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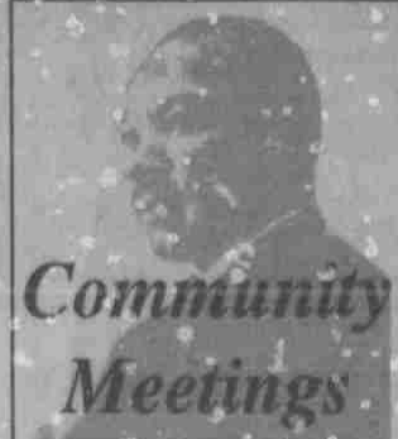


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## Community Meetings

This is a list of what is happening in Lubbock, to help complete the unfinished community-building work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

- Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00pm at the Mae Simmons Community Center
- Hub City Kiwanis meets every Tuesday, 7:00pm, 1708 Avenue G.
- Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm
- Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 meets every 3rd Thursday at 7:30pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon
- Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Library
- East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center
- Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Market Alumni Center
- Dunbar/Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 3rd Thursday at 6:00 pm 1303 East 24th St. (outreach center/party house)
- West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturday of each month at 7:00 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations.
- Texas Twentieth Cultural & Historical Commission - Lubbock Affiliate meets at Patterson Branch Library every 3rd Thursday 7:00 pm
- West Texas Native American Association meets 2nd Saturday each month at Groves Library, 5520 19th Street, 7:30 p.m.
- West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men meets the 3rd Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Parkway Neighborhood Center.
- The Parkway Guadalupe & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 pm at Parkway Neighborhood Center.

If you have an announcement you want to appear in this paper, please get it to us in writing. You can mail it to:  
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## Not on my block: One woman's battle for her home

By Lynn Rosellini

Ethel Armstead liked the gray row house right off. It had an extra bedroom and a big backyard where her grandkids could play. The marble stoop would be a perfect spot to sit on summer evenings.

But when Armstead arrived home from work that first night after moving in, she found a swarm of thugs sprawled across her front steps.

"Excuse me," she said, startled. "I live here." The group of seven young men rose reluctantly, staring at her with cold, hard eyes. Once inside, Armstead locked the door and peered out the window. Darned if the men hadn't already re-seated themselves on her steps.

In coming weeks, Armstead learned that her house, long vacant, was a "stash house" for drug dealers, who hid their wares under the front steps. As a steady stream of cars and foot traffic passed by, the dealers transacted business on the stoop. Addicts shot up in the alley behind the house and urinated in the back-



Armstead

yard. Armstead had no illusions about the men who populated her front steps. Almost every night for the ten years she had lived in the tough Oliver neighborhood of East Baltimore, she lay in bed listening to the crackle of gunshots as the drug wars raged. But this house, with dealers hanging out on her stoop, was the worst.

Sometimes she called the police several times a day, begging them to disperse the loiterers. But once the police cruiser disappeared down the street, the dealers drifted back.

As a 50-something mother of grown children, Armstead had not envisioned fighting this battle. But it wasn't the first time she'd risen to an unexpected challenge. Back in the mid-1990s, when her own daughter was addicted to drugs and her

young son was in a bad way, she cared, Armstead had to do it. She had three boys and a girl.

One night in September 2000, about a month after she moved into her new house, Armstead prayed to God. "I'm gonna talk to these guys tomorrow. Help me."

The next day, she confronted the leader of the group, a young man in ultra-baggy jeans and a white T-shirt. Armstead's insides were churning, but she knew she couldn't show her fear.

"This is my space," she said calmly and quietly, keeping her face a mask. "I shouldn't have to say 'Excuse me' to get into my own house."

She told the young man that she didn't want him and his friends dealing drugs in front of her grandkids anymore. They were to stay off her property, off the vacant property next door, off the corner.

The man was silent. Armstead's heartbeat rose into her throat. Then he nodded. The group left. But a few days later, they were back. Armstead repeated her request. She repeated it

the next day. And the next. Then a funny thing happened. They began to listen. They moved down to the next block. When winter came, they shoveled her walk and checked in on her when she was ill. Before long, they took to calling her "Mom."

Her grandkids could play ball in the street now. Sometimes the young men played with them. And if one of the kids was talking back, someone would say "Don't you talk like that. That's you, grandma!"

Armstead kept "fussin'" warning of the dangers of fast money. "You're gonna get yourselves killed!" she told them. "Do something positive!"

People told her she was crazy to talk to those thugs that way. Especially after another crusading mom was killed just five blocks away. Angela Dawson had waged her own battle against a different set of drug pushers - and lost. In a tragedy that made the national news, the Dawson house was set on fire and Angela, her husband, Carmell, and five of their children died. A neighbor-

hood man was charged with arson resulting in death. Armstead didn't know Angela Dawson, but she knew her children. After the deadly fire, she was more cautious - but she didn't stop.

And she didn't just talk. She has been a driving force in the community organization BUILD (Baltimoreans United in Leadership Development). Together they drove drug dealers off a glass-strewn blacktop lot and built a playground. They established an extended-day program at school to keep kids off the streets. They prompted the city and local churches to step up efforts to redevelop abandoned houses.

Not long ago, Armstead ran into one of the men who used to hang out on her steps. "Hey, Mom!" he exploded, giving her a hug. He got a job, he told her, adding: "I want to thank you for all your fussin'."

Armstead is modest about the impact she's had. She says simply, "It makes me feel good to know my message got it rough to at least one young man."

## Charlie Stenholm bids farewell to West Texas voters



Stenholm

Congressman Randy Neugebauer to represent you in the next Congress.

I took my first oath of office in January of 1979 and, in an effort to be as effective as possible, I chose to serve on those committees in the House where I thought I could do the best job for my constituents: Agriculture, Small Business, Budget, Veterans Affairs and, more recently, the House Armed Services Committee.

Agriculture is so important to the economy of West Texas, and I am pleased that I was able to spend my entire 26 years on this committee.

As one of a handful of farmers in Congress, I believe I brought a unique and important perspective to this committee.

For the past eight years I have served as the Ranking Member of the Agriculture Committee, and I was privileged to co-write the 2002 Farm Bill with my friend and former Chairman Larry Combest of Lubbock. This was the fifth Farm Bill I wrote in 26

years. I am proud of what we were able to do to help restore the income protection safety net for commodity producers and to increase conservation spending.

As Ranking Member, I had a staff of thirteen dedicated professionals who focused solely on agriculture policy, and I know that a lot of you worked with them over the past eight years.

It appears that the new Ranking Member of the Agriculture Committee will be Congressman Collin Peterson of Minnesota.

I have served with Collin since his election in 1990, and his policy interests reflect his Minnesota district: wheat, corn, soybeans, sugar beets, dairy and payment limits.

I am confident he will be an excellent Ranking Member and will continue the tradition of the Agriculture Committee and its staff of serving the national interests of agriculture to the best of their ability.

As your congressman for the

past 26 years, it has been my pleasure to bring you a weekly agriculture radio show. While the topics have varied from time to time, price and weather have always been of tremendous concern.

This past October, the President proposed an assistance package for hurricane victims in Florida, to be paid for with an emergency spending measure.

Unfortunately, the President's package did not include assistance for farmer and ranchers in other parts of the country.

I introduced legislation to compensate farmers and ranchers who were devastated by drought, flood, freezing weather and excessive rain in 2003 and 2004.

In the end, the House Leadership decided to provide Florida with emergency assistance, but the assistance to producers in other parts of the country would be paid for by taking \$3 billion from the Conservation Security Program enacted in the 2002 Farm Bill.

I continue to be concerned that the cuts made in farm conser-

vation will have dire consequences for the future of the 2002 Farm Bill and will probably pave the way for large-scale cuts in agriculture programs. I sincerely hope that I am wrong in making this prediction.

