



### Community Meetings

- \* Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.
- \* Hub City Kiwanis meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p. m., Mt. Vernon UMC, East 23rd & Cedar Avenue
- \* Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm.
- \* Booker T. W 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.
- \* ROOTS meets every 2nd Saturday at 2:00 p. m. at 2301 Avenue A.
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**Southwest Digest Community Meetings** 902 East 28th Street Lubbock, Texas 79404 (806) 76first to publicly release a workforce demographics report earlier this year. They were commended for doing so, and so far, experts say they are the most aggressive at addressing the issue.

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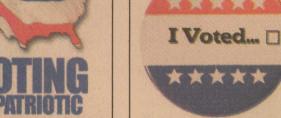
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## **Tubby Smith given Lifetime Achievement** award on Saturday, January 23, 2016

Texas Tech University Red Raider basketball head coach, Tubby Smith, was honored Saturday evening, January 23, 2016, at the Overton Hotel and Conference Center, with a community award. The 100 Black Men of West Texas recognized his life's work with a Lifetime Achievement award, at its 21st Annual Scholarship Gala and

During his acceptance speech, before a large crowd, Smith spoke about his other awards and recognitions, and how he was more honored to receive the 100 Black Men's recognition than almost any other that he's

He also touched on his upbringing, giving his father credit for teaching him.

"He kept telling me," Smith recollected, son, longevity. All you have to do is last. Just finish the job." That's what the 100 Black Men are about -- you know, the finished products of these young people that you

"It's a labor of love," he con-

The 100 Black Men of West Texas is a nonprofit organization that mentors youth and provides scholarship opportunities for high school and college students.

Texas Tech coach Tubby Smith has been selected as the 2015 honoree at the NABC and NCAA Office of Inclusion's "Celebration of Champions"



**Coach Tubby Smith** 

event in conjunction with the Final Four slated for Sunday afternoon, April 4, 2016, 3-5 p.m. at Crispus Attucks High School in Indianapolis, Indiana.

"I cannot thank NABC and the NCAA Office of Inclusion enough for this honor," Smith said in a press release. "It is more of an honor for the men and women I have worked with and the players I have coached

for the last 24 years. Our successes through the years have been a team effort.'

In 24 years as a head coach, Smith has been at Tulsa, Georgia, Kentucky, Minnesota and Texas Tech University in Lub-

Congratulations again, Coach Tubby Smith for a job well

# **Oldest Living Black Pastor** In Lubbock County, Texas

**Pastor Johnny Bailey** 

As the Southwest Digest searched Black History in Lubbock County, Texas, it was learned who is the oldest living Black Pastor in this area. He is Pastor Johnny Bailey.

Pastor Bailey, who is 96 years of age, came to Lubbock, Texas on December 28, 1940. He was employed as a Mattress Finisher on December 26, 1942, and worked for 67 years in this occupation, retiring four years

He is the oldest Pastor in Lubbock County, Texas. He begun his ministry at Faith First Church, East 28th Street and Fir Avenue, in 1962. He later moved to the Non-Denominal House of Prayer where he is the Pastor Emeritus. Pastor Bailey has

preached for 75 years.

He married Lessie Bea Childers on September 17, 1939, and was married 60 years, four months, three weeks and 3 days. He is the father of 10 chil-

dren, 22 grandchildren, and 53 great-grandchildren.

Some of his well known sayings are: "Tell the Lord, Thank You!"

(Say it 3 times). "Do not feel no pain, God

has been good to me." He says, "If you take care of your body when you are young, it will take care of it's

self when you get old." and "Push through the pain. Play through the pain. Fight the good fight of faith in Jesus Christ."

### Victor Hernandez Running For The Mayor of Lubbock, Texas

Victor Hernandez has thrown his hat into the ring for Mayor of Lubbock, Texas.

Mr. Hernandez, bilingual, bicultural, attorney and counselor at law since June 1989 (26 years), is the sole proprietor of Victor Hernandez Law Offices which specializes in the areas of family law, personal injury law, and criminal defense law.

Concurrently with his law practice, Mr. Hernandez has been and currently continues to be a Lubbock City Councilperson (1993 - 2004; 2010 - present). As such, he has assumed and continues to assume, not only a local leadership role, but leadership roles at both state (President, Association of Hispanic Municipal Officials -TML) and national levels (Pres-



Victor Hernandez

ident, Hispanic Elected Local Officials - NLC). Currently, Councilman Hernandez serves on the Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS) Advisory Committee on Retirement Mat-

ters, and is the Executive Director of the Association of Hispanic Municipal Officials (TML Affiliate). Mr. Hernandez is a 2013 Community Champion Award Recipient from the North and East Lubbock Community Development Corporation and, is the 2014 Community Leader of the Year Award Recipient of LULAC Council 263.

In addition to being an attorney and city councilman, Mr. Hernandez is a veteran of Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm (Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iraq - 1990-1991). Having received his commission in the United States Army through the University of Texas at El Paso R.O.T.C. program, Mr. Hernandez ultimately attained the rank

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# **Mother Catherine McCormick Passes Away Here Last Week**



Funeral services for Mother Catherine McCormick were held at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church with her grandsons, Pastor John Mc-Cormick, Cross Walk African Methodist Episcopal Church of Rond Rock, Texas, and Pastor Ralph McCormick, Second Calvary Baptist Church of Charlotte, North Carolina, officiating. Rev. Eda Beans was the host pastor.

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

Mother McCormick, age 103 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Wednesday, January

It is believed that she was the oldest living African-American woman in Lubbock. She was born on August 28,

1912 to Barney B. Hightower

and Allie Edwards in Tolar,

Texas. She and her family moved to Granbury, Texas where she attended public schools and later married. In 1946, she married Daniel McCormick, and relocated to

Lubbock, Texas. She served as co-owner and bookkeeper of Dan's Garage and a grocery store they purchased, named D & K Grocery.

Mother McCormick professed her faith in Christ at an early age and exemplified such faith through her lifestyle. She

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### **Gordon Harris Seeking The Lubbock City Council, District Two**

Gordon Harris said he's been fighting for the residents in District 2 for a long time, and now he's hoping to fight for them in the Lubbock City Council.

Harris announced last week he's running for District 2, a seat being vacated by Councilman Floyd Price who has represented the district since 2004. He joins Shelia Patterson-Harris and recently announced Christopher Moore and Tiger Pratt.

"The community needs it, our community has no representation," he said. "We need a voice. We got to right the wrong that's been done to our community."

