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Community

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

Meetings

- African American Chamber of Commerce Lubbock meets on the 3rd Monday of each month, from 5:30-6:30pm at the Parkway Community Center, 405 MLK Blvd., 806-771-1815.
- Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00pm at the Patterson Branch Library.
- Hub City Kiwanis meets every Tuesday, 7:00pm, 1706 Avenue G.
- DuBois Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturday, 4:00 pm.
- Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 meets every 2nd Tuesday 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, Mid-South 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 1st Thursday at 6:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar-Manhattan Knights Neighborhood Outreach Center at 1301 East 24th St.
- 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 Juneteenth Cultural & Historical Commission - Lubbock Affiliate meets at Patterson Branch Library every 3rd Thursday at 7:30 pm.
- West Texas Native American Association meets 2nd Saturday each month at Groves Library, 5520 19th Street, 7:30 pm.
- West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men meets the 3rd Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Parkway Neighborhood Center.
- The Parkway Guardians & Cherry Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 pm at Hunt Elementary.
- Chatton Hill Neighborhood Association meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm, at its Elementary Cafeteria.

Earl Oaks Earns Law Degree From Texas Tech Law School

Earl Oaks, a Lubbock resident, has earned his Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from the Texas Tech University School of Law, and has participated in the Law School's graduation ceremonies on May 10, 2008 at the United Spirit Arenas. The achievement of Dr. Oaks in completing the work for his law degree is made even more significant that he is blind, and has pursued his academic career with true determination and courage.

Dr. Oaks did his undergraduate work at Texas Tech University, earning his B.A. degree in Sociology in May, 2003. He also pursued undergraduate work at Ohio State University, in Columbus, Ohio from January 2000 through June 2001.

While at the Texas Tech School of Law, Dr. Oaks was a member of the Criminal Trial Lawyers Association and served as President in 2007. He was also a member of the National Black Law Students Association during 2006 through 2008.

As a senior law student, Dr. Oaks participated in the Clinics of the School of Law, assisting Lubbock city attorneys with the prosecution and trial of criminal cases in the City of Lubbock Municipal Court in 2007 through 2008. And in the Lubbock com-



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munity, he has served as a Student Mentor at Parkway Elementary School, teaching, encouraging, and counseling with underprivileged students.

Dr. Oaks is looking forward with confidence to his next challenge, which will be to take the Texas Bar Examination, and after that will begin his active practice of law.

The Southwest Digest congratulates Dr. Oaks on his achievements, and respect his courage which represents a triumph of the human spirit. We are gratified that such a fine young man will be taking his place as a member of the legal profession in Texas.

Juneteenth Health Walk set for Saturday, June 14th

The Annual Juneteenth Lubbock Health Walk will take place Saturday morning, June 14, 2008, at the Lake at Martin Luther King Boulevard and Canyon Lakes Drive. This year's theme is a "Walk of Hope" and its goal is to raise awareness and inspire the hope that the ravaging diseases of stroke, disabilities, and heart disease can be addressed through exercise and other positive health practices.

"We're offering hundreds of dollars in prize drawings, with items such as treadmills, bicycles, gift cards, recreation center memberships and a lot more to help encourage the community to come out and walk for health," says Health Walk co-chair, Maria Lopez-Strong.

Organizers are offering over 100 t-shirts and other goodies to help promote early registration. Participants, who feel so moved, are also encouraged to walk in honor or in memory of someone whose life has been touched by one of these devastating diseases.

Registration for the Health Walk will begin at 9:30 a.m., with parking available at Mac Simmons Community Center.

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Reginald Weaver, President NEA Will Be Juneteenth Speaker

The 29th Annual Juneteenth Celebration will present its Annual Juneteenth Banquet on Saturday evening, June 14, 2008, at the Texas Tech University - Student Union Matador Room, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Mr. Reginald "Reg" Weaver, president of the National Education Association (NEA).

Tickets are \$40.00 per person, or \$400.00 for a table of 8.

For more information about registration, call 283-2990.

Fifty percent of the proceeds will be used for the Juneteenth Scholarship Fund.

This banquet is co-sponsored by Texas Tech University.

