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

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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.

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Thursday, August 4, 2011 "A newspaper for 21st Century representing the Black Community's Ideas and Ideals since 1977"

**Dunn Graduates From Lubbock Police Academy At South Plains College** 

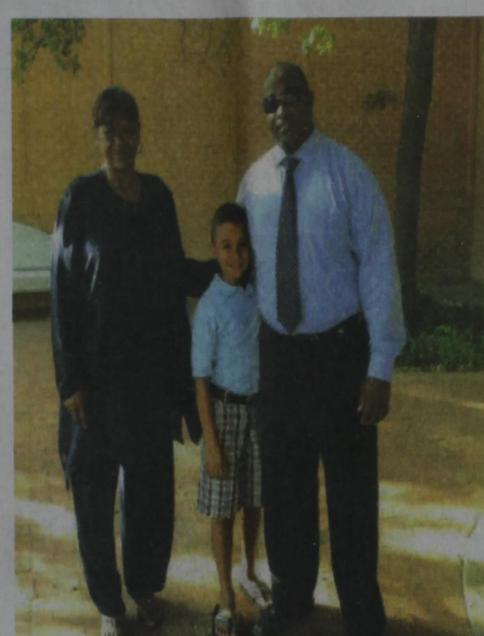
Dedricke Dunn was one of the twenty-three to graduate from the 2010-2011 Police Academy on Tuesday evening, July 26, 2011, at the South Plains College's Criminal Justice Education.

Introductions were made by Randy Robertson, Director of Training, Chairman of Professional Services & Energy Department and Professor of Law Enforcement at South Plains College.

Dunn, who led the Pledge to the Flag, was excited about this opportunity in his life. He made known: "I have a goal of becoming a Federal Air Marshall as this is the beginning of my professional journey."

Dunn graduated from Monterey High School in 1984. He has worked for the U.S. Postal Service in mail distribution. He worked for Loram Railroad in Minnesota as a train engineer. Also, Dunn has had experi-

ence with the Lubbock County





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Pictured above are members of the Roy G. Toler family who surprised their wife and mother, Rowanda Toler, with a surprised birthday party Saturday evening, July 30, 2011, at the KoKo Palace where more than one hundred persons were in attendance.



\* Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 7:00 pm ind every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center, 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 om, Educational presentations and demonstrations.

\* The Unified Juneteenth Commission of Lubbock meets at Mae Simmons Community Senior Citizens Center every Monday at 6:00 p.m.

\* West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men of West Texas meets 3rd Monday evenings at 7:00 pm at Lanier Center, 2nd Floor, TTU Law Center.

\* The Parkway & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evenings, 7:30 pm at Hunt Elementary School.

Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm at Iles Elementary Cafeteria.

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Sheriff's Department as a jailer.

Attending the graduation services were members of his family. They were Faye Dunn Brown, his mother; his son, Kaleb Dunn, a personal friend Geniva Guerra; and his minister, Brother Rodney Syrus, Central Church of Christ.

Also appearing on program were Ronnie Villegas, an Academy class member, who gave words of wisdom. An introduction of graduates was given by Joe Wise, Academy Coordina-

DALLAS - "Being green

is great, but you still have to

says Luri & Wilma will show-

case local artists, independent

designers, and products that are

vintage or use recycled materi-

als. In addition to clothing, ac-

look good."

"I'M PROUD OF MY DAD" said Kaleb Dunn, center, when he saw his dad, Dedricke Dunn, at right, graduate from the 2010-2011 Police Academy at the South Plains College's Criminal Justice Education Center on Tuesday evening, July 26, 2011.

A proud mother, at left, Faye Dunn Brown, says "Thank God!

tor. Dean of Technical Education, Rob Blair gave remarks.

All graduates repeated the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics. In essence, it said: "I will constantly strive to achieve these

objectives and ideas, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession ..... Law Enforcement."

Congratulations, Dedricke Dunn!!

local and organic food, natural beauty products, and women making a difference in their communities. Fittingly, A Very Green Social featured a pop-up crepe stand by Samantha Rush of Rush Patisserie and a raffle with ticket sales benefiting The Food for Good Farm at Paul Quinn.

She is the daughter of Tonda Thomas; niece of Gayla Austin and Chester Thomas of Lubbock; and a cousin of Bobbie Patterson and Hillary Hutchinson, also of Lubbock.

Thomas' something new is also about some things old. She loves vintage fashion and admits a weakness for handbags. (Her favorite local shop is Parkerhawn Vintage.) The magazine is named after her great-grandfather Luri and his daughter Wilma, her grandmother.

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crosswalk and could have gotten three years behind bars - far more than the six months the hitand-run driver served.

Instead, Judge Kathryn Tanksley gave Nelson a year's probation, ordered 40 hours of community service, and took the unusual step of offering her a new trial.

Nelson's lawyer said late Tuesday that she will take the judge up on the offer.

A portion of the crowd of family members and friends who helped surprise Rowanda Toler on her 60th birthday on Saturday evening, July 30th, at the KoKo Palace.



Enjoying the surprise birthday for his wife, Rowanda Toler, at the KoKO Palace is Roy G. Toler, at right. She was really surprised !! She said, "Thanks to everyone for attending!"

# **Surprised!** Surprised!

There's no doubt about it. Rowanda Toler was really surprised when she showed up at the KoKo Palace last Saturday evening, August 30, 2011. The surprise was hosted by her husband, Roy G. Toler; and children, Royce Toler, Ronette Kerr, and Roderick Toler.

When she entered the hall, there were many of her family members and friends present, she said, "Oh, I should have dressed for this!"

Her pastor, Rev. J. H. Ford, pastor of the Greater St. Luke

her daughter darted across the street, and son A.J. followed.

The driver, Jerry Guy, pleaded guilty to hit-and-run. According to court records, he had been drinking earlier in the day while taking pain medication, was partially blind, and had two hit-andrun convictions from 1997.

As for the decision to charge Nelson, too, "these cases are inherently difficult because they are unintentional," prosecutor Annamarie Baltz said. "But the state is bound to uphold the law."

Missionary Baptist Church, offered a prayer for the food. He did say, "I have known her for thirty years and she is a great person."

She thanked more than one hundred persons for being in attendance. "Thanks to each of you," she said ..

**Dr. Heenan Johnson** Will Be Honored



cessories, crafts, and home decor, the magazine will feature

Georgia mom whose son died jaywalking will not go to jail

**Porsha Thomas Graduates** 

From Luri & Wilma





**Porsha Thomas** 

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**Raquel Nelson** 

woman who was arrested after her 4-year-old son was struck jaywalking across a street was spared a prison sentence Tues-

MARIETTA, Ga. - A day following an outcry over her arrest.

Raquel Nelson, 30, was conand killed by a van as they were victed by a jury earlier this month of vehicular homicide and other charges for not using a

A.J. Newman

Prosecutors' extremely rare decision to bring charges against the grieving mother had created a furor, with Nelson's supporters calling the move cruel and heartless.

The accident happened in April 2010 along a busy fivelane street. Nelson and her three children had just gotten off a bus, and she was eager to return home because it was getting dark, said her lawyer, David Savoy. Instead of walking to a crosswalk three-tenths of a mile away, she led her children to a median. According to testimony,

Nevertheless, Baltz asked for probation for Nelson and said prosecutors never intended to send her to prison.

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Dr. Heenan Johnson, II

Pastor Sonia J. Scott and members of the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church will honor one of their faithful and dedicated members, Dr. Heenan Johnson, II during their 5th Annual Friends and Family Day on Sunday afternoon, August 14, 2011, at the 2:30 p.m. services.

Rev. B. R. Moton, pastor of the New Hope Baptist Church, will deliver the annual sermon on the theme, "Strengthening **Continue on Page 6** 

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The New Hope Baptist C. Church will be special guest at set the Bethel African Methodist er Episcopal Church in their Fifth

Annual 'Friends & Family Day' services on Sunday afternoon, August 14, 2011, beginning at 2:30 p. m. Rev. B. R. Moton, pastor of New Hope Baptist

#### Pastor Kenneth Jackson Appointed Board Member



Pastor Kenneth O. Jackson Congratulations to Pastor Church, will deliver the annual sermon on the theme: "Strengthening One Another."