Being the voice for District 2 is what Harris said he's running on. As a member of the City

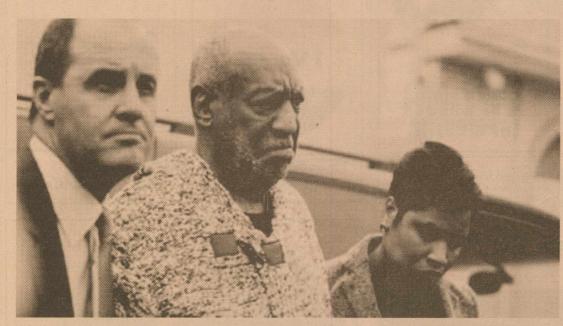


Council, Harris said he'd work to bring businesses into the district, work to get public improvement projects complete in the district and to make sure it's included in Lubbock's growth

— areas in which he said the east and southeast Lubbock district has been overlooked.

"I've been to some of the worst cities in the world, to Continue on Page 8

### **Bill Cosby Arrested and Officially Charged** - But Should a 78-Year Old Man Go to **Jail For Decades-Old Crimes?**



Elkins Park, PA — Actor/ comedian Bill Cosby, who has been accused by more than 50 women of sexual assault, has for the first time ever been arrested and officially charged for at least one of the accusations. The arrest warrant was issued for Cosby for allegedly drugging and sexually assaulting Andrea Constand, a former Temple University employee at his Pennsylvania mansion back in January

He was released after posting \$1 million bail.

His lawyers commented, "The charge by the Montgomery County District Attorney's Office came as no surprise, filed 12 years after the alleged incident and coming on the heels of a hotly contested election for this county's DA during which this case was made the focal point. Make no mistake, we intend to mount a vigorous defense against this unjustified charge and we expect that Mr. Cosby will be exonerated by a court of

But Montgomery County Dis-

trict Attorney-Elect Kevin Steele fired back and said, "A prosecutor's job is to follow the evidence wherever it leads and whenever it comes to light. Upon examination of all the evidence, today we are able to seek justice on behalf of the victim."

But why re-open the case? Prosecutors say the the release of a deposition last summer from a 2005 civil suit filed by Constand caused the District Attorney's office to reopen the case. In that deposition, Cosby

admitted to giving quaaludes, a sedative and hypnotic medication, to women he wanted to have sex with.

Cosby has previously said what happened between him and Constand was consensual, but in more recent court filings Constand said it was not consensual, and that she was in a relationship with another woman at the time.

The statute of limitations to charge Cosby would have run out in January 2016, so the arrest was made just in time.

### Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

The obituary announcing the passing of Mr. Fulton Berry, Jr. (1/21/16) filled me with a mixture of sadness and fond memories. Mr. Berry was a trailblazer in our community, someone to look up to and admire, and a good man. Mr. Berry, Mr. Price, Jr., and Mr. Britt all made significant contributions in shaping the character and history of our city and what makes her such a special place.

I remember listening to "the Soul Patrol" as a high school student in Lubbock. Fond memories of the passionate and sometimes humorous dialogue between the hosts brought flashbacks of listening to the show on Sunday evenings on AM radio.

Sincerely, Andrew Turner aturner@peoplesbanktexas.com

Thank you very much! You were right on target! Take care.



Stacey Dash Says, "Get Rid of Black **History Month and** BET" and "BET Lies to Black People"

Nationwide — Actress and political commentator Stacey Dash is being criticized again for making comments that some say offend African American culture. First, she publicly stated that we should get rid of Black History Month BET, and then she responded to a tweet from BET accusing them of lying to Black people.

Here's what happened in chronological order:

#1 – First, she said this on an episode of Fox News' Outnum-

"We have to make up our minds. Either we want to have segregation or integration, and if we don't want segregation, then we have to get rid of channels like BET and the BET Awards and the Image Awards, where you're only awarded if you're black," she continued. "If it were the other way around, we'd be up in arms. It's a double standard. There shouldn't be a black history month. We're Americans, period."

#2 - Then, BET responded via a tweet saying:

"Soooooo @REALStacey-Dash can we get our check back... or nah? #Remember #You Were On The Game Continue on Page 9





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### **Mae Simmons**

**Community and Senior Centers** What's Happening This Month!

# **SWEETHEART'S** DANCE

Friday, February 12 from 7-10pm

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### LADIES TEA PARTY

February 16 at 1:30 pm, Free, Ages 50+ Join the ladies of Mae Simmons for a tea party with tea, refreshments and a craft. This month's project Make and Take Flower Vase





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# In Cinque

By Renetta Howard



This is a new year and each of us has a new start. Some of us start on a new diet to attempt to rid ourselves of those extra pounds that we acquired while making merry during the Christmas and New Year celebrations. I am guilty myself and I know the drill. Starting a new diet is as common as getting rid of the last year's clutter and baggage. Both can be some strenuous exercises in addition to the physical exercises that we should be doing as a part of our regular daily routines. Exercise is important if we want to lose a few pounds regardless to what we eat or consume in the food line, regardless to our age.

With regards to age and if we live, we will age. The thing that puzzles me now is the big push to keep from aging. We will age as we grow and if we grow, we will age. There may be something available somewhere to slow aging, but a little bit of common sense should tell us all that this is a natural progression of life and it will continue until we depart this earth. I am still trying to figure out why young girls and young women are putting so much emphasis on how their faces look. The outcome is sometimes horrendous as to what they are doing to and with themselves. They have so many bottles of facial creams and ointments, oils, soaps, shampoos and rinses and conditioners until a poor grandmother has no place to put her bath gel, lotion and cologne if she shares a bathroom with any female over 16 years old.

old.

Certainly, I have and still occasionally use a little mascara, eyebrow pencil, eye shadow and a dab of face powder when I spruce up for a special occasion, but on a daily basis, I use lipstick when I think about it. I have been blessed as some would say,

with what they call 'beautiful skin,' but I feel that most people have beautiful skin and if kept clean, it usually remains that way. Now I am aware that some people have some skin impurities that need medical attention and that they should seek medical care for such situations instead of trying to remedy it themselves which is what too many people do.

When I look for coupons to take to the grocery store, I find very few now because the coupon booklets are filled with advertisements for facial creams that increase the youthful look, shampoos and hair conditioners that increase the length and gloss of your hair, bath soaps, gels and lotions that make the skin soft and beautiful and cat and dog food and probiotics. Probiotics may have some merit, but I cease to see any merit in any of the other items to produce what they claim. I have been looking at people my whole life and I have yet to see any miraculous changes which have taken place in anyone using any of those

I have seen changes in people who have skin peels and skin tightened and lifted with surgery which can be very dangerous and very expensive. Then too, what we do to our outsides does not change what we have inside, so it appears that we need to get 'in cinque' and love and accept ourselves as God made us and enjoy this New Year with grace.