Reg Weaver is serving his second term as president of the 3.2 million-member National Education Association (NEA) — the nation's largest professional employee organization.

As a middle school science teacher and 30-year classroom veteran, Weaver has been a lifelong advocate for quality public schools. He served as president of his local in Harvey, Ill., president of the NEA affiliate in Illinois, and now leads one of the most influential education organizations in the nation.

He travels nationally and internationally, working tirelessly as an ambassador for public education and advocating for the basic right of every student to attend a great public school. In 2006, Weaver made a landmark visit to the Lincoln Cathedral in England — home to a very rare copy of the Magna Carta — that was met with widespread acclaim. In recognition of his commitment to democracy and fundamental freedoms, the Cathedral recently unveiled a stone column in Weaver's name.



Mr. Reginald "Reg" Weaver

North Carolina's Shaw University awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters to Weaver in 2006 for "his world-class leadership in the efforts to educate children."

He was also conferred with an honorary Doctor of Public Service by South Carolina State University at its 2007 Spring Commencement for "his example of service that benefits us all."

Weaver serves as vice president of Education International, a 348-member organization representing more than 29 million teachers and education workers in 169 countries. He travels to meetings of Education International and national education unions around the world. He has also addressed conferences and forums sponsored by numerous national organizations, including the U.S. Conference of Mayors, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), National Council of La Raza (NCLR), Rainbow PUSH Coalition, League of United Latin Citizens (LULAC), ASPIRA, and ACORN.

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Marcus & Emmanuella Williams' Wedding Party On Saturday, May 31st In Florida



Pictured above are those who participated in the wedding of Marcus & Emmanuella Williams on Saturday evening, May 31, 2008, at the First Baptist Church in St. Petersburg, Florida. Apostle John Stevenson and Pastor Marissa Stevenson of the Heirs Covenant Church of Cincinnati, Ohio, were the wedding officiators.

Zaireus Patterson was best man. Maid of honor was Diana Flores. Groomsmen were Tremayne Baptiste, D'Juan Higewell, and Calvin Winston. Bridesmaids were Shan Hall, Summer Smith, and Sara Klotz. Flower Girls were Michon Crew and Makaylah Saint-Hubert.

Parents of bride are Marc Saint-Hubert and Rose Saint-Hubert. Mother of groom is Avis Williams. Father is Mark Williams. Step-father is Michael Williams.

He is a grandson of Bobbie & T. J. Patterson, and a nephew of Sheila and Shawn Harris.

Remember When.....

1969 Miss Homecoming, Miss Jewell Mims, is accompanied by Mr. Charles Brown and last year's Miss Homecoming, Mrs. Joan Ervin



The Dunbar International Alumni Association Will Sponsor The Dunbar International All-Class Reunion July 17 thru July 20, 2008.

All Former Graduates and Students Are Asked To Attend.

Registration Will Be Held At The Dunbar Middle School on July 17, 2008.

Gracie Quinonez, Director of South Plains College Plainview Center is the recipient of the 2008 Employee Excellence Award given during the Annual South Plains College Employee Recognition and Distinguished Alumni Awards Banquet.

Nominations for the award were received from throughout the SPC system.

The award recognizes Quinonez' excellence as a support staff administrator on behalf of students across the region.

In presenting the award to Ms. Quinonez, Dr. Kelvin Sharp, president of South Plains College, congratulated Ms. Quinonez on her success and thanked the more than 700 SPC employees for making the school year a great success.

Information About Upcoming 2008 Juneteenth Celebration

Please join us for the 29th Annual Juneteenth Celebration beginning on Friday, June 13 and continuing on Saturday, June 14, 2008. If you would like to participate in any of the upcoming events or would like more information, please feel free to contact us at your convenience:

Annual Health Walk
Maria Lopez-Strong (710-2862)

Annual Banquet
Doris Johnson (223-2000)

Annual Breakfast
Terry Johnson (223-2000)

Annual Entertainment
Terry Johnson (223-2000)

Annual Parade
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Annual Breakfast
Terry

Chatman Hills Corner

By Doris Reynolds

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Let us continue to pray for this family.