Also during these services, Dr. Heenan Johnson, II will be honored for his many dedicated years to the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church and the Lubbock community.

The celebration will get underway Friday evening, August 12th, with a "Musical Extravaganza Banquet" at the Mae Simmons Commuity Center,

newest board member for "WAIT! – I'm Better Than That" program.

His appointment was made by Dr. Daniel Kinsey, Executive Director and Founder of WAIT during their meeting Monday evening, August 1, 2011, at 2318 Zenith Avenue, the Old Fire Station.

Dr. Kinsey says he wants to share important information with the community and discuss the many opportunities available in helping us with this program. We strongly need the citizens' so we will be a great asset to our board and program. We are sure you will find this program valuable and a rewarding experience. This is an unique opportunity to play a vital role in the City of Lubbock's youth. beginning at 7:00 p. m. Tickets are \$25.00 each. For more information, call (806) 744-7552.

> Rev. Sonia J. Scott is pastor. \*\*\*\*\*

2011 VOICES Coalition is having its annual back-to-school kickoff at Mae Simmons Park on August 20, 2011 located at 2004 Oak St. The Back-To-School kickoff will start at 9am until 12pm. VOICES Coalition will be giving away 1500 drawstring backpacks filled with school supplies. Food, games, several vendors and entertainment will be provided for the families that come out to the kickoff. Our goal with the backto-school kickoff is to help community members unit to create a safe environment for families to nurture and protect children and youth through education and awareness.

VOICES stands for Volunteers Offering Involvement in Communities to Expand Services. Many agencies and community members are part of the coalition. Our coalition is an anti-drug coalition and our mission is to empower communities to create positive changes in attitudes, behaviors and policies to prevent and reduce at-risk behavior in youth with a unified focus on alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.

## FASHION FUN with Shirley Roberson THINKING FALL ?

High temperatures are still around, yet the thought of fall is quite refreshing. Casually speaking soft corduroy big shirts with patch pockets and shirttail hems are going to be on the top fall fashion list.

At last these shirts will

## New Light Baptist Church News

On Sunday morning, July 31, 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 Rev. Jackson teaching the lesson entitled:"Improving Community" and its scripture text came from Judges 10:10-18. Sis. Gloria Lee taught the youth lesson. Breakfast was served to those that was in attendance.

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

Rev. L. C. Lee led the pulpit devotion. The Senior Choir marched in the choir stand singing "O I Want To See Him". The responsive reading was read by Rev. Lee and it came from Psalm 121:1-8. The altar prayer was led by Rev. Jackson with the choir singing "I Need Thee".

Sister Linda Green read all the morning announcements and told of all the upcoming events that will betaking place. There was the pastorial period that was held by the pastor and then the offering was taken up.. The choir sung "I Call On The Lord"and "I'm Nothing" led by Sister Angela Mosley.

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come in four great much wanted lengths, 30".....32".....34".....36" ...Beautiful colors, red sand, ruby, mauve, pale rose, pine, crystal blue, vintage red, vintage blue, sugar grape, toffie and rustic black. Corduroy is not like they use to be, no longer is corduroy heavy and bulky. Try one in your favorite color, you will be pleasantly surprised. Remember Fall is coming, even though it doesn't feel like it. \*\*\*\*\*\*

EASY TO FIND...THEY ARE EVERYWHERE! \*\*\*\*\*\*

mon entitled: "It's Time To

Move Forward" and the scrip-

ture text came from Dueteron-

omy 2:1-7. "Take Your Burden

To The Lord" was sung after the

Fashion tip..always wear a smile! \*\*\*\*\*\* Fashion..just for the fun of it

sermon by Mother Cavanaugh and Sister Ambra Jackson.

There was the invitation to discipleship that was extended and several came up for prayer. All visitors were acknowledged.

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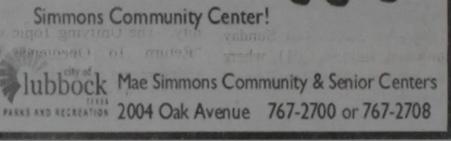
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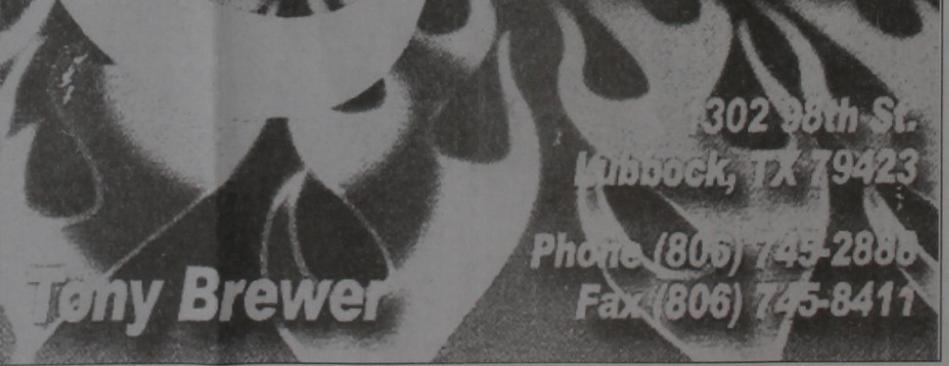
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The subject for this week writing was borrowed from U.S. Congressman Emmanuel Cleaver of Missouri, the owner of this paper's cousin as he expressed his view of how the poor, senior citizens and return that is over price knowing other middle class Americans were going to get the shaft without any lubrication in a budget deal between the Senate, Congress and the President if he went along with the Republicans.

The topic relates to what he described that was being given to the poor people of America in an exchanged for more money for the wealthy (mostly rich white folk) by not raising their taxes.

with the behavior of certain white Americans and their "wantabe" rich black cousins who disguise their racist and "I'm better than you" behavior on the backs of poor and middle class Americans.

This writer and many other agree that today's climate has ripen in America to the point that it may catch aflame and all hell is going to break loose and rich white folk and their white indenture servants and lackey black and Hispanic slaves may have to learn to speak Chinese. This writer grew up in a racist climate that was totally difference than today's environment. One did not have to guess if Mr. Bob was a snake in the grass. The person knew he was a snake and dealt with him as such. Today's snakes are more

likely to shake your hand, pack you on the back, give you a loan that you cannot afford, let you obtain a huge credit card debt, purchase an automobile only when you get your tax that he is going to repossess it in less than two months leaving you walking and having to wait another year to get messed over again and received another Satan sandwich.

Let me be real! I believe that most white Americans do not realize that in our present climate that they are "indentured servants." They have been brained wash to believe that they are better off than black and Hispanic Americans because This writer is totally disgusted they are given a few more goodies than the former mention. They are shown in nation polls that they fair much better than the groups mentioned.

> These white Americans I believe have not really added up the cost for their being used as good flunkies! Their own kind have weighted them down financially to the point that they have to kiss whatever when they bend over!

If this is not enough, some of them have followed the Tea Party Movement and they are members of other white brain-washing movements that are making fools of them. Two rich brothers have sponsored the Tea Party and these fools have not stopped to asked themselves why these rich white or Jew or whatever boys are so willing to give them money to travel across America to change the order of the United States government under the pretense that the American government has not been fiscal responsible.

All of you Bible packing people who go along with these crooks need to ask what is the different between Jezebel and Sarah Palin?

Jezebel made Elijah run and hide in a cage because she engaged her husband army to go after him and he hid in a mountain cave. It appears that Sarah Palin and her Tea Party soldiers rich finance backers at this moment in time has given President Obama a Satan Sandwich and he had better do what those rich white folks tell him or else? He might have thought the Rev. Jesse Jackson was being rude when his mike was opened when he said they were going to castrate him. Someone should remind him again that his daddy was not an American "white man! He was politically castrated by Senate Minority Leader Mc-Connell and probably don't want to admit it.

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Deureronomy 28:15 -- It shall come to pass, it you will not listen unto the voice of the Lord your God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command you this day that all these curses shall come upon you, and over take you.