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# **Beyond The Rhetoric**

by Harry C. Alford

Filthy Rich and Dangerous

– Part 1

My early days of being an activist seem so simple now. A hot head reporter or radio personality would challenge my actions and I would simply shut him/her down with my quips and verbal jockeying. An IRS series of audits, police interrogations, being pulled over by the state police for no reason were some of those tactics back then in Indiana. A strange car following our sons home from school was about the lowest tactic. Our opponents, politicians and local business owners found that we were afraid of nothing. We took a vow of near poverty. That meant we had nothing serious to lose and they had nothing to leverage us into submission or contrition.

When we (my wife, Kay and I) decided that the above state was not beneficial to our twin son's upbringing, we left Indy for Washington, DC and began to live an upscale lifestyle. We brought with us an understanding of local political harassment and how to dodge around it. We relied on that experience until now. It appears that we have arrived in the major leagues and the enemies would not be some Hoosier Hicks. All of a sudden we were in the arena of billionaires who saw money as no object and vengeance as a requirement to their under the table activities. These guys make presidents, congresspersons, senators, etc. They take no prisoners (literally). One of my friends explained to me: "You have been used to dealing with people who seek to knock you down. These folks here will take you all the way out. They will seek to destroy you!"

One of my first examples of this was during the first Clinton Administration. The number two person at the Small Business Administration was a sister who decided that the SBA would

# THIS NºTHAT

by T. J. Patterson

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

THIS N THAT ...... wants to take this opportunity and say ...... THANK YOU ..... for everyone who were involved in the arrest of a seventeen year old male ..... we will not give his name or show his photo ..... as this has already been done by general media ...... and was booked into the Lubbock County Detention Center..... According to ..... LT. RAY MENDOZA ..... this was done because of a ...... SEXUAL ASSAULT CHARGE ..... due to a ...... DNA CONFIR-MATION ..... which linked him to a sexual assault on September

no longer get into the procurement business and just concentrate on lending and technical support. That was war to us and we prepared for battle. We raised some serious noise on a national basis and this caught the attention of the White House. Some elderly guy met with some of our principals. No one really knew who he was. But when he realized that we were prepared for "war" he made a suggestion. 'If I talked to Bill (the president) and told him if we removed this lady from her position, the problem would go away - would that work?" We said yes. Two weeks later she was gone! She went to one of Vernon Jordan's companies (He was a board member for about a dozen Fortune 100 companies). That spoke vol-

It also made us aware that there was a force out there that was more powerful than the President. As the "body counts" under the Clinton Administration started to multiply and the overwhelming scandals started to appear, it was so clear to me. Forget about the movies, this was the real "Empire". My advocacy remained strong but I purposely remained under the

29, 2015 ...... as he gained entry through a kitchen window and entered the victim's bedroom and sexually assaulted the female...... Prior to his arrest ...... Lubbock Police had been working tremendously to find who was responsible for this act and others...... This is why ...... THIS N THAT ..... wants to say ..... THANK YOU ...... to everyone who was involved...... Among those are GREG STEVENS ...... PO-LICE CHIEF STEVENS AND THE LUBBOCK POLICE DEPARTMENT ..... **NEIGHBOR-**DUNBAR HOOD ASSOCIATION ..... with the leadership of ...... BIL-

"radar" of these real power brokers

So I played this game. A few "jabs" here and a "duck" there, progress was being made. In fact, our positions were similar to the platform of President George W. Bush. The Pro – Business arena saw talent in me and the National Black Chamber of Commerce. We were on a major roll and considered the voice of Black business. Fortune Magazine, the House, the Senate and cable television referred to the NBCC to measure the mood of Black business.

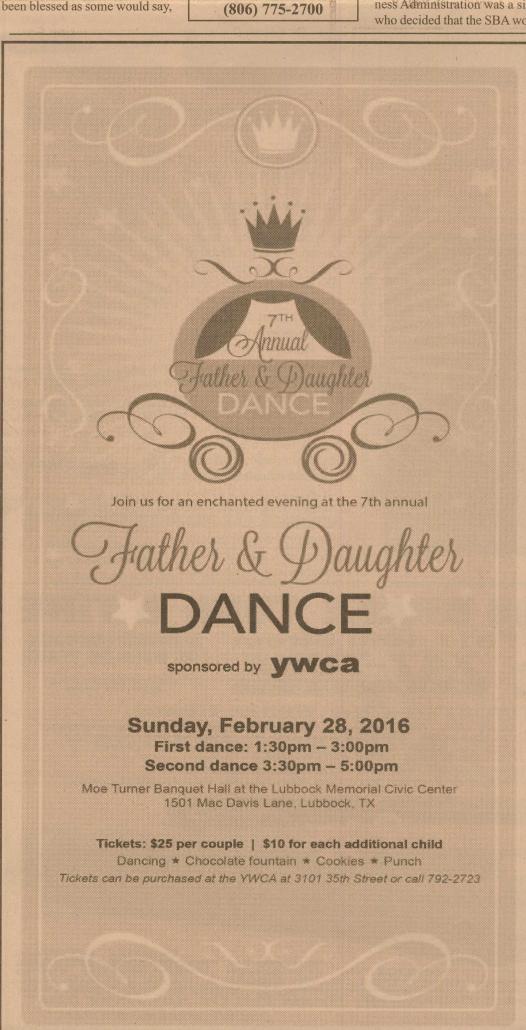
Then, as Earth, Wind and Fire would say: "Something happened along the way and what used to be happy turned sad" The presidential race for 2008 brought the fiercest political battle in the history of the United States. It wasn't Democrats versus Republicans any more, it was do or die. There were a lot of organizations: environment, taxation, education, military, labor, economic parity, Civil Rights, Homosexual, etc. But now, there was a major movement to take all of these organizations and classify them as Group 1 and Group 2. Saying liberal or conservative wasn't

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enough. Terms like Progressive and Free Market became defining roles. Thus, America and the western world for that matter became divided into two groups of tribes. We, the NBCC, found ourselves classified as Free Market and that was cool to us. The Progressives came up with this project named Barack Hussein Obama. Muslim name, African blood mixed with Caucasian blood and early roots in Islamic Indonesia. It was unique to say the least.

So, when the Progressive groups like Green Peace, 1 Percenters, SEIU and other hostile organizations launched a physical attack on the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and its members the format was set. They viewed capitalism as their enemy and a socialistic/communistic philosophy as their mantra. The White House was on their side and they would not compromise in the least. The world, as we know it, was about to change. Chaos was in charge!

