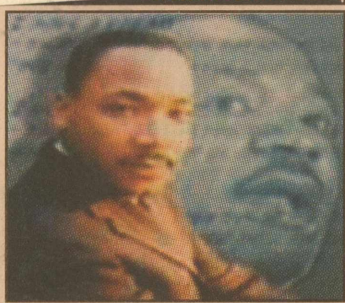
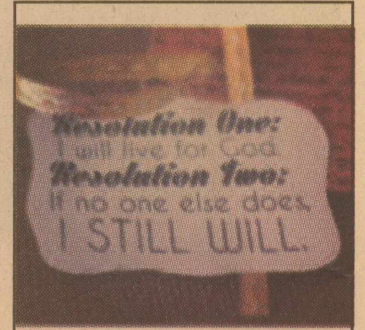
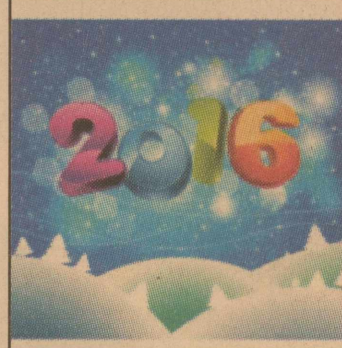
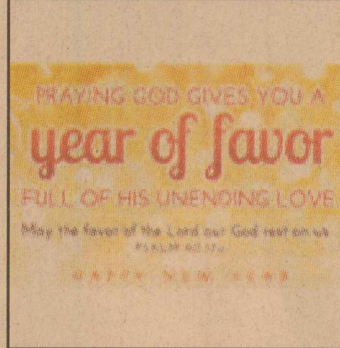
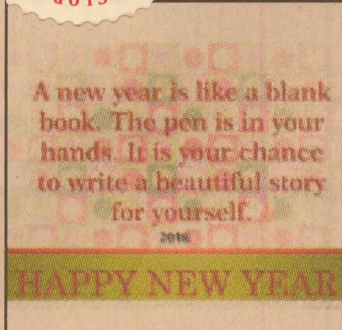


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## Community Meetings



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\* 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 Washington American Legion, Post 808, meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon.

\* Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Branch Library.

\* East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Great Saint Luke Missionary Baptist Church.

\* 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 every Tuesday evening at Bryon Martin Technology Center, 3401 Avenue Q, beginning at 5:30 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 2301 Avenue A.

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## 7 Life Lessons from Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.

Life's most persistent and urgent question is, "What are you doing for others?"

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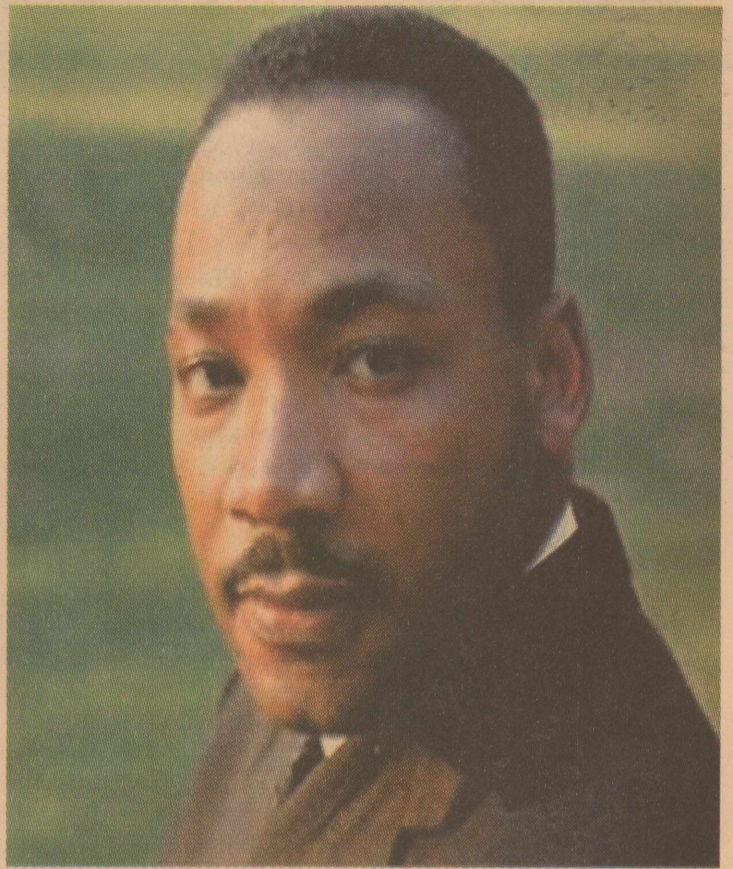
Change does not roll in on the wheels of inevitability, but comes through continuous struggle.

Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.

If you can't fly then run, if you can't run then walk, if you can't walk then crawl, but whatever you do you have to keep moving forward.

In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends.

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Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

## Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Set For January 15th thru 18th In Lubbock

The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Council of Lubbock announces the program for this year's celebration. The activities will begin on Friday evening, January 15, through Monday evening, January 18th.

"We are looking forward to another exciting year of activities during these four days which remind us of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.," said L. V. Andrews, President of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorate Council.

University. "This evening has been set aside for the Youth to display their many talents," says Mr. Andrews. "We need them to know what we are doing so when their time comes, they'll be ready," continued Mr. Andrews.

On Sunday evening, January 17th, the Annual City-Wide Services will be held, beginning at 5:00 p.m. These services will be held at the City Bank Auditorium.

"We are inviting the entire Community to come and join us in this special effort," said Mr. Andrews.

Climaxing this year's celebration will be Gospel Night on Monday evening, January 18th, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the City Bank Auditorium.

"Hope you will join us this year as we continue to celebrate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.," said Mr. Andrews. "Come and bring someone!"

Activities will begin on Friday evening, January 15th, with the Individual of Distinction Awards Banquet at the MCM Elegante Hotel & Suites, 801 Ave. Q, beginning at 6:30 p. m.

Youth Night will be held on Saturday evening, January 16th, beginning at 6:30 p.m. This event will be held at the City Bank Auditorium, Marsha Sharp & University Avenue -- which is on the Campus of Texas Tech

## Concerned Citizens' Thanksgiving Donation

The Concerned Citizens donated \$300.00 to the Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church's Youth Outreach Ministry to assist with the providing of Thanksgiving Dinners within the community. Rev. Larry Jones, Assistant Pastor, heads the Outreach Program.

Over 125 dinners were prepared by the St. Luke's Kitchen Staff for select families from Madison Park, Park Meadows

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Dwight Pierce, left, President of Concerned Citizens, is presenting the \$300.00 check to Rev. Larry Jones for Thanksgiving Dinners.

## Thank God For Jesus' Writer Enjoys His Work! B. J. "Billy" Morrison



Mr. & Mrs. B. J. Morrison

For more than twenty-five years, B. J. "Billy" Morrison has written an article in the **Southwest Digest** called "Thank God For Jesus". At times, some challenge what he writes, but he



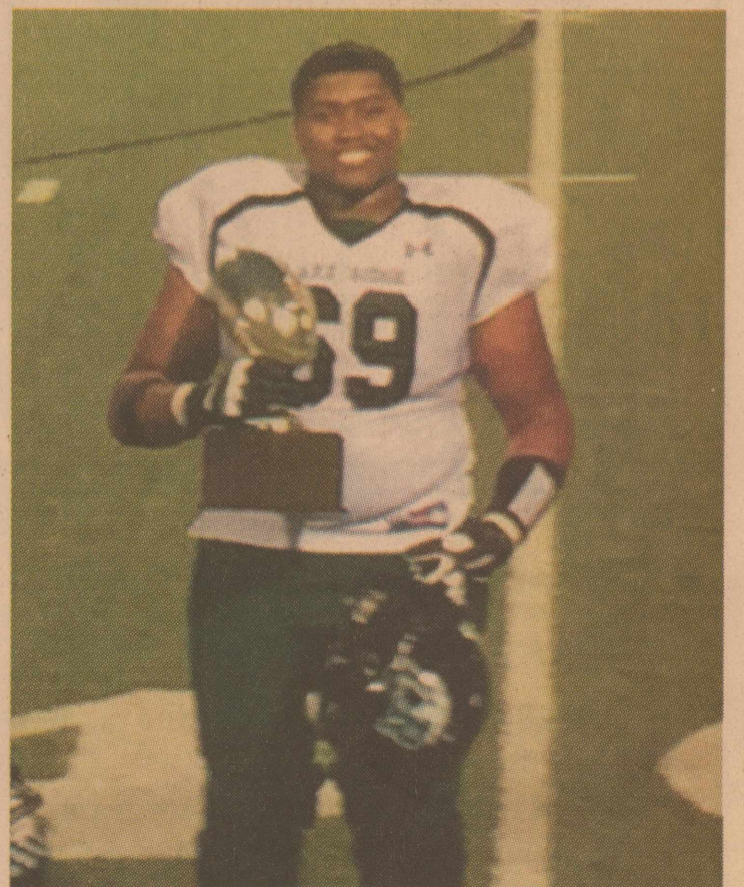
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stands behind what he writes. He'll tell you without hesitation that this is what Jesus wants him to write. Not only that, but he'll find scripture which allows him to write what he writes.