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New Light Baptist Church News

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Let us continue to pray for those who are on the sick and shut-in list today or tomorrow it could be you or this writer.

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Hood and all visitors were welcomed by Sis. Angela Johnson.

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And, very important to our goal will be to create an "Open Information" policy at city hall. Government means best when it is open to its citizens. Remember, good ideas come from everyone!

I promise to work hard for all the people of Lubbock.

Thank you so much!

Sincerely,

Tom McRae
Mayor of Lubbock

McRae, Tom B. Cherry



Meet Pastors Johnny & Pat Perez Of The Church Of The Blessed



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FOR A DIFFERENT LOOK!

12th Annual Big Wheels Deliver Meals Promotion

It is that time of year again! On Friday, June 13th Lubbock Men on Wheels will have the Big Wheels Deliver Meals promotion.

For the twelfth year, Lubbock Meals on Wheels and Sonic Restaurants have teamed up for this event in an attempt to raise public awareness and involve local celebrities in the mission of Meals on Wheels. On this day, local "Big Wheels" volunteers their Lubbock time to deliver a Meals on Wheels route and are chauffeured on the routes in classic or unique cars generously supplied and driven by area car club members and local individuals.

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The Rodney Lewis, Jr.
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Help Me Make a

Difference!
Rodney Lewis, Jr.

He is a 1996 graduate of Estacado High School. He attended the University of Texas where he graduated in the Spring 2000 with a degree in Bachelor of Arts. In May 2004, he graduated from the University of Colorado School of Law with a Degree of Juris Doctor.

Rodney is the son of Cecelia Robinson and Rodney Lewis, Sr.

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"Remember... Honor... Celebrate"
-Juneteenth 2008-

FRIDAY, JUNE 13
Reflections of Juneteenth
Parkway Neighborhood Center
6:30 pm

SATURDAY, JUNE 14
6th Annual Husb Walk
Dawber Historical Lake
9:30 am

ANNUAL JUNETEENTH BANQUET
TTU Student Union/Motorcycle Room
7pm

THURSDAY, JUNE 19
1st Annual Youth Day
Mac Simmons Community Center
10 am

FRIDAY, JUNE 20
Dallas Society Community Art Award
Mac Simmons Community Center
7pm

SATURDAY, JUNE 21
Senior Citizens Breakfast, Mac Simmons Sr. Center
Freedom Parade (Depots United Play Dr.)
11am
22 - 6:30 pm
Park Activities, Vendor Booths, Health Fair, Freestyle Music,
Lisa F. Entertainment, Fouessing, Beach Avery & a Beach Avery
Band, "Night at the Apollo" Talent Show, Blues Concert-featuring
Patrick Green

For more information please visit www.juneteenth-lubbock.org for www.juneteenth-lubbock.org/venues.html

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Morning Worship 11:00 am

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Church News

We Thank God for Jesus

"Practice What You Teach!"

Written by Evangelist Billy "BJ" Morrison, III - Your brother in Christ Jesus always

I John 3:18 — My little chi-
dren! not love in word, neither
in tongue, but in deed and in
truth.

The Father tells his son, "I
don't want you to smoke
Marijuana dope. He stands there
with a cigarette in his hand,
blowing his smoke!!"

(What's the difference in
Marijuana and cigarette tobacco?
One of them is grown in the
ground. One of them is rolled in
paper. One of them is lit by fire.
One is inhaled. One is needed to
satisfy the user. One cost big
money. One is called a drug. On
causes lung Cancer. That's
called suicide — and that person
needs Jesus.)

Proverb 3:7 — Be not wise in
thine own eyes. Fear the Lord,
and depart from evil.

The Mother tells her daughter
— Keep your house spick and
span. But she raised her daughter
in a place not fit for a
human!!!

Exekiel 16:44 — Behold
everyone that use this Proverb
shall use this Proverb against
you, saying as is the Mother so

is her daughter.

The Preacher tells the people
living for God is how to save
your soul. But his son is in the
night clubs on weekends —
doing his rock and roll.

I John 2:15 — Love not the
world, neither the things that are
in the world. If any man love the
world, the love of the father is
not in him.

