

Community **Meetings**

- * Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.
- * Hub City Kiwanis meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p. m., Mt. Vernon UMC, East 23rd & Cedar Avenue
- * Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm.
- * Booker T. W Washington American Legion, Post 808, meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon.
- Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Branch Library.
- * East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Great Saint Luke Missionary Baptist Church.
- * Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Market Alumni Center
- * Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 7:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center, 1301 E. 24th Street.
- * West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturdays of each month at 7:00 pm, Educational
- presentations and demonstrations.
- Commission of Lubbock meets every Tuesday evening at Bryon Martin Technology Center, 3401 Avenue Q, beginning at 5:30 p.m.
- * West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men of West Texas meets 3rd Monday evenings at 7:00 pm at Lanier Center, 2nd Floor, TTU Law Center.
- * The Parkway & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evenings, 7:30 pm at Hunt Elementary School.
- * Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm at 2301 Avenue A.
- * ROOTS meets every 2nd Saturday at 2:00 p. m. at 2301 Avenue A.
- * If you have an annoucement about your organization, please advise by calling (806) 762-3612

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Shelia Renee Patterson-Harris Announces Her Candidacy For Lubbock City Council, District 2

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Shelia Renee Patterson-Harris held a press conference on Thursday afternoon, January 7, 2016, at the Roots Revitalization Center, 2901 Avenue A, before a full house of supporters and friends. She was introduced by her Campaign Manager, Stephanie Hill, who said, "Here she is, Shelia Renee Patterson-

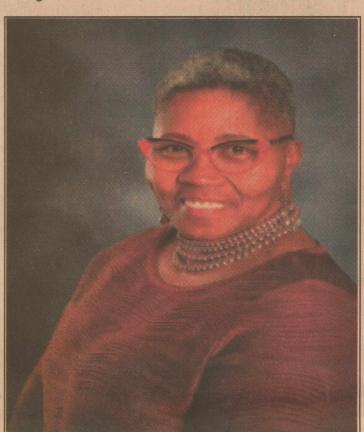
Patterson-Harris, after taking her position, she told the well received crowd, "I want to work for you and see what we can do together!"

Shelia Patterson Harris is a native of Lubbock, Texas, longtime resident of District 2 and a true community servant, having dedicated many years of her life working with youth and families in an effort to make positive changes and choices in life.

Shelia has served on past boards and organizations that include Big Brothers and Big Sisters, Lubbock Habitat for Humanity, Community Youth Development (CYD) Collaborative Review Committee, Lubbock Citizens United for Equity and Access (LCUEA), and Dispute Resolution Advisory Board.

She continues to serve faithfully and diligently with Lubbock Habitat for Humanity as a long-time (16 years) member of the Homeowner Selection Committee, coordinator for T.J. and Bobbie Gean Patterson Scholarship Fund, Vice President and member of the Dunbar International Alumni Association, member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Chatman Hill Association, Neighborhood Left-to-Right Book Club at the Patterson Branch Library, Dunbar Preparatory School PTA, and the Zoning Board of Adjustments (ZBA) for the City of Lubbock.

In the spring of 1995, she began her career in the juvenile justice field at the Lubbock County Youth Center (now Lub-



Shelia Renee Patterson-Harris

bock County Juvenile Justice Center) where she served for just shy of twenty-one years. She was able to guide and develop staff in working with the children and families they serve. She found great pride and comfamilies and recalls many visits zens. and phone calls.

Over the past years, individuals were eager to share with her the paths that they were on and how her time, care and concern helped to steer them in a new di-

Shelia is a caring daughter, supportive sister, strong wife, loving mother, and a proud "GLAM-MA" (grandmother). Christian principles are a huge foundation for Shelia and her

Shelia Patterson Harris knows and understands the importance of family, community, education, home-ownership, dedication and commitment. Her goal is to work with other leaders,

community members and agencies to bring Lubbock together so that the effects of the city are felt and visible throughout every corner and across every District The hope is to revitalize Lubbock and establish equitability passion in working with the throughout the city for all citi-

> If you would like the opportunity to voice your concerns, share your ideas and suggestions for District 2, you are invited to attend a "Community Speak-Out" session that will be held at:

Hodges Community Center 4011 University Avenue Thursday, 01/21/16 @12:00 Noon

This is the first sessions of others to follow. The plan is to set up dates/times at the community centers located within District 2. If you've been waiting for this opportuinty to be heard;

THE TIME IS NOW!



Fulton Berry, Jr.

Fulton Berry, Jr., Second **Member Of Soul Patrol Succumbs**

It's worth noting, the funeral burgh, Pennsylvania where he late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Friday, January 15, 2016, at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church. Pastor J. Jerome Johnson of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church was the Presiding Officer. Rev. Charles Planks of Smith Temple Community

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

Berry, age 69 of Lubbock, passed away on Saturday, January 9, 2016.

Fulton was born the only child to the parentage of Margaret and Fulton Berry, Sr. on September 19, 1947 in Pitts-

services for Fulton Berry, Jr. matriculated through the public were held on the birth date of the schools and graduated from Westinghouse High School in 1964. After high school, he served as an Airman in the United States Air Force dutifully serving as Air Police and an MP.

> After leaving the Air Force, Fulton relocated to Lubbock and made it his permanent home in the 1960's, where he served proudly as one of the city's first Black police officers. It was during this time, he graduated from Wayland Baptist University with a degree in Criminal Justice. During his tenure as one of Lubbock's finest, he teamed up with the two other Black officers on the force at the time. The officers were Officer Floyd Price, Sr. and the late Officer William

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Harry Belafonte, Cornel West to Speak during **African-American History Month**

Lectures will focus on activism and the endurance of racism in Barack Obama's America.