As all America can see, there is a CURSING IN THE LAND. It's because: AMER-ICA DON'T WANT GOD IN COMMAND!!!

Luke 19:14 -- Jesus said, His citizens hated him (JESUS), and sent a message after him. Saying, we will not have this man to reign over us.

As we can see GOD is taken out of MANY PLACES, WHERE HE IS IN NEED.

America say, we don't need GOD; WE'RE A GOD; AND **DO AS WE PLEASE!!!** 

Psalm 2:1-4 -- Why do the Heathen (AMERICANS) rage, and the people imagine (DREAM) a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against his Anointed (JESUS), saying, let us break our bands asunder, and cast away their cards (COMMAND-

MENTS) from us. He that sits in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision (RIDICULE).

AT AMERICA???\*\*\*

America said, we don't need GOD: is ours COURTS OR IN **OUR SCHOOLS.** 

Look at OUR CHILDREN AND OUR LAWS: THE DEVIL PLAYED US FOR **HIS FOOLS!!!** 

Romans 1:18-21,22 -- For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in un-(THE righteousness CHURCH). Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise (THE CHURCH), they became

fools. (AMERICA WANTED HER **RIGHT'S; WHICH ARE** WRONGS: AND FROM THE DEVIL. ABORTION **RIGHTS, KILL THE ABOR-**TION DOCTORS RIGHTS, ROAD RAGE KILLINGS **RIGHTS, NO PRAYER IN** 

SCHOOLS RIGHTS, DRUGS IN SCHOOLS RIGHTS, DRIVE BY SHOOTING RIGHTS, CHILD MO-\*\*\* IS GOD LAUGHING LESTATION RIGHTS, CON-DOMS IN KINDERGARTEN THE RIGHTS. KILL TEACHERS AND STU-**DENTS RIGHTS, KILL THE** WIFE AND CHILDREN RIGHTS, KILL THE **GRANDPARENTS RIGHTS**, **NO LOVE IN THE FAMILY RIGHTS, BLACK SUICIDE RIGHTS**.

\*\*\* HAVE YOU SEEN AMERICA'S AND HER WRONGS??? \*\*\*

Even in MARRIAGE; its to bring forth FRUIT AFTER ITS KIND.

MEN TO MEN; AND WOMAN TO WOMAN; WHERE IS THE FRUIT??? YOU'RE OUT OF YOUR MIND!!!

Romans 1:26 -- For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is nature.

When America left God; he wanted to be FREE TO DO HER OWN THING. she's killing RAPING, Now **Continue on Page 4** 

Matthew's Baptist Church News

Again, it was another inspirational day of worship at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, last Sunday morning, July 31, 2011, where the proud pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

Sunday School started at 10:00 a. m. with Superintendent, Sister Shirley Davis in charge. It was a wonderful morning of learning about God's Word!

The teacher of the morning was Sister Susie Davis. What a wonderful lesson it was. It was reviewed by Pastor Canady.

The subject of the morning lesson was "Improving Community." The Unifying Topic was "Return To Obedience. The scripture text was Judges 10:10-18.

The main thought was: "And they put away the strange gods from among them, and served the Lord: and His soul was grieved for the misery of Israel.' Judges 10:16.

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The Sunday morning devo-

tional begun at 11:10 a.m. with Minister Nina Davis and Sister Barbara Johnson in charge.

The St. Matthew Choir and Mission Sisters sung out of their souls.

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "It Is Well With Thee." His scripture text was II King 4:18-28.

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The weekly meetings held at St.. Matthew Baptist Church are

as follows:

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

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

Choir Rehearsal is held each Saturday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. The Ushers meet at 11:00

a. m. on Saturday mornings. \*\*\*\*

The morning announcements were read last Sunday morning by our First Lady, Sister Shirley Canady.

Let us remember our sick and shut-in members and others in the community. Among them include Brother Tra'Shun Robinson..

> Remember God is able! \*\*\*\*

The Missionary Department of the St. Matthew Baptist Church wil have a 'Bake Sale' on Saturday, August 6, 2011, in he front of Paul's Barber Shop. Come by and purchase

some of these delicious cakes and pies!

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Thought For The Week: "Broken things can become blessed things if you let God do the mending.

If you are looking for a Church Home, then come and visit with us this Sunday morning. You'll be glad you did! God Bless each of You!!

# **Outreach Prayer Breakfast**

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast want to share this with each of you.

#### "Prayer" Daniel 5:7

Daniel interpreted the writing on the wall. Daniel answered: Keep your gift or give them to someone else. But I will tell you what the writing means.

They called for a Praying Man. Daniel, who prayed three times daily. This is what itmeans. The writings on the wall means Numbered. God has numbered the days of your reign. They are ended. Tekel means weighed. You have been weighed in God's balances and have failed the test.

Persians divided. Your kingdom will be divided and given to the Medes and Persians. At this time, Daniel was in his eighties and one Darius to three administrators, whom was working with and did not believe in God. How do you represent God on

your job of non-Christian workers? Remember you are not fighting this battle alone. God is with you, and if He's for you, who can be against you? Remember God is in control, so go for it. Stomp on the enemy!

All we have to do is focus on Jesus as our Lord and Saviour. Do it now before you are forced to do so. Bow now and acknowledge Jesus is Lord!

Although Daniel knew about the law against praying, he still prayed three times a day. As he always did. Daniel had a discipline prayer life. Our prayers are usually interrupted not by threats, but simply by the pressure of our schedules. Don't let threats or pressure cut into your prayer time. Don't let threats cut into something as important as Prayer! Pray daily, Saints, like Daniel!!

We have many sick and shutin citizens in our community.

Let's keep smiling and praying, People!!! \*\*\*\*

#### **Glory To Christ II Thessalonians 1:3-12**

Paul's letters to the church in Thessalonica reverberates with themes that are still revelant to us some 2,000 years later. The Christians in that vibrant metropolitan city were under pressure to return to their old way of life. They faced persecution for their faith. We all can relate to their everyday struggles of life, pain, and the need for hope. In II

Thessalonians, Paul immediately begins dealing with the dangers they faced. \*\*\*\*\*

"We're In This Together" This writer has been watch-

ing The Pacific ministries with a friend who was a U.S. Marine. The Pacific is a story of the Marines' battle in the Pacific during World War II. It was produced by the production team that created a 'Band of Brothers.' My friend is providing additional perspectives.From time to time, he pauses the show and offers some background. This started this writer to thinking .

If you are interested in The Pacific, just give me a call at (806) 762-3347.

Just don't forget, we are all in this together. \*\*\*\*\*

We will be meeting Saturday morning, August 6, 2011, at the home of Sister Christene Burleson. 2407 East 9th Street, at 9:00 a.m.

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

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# Obsequies

#### **Eloise Smith**

Snyder, Texas -- Funeral services for longtime resident, Eloise Smith, Saturday afternoon, May 28, 2011, at the Bell-Cypert-Seale Chapel in Snyder with Rev. Caiaphas Cain officiating.

Pallbearers were Ray Johnson, Herman Smith, Mitchell Dell Smith, Willis Joe Smith, Stanley Johnson, Trey Tippens, and Mustafa Sami.

She was born June 18, 1929 in Coleman, Texas to Ernest and Bessie (Lewis) Newsome. She married Howard Smith on December 5, 1963 in Snyder.

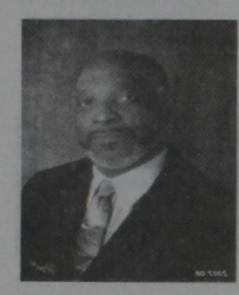
She professed her love for Christ at an early age and attended Allen Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church until its closure December 25, 2005.

She attended church services at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Sweetwater, Texas and the Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Snyder until her health failed.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a daughter, Dorothy Mae Newsome; and a brother, Jack Newsome.

