, Texas.

Funeral services for Elvin will be held at Church of The Nations with Pastor Roy P. Davis officiating under the direction of Chisolm's Family Funeral Home of Copperas Cove, Texas.

Elvin was born on March 3, 1963, in Lubbock, Texas, to Leonard and Della Majors. He graduated from Estacado High School in 1982. He married Lena Ivory on March 5, 1992. He worked for Fort Hood Family Housing as a plumber in Killeen, Texas.

He is survived by his wife, Lena Ivory Majors, Killeen, Texas; one son, Elvin Lennard Majors Jr., Killeen, Texas; mother, Della Majors of Lubbock, Texas; and two brothers, Kelvin Majors, Lubbock, Texas, and Delwin and his wife Kimberly of Lubbock, Texas.

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The Women of Bishop J. E. Judie's Church, 997 Johnson Street, had a very successful Women's Day Program on December 16, 17, & 18, 2011. The theme was "I Press Toward the Mark for the Highest Calling of God in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:14.

The following ladies were in charge: Friday, December 16th Miss A. Blackwell, Sister C. Norris, and Sister L. Major.

The speakers were Miss E. McNeal, Miss R. Childers, and Sister E. Wright.

What a time these ladies had in the Lord!!

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around Lubbock, other cities, counties and states. I pray that this New Year will give us the

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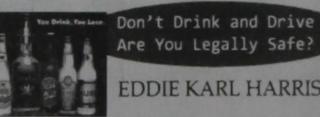
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Centerville, Texas -- Mary members are, the Rollison, Barber, Parks, Lenord and Lusk

She is a retired educator who currently resides in Centerville, Texas and continues to keep busy with her involvement in the Community.

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Final Rites Held For Gwendolyn Jean Bell In Los Angeles, Ca.

Los Angeles, California --Special -- A memorial service was held for Gwendolyn Jean Chaney-Bell on November 11, 2011 in Los Angeles.

She was born in Ralls, Texas July 28, 1928. Her family moved to Lubbock in 1942 where she attended and graduated from Dunbar High School. She enrolled in Wiley College in Marshall, Texas where she met her husband, Marvin O. Sayles, who shortly thereafter was killed in a tragic auto accident.

Gwen later married Tedrick Greer "TG" Sims, and to this union five children were born. This marriage ended in a di-

She moved from Lubbock to Los Angeles, where she met and married Granvil Kirk Bell, and to this union two children were born.

Preceding her in death were her parents, John Henry Chaney, Jr. and Celeste Chaney; sisters: Lillian Harris, Celeste Mae Chaney and Georgia Chaney Cullors; brother, John Henry Chaney, III; and sons, Charles Rene Sims and Granvil Kirk Bell, Jr.

Cherishing her memory are sons: Tedrick Greer Sims, Jr., Gregory Sims and Darius Sims; daughters: Sheryl Sims and Carla Bell; sister, Leola Pearl Chaney Graves; 19 grandchildren; and t en great-grandchildren.

> **Parson Smith** Continued from Page 3

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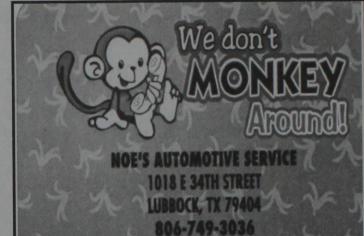
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