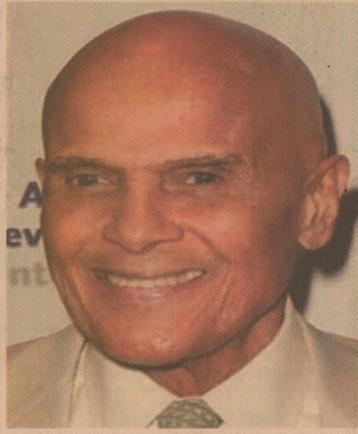
Entertainer and activist Harry Belafonte and racial justice champion Cornel West will speak to the Texas Tech University community in February as part of the 2016 African-American History Month Lecture Se-

Belafonte will give his speech, "My Life in Activism," at 7 p.m. Feb. 16 at the Student Union Building's Allen Theatre. West's speech, scheduled for 7 p.m. Feb. 25 in the Allen Theatre, will discuss what has and has not changed for black Americans and other racial minorities during Barack Obama's presidency.

Both lectures are free and open to the public but space is limited. Tickets, which are limited to two per person, are available on a first-come, first-served basis in Doak Hall, Room 101, beginning Feb. 1.

"The goal of the lecture series is to bring distinguished African-American writers, artists and others to Texas Tech to sh their stories with our core information

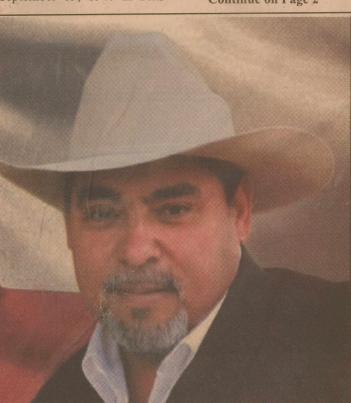
nity," said Karlos Hil'



Harry Belafonte

I'm really looking forward to director of the lecture series and these lectures." an associate professor in Texas To Departm

Belafonte was the first black rformer to win an Emmy rd and the first recording to sell more than a million ontinue on Page 6



Commissioner Lorenzo 'Bubba' Sedeno

Sedeno Seeks Second Term As **Commissioner of Precinct 3**

Precinct 3 Lubbock County Commissioner Lorenzo "Bubba" Sedeno announced his bid for re-election on Tuesday morning, January 12, 2016, outside the Black Gold Detail Shop, 215 N. Martin Luther King

Blvd. before many of his sup-

Sedeno, the lone Democrat on the commissioner's court, is hoping for a second term and will face Gilbert Flores in the

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Fulton Berry, Jr. Succumbs Continued from Page 1

H. Britt, and the three coined themselves, "The Soul Patrol. They were featured in the Lubbock Avalanche Journal on Friday, December 10, 1971 as "the city's all-Black police tactical unit. They would move on to host their own weekly radio show which played the latest hits and an open line to talk about local happenings, and the ever changing diversity in the city. And recorded great original funk hits such as "Don't Knock the Cop.'

Berry was a devoted member of the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church where he served as a Steward and Trustee for a number of years before becoming a member of Smith Temple Community Church where he served faithfully in a number of capacities until his health would no longer allow him to serve.

After serving the City of Lubbock as a police officer from February, 1969 until June, 1977, Fulton gained employment with the Lubbock Housing Authority and remained with the Lubbock Housing Authority from 1977 until he retired in 2010. While he was employed with the Housing Authority, Fulton served as Deputy Executive Director for D. C. Fair, Oscar Sharp, Oscar Jones, and Quincy White. On two occasion, he served as Interim Executive Director.

Fulton was able to use his love of Law Enforcement by starting the first Lubbock Housing Authority Police and Security Department. This was the first time this type of unit was ever utilized in the Lubbock

"Berry," as affectionately called by family and friends, married Cassandra "Faye" Shipmen in May of 1986.

Berry was preceded in death: by his parents; and a grandson,

Zamar Hereford.

Berry leaves to cherish his memories: three loving children: Darrell Berry (Michelle) and Dorian Berry, both of Lubbock, Texas; and LaToyia Cook of Mesquite, Texas.

Berry's Union to Faye gave him three devoted step-children: Sepbrana Thomas, Sharion Jones, and Stephon Shipman, all of Lubbock. A devoted grandfather, known for breaking all the rules for his beloved grands, leaves nine grandchildren and great-grandchildren, whose hearts will be full of loving memories of "Big Daddy" for years to come. Berry will leave a host of in-laws, nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and church family to cherish his

Mr. Berry was a vital part of the East Lubbock Community. He was an original member of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Committee, the Lubbock Black Men of America. and the Juneteenth Committee, just to name a few.

Berry was a "good police officer", and he was an administrator, and a very wise and educated man. But young boys in this City were at the center of his heart. Coach Berry dedicated over thirty-five years plus years coaching Youth Football in the City's Youth Football League, and to date still holds the longest winning record with The Lubbock Panthers.

Coach Berry and his staff of coaches birthed a host of great athletes who went on to become successful young men as well as professional athletes.

Coach Berry also coached every age division of baseball there was in the Martin Luther King Baseball League, beginning with T-ball with Ruby Avery-Travenia.

Fulton Berry dedicated his



The Soul Patrol

entire life to the betterment of his community. A family man who knows and loves the Lord. Fulton never met a stranger, strong was his stature and cool was his way, because to him, "It Ain't No Thang!"