(Preacher: if you can't run
your house, and its going to hell;
you're not qualified to run the
house of God. —because)

1Timothy 3:4-5 — One that
rules well his own house, having
his children in subjection with
all gravity; (for if a man know
not how to rule his own house,
how shall he take care of the
Church of God?)

The Mother tells her daughter;
when you grow up. Don't go
whoring around.

But her mother has three
men; right here in this little
town!!!

Proverb 23:27-28 — For a
whore is deep pitch; and a
strange woman is a narrow pit.
She also lies and waits as for

prey, and increases the trans-
gressors among men.

The Father tells his children:
go to bed early, and get plenty
of sleep.

But he is never home by 12
o'clock; he's always in the
streets!!!

Matthew 15:14 — Jesus
said, let them alone: they be
blind leaders of the blind. And
if the blind lead the blind, both
shall fall into the ditch.

The Mother tells her daughter;
don't eat so much; you're so
big.

And every time she see her
mother eat; she taking in food
like a pig!!!

Luke 6:42a — Jesus said,
how can you say to your broth-
er, brother let me pull out the
moth that is in your eye, when
you yourself behold not the
beam that is in your own eye?

America tells her children;
don't do drugs; it hazardous to
your health.

But America puts the drugs
here for her children; she only
loves her wealth!!!

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From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

"A Forward Change For America"

There is a gospel song that
includes the words: "A change, a
change has come ov'n me." A few
days ago a change took place in
America. Barack Obama, an
African American becomes the
presumptive nominee for the presi-
dent of the United States of the
Democratic Party. My Le'd What
a Change!

Barack Obama has already
made history whether or not he makes it
to the White House. When Barack Obama stood and
said: "Tonight, I can stand here
and say that I will be the
Democratic nominee for president
of the United States", history was
made. Millions watched and
those in the St. Paul, Minnesota's
area cheered and screamed.

When Barack Obama spoke
the words which solidified him as
the first black major party nomi-
nee for president of the United
States, raw energy moved quickly
from St. Paul, Minnesota to
Lubbock, Texas that was over-
whelming. I had to reach for a tissue
to wipe the tears that were
welling at my chin.

My prayer is vigilance, maturity
and level heads on the part of
all decent Americans will prevail
regardless of color or political
persuasion in the months that lie
ahead.

Let me share with you some
thoughts of an article by Rose
Russell:

"When you think about all the
people who has' knocked down
barriers for me to walk through,
this one, the challenges they went
through were so much more difficult,
so cruel, more severe; and
the risks they took were so much
greater. Last night, standing in the
auditorium, it struck me that it
was a testimony to them." Sen.
Barack Obama, the day after
obtaining enough delegates to
become the Democratic presiden-
tial nomine.

Anyone with a little knowl-
edge of history probably thought
about some of the people Senator
Obama may have been referring
to when he took note of those who
came before him and demolished
racial barriers. It appeared that's
what he was pondering when he
struggled perhaps overcomes
with emotion of the moment to
begin his address Tuesday night.

He acknowledged that the
severity of what those historical
figures confronted exceeded his
challenges during the primary season.
And what he will face in the
coming months, no matter how
tough, can't compare to what they
endured either.

Some abolitionists, educators,
and civil and voting rights
activists worked all their lives,
or had their lives snuffed out by the
hatred that Senator Obama wants
to eradicate from the minds and
hearts of every American.

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St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Again, the Church Services at
the St. Matthew Baptist Church,
2020 East 14th Street, were

well attended last Sunday
morning, June 8, 2008, where the
proud pastor is Rev. Edward
Canady.

Church services got underway
with Sunday School, beginning at
10:45 a. m. on last Sunday

morning. Pastor Canady was
in charge.

The subject of the morning
lesson was "Who Can Speak For
Us?" The lesson passage was
Hebrews 7:20-28. The main
thought was Hebrews 7:25.

The lesson was taught and
reviewed by Pastor Canady. What a
wonderful job he did!

The morning devotion got
underway at 11:15 a. m. with
Deacon Edward Williams presid-
ing. As usual, the spirit was very

high with continuing a prayer by
Sister Barbara Johnson and Sister
Shirley Canady.

