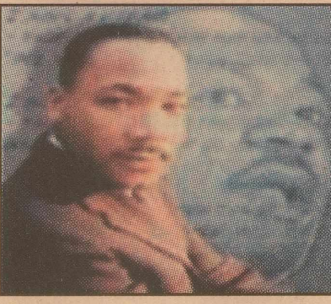




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Community Meetings

* Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.

* Hub City Kiwanis meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p. m., Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, East 24th Street & MLK Blvd.

* 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 The Bridge 1401 Redbud Avenue

* 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.

* If you have an announcement about your organization, please advise by calling (806) 762-3612 or e-mail swdigest@sbcglobal.net.

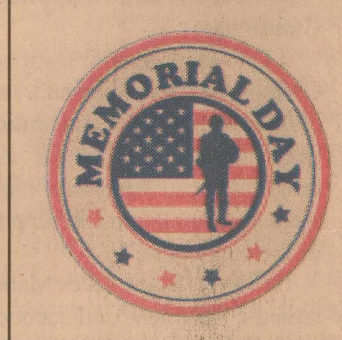
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(806) 76first to publicly release a workforce demographics report earlier this year. They were commended for doing so, and so far, experts say they are the most aggressive at addressing the issue.

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Area Gospel Fest Featuring Deborah Barnes & Wess Morgan On Saturday, May 21, 2016

Each One, Reach One will sponsor a Free Concert, an Area Wide Gospel Fest 2016, on Saturday afternoon, May 21, 2016, at 3:00 p. m. at the Dunbar Collegiate Preparatory Academy.

The Fest will feature Deborah Barnes, Pastor Wess Morgan, Ronlyn & TCS, Buddy & The Straight Way Travelers, Bishop J. L. Tolbert, "the Rub Board Man," and Followers Of Christ.

"We are excited about this Fest 2016, because God has made it possible for this outstanding talent to come to Lubbock, Texas," said Faye Brown, President of Each One, Reach One.

"Our goal is to reach as many young people as we can to let them know there are many opportunities for them," continued Brown.

"Deborah Barnes has performed in Lubbock for ten times over the past years, said Ms. Brown.

Deborah Barnes is the daughter of the late Geraldine Barnes (1994) and William "Mann" Barnes (2007). Deborah was brought up in the Red Budd Holy Church (Rocky Mount,



Deborah Barnes



Pastor Wess Morgan

NC) under the leadership of the late Rev. F.C. Barnes. She later joined her cousin Luther's group The Red Budd Gospel Choir as lead female vocalist. With Luther and the choir she recorded "I'm Still Holding On", giving her much success. Deborah is known worldwide for the hit song. Deborah & mother Geraldine started singing with Rev. F.C. Barnes forming the group "F.C. Barnes & Company". The group was later joined by Melvin Barnes' wife Martha Barnes. The group

recorded 3 albums together. After the death of Geraldine Barnes, the group was revamped with Deborah and her sisters Wanda & Lisa Barnes. The new F.C. Barnes & Company recorded 5 albums together, until the death of the group's lead Rev. F.C. Barnes in 2011.

Deborah, Wanda, Lisa & Debbie "Happy" Barnes (Deborah's daughter) continues performing as the Barnes Sisters.

Deborah is currently a mem-

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LISD Students Honored At School Board Meeting



During the Lubbock Independent School District's Board of Trustees on Thursday morning, May 12, 2016, three of their students were honored for their effort back in February when there was a tragic accident involving a City of Lubbock employee working at Mae Simmons Park. The employee later died of his injuries.

Those students, pictured above, are: Ellizar Cruz, Matthew Chavez, and Dornnell Moore. Each received a certificate of appreciation for the outstanding job they did.

Standing with them are: Mellisa Collier, School Board Trustee, left, and Gay Lynn Hopgood of State Rep. John Frullo's Office, right, also David Johnson, principal Priority Intervention Academy, and Javier Valensuela, teacher assistant.

(Photo Courtesy of Gordon Harris)

Texas Tech University Students Participated In The 62nd Anniversary of Federation of Choirs

On Sunday evening, April 24, 2016, high school students selected by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Eta Delta Omega Chapter to participate in ASCEND, (Achievement, Self-Awareness, Communication, Engagement, Net-Working, Development Skills) were introduced to the community and congregation at the 62nd Annual Mass Federation of Choirs, Greater St. Luke Baptist Church by Mrs. Nettie Edwards, Program Chairman.

One of the students presented a group monetary offering to the president of the Federation of Choirs to be used to advance their mission in the community.

ASCEND is the signature program of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Beginning January 2015, a total of fifteen young ladies attending Coronado, Dunbar, Estacado, Friendship, Home School, Lubbock High, Monterey and Rise Academy have been meeting on a monthly basis.

The ASCEND program exposes students to career explo-



ASCEND Students At Federation of Choirs

ration activities, cultural and arts experiences through supervised outings, team building activities, community service projects, custom curriculum to promote global education and engagement, and exposure to SMART

career opportunities. These experiences will serve to prepare these students for future college/vocational success, resulting in enriched, productive lives and a greater society.

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Shelia Renee Patterson-Harris

Shelia Renee Patterson-Harris In Run-Off Election June 25th

With the five-way race for Lubbock City Council District 2 seat having been held on May 7, there is no winner at this time. Therefore a run-off election will be held on Saturday, June 25, 2016.

Lubbock voters made it known that Shelia Renee Patterson-Harris and Jared Hall will battle for this position which had others competing for this position. They were Gordon Harris, Christopher Moore, and Tiger Pratt.

Patterson-Harris received 44 percent of the vote to Hall's 30 percent.

Patterson-Harris is the daughter of T. J. Patterson, Lubbock's first Black city councilman, who represented District 2 from 1984 to 2004.

District 2 has been represented since 2004 by Floyd Price, who decided not to run again.

When asked what are the basic issues in District 2, Patterson-Harris said; safety, deteriorating infrastructure, property values, and the lack of communication between the city and the district.