Pallbearers were: Reggie

Dial, Vjay Jones, Michael Johnson, Sr., Floyd Price, Jr., Robert Johnson, Jazz Williams, Jason Kinney, Reginald Sampson, and Dondale Turner.

Honorary Pallbearers were the Officers of the Lubbock Police Department.

Commissioner Sedeno Seeks Re-election Continued from Page 1

March primaries.

In a close race between Flores, Sedeno won the race in 2012 by 19 votes in the runoff election. Flores had held this seat for 16 years. Republican Frank Gutierrez is also running for this

"As I told my constituents when I ran for county commissioner three years ago, I ran to be the voice of the people. I promise you that I will continue that tradition. You see my concept of governing is derived from the people's view. I love my job. I love my community, and I want to continue the work we

During the press conference, Sedeno made it known about some of his acomplishments over the past three years. Among them included an increased presence in Precinct 3, appointing the first Black department director in Lubbock County, fighting against speed cameras in school zones which he said would have been an unnecessary expense, and increasing road projects in Precinct 3

He told those in attendance of his initiative for a funding increase in the sheriff's office for more narcotic units, which resulted in a tax rate increase of Continue on Page 6

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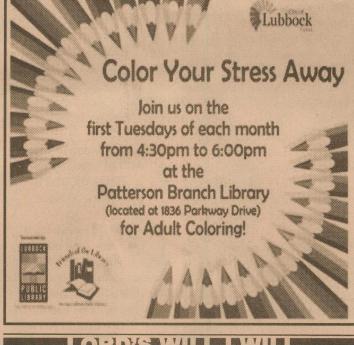
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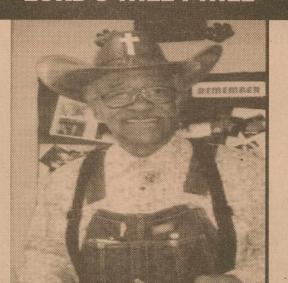
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CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The renovation at Mae Simmons Senior Center is almost complete. We'll be moving back into the center very soon. We're excited for everyone to see the changes and look forward to serving you in the year ahead!



Lubbock Parks and Recreation

In Cinque

By Renetta Howard



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

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

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

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

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

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

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Ladies Want To Learn

Beyond The Rhetoric

Harry C. Alford

It is Time to Deal with Concussions!

First let me make a recommendation. You all should see the current movie "Concussion" Actor Will Smith will probably get an Oscar for his role. He plays Dr. Bennet Omalu who links mental illness to football. His claim is that a high number of football players experience concussions and a noticeable number of them end up with mental disorders and extreme depression. He coined the term for this prognosis - Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE). He obtained support from other doctors and submitted his finding to a prestigious medical journal. It was accepted. That is when the National Football League found out about his research and all hell broke loose.

The NFL tried to discredit him. They hounded him and his wife. They actually had the FBI harass him and one of his partners. Then they pushed him out of Pittsburgh. Nearly broken, he left for California. But his study could not be refuted and the general public as well as football. players started speaking up. The movie has a happy ending.

The first football player to catch the attention of Dr. Omalu was Mike Webster. I first met Mike on the University of Wisconsin campus. It was my senior year and Mike was a freshman center. Freshmen could not play varsity athletics at the time so Mike and the other freshmen were "practice bait" for the upper classmen. I love football which is what led me to be a football player. Mike was probably born to play football. We were impressed by this freshman who could handle the best of us during scrimmaging. We weren't wrong. Mike went on to star for the Pittsburgh Steelers. He was selected to the

by T. J. Patterson

WE'VE GOT TO OUIT SAYING WHAT THEY WON'T GIVE US, AND START COMING TO-**GETHER AND MAKING IT** HAPPEN!! THIS N THAT gets so darn mad to hear .. PEOPLE IN THE COM-MUNITY say what they won't give us..... Now we've got to quit that posture and start coming together and make things happen for all of us.... THIS N THAT remembers when BLACK FOLK couldn't have an opportunity to

SECURE FUNDS FROM A FINANCIAL INSTI-TUTION As a people we didn't give up or hold our

found to be located...... These that if there were at least persons were called BOOTLEGGERS and see there were NECES-SARY RESOURCES AVAILcome together..... Now THIS N THAT is not sugvolved in illegal activities..... But what is being suggested is we need to utilize all the neces-

those who REALLY BE-

heads down..... When funds for us...... THIS N THAT were needed there were really we have those who live in EAST LUBBOCK LIEVED there was a way who feels the same..... THIS N out of any situation people were THAT really believes

TEN BLACKS WHO COME WOULD knew something had to be done GETHER AND RAISE so they banded together to FUNDS then things would happen.... There's no doubt about it PRAYER ABLE if they would just brings about change but after PRAYER we've got to get up off our knees and gesting we should become in- do something together..... Just look at the corner of East 19th Street & MLK Blvd..... SONIC proves it can happen in sary resources we have available EAST LUBBOCK!!!

Pro Bowl every year he played and at the end he walked into the Football Hall of Fame. Such a great rise to fame followed by a lifetime of sorrow and tragedy.

After football something started happening. People figured he had lost his mind homeless, living in a vehicle, drugs and liquor. "Strong Mike" eventually died with most people in Pittsburgh assuming steroids was the cause. It was not! Dr. Omalu performed the autopsy and discovered the reason. His brain was a total mess. Finally, he surmised it was due to the violence to the head for ten straight years. He went on to prove this and that for two other Pittsburgh Steelers.