He's been married to Jeffothel for thirty-two years.

Pictured above are Cowboy Hats he's purchased, and has placed the Cross on each of them. Praise God for him!

## Patterson Named 5-A 1st Team Academic All-State Team



Let us take this opportunity to introduce **THOMAS JAMES PATTERSON, III**, a great student athlete. Thomas is a 17 year old high school senior at Mansfield Lake Ridge High School in Mansfield, Texas.

This year, Thomas and his high school football team competed in the 5A Division I State Football Championship game in Houston, Texas on December 18th in Reliant Stadium against Richmond

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## Michael Jackson's "Thriller" Album Just Broke Another All-Time Record



**Nationwide** — The late Michael Jackson has already set just about every album sales record, but there are a few more milestones that can be reached even after his death. Thriller, his sixth solo studio album released in 1982 by Epic Records, just sold its 30 millionth copy.

That means it has gone 3 times diamond (diamond meaning 10 million sales). The album reached 20 million copies in sales back in 1984.

"RIAA has awarded Gold and Platinum records on behalf of the music business for nearly 60 years, but this is the first time an artist has crossed the 30X multi-Platinum plateau. We are honored to celebrate the unique

status of Thriller in Gold & Platinum history. What an exceptional achievement and testament to Thriller's enduring spot in our hearts and musical history," says RIAA's chairman and CEO Cary Sherman.

L.A. Reid, the current CEO of Epic Records, comments, "Not only are his chart hits and sales stats staggering, but his pure musicality was otherworldly. Thriller was groundbreaking and electrifying... it was perfection. I am extremely proud that Michael is the heart and soul of Epic Records and he will forever remain the one-and-only King of Pop."

Thriller, Michael Jackson's best-selling album to date, was

produced by both Quincy Jones and Jackson himself. Chart-topping songs on the album include "Beat It," "Billie Jean", "Wanna Be Startin' Somethin'", and the album-titled track "Thriller". The album won a record setting 8 Grammys, more than any album ever!

Thriller spent nearly 2 1/2 years on the Billboard album chart and holds a modern day record of 37 weeks at No. 1. It was the first album in history to spend each of its first 80 weeks in the album chart's Top 10.

During his amazing career, Michael Jackson sold more than a billion records worldwide!

position is commonly known as the "Blind Side Tackle" tackle. It is referred to as the Blind Side Tackle," because the person who plays this position protects the blind side of the quarterback. He is expected to protect the blind side of the quarterback to allow him to concentrate on down field activity. Thomas also plays center as needed. Thomas weighed 305 lbs. and his height was 6'3". He is most proud of the fact that during the entire season, he did not allow his opponent to get past him to sack his quarterback. Thomas

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Rachel Dolezal

## Rachel Dolezal, Woman Who Pretended to be Black, To Name Her Son After This Black Icon

**Nationwide** — 37-year old Rachel Dolezal, a former NAACP leader from Spokane, Washington who was fired and harshly criticized for pretending to be Black, is back in the news. She is reportedly pregnant and says that she is planning to name her unborn son after Langston Hughes, an African American poet, social activist, novelist, and playwright.

She comments, "I'm naming him Langston because of Langston Hughes's Mother to Son poem. Life hasn't been easy for me at all, but I keep going. I'm still climbing, so don't you sit down and stop. You keep going, and I want that to be a lesson for all my sons."

Dolezal has a lot of supporters, but also has angered a lot of people for what many has said being "misleading" and "hiding her true identity."

Dolezal's true identity was discovered in June 2015 when her parents told the media that Dolezal was in fact a white woman pretending to be black. Various pictures surfaced to confirm this where Dolezal could be clearly seen as white when she

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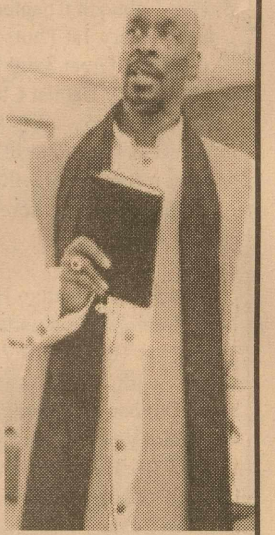
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## Patterson Named All-State Academic Team

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George Ranch. What makes this such an eventful note is the fact that Lake Ridge's doors have only been open for 4 years. The first year the team competed in 4A high school football; they went 0-10. The second year the team won 2 games to improve their record to 2-8. During the 3rd year of play, Lake Ridge reached the third round of the

playoffs and won 5 games during the regular season. In the 4th year, Lake Ridge competed in 5A high school football and they went 15-0 going into the state playoffs. They were defeated by the Richmond George Ranch Longhorns after a long hard fought game.