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# We Thank God for Jesus

"God Is Judging America" Written by Evangelist Billy "BJ" Morrison, III

Matthew 15:7 - 8 -- Jesus said, You hypocrites, well did Esai'as prophesy of you, saying, This people draw near unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching the doctrines the commandments of men

\*\*\* RUNNING AROUND SAYING; FREE AT LAST---FREE AT LAST!!!\*\*\*

GOD DID BLESS AMER-ICA; it's the land of riches: OF MANY THINGS UNTOLD. BUT SHE WENT AWAY FROM GOD; FOR THE LOVE OF MANY THINGS; **MONEY AND GOLD!!!** 

1 Timothy 6:10 -- For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

GOD BLESSED AMER-ICA; AND WANTED THE FRUIT OF HER CHILDREN **BUT HER CHILDREN ARE** LIKE SOUR FRUIT; ---UNFIT FOR THE THIS **MOST BLESSED LAND!!!** 

Isaiah 1:4a -- God said, Yes, a sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evil doers, Children that are corrupted: they have forsaken the Lord.

(AMERICA can do heart and kidney transplants; go to the MOON. She can DO

ADAM in his image; MAN CALLS IT CLONING. AMERICA can do what GOD **DID TO GET JESUS; PREG-**NATE A WOMAN WITH-**OUT A SEXUAL RELATION** IS VERY SHIP.---SHE PROUD!!!)

\*\*\* IS AMERICA NOW **ROBBING GOD???\*\*\*** 

AMERICA left the WORD OF GOD; she wanted to do HER OWN THING .-- AND NOW THE SINS OF HER DOINGS; ONLY BRINGS SHAME, SHAME, SHAME!!!

Luke 19:14 -- His citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this man to reign over us.

(AMERICA KICKED PRAYER OUT OF HER SCHOOL--- ONE WOMAN; SAID I DON'T WANT MY CHILD TO PRAY; WHERE WAS THE MIGHTY CHRIS-TANS;--- WHO DIDN'T STAND; --- AND SAY; IN OURS SCHOOLS OUR CHRISTIAN CHILDREN WILL PRAY???)---

\*\*CHRISTIANS ROBBED

AMERICA TELLS HER CHILDREN; STAY AWAY FROM DRUGS. ----WHILE TALKING TO HER CHIL----THERE'S DREN: WHISKY, WINE OR BEER; IN THEIR OWN DRINKING

Matthew 15:14 -- Jesus WHAT GOD DID To make said, Let them along: they be

blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.

(AMERICA WILL SHOW-**BEER DRINKING: DURING** THE SUPER BOWL, PEO-PLE LAUGHING AND HAV-ING A GOOD TIME. --- CHILDREN ARE WATCH-ING; THEY HAVEN'T BEEN THE WHOLE STORY; --- HOW ALCOHOL IS A DRUG;--- THAT DE-STROYS THE BODY SOUL AND MIND!!!)

Proverb 20:1 - WINE is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

\*\*\* AMERICA; WILL NOT; REPENT TO SODOM AND GO-MOR-RAH!!!\*\*\*

With all the TROUBLES IN AMERICA: SHE WANTS TO TEACH THE FOREIGN MAN. AMERICA IS A HYP-OCRITE; ---WHEN SHE IS THE WORSE IN ALL THE LAND!!!

Micah 7:2-3 -- The Lord said, The good man is perished out of the earth: and there is none upright among men: they all lie in wait for blood; and they hunt every man his brother with a net. That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince (THE PRESIDENT) ask, and the judge ask for a reward; and the great man, he utters his mischievous desire: so they wrap it.

### St. Matthew Baptist Church

2020 East 14th Street Rev. Edward Canady, Pastor Lubbock, Texas 79403

(806) 744-7154 Again, we must say, what a The morning sermon was dewonderful time we had at the St. livered by Pastor Canady. His

Matthew Baptist Church on Sunday morning, January 24, 2016, where the proud pastor is the Rev. Edward Canady

Sunday morning services begun at 10:10 a.m. with our Superintendent, Sister Shirley Davis, presiding.

The subject of our Sunday School lesson was entitled "Broken Relationships." The scripture text was Hosea 1.

The Sunday School lesson was taught and reviewed by Pastor Canady. A wonderful job he did again with his presentation.

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted by Sister Arlene Jackson and Sister Shirley

Pastor Canady entered the Church with the Choir and Congregation singing "Near The Cross."

subject was "Don't Bend - Don't Bear - Don't Burn!" His scripture text was Daniel 3:16, 17 &

Again, it was a very informative message. It was well received by all in attendance.

The morning announcements were read by Sister Shirley Canady, our First Lady, who always does an outstanding

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

1. The Missionary Society meets on Wednesday evenings at 5:00 p. m.

2. Bible Study is held on Wednesday evenings also. It's amazing what can be learned when God's people come together and study together. It's just amazing!

3. Choir Rehearsal is held

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May God continue to bless each of you until next week. As we've mentioned, if you are looking for a Church Home, then do come and visit with us. Or you may call Pastor Canady at (806) 744-2445.

### Mental Health in the Black Community

Mental health is something that is widely disregarded amongst the black community. If someone of color is facing mental uncertainties, we only seem to label them as the "crazy" family member or friend, gossip about their "craziness," and ask everybody in the church to pray for them. We as people are applauded when we bring home good grades or accolades, routinely apply for jobs, keep the house clean, represent the family name well, etc. However, when we attempt to open up to our

parents or peers of color about our mental instabilities, their immediate response is "there ain't nothing wrong with you." In result, we attempt to combat our feelings and emotions, by ourselves, in our head, which isn't healthy.

African Americans are 20% more likely to report having serious psychological distress than Non-Hispanic Whites, according to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. However, young black adults, especially those with higher levels of edu-

cation are significantly less likely to seek mental health services than their white counterparts, according to the American Psychological Association. A qualitative study discovered that among Blacks who were already mental health consumers, over a third felt that mild depression or anxiety would be considered "crazy" in their social circles; furthermore talking about problems with an outsider (i.e., therapist) may be viewed as airing

### Flint: Lawsuit Demands New Pipes To Remove Lead Water by The Skanner

FLINT, Mich. (AP) — Environmental and civil rights groups want a federal judge to order the prompt replacement of all lead pipes in Flint's water system to ensure that residents have a safe drinking supply, a demand that Gov. Rick Snyder said on Wednesday, January 27, 2016, might be a long-term option but not an immediate one.

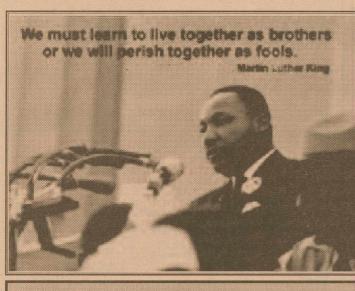
A lawsuit filed Wednesday, January 27, 2016, seeks an order forcing city and state officials to remedy alleged violations of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act,



including a failure to properly treat the water for corrosion, test it for lead, notify residents of results and accurately report if the correct sample sites are being selected. Flint residents are currently unable to drink unfiltered tap water, and tests have shown high lead levels in some children's blood.