Patterson-Harris said she will form alliances and reach out to voters who did not vote for her on May 7th.

Patterson-Harris told the Southwest Digest: "The primary purpose of city government is to serve the basic needs of its citizens. As a new council person, my initial focus will be gaining a clear understanding of the workings of this political sub-division, and seeing how they line up with the needs and concerns of the citizens. District 2 citizens have been clear on concerns of safety, declining property/infrastructure and a lack communication and awareness. My initial goal will be to see where the city stands and what steps can be taken to improve some of these specific concerns."

She also says there is much we can do as residents of District 2. She made it known that she recently purchased a power mower which she will utilize if she sees weeds which need to be mowed. "In other words, we just can't sit back and expect others to do it for us, we can help as well," she said.

"I just want to be part of the team in District 2, and get the word that all of us can make a difference, that if we all come together," she concluded.

The Southwest Digest advises the run-off election for District 2 is little over a month away, which is June 25, 2016. Take time to advise your family and friends about this important date. Keep in mind, every vote is very important!!

Blacks kill more blacks than the KKK ever did

Documentary filmmaker Sixx King is black and he's tired of black-on-black violence so he wanted to do something proactive to make a statement.

So he put on a KKK outfit with a white hood and stood in public in Philadelphia to draw attention to an issue that the black community has not been able to solve - black men killing black men at record numbers.

This is not just a Philadelphia problem, this is a problem in most large urban populations. Last year, Chicago reported more than 500 homicides, and most involved black men killed by black men.

In Milwaukee County, of the 101 homicide victims in 2012, 71 were black males, according to the Milwaukee County medical examiner's office.

King, 35, is tired and I am, too. While wearing the costume,



James E. Causey
Journal Sentinel

he had a sign saying that black violence kills more blacks than the Klan ever has. Sixx said in 2011 more than 7,000 black people were killed; he said the KKK killed 3,446 blacks in 86 years.

Black-on-black murders surpass the number of people killed by the KKK every six months.

I know a number of blacks

Black Women at West Point Accused of Being 'Political'



The image of 16 West Point cadets in uniform outside a U.S. Military Academy barracks with their fists raised has been circulating social media. West Point is investigating whether the women's raised fists are in support of the Black Lives Matter movement.

DiversityInc contacted the West Point's public affairs department on Tuesday morning. A representative said the investigation is ongoing and when asked did not comment on whether West Point views Black Lives Matter as a political organization. The following statement by Lt. Col. Christopher Kasker, West Point's director of public affairs, was provided:

"An inquiry into this matter is currently ongoing. We can confirm that the cadets in this photo are members of the U.S. Military Academy's Class of 2016."

According to the Army Times, "While many details are unknown about the photo, the image has been shared widely in military circles, with claims the women are supporting the Black Lives Matter movement."

The Times received the photo

last week from readers who believed the women violated Department of Defense Directive 1344.10, Political Activities by Members of the Armed Forces. The policy provides "a list of political do's and don'ts for service members and cautions against 'partisan political activity' when in uniform."

John Burk, a former drill sergeant and blogger, who is white, said in an email to the New York Times that he had disciplined soldiers for making Nazi salutes in photos, and felt the raised fist was not much different.

Other former military members disagree that the photo is a political statement. Rachel VanLandingham, a retired air force lieutenant colonel, commented to The Guardian, "I think if there had been a bunch of white boys in their cadet uniforms, or footballers, this would not have been an issue." VanLandingham is a judge advocate and associate law professor at Southwestern Law School.

The Raised Fist

West Point is 70 percent white and predominantly male. According to the New York Times, "The 16 cadets in the

photo represented all but one of the Black women in a graduating class of about 1,000, a meager 1.7 percent."

The U.S. Military across all branches has 9.4 percent Black active duty officers and almost 78 percent white officers. 15.5 percent of U.S. Army officers are women. Blacks in the Army, including officers and enlisted personnel comprise 21.5 percent.

The women in the photo have not publicly commented on why they held up their fists. The raised fist is associated with numerous political movements, not tied to a specific ideology.

"The raised fist salute has long been a powerful but mercurial symbol, having been claimed by Spanish anti-Fascists in the 1930s, American civil rights activists in the 1960s — famously by Black medalists at the 1968 Olympic Games — and, more recently, by white nationalists in Europe," according to the New York Times.

Even if the cadets were representing the Black Lives Matter movement, would it be a political statement?

"Partisan political activity" doesn't explain the nature of the Black Lives Matter movement,

which is nonpartisan and defines itself as "a call to action and a response to the virulent anti-Black racism that permeates our society."

Democratic and Republican Candidates

The Democratic National Committee (DNC) passed a resolution on Aug. 28 condemning "extrajudicial killings of unarmed African American men, women and children," in support of the movement.

However, Black Lives Matter issued a statement on Facebook on Aug. 30 in response to the resolution, stating it does not affiliate with any political party:

"A resolution signaling the Democratic National Committee's endorsement that Black lives matter, in no way implies an endorsement of the DNC by the Black Lives Matter Network, nor was it done in consultation with us. We do not now, nor have we ever, endorsed or affiliated with the Democratic Party, or with any party. The Democratic Party, like the Republican and all political parties, have historically attempted to control or contain Black people's efforts to liberate ourselves. True change requires real struggle, and that struggle will be in the streets and led by the people, not by a political party."

Members of the movement have challenged the views of Democratic presidential candidates Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders.

Activists interrupted Clinton at a fundraiser in South Carolina on Feb. 24. Black Lives Matter protesters have also highlighted Clinton's support of former President Bill Clinton's 1994 crime bill. Many argue that the bill and welfare reform in 1996 hurt the Black community.

Bill Clinton sparred with protesters in Philadelphia in April in defense of his administration's policies. He later said he regretted his response.