Concussions were common within my football experience. During my high school days I guess I delivered a few of them to opposing teams. In college, I received a few light ones and one big one that put me into the hospital. Team doctors were in denial as well as the coaches. The coaches would conclude "he got his bell rung". They would overlooked the possibility of serious long-term harm. "Learn to endure pain" was the

mantra of one of my high school

When the pressure of the NFL Players Association (union) led into a class action lawsuit, the NFL finally caved in. More than 5,000 current and former NFL players joined in the action. It was settled and players and veterans are now being compensated. After years of denying it, the NFL finally admitted that there is truth in Dr. Omalu's study. The sham was exposed when Dave Duerson, NFL Hall of Fame and an NFL executive which made him a corporate insider, committed suicide. On his night stand he left a letter which explained his deep depression and conclusion that something was wrong with him. He donated his brain for analysis.

The great Hall of Fame running back, Tony Dorsett, talks warning he will lash out at family members and get violent. He states, "When there is a family get together and I show up my two daughters gather their children and leave." He can't stop these explosions and he is terribly depressed about it.

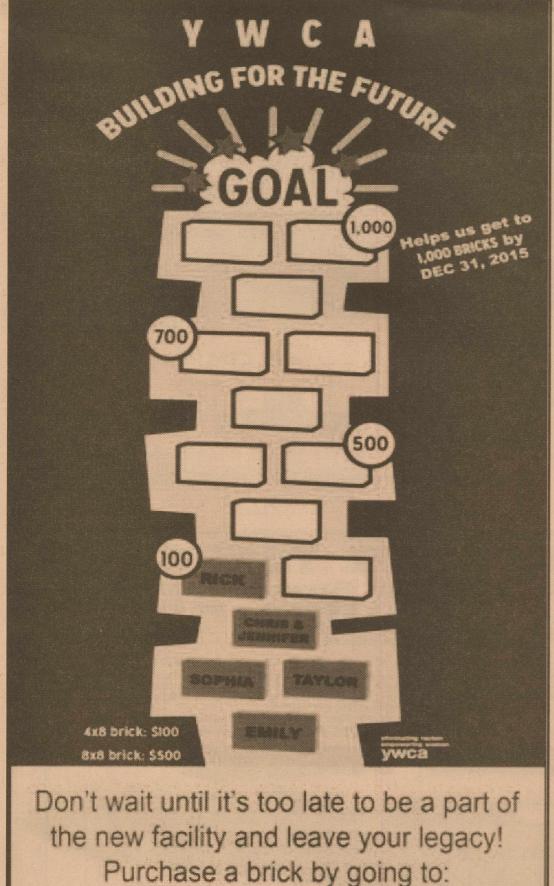
OK. So now we all believe

that the problem exists. The NFL has created a process known as "Concussion Protocol". No one disputes the problem. But yet, there appears to be no effort being made to solve the problem.

There must be a well - funded and organized effort to find a cure and a prevention. The key to prevention lies in the football helmet. We must find a way to make it shock proof. The brain has no padding around it. Sudden shock makes it move around bouncing into the scull. The accumulation of such shock alters our mind. There are plenty of us walking around and may be in danger. Remember the effects don't show until later. I pray that I don't emulate others like Tony Dorsett. Even worse, like my college buddy Mike Webster. There were two other team about his experience. Without mates of mine that went out in similar fashion.

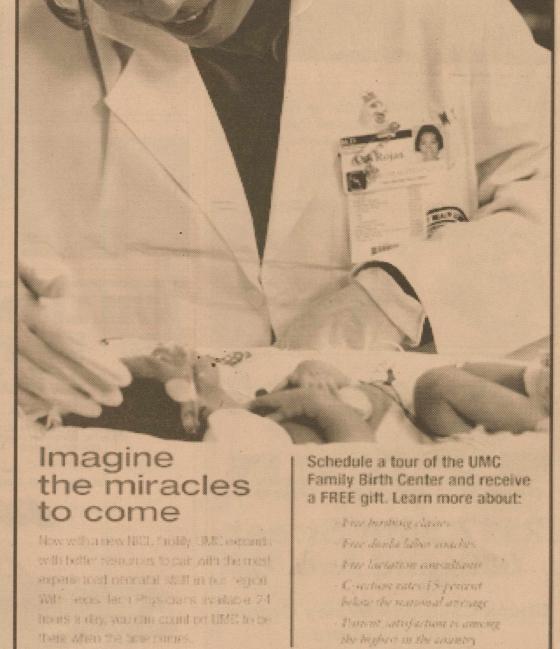
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> Mr. Alford is the co-founder, President/CEO of the National Black Chamber of Commerce®. Website: www.nationalbcc.org Email: halford@nationalbee.org



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2 Timothy 3:1, 2, 5, -- THIS know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy. Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

GOD knew we needed his words; to warn us of the things: IN THE LAST DAYS.

THE CHURCHES SEE
THE NEED FOR PRAYING;
SO SOULS COULD BE
SAVED!!!

Ecclesiastes 3:1, 2a, 7 -- TO everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven. A time to be born, and a time to die; A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak.

(GOD BLESSED AMERICA; WITH THE BEST THINGS IN THIS WORLD; OIL, WATER, COTTON, CORN, CATTLE, WHEAT, CLEAN AIR, AND GRAIN, AND MUCH MORE!!!--AND AMERICA DON'T LOVE GOD!!!)-----AMERICA; REMINDS ME OF HOSEA AND GOMER!!!

BUT AMERICA DIDN'T WANT GOD TO BE OVER HER; SHE WANTED HER FREEDOM.

AND WITHOUT GOD IN AMERICA; HER STREETS HAS BECOME A BLOOD SLUM!!!