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of lead in drinking water is to conduct the full replacement of the lead-containing pipes and solder in a water system," said Sarah Tallman, a lawyer with the Natural Resources Defense Council. The group filed the complaint on behalf of citizens along with the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan, the Concerned Pastors for Social Action and Melissa Mays, a Flint resident.

Snyder's administration has est imated it could cost up to \$55 million to repair what officials have estimated are 15,000 damaged lead service lines leading from water mains to homes

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and other buildings. The com-

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plaint says the pipes should be news conference in Flint, said "a replaced at no cost to customers. Ossie Curry ices lines fully are. ... The short-term issue is about

> saying the water is safe." will have an increased adminis-

term effort. And Flint Mayor

Marc Edwards will oversee

The governor, speaking at a lot of work is being done to even understand where the lead serv-

recoating the pipes and that will be based on third-party experts He announced that the state

trative presence in Flint and called it the beginning of a long-Karen Weaver said she hired

a Virginia Tech professor whose extensive testing helped bring the city's lead problems to light.

all water testing done by the state and federal governments. She added that he will be "fully independent," report to her and get paid through private dona**Continue on Page 9** 

She also touched on the issue of residents' water bills. A House-passed spending bill pending in the state Senate includes \$3 million to help the city with unpaid water bills.

"Flint residents should not have to pay for water they did not and are not using," Weaver said. "Once we have more accurate numbers from the Flint water department, we will revisit what is right for our citizens."

It remains unclear when residents will be able to resume drinking unfiltered water.

State Department of Environmental Quality Interim Director Keith Creagh said water samples show "things are trending better," but he stressed they are not statistically valid because he cannot guarantee homeownerprovided samples are from homes at more risk — those with lead pipes or with no filters.

"Now we need to figure out ... is there a protective barrier" being recoated on the inside of the lead lines by anti-corrosion chemicals, Creagh said. "Yes or no? ... We're not going to guess."

He said officials are working to identify neighborhoods with no lead pipes, so those residents can get the all clear on their

It remains unclear how badly the pipes were damaged after the decision in 2014 to use the Flint River as the city's drinking water

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# **Obsequies**

### Odessa Marie Felder

Funeral services for Odessa Marie Felder were held on Tuesday afternoon, January 19, 2016, at the St. John Baptist Church with Pastor Solomon Fields as Officiate & Eulogist.

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

Odessa passed away on Tuesday, January 12, 2016.

She was born on March 8, 1947 in Whitewright, Texas to Joe W. Henderson and Flora M. Henderson.

Odessa received Christ at an early age and was baptized at Greater St. Luke Baptist Church. She later united with St. John Baptist Church, and served in the Mission Ministry.

Odessa received her formal education in the Lubbock Independent School District and Texas Tech University.

She met and married Willie J. Felder on August 12, 1968. Included in this union was a son, Darren J. Felder. Born into this union was one son, Donovan, and four daughters: Dana, Shaundrra, Vanessa, and Antoinette.



She furthered her education by attending South Plains College, and became a Licensed Vocational Nurse. She was employed as a nurse for 27 years in Lubbock, Texas for several hospitals and other nursing facilities throughout Lubbock. Odessa retired from Heritage Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in 2013.

Odessa was preceded in death by her parents, Joe & Flora Henderson; husband, Willie Felder: son, Donovan Felder; siblings, Linda and Chester Henderson.

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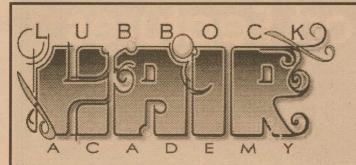
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### Ida Mae Tolbert

Funeral services for Ida Mae Tolbert on Saturday afternoon, January 9, 2016, at the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church with Rev. Wendell Davis, pastor, as the Officiate & Eulogist.

Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home & Chapel of Lub-

She passed away on Thursday, December 31, 2015.

Ida was born February 9, 1922 to the parents of Sam and Emma Waites in Marlin, Texas.

She married the late Robert Lee Tolbert on July 17, 1970 in Lubbock, and to this union nine children were born.

She was a faithful member of the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church for many years and loved praising the Lord.

Matthew 4:9 reads, and Jesus called out to them saying: "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

Ida loved to fish, and she used her passion for fishing to follow these words and ran her

ished by: siblings: James Jernigan of Palo Alto, California, Joe Henderson, Jr. (Catherine) of Arlington, Texas, John Henderson (Karen), Tommy Henderson, and Mary Jo Henderson Wilson, all of Lubbock, Texas, Margaret Henderson Nathan of Arlington, Texas, and Dora Henderson Miller (Larry) of Denver, Colorado; children: Darren J. Felder (Lisa) of Arlington, Texas, Dana G. Felder, Shaundrra R. Felder, Vanessa J. Felder Bolden, all of Arlington, Texas, and Antoinette P. Felder of Lubbock, Texas; thirteen grandchildren: Denee', Ta'Je, Tre'Shaun, Betrice, Domodricle, Jhlesa, Mariah, A'-Darra, Ryan, Vivian, Derissa, Trazis, and Toddrick; eight great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Active Pallbearers were: Roy Gene Toler, Ramone Spencer, Tre'Shaun Parker, Goldie Andrews, Charlie Frelix, Jr., and Leroy Hernandez.

Honorary Pallbearers were: James Jernigan, Joe Henderson, John Henderson, Larry Miller, Timothy Nathan, Malcolm Miller, and Mark Wilson.

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race until she passed in Lubbock, Texas.

She also loved quilting and spending time with her family and grandchildren who she loved dearly.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Sam and Emma Waits; two brothers and twelve

She leaves to celebrate her life a legacy: one son, Robert Tolbert, Jr.; five daughters: Ruby York, Eddie Mae High, Janice Kenz, Joyce Allen and Louise Yoder; thirty-six grandchildren; sixty-six great-grandchildren; and sixteen great-great-grand-

Casket Bearers were: Chester Brooks, Gary Vester, Stephen Jones, Robert Thompson, Michael Vester, Frank Jones, C. J. Davis, Dwight Briley, and Roy Lee Howard.

Believe While Others Are... by William Arthur Ward Believe while others are doubting. Plan while others are playing. Study while others are sleeping Decide while others are delaying. Prepare while others are daydreaming. Begin while others are procrastinating. Work while others are wishing. Save while others are wasting. Listen while others are talking. Smile while others are frowning.

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are criticizing.

Persist while others are quitting.