Our country is facing tremendous challenges, both domestic and international. The best thing we can do as patriotic Americans is to unite behind our elected leaders in order to build a stronger America and to leave a legacy that we can be proud of for our children and grandchildren.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to represent you in Washington all these years.

Very few Americans have the privilege of serving in the halls of Congress, and I can tell you it is an honor that I will always cherish.

Congressman Stenholm represented the 17th District of Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives since 1979 and was the Ranking Member of the House Committee on Agriculture for many years.

## International Gift Market Set in Lubbock

For one day, the International Gift Market offers the Lubbock area hundreds of handcrafted musical instruments, baskets, ornaments, toys and jewelry made by skilled artisans in more than 30 countries.

The handicrafts are marketed by Ten Thousand Villages. Ten Thousand Villages provides vital fair income to artisans around the world by marketing their handicrafts and telling their stories in North America. All proceeds from the International Gift Market benefit Ten Thousand

Villages artisans. In 2003, Ten Thousand Villages sales benefitted tens of thousands of artisans around the world. Covenant Presbyterian church does not keep any of the proceeds, viewing the event as part of its worldwide mission. This is the sixth year volunteers from the congregation have worked to make this event possible.

Ten Thousand Villages is a nonprofit alternative trading organization and a program of Mennonite Central Committee (MCC). MCC is a relief service

and peace agency of Mennonite and Brethren in Christ churches in North America, headquartered in Akron, PA.

This one day event will be held at Covenant Presbyterian Church, 4600 48th St., Saturday, December 2, 2004, from 10:00am till 3:00pm. Contact person is Tavia Dorow, (806) 792-6121.



## Urban League Honorees

Legendary songstress Patti LaBelle shares a moment with Andy Taylor, chairman and chief executive officer of Enterprise Rent-A-Car, prior to the National Urban League's 48th annual Equal Opportunity Day (EOD) award dinner in New York City. LaBelle, a two-time Grammy award winner and noted author received the League's Community Service award for her proactive fight against diabetes and other health maladies. Taylor, a member of the National Urban League Board of Trustees, accepted the League's Corporate Leadership Award in recognition of Enterprise's support of Urban League programs nationwide. An audience of more than 1,200 attended the gala at the Marriott Marquis in New York's Times Square, which raised a record \$1.5 million for Urban League initiatives.

## Santa Land tree going up in Mackenzie Park

For the 48th year, the City of Lubbock's Parks and Recreation staff is transforming a small area of parkland into a winter wonderland in anticipation of the arrival of Santa Claus. One of the signature pieces of Santa Land is the 60-foot lighted Christmas tree that rises out of the center of the village. This morning, the Parks staff began constructing the frame for the tree in Santa Land located in Mackenzie Park off of East Broadway. On Friday,

November 19, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., the branches of the Christmas tree were added, and staff should have it completed by the end of the day (barring any additional rain). Santa Land will be held in Mackenzie Park from December 10-23 and is open to the public free of charge from 6:00-10:00 p.m. nightly. For more information regarding the tree construction, sponsorships, and this year's Santa Land, contact Nancy Neill at 775-2685.

## UPCOMING COTTON KINGS GAMES

- Friday 11/26 - 1340AM 7:05p Oklahoma City
- Saturday 11/27 - 1340AM 7:05p at San Angelo
- Sunday 11/28 - 1340AM 4:00p at Austin
- Thursday 12/2 - 1340AM 7:05 vs. Laredo
- Friday 12/3 - 1340AM 8:05 at New Mexico
- Saturday 12/4 - 790AM 8:05 at Colgado

If you find mistakes in this publication, please remind yourself that we are all human. We publish something for everyone and we don't always get it right. Some people are always looking for mistakes instead of looking at their own lives.

\*Reserving game times

# Chatman Hills Corner

The Churches United For Kingdom Building sponsored Thanksgiving Services last Sunday evening, November 21, 2004, at the New Hope Baptist Church. With a full-house of persons in attendance, a special presentation was presented to former City Councilman T. J. Patterson for his tenure as an elected official. He was presented a plaque for his leadership. The presentation was made by Rev. Wilburn Tamer.

Guest speaker for the services was Rev. Charles Bond, pastor of the Travelers Rest Missionary Baptist Church of Columbus, Ohio. He was introduced by Rev. Billy R. Moton, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church. His subject was, "Oops, I Did It Again." His scripture text was 1 John 1:9. He talked about sin, he said, "God didn't make us to sin." What a strong message.

The churches who are members of the Churches United For Kingdom Building are: Christ Temple C.O.G.I.C., Elder David Haynes, pastor; Community Baptist Church, Rev. Larry D. Brooks, pastor; Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, Rev. Wendell D. Davis, pastor; New Hope Baptist Church, Rev. Billy R. Moton, pastor; Pilgrim Baptist Church, Rev. Wilburn G. Turner, pastor; and Saint John Baptist Church, Rev. Solomon E. Fields, pastor.

Thanksgiving Day Services

will be held Thursday morning, November 25, 2004, at the Christ Temple C.O.G.I.C., beginning at 9:00 a.m. Speaker for the morning will be Minister Darryl Collins of Agape Temple C.O.G.I.C. The public is invited to attend these services.

Elder David Haynes is his pastor.

Thought For The Week: "Do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased." Hebrews 13:16. Taken from the New Hope Bulletin on Sunday, November 21, 2004.

The Women Missionary Society of New Hope Baptist Church has announced the postponement of the "Women In Red Banquet", and will be announced at a later date.

The Women Missionary Society will have its Annual Christmas Party on Monday evening, December 13, 2004, beginning at 6:00 p.m. All ladies are asked to bring their gifts, and don't forget your covered dish.

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. Billy R. Moton is pastor. If you are looking for a Church home, then come and visit New Hope. You will be glad you did so.

Services begun last Sunday morning, November 21, 2004,

with Meditation and Prayer. The Praise Team presented some very inspirational selections. The morning scripture was read by Minister S. Martin. Minister Charles Wilson offered the morning prayer. The New Hope Choir was responsible for morning selections.

The morning sermon was delivered by Rev. Charles Bond, pastor of the Travelers Rest Missionary Baptist Church of Columbus, Ohio. His sermon was entitled "Will A Man Rob God?" His scripture text was Malachi 3:6-11. What a sermon with a different perspective.

Announcements of the morning were by Sister Brenda Gipson. Brother Virgil Johnson welcomed all visitors.

Let us continue to pray for and visit those in our community who are shut-in. Among those ill this week include Sister Bobbie Gean Patterson, a patient at Covenant Lakeside, room 428-S. Don't forget Sister Ora Jean Keys who is ill!

Of course, there are so many who are shut-in. Don't forget anyone on that list. Today, it's them. Tomorrow, it could be you. God is able.

Let us publish your news for the upcoming Christmas Holidays. Send the information, with pictures, to: Southwest Digest, c/o Holiday News, P. O. Box 2553, Lubbock, Texas 79408. Let us hear from you.

## In Remembrance

### LEROY D. CURTIS

Funeral services for Leroy D. Curtis were held last Saturday morning, November 20, 2004, at the St. Matthew Baptist Church.

Burial arrangements were under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

He passed away Friday, November 12, 2004.

Mr. Curtis was born September 26, 1943, in Waco, Texas to Samuel and Elvira Curtis.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Curtis of Lubbock, Texas; four daughters: Annette R. Curtis of Richardson, Texas, Shelia E. Johnson of Grand Prairie, Texas, and Barbara J. Randies and Charolette R. Curtis, both of Lubbock, Texas; four sisters and three brothers.

He was preceded in death by his parents and seventeen siblings.