The St. Matthew Baptist
Church Choir sung out of their
hearts and souls. What a blessing
from this dedicated group of
Sisters and Brothers!

Pastor Canady delivered
another dynamic sermon. His
subject was "Set your House In
Order." His scripture text was
Isaiah 38:1. What a wonderful

message it was!

Remember all who are sick
and shut-in, just think today it
may be them and tomorrow it
could be you or I.

Funeral services for Sister
Lueila Harris will be held Friday
morning, June 13, 2008, begin-
ning at 11:30 a.m. at St. Matthew
Baptist Church.

A wake will be held at 9:30 a.
m. at St. Matthew Baptist Church.

Sister Harris was a dedicated
Sunday School Superintendent
who was concerned about making
a positive contribution to her
church, St. Matthew Baptist
Church.

A careless word may kindle
strife,

A cruel word may wreck a life.

A timely word may lessen
stress,

A loving word may heal and
bless.

Thought For The Week: "It is
better to bite your tongue than to
let it bite someone else!"

Let us remember to attend the
Church of our choice of any

Sunday morning. It is great to
attend and worship God on any

given Sunday morning. Better
still, why not take some one with
you to hear God's word. God is

able.

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Sunday:

God's Plan for Serv'y Day

All have sinned - Romans 3:23

Jesus Christ did for us sins - 1 Cor. 15:1; Acts 2:23

We must do God's will and obey him to enter heaven -

Heb. 12:1; Rom. 6:10

How do we obey him?

Read the gospel - Romans 10:17

Believe Jesus Christ is the son of God - Rom. 10:9

Repent of past sins - Luke 13:3

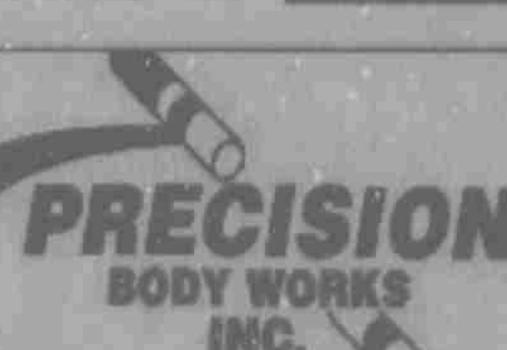
Confess - Romans 10:10

Be baptized until death - Rom. 6:10

Be filled until death - Rom. 6:10

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for our world!
Sister Dorothy Hood, pastor

Obsequies

Dorothy Terrell



Eula Mae Joiner



Services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 11, 2008, for Eula Mae Joiner at St. John Baptist Church with Rev. R. E. Fields, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held at Ponca City Gardens Memorial Park in Woodward under the direction of Griffin Mortuary and Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Mrs. Joiner, a longtime resident of Lubbock, passed away Wednesday, June 4, 2008 at Covenant Health Systems.

Mrs. Joiner was born April 14, 1920 to Manuel and Maggie Foster in Forney.

Mrs. Joiner was a faithful member of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church for 45 years. She later united with the Saint John Baptist Church where she remained a faithful member even in her illness.

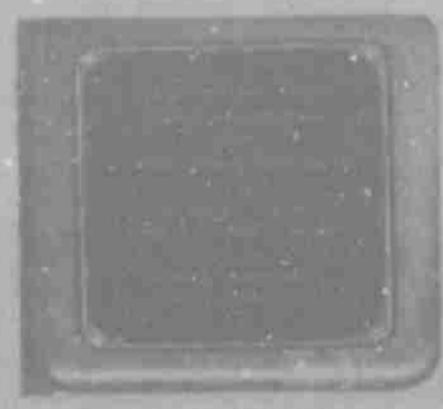
Those left to cherish her memory are two grandsons, Dale (Kay) and Jeffrey (Janice), both of Austin; four great-grandchildren; four great-great grandchildren; three sister-in-laws; several nieces, nephews, and a family of faith.

Her husband, Jeff, predeceased her in death.

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Community activist and leader Richard "Riche" Lopez dies at 74

Richard "Riche" Lopez
Executive Director of
Casa del Pueblo
Economic Services
Corporation (GESC) passed
from his earthly body to his
eternal glory Sunday morning,
June 1, 2008. He died of an
apparent heart attack.