At a Netroots Nation event in Phoenix on Aug. 8, Black Lives Matter protesters interrupted

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THE DUNBAR LEGACY CONTINUES... 2016 ALL CLASS REUNION XII THURSDAY, JULY 7TH - SUNDAY, JULY 10TH

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, JULY 7, 2016		SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2016	
9am-3pm	REGISTRATION Dunbar Alumni Bldg - 1519 E. 27th	7am	GOLF Meadowbrook Golf Course 801 Municipal Dr
7-10pm	LATE REGISTRATION The Party House - 4815 I-27	11am-1pm	MAD HATTERS TEA Dunbar Cafeteria - 2000 E. 26th Dress for brunch, tea and wear your GRANDEST HAT
7pm-1am	RECEPTION The Party House - 4815 I-27 sponsored by the Class of 1965-66	2-4:00pm	MEANS BASKETBALL GAME Dunbar Gym, Dunbar vs Esplanade Please wear your Maroon and White
7am	FRIDAY, JULY 8, 2016 GOLF Meadowbrook Golf Course 801 Municipal Dr	4-5:00pm	ALUMNI MEETING AND ELECTION Dunbar Alumni Bldg - 1519 E. 27th Election of officers by ballot Annual Lifetime Members only
9-11am	LATE REGISTRATION Dunbar Alumni Bldg - 1519 E. 27th	7pm-12am	BANQUET Civic Center - 2322 Mac Davis Lane Silent Auction and Dance semi-formal/coat & tie (No Children Please)
11am-1:30pm	TALENT SHOW Dunbar Middle School Auditorium 2000 E. 26th	SUNDAY, JULY 10, 2016	
1:30-3:30pm	BARBECUE/SOCK HOP Winami Center - 1701 Canyon Lake	8-11:00am	FAREWELL BREAKFAST AND MEMORIAL SERVICE MCM Elegance Hotel - 801 Ave. C
6:30-8pm	HAYRIDE Lifestyles - Oak and E. 19th		
8pm-1am	"THROWBACK FRIDAY" Lifestyles - Oak and E. 19th - BYOB What fashion was in style when you went to Dunbar High School?		

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In Cinque

By Renetta Howard



I fear that not many people saw the changes taking place in the Republican Party scene. One of Texas' favorite politicians, Ted Cruz, actually dropped out of contention for the prize, the presidency of the United States, leaving a bold billionaire, Donald Trump, the surviving presidential candidate of the Party. Cruz was in drive gear until someone mentioned that his father was in the company of Lee Harvey Oswald during the time of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. Mr. Trump pushed the notion but claimed that he really did not believe it. That appears to have been a low blow which caused Ted Cruz to lose more votes than expected to Mr. Trump. With such a gigantic loss and the knowledge that the other candidates had withdrawn, so did Ted Cruz.

Mr. Cruz has denied the allegations but it did not take long for him to step out of the race, leaving Mr. Trump in charge of his destiny. True, Mr. Trump had acquired the most delegates but no one really knew what would happen at the Republican Convention. It is going to be difficult now to not give the nomination to Donald Trump. Then, that leaves another problem.

The two Democratic candidates, Bernie Sanders and Hillary Clinton are still waging a campaign war. At this stage of the game, it appears that whichever one secures the party nomination, he or she should have the other as the vice presidential running mate. It seems fair to me and I feel certain that most voters will agree.

Both parties hold their convention during the summer months and it is going to be very interesting seeing the outcomes of the fight to keep Donald Trump away from the nomination. It seems inevitable, but we

know that Americans believe in you earning your accolades and that you do not just receive them based on who you are. We also know that in some instances, ever so deserving, you may not receive your true rewards. It is human nature. We fight anything that we do not like and often until the last soldier dies. It does not make it right, but that is the way some of us are cut out.

It seems that "we have six in one hand and a half dozen in the other." We need to get 'in cinque,' THINK, PRAY hard and ASK GOD that the 2016 election renders us with the best candidate for the job of President who will carry us forward with progress in the future which will be mandated by our God.

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Black Children Are The Future Of America Too!

by Maurice Williams

So much and many things have distracted me from writing about issues and concerns that matters in Lubbock and America as a whole. I'd like to address some of Lubbock's issues and concerns.

This writer attended the Martin Luther King's Banquet at the Elegante, and Mr. Eddie Harris spoke the truth about the status of a non-functional NAACP in the city. For years (16 years or more), this writer was advised that Mrs. Rose Wilson has been president of this prestigious organization. My questions to her are the following: during your tenure in the past 16 years, what issues locally and nationally have you as a NAACP President spoken about or out on? Mrs. Wilson, why want you seek someone who is bold bold enough to do what haven't been done?

Next, Mr. LaCarl Richardson. Congrats on receiving an award at the banquet. I work at Ervin Elementary School, and I've yet to see you come into the building and work with students on any level. That should have been extracted from your bio. Again, I am just saying, maybe this writer is being too picky.

Lastly, we finally found a way to fumigate our neighborhood early. For more information, contact one of our camp locations:

- * Camp Imagination - Rawlings Community Center, 213 40th Street, 767-2704
- * Discovery Camp - Hodges Community Center, 4011 University, 767-3706
- * Galaxy Camp - Simmons Community Center, 2004 Oak Avenue, 767-2700
- * Kidventure Camp - Trejo Supercenter, 3200 Amherst, 767-2705
- * Kidzone Summer Camp - Maxey Community Center, 4020 30th Street, 767-3796.

THIS N' THAT

by T. J. Patterson

LET'S GET THE VOTES FOR THE RUN-OFF ELECTION ON JUNE 25TH! THIS N THAT asking we come **TOGETHER** and as many **REGISTERED VOTERS** to come out and **VOTE IN THE JUNE 25TH RUN-OFF ELECTION!** It is very important that as many as can show up and vote for the **THE NEW LUBBOCK CITY COUNCILPERSON!! THIS N THAT** is asking you to give your precious vote to **SHELIA RENEE PATTERSON-HARRIS!** She wants to work hard and develop some very positive programs for

..... **DISTRICT 2** which was held by **FLOYD PRICE** who has served twelve years and decided not to seek re-election..... In talking with **PATTERSON-HARRIS** she becomes very excited about the many opportunities she sees and would welcome an opportunity to present them to the residents of **DISTRICT 2**..... She sees an opportunity for residents of District 2 to have an opportunity to communicate with **CITY OF LUBBOCK OFFICIALS** and give an input on what they would like to in their area..... Of course.....