Survivors include her husband, Howard Smith of Snyder;

#### **Summer Set For Tree of Life COGIC**





three daughters: and two sonsin-law, Vera Newsome of Lubbock, Gwen and Abraham Spires of Lubbock, and Ada and Mustafi Sami of Fort Worth: two sons and a daughter-in-law, Raymond and Y Yvonne Johnson of Denver, Colorado, and Melvin Edwards of Snyder; four stepsons: Howard Smith, Jr. and wife, Joyce, of Denver, Colorado, Herman Smith of Snyder, Willis Smith of Big Spring, and Mitchell Dale Smit h and wife, Jeanie, of Midlothian; a sister, Vernest Tippens of snyder; and a host of grandchildren and greatgrandchildren.

night. All proceess will go to benefit Pastor Ruben Carro and t he Tree of Life Church.

For more information, call Pastor Carro at (806) 744-5138. You may also email to: Aharrisonone@aol.com.

The public is invited to attend

#### **Robert "Bob" Hamilton**

Funeral services for Robert "Bob" Hamilton, 79, of Lubbock were held Saturday afternoon, July 30, 2011 in Resthaven's Abbey Chapel.

Entombment was held at Resthaven.

Hamilton was born on May 26, 1932 in Gainesville, Texas and went to be with the Lord on July 26th.

Bob worked for Plains Capital Bank for 27 years as the building engineer. He enjoyed motorcycle riding, fishing, and playing the guitar. He was a member of Southcrest Baptist Church.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife of 57 years, Opal; his five children, Troy Hamilton of Oxon Hill, Maryland, Willie Hamilton (Sheryl) of Austin, Anita Jordan

#### Isaac Jones, Sr.

Slaton, Texas -- Funeral services were held for Isaac Jones, Sr. Saturday afternoon, July 30, 2011 at House of Prayer.

Interment followed at Englewood Cemetery in Slaton, Texas under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Jones, Sr., 72 of Lubbock, passed away Sunday, July 24, 2011 at Vista Care.

He was born December 19, 1938 to the parentage of the late Isaiah "Buck" and Arnita Jones. He received his final education in McKinney, Texas. He later married Doris Lee Bradford in Hugo, Okla. on December 24, 1956.

He finally relocated his family to the West Texas area in 1958. He was employed with Acuff Farm Supply in Acuff, Texas for 32 years as a truck driver. He enjoyed gardening and spending time with love ones.



(Ray) of Lubbock, Rosaland Love (Milton) and Robert Hamilton Jr., all of Phoenix, Ariz.; nine grandchildren; and other relatives and friends.

Nettie Campbell, 64, passed away Wednesday, July 27, 2011. Services were held Monday at Parkway Drive Church of Christ,

Burial was held in Peaceful Garden Memorial Park in Wodrow, Texas.

Services were entrusted to Golden Gate Funeral Home, Fort Worth, Texas.

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sons, Isaac Jones, Jr, Mike Jones (Linda), Paul Wayne Jones, and John Paul Jones; one daughter, Gloria Jones; extended sons, Roy Johnson, Bobby Johnson, and Jerry Johnson; extended daughters, Viriginia Johnson and

Nettie Campbell

#### **Elder Anthony Harrison**

A Summer Revival will be held at the Tree of Life Church of God in Christ, 4117 East 2nd Street, with Elder Anthony Harrison, pastor of the Brown Chapel & Davis . Chapel C.O.G.I.C. in Buffalo, Texas, as Evangelist, A ugust 14 - 17, 2011.

Sunday services will be held at 3:30 p. m. and nightly services will begin at 7:30 p.m.

There will be Prayer every

t nese services.

### **New Light Baptist Church News Continued from Page 2**

by the president of the ushers Sister Lee.

Pray that God will continue to keep us in his care and that he will continue to bless us daily. SCRIPTURE FOR THE

WEEK: "Make a joyful noise unto the Lord all ye that lands. Psalm :100:1

AUGUST 21, 2011 SOUTHCREST BAPTIST **CHURCH AND NEW LIGHT BAPTIST CHURCH WILL** HAVE A BACK TO SCHOOL FESTIVAL THAT WILL BE HELD AT NEW LIGHT FROM 4:00 P.M. TO 6:00 p.m.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Harold Jones and one son, Dewrin "Skeeter" Jones.

He leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Doris Jones; four

#### A Special Thank You To Our Family And Our Friends

Yoland Johnson; four brothers, Marvin Jones (Betty), Willie Jones (Alice), James Jones, and Charles Jones; two sisters, Shirley Brown (Phonzell), and Vera Hill (William); special aunt, Nellie Nicholas; and a host of grandchildren, great-great grandchildren, other relatives, and friends.

First and foremost we give praises to God who is the author and finisher of us all. We, the Jennings family would like to take this time to say thank you Lubbock. the state of Texas and all around the United States community for praying for us durng our time of testing. We want to thank you for your acts of kindness, cards, calls, oncerns, Facebook post, love and monetary support. But most of all we want to hank you for your prayers as we have walked through this journey and are yet walkng for the complete restoration for Samuel. We could not have been able to go through, had it not first been for the help of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and ou. There is so much that we want to say but words cannot express the appreciation and gratitude that you have shown us. To the pastors and ministers of all the churches you went out of your way to visit us, fast for us, pray for us in your bible studies and in your Sunday morning worship services to intercede on our behalf, that's love and we say thank you. (Singing)Tragedies are common... I want to say Thank you Lord for all you've done for Me. Thank you and our prayer is for God's blessing to be upon each of you.

Call: **Rev.Willie Bolton** (806) 789-4657

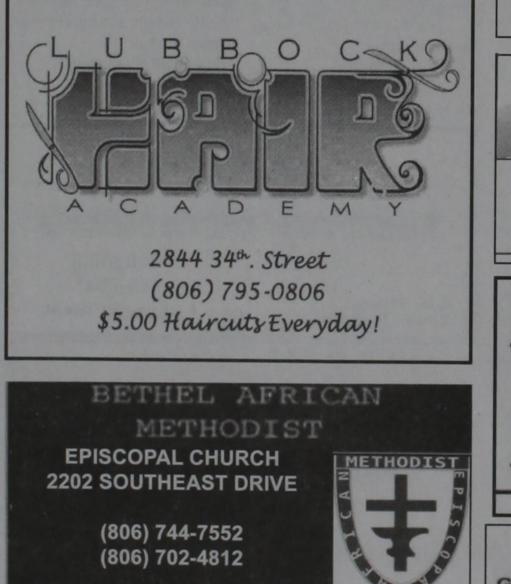


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Hear The Gospel - Romans 10:17 **Believe -Hebrews 11:6** Repent of Our Sins - Acts 2:38 Confess that Jesus is the Son Of God - Act-8:37 Be Baptized- Mark 16:15-16 For Transportation Call: Charles Curtis at (806)535-7158 ALL ARE WELCOME: COME AND WORSHIP WITH US!



# EDITORIALS-COMMENTS- OPINIONS



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#### DISRESPECT FOR THE SKOOL HOUSE by **BROTHER ASKARI**

East Lubbock THE SKOOL HOUSE has been disrespected by the pest, roaches, and this time the uncivilized salvages who obviously believe that the police showing up to restore order was not their doing! These predators are insane to think that blocking CITY STREETS & **DRIVE WAYS** and prevent people from enjoying the atmosphere and music in the **GROWNED FOLK** PLACE CALLED THE SKOOL HOUSE at 1708 east 4th is going to be tolerated! The people who are responsible for this maddness have Terminte Mentality. Their Actions and Conduct Destroys the Purpose of Good people giong out to have a Good Time at the Only Place Large enough to provide Good Black Folk Entertainment in a Good Atmosphere. These Uncivilized Salvages walk by and driver by each other ALL WEEK LONG and don"t do Nothing!. But wait until the Week-End and come around US and Start

Like several other businesses in ALL KINDS OF TRASH and when the city Police show up they SCATTER LIKE THE PEST AND ROACHES THEY RE-ALLY ARE !!!!! But The Damage is done to the Busniess because People who go out to have a Good TIme Don't want to have to be around and go through all the Mess these Human TERMINTE CAUSE just to have a Good Time for the Week-End! The Skool House is not a **ROACHES DINE!** The SKOOL HOUSE is not the Place for YOU HUMAN TERMINTES ТО COME AND SETTLE YOUR **SILLY & MESSY A%# BEEFS** AND WE DON'T WANT YOUR DISRESPECTFULLY A%# COMING AROUND US ANY-**MORE!!!!** ALL OF YOU THAT DON'T GO TO JAIL I WANT YOU ALL TO GO TO DUE TIME ALL YOU FOOLS WILL EITHER WAKE UP AND RE-SPECT THIS TRUTH OR STAY SLEEP AND BE REMOVE

FROM THESE STREET THEN WE CAN ENJOY OUR COM-MUNTIY AND WEEK-ENDS AT THE SKOOL HIOUSE IN PEACE!!!!!!