### ADELIA CRISP HARDRICK

Funeral services for Adelia Crisp Hardrick were held last Thursday afternoon, November 18, 2004, at the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church with Rev. W. D. Davis, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in the Englewood Cemetery in Slaton, Texas under the direction of Griffin Mortuary.

She passed away Thursday morning, November 11, 2004.

She was born September 18, 1940 in San Antonio, Texas. She was a mother, sister, friend, and a true woman of God, who followed in the footsteps of her father, world-renowned, Elder Charles Beck, pastor, evangelist and musician.

Adelia was an ordained minister, who contributed her ministry in helping others. She was closely involved in starting new churches, including her very

own, "My Father's House." She also devoted her time to the surrounding community, establishing park ministries and tent revivals. Her ministry work took her across the United States of America, including Alaska, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, Georgia and other states.

One of her last presentations was in the office of the Southwest Digest in September, 2004, and when she was the teacher for the Outreach Prayer Breakfast.

She leaves to mourn her passing: a son, Timothy Beck; three daughters, Patricia Davis and Valrie Simmons, all of Lubbock, Texas, and Charlesetta Bailey of Covington, Georgia; four sisters, two brothers; 14 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

### EMMA J'CEAL CAMPBELL MURPHY-ALEXANDER

A lady who loved working with little children and providing them proper day care, Emma J'Ceal Campbell Murphy-Alexander, was funeralized last

Thursday morning, November 18, 2004, at the Agape Temple COGIC Thursday.

Arrangements were under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Lubbock.

She died Thursday, November 11, 2004, in Irving, Texas.

She was born March 2, 1927 in Marshall, Texas to Wilson and Arquilla Campbell. She was the oldest of three children. She served as director of the Carver Heights Day Care Center in 1962, and moved to Vanda Day Care in 1979. She organized the Tender-Loving Day Care at Agape Temple Church of God in Christ.

Her husband, Joe B. Murphy, and two sisters, Mary-Juanita Jones and Bobbie Goodie, preceded her in death.

She is survived by her children: Beverly Howard of California, Cassandra Stephens of Irving, Texas, Osmond Daryl Murphy of DeSoto, Texas, and Debra "Goodie" Barley of Houston, Texas, five adopted children: Jeanette Davis of Lancaster, Texas; Kathleen Pogues, Cynthia Gary, Billy and Mary Sue Baker, all of Lubbock, Texas; 26 grandchildren; six great grandchildren; two nieces; and a loving aunt Velma Lemmons of McDowell, Georgia.

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## FASHION FUN

by Shirley Robinson

### Skirt Dipping

For the good and the bad, we're living in a fast-paced society contributing much to the fact that many women are experiencing busier life styles. Everything is rush, rush, push, push and hustle, hustle. It is a fashion reality that the bottoms of this seasons skirts are really just trying to keep up. Have you noticed the hem lines on skirts lately? When it comes to skirts, the designs are more relaxed, loose, free and pleasantly unconstructed! Its all about the bottom, they are longer in the back, shorter in the front and to jazz it up even more, some skirts are favorably pulled up a bit on each side. Soft and delicate with

original flexibility, there's movement, lots and lots of movement, and I for one like it. They go where you go and float when you float. SO LETS TALK SKIRT TAILS! Ladies as you're walking, the tail of your skirt will be talking, and wow! they have so much to say. Skirts are constantly changing positions, they are whirling, twirling and swirling. They are actively flipping, flipping, flopping and popping, romantically enhancing your every step, and ladies we all know that every STEF counts! ARGUND, AROUND AND AROUND THE SKIRT GOES WHESE THE BEAUTIFUL LADY STOPS LO



ONE KNOWS! Experiment try one of these dazzling skirts and have fun.

TIPS... ALWAYS WEAR A SMILE

FASHION, JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT

## Toys for Tots comes to the Buddy Holly Center

Lubbock- The Buddy Holly Center, in collaboration with the United States Marine Corps Reserves Toys for Tots Drive, ask you to help make a child's holiday a little brighter this year. Beginning December 15 through the 22nd, 2004, drop off a new, unwrapped toy donation at the Buddy Holly Center and receive free admission to the Buddy Holly Gallery. All toys will be given to local children in need this holiday season.

The goal of Toys for Tots is to deliver a message of hope, through a shiny new toy, which will build self-esteem and, in turn, motivate needy children to grow into responsible, productive citizens and community leaders.

Toys for Tots began in 1947 when Major Bill Hendricks, USMCR and a group of Marine Reservists in Los Angeles collected and distributed 5,000 toys to needy children. The idea came from Bill's wife, Diane. In the fall of 1947, Diane handcrafted a Raggedy Ann doll and asked Bill to deliver the doll to an orphanage, which would give it to a needy child at Christmas. When Bill determined that no agency existed, Diane told Bill that he should start one. He did. The 1947 campaign was so successful that the Marine Corps adopted Toys for Tots in 1948 and expanded it into a nationwide campaign.

The 2003 Toys for Tots cam-

aign was the most successful campaign in the 56 year history of the Program. Marines distributed 13 million toys to 6.5 million needy children. Over the 56 years of the U. S Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program, Marines have distributed more than 313 million toys to 151 million children.

The Buddy Holly Center is proud to help in this year's Toy Drive. Make the holidays happy for those in need. For more information on this event, please contact the staff at the Buddy Holly Center at (806) 767-2686 or visit us online at [www.buddyhollycenter.org](http://www.buddyhollycenter.org). The Buddy Holly Center is located at 1301 Avenue G in the Depot District of Lubbock, Texas.

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# Church News



From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

## Ruthlessly Exploited

"A win doesn't mean that all is well in the Republican Party" - Colleen McCain Nelson/The Dallas Morning News.

The Declaration of Independence, one of America's most treasured documents was introduced with these words by Thomas Jefferson: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator, with certain inalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness." Generations from this humble genesis have not only embraced Jefferson's noble sentiments, they have embellished them. Equality of political rights and legal standing has begged to be the hallmark for equality for all of America's citizens.

Our society cries out to be from sea, to shining seas: an egalitarian one. We beg to respect and ensure differences between groups and individuals and draw from them yet challenging them to the highest of ideals.

The thought of Jefferson does not seem to weigh with the new brand of politics in the Republican Party. Colleen Nelson of the Dallas Morning News wrote the following:

"Though their candidate came out ahead on Nov. 2, some moderate Republicans are as despondent as Democrats. While Christian conservatives have been credited with turning out like-minded voters in crucial swing states, many moderates say they have been marginalized. There is no future for moderate and progressive Republicans in the Republican Party," said Jim Scarantino, president of the centrist GOP group Mainstream 2004. The far right wing and the fanatics have seized control. Mr. Scarantino isn't sure where his band of Republican politics fits into the GOP. Some Christian conservatives say it doesn't. "If they can't agree and support the president and the platform, then they ought to go over to the Democrats," said Jan LaRue, chief counsel for the conservative group Concerned Women for America."

It allegedly has been known over years that moderate and conservative Republicans have coexisted with different though processes. The new wave of thought by the conservatives appears to be hostile and the dogmatism of the hour is do it the way we want it done or get the "halo out of dodge."

While this thought prevails, where do black Americans and young bright white intellectual males fit in the Republican political game puzzle? To find a definitive, pseudo answer, one would have to ask the men who allegedly have as much, equal or more knowledge than the angels or their Jesus in the name game of moral values. These men are Dr. James Dobson, Focus on the Family; the Rev. Jerry Falwell, Baptist Preacher - Faith and Values Coalition; and the former trash, boyish director of the Christian Coalition, Ralph Reed.

One has to give Karl Love credit for putting together a political strategy that brought out the true intellect and feeling toward other human beings by conservative Republicans. His brand of political eugenics worked well. For example: Subtly keep race, as a factor and "bubba" and "boo-boo" will buy it even if he is starving. Use code words that really say "Homeland Security" to keep the two minority races in line and conservatives will swallow it "hook, line and sinker" and help keep the rich and powerful in power. Ruthlessly exploited. Will this kind of attitude keep America safe?