Jeremiah 22:17- The Lord said, Your eyes and your heart are not but for your covetousness, and for to shed innocent blood, and for oppression, and for violence, to do it.---- THE CHURCHES SEE THE FIELD IS READY; TO PLANT THE SEED OF SAVATION. BUT THEY'RE HAVING PASTORS AND

WIFE'S ANNIVERSARY; AND SOUL'S THE DEVIL IS TAKING!!!

*** WILL THE PASTORS AND WIFE ROB GOD???*** (AMERICA KICKED

(AMERICA KICKED GOD OUT OF HER SCHOOLS, COURTS, AND MANY CHURCHES!!!)

Matthew 28:18 -- Jesus said, Go you therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

THE FATHER KILLS
HIS CHILDREN; TURNS
AND KILLS HIS WIFE.—HE
THEN TURNS THE GUN
UPON HIMSELF; TAKING
HIS OWN LIFE!!!
(THAT'S A SIGN; PRAYING
TIME!!!)

2 Peter 3:9 -- The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

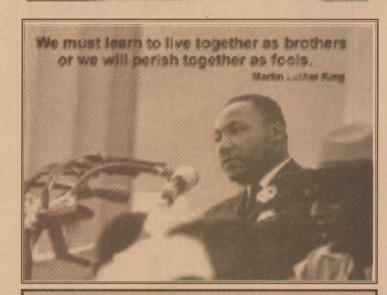
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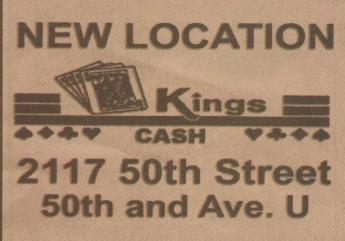
Luke 12:54-56 -- Jesus said, When you see a cloud rise out of the west, straightway you say, there comes a shower; and so it

And when you see the south wind blow, you say, There will be heat; and it come to pass. You hypocrites, you can discern the face of the sky and of the earth; but how is it that you do not discern this times?

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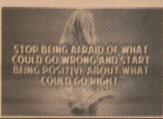
Federation Of Choirs Meets Sunday

The monthly meeting of the Federation of Choirs will be held Sunday afternoon, January 24, 2016, beginning at 2:30 p. m. at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 2202 Southeast Drive.

Host pastor is Rev. Edna Bean. Sister Janet Williams is President of Federation Choirs.



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St. Matthew Baptist Church

2020 East 14th Street Rev. Edward

Rev. Edward Canady, Pastor Lubbock, Texas 79403 (806) 744-7154

Again the members of the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, had a wonderful time on Sunday morning, January 10, 2016, where the proud pastor is Rev. Edward Canady.

Sunday morning services began at 10:10 A.M., with our dynamic superintendent, Sister Shirley Davis presiding. The subject of the Sunday School lesson was "Bait and Switch." The scripture text was Genesis 29:15-30. The Sunday School lesson was taught by our superintendent, Sister Shirley Davis and reviewed by Pastor Canady. What a wonderful job he did.

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted by Deacon E.M. Williams and Deaconess Sister Ethel Williams. Pastor Canady entered the church with the choir singing "Because of Who You Are."

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady and his subject was "When I Remembered the Lord," taken from Jonah 2: 7, 8 and 10. Again, a very informative message, and was received well by all in attendance.

The morning announcements were read by Sister Shirley Canady. She does such a wonderful job. The Missionary Society meets on Wednesday evening at 5:00 P. M. Why not come and join us! It's an oppor-

tunity for all in attendance to learn from each other. Will you join us? Bible Study is held on Wednesday evenings. It's amazing what can be learned when God's people come together. Choir rehearsal is held on Friday afternoon, beginning at 2:00P.M. If you love to sing God's praises, then come and join our choir.

If you are looking for a church home, then come and visit the St. Matthew Baptist Church. God bless each of you!

Thought for the Week: "Heavenly Father, help me to glorify your name and to honor y9ou always in what I say and do."



Shelia Patterson-Harris pictured above with a few of those that came out to support her during her Press Release that was held on January 7, 2016 at the Roots Community Ctr.





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Obsequies

Beulah Mary Wright

Funeral services for Beulah Mary Wright were held on Saturday morning, January. 9, 2016, at Griffin Mortuary Chapel.

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

Wright, 69, of Houston, formerly of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Wednesday, December 30, 2015.

Beulah was born on August 29, 1946, in Waco, Texas, to the parentage of James and Hattie Grant. She accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized in Littlefield, Texas.

On December 17, 1966, Beulah met and married Joe W. Wright; to this union two children were born, Richard and Michael.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James and Hattie

She leaves to cherish her memories: her husband of 49 years, Mr. Joe Wright; children, Minister Richard (Sabrina) Wright; Michael Wright; two grandchildren, Ashley Wright

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and Alexcia Williams; one sister, Carolyn Grant; four brothers, James (Kay) Grant, Calvin (Patricia) Grant, Larry Grant and Karry Grant; two aunts and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Know therefore today, and lay it to your heart, that the Lord is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; there is no other.

2 Corinthians 9:15

John Paul Daniels, Sr.

Funeral services were held for John Paul Daniels, Sr. on on Saturday afternoon, January 9, 2016, at the St. John Baptist Church, with Rev. Solomon Fields, pastor, officiating.

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

Daniels, 66, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Tuesday, December 29, 2016.

He was born on December 13, 1949, to the parentage of Mamie and Calvin Daniels in Timpson, Texas. At a young age, the family moved to Lubbock where they joined St. John Baptist Church under the pastoral leadership of Rev. Burns where John accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior.

