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Community Meetings

* Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pn 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 om, 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

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* The Unified Juneteenth Commission of Lubbock meets Athwest Aigest

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VISITING WITH TRACI CRAWFORD: Pictured above are some of the Senior Citizens who attend the Mae Simmons Senior Citizens regularly. They are shown viting with Traci Crawford, center, on her last day as Director of the Mae Simmons Community Center.

Photo By Billy "B. J." Morrison, II

Senior Citizens of the Mae had done as Center Director. Simmons Senior Citizens Center came together on Wednesday afternoon, March 16, 2016, and Dallas, Texas area. prepared a delicious meal for Traci Crawford who retired from all who had worked with her the position as Center Director. over the years. "For what you

Crawford's last day was on Friday, March 18, 2016, serving in this position for seven years.

During the afternoon, some Senior Citizens told her how much they appreciated what she about the future of this needed

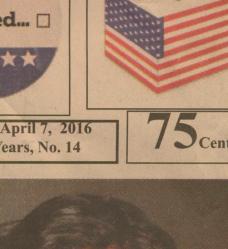
program. All agreed they need to serve as a committee of one to According to Crawford, she go out into the community and will be living and working in the let those who are age 55 and oler to know about this program. Crawford took time to thank

> The Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center has been remolded. At present time, applications are being accepted for the position of Center Director. For more information, call (806) 767-2700 or 767-2706.

All Senior Citizens are invited!!



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Tatyana Ali

Tatyana Ali Will Perform In Mentor Tech 14th Annual Effort

Special guest performing in 11 Tatyana moved from New. Mentor Tech's 14th Annual Celebration Banquet will be Tatyana Ali on Friday evening, April 22, 2016, beginning at 7:00 p. m. at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center Banquet Hall.

On January 24, 1979, Tatvana

York to Los Angeles to establish her career and not long afterwords got her breakthrough role--Will Smith's cousin, "Ashley Banks", from The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air (1990).

While filming "The Fresh Prince" she also had interesting

every Tuesday evening at Bryon Martin Technology Center, 3401 Avenue Q, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

* West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men of West Texas meets 3rd Monday evenings at 7:00 pm at The Bridge 1401 Redbud Avenue * The Parkway & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evenings, 7:30 pm at Hunt Elementary School. * Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm at 2301 Avenue A.

* ROOTS meets every 2nd Saturday at 2:00 p.m. at 2301 Avenue A.

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

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Southwest Digest Community Meetings 902 East 28th Street Lubbock, Texas 79404 (806) 76 first to publicly release a workforce demographics report earlier this year. They were commended for doing so, and so far, experts say they are the most aggressive at addressing the issue.

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Tena Gonzales Is Seeking The District 2 Position Of Lubbock Independent School District

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Simmons Senior Citizens Cen-

The Senior Citizens talked

ter, "I am grateful," she said.

One of the candidates for Lubbock Independent School District is Tena Gonzales, who was born and raised in East Lubbock

Tena is a product of the District 2 school feeder system. She attended Ella R.Iles, Elementary School, Alderson Junior High School, and graduated top 10% of her class at Estacado High School.

Tena is the Unit Associate Director of the research grant office in the College of Education at Texas Tech University.

In this role, she is involved with the East Lubbock Promise Neighborhood (ELPN) grant on a daily basis.

She is also the PTA President at Estacado High School.

Tena is running for the LISD Board of Trustee for Disrict 2 because she has invested many years to the support of equitable education for the district and aims to keep students, parents and the community as a whole



informed about the changes to

come in District 2. Tena has always fought for better resources, quality of instruction and instructors! She is in constant contact with campus administrators, central office and parents and advocates for continued change to increase the success of our students and increase college admittance.

Tena announced her candidacy at the Parkway Pharmacy on Saturday, February 27th. She has a life-long investment in the community and the improvement of the school system.

Tena's husband and three children are also products of the District's feeder system. Her oldest son, Chris Cortez Jr., is a senior at TTU, studying Wind Energy. Her daughter, Adriana Gonzales, is currently a senior at Estacado and has been accepted to TTU and UT, but has not made a final decision yet. And her youngest son, Matthew Gonzales, is a sophomore at Estacado. All are supporters of the current improvements within the schools as a result of the East Lubbock Promise Neighborhood grant and know Tena is passionate about continuing the progress.

Tena has been a PTA board member at Dunbar for 7 years and currently is the PTA President at Estacado for the past 4 years. She has served on the

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How Some Colleges Are Closing The Racial Graduation Gap

A new study has found that some colleges are instrumental in closing the graduation gap between Blacks and Whites, even though the gap remained stubbornly wide when overall graduation rates increased, according to the Hechinger Report.