Earlier Saturday evening, he
had been cutting his lawn. He
told his wife, Rachel, he was not
feeling well so he went to take a
showe. It was then that he suffered
the apparent heart attack.

Lopez, known for his compassion
and his fervent work ethic has been an active member
of the Lubbock community and
has diligently served those in
need through GESC for over 31
years, and throughout his lifetime.

Guadalupe Economic
Services Corporation was established
in 1966 as a non-profit organization committed to serving
the people of the local and
area county communities. As a
private non-profit corporation,
GESC administers programs and
provides services throughout 22
counties in Texas and New Mexico. It was his
mission to raise the economic,
educational and social levels of
individuals including members of the minority community who
are substantially unemployed,
underemployed, or whose
income is below federal poverty
guidelines. Through GESC, he
worked to foster and promote communi-

ty involvement and concern for
the problems of said individuals.
The end that education and
economic opportunities may be expanded,
sickness, poverty, crime, and environmental degradation may be
lessened; and racial, sex,
cultural, prejudice, and discrimination,
economic or otherwise,
may be eliminated.

The organization, which
serves a broad base of people, is
noted for being an organization
that has served the Hispanic
community of Lubbock.

Annually, GESC provides
assistance for thousands of people
in Lubbock and in the South
Plains. At holidays they distribute
fruit bags to children, in a
number of counties, as well as
food baskets to elderly and families
in need.

Monthly they also provide food



opportunities to approximately
1,200 families in Lubbock and
in the surrounding counties.

This, Lopez believed,
enabled many people, including the
elderly, to continue living inde-
pendently.

In addition to those services,
GESC assists in the way of rent
guideline and food to more transi-
tent citizens.

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THIS 'N' THAT

A GOOD FRIEND OF LUBBOCK PASSED THIS N THAT ... as well as many others... was saddened over the passing of a GOOD FRIEND RICHARD

T.J. Patterson

"RICHIE" LOPEZ ... who passed away here last Saturday, June 7, 2008... If you were in trouble and needed a way out ... if the GUADALUPE ECONOMIC SERVICE CORPORATION (GESC) ... where he served as Executive Director for more than 23 years ... he was there to help you ... regardless of race ... creed or color... He often talked about his ... stay in the State of Mississippi where he was mistreated as if he was a Black... As he would talk about that experience ... be knew one day ... he would help those in need... There is no doubt about it ... our friend RICHARD "RICHIE" LOPEZ ... will be missed as he did much for many people.

FANNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS: "THE BEGINNING ... doesn't mean a ... THING ... it is the ... END ... which really COUNTS!"

BAND IS STILL NEEDED! THIS 'N THAT ... is still reminding all of us ... that either a ... BRANCH BANK OR BANK ... is still needed for ... EAST LUBBOCK!



Think About It!

"It Has To Be Us, By Us, For Us, If Not Us Who?"

by Eddie P. Richardson

what we must be doing for ourselves. What we must do for ourselves to be successful we must take as our personal "It Is To Be". It Is Up To Us and live by it. And with the help of God make it a reality.

For our long denied communities to become the self-reliant market places they should be the leadership and initiative must come from within the community by us for us with resources, support, guidance, etc. money from others with us making the lead. Government welfare aid, assistance and grants are dwindling away fast. Government is becoming a dried up stream while the mighty ocean is business and industry which we should be forming marriages with business and industry.

Remember good citizens elect bad politicians by failing to vote remember each vote counts some elections have been won by in some cases less than 10 voters check out one of Abraham Lincoln's elections.

ja business and industry while Government is the small boy down the road which is also owned by business and industry.

One of our major problems we complain but we fail to act but we are lost in react and to much of emotion and to little effect we do to much negative reaction and to little positive action vs. fail to vote bc we complain about our elected officials if you don't vote you have no reason to complain the politicians look at the election returns from various precincts review the returns and some of the place high priority on the results of results of the returns.