PATTERSON-HARRIS is concerned about the **CITY OF LUBBOCK** there are opportunities in **DISTRICT 2** She tells **THIS N THAT** she's ready for the task..... **THIS N THAT** believes her!

UNITED WAY NAMES LEADERSHIP TEAM! THIS N THAT was surprised to see there were representation from the **BLACK COMMUNITY!** Can we take a look at this next year? The ones named are capable citizens and will do well but look closely next year!

Thank You!!

hood of a child molester. There was no Mr. Tangle Eyed Red, Mr. Columbus, or Mr. Hatchet to blame for this shameless act. With all of this being said, this writer is about to embark on the topic of my letter.

My question is: How many Februarys will it take or America to finally believe Black Children Are Our Future Too?

In 1986, Whitney Houston covered the George Benson hit, "Greatest Love of All", which he originally recorded for a film biography of Muhammad Ali. Stephen Holden of the New York Times wrote that Houston's cover gave the "message of self-worth an astounding renaissance and conviction a compelling assertion of black pride, family loyalty, and spiritual devotion, all at once."

Now that this writer is back working in education, this is a song I often reflect upon when feeling emotionally tasked, particularly Whitney's opening lines:

*I believe the children are our future
Teach them well and let them lead the way
Show them all the beauty the bones inside*

*Give them a sense of pride to make it easier
Let the children's laughter remind us how we used to be.*

Many of the black students who this writer have taught music are blessed with the talent and in this case burden, of great singing voices, are afforded the opportunities and requests to sing this song and other songs at award ceremonies, academic gatherings, and basketball or athletic games. Why Not??? Is it because our children only know the (Quan) or "Whipping na na."

Years ago, this writer didn't know it, but what an incredible message to continuously impart upon our children -- particularly children who were and are descendants of slaves, carrying almost 400 years of baggage of dignity lost and a future to dream because of lies and a few unconcerned blacks. So now in 2016, this writer can kind of reflect and celebrate my ancestors who carried the burden of a back breaking cotton picking scenes of Dusty Plains of West Texas and beyond. In the South, many of our ancestors spent their nights in hope of freedom trying to make sense of a language that was not their own, while being

reminded their future lies in nothing but death or labor of the American South. Nate Bowling has said it before and I will say it again. While the fate of black children lies outside of plantation fields.

America is not quite ready to believe or concede that black children are the future of America. I see everyday among some of my white and black teacher peers. Instead there is the exception.

There's the "Jackmales, despite his circumstances, who has managed to exceed expectations." There's also, "Amanda who displays incredible potential."

Of course, there is a couple of children from 90222 and 10027 that "make it." You see, it is much easier to find exception rather than teaching to the whole. If what I am about to saying cause potential school frown upon my rhetoric, oh well!!

Is there any sincerity in your motives?? Where were you doing the times when Mrs. Holmes ran unopposed for the Lubbock School Board, District 2 position.

To Be Continued

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LUBBOCK ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: June 20, 2016
TIME: 5:00 p. m.
PLACE: 1708 Crickets Ave. Lubbock, TX.

The purpose of the hearing is to obtain input from the city residents in reference to the Annual Plan Submission and the Capital Fund Program Five-Year Action Plan being submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for fiscal year 2016. Total funds being allocated for the year are estimated at \$8,372,728 for Operating Funds and \$658,789 for Capital Funds. Part of the submission includes changes to the Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP). Those changes are outlined in the Annual Plan and will be a part of the Public Hearing. All residents are encouraged to attend this hearing. The Plan will be available for review from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. prior to the public hearing at the addresses below. Persons can also submit written comments prior to the public hearing to:

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Mark 10:14 -- Jesus said, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for such is the kingdom of God.

(THIS STORY IS ABOUT; ONE OF MANY; SAD AMERICA BOYS!!!)

His family and friends; they would always say: **THAT BOY; IS SO BAD. THAT'S WHY HE STARTED THINKING HE WAS; AND IT MAD HIM SO SAD!!!**

Deuteronomy 28: 41 -- The Lord said, You shall get sons and daughters, but you shall not enjoy them, for they shall go into captivity.

Then he entered into Kindergarten, **THE RULES HE DIDN'T LIKE,----HE WOULD FIGHT WITH THE TEACHERS; AND THE OTHER CHILDREN, HE WOULD SPIT ON, AND BITE!!!**

Proverb 22:15 -- Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.

***** GIVE THEM TO JESUS; OR GIVE THEM TO THE DEVIL!!!*****

Even in his home: **HIS MOTHER AND FATHER; THEY GAVE HIM HIS RIGHT'S. THEY KNEW THE 911 NUMBER; WAS ON SPEED DAIL; DAY AND NIGHT!!!**

Proverb 23:13,14 -- Withhold not correction from the

child: for if you beat him with the rod, he shall not die. You shall beat him with the rod, and shall deliver his soul from hell.

As he entered into **JUNIOR HIGH, THINGS DIDN'T CHANGE. HE WANTED IT HIS WAY; AND IF HE DIDN'T GET IT; SOMEONE WOULD FILL HIS HATE PAINS!!!**

The boy would take **THE OTHER CHILDREN'S MONEY; JUST TO MAKE HIS DAY. THEY KNEW HE WAS SUPER BAD; AND TO FIGHT BACK; NO WAY!!!**

(YOU KNOW IT STARTS AT HOME; IF MOTHERS AND FATHERS DON'T START TRAINING THEIR CHILDREN EARLY; THEN LATER IN LIFE; THE WORLD DON'T WANT THEM AROUND. AND IF YOU GOT SOME LAND; PUT A PRISON ON IT; AND THE GOOD OLD U.S.A WILL FILL IT. STOP GIVING YOUR CHILDREN RIGHTS; TELL HIM HE'S GOING TO CHURCH; WHETHER HE LIKES IT OR NOT. STOP LETTING HIM PLAY THOSE DAMN VIDEO GAMES;----- LIFE IS NOT A GAME!!!)