Thomas played on the offensive line as the left tackle. This

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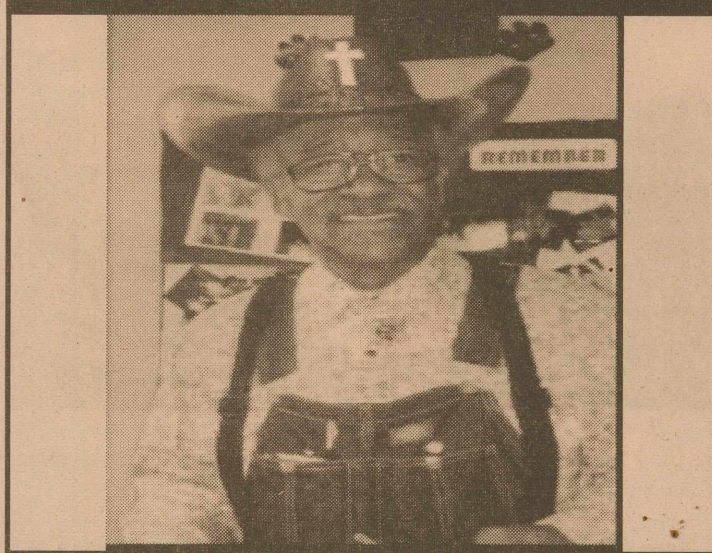
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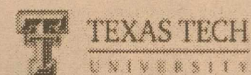
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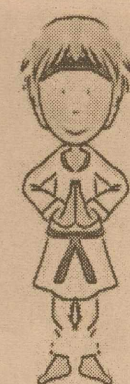
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# In Cinque

By Renetta Howard



Seven days have passed since Christmas of 2015 and I must say that it has been a wonderful Christmas celebration in which Christ was definitely a part of my celebrations. 'Jesus is the reason for the season' and it just is not Christmas without him. I feel blessed to have witnessed one more Holy day celebrating the birth of the Savior.

With Christmas behind us in 2015, I hope I have done my last silly thing of the year; putting my soaking wet newspaper into the clothes dryer to dry it out. Those plastic wrapped advertisements were dry and intact but the 'news' was soggy soaked. Fortunately I had some Pine sol to clean the printer's ink on the inside of the dryer. I still feel that with my hard work that I did not get it clean enough not to damage clothing when the next task arrives. I am wondering if the full moon had anything to do with my actions. This Christmas, we had the first full moon for the holiday in 38 years. It was last seen in 1977, the full cold moon and Winter Solstice. Social Workers and Policemen believe that the full moon results in people doing untold of things and that the crime rate goes up. Maybe I am guilty!

2016 will have a much more pleasant outcome that I am looking forward to with all kinds of positivity. I am positively going to stay out of the large department stores in 2016 as well as limit my visits to the food chains. Social Security did not give the senior citizens an increase in their monthly income because certain workers supposedly did not suffer an increase in the cost of living, therefore we all suffer. However, we are all aware there definitely has been a great increase in the cost of living and the only people who do not realize it are those individuals who earn so much money

that someone else has to keep track of it for them. Unfortunately, I am not one of them and neither is most of my friends and acquaintances. We all see, suffer and continue to try to make ends meet with what we have available. I am so thankful that I am able to look to the future positively because HE lives! I believe that the living Christ will see us happily through this next year with JOY in our hearts.

Many of us are going to be about the usual weight loss programs, cleaning out the clutter in our houses and our hearts and it is still a good thing. A fresh start with exercising, eating right and just doing the right thing including keeping a place in your heart for Jesus Christ will be a positive attribute for 2016. Positivity is where I want all of my thoughts to focus and it is time for all of us, young and old to get 'in cinque', think positively and have a VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR, 2016!

### Concerned Citizens Donate \$300.00

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Villas, and Cricket Apartments. Frances Eddins, a member of the Concerned Citizens, who assisted with the preparations of the food, said, "Every little bit helps, but we wish we could have done more."

"Thanks to everyone who participated," said President Pierce. "We will continue helping others," he said.

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# Beyond The Rhetoric

by Harry C. Alford

## Back to Basics – Section 3 of the HUD Act, Part 2

Billions of dollars and thousands of jobs have passed us by due to the noncompliance of Section 3 by each and every HUD Administration since the beginning of the program in 1968. There is too much resistance from the "Poverty Industrial Complex". These poverty pimps do not want people who live under the poverty level to become empowered through employment. They want them to remain poor because that is how they make their living.