Funeral services were held

for Darrell DeWayne Walker on

Friday afternoon, January 29,

pastor, officiating.

Darrell DeWayne Walker

Luerena Toliver

Funeral services were held for Luerena Toliver on Monday afternoon, January 18, 2016, at Hope Deliverance Temple with Pastor Rodney Tanner as Officiate & Eulogist.

Interment was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Luerena passed away on Wednesday, January 13, 2016, in Lubbock, Texas.

She was born on January 7, 1948 to the parentage of Leroy and Mary Robinson in Austin,

As a young woman, she relocated to Lubbock, Texas where she raised two children.

She was a faithful member of Christ Temple COGIC, and later Hope Deliverance Temple.

She was a loving daughter, mother, and friend to many people and her family and friends who were the center of her life. She will be truly missed.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Leroy and Mary Robinson.



Luerena leaves to chrish her memories: daughter, Chandra Childers of Washington, D. C.; a son, Robert Robinson, of Lub bock, Texas; grandson, Michael Randle of Fayetteville, N. C.; brother, Milton Robinson (Maxine), and a host of other relatives and friends.

Active Pallbearers were: Robert Thompson, Adrian Thompson, Marshall Easley, Jerry Willard, Marcel Grant, and DeShaun Thompson.

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### **Devon Deshon Holland**

Funeral services for Devon Deshon Holland were held on Monday afternoon, January 25, 2016, at the Divine Love

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

Holland, 18, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Sunday, January 17, 2016.

Devon was born on May 18, 1997, to the parentage of Bubba Holland and Jessica Hernandez.

Devon was a loving son, father and friend to many people. He enjoyed spending time with his close friends and family. All who knew him will truly miss

Devon was preceded in death by his great-grandparents,



Guadalupe Zapata and Pandro Hernandez.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his parents, Bubba and Jessica; girlfriend, Jocelyn Hernandez; son, Landyn Holland; sisters, Arcasia Holland and Jasmine Childress; brothers, Isaiah Holland, James Childress and Keyshaun Broussard; grandparents, Frank and Frances Hernandez; great-grandmother, Elviva Montoya and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

truly miss him.

He was preceded in death by his loving parents; and two brothers.

He leaves to cherish his memories: five sisters: Mary Webb, Mary Walker, Ethel Walker, Barbara Ridge (Joe), and Tonya Walker (Mack); three brothers: Lewis Walker, Donald Ray Walker (Shauna), and Albert Walker; three aunts, and a host of other relatives and friends.



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Texas, passed away on Tuesday, January 19, 2016. He was born on October 25,

1966 to the parentage of Lewis Charles and Annie Walker. Walker attended Lubbock

Public Schools, and graduated from Estacado High School in

He was employed as a Teacher's Aide at Estacado High School, and eventmually became a home healthare aide for MHMR clients.

Darrell had a loving personality and enjoyed helping people in need. He gave his life to Christ as an adult, under the pastoral leadership of Apostle Tom Sawyer. All who knew him will



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# South African Mayor Creates Scholarship For Girls Who Pass "Virginity Test"



Uthukela, South Africa — A mayor in South Africa is being both praised and criticized for awarding scholarships to 16 young women who have remained virgins. Dudu Mazibuko (a woman), the mayor of the Uthukela district in the southeastern part of South Africa, says she only gives financial aid to young women who agree to undergo regular "virginity tests."

She told a local radio station, "To us, it's just to say thank you for keeping yourself and you can still keep yourself for the next three years until you get your degree or certificate. As long as the child can produce a certificate that she is still a virgin, the scholarships will be renewed."

However, some loca groups are insulted by what she is doing, and say that this is a form of sexual violation because of the procedure involved to confirm the girls really are virgins. Reportedly, they check to see if the girls' vaginal hymen is intact, but doctors say that the hymen can be broken due to reasons unrelated to sex.

Palesa Mpapa of People Opposing Women Abuse, a Johannesburg-based women's rights

organization, says, "This is a patriarchal mechanism of controlling women's sexuality for marriage and it does not link to educational success. It also is a discriminatory practice against girls as boys are never publicly tested for virginity, yet they are parties to the cause for loss of virginity. This practice stigmatizes girls who could have lost

virginity through rape or incest."

Its also been pointed out that

a girl that has been raped, which is very common in South Africa, would be penalized and would not qualify for a scholarship because her virginity has been taken without her consent.

Despite this, Mazibuko continues to defend the scholarship's purpose which is to help protect young women from sexual exploitation, teen pregnancy, and STDs.

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### 2nd Community Speak-Out Scheduled:

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**Mae Simmons Community Center** 

District 2, City Council Candidate, Shelia Patterson-Harris and her Campaign Team are scheduled to appear on February 9, 2016 at the Mae Simmons Community Center located at 2004 Oak Avenue. This Community Speak-Out will begin at 6:00 p.m.

The public is invited as well as the community of District 2. Whether you live in this District or not, you are invited to come and share your ideas and concerns for not only District 2,

but your ideas and concerns for the City of Lubbock. The first Community Speak-

Out was held at the Hodges Community Center. Candidate Patterson-Harris plans are to set up times to appear at several of the community centers/facilities within District 2, allowing members of the community and the city of Lubbock the opportunity for their voices to be heard. This Forum has been designated specifically as a time for the people of our community

to speak out. Please come and share your ideas & suggestions, voice your concerns & questions in this gathering.

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That event honored U.S. service members and their families.

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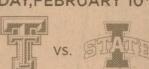






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### Black America and the Class Divide

The economic gap within the African-American community is one of the most important factors in the rise of Black Lives Matter, led by a new generation of college graduates and students.

By HENRY LOUIS GATES Jr

In 1903, W. E. B. Du Bois, the leading scholar of the first half of the 20th century, defined the urgency of black social responsibility in his famous essay "The Talented Tenth" — 10 being the percentage of the African-American demographic needed to lead the race into an integrated, equal America. In "The Talented Tenth," Du Bois called for "intelligent leadership" directed by "college-trained men" devoted to a "thorough understanding of the mass of Negroes and their problems" for the purpose of solving these problems, still so deeply entrenched a half century after the abolition of slavery.

Forty-five years later, Du Bois would lament, this call had been largely ignored. He worried aloud about the growing class divide within Black America and how the consequences of that divide might affect the task of "lifting as we climb," the motto of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs, describing the privilege and burden of the middle class to facilitate black upward mobility.

Indeed, by 1948 Du Bois felt that the new black middle class had forgotten this noble calling. There had been, even during his college days at Fisk, trouble-some warning signs: "sharp young persons, who received the education given very cheaply at Fisk University, with the distinct and single-minded idea, of seeing how much they could make out of it for themselves, and no-body else."