O.T. Apocrypha: Ecclesiasticus 7:23, A horse not broken becomes headstrong; and a child left to himself will be willful. Cocker(Pamper) your child, and

he shall make you afraid: play with him, and he will bring you to heaviness. Laugh not with him, lest you have sorrow with him, and lest he gnash your teeth in the end. Give him no liberty in his youth, wink not at his follies. Bow down his neck while he is young, and beat him on the sides while he is a child, lest he wax stubborn, and be disobedient unto you, and bring sorrow to your heart.

At 17 he was running his **GANG; HIS MOTTO: WE BEAT EVER GANG WE MEET. DO IT UNTO OTHERS, BEFORE THEY CAN DO IT UNTO THEE!!!**

John 10:10 -- Jesus said, The thief come not, but for to steal, and to kill, and destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

THEN ONE DAY THEY WAS SITTING AROUND; NOT DOING A THING. THEN CAME A DRIVE-BY; HE CRIED OUT; OH MY BACK; THERE IS SO MUCH PAIN!!!

HE SAID, WHY ARE THESE PEOPLE SAYING I'M DEAD; THIS CAN'T BE. TAKE THAT#\$%^&*^ SHEET OFF ME.

Romans 6:23 -- For the wages if sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our lord.

St. Matthew Baptist Church

2020 East 14th Street Rev. Edward Canady, Pastor Lubbock, Texas 79403
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What a wonderful time, we had at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, on Sunday morning, May 1, 2016, where the proud pastor is the Rev. Edward Canady.

Sunday morning services begun at 10:10 a. m. with Sunday School Superintendent Barbara Johnson in charge. It is so good to have Sister Johnson back!

The subject of the Sunday School lesson was "Good As New." The scripture text was Luke 7:1-10. The lesson was taught by Rev. Edward Canady. What a wonderful job he did.

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted by Deacon Edward Williams and Deaconess Sister Ethel Williams. What a spirit filled devotional service. Praise God for all He does for all of us.

Pastor Canady entered the Church with the Choir singing "Because of Who You Are." What a marvelous it was!!

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "Are You The One." is scripture text was St. Luke 7:20.

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

The morning announcements were read by Sister Barbara Johnson. We thank her very much for all she does.

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

The Missionary Society meets on Wednesday evenings at 5:00 p. m. Our doors are open for anyone wants to attend.

It's amazing on what can be accomplished when we come together.

Choir Rehearsal is held on Friday afternoon, beginning at 2:00 p. m.

If you are a singer and love

singing, then come and join us. We'll looking for you on Friday.

Remember your involvement in any of these important meetings is key to our growth and development.

So come and join us. Shall we depend on you?

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in citizens who reside in Lubbock, Texas and the United States of America.

St. Matthew Baptist Church is asking for anyone who is interested in playing for St. Matthew Baptist Church, then contact Rev. Edward Canady, Pastor, at (806) 744-2445.

Thought For The Week:

"Thank You, Lord, than I am yours forever. I'm thankful that I won't have to walk through any experience alone.

God never forgets us!!

Notification of a Call for Projects for the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)

The Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Organization (LMPO) has issued an agency call for Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funded projects. The TAP is a reimbursable federal funding program and all applicable federal rules apply. Additional information is available at: <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/map21/guidance/guidetap.cfm>

Contingent upon the availability of federal funding, the expected TAP amount available for this program call is \$1,380,000. Applications for TAP projects can be viewed at www.LubbockMPO.org or the LMPO office at 916 Main St. #531, Lubbock, TX 79401. Deadline for TAP application is June 3, 2016.

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Obsequies

Julius Caesar Graves, III

Midland, Texas -- Julius Caesar Graves, III, a retired educator and long time resident of Midland, died unexpectedly at home on Sunday, May 1, 2016, at the age of 66.

Julius leaves to cherish his memories: his nephew, Timothy Dewayne Hunter of Midland, Texas; special cousins: Norma Faye Long (Johnny), Richmond, Virginia, Michael Johnson (Evelyn), Dallas, Texas, Brenda Barton-Williams, Atlantic City, New Jersey, T. J. Patterson, Sr. (Bobbie Gean-deceased) Lubbock, Texas and Lucky "We We" Cleaver of Wichita Falls, Texas; a host of relatives and beloved friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and beloved sister, Cecille Joyce Graves-Hunter.

Julius was born in Wichita Falls, Texas on January 23, 1950 to Julius Caesar and Lucille Sugar Barton-Graves. He attended Mary & Mac Private School, Lubbock, Texas, from pre-school through high school, matriculated at Bishop College in Dallas, Texas, then received a Bachelor of Science Degree,



majoring in Music and Psychology, from Lubbock Christian College in their first commencement exercises in 1972.

Julius learned to play the piano at an early age and used this skill to become organist at a few local churches as well as teaching Secondary Education at Mary & Mac until his relocation to Odessa, Texas where he lectured at The University of Texas, Permian Basin. He later moved to Midland and worked as a substitute teacher before retiring.

He was a great stage performer and entertainer, who enjoyed delighting audiences. He

Clarence C. "CeDee" Hawkins

Lamesa, Texas -- Funeral services for Clarence C. "CeDee" Hawkins were held on Saturday afternoon, May 7, 2016, at the St. John Baptist Church in Lamesa, under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Hawkins, age 60, of Lamesa, Texas, passed away on Sunday, May 1, 2016, in Lamesa.

He was born on March 14, 1956, to the parentage of Geneva Hawkins and Lavoid Gibson in Lamesa. Clarence was the eldest of six children.

He enjoyed dancing, cooking, and sewing. Clarence enjoyed spending time with his family and close friends. He truly will be missed by those who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Geneva Hawkins and Lavoid Gibson; and one sis-



ter, Stephanie Jackson.