It reminds me of a famous quote of the great Booker T. Washington: "There is a class of colored people who make a business of keeping the troubles, the wrongs and the hardships of the Negro race before the public. Having learned that they are able to make a living out of their troubles, they have grown into the settled habit of advertising their wrongs – partly because they want sympathy and partly because it pays. Some of these people do not want the Negro to lose his grievances, because they do not want to lose their jobs." That is so true and it also applies to poverty pimps regardless of their race.

Last week I talked about housing grants which is the bulk of HUD funding. This week I want to inform you about another "pot" of money that HUD distributes to cities, counties and governors. This funding is known as Community Development Block Grants (CDBG). Every fiscal year (October 1 – September 30) the aforementioned recipients receive this money to inject community development. As long as it is supposed to go for community development who gets the funding is nondiscretionary. Many mayors will cut out a portion of the annual funding and give it to

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by T. J. Patterson

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the local Chamber of Commerce. This is where our Black chambers need to go face to face with their mayor and get their portion of the annual funding. Sometimes the management of the funding goes to the city councils. County executives will manage their funding for each applicable local government.

Here's a living example. For the state of Illinois, FY2015 the Governors received \$26,188,994. He will spread this money to non-entitlement cities (usually towns and rural areas under 30,000 in population. The city of Chicago received \$72,477,673. That's a lot of free money to hand out. Peoria received \$1,555,133 while Rockford raked in \$2,059,278. Cook County, home of Chicago, received \$9,043,048 to spread about the suburbs.

Now, all of this funding "must" comply with Section 3 also – just like public housing funds and Section 8. However, no one other than the National Black Chamber of Commerce is tracking it. It is your tax money returning home to you but are you being denied via contracting

and job training. What usually happens is the mayors, county executives and governors hand it out to their pet associations and projects.

I recently spoke at the Northeast Louisiana African American Chamber of Commerce (Monroe, Louisiana). They complained that their mayor gives \$100,000 annually to the mainstream chamber and zero to them. I looked it up and reported to them that the mayor and/or city council were receiving \$646,778 per year. They have a right to apply for funding as the mainstream chamber was not working for the small and Black own businesses benefit. They do and deserve their fair share.

One of the worst offenders is Jacksonville, Florida (\$5,573,644 this year). Following up on a formal HUD Complaint, HUD demanded a Voluntary Compliance Agreement signed by Jacksonville Housing Authority and the Section 3 construction company who filed the complaint. The VCA had roles for the housing authority and the contractor. JHA also had to pay damages to

the contractor. Immediately, Jacksonville ignored the agreement and continued to violate Section 3. Now this was 1995 and today there has been no difference. I even encouraged for HUD Secretary Alphonso Jackson to demand compliance. He even threatened freezing their HUD funding. Still there is no compliance. The struggle continues.

Congresswoman Nydia Velazquez and Yvette Clarke have done advocacy in support of Section 3. Still there is no success in winning compliance. HUD now has a national Section 3 directory for Section 3 businesses throughout the nation. I have not seen any improvement in the matter.

I encourage all of our chapters and others to start increasing the advocacy for Section 3. I now encourage NNPA readers and NNPA newspapers to start investigating who is getting the CDBG funding. Often it goes to help fund new hotels and restaurants. Perfect! So where are the contracts and jobs in regards to Section 3 businesses and residents? You can find out how