#### **REGISTER & VOTE!**

### **New Program Set** For Lubbock Teens

"I'm Better Than That" will be held on Saturday, August 13, 2011 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm at 2318 ZenithAvenue, on t he corner of East 10th Street & Zenith Avenue.

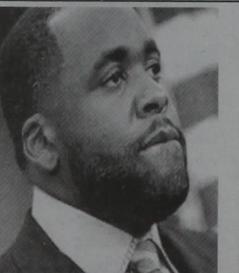
For those of you who are not aware of this program, it is a ministry under the Come by Faith Ministry where Dr. Daniel Kinsey is the Executive Director and founder. It was organized/established in 2000 and its' mission is to significantly reduce the teen pregnancy rate and sexually transmitted diseases by providing Lubbock, TX teens with effective education, skills training, entertainment and family values needed to develop productive citizens.

Dr. Kinsey wants to implement this program for both teens that have never been pregnant and or had a sexually transmitted disease and those who have. He wants both the affected and those who have not vet tried sex to know that they are worth more than what life is offering them now. He wants to instill honor and respect in each teen (boys and girls) in Lubbock and let them know they have control over their choices and bodies and that life IS better when you don't have to be a parent in your teens or sick from a sexually transmitted disease. He also want teens to know that it is possible to reach young adulthood without either of the above situations and they ARE BETTER THAN THAT. Their lives would be better, our city would be better and the state if we can nurture more productive citizens would be better. You may ask why we need a program like this, well this is why, eachyear the news gets worst. "In 2007, there were over 62,000 Texans living with HIV and AIDS. In the fiveyear period, from January 1, 2003 to December 21, 2007, the number of people living with HIV and AIDS in Texas increased 30 percent", according to the Texas Department of State Health Services statistics. The alarming Lubbock Avalanche Journal news stories say it all. STD rate **Continue on Page 6** 

Like many districts across the state, Lubbock ISD experienced a decline in the number of Exemplary and Recognized campuses in the state accountability ratings released today by the Texas Education Agency (TEA), despite increasing performance in all grades and subject areas since the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) test was introduced in 2003. However, more than half of LISD schools were rated Exemplary or Recognized, the top two ratings given by TEA.

The removal this year of the controversial Texas Projection Measure (TPM), which counted students who failed the test as passing based on their improvement, impacted ratings statewide. When the TPM is removed from the calculation of ratings in 2010 for an "applesto-apples" comparison, LISD shows an increase in Exemplary and Recognized campuses when compared to 2010 ratings. Students continue to show high levels of achievement on tests in Reading/English Language Arts (ELA), Writing and Social Stud-

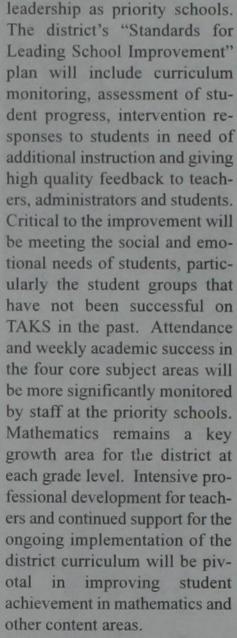
ies, while challenges remain for



some students in the areas of math and science. However, over the past two years, student performance for African-American, Hispanic and economically disadvantaged students in Math, Science, Social Studies and Writing has increased, while Reading/ELA scores remain at high levels.

Superintendent Karen Garza, Ph. D., expressed disappointment in the ratings, but applauded the work of classroom teachers. "It is very demoralizing to the schools that experienced a drop in their accountability ratings despite the very hard work being done by teachers in classrooms across the district. There were many factors that impacted a decline in ratings in Lubbock ISD and across the state; however, we are responsible for preparing all students for academic success and we have implemented numerous strategies to ensure we are responsive and accountable for every student," Garza said.

The schools with a rating of "Unacceptable" will receive focused support, supervision, and mentorship from central office

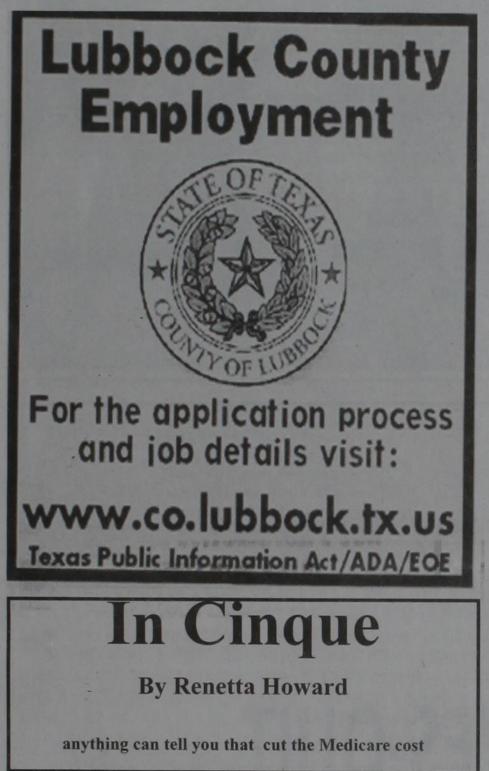


In addition to the removal of TPM, several other requirements changed for the 2011 ac-**Continue on Page 7** 

### **Ex-Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick Freed From Prison**

Jackson, MI -- Former Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick walked free from a state prison early Tuesday after serving just over a year for violating probation in a 2008 criminal case. A relative escorted Kilpatrick from a Southern Michigan Prison facility in Jackson to a sport utility vehicle waiting out-

side. Kilpatrick smiled but did not address reporters as he



# **TEA accountability ratings from Lubbock ISD**

As a small child attending worship services in various churches, I was always dumbfounded and mystified by prayers and people who prayed. As a matter of fact, the 'Lord's Prayer' which I was urged to learn and say nightly before I went to bed was to me, just something that my parents thought I should do. In addition, there was a Bible verse which I had to learn to recite before dinner each day. "Thou shalt not lie." I remembered it and was quite diligent in reciting it at the proper time. It was later that my parents learned that the prayer and the Bible verse had no direct bearing on me.

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My aunt had a beautiful gold colored belt which I asked her to give to me and she refused saying that she needed it for her dress and it was too large for me. I was not happy about her answer and at age 4, I decided that if she would not give it to me, then she would not be able to find it. Consequently, I took it and put it in a kerosene can and forgot all about it and went on my merry way. A few days later, the kerosene can was empty because the contents had been used and a rattling sound could be heard coming from the 'empty' Upon discovery, my can. mother pulled the belt which my aunt had feverishly been searching, from the can. be concerned about the belt, I was a person of interest and was called to answer questions about the belt and how it found its way into the kerosene can. Upon questioning, I earnestly answered that I had no knowledge of how the belt got into the kerosene can. Finally, after the answer sought was not forthcoming, I was reminded that the



Bible verse which I had learned and recited simply said that "Thou shalt not lie." I easily retorted that I am not Thou! That was my solution to the question. I felt no obligation to tell the truth because it was 'Thou' who should not lie; not me. I was further reminded that a person who lies will steal and a person who steals will kill. I never wanted anything stolen from me and I had no desire to steal from anyone else and that statement did make an impact on me, and even today I have no respect for a thief. I refuse to be on a jury where someone has been accused of stealing because I have no qualms about finding them guilty. Killing is another subject.