Du Bois knew, of course, that any black person at that time had to struggle to tear down barriers just to lift oneself and one's family. But that was not enough: Successful black people, he said, must recognize that their place in life was merely a matter of opportunity. "If such opportunity were extended and broadened, a thousand times as many Negroes could join the ranks of the educated and able, instead of sinking into poverty, disease, and crime."

Du Bois also knew that Black America had never consisted of one social or economic class. Even before the outbreak of the Civil War, about 11 percent of Black America was free, some born into families that had been free for generations. And in 1899, when Du Bois published his seminal sociological study, "The Philadelphia Negro," he was already noting that these two classes had morphed into four: the middle class and above, working people ("fair to comfortable"), the poor and, in terms his Victorian contemporaries would have approved of, the "vicious and criminal classes."

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Continue reading the main story Du Bois would probably be astonished to see how these



Today's student activists could be considered the grandchildren of W.E.B. Du Bois's "talented 10th." Above, protesting last November at the University of Missouri's Columbia campus.

Credit Daniel Brenner for The New York Times

classes have fared, especially since the death of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in 1968, just as new affirmative action programs were beginning to expand drastically the ranks of black students on white campuses and thus to affect the class structure of Black America.

The Harvard sociologist William Julius Wilson calls the remarkable gains in black income "the most significant change" since Dr. King's passing. When adjusted for inflation to 2014 dollars, the percentage of African-Americans making at least \$75,000 more than doubled from 1970 to 2014, to 21 percent. Those making \$100,000 or more nearly quadrupled, to 13 percent (in contrast, white Americans saw a less impressive increase, from 11 to 26 percent). Du Bois's "talented 10th" has become the "prosperous 13 per-

But, Dr. Wilson is quick to note, the percentage of Black America with income below

### Gordon Harris Running For City Council

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where at even a guy of my size locked the doors because the neighborhood is so bad," he said. "But at least they have something."

He describes himself as a single father, 1981 graduate of Estacado High and retired assistant administrator of Lubbock ISD's alternative education program.

He said he also served as a University Interscholastic League basketball referee for more than 25 years.

Harris was among the group of about 50 people who attended the last City Council meeting. He told the council more needs to be done to encourage development in east Lubbock, saying the city needs to be looked at as a whole and not just by districts.

In 2013, Harris led two unsuccessful petitions to recall Price.

"We need better representation in East Lubbock," he told A-J Media at the time he was filing the second petition.

Harris said he has been meeting with the people of District 2 to hear their concerns, and he hopes to address those in the City Council.

\$15,000 declined by only four percentage points, to 22 percent.

In other words, there are really two nations within Black America. The problem of income inequality, Dr. Wilson concludes, is not between Black America and White America but between black haves and havenots, something we don't often discuss in public in an era dominated by a narrative of fear and failure and the claim that racism impacts 42 million people in all the same ways.

The class divide is, in my opinion, one of the most important and overlooked factors in the rise of Black Lives Matter, led by a new generation of college graduates and students.

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# Mother McCormick Passes Here

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was a faithful member of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church of Lubbock, Texas where she served in several auxilaries. Later, she united with Smith Temple Church, known as the "Mother of the Church."

Her parents, husband, Daniel McCormick; step-mother, Henri Hightower; one sister, and one son preceded her in death.

She leaves to cherish her memoiries: her daughter, Maxine McCormick; goddaughters, H. M. Henderson (John) and Cassandra Berry; three grand-children; a great-granddaughter; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

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# Flint: Lawsuit Demands New Pipes Continued from Page 4

source without adding a chemical to control corrosion. That caused lead to leech into the water for a year and a half and contributed to the spike in child lead exposure before state and officials fully acknowledged the problem in early October.

Flint has reconnected to Detroit's water system while awaiting the completion of a new pipeline from Lake Huron.

The suit expresses doubt about whether the city can maintain optimal corrosion treatment when it switches to the new water source later this year.

Much of the blame for the emergency has been put on the state Department of Environmental Quality because staff told Flint water officials not to treat it for corrosion until after two

six-month monitoring periods. But the suit also focuses on problems with the city's monitoring of lead. It alleges the city is not providing comprehensive, reliable information to identify locations with lead lines and is under-testing homes with a higher risk of lead exposure.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency last week issued an emergency order directing the state to take actions to protect public health and said it would begin sampling and analyzing lead levels.

At least three other suits have been filed since the crisis was exposed in the fall. Two seek class-action status and financial compensation; another asks a judge to declare that users do not have to pay their water bills. This story has been corrected to reflect the proper name of the Natural Resources Defense Council.

### My Prayer For Today

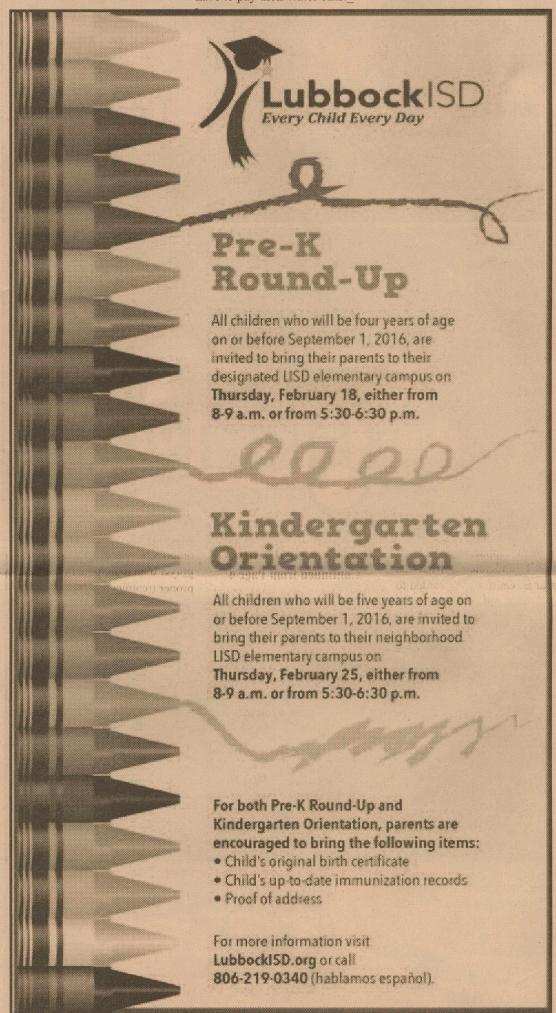
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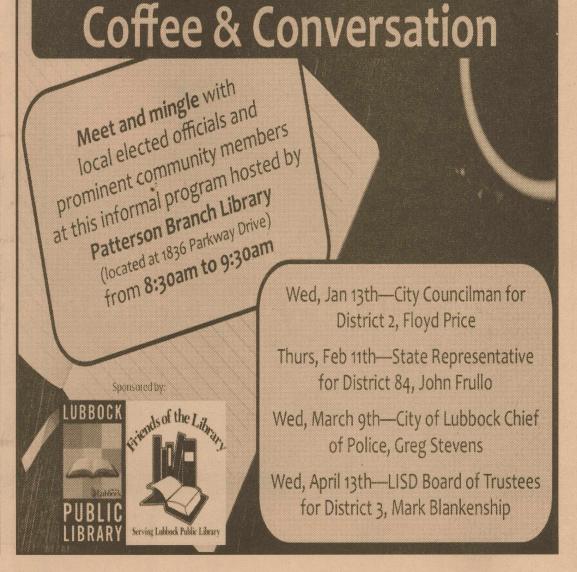
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good day."