During this period, he attended Lubbock Public Schools and graduated from Dunbar High in 1968. After graduation, John joined the US Army during which he met and married Blenda Johnson; to this union, two children were born.

John ended his service in the military and was honorably discharged as a Vietnam Veteran in 1979. He went on to attend and graduate from the University of



California at Berkeley where he received a bachelor's degree in Business in 1989.

Upon moving back to Lubbock, he began working for the US Postal Service from which he retired in 2006.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mamie B Daniels and Calvin Tab Daniels; one sister, Estelle Green.

He leaves to cherish his memories: daughter, Denoyer D. Daniels; son, John P. Daniels Jr.; sisters, Shirley Johnson and Rebie Coleman; brothers, Caston Daniels, Jim W. Daniels Sr. and Milvin Daniels; four grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and a host of nieces.

Lizzie Mae Burroughs

Funeral services for Lizzie Mae Burroughs were held on Saturday afternoon, January 9, 2016, at the Griffin Mortuary Chapel.

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

Burroughs, 88, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Thursday, December 31, 2015.

She was born February 3. 1927, in Muscle Shoals, Ala., to Joseph Williams and Carrie Lee

She moved to Youngstown, Ohio, as a young woman and spent many years there. She was a faithful member of Beulah Temple United Holy Church of America in Youngstown. While in Youngstown she spread her love caring for the elderly as a certified Nurse Aide eventually retiring from Park Vista Continuing Care Retirement Center.

Lizzie moved to Lubbock to be close to her daughter, Maxine Ricks. While in Lubbock she was a member of Rising Star Baptist Church and later Church of the Nations.

She was affectionately known



as Miss Lizzie and was one of the most generous spirits you'd

Preceded in departing from this earthly home includes: spouse, James Burroughs; sis-Thelma Armstrong, Josephine; and brother, Marion Buddy Copeland.

Those left to treasure her in memory include: daughter, Maxine Ricks (Gregory); sons, James E. Griffin (Collette) and Eddie Griffin Jr.; grandchildren, great-grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

Felix Rogers, Jr.

Funeral services were held for Felix Rogers, Jr. on Thursday afternoon, December 29, 2015, at the Greater St. Luke Baptist church with Rev. J. H. Ford, pastor, officiating.

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

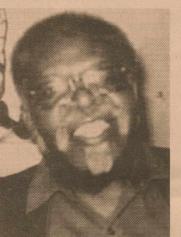
Rogers, Jr., 77, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Thursday, December 17, 2015.

Felix was born on January 14, 1938, in Calvert, Texas, to the parentage of Felix Rogers, Sr. and Annie Rogers.

Felix grew up in Lubbock, Texas, and attended Dunbar Sr. High School. Felix was employed and retired from Davis Wirer in Hayward, California..

He was preceded in death by his parents, Felix Sr. and Annie

He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Rosie Rogers; daughters, Gwen Gillis, Charlotte, Shirley, Junnie Rogers; stepdaughter, Yolanda Ball; son, Chris Rogers; stepsons, Edward, Richard and Cory Meek; sisters,



Mennie and Melvina Tillman; 30 grandchildren; three greatgrandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Every valley shall be lifted up, every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. And the glory of the Lord

Isaiah 40:4-5

shall be revealed.

Doris C. Williams

Funeral services were held for Doris C. Williams on Saturday morning, December 19, 2015, at the Rising Star Baptist Church with Rev. Culver, pastor, offici-

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

Williams, 71, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Monday, December 14, 2015.

Doris was born on June 5, 1944, to the parentage of Governor and Alzara Murphy in Marlin, Texas. Doris attended New Deal public schools. Following graduation she married Mr. Erma Gene Williams in 1963.

Doris was a loving person. She helped raise her 10 brothers and sisters, and showed that same love and care to everyone she met.

She enjoyed reading her Bible, crocheting and crossword puzzles. She will truly be missed by all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her father; husband, Gene Murphy; sister, Juliette Mitchell;

Tyler, Texas -- Funeral serv-

brother, James Murphy Sr.; and two sons, Joseph and Ronald Williams.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her mother, Alzara Murphy; daughter, Tena Williams-Ivery (Kenneth); sons, Edward Williams (Monica), Marvin Williams and Donald Williams (Rita); sisters, Lillie Hicks, Mary Cage, Debbie Murphy-Williams, Myrtle McNeal, Catherine Burrell; brothers, Saviour, Larry and Ronnie Murphy, along with a host of other relatives and friends.

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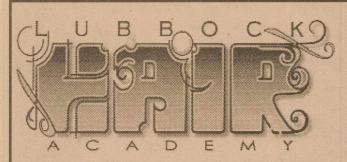
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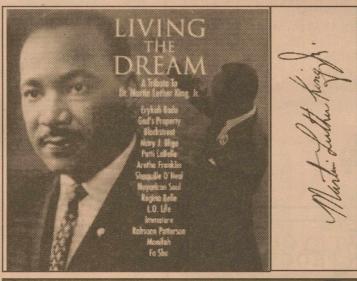
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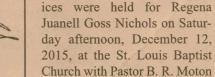
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as Eulogist. Nichols passed away on Sunday, December 6, 2015.

She was born on January 1, 1956 in Tyler, Texas to the parentage of Louis Herman Goss and Ruby D ean Mumphrey.

Regena accepted Christ at early age where she attended Browning Chapel in Tyler and later united with the New Hope Baptist Church in Lubbock.