## Outreach Prayer Breakfast

### "Resolution For Sister Adelia Crisp Hardwick"

This seems to be a sad and dark occasion, but we live in a world where Solomon's shadows are continually falling upon our path. These shadows teach us the uncertainty of all temporal blessings, and warn us that here, there is no abiding stay. We have, however, the blessed satisfaction of knowing that death cannot enter that spire to which the departed are removed. So, I voice the sentiment of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast, when I say to the family of Sister Adelia Crisp Hardwick, let hope and faith mingle with your sorrow. Death to them who are God's children is non other than the dispatcher of all displeasures — the end of all suffering, the door of desires, the gate of gladness, the port of paradise, the haven of heaven, and the beginning of blissfulness.

Sister Adelia was a friend and sister in Christ to this group, the

Outreach Prayer Breakfast. Little did we know when she brought the lesson to the Outreach Prayer Breakfast Saturday morning, September 4, 2004, at the Southwest Digest office, 1302 Avenue Q, it would be her last presentation on this side. Her subject was "Unity In Christ", with one of her scriptures being Ephesians 4:1. "I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called."

You see, Sister Adelia was concerned about unity in the world and the church family. She loved people, especially the people of God. So lift up your head, family members, as God is our refuge and strength a very present help in times just like these today. So be strong and of good courage, because the Lord hath said I will never leave you or forsake you.

These words are most humbly and lovingly submitted by the Outreach Prayer Breakfast.

For all of you who are hurting people, remember God works by his word. He acts according to your faith and what the word says. Read these scriptures: Matthew 10:1; Mark 11:22-26; James 5:14; Matthew 8:17; Isaiah 53:5; 1 Peter 2:24; Psalm 103:3; II Chronicles 7:14 and Mark 16:17-18.

Thought For Today: "Whatever he says for you to do, 'do it.' Don't worry about what will happen, or what will not happen. 'Just do it!'"

Let us not forget our drive by prayers, and thanks for reading, Precious People.

P.S.: Why do the righteous suffer? We only can see the outside of the puzzle. God knows. If you don't have a turkey for Thanksgiving Day, thank God anyway. Now, that is what really matters.

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

## AHBAI presents the Proud Lady model search 2005

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Chicago on March 19-21, 2005 for Phase II of the competition. As part of the Tital Look Evening Competition, stylists will create an evening look on-site, and models will be interviewed by a panel of judges in the final phase of this competition.

What you need to do: It's simple. Find a licensed hairstylist and

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The prize: As Ms. Proud Lady 2005 you will receive \$1,000 cash and be featured in future Proud Lady Beauty show promotional materials, as well as have an opportunity to represent "Ms. Proud lady" at special events. The grand prize hairstylist winner will receive \$1,000 Cash, a trophy and recognition in national publications. The grand prize hairstylist winner will also receive a complimentary 1-year membership to AHBAI's Salon Advantage club. Other cash and/or trophy prizes will be awarded to the top five place winners. Additionally, all semi-finalists will receive a deluxe product gift package of hair care and beauty products as compliments of AHBAI manufacturing companies, featuring the Proud Lady symbol.

Don't delay: this is your opportunity to be viewed by Ethnic HBC Manufacturers from across the

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The American Health and Beauty Aids Institute will present the 16th Annual Proud Lady Beauty Show - Chicago, March 19-21, 2005 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, downtown Chicago. The 2005 Proud Lady Beauty Show, the nation's leading educational event in the beauty industry, features glamorous Award-Winning competitions, great educational opportunities and a comprehensive trade show for professional hair stylists, barbers, nail technicians and cosmetology and barber students. For more information on the 2005 Proud Lady Beauty Show - Chicago, call 312-321-6824 or visit the Web site at [www.proudlady.org](http://www.proudlady.org).



## We Thank God for Jesus

### I'm a living testimony Part 2

Written by Evangelist Billy D. Morriser, III - your brother in Christ Jesus always.

JEREMIAH 1:5A, THE LORD SAID, BEFORE I FORMED YOU IN THE BELLY, I KNEW YOU; AND BEFORE YOU CAME OUT OF THE WOMB I SANCTIFIED YOU. (TO GOD BE THE GLORY.) IN 1969 I WAS IN SIN WITH THE NEIGHBORS WIFE NEXT DOOR. THEN I MOVED TO POLSTON FOR ONE YEAR. AND THEN BACK TO DALLAS. I WENT BY WOOD'S HOUSE TO SAY HELLO. HE WAS SITTING ON THE COUCH WATCHING TV. HIS WIFE CAME FROM THE OFFICE ROOM AS I CAME IN THE FRONT DOOR. SHE STARTED SCREAMING. HE KNOWS! HE KNOWS! HE KNOWS! I THOUGHT IT WAS SOMETHING ON TV SHE WAS TALKING ABOUT. WOODY ALWAYS TALKED ABOUT SHOOTING SOMEONE ABOUT HIS WIFE. NO AS HE GOT OFF THE COUCH TO GO TO THE BACK ROOM, I RAN OUT THE DOOR. I HAD A FORD THAT YOU COULD START STANDING OUTSIDE IT. THIS TIME IT DIDN'T START. AND I BEGAN TO PRAY. LORD PLEASE START THIS CAR! AND IT STARTED. I HIT THE GAS PEELING SOME RUBBER. THE STREET HAD A STOP SIGN AT THE END OF THE BLOCK. BUT I DIDN'T STOP!!

PSALM 103:3, THE LORD IS MERCIFUL AND GRACIOUS. SLOW TO ANGER, AND PLENTEOUS IN MERCY (TO GOD BE THE GLORY) IN 1973 MY MOTHER AND WENT TO DENVER, CO. I WAS LIVING IN DALLAS THEN. WHILE DRINKING SOME BEERS, I PACKED THE FRONT WHEELS

OF MY CAR WITH GREASE. AND CAME TO LUBROCK AND PICK UP MOTHER. WE MADE THE TRIP SAFELY, BUT ON OUR WAY BACK, I PICKED MY SPEED JUST OUTSIDE OF DENVER, 80 MPH. MY HAND SHOOK VIOLENTLY ON THE STEERING WHEEL. I TOLD MOTHER SOMETHING IS WRONG WITH THE FRONT END. I GOT OUT AND LOOK AT THE FRONT LEFT TIRE. AND IT WAS LEANING OUR FROM UNDER THE FENDER. I TOLD MOTHER THE LUG NUTS ARE LOOSE AND I WOULD GET THE JACK AND TIGHTEN THEM. WHEN I JACKED UP THE CAR, THE TIRE HIT THE GROUND. WHEN I PACKED THE WHEEL, I TIGHTENED THE SPENDLE BOLT TOO TIGHT. AND IT BURNED THE SPINDLE IN TOO INCH. (MOTHER SAID WE WERE BLESSED. I TOLD OTHERS THEY SAID, IT WAS JUST LUCK!!!)