He leaves to cherish his memories: brother, Vernon Abram (Jerri Faye); three sisters: Latundra Hawkins, Shontundra Adams (John Parks), and Laquita Jimerson (Kevin Gibbs); and other relatives and friends.

also was an avid domino and card player. Julius will be deeply missed by his friends, family, and all who knew him.

A short memorial was held in the Community Room of Langtry Village, where he

resided, on Friday afternoon, May 6, 2016. Graveside interment was held on Monday, May 9, 2016, at the Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park, with Supt. W. David Haynes, pastor of Christ Temple COGIC, officiating.

Lillian Vernell Jackson Hunter

Lamesa, Texas -- Funeral services were held for Lillian Vernell Jackson Hunter on Saturday afternoon, May 7, 2016, at the St. John Baptist Church.

Interment followed in Lamesa Memorial Park under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock, Texas. Hunter, age 94, of Lamesa, Texas, passed away on Tuesday, May 3, 2016.

She was born on September 8, 1921, in Cameron, Milan County, Texas, to Leroy Jackson and Jessie Mae Collins-Hawkins, and was raised by the late Curtin Hawkins, Jr. She was the eldest of 12 children.

She became a member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church at an early age. Mrs. Hunter later united with and was baptized at St. John Baptist Church.



She was preceded in death by her parents, nine siblings, and a special niece.

She leaves to cherish her memories, two sisters, Juanita Simpson and Kathleen (Pink) Parson.

Nannie Lee Jackson

Plainview, Texas -- Funeral services were held on Saturday morning, May 7, 2016, for Nannie Lee Jackson at the College Heights Baptist Church in Plainview.

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

Jackson, age 78, of Plainview, Texas, passed away on Sunday, May 1, 2016.

She was born on June 10, 1937 to the parentage of the late Samuel and Nora Bates of Alvarado, Texas. Later, the family, moved to Plainview, Texas.

After an untimely death of her parents, she was raised by Willie and Rosie Fisher.

Nannie worked in the cotton fields where she met and married Henry L. Jackson on January 3, 1953, and remained married for 50 years until his death.

Nannie was a chef, health-care provider, crossing-guard, and business owner in Plainview. She and Henry were the first Black business owners in the city of a furniture store and a restaurant.

She was a faithful member of Givens Memorial Church of God in Christ, and later became the "First Lady" of Jackson



Chapel Church of God in Christ in Tulia, Texas. She was a woman of great character, love, hard work, and integrity. She will truly be missed.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Supt. Henry L. Jackson; Willie and Rosie Fisher; three brothers; four sisters.

She leaves to cherish her memories: daughters: Connie, Theresa, Ramona, Lula, Patricia Jackson, Demetria Thompson (David), Gwen and Lula Powell; sons: Henry (Faye), Ricky, Robert (Darlene), and O'Brien Jackson, and Richard Germany; two sisters, 61 grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Howard Willie Jackson, Jr.

Midwest City, Oklahoma -- Funeral services for Howard Willie Jackson, Jr. on Saturday afternoon, April 23, 2016, at the Divine Wisdom Worship Center with Michael Gibson officiating.

Interment was held Riverside Gardens under the direction of Heritage Funeral Home & Creation Services of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Howard was born February 14, 1943 in Hamlin, Texas to Howard Jackson, Sr. and Jewel Lee Westley-Jackson. Howard was the oldest of six children.

Howard attended and graduated from Dunbar High School in 1963, and later joined the



U. S. Army. After years of service, he went to work for Presbyterian Hospital and the Veteran Affairs Hospital until he retired.

Howard united in marriage to Rosie Marie Perry of Lubbock, Texas. To this union, they were blessed with five children: Phoebe Rochelle, Howard, III, SirRikkii Marquis, Tashiba La-jewell, and Sabir Abdullah.

Howard was the ultimate family man that loved sports, and enjoyed spending time with his grandkids. There wasn't a sporting event he didn't attend.

He passed away on Wednesday, April 20, 2016.

Preceding him in death were his father, mother, two brothers, two sisters, and two sons.

Howard leaves to cherish his memory: his wife, Rosie

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Odell "Puddin" Deary

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A Private Disposition was

under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Deary passed away on Thursday, April 21, 2016.

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Otis Deary in Cameron, Texas. In 1952, he and his family left Cameron and moved to Lubbock, Texas. He accepted Christ at an early age.

Puddin married Ola Mae Baldwin on October 27, 1987, in Lubbock. He was a dedicated husband, father, grandfather, and mechanic.

He worked at Texaco as a service station attendant for 28 years. Puddin also worked as a car detailer where he excelled in car maintenance and operations. Drag racing was his passion. He never allowed his disability to hinder him. Puddin exemplified commitment, strong work ethics and honesty to be instilled in his children, grandchildren, and generations to come.

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More Obituaries

Larry Dean Martin

Funeral services for Larry Dean Martin were held on Thursday afternoon, May 12, 2016, at the First Baptist Church in Rochester, Texas.

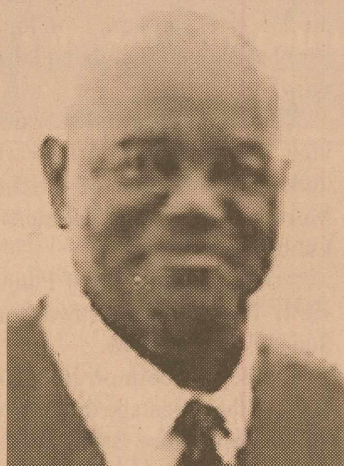
Interment followed in the Rochester Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Martin, 63, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Saturday, May 7, 2016.

He was born on July 31, 1952 to the parentage of the late Clarence and LaVada Martin in Rochester, Texas. He joined church at an early age and received his education in Rochester, Texas.

Mr. Martin was currently employed with Harry & Betty Longbreak Landscaping. He had a passion for landscaping for over 40 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Clarence Jr., Joseph and Mack Martin; and two sisters, Dorothy



Brantley and Ethel Ford.