Regena attended Tyler Public Schools, Tyler Junior College, and South Plains School of Nursing in Lubbock. Regena always loved people and working with the public. She worked for Eckard's Drug in Tyler before relocating to West Texas. In Lubbock, she worked for Litton



Industries befoore deciding that she wanted to attend Nursing

Regena became a LVN in 1986 and worked for Methodist Hospital, which was later renamed Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock, for 25 years. During her career, she specialized in many diversed areas of Continue on Page 6

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Harry Belfonte & Cornel West Will Speak During African-American History Month

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million copies of a single album with "Calypso" (1956) featuring his hit "Day-O." After he met a young Martin Luther King Jr. in the early 1950s, the two developed a deep and abiding friendship, and Belafonte played a key role in the civil rights movement, including the 1963 March on Washington. In 1985, disturbed by war, drought and famine in Africa, Belafonte helped organize the Grammywinning song "We Are the World," a multi-artist effort to raise funds for Africa. Belafonte was active in efforts to end apartheid in South Africa and release Nelson Mandela from prison.

He served as the cultural adviser for the Peace Corps, a **UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador** and was honored as an Ambassador of Conscience by Amnesty International. Recently, Belafonte founded the Sankofa Justice & Equity Fund, a nonprofit social justice organization that utilizes the power of culture and celebrity in partnership with activism. Belafonte received the Jean Hersholt Humanitarian Award from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences in November 2014.

"Harry Belafonte is someone who is distinguished as an entertainer, but over his career and even recently he's been very outspoken about American politics and the recent wars in Afghanistan and Iraq," Hill said. "He's 88 years old and I was told

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Nursing. She was elected as Preceptor for new student nurses because of her knowledge.

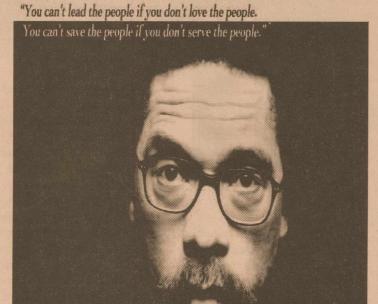
In 1980, Regena met and married the love of her life, William Nichols. They relocated in Lubbock in 1981, and eventuallu moved back to Tyler in September of 2013. They were blessed with three beautiful daughters. Regena loved traveling and outdoor activities.

Regena was preceded in death by her parents, oldest sister, Ruby Carol Lincoln; and nephew, Kenneth Lincoln.

Regena leaves to cherish her memories: Husband William; daughters: Keshanda Goss of Euless, Texas, Kanequa LaFon (Dustin) of Lubbock, Texas, and Wilkaney Nichols of Euless, Texas; four grandchildren: Taylor Jackson, Nicholas LaFon, Zakaiyah Pruitt and Wedsley LaFon; five sisters: Joyce Jimmerson (Jesse), LaDebra Johnson (Calvin), LaDetra March, D 'Juanna Morgan (Dean) and Kimberly Goss; mother-in-law, Bettie Jordan of Lub bock, Tex as; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Interment was held at Evergreen Memorial Park Cemetery of Tyler, Texas under the direction of Brooks-Sterling & Garrett Funeral Directors of Tyler.

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Cornel West

by his agent this is probably going to be the last year he's in the lecture circuit because he's starting to slow down a little bit. So we thought this was a great opportunity to get someone of his caliber here to talk to our students about what it means to be an activist, to be a change agent in society. And hopefully he can inspire our students to be change

Commissioner Sedeno Will Seek Re-Election

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1.7 cents per \$100 valuation. He told those in attendance of how much it was needed.

Commissioner Sedeno was introduced by Lubbock County Sheriff Kelly Rowe who made it known that he hasn't seen a commissioner as involved with the happenings of thhe sheriff's office as Commissioner Sedeno, and he's also been a strong voice for Precinct 3.

Sedeno made it known there is still more work to be done, and he will continue to push for increasing transparency in county government, and working to divide the money for roads among the precincts instead of having it consolidated into one, which is how the

county has it now.
"Unforunately all that money

agents."

As one of America's most provocative public intellectuals, West has been a champion for racial justice since childhood. His writing, speaking and teaching weave together the traditions of the Black Baptist Church, progressive politics and jazz. West is a professor of philosophy and Christian practice at Union Theological Seminary and professor emeritus at Princeton University. He also taught at Yale, Harvard and the University of Paris. His 1993 book, "Race Matters," a searing analysis of racism in American democracy, is a bestseller.

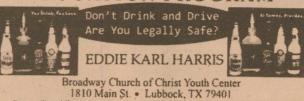
In 1993, he was the winner of The American Book Award. West has written more than 20 books and has edited 13. He offers commentary weekly on "The Tavis Smiley Show" and is a frequent guest on "Real Time with Bill Maher," "The Colbert Report," CNN, C-Span and Democracy Now. He has appeared in more than 25 documentaries and films.

isn't getting spent fair and equitably here in Precinct 3," ac cording to Sedeno. "You see, I want to go to the precinct base so that we can have our fair share of money here, 25 percent."