LUKE 12:47, JESUS SAID, ARE NOT FIVE SPARROWS SOLD FOR TWO FARTHINGS, AND ARE NOT ONE OF THEM FORGOTTEN BEFORE GOD. FOR EVEN THE HEIRS OF YOUR HEAD ARE NUMBRED. FEAR NOT THEREFORE: YOU ARE OF MUCH MORE VALUE THAN MANY SPARROWS. (TO GOD BE THE GLORY) IN 1975 I WAS IN EAGLE LAKE, TEXAS. FOR THE WEEKEND, I PICKED UP A LADY AND WENT HOME WITH HER AFTER PARTYING AFTER OUR SINS WAS OVER. WE WENT TO SLEEP. I WOKE UP VIOLENT. IT SHOOK THE BED. SHE WOKE UP AND ASK WHATS WRONG? I SAID, A CAR JUST DROVE UP AT THAT WINDOW. SHE GOT OUT OF BED AND LOOKED. SHE SAID, THERE IS NO ONE OUT

THERE! I SAID, I JUST SAW A MAN PULL IN A BLACK FORD, WITH A LONG ANTENNA ON THE BACK. AND HE HAD ON A BLACK COWBOY HAT. AND GLASSES ON SMOKING A CIGAR. SHE SAID: YOU JUST DESCRIBED MY HUSBAND! I GOT UP AND STARTED GETTING DRESSED. SHE SAID, BUT HE'S IN HOUSTON VISITING HIS MOTHER. HE WON'T BE BACK TILL SUNDAY! SOMETHING TOLD ME TO GET OUT OF HERE NOW! MY BROTHER JR. WAS IN THE FRONT ROOM ON THE COUCH SLEEPING. I TOLD HIM LETS GO! ABOUT A MONTH LATER, I WAS BACK DOWN THERE. AND SHE TOLD ME HER HUSBAND LEFT HIS MEDICATION AT HOME. AND GOT SICK IN HOUSTON AND CAME HOME THAT NIGHT! \*\*\* SAID, BOY, I WAS LUCKY!!!! PSALM 107:3, OH THAT MEN WOULD PRAISE THE LORD FOR HIS GOODNESS. AND FOR HIS WONDERFUL WORKS TO THE CHILDREN OF MEN! (DON'T ASK ME WHY? I HAVE GOD IN MY HEART, ON MY TONGUE, ON THE FRONT DOOR OF OUR HOUSE, ON MY T-SHIRTS, ON MY CAPS, ON MY COWBOY HATS. DOWN THE SIDE OF MY PICK-UP TRUCK, ON THE MAIL BOX ON THE FENCE! IF YOU CAN'T LIFT HIM UP: DON'T HENDER ME! I M NOT ASHAMED! JESUS DIDN'T SAY HOW WE WERE TO LIFT HIM UP. THIS JOY I HAVE, THE WORLD DIDN'T GIVE IT TO ME!! IT CAME THROUGH JESUS CHRIST. AND WHO WOULDN'T SERVE A GOD LIKE THIS???)

JOHN 12:32, JESUS SAID, AND IF I BE LIFTED UP FROM THE EARTH, I WILL DRAW ALL MEN UNTO ME.

## St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Last Sunday morning, November 21, 2004, church services at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, were very inspiring. It all begun with Sunday School, beginning at 10:15 a.m. Superintendent, Sister Luella Harris presided over the services. The morning lesson was "The New Beginnings." It was taught and reviewed by Rev. Edward Canady, pastor.

The morning worship hour begun at 11:15 a. m. The morning devotion was led by Brother Gerald Jackson and Deacon Edward Williams.

The St. Matthew Senior Choir again sung out of their hearts and souls. What a time all had singing God's praises. What a time!

The morning message was delivered by Minister Nina Davis. Her subject was "The Resurrection." Her scripture text was St. John 11:25-26.

During the invitation to discipleship, St. Matthew had a young man to unite with the church. What a glorious time it was.

Thought For The Week: "Scripture is meant to give us protection, correction, and direction."

Members of St. Matthew

Baptist Church had a Holiday Gathering last Sunday afternoon, November 21, 2004, beginning at 3:00 p. m. The theme was "Thanksgiving." The Rev. Ray

McCoy, pastor of Bethel Baptist Church, was the guest speaker. After the services, a wonderful fellowship was held in Fellowship Hall.

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**Sunday:**  
Bible Class - 9:00am  
Worship - 10:15am  
Evening Worship - 5:00pm

**Wednesday:**  
Bible Class & Devotional - 7:00pm

**God's Plan for Saving Man**  
All have sinned - Romans 2:3  
Jesus Christ died for our sins - 2 Cor. 5:21; Acts 2:38  
We must do God's will and obey him to enter heaven - Matt. 7:21; Heb 5:9  
How do we obey him?  
Hear the gospel - Romans 10:17  
Believe Jesus Christ is the son of God - Mark 16:16  
Repent of your sin - Luke 13:3  
Confess - Romans 10:10  
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**Weekly order of Services:**  
Sunday School - 9:45 am  
Sunday Morning Worship - 11:00 am  
Sunday Evening YPWW - 6:00 pm  
Tuesday Young Adult Study - 7:00 pm  
Wednesday Night Bible Study - 7:00 pm  
Thursday Praise Team & Choir Rehearsal - 7:00 pm

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# KTXT-TV sets December festival fundraiser

LUBBOCK — Texas Tech University's educational television station, KTXT-TV, the Public Broadcasting System (PBS) affiliate for the South Plains, will conduct an on-air fundraising event December 4-13. The December Festival 2004 will air on Channel 5 (Cox Cable Channel 4 in Lubbock). The theme of the fundraiser is "Be More, Watch and Support Your Public Television!"

Station officials have set a goal of \$20,000 for the nine-day event, giving South Plains residents ample opportunity to support local public television: as an essential community resource. Funds raised during the event will go directly to the purchase and broadcast of quality television programming.

"KTXT-TV is a non-commercial public television station and, as such, it relies on the public for

the funds necessary to purchase programs and broadcast these programs into your home," said Tim Chambers, the station's development officer. KTXT-TV is now in its 42nd year of providing educational television to the people of the South Plains.

The December Festival schedule will feature several music specials including, "Daniel O'Donnell: Live with Branson," "Josh Groban: Live with the Greek,"

"Dionne Warwick: In Concert" and "George Jones: 50 Years of Hits, A Soundstage Special." "Lawrence Welk Family Christmas," "Blind Boys of Alabama: Go Tell It On The Mountain," and "Rock and Roll Forever: Ed Sullivan's Greatest Hits" also will air.

Other specials include "Phil Collins: Live and Loose in Paris,"

"My Music: Get Down Tonight, The Disco Explosion," and "The Morgan Choir: A Joyful Celebration."

Many of the regular programs such as "The Newshour with Jim Lehrer," "Washington Week in Review," "Wall Street Week with Fortune" and "Now with Bill Moyers" also will be a part of the special programming schedule.

The station will offer DVDs, VHS tapes and CDs from select programs as thank-you gifts throughout the fundraiser. Pledges also can be sent via KTXT-TV's Web site at [www.ktxt.org](http://www.ktxt.org).

For more information on KTXT-TV's December Festival 2004, or to make a donation, call Chambers at (806) 742-2209.

## Final plea for Lubbock area host families

Foreign high school students are scheduled to arrive soon for academic semester and year program homestays, and the sponsoring organization needs a few more local host families.

According to Pacific International Exchange (P.I.E.) Executive Director, John Doty, the students are all between the ages of 15 and 18 years, are English-speaking, have their own spending money, carry accident and health insurance, and are anxious to share their cultural experiences with their new American families. P.I.E. currently has programs to match almost every family's needs, ranging in length from a semester to a full academic year, where the students attend local high schools.

P.I.E. area representatives match students with host families by finding common interests and lifestyles through an informal in-home meeting. Prospective host families are able to review student applications and select the perfect match. As there are no "typical" host families, P.I.E. can fit a student into just about any situation, whether it be a single parent, a childless couple, a retired couple or a large family.

Families who host for P.I.E. are also eligible to claim a \$50.00 per month charitable contribution deduction on their itemized tax returns for each month they host a sponsored student.