It was my attendance at a religious school that finally brought home the real meaning of prayer and telling the truth to me. The older I become, the more I can see and realize how prayer can change things. Our President, our nation, our congressional men and women need prayer. The world is in turmoil Having been the last person to and only prayer is going to help us to realize what we are and who we are and how we can get along in this nation and this world with a modicum of peace. One World Prayer Day is not enough. We need to have WORLD PRAYER EVERY-DAY! Let us get 'in cinque' and begin to pray everyday for our nation, our President, Congress and the world.

#### **Thomas Graduates Continued from Page 1**

And when she decided to pursue her idea of a publication about being stylish and eco-friendly without "sacrificing anything," she called an old friend. Carli Baylor, a fellow University of North Texas journalism school graduate, is Luri & Wilma's managing editor. Two others with UNT connections round out the staff: Charlie Heck, now in Washington, D.C., and intern Emily Edwards.

The Denton college is also where Thomas took an environmental studies class that changed her worldview. Now she's the party guest who packs all the empty wine bottles to take home for recycling.

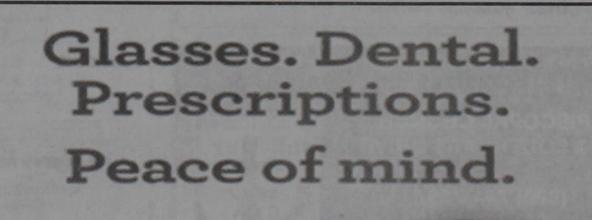
Luri & Wilma's first issue will include stories on keeping your carbon footprint small while traveling, planning a fall wedding with do-it-yourself elements and vintage touches such as mason jars, and a local restaurant's promotion that allows diners to eat green while saving some green. (Get a sneak peek here.) Despite the focus on being eco-conscious, Thomas says the tone will be snarky, not sanctimonious. Baylor concurs: "As clichéd as it sounds, we wanted to produce something that was fun and funky but also was smart.

**Kwame Kilpatrick** 

climbed into the SUV, which headed toward the Detroit area under police escort.

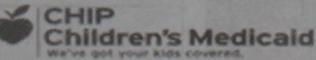
"Detroit, I will return to speak frankly with you about this experience because it has affected all of us," he said in the statement.

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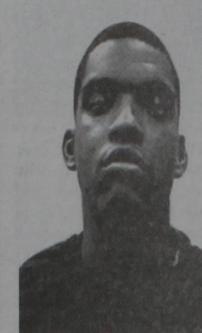
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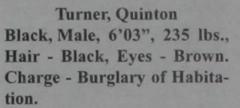
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**Truelock**, Danny White, Male, 6'05", 320 lbs. Hair- Brown, Eyes- Hazel. Charge- Criminal Mischief-Tampering. Warrant #- 2011430604





Lopez, Joel Hispanic, Male, 6'00", 250 lbs., Hair-Black, Eyes-Brown **Charge- Burglary Habitatio** Warrant #- 2011429875

#### WAIT Program **Continued from Page 5**

in teen girls shocking, (Wednesday, March 12, 2009)' "HIV Cases Triple in County", (Tuesday, October 22, 2009)' Chlamydia Rates Higher Around Lubbock County, Than Averages for Texas, the Whole County, (Saturday, February 27, 2010). The primary solution to getting sexually transmitted diseases and teen pregnancies under control consists of changing high-risk behavior, testing, and education along with providing precautionary measures.

We would like for you to come and let these teens and their parents get to know you and what your values and ideas are regarding our teens of Lubbock, Texas. Many of these families are of low economic status and need your understanding, voice and support. We are expecting 100+ teens and their parents.

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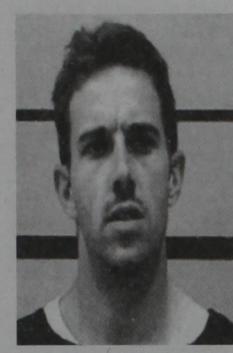
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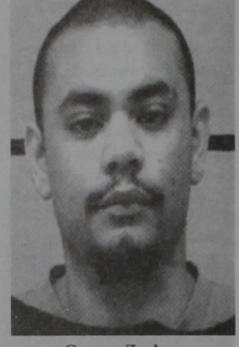
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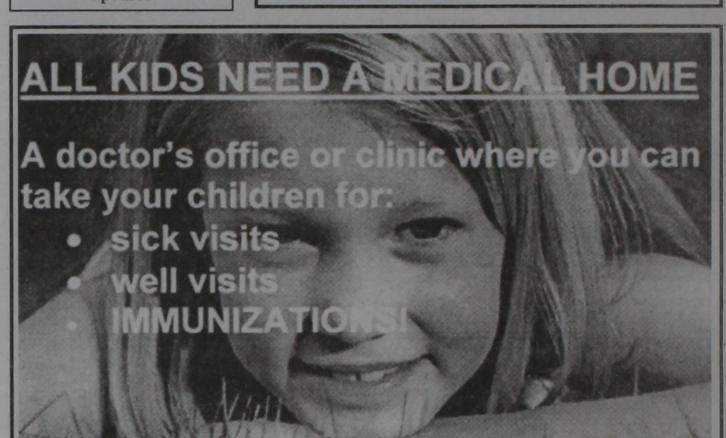
Proffitt, Jackie Jr. White, Male, 6'02", 165 lbs., Hair- Brown, Eyes-



Mondine, Barry Black, Sex - Male, 5'04", 230 lbs., Hair - Black, Eyes -



Garzes, Zachery Hispanic, Male, 5'07",180 lbs Hair- Black, Eyes- Brown



Brown Charge- Burg. Vehicle W/2 Priors Warrant #- 2011811206

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Hill, Mary Joyce Black, Female, 5'08, - 175 lbs. - Hair- Black -Eyes-Brown.

Charge- Theft Of Services \$1500-20K Warrant #- 201181904

Caballero, Theresa Hispanic, Female, 5'00", 135 lbs., Hair - Brown, Eyes -Brown. Charge - Theft \$1,500 20k Abuse (MPAG)

### Smith, Donna White, Female, 5'05", 150 lbs., Hair- Blond, Eyes- Blue, Charge- Credit/Debit Card

Warrant #- 2009422322

#### **Dr. Johnson Honored Continued from Page 1**

One Another."

The Celebration will begin Friday evening, August 12th, at the Mae Simmons Community Center with a Musical Extravaganza Banquet at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25.00 each.

A graduate of Wiley College in 1951, Marshall, Texas and University Dental Howard School in 1957 in Washington, D. C., he has been a member of the Bethel African Methodist

Episcopal Church for more than 50 years. He has served as the Adult Sunday School Teacher tie", Isaiah Manley and Alexanfor 30 years, and a member of the Board of Trustees for 30 years.

He has been married to Ada Geraldine "Gerri" Turner Johnson for 52 wonderful years. They have two children, namely; Dr. Heenan Johnson, III, local dentist and Dr. Dana M. Manley, veternarian.

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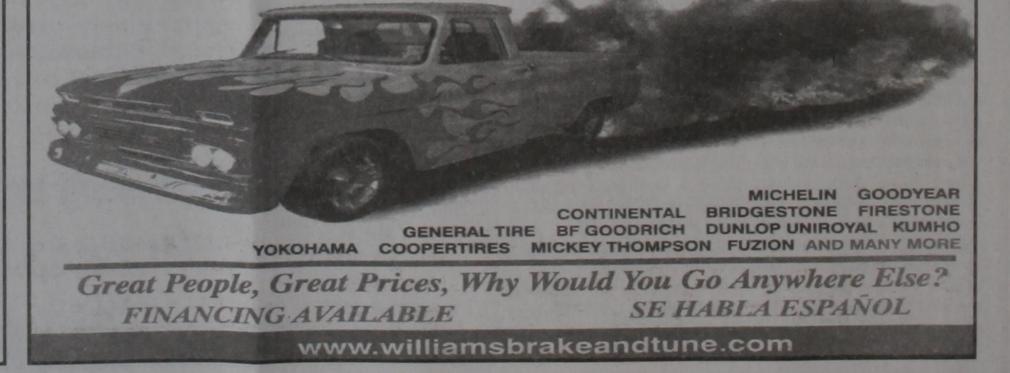
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## **August 1st Marked National Minority Donor Awareness Day**

National Minority Donor Awareness Day (NMDAD) is celebrated annually on Aug. 1 and is a nationwide observance to educate minorities about the urgent need for donation and transplantation within the multicultural community. According to the United Network of Organ Sharing (UNOS), approximately 55 percent of those on the United States waiting list are minorities. In 2010, organ transplants were performed on 11,499 minority patients; while there were 2,652 minority deceased donors.