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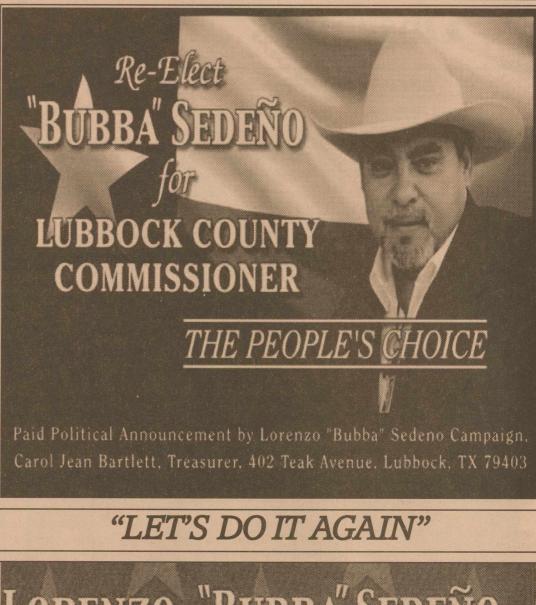
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New Light Baptist Church News

3013 Idalou Road Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson, Pastor

On Sunday morning, January 17, 2016, church services got started at New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road, where Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson is the pastor.

Church School started at 10:00 a. m. with Rev. Jackson teaching the lesson titled: "UN-FAITHFUL BRIDE" and its scripture coming from Hosea 1:1-11.

Breakfast was served to those in attendance.

Morning worship started at 11:00 a.m. with the devoted praise team leading the way.

The responsive reading came from **PSALM 27:1-14.** Rev. Jackson led the altar call prayer and the congregation sung "**O HOW I LOVE JESUS.**" Sis. Linda Green read all the morning announcements and told of all the upcoming events that will be taking place.

The offering was taken up by appointees. The Adult Choir sung "JESUS IS THE ROCK" and "SIGN ME UP". Sis. Ambra Jackson sung "PRECIUOS LORD" before the sermon.

Rev. Jackson preached the sermon titled: "GOD CAN USE ANYBODY" and its printed scripture text coming from JOHN 4:4-30. Did you know in our society today we are having some of the same issues that happen in Jesus times. Jesus met the woman at the well and told her every thing she has done and the woman was surprise that she ran and told the others come and see a man that has told me every thing I have done.

The Lord is looking for us to tell him exactly what is going on. The Lord already know your whereabouts. God knows what we do and where we live so there is no reason trying to hide. When God blesses you its a good thing to share. The woman at the well wanted for the people to come and see Jesus that had

turned her life around.

We need to make it our business that we go and tell the good news of Jesus Christ and let them know what the Lord has done. God can turn your life around and straighten it out. He can use anyone to do any thing possible. You know if he used a virgin Mary then he can use anything to get his business done.

He was able to turn bad Friday into a good Friday. Did you know there is only one empty grave and that was Jesus our Lord and Savior. He borrowed the tomb for the weekend because that was the only time he was going to need it.

Song after sermon was "DOWN AT THY CROSS."

This evening was the closing out of our PASTOR & WIFE'S 9TH APPRECIATION SERV-ICE.

There were several churches which were in attendance. Pastor Berinstine from California was in attendance and he preached the sermon: "COME SEE A MAN."

The spirit was felt by all who were in attendance.

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MAY GOD CONTINUE TO
WATCH OVER YOU DAY
AND NIGHT!

If one falls down, his friend can help him up.
But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up!
Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm.
But how can one keep warm alone?
Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves.

quickly broken.

Ecclesiastes 4:10-12

A cord of three strands is not

100 Black Men of West Texas Will Sponsor Gala

The 100 Black Men of West Texas wil sponsor its 21st Annual Scholarship Gala on Saturday evening, January 23, 2016, beginning at 6:00 p. m. at the Overton Hotel and Conference Center, 2322 Mac Davis Lane.

The evening will include award presentations, live auction, music by Element and casino activities.

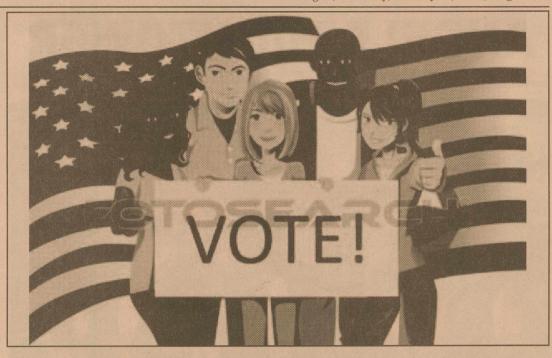
Texas Tech men's basketball coach, Tubby Smith, will be given a lifetime achievement award.

Individual tickets are \$100, or \$150 for couples. Proceeds from this event will be used for future scholarships.

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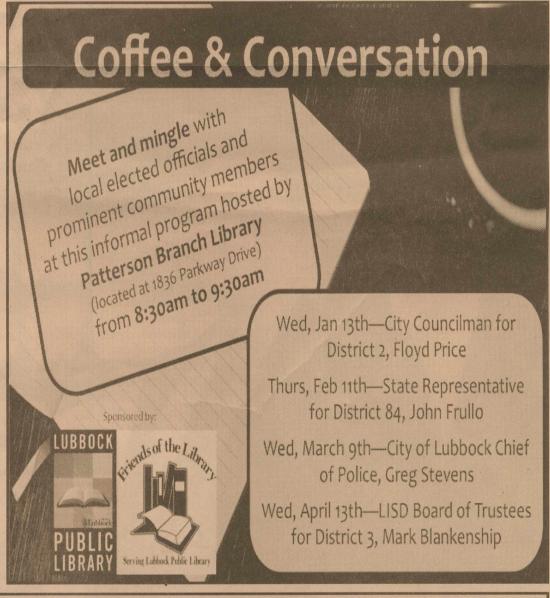
Five public meetings will be held:

January 5 and February 2, 2016 916 Main Street 2nd Floor conference room 2:00 p.m. January 19 and February 16, 2016 1625 13th Street Room 103 Lubbock City Hall 8:30 a.m.

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

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