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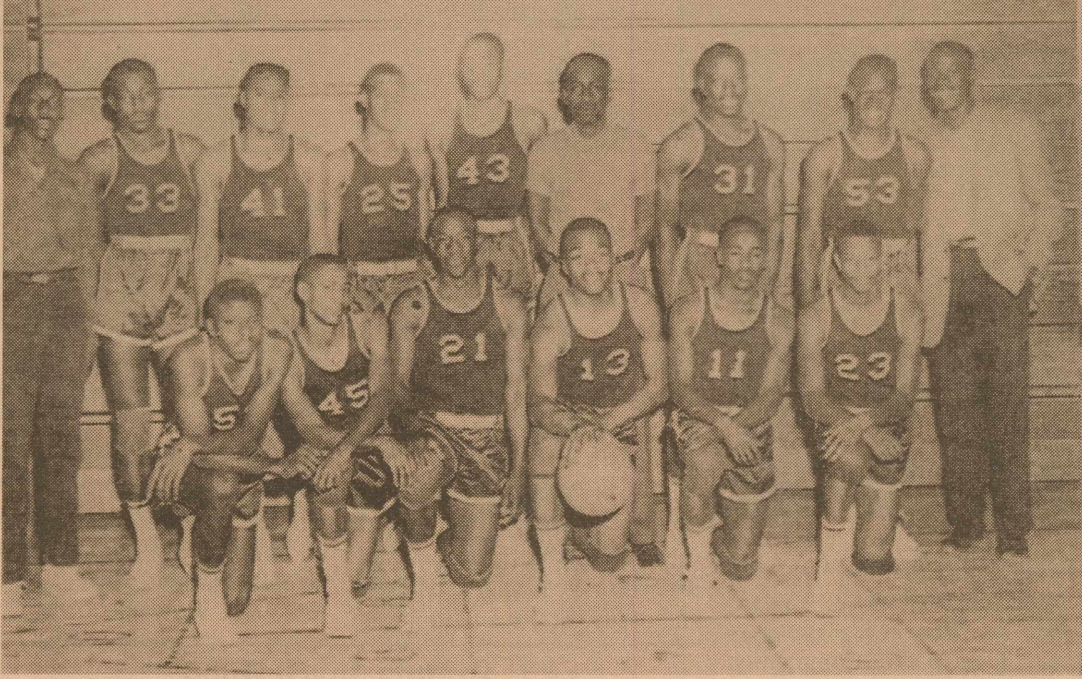
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## Dunbar High School 1960 Boys Basketball Team Will Be Honored On June 18, 2016



**DUNBAR 1960 "A" TEAM** -- Pictured above are Dunbar Panther Members, left to right, front row: Edward Loggins, Eddie Dixon, J. D. Robinson, Robert Madison, Clyde Scott, and Joe McWilliams. Second Row, left to right standing: Melvin Taylor, Johnny Johnson, L. V. Jackson, James Au, William Malone, Coach Ernest P. Mallory, Robert Deary, Ralph Hodge, and Alvin Daniels.

Ten inductees — seven athletes, one coach and two championship teams — will be inducted at a June 18, 2016 ceremony. This year's class is the sixth in the history of the Lubbock Independent School District's Hall of Honor, which

began in 2011. One of the teams to be honored will be the Dunbar High School Panthers finished 1960 with a 31-2 record and their third state championship.

Dunbar opened the season 15-0 before dropping one game to

Odessa Blackshear High School. Dunbar entered the playoffs after outscoring opponents 79-48.1.

In the state tournament, Dunbar beat Edwards High School and Houston Elmore High School to win the 2A Prairie View Interscholastic League title.

William Malone was named to the All-Tournament team and the Panthers shot 45.7 percent on the season.

The outstanding coach was Coach Ernest P. Mallory.

The Coach who will be honored is Coach Kenneth Wallace. Wallace — the first black football player to graduate from Texas Tech — was a dominant quarterback at Estacado and played for the Red Raiders as a defensive back, appearing in the 1972 Sun Bowl and the 1972 Gator Bowl.

Wallace presently works as the Deputy Superintendent for Educational Support and School Administration for Galena Park ISD.

He coached at Dunbar and Coronado High Schools — earning coach of the year awards three times.

tions that Thomas is a member of include the National Honor Society since the 11th grade, the Key Club, the Lake Ridge UIL Science Team, Discus Thrower on the Track & Field Team (District and Regional Qualifier) and the Powerlifting Team. Thomas is an active member of the Elm Grove Missionary Baptist Church where he is a member of the Youth Choir, the Youth Ushers and the Male Chorus. Elm Grove Missionary Baptist Church is the church where his father is the Pastor.

Thomas is being recruited by various colleges and universities around the country for his academics and athletic abilities and has been accepted for admissions into numerous universities across the country. After concluding his undergraduate studies with a major in Chemistry, Thomas plans to attend medical school to become an Anesthesiologist.

Thomas is the son of Pastor (Attorney) T.J. and Attorney Ursula M. Patterson of Mansfield, Texas. He is the grandson of T. J. Patterson, Sr. and the late Bobbie G. Patterson, Norward E.

Monroe and Mable Jacobs Monroe. Thomas is the great grandson of Dorothy Collins of San Antonio, Texas and the grandnephew of Dr. Hubert and Mary Monroe of Beaumont, Texas.

### Patterson Named To Academic All-State

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recorded 60 pancake blocks and 65 knockdown blocks. He managed to learn an extra trait as he is also a long snapper for his team on punts and extra points.

Because of his great play on the football field in 2015, he was awarded by the 5A Coaches to the 5A 1st Team, Academic All-State Team. In addition, Thomas was selected to the 5A District 14-5 2nd Team All-District Team and he received Academic All-District Football.