He leaves to cherish his memories: a son, Derrick Martin; two sisters, Emma Garcia (Frank), and Barbara Sweargin; two brothers, Herman Martin and Johnny Martin; three step-sisters, Ethel Laughter (D.T.), Betty Jean Walker, Bobby Nell Dennis; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Area Gospel Fest Set For 2016

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ber of the Restoration Worship Center under leadership of her cousin Luther Barnes. In 2005, Deborah released her first solo album "The Truth" featuring the hit song "You Are Somebody" on her label Ma Gerald Records. The album featured background vocals from RBGC members (Wanda Barnes, Lisa Barnes, Bonita Barnes-Greene, Tevis Harris & Debbie "Happy" Barnes). Deborah's most recent project is "Colors of Spring: Volume 1" (2014) featuring students of the Dunbar Gospel Choir in Lubbock, Texas.

Pastor Morgan is singer, recording artist, pastor, and director Wess Morgan took the long and hard road in finding his calling in life. The son of Pastors Joseph and Yolanda Morgan, Morgan spent his childhood traveling and singing gospel with his parents and his siblings. At the young age of ten, though, he began using drugs and drinking, which led to several jail sentences and a whole lot of time in recovery centers before he finally emerged from his cycle of substance abuse.

ASCEND Students Sing In Federation of Choirs
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Billy Gene "Silk" Baker, Jr.

Funeral services were held for Billy Gene "Silk" Baker, Jr. on Friday afternoon, May 13, 2016, at the New Hope Baptist Church with Pastor Larry Brooks officiating.

Interment was held in the Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Baker, age 50 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Wednesday, May 4, 2016.

Baker was born to the parents of Billy Gene Baker, Sr. and Rosie Lee Jordan-Baker in Crosbyton, Texas on July 28, 1965.

He later moved to Lubbock, where he attended Lubbock Public Schools. He graduated from Estacado High School in 1984.

Billy is preceded in death by his parents, Billy Gene Baker, Sr. and Rosie Baker; one brother, Prince Baker; and one sister, Willie Jean Baker; and Foster Mother Emma J'Cell Alexander.

Billy leaves to mourn his passing: his wife, Gwendlyn Baker of Lubbock, Texas; two daughters, Shenika Kles and Sh'Quinta Williams of Lubbock, Texas; two sons, Carlton Jaushlin of Jacksonville, Florida and Omar Kyles of Lubbock, Texas; four sisters: Jeanette Davis of Lancaster, Texas, and Kathleen Pegues, Cynthia Gary, and Mary Baker, all of Lubbock, Texas; and one brother, Johnny Baker

of North Carlonia.

Second Family: Cassandra Stephens of Irving, Texas, Beverly Howard of California, Barley of Houston, and a brother, Daryl Murphy of Irving, Texas; a good friend and mother of three of his children, Barbara Kyles; and five grand kids; nieces, nephews; and a host of relatives and friends.

Active Pallbearers were; Frank Carr, Dominique Patterson, Donald Thomas, Charles Washington, Jr., Antryon Moses, and Rickey Pegues.

Honorary Pallbearers were Henry Jackson, Denzel Jackson, Bronshae Stephens, Keyvontae Kyles, Keymydre Patterson, and Kameron Person.

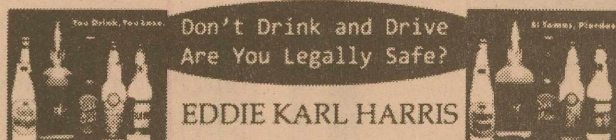
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Two public meetings will be conducted. June 1, 2016 from 4:30-6:00 p.m. at the LMPO office, located at 916 Main Street Suite 531 and June 7, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at 916 Main Street, 2nd Floor Conference Room. Documents can be viewed at the Lubbock MPO office and also at www.lubbockmpo.org.

This public notice of "public involvement activities" and time established for public review and comment on the Draft FY 2017 UPWP will satisfy the program-of-projects requirements of the Urbanized Area Formula Program (Section 5307) of the Federal Transit Administration.

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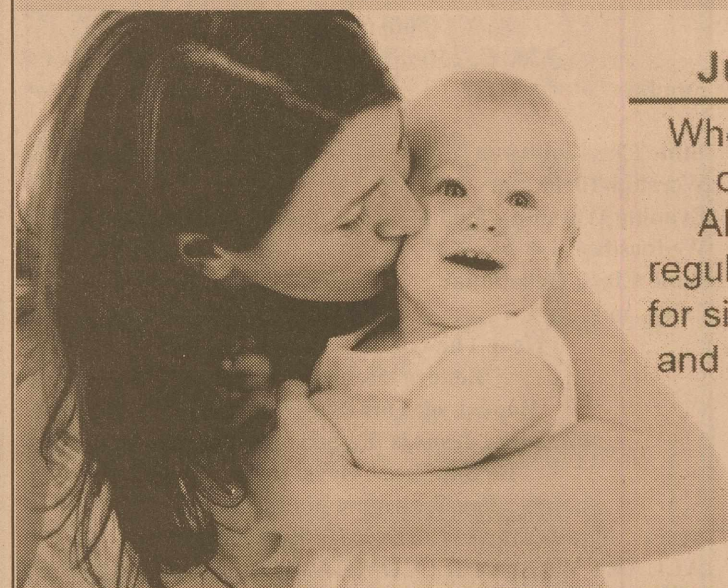


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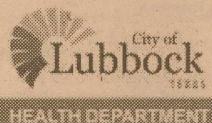
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Howard Jackson, Jr.

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Maries Jackson; two daughters, Phoebe Perry and Tashiba Perry, both of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; one son, Sabir Perry (Reshinda) of Midwest City, Oklahoma; one brother, Lee Willie Jackson (Faye) of Lubbock, Texas; 19 grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and a host of nieces, nephews, uncles, aunts, cousins, and friends.

make no mistake, with death rates three times higher among African Americans than among whites, asthma is a killer.