For the upcoming programs, P.I.E. has students from Germany, the Former Soviet Union, Venezuela, Argentina, Brazil, Macedonia, Hungary, Korea, Ghana, Mexico, Italy, Paraguay, Australia, Yugoslavia, China, Belgium, Vietnam and many other countries. P.I.E. has also been invited to participate in a special government-funded program to bring scholarship students from the Newly Independent States of the former Soviet Union to the United States. P.I.E. is a non-profit educational organization that has

sponsored more than 20,000 students from 40 countries since its founding in 1975. The organization is designated by the United States Department of State and is listed by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET), certifying that the organization complies with the standards set forth in CSIET's Standards for International Educational Travel Programs.

Doty encourages families to contact the program immediately, as it will allow the proper time

for the students and hosts to get to know one another before they actually meet for the first time.

Lubbock area families interested in learning more about student exchange or arranging for a meeting with a community representative may call P.I.E., toll-free, at 1-800-631-1818. The agency also has travel/study program opportunities available for American high school students as well as possibilities for community volunteers to assist and work with area host families, students and schools.

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### First Estacado High School 2005 All School Reunion 2005 1967-2000

Attention all Estacado Matadors! We are trying very hard to form a committee for the **FIRST ALL SCHOOL REUNION, 2005!** We are asking all classmates to please step up and get involved with this great event.

We, the Alumni, are past due for this event to take place! so please get involved and come to the meetings. Your input is important and will be valued.

We will be meeting the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at the Patterson Branch Library at 7:00pm... PLEASE COME!

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## Matadors

**CONTACT PEOPLE:**  
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**SPOTLIGHT ON KIDS RULES**

1) No purchase necessary. Nominations forms will appear periodically throughout the year in the Avalanche-Journal and of Make Kids Count sponsor business special issues. Forms also are available at the A-J information Center, 710 Avenue 2.

2) Nominations forms can be mailed to Spotlight On Kids, P.O. Box 491, Lubbock, TX 79408, or can be dropped off at the A-J Information Center, 710 Avenue 2.

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4) Only one Spotlight On Kids nominee will appear in the A-J each day.

5) Selection will be made by A-J personnel, based on the completeness of information, parental approval and the merit of the nominee, including family contributions, citizenship, volunteerism, character, talents and accomplishment, good behavior, church involvement, etc.

6) All nominees agree to allow their names, and photographs to be published in The Avalanche-Journal without further compensation.

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# Ryshawn Bynum: American slavery's latest victim?

Two-year-old Ryshawn Lamar Bynum died on July 31, 2003. His father, Isaac Bynum, had brought the child to the intensive care unit of Oregon Health and Science University Hospital the previous day.

Ryshawn arrived unresponsive, and doctors soon realized why: His neck was broken. So were two of his ribs. He had a severe brain injury (which, an autopsy showed, was the actual cause of his death), retinal hemorrhages and about 70 whip marks on his legs, buttocks, back and chest.

Little Ryshawn was pronounced dead at 10:15 a.m. When speaking with the police, Isaac Bynum initially said the injuries were an accident. When questioned about the whip marks, he admitted hitting his son with a watch strap while potty training him. Isaac Bynum was charged with one count of murder by abuse at 11:30 a.m.

This story is an obvious tragedy. Just thinking about the suffering this innocent child must have endured brings tears to my eyes. But thinking about what happened afterwards makes me sick.

Isaac Bynum's lawyer, Randall Vogt, is arguing that his client wasn't entirely at fault. Yes, he beat his child but - and you may need to read this twice - it was white people who made him do it. That's right. White people, or rather their slave-owning ancestors, made Isaac Cortez Bynum kill his son.

Vogt is hanging this novel defense on the untested and unproven theory of a black assistant professor at Portland State University, Dr. Joy DeGruy-Leary pioneered the idea of "Post-Traumatic Slave Syndrome." In May, she testified in Bynum's defense. Her theory is that, because our

ancestors were slaves and had to watch their loved ones raped, beaten, humiliated and sold away, they must have endured unspeakable mental trauma. They never got the chance to heal from this trauma and passed it on to their children. After years of racism, generations of blacks are now subject to violent or self-destructive behavior.

In other words, most of us are just naturally crazy and dangerous.

Do you believe this? Do you want your kids to believe this about themselves?

Anyone who embraces this theory is more of a slave than our ancestors ever were. Browse through a good history book and you'll see. Our ancestors were not weak-willed people. They fought slavery. Although only the Nat Turner, Denmark Vesey and Gabriel's rebellions are well known today, there were hundreds of slave revolts in this country. It was not uncommon for slaves to add poison to the master's food or set fire to his barns.

Slaves risked their lives to learn how to read and write. Slaves risked their lives in order to hold church meetings. We also know many risked their lives trying to escape slavery. Their bodies may have been enslaved, but their minds were free. Proclaiming anything else is to spit on their graves and the memory of their courage.

According to the Oregonian, Dr. DeGruy-Leary, who holds a doctorate in social work and a master's in clinical psychology, had not actually spoken to Isaac

Bynum at the time of her testimony. She is licensed to offer counseling, but not to diagnose. Had she met with Bynum, perhaps she might have come up with the same "diagnosis" that I have.

Isaac Cortez Bynum, a 27-year-old man who has never been a slave and never met any family member who was ever a slave, is nothing more than a cold-blooded brute who murdered his child and who is trying to weasel out of facing the consequences.

Of course, Dr. DeGruy-Leary isn't the really the first person to espouse the Post-Traumatic Slave Syndrome theory. Learned and not-so-learned people have said for years that black people were violent and we just can't help ourselves. We used to call such people bigots.

Washington County Circuit Judge Nancy W. Campbell rejected Dr. DeGruy-Leary's pre-trial testimony, but has indicated she may allow it at the actual September trial only if the theory can be shown to have a scientific basis accepted by the psychiatric community.

The possibility Bynum just might get off thanks to the notion most black people are unbalanced is just about the most low-down and vile thing I can think of.

Kimberly Jane Wilson is a member of the National Advisory Council of the African-American leadership network Project 21 and a freelance writer in Northern Virginia. Comments may be sent to Project21@nationalcenter.org.

## Hockey 101

Your introduction to hockey

In an effort to expose the readers of Southwest Digest to the exciting game of hockey, we are presenting a series of short articles detailing basic rules, lingo and information about this exciting game.

The 2004-05 season has started and you can see Cotton Kings hockey here in Lubbock every week during the season. Call the Cotton Kings at 747-PUCK for ticket information or visit them online at www.cottonkings.com. Tickets also available at Labbock Albertson's stores for discounted prices.

### Hockey Lingo

**Assists**  
A pass or series of passes which immediately precede a goal. A maximum of two assists are credited for one goal. The goal-scorer cannot be credited with an assist.

**Back Check**  
Attempt by forwards in their defensive zone to regain the puck from the opposition.

**Body Check**  
To pile or drive an opponent into the dasher boards. Slowing or stopping an opponent with the puck by using his hip or shoulder. (Legal)

**Breakaway**  
No opponent between puck carrier and opponent's goal except goalkeeper.

**Crease**  
Semi-circular area with a 6-foot radius drawn in front of the goal. No attacking player may enter into this area unless pushed in.

**Drop Pass**  
Puck carrier passes the puck behind him to a trailing teammate.

**D-ke**  
To fake out an opponent.

**Five-Hole**  
A goal passes through the goalie's legs.

**Fore Check**  
To keep opponents in their end of the rink while trying to regain control of the puck.

**Headmanning**  
Passing the puck head to a teammate.

**Game Misconduct**  
Suspension for balance of game, regardless of how much time remains to be played.

**Neutral Zone**  
The blue lines bounding the center ice area between defending and attacking zones.

**Penalty Kill**  
The time that a team is playing short-handed.

**Poke Check**  
To dislodge the puck from the puck carrier by stabbing at it with the blade of a stick. (Legal)

**Power Play**  
The name applied to a group of players when a team has the advantage of an extra man because of a penalty to the other team.