The report, Rising Tide II: Do Black Students Benefit as Grad Rates Increase?, written by The Education Trust, is based on 232 four-year public colleges. What they have in common is improved graduation rates over a 10-year period.

The researchers found an overall increase in the Black graduation rate between 2003 and 2013. At the same time, though, the gap with White students also increased.

One of the lessons of the study is that certain programs made a difference at the colleges that closed the gap, the researchers said.

At Ohio State University, 73 percent of Black students graduated in 2013-a 26 percent climb from 2003. The graduation gap with White students

also decreased by 9 percent.

The institution credits that success to programs that support minority and first-generation students. One of the programs highlighted by Hechinger starts with middle school students and nurtures them academically and financially through college.

In another success story, Texas Tech University had a part in raising the Black graduation rate by 10 percent, while also closing the gap with White students by 4 percentage points. **Continue on Page 8**

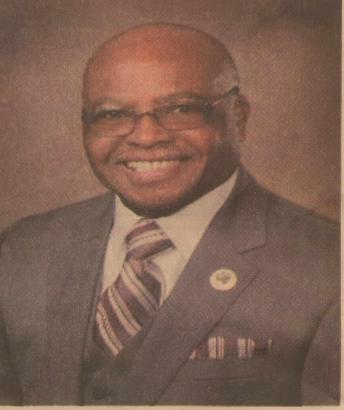
Marisol Ali was born to Sonia, who was a nurse from Panama, and Sheriff Ali, a retired police officer from Trinidad. At the age of four she started singing and got a taste of fame when she begged her mother to take her to an audition for Sesame Street (1969).

She went on to perform in many productions in her native city, New York, including the Broadway show "Fences"--with James Earl Jones and, later, Billy Dee Williams--and the off-Broadway show "Orfeo del Campo". When she was seven she appeared on Star Search (1983) and won twice, receiving a four-star rating when she appeared for a second time. At age

side projects, including guest roles in television shows such as The Cosby Show (1984), The All New Mickey Mouse Club (1989) (aka "The Mickey Mouse Club"), Kyno's Storytime (1994), Are You Afraid of the Dark? (1990) and Foster's Field Trip (1994).

The public saw her grow on "Fresh Price" from an adorable little girl to a stunning young woman, and she sang in several episodes of the show, most notably her rendition of Aretha Franklin's "Respect" and an original song, "Make Up Your Mind". Smith was so impressed with her singing that he asked if she would consider doing it **Continue on Page 7**

City Councilman Floyd Price Honored By NASW Here



Lubbock City Councilman Floud Price

District 2 Floyd Price was honored Tuesday evening, March 29, 2016, by the South Plains Branch of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) with their Elected Official of the Year award at Interim Health-

The award is given to an elected official that exhibits social work values. Councilman Price was selected for his years of service to District 2 and helping those most in need in the **Continue on Page 7**

Lubbock City Councilman care, 3305 101st Street.

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Mississippi Flag Comes Down at Capitol



When Bree Newsome -- an activist and filmmaker associated with the national Black Lives Matter movement -scaled a flag pole at the South Carolina state house last June and removed the Confederate battle flag, she sparked a national conversation.

Activists and lawmakers across the country started to ask why the flag is still prominently displayed at so many government buildings, in the south and elsewhere, when it's widely recognized as a racist symbol and was embraced by Dylann Roof, who killed nine people during a prayer meeting at a Black church last summer.

In Oregon, the conversation zeroed in on the presence of the Mississippi flag - which includes a Confederate battle emblem as part of its design – in the "Walk of Flags" display on the capitol grounds in Salem. That display included flags from all 50 states as well as Oregon's nine federally recognized Native American tribes.

Now it's down one. Mississippi's flag was removed at the beginning of last week.

Last October lawmakers de-

cided to give Mississippi the chance to change the design of its own flag. According to a letter dated March 7 and co-signed by Senate President Peter Courtney and House Speaker Tina Kotek and sent to their Mississippi counterparts - Terry Burton, president pro tempore of the Mississippi senate and Mississippi House Speaker Philip Gunn - it was only after Mississippi failed to act that Oregon decided to take down that state's flag.

"We respectfully disagree with the confederate symbol in your state flag," the letter reads. "Out of respect for the great state of Mississippi, we chose to give the Mississippi Legislature a chance to act first. With the understanding that all of the bills related to the state flag died in the Mississippi Legislature last month, we have now taken action to remove the flag."