On May 3, we commemorate World Asthma Day. For many, it serves as a day to improve asthma awareness and care around the world, but for communities of color in the United States, this day must be a call to action.

The issue of asthma in our communities should leave us all breathless. King was right: The injustice in our health care system is inhumane. All people deserve a clean environment and access to high-quality and affordable health care.

Blacks Kill More Blacks Than KKK

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and some whites who will find what King did offensive. I understand that, but ask yourself this question: What do you see black politicians doing about the issue? I mostly hear crickets.

Milwaukee Public Schools Superintendent Gregory Thornton said last year that he was appalled by the silence and lack of outrage after several MPS students were killed.

This is not a gun problem; this is a societal problem that needs to be addressed, and our black leaders, churches, families, youth and schools should be demanding change.

Black Women At West Point

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Sanders during a speech, demanding more governmental protection be given to Black Americans due to continuing cases of police-related deaths.

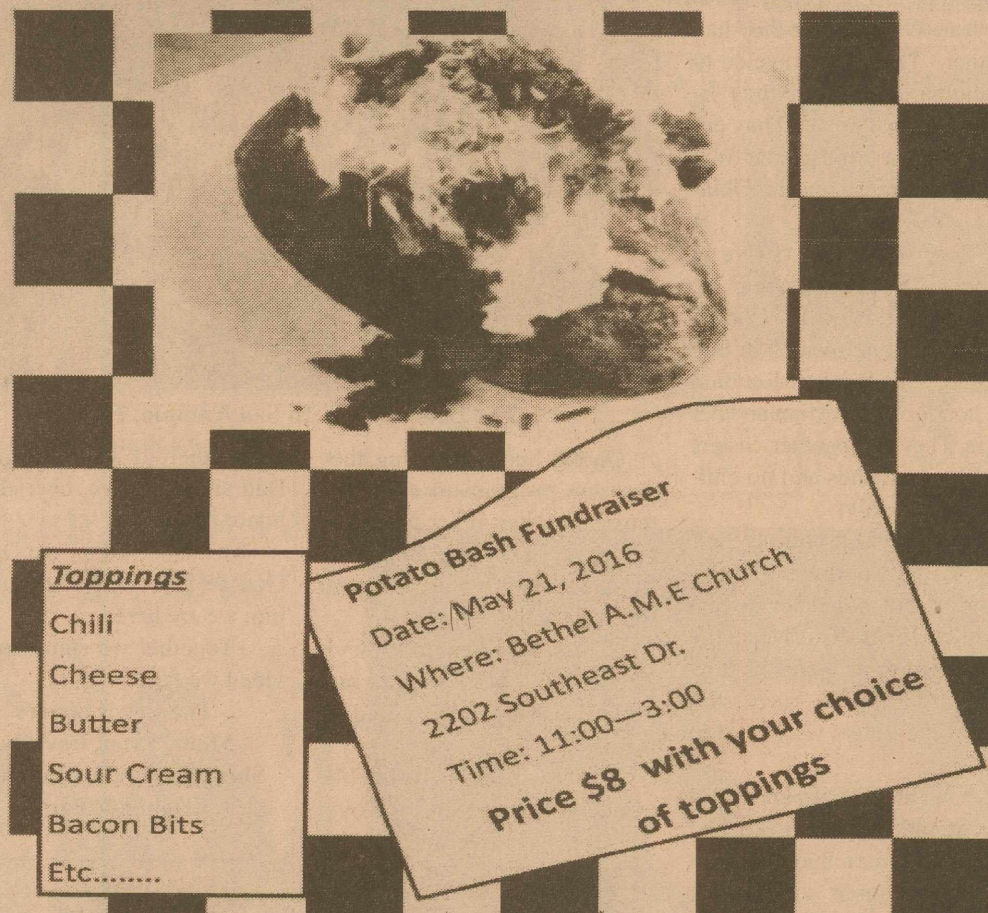
Both Sanders and Clinton have met with Black Lives Matter activists to discuss their views.

It has not been reported if presumptive Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump has personally met with activists, but many have been removed from his political rallies.

In a column for the Washington Post, Sierra K. Thomas, a student at Virginia State University in Petersburg, Va., wrote about what happened when she yelled "Black Lives Matter" at a Trump rally in North Carolina in March.

"People began to yell back at me, 'All lives matter!' 'Get out of here!' 'Boo! Trump! Trump! Trump!' I wanted to tell them that of course 'all lives matter' but that they weren't dealing with the same struggles Black people were — police brutality, an unfair justice system, generational poverty ... Trump looked my way and yelled into the mic: 'Get out!' The people I'd been sitting and talking with cheered with the rest of the crowd as police came over. Three officers grabbed me, and I heard cheering from all around."

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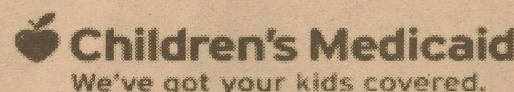
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Four of the sisters live in Lubbock; two sisters in Ft. Worth; one sister in Corpus Christi; and one resides in San Antonio. This Sisters' Reunion is in honor of their Mom and her sisters. They get together. Sisters only! No husbands and no children. Sisters only!

They missed putting their story in the Southwest Digest last year, but did meet in San Antonio, Texas. This year, the sisters tried to each one as how to knit. One sister, Ester, said most of the sisters were hard to learn.

On that Sunday morning, they attended their niece and nephews, Roderick and Andrea Williams, church and IHOP. What a wonderful time they had together. Their niece sung so pretty and their nephew delivered a great message.



The Lewis Sisters In San Antonio, Texas

On that Sunday evening, they were on program to sing in a musical at their other niece and nephew, Eric and Stephanie Boatner. They reported a great time there also.

The sisters went to Ripley's Believe It Or Not, the wax museum. This was very exciting for them.

The Lewis Sisters would like to encourage families all over the world to love and cherish

each other. If your Mom and Dad are still alive, cherish and honor them!

We thank God for our Daddy, George Lewis. It's because of him we are here.

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