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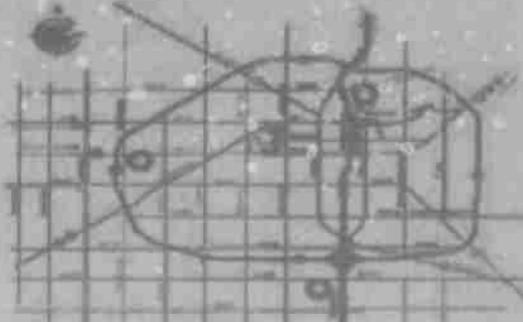
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In Cinque

by Renetta Howard



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Vice-Presidential candidates. It seems that John McCain may be waiting for the Republican Party Convention to make his selection. It is doubtful that Barack Obama will wait for the party convention to make his choice. If it were left up to the media, he would have made a choice when he proclaimed victory as the party nominee.

There are a number of possible candidates for the Vice-Presidency, with Hillary Clinton at the top of the list. She has pursued a vast following of women, blue collar workers and poor people of all ethnic groups and could possibly be an asset to the election for the Democrats in November. In essence, her name on the election ticket could and should serve to unite the Democratic Party. On the other hand, there is her baggage.

Senator Hillary R. Clinton is a former First Lady, the wife of a former United States President, William "Bill" Clinton. Of course, many of us suspect that she really was the President when he was elected. How else could

he have had the time or energy to do all of the womanizing that he was accused of and impeached for, if she had not been doing the job? Of course, as Vice-President, it would be her job to preside over the Senate and act as President when the President advises that he is unable to complete his task. A simple job description: yet there are those whom wish to know what would "Bill" be doing?

Following opened-heart surgery, assisting on a grueling primary campaign which did not end on the planned note, fueling accusations of womanizing on the campaign trail, it would appear that dear ole Bill would cool it and take it easy. Whatever the outcome, the final campaigns will not be easy as tip-picking has already begun.

Is John McCain too old to be President? Is he cured of cancer? How long will he prolong the war in Iraq? How often has he contradicted himself? Ministers and their sayings aside, there are those now who want to know if Obama is really a Muslim. If he is, so what? Since there is a separation of Church and State in these United States, has his right

to be a Muslim disqualified him from being President of the United States? We all need to get in "cinque" and do some soul searching before we pass judgment on others. We need to weigh all of the odds when we prepare to vote in November, as well.

Barack Obama is not God. And if he wins in November, he will not be able to work miracles—at least not without God's help."A forward change for America."

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Price Wins Back Another Term On City Council

With 1,570 votes being cast in the run-off election between Floyd Price and Armando Gonzales, he got 53% of the votes to Gonzales' 47%. Price received 839 votes to Gonzales' 731 votes.

Winning by 108 votes Price was pleased over being able to keep his seat for another year.

Price says he believes the voters looked at each candidate and voted for the candidate they thought was better because of his character and integrity, as well as his experience and background in law enforcement.

"I want to thank all the voters.... All those who helped me... giving me the opportunity to serve them again," Price said, while celebrating his victory last Saturday.

Reg Weaver Guest Speaker

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education issues, Weaver has testified before Congress on federal education policy and frequently provides a critical voice on public education for national publications, including The New York Times, USA Today and The Washington Post, along with decision-maker publications, such as Congressional Quarterly, Education Week, and Education Daily.

Weaver regularly appears on such news programs as CNN "Headline News," C-Span's "Washington Journal," and ABC "World News Tonight." He has been invited to discuss pressing education issues on National Public Radio's "News & Notes with Ed Gordon," CNN Radio Network, AP Radio Network, and others.

Weaver serves on the executive board of the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education and on the board of governors for the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies. He is a member of the board of directors of the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards and serves on the advisory board for Horace Mann Educators Corporation. He is also an honorary life member of the National Parent Teachers Association.

Weaver also served on the Illinois State Board of Education's Blue Ribbon Committee on the Improvement of Teaching as a Profession, the Illinois Commission for the Improvement of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Administrator's Academy, the Illinois Project for School Reform Advisory Council, the North Central Regional Educational Laboratory Advisory Committee, the Joint Committee on Minority Student Achievement, the Illinois Literacy Council, and the Task Force on At-Risk Youth.