Mississippi lawmakers drafted 12 different bills to alter the state's logo design - but none of them made it out of committee by the legislature's February deadline.

In response to a query about the flag's removal, Courtney's

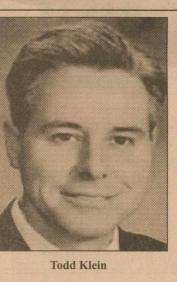
office issued a statement containing some of the same language as the letter to the Mississippi legislature, but also noting Oregon lawmakers are not alone in their objection to the continued display of Confederate insignia.

"Across the country, other government entities removed the Mississippi flag from displays. In the State of Mississippi, universities, counties and cities including the capital city of Jackson - refused to fly the official flag of the state," the statement said

Last fall, Kotek said she supported the effort to remove the flag from Capitol grounds.

'The Confederate insignia on the flag is widely seen as a symbol of racist intolerance, which is in direct conflict with Oregon values of fairness and equality. I support removing it from our Capitol grounds and leaving the flagpole unadorned until Mississippi adopts another flag, one that honors the dignity of all people," Tina Kotek, speaker of Oregon's House of Representatives, said last October.

Rep. Lew Frederick (D-North/Northeast Portland) told reporters last summer he wanted to see the flag come down.



Klein testifies before The **Senate Select Committee** on Property Tax Reform & Relief

Todd Klein, a candidate for the Lubbock's Mayor position, spoke at the State Senate Select Committee on Property Tax Reform and Relief hearing held on Monday fternoon, March 21, 2016, in Lubbock regarding the issue of appraisal creep.

"I appreciate State Senator Charles Perry and the Senate Committee Chair and members traveling to Lubbock to receive public comments on the very serious issue of appraisal creep and the lack of direct public say **Continue on Page 6**

"I grew up with this flag, and it was used around me for the same reasons it even exists," Rep. Lew Frederick, D-Portland, said in June. "To taunt African Americans, to remind us of our status in the historical South, and to remind us of exactly what it symbolizes to those who carry or display it: racism and their attachment to racism."

Both that statement and the letter to Burton and Gunn close with the hope that Oregon will be able to hoist a redesigned flag in the future: "It had been our sincere hope that Mississippi would always be represented in our Walk of Flags. We now look forward to the day when Oregon can raise a new flag representing the great state of Mississippi and her people."

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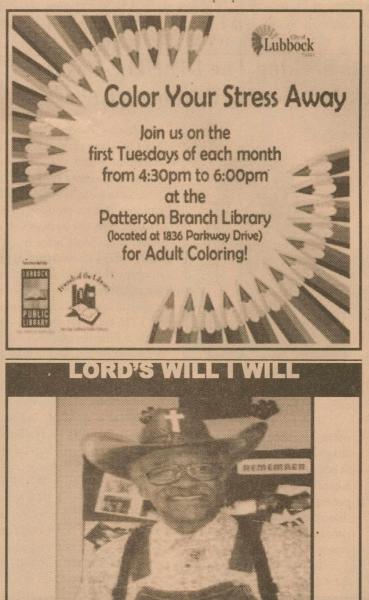
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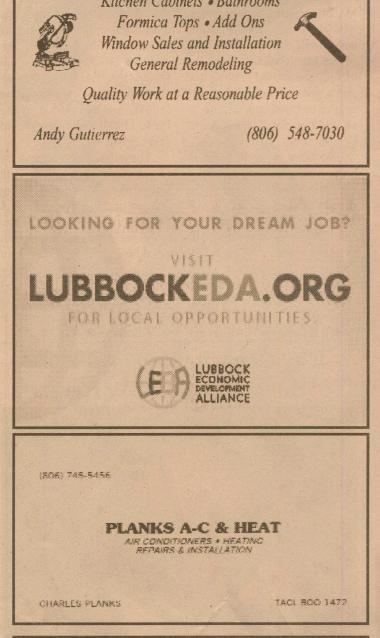
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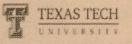
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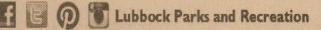
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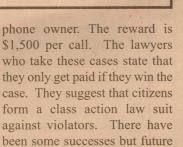
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I am sick and tired and tired and sick of the robocalls. By now, most American who have not found a way to stop them, should be as tired as I am. Because I am tired of them I decided to check out ways to rid myself of them other than click the telephone on and off at the same time, and when I feel like talking, I ask the caller if I know them. If they reply by saying anything else, I tell them that since they do not know me, that we do not have anything to talk about. If I discover that it is a recording, I simply hang up.