Not only is Thomas a great athlete on the football field, but he is a student athlete. He is currently ranked number 54 in his class of 526 students and has a grade point average of 3.8 on a scale of 4.0 and will earn 24 college credits. Other organiza-

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much money your local government is getting by going to the homepage of our website. Under latest news you will see an entry about CDBG allocations. Also, we have a library of HUD related articles we have posted over the years. The website is: [www.nationalbcc.org](http://www.nationalbcc.org). The next thing you do is ask your city council person to provide a list of where the money is going. That will be quite interesting.

Mr. Alford is the President/CEO of the National Black Chamber of Commerce®. Website: [www.nationalbcc.org](http://www.nationalbcc.org) Email: [halford@nationalbcc.org](mailto:halford@nationalbcc.org).

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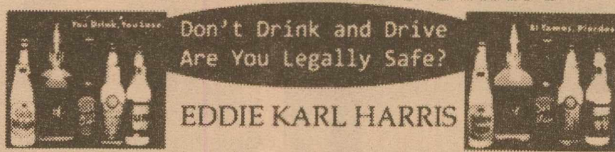
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### New Light Baptist Church News

3013 Idalou Road Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson, Pastor

On Sunday January 3, 2016 service got started at New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road, where Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson is the pastor.

Church School started at 10:15 a.m. and Sis. Ambra Jackson taught the lesson titled: "A BRIDE WORTH WAITING FOR" and its scripture text came from Genesis 29:15-30.

Morning worship started at 11:00 a.m with the devoted praise team leading the way. The responsive reading came from 1 Corinthians 11:23-30. The altar call prayer was led by Rev. Jackson with the congregation singing "O HOW I LOVE JESUS." Sis. Linda Green read all the morning announcements and told of all the up coming events that will be taking place. There was the offering that was taken up by appointees.

The melodious voices of New Light song "I AM REDEEMED" led by Sis. Alvera Johnson and "OLDE TIME RELIGION." The song "SHINE ON ME" was sung before the sermon and it was led by Sis. Angela Mosley.

Rev. Jackson preached the sermon titled: "THROUGH IT ALL GOD IS ABLE TO KEEP US" and its printed scripture text come from Jude verses 24 & 25.

2015 had its issues. Everyone of us all has all been through somethings in 2015. We all had ups and downs. Through it all God has kept us. The devil design is to steal, kill and destroy. Don't fool yourself. Anyone that allows themselves to be used by the devil is not of God. Things happed in 2015 but God brought us through even when we didn't know how we were going to make it. When you did not know how to help yourself that's when God step in. God is able to keep us and he has kept us. There has been some sickness, storms hard times and etc... but God kept us through it all. If we confess our sins God will forgive us. No one has the right to point a finger at anybody.

Through it all you may have stumbled and fell down but God has kept you. Some time when things get bad people will turn against you. We must learn things that make you laugh will also make you cry. When dark days come around no one is to be found.. There has also been some rough and dark days but God has kept us from falling.

Song after sermon was "THROUGH IT ALL."

**YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR PASTOR & WIFE'S 9th APPRECIATION SERVICE. THE OPENING STARTS ON JANUARY 10, 2016 AT 3:00 p.m. AND THE CLOSING OUT OF THE APPRECIATION SERVICE WILL BE ON JANUARY 17, 2016 AT 3:00 p.m. NEW LIGHT BAPTIST CHURCH.**

**Rachel Dolezal, Woman Who Pretended to be Black, To Name Her Son After This Black Icon**

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was younger.

Prior to this discovery, however, Dolezal was a Africana studies instructor at a local university, the president of the local Spokane NAACP branch, and she had previously complained to police and local media that she had been the victim of various race hate crimes. As a college student, she also attended Howard University, a historically Black university in Washington, DC.

She once told journalists: "Nothing about being white describes who I am.

"I just feel like I didn't mislead anybody; I didn't deceive anybody," she continued. "If people feel misled or deceived, then sorry that they feel that way, but I believe that's more due to their definition and construct of race in their own minds than it is to my integrity or honesty, because I wouldn't say I'm African American, but I say I'm black, and there's a difference in those terms."

She now reportedly works at a local hair salon, doing weaves

### The Obamas Reflect Back on 2015

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loves "Uptown Funk" by Mark Ronson featuring Bruno Mars.

#### Favorite TV Shows

And what about TV shows? Well, President Obama apparently is a huge fan of the Cinemax drama series The Knick starring Clive Owen, and his wife loves ABC's Black-ish starring Anthony Anderson and Tracee Ellis Ross.

#### Favorite Books

And books? The president says his favorite book is Lauren Groff's Fates and Furies, which explores the key to a great marriage from two different perspectives. The first lady says she loved The Light of the World by Elizabeth Alexander, a memoir about the sudden death of her husband.