The designation also is a day to encourage more minorities to act on their decisions to become organ and tissue donors and to recognize those individuals who gave the gift of life.

"The goal of National Minority Donor Awareness Day is to inspire people from all multicultural groups to become donors and dispel some of the common myths about donation," said **[REPRESENTATIVE FROM X** HOSPITAL] from [NAME OF HOSPITAL FACILITY]. "We are glad to partner with LifeGift in spreading this lifesaving message."

Many of the conditions leading to the need for transplant - such as diabetes and hypertension are more prevalent among minority populations. Of the nearly 11,000 Texans on the waiting list, 2,253 are African-American; 4,802 are Hispanic; and 284 are Asian-Americans. A large percentage of those minorities on the transplant list are waiting for kidneys since diseases, such as diabetes, are more prevalent and CEO of LifeGift. "Knowing that you have the power to give someone else a chance to live a healthy productive life is the greatest gift of all."

Research shows that the topic of organ and tissue donation is simply not on the "radar screen" for many minorities. There is a lack of awareness within the multicultural communities about the dire need for donations. This is why education is so important. In addition to the lack of awareness, there are several commonly held beliefs about organ donation among minorities. These myths include:

"If I'm in an accident and the hospital knows that I want to be an organ and tissue donor, the doctors will not try to save my life." The truth is that organ and tissue recovery takes place only after all efforts to save your life have been exhausted and death has been legally declared. The medical team treating you is completely separate from the transplant team. The organ procurement organization (OPO) notifies the transplant team following consent to donation.

 "Donation will mutilate my body." The truth is that donated organs and tissues are removed surgically, in a routine operation similar to open-heart surgery. Donation does not prevent an open-casket funeral or viewing.

"I don't need to tell my family that I want to be an organ and tissue donor because I have it written in my will." The truth is that by the time your will is read, it will be too late to recover your organs and tissues.

For more information on how

#### **Economic Development Town Hall Session Held** At Patterson Library

A multi-organizational town hall session was held on July 19th at the Bobbie Gean & T. J. Patterson Library concerning Economic Development for the East Lubbock community. Local citizens and business owners were given the opportunity to voice concerns about the economic plight of the area. The meeting was chaired by Patterson, owner of SouthWest Digest Newspaper. In lieu of a distributed agenda, items discussed were as follows:

Creation of small \* businesses/entrepreneurship;

\* Funding resources for business development and expansion;

\* Available resources for business assistance and exposure;

\* Cooperation and cohesion pen on the outside. of local citizens to identify needs and establish working plans;

\* Communication between local citizens and Municipal leadership and

Chamber functions.

Outcome: Although some topics were introduced and discussed briefly, no concrete solutions were formulated and no plans set forth for execution. One important idea shared by all was that it will take community cohesiveness and collaboration to obtain shared economic goals. It was agreed that additional meetings are necessary for change to occur. Next meeting date was not determined.

There were 37 persons in attendance. Among those in attendance were Patterson, former City Councilman and Owner, Black males were far more

# **Black Men Safer In Prison?**

SYRACUSE, NY - According to a study, black men are half as likely to die in prison than if they are free.

The authors of the study, set to be published in the Annals of Epidemiology, claim that easier access to healthcare, protection from drugs and alcohol, and the ability to avoid deadly Black-on-Black violence leads to a longer lifespan for those who are incarcerated. African-American males are the only group for which these facts hold true, according to the authors of the study.

The authors of the research also claim that the study reflects a pattern that those from disadvantaged groups live longer in prison primarily because they are protected from violent injuries and murder that can hap-

"Ironically, prisons are often the only provider of medical care accessible by these underserved and vulnerable Americans," said Hung-En Sung of the \* Explanation of LEDA and John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York.

> "Typically, prison-based care is more comprehensive than what inmates have received prior to their admission," Sung, who wasn't involved in the new study, said to Reuters Health.

The study examined 100,000 men between the ages of 20 and 79 being held in North Carolina prisons between 1995 and 2005. Sixty percent of the men being examined were African-American. The authors found that while in prison, the death rate between Whites and Blacks was the same. But outside of prison,



prison, it should also be that in places like a poor neighborhood we should be able to diminish these sort of inequities," said Evelyn Patterson, who studies correctional facilities at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee.

"If it can be done (in prison), then certainly it can happen outside of prison," Patterson said to Reuters Health.

Dr. Boyce Watkins of Syracuse University says, "This study made my stomach turn. Dying and going to prison are among the easiest things for a Black man to do in a world where it's easier for him to get a gun than a good public school education. Most interesting is that Black male political power is so weak that politicians in Washington have almost no incentive to pay attention to the crises occurring within our communities.

Watkins offers advice on what to do. "Raise your boys differently. If we allow our sons to be raised in a world where every song on the radio tells them to become the next Lil Wayne and every television commercial persuades them to be LeBron James, we'll end up with a teenage boy who's been wired to walk right into the traps that

have been laid out for him."

Watkins continues, "Black men must take responsibility for one another. Not only should Black males work for continuous consciousness and awareness of the manner by which their psyches have been hijacked, but we must challenge one another to think differently about how we perceive education, fatherhood, community leadership, etc."

Watkins doesn't stop there, "Politicians must be held accountable at all costs. Without pointing fingers at any specific politician, the degree to which Black male inequality is allowed to fester is sickening, insulting and un-American. Inequality in hiring, education, and criminal justice creates situations where even well-intended Black males have their dreams eaten up by institutionalized racism."

Watkins concludes by saying, "Black men, to some extent, are America's cockroaches - our lives are deemed to be less valuable and our concerns less relevant. Any politician who buys into this rhetoric and shows inaction on such disturbing racial inequality does not deserve our support."

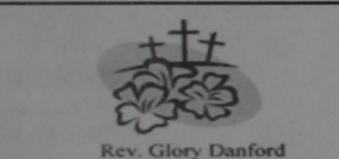
among these population segments.

"One organ donor has the ability to save up to eight lives," said Sam Holtzman, president to register as an organ and tissue donor in the official state registry, visit www.donatelifetexas.org or www.lifegift.org.

Every person's life is a fairy tale written by God's fingers. Hans Christian Andersen On the inside, where God is making new life, not a day goes by without His unfolding grace. 2 Corinthians 4:16-17

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Various Clergy Leaders, Local Business Owners, Concerned Citizens, Aspiring entrepreneurs were also in attendance.

Plan: Workforce Business Services Unit organize and conduct an employer seminar (date and time TBD) identifying and sharing Workforce methods and resources that will support local business creation, training and expansion. Additional supporting agencies will be invited to attend to share useful methods of business development and resources for funding of startup or growth of existing businesses.

#### **LISD School Ratings Continued from Page 5**

accountability ratings. Passing standards increased in the areas of math and science, and the scores of more special education students counted in the ratings

likely to die than Whites.

"What's very sad about this is that if we are able to all of a sudden equalize or diminish these health inequalities that you see by race inside a place like

this year. Schools had an added measure requiring 25 percent of students to score at the "Commended Level" in order to be an Exemplary school and 15 percent of students to score at the "Commended Level" for schools to earn a Recognized rating. In order for a student to receive a commended score, they must meet a higher standard, answering approximately 90 percent of the questions on a test correctly. District "Commended" scores met or exceeded 2010 scores in 21 of 25 performance measures, indicating students are mastering ог understanding content at a higher level. For example, more than 75 percent of elementary schools in Lubbock ISD had at least a third of students achieve the commended level in one or more subject areas.