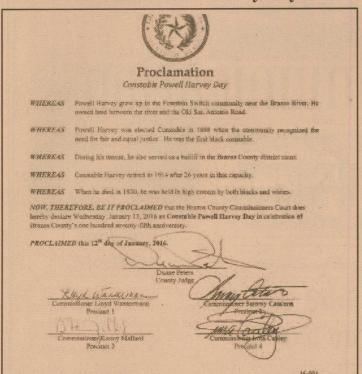
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### **Proclamation Constable Powell Harvey Day**



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### **Stacey Dash Says** "Get Rid of Black **History Month**" Continued from Page 2

#AndWeDontMeanTheRapper." The tweet was basically criticizing Dash for once co-starring on The Game, a show that airs

wants to get rid of. #3 – Then, Dash responded to BET's tweet saying:

on BET, the same network she

"I'm thankful for all of the acting jobs I've had. But I look forward to the day when people don't self-segregate based on skin color, while loudly complaining about a segregated society.'

"That might be hard for the people at BET to understand, especially after I read this quote from a BET exec about the Oscars: 'It would be great if the Oscar nominees represented even closely the percentage of moviegoers who are of different ethnicities, but they don't,' said Stephen Hill."

"Wow. Apparently, Mr. Hill doesn't understand what an Oscar is. Oscars are awarded to the actors and actresses who excel... not the audience."

"What's next? Awarding \$1 stigma. million to the guy sitting in his pajamas on the couch watching Survivor? Giving a blue ribbon to the kid who stayed home from field day? Giving a Nobel Peace Prize to a President who escalated wars in Iraq and Afghanistan? No, that would be unreasonable.'

"My problem goes back to the notion that every area of life needs to break down exactly according to demographic ratios except in those areas in which black people have decided they want to have their own space. I don't have a problem with black people having their own space. I have a problem with the folks at BET absolutely freaking out when other institutions don't match up to what they think is best...

#4 – Then, she accused BET

of lying to Black people: She said, "BET lies to American black people by telling them that the rest of America is racist, so stick close to your own kind. Anything that promotes segregation is bad! And they're absolutely mortified that someone like me — an independentthinking black woman — dares call their bluff."

Of course, since making these comments, social media has been set afire with many people both agreeing and disagreeing with Dash's opinions. Many, however, say that Dash is just looking for publicity to help promote her new 256-page book, There Goes My Social Life: From Clueless to Conservative, due in book stores this coming June. Her book deal is reportedly worth six or seven

But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer... But do this with gentleness and respect,

keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slan-

1 Peter 3:15-16

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ones "dirty laundry." We need to eliminate this

Around 48% of blacks, including myself, were raised on a ers participated. The majority Baptist foundation, accompanied by "that ain't nothing but sonal experience, I can validate be

### Victor Hernandez **Running for Mayor Continued from Page 1**

of Captain (CPT) and was assigned as the local (Lubbock -0413th Civil Affairs Company) reserve units' assistant legal officer, as well as given additional duties of morale officer over-

Mr. Hernandez and family are life-long Roman Catholics serving their local parish (St. Joseph Catholic Church) and the Catholic Diocese of Lubbock in a variety of capacities including: lector, Sunday school teacher, Red Mass Committee member and Papal Knight and Lady of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem.

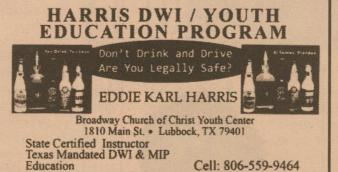
Mr. Hernandez and wife, Judge Aurora Chaides-Hernandez, J.D., B.S.N.R.N., B.S., were born and raised in El Paso, Texas (both Ysleta High School graduates) and are first generation Americans. Mr. Hernandez earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Texas at El Paso (B.B.A.) and his law degree from the Texas Tech University School of Law.

The Hernandez' have four children (all born and raised in Lubbock): 1) Gabriela Victoria Hernandez, recent graduate of Notre Dame University. 2) Benjamin Nicolas Hernandez, attending Cornell University; 3) Maria Alexandra Hernandez, attending St. Mary's College at Notre Dame, IN; and 4) Antonio Gerardo "Jerry" Hernandez, Lubbock High School junior. The Hernandez's have one grandchild, Isabella Azucena Gonzales.

that some church folk can be so bible-minded that it leaves them blinded from reality. The old fashioned logic seems to be on the lines of "if we can't see it, it must not be there." However, mental illness is a real thing. Personally, I have watched some family and friends mental health deteriorate helplessly, because onlookers were too busy in prayer than to help them receive proper treatment.

Faith without works is dead. I posted a poll on social media to see how millennial's felt about this topic. In result, over 50 votruled that they don't feel mental health in the black community is the devil," parents. Through per- taken as seriously as it should





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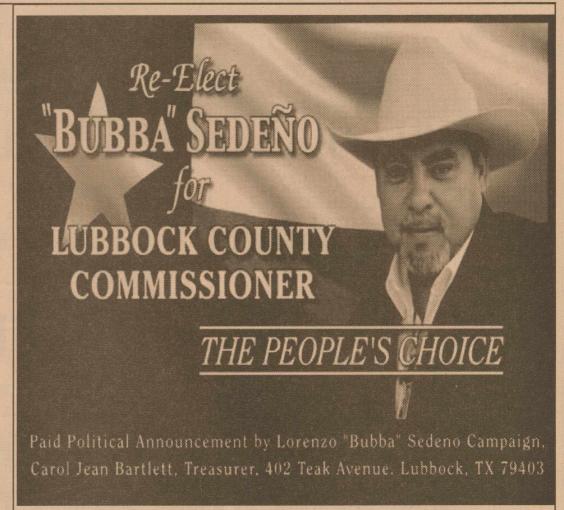
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