#### Favorite Moments

And last but not least, comes the presidential couple's favorite moments of the year. President Obama said his favorite moment was when he appeared on an episode of NBC's Running Wild where he trekked through the wilderness with British adventurer Bear Grylls. He says also enjoyed seeing people gather outside the White House after the Supreme Court ruled to uphold the right of same sex couples to get married.

And First Lady Michelle says her favorite moment of the year was spending time with young people, especially when she went to a school in Cambodia and spent time with young girls there. She said she really was touched by one young girl who read her a poem she had written called "Lemt Girls Learn."

**We can throw stones, complain about them, stumble on them, climb over them, or build with them.**

William Arthur Ward

and braiding hair three times a week.

### Jim Nelson Clay

Funeral services were held for Jim Nelson Clay on Wednesday morning, December 30, 2015, at Griffin Mortuary Chapel with Pastor Johnny Evans as Officiate & Eulogist.

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

Clay, age 86 of Lubbock, Texas passed away on Monday, December 21, 2015.

Jim was born August 19, 1929 to the parentage of Grant and Alliene Clay in Leon County, Texas.

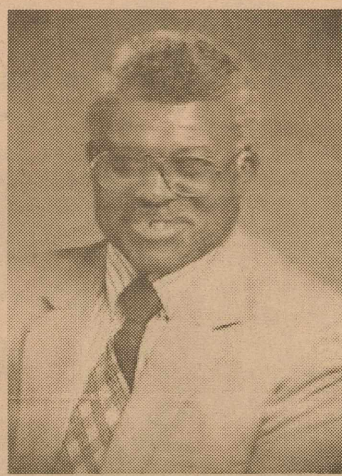
Jim was a loyal member of Alexander Chapel, and was employed

at the Lubbock State School for 20 years. Jim enjoyed singing and playing drums.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Alliene and Grant Clay; four children: Linda, Mary, Larry and Jimmy Clay; and 10 siblings.

He leaves to cherish his passing: his loving wife, Pauline Clay; one daughter, Brenda Clay; four sons: Willie, Charles, Kenneth and Calvin Clay; two sisters, Kate Dixon and Mardie Clay; 9 step kids, 14 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Active Pallbearers were:



Kenneth Sedberry, Fabian D., Demodrick McDowell, Sparticus Clay, Prentice Hooker, Johnny Evans, Jr. and Donald Hooker.

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The Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Organization invites interested persons to review and comment on the Draft 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program. Comments may be submitted January 5 through March 12, 2016 to the LMPO, 916 Main Street #531, Lubbock TX 79401 or email [djones@mylubbock.us](mailto:djones@mylubbock.us).

#### Five public meetings will be held:

January 5 and February 2, 2016  
916 Main Street  
2nd Floor conference room  
2:00 p.m.

January 19 and February 16, 2016  
1625 13th Street  
Room 103 Lubbock City Hall  
8:30 a.m.

January 26, 2016  
Citibus Downtown Transfer Center  
801 Broadway  
4:30-6:00 p.m.

Documents may be viewed on the Lubbock MPO's website [www.lubbockmpo.org](http://www.lubbockmpo.org) or at the LMPO office located at 916 Main St #531, Lubbock TX 79401, also Citibus 801 Texas Ave, and the City of Lubbock Public Information Office 1625 13th St. and Texas Department of Transportation Public Information Office, 135 Slayton Road, and Texas Tech University Office of Facilities Planning 3122 Main Street, and City of Wolfforth office of the City Manager 328 East Hwy 62/82, Wolfforth TX 79382.

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Saturday, January 16th  
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Marsha Sharp Freeway & University  
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Sunday, January 17th  
Citywide Service  
5:00 PM, City Bank Auditorium  
Marsha Sharp Freeway & University  
(Texas Tech Campus – West of Football Field)

Monday, January 18th  
Gospel Night  
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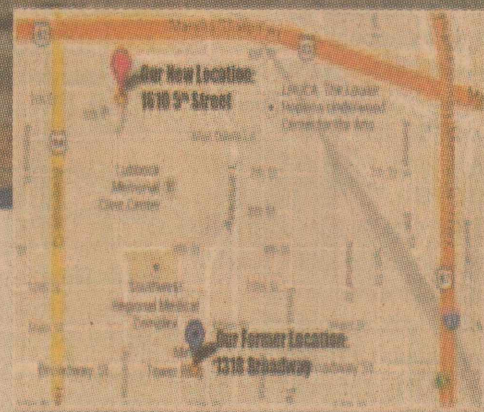
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