His commitment and contributions to public education haven't gone unnoticed. He has been named one of Ebony magazine's 100 Most Influential Black Americans for his national influence. Weaver's recent honor include the 2007 MALDEF Excellence in Leadership Award; the 2006 Chairman's Award for Educational Leadership presented by 100 Black Men of America Inc.; and the Congressional Black Caucus Education Braintrust's 2006 Great Points of Light Award.

He is the recipient of the 2005 Spirit of Liberty Award presented by People for the American Way as well as the U.S. Hispanic Leadership Institute's 2006 George Meany Latino Leadership Award. In addition, Weaver has been honored with the USAAction Progressive Leadership Award, the National Conference of Black Mayors President's Award, the Ebony Influential Black Educator Award, and the Illinois Education Association's Human Relations Award.

Back home, Weaver is listed on the Danville (Ill.) High School Wall of Fame and serves as an honorary member of the advisory board for the Department of Educational Leadership at Roosevelt University, which is his alma mater.

Weaver earned his bachelor of science degree in special education for the physically challenged at Illinois State University. He received a master's degree from Roosevelt University in Chicago.



Floyd Price

Thank You For Jesus

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Timothy 4:10 ~ For "The love of money is the root of all evil, which while some covet after they have received it, even from the faith, and pierced themselves, though with many sorrows."

New Light News

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chip with others. Especially those in the hospitals, Jails, Nursing homes. Continue praying for the Government, President, Vice-President, Secretary of State & etc.

Scripture of The Week: Study to show thyself approved unto God a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

2 Timothy 2:15:

Have A Blessed prayer and rewarding week and remember
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that are important to him" he said.

No matter what happens, it is over. One thing for certain, more voters in District 2 need to go to the polls and cast their important vote.

Over the years, records will reveal that lower turnout has happened during a runoff election. It was also revealed that only 40 more people voted in the District 2 runoff than in the May 10th election.

Was it because there was the heated debate in District 2 between Price and Gonzales which could have been a major issue as why people didn't go to the polls.

That should be researched why our Hispanic community doesn't come out in great numbers when they have so many issues

Richard Lopez Dies

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Lopez was also dedicated to assisting, area migrants and other seasonal farmworkers. On April 20, 2008 he held an appreciation dinner for the migrant families. He was quoted saying, "Every migrant under their own work conditions doesn't belong to them but they take pride in their work and we continue pride that there is someone willing to do this type of work." He explained that the event was a simple gesture to encourage migrant workers as they prepared for the summer crops.

Lopez was born in Lubbock, Texas. His family later moved to Mississippi and lived and worked on a plantation. He went to school in Arkansas. In 1952, he moved to Lubbock. He married Rachel Bustillo in 1967. Together they had three children: Gracie Muniz of Pueblo, Colorado; Jessie Torres of Amarillo; and Javier Lopez of Lubbock. Lopez began a business distributing fresh produce and became one of the largest distributors in the entire state of Texas.

Funeral Services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 11, 2008 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church with Rev. Martin Pina officiating.

Burial was held immediately at Peaceful Gardens in Woodrow under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home in Lubbock.

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Schedule Of Events

The Dunbar All-Class Reunion will be held July 17-20, 2008. The following activities have been planned for you:

Thursday, July 17, 2008

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Registration @ Dunbar Middle School

9:00 - 1:00 p.m. Reception in UMC Activities Center

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Friday, July 18, 2008

Golf

9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon Registration Dunbar Middle School

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. - JAM Session Dunbar Middle Sch.

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - The Hobo & Lubbock Memorial

Civic Center - 1581 Mac Davis Dr.

Dance - Lubbock Memorial Center

(Dress Casual, Western or

Maroon & White)

(No Children)

Saturday, July 19, 2008

7:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon Free Time To Visit Classmates

12 Noon - 1:00 p.m. Tea of Elsa Lee/Roberts School

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Alumni Meeting at Dunbar

Alumni Building

(Optional Activities)

2:00 p.m. Banquet/Dance

3:00-Formal/Cost & Tie

Lubbock Civic Center

Dinner Lines will start promptly @ 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.

Sunday, July 20, 2008

8:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. - Farewell Breakfast/Memorial Services

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