**Shorthanded**  
The team playing with one or more players in the penalty box.

**Slap Shot**  
A shot in which the player raises the stick in a back swing with his strong hand held low on the shaft and his other hand on the end as a pivot. When the stick comes down to the puck, the player leans into the stick, adding power to the shot which can reach velocities up to 120 mph.

**Wrist Shot**  
A shot made using a strong flicking of the wrist and forearm muscles with the stick blade kept on ice, is slower, but more accurate than a slap shot.

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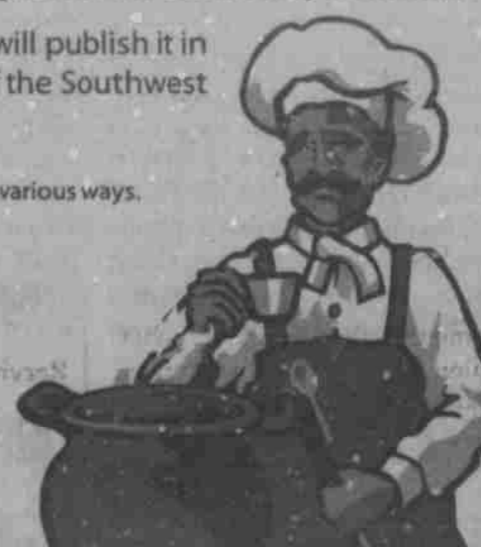
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If your child wants to be president one day, click on "Government" and go to "Take Your Kids to Vote." You'll find activities for future voters of all ages. Whether your children walk, take the bus or ride their bikes to school, they need to think safety first. Use Kids.gov to help teach traffic rules.

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# Editorials • Comments • Opinions



## THIS 'N' THAT

THANKS, "EACH ONE, REACH ONE" THIS N THAT wants to take this time ... and say THANK YOU to the effort last Saturday night November 20, 2004 ... at the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium ... where the 1ST ANNUAL MULTI-CULTURAL GOSPEL FEST 2004 was held... With the top notch talent on hand THE WILLIAMS ... and LEE WILLIAMS & THE SPIRITUAL Q. C.'S ... those present enjoyed the ... 3 HOUR CONCERT and many present can't wait until next year... Perhaps the high point of the evening was the announcement of FOUR SCHOLARSHIPS which will be presented in honor of the three young people who were murdered here last month... FOUR LUBBOCK CHURCHES - Community Baptist Church ... Greater St. Luke Baptist Church Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, and Mt. Gilead Baptist Church ... will be responsible for reporting their choice of the young person who receive the scholarship from their church... These FUNDS will be forwarded to the bursar's office of the college or university the student is attending... THIS N THAT was advised that the student will not receive the check themselves... THIS N THAT ... is hoping more churches will get involved in this Gospel Fest so more young people will receive a scholarship... No doubt about it this was a very successful program and let's do the same next year... SOMEBODY KNOWS SOMETHING! THIS N THAT is praying for something to happen in finding out who killed those THREE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS who

were good students at the Alderson Academy and their mother. With this kind of a murder in an apartment complex WINDCREST ESTACADO APARTMENTS someone has to know something... THIS N THAT ... has heard much about this slaughter of these precious human beings... And there is the unsolved murder of MARY "CANDY LADY" DAVIS who was killed in her home at 2626 Globe Avenue ... last January, 2004... Surely someone knows who is responsible for this death... THIS N THAT is hoping this will not be like the Unsolved murder of former Lubbock educator LUELLA SCOTT... The same here someone knows something...

PATTERSON RECEIVES SPECIAL RECOGNITION! THIS N THAT was present last Sunday evening November 21, 2004 at the THANKSGIVING SERVICES sponsored by the CHURCHES UNITED FOR KINGDOM BUILDING at the New Hope Baptist Church when special recognition was given to former City Councilman T. J. PATTERSON ... for his tenure on the city council... Patterson received a plaque which read as follows: "IN RECOGNITION T. J. PATTERSON FOR DISTINGUISHED MEMORATIVE SERVICE & EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP IN THE COMMUNITY." Patterson thanked the Churches United For Kingdom Building... Those six churches and pastors are CHRIST TEMPLE COGIC, ELDER DAVID HAYES, PASTOR; COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH, REV. LARRY BROOKS, PASTOR; LYONS

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HAVE YOU VISITED A PUBLIC SCHOOL THIS YEAR? THIS N THAT is still encouraging as many of you who can visit a LUBBOCK PUBLIC SCHOOL and we want to remind you that the first semester is almost over... So why not make plans to visit when school convenes next week when classes resume from the Thanksgiving Holidays. Go by a school and let these YOUNG PEOPLE ... know you are concerned about them. These are our PRECIOUS LITTLE PEOPLE and they need our encouragement. This world is cruel so let's go and show them there are people who care about them and stand ready to assist.

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: "YOUNG PEOPLE prepare yourself today ... for tomorrow ... is not far off... Be ready to make a POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION to the United States of America."

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## Think About It! Plant the seeds and see them grow!

by Eddie P. Richardson

It's hard to feel from the beginning when you plant a seed how it will grow and what the harvest will be. A good example was last Saturday night, November 20, 2004, at the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium when two national renowned Gospel Groups appeared on the same stage on the same day in conservative Lubbock, Texas. These groups, both from the state of Mississippi, were the Williams Brothers and Lee Williams and The Spiritual Q.C.'s. Both groups had the last name of Williams, but are not related.

It's a long road on how they happened to make it to Lubbock, but by the Grace of God and the determination of a lady called Faye Brown, who sometime ago, along with Reggie Andrews, approached then City Councilman T.J. Patterson, after an alleged drug related murder of a young man in East Lubbock. As a result of this encounter, more than 75 marches and prayer vigils began.

The most important and his-

torical thing is the youth organization, "Each One, Reach One," did not begin with the 1st Annual Multi-Cultural Gospel Fest Concert. It began years earlier and was centered around young people who were key players in the drug marches and prayer vigils. One key issue was most of these young people were considered to be at-risk young people who were borderline or any other stereo classification placed on young people.

The end result is don't ever give up. Just keep pushing. With the help, encouragement, and support of The Southwest Digest, these young people were exposed to different cultures and political and community involvement. Many of these young people are young adults today, some with children, most of them graduated from high school, and are successful in their own right. So, you see, hope is still alive. Young people, no matter their backgrounds, can make it with encouragement and support.

The Williams Brothers and

Lee Williams were not an instant success. It was a long hard road, winding with many problems, but they were determined, with hope, and not giving up. You see, God will open door along the way as we travel this long road. All of this is real, and with hope and sincerity — and not ego tripping and self gratification and promotion. God will bless the trip of life and lead the way for anything we do. This was the case last Saturday evening. It was a history making event, and it is this writer's hope, more venues and positive activities will continue to happen.

The Southwest Digest says Congratulations to "Each One, Reach One." It prove your heart is in the right place and unselfish positive results will always present itself.

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Thought of the Week: "You are today where your thoughts have brought you. You will be tomorrow where your thoughts take you." - James Lane Allen Nuf Sed! Why Not?

## In Cinque

by Renetta Howard

A child in a crisis, grandchildren confused and upset, an ailing husband with a newly diagnosed disease, pressing social, civic and religious duties, on an aching body and add to that another malady, "Political or Election Flu!"

and figure out how to have your life sideline.

Sidelined is perhaps what many Americans feel today, almost 50%

of them and most of the world after hearing in the media that the virus you expected in Florida was not as bad as anticipated though we had inoculations for that one, to be assaulted by the one in Ohio. The Ohio attack is causing some side effects and may be epidemic.