Exemplary campuses for 2011 include Haynes, Honey, Murfee, Whiteside and Roscoe Wilson Elementary Schools. Campuses receiving the Recognized rating are Bayless, Centennial, Guadalupe, Hardwick, Iles, Jackson, Maedgen, Parsons, Ramirez, Roberts, Rush, Smith, Tubbs\*, Waters, Wester, Wheelock, Williams and Wright Ele-Schools. mentary Evans, Hutchinson and Irons Middle

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Schools earned a Recognized rating, as did the Margaret Talkington School for Young Women Leaders.

The sixteen campuses rated Academically Acceptable are: Arnett\*, Bean, Bowie, Bozeman, Brown, Dupre, Harwell, McWhorter, Overton, Stewart, Wheatley and Wolffarth Elementary Schools; Cavazos, Dunbar, Mackenzie and Smylie Wilson Middle Schools and Lubbock High School. Schools rated Unacceptable were Hodges and Parkway Elementary Schools; Alderson\*, Atkins, and O. L. Slaton Middle Schools; Coronado, Estacado and Monterey High Schools (MHS).

Schools are labeled Exemplary, Recognized, Acceptable or Unacceptable based on their lowest area of performance when sorted by subject, socioeconomic and ethnic groups. Math was the subject area primarily responsible for the unacceptable ratings for high schools. Lubbock ISD high schools must meet the standard in all performance measures, typically 25 areas, to be rated Acceptable. Each of the four subject areas tested, Reading, Math, Social Studies and Science, are broken out into student groups of All-Students, African American, Hispanic, White and Economically Disadvantaged. The accountability rating for schools is determined by the lowest area of performance among all the student groups.

In 21 areas measured, Coronado High School met or exceeded accountability standards; however, they fell short in three student groups in the math subject area, giving the school an Unacceptable rating. Of 1499 students taking math tests in grades 9 through 11, the school missed the acceptable standard by 17 students in the African-American student group, 29 students in the Hispanic student group and 61 students in the Economically Disadvantaged student group.

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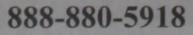
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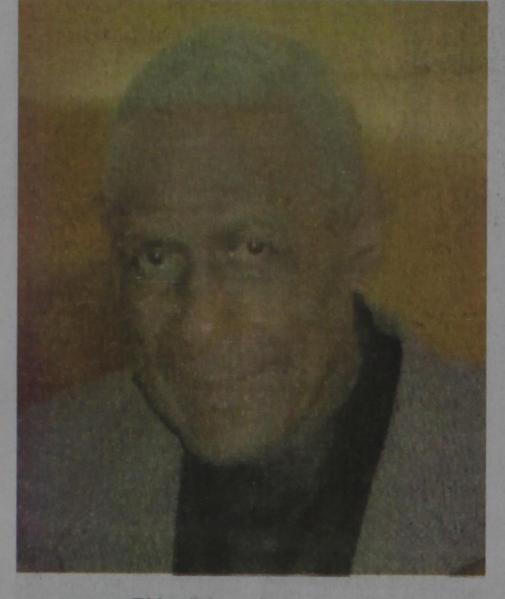
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# Elder Johnny L. Barnes Installed As Pastor of Greater St. James Baptist Church



#### Elder Johnny L. Barnes

The members of the Greater St. James Baptist Church are very excited about their new pastor. He is Elder Johnny L. Barnes.

Installation services were held Sunday afternoon, July 3, 2011, at the Greater St. James Baptist Church, 117 North Mulberry Avenue.

Elder Barnes is a 1956 graduate of Dunbar High School, where was a very active student.

Rev. J. Jerome Johnson, pastor of the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, delivered a dynamic sermon.

The installation services was full of a lot of inspiration. "We are on the move at the Greater St. James Baptist Church. We are just thankful from whence God has brought us," said Deacon Garland Hollins.

He will also advise those looking for a church home to come and visit the Greater St. Greater Baptist Church.

God Bless You, Pastor Barnes!



#### Bro. & Sis. A. D. Pine

Brother & Sister A. D. Pine celebrated their 73rd Wedding Anniversary Sunday afternoon, July 31, 2011, at the greater St. James Baptist Church. The theme was "The Best Age." Psalm 92:14.

A very inspirational program was given. Praise God for them! Rev. Johnny L. Barnes is pastor.

Economically Disadvantaged students. In science, MHS missed the acceptable accountability rating by 15 students in the African-American student group.

Completion rates are also factors in the ratings for Texas high schools. The completion rate tracks students from ninth grade through graduation and measures the number of students, by ethnic and socio-economic student groups, that actually graduate. LISD showed significant increases in completion rates, in all student groups, compared to the previous year. For example, completion rates for economically disadvantaged students increased by more than seven percentage points over the previous year.

As schools prepare for the more rigorous STAAR test (State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness), which begins next year, district officials believe the aligned district curriculum, C-SCOPE, will begin to bridge learning gaps created by the absence of an aligned curriculum, and student performance will improve on standardized tests.

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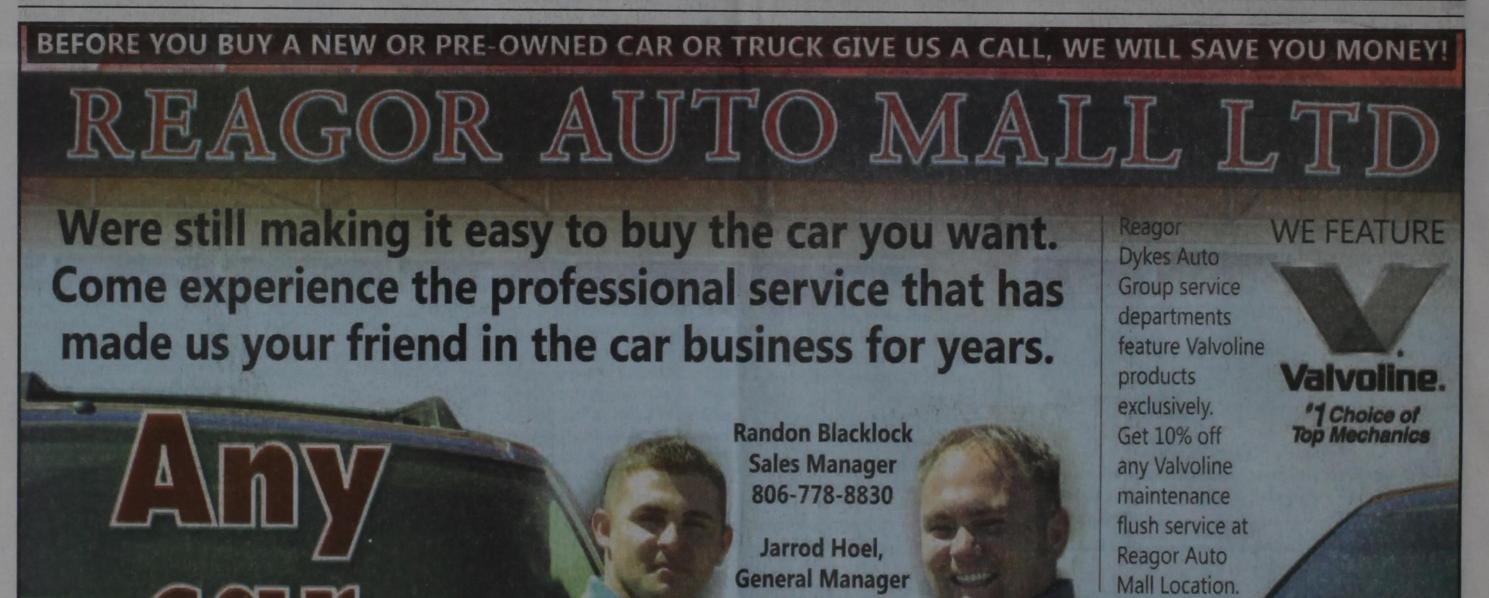


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growth in math scores, but fell short of the acceptable standard by 46 students in the African-American student group, 13 students in the Hispanic student

group and 68 Economically Disadvantaged students. Of 1408 students tested, Monterey High School fell short of the acceptable rating in math by 23 students in the African-American student group, 62 students in the Hispanic student group and 96





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