The media has stated that over 2300 votes were cast in Ohio for Kerry and yet were counted for Bush. Sounds a little bit like the e-mail that I received showing a ballot where if you voted for Bush, a huge "X" was recorded in the box. If you voted for Kerry, the box moved continuously and you could not record your vote.

Following this discovery, there are rumors that Kerry is considering un-conceding the election for President and requesting a recount in Ohio. It is rumored that he is requesting anyone who has first-hand knowledge of franchise irregularities to report them to him and his attorney brother. They have ten days following the election after all of the absentee votes are counted to make a legal move, according to some sources, and there are organizations working to help them. If there are enough reports, we may see some developments before the presidential

inauguration next year. It may all be "much ado about nothing." Time will tell how the Ohio scene plays out, but it is really sad that the presidential elections in the United States are getting the same type of notoriety once heard from USSR-Russia when it was predominately communistic. There was only one party there and if you intended to vote, you voted for the selected party candidate if your vote was to count. One American political party has

been accused of stealing votes and another has been accused of stealing elections. Sounds like a communistic move?

America's morality is being questioned. This country has a lot of areas in which inventory, investigations and analyses are needed in order to regain the status of an upright leader in the eyes of the world. It is time that we get 'in cinque' as citizens and work toward the goal of improving our world status.

## Magazine reveals that many Black comedians are laughing all the way to the bank

(New York, NY) - Black comedians have come a long way since the days of vaudeville. Back in the day, comics such as Red Foxx and Jackie "Moms" Mabley were mostly relegated to performing at black nightclubs and theaters. Today's audience, accounting for almost 20% of the 40.3 million daytime viewers. Despite its popularity with black audiences, daytime television discounts black talent in front of and behind the camera. African-Americans have had a presence in daytime serials for more than 40 years, although it may have been playing nonessential roles such as maids in the 1990s, the networks began to introduce prominent black characters with intriguing story lines, giving way to rising stars such as Shemar Moore and Nia Long. Still, despite black actors' presence and popularity, their ability to command long-term contracts is dismal compared to their white co-stars. In "Daytime's Other Drama," BLACK ENTERPRISE Editor at Large Carolyn Brown speaks with five industry insiders who are fighting for change and further prominence in the industry (p 120).

The pricing of money occurs off the foreign exchange market, which is known internationally as the Forex. It is the largest financial market in the world. In "Riding with the Currency," BE examines the forces that drive the cost of money while assessing the positives and negatives

of a strong vs. weak dollar. During the last two years of the Bush administration, the US dollar has plunged in value against the world's major foreign currencies, more than 22% since 2002. A weak dollar causes business owners to confront higher costs, which often trickle down to consumers in the form of higher prices. If the dollar is described as strong, it buys more units of foreign currency. For US consumers this means lower prices for foreign goods and services. No matter which direction the dollar takes, there are potential financial benefits for the savvy (p 109).

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ESSENCE magazine hosted the sold-out inaugural Women Who Are Shaping the World Leadership Summit on October 15, 2004 in New York City at The Pierre Hotel. Created by ESSENCE editors, the Women Who Are Shaping the World Leadership Summit provided a day of transformation, and a unique opportunity for more than 500 corporate and entrepreneurial attendees to interact with African-American business leaders, entrepreneurs, educators and trailblazers. The non-traditional business conference featured some of the most accomplished women from around the world. They shared truths and strategies necessary to succeed personally and professionally. The Women Who Are Shaping the World Leadership Summit was sponsored by Chevrolet, Lactaid, L'Oreal, Lowes, Microsoft, New York Life, Office Depot, OnStar, and State Farm.

## Buddy Holly Center announces date for annual holiday open house

Lubbock—Searching for that perfect holiday gift for your loved one? Wondering what the kids are going to get you this year? The Buddy Holly Center invites you to join us Saturday, December 11th, 2004 for our annual Holiday Open House. Open from 11:00 am - 6:00 pm, the Museum Shop will offer a 15% discount on select items. The Museum Shop has various items to suit any taste and style, including music CDs, T-shirts, mugs, pens. The Real

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Bring the kids along and participate in our Holiday Ornament and Card Making Workshop from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. This is a great opportunity for family and friends to get together to create a personalized gift for the holidays. Participants will make a one-of-a-kind holiday ornament and card, as well as leave with a special gift box. Children and adults welcome!

Don't miss this exciting holiday workshop with art educator Jessica Smith, where everyone will leave with a complete gift, wrapped and ready to give! Pre-registration is required. Call 767-2606 to sign up. Cost: \$10.00 per person.

After a day of shopping and workshops, join us in the lobby for warm cider and holiday cookies. For more information on this event, please contact the staff at the Buddy Holly Center at (806) 767-2686 or visit us online at [www.buddyhollycenter.org](http://www.buddyhollycenter.org). The Buddy Holly Center is located at 1801 Avenue G in the Depot District of Lubbock, Texas.

## Lubbock parks website receives regional award

At last week's Texas Recreation and Parks Society Regional Meeting, the City of Lubbock's Parks and Recreation Department received the Best Website Award for region's 1, 8 and 9. This award recognized creativity or innovation in the development of websites or home pages that communicate and promote the value of public recreation on the Internet. Entries were judged on content, design, ease of use and currency. The Parks and Recreation website is a comprehensive site that provides information on the many parks and park activities that are offered year round. The website includes information on the City's 75-plus parks, spe-

cially parks, community centers, senior center, athletic leagues, fishing, boating, radio-controlled airplanes, disc golf, special events and programs. It also links to two other park related websites: the Garden and Art Center ([www.gardenandartcenter.org](http://www.gardenandartcenter.org)) and Lake Alan H. Henry ([www.lakealanhenry.org](http://www.lakealanhenry.org)). To visit the Parks and Recreation website, go to [www.playlubbock.com](http://www.playlubbock.com) and click on Parks and Recreation.

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## Health Bulletin

### New Help For African Americans With High Cholesterol

(NAPS)—While statin medications have helped millions of patients lower their cholesterol levels, until now, little has been known about how African Americans respond to statin therapy. This is because African Americans are typically underrepresented in clinical trials.

One study, called ARIES (African American Rosuvastatin Investigation of Efficacy and Safety), presented at the American Heart Association's Scientific Sessions, is the first-ever large-scale, prospective trial exclusively designed to compare the effects of statins in African-American patients. ARIES evaluated the efficacy of AstraZeneca's cholesterol lowering statin Crestor (rosuvastatin calcium) and atorvastatin in African Americans with elevated cholesterol and found that Crestor at 10 and 20mg reduced LDL-C or "bad" cholesterol by 37 and 46 percent, compared to 32 and 39 percent at similar doses with atorvastatin in African-American patients (p<0.017). Crestor also brought more patients in this study to National Cholesterol Education Program: Adult Treatment Panel III (ATP III) LDL-C goals compared to atorvastatin at milligram equivalent doses of 10 and 20 mg

#### African Americans and High Cholesterol

- Approximately 42 percent of the African-American population has high cholesterol
- An estimated 45 percent of the African-American population has elevated LDL-C or "bad" cholesterol levels
- An estimated 26 percent of the African-American population has never had their cholesterol levels checked

(66 and 79 percent versus 58 and 62 percent respectively).

The study, led by Dr. Keith C. Ferdinand, clinical cardiologist and medical director of Heartbeats Life Center, was conducted among 774 African-American adults with high cholesterol and is the first and only study of its kind. "As an African American physician who treats a large number of African-American patients, the ARIES trial represents an opportunity to demonstrate the efficacy and safety of statins in this high-risk, undertreated and underserved population," says Dr. Ferdinand. "ARIES is the first trial to demonstrate superiority in lowering bad cholesterol in this population using rosuvastatin (Crestor) compared to

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#### About Crestor

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