Often, when my telephone rings and it is an unknown caller or blocked call, or no name, that is when I click it on and off at the same time. Sometimes, those toll free calls without a name can be my pharmacy notifying me that a prescription is ready or my insurance company with some information. I received a call from the Library of Congress without a caller ID and I picked up and hung up and they called again with an abbreviated caller ID. I informed the caller who quickly identified herself that I did not answer calls without a caller ID. She apologized and got to the business of her call. The calls from the -pharmacy are toll free but they say immediately who the message is for. The insurance company on the other hand will tell you immediately who they are and who they wish to speak with

I decided to see what is available to put a stop to robocalls. I discovered that there is a service called StopCalling.net which is a law group which will represent you if you can identify a legitimate company such as a debt collector, charity or such which calls your cell phone as there is a law against such calls except where permitted by the tele-



success cannot be based on the

past Aside from hiring a lawyer to pursue justice from the annoyance of robocalls, there are gadgets on the market which proclaim that they can stop the harassing calls. They are made by a variety of companies and have ways to screen out unwanted calls and permit desirable calls to come through. The prices range from \$19.00 for a gadget for which a subscription is required and others range from \$24.00 used up to \$99.00. It will be necessary to shop around until you find the gadget or subscription which best suits you. Our telephone companies used to have anonymous call rejection and for some reason it is now difficult to get it or a fee is now required; some form of subscription. It appears that we need to get 'in cinque' and press upon our Federal Communications Commission to find a way to put the Telephone Consumer's Protection Act into operation. We may need a petition as it is no good if it is not working

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Beyond The Rhetoric

by Harry C. Alford

Solving The Mystery Of Us!

All my life I have wondered what was the breakdown on my ethnicity. If you don't know who you are you are less than "whole". One night while my wife, Kay, and I were watching television a commercial for Ancestry.Com came on. After discussing the issue, we decided that we were going to try it. I teased her that I may find out that my wife is white (she's a "redbone"). Imagine the social scandal: "President/CEO of the National Black Chamber of Commerce is married to a white girl'

We now have the results and have shared them with our sons Thomas and Harry III. Let's start with my ethnicity. I am 69% African and 31% European. 23% of me is Nigerian followed by Mali which is 16%. The rest of the African lineage goes like this: Ivory Coast / Ghana -11%; Cameroon/Congo - 9%; Senegal 9%; Southeastern Africa and Benin / Togo are 1% and less than 1% respectively. I have been all over Africa but the few nations I have not been to are Ivory Coast, Cameroon, Congo Benin and Togo. They now will be high on my travel targets. I have to go and visit my people!

Now, how about the white side of me? Great Britain leads the way with 21%. Next is the Iberian Peninsula (Portugal and Spain) at 5%. Finland / Northwest Russia is at 3%. Ireland is at 2% and Greece is less than 1%.

I was kidding Kay that we will find out that she is white. That is almost a reality! 47% of my wife is white while 52% is African and less than 1% is Native American. She missed being predominantly white by three percentage points. Here is her breakdown: Benin / Togo 23%; Cameroon / Congo – 11%;

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by T. J. Patterson

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SENIOR CITIZENS EN-COURAGED TO ATTEND THE MAE SIMMONS SEN-**IOR CITIZENS CENTER!!!** THIS N THAT invites those who are 55 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER. to become a regular participant by attending the MAE SIMMONS SENIOR CITI-ZENS CENTER 2004 Oak Avenue...... The center is open from 9:00 a. m. to 4:00 p.m. This Center has just been remodeled for those who a re in attendance...... It has all the necessary equipment for all who are in attendance..... It is a FACILITY you can be proud of attending Not only has it been remolded the

Ivory Coast / Ghana 10%; Southeastern Africa - 3%; Senegal - 3%; Mali - 2%.

Now for the white side of Kay. Great Britain - 22%; Ireland - 20%; Europe West - 2%; Scandinavia - 1% while the Iberian Peninsula and European Jewish are less than 1% each. She has less than 1% Native American which is the Western Hemisphere (the Americas).

Kay isn't the lightest one in her family. Her baby brother has blue eyes. She has one aunt with natural blonde hair while another aunt has red hair. They once went out with their husbands back in the day and were arrested for violating the Indiana Race Mixing law. The outrage was in the local papers and started the demise of this law (early 1960's).

The above is the result of the greatest holocaust on earth. African Slavery and the forced migration to the New World. Our history is not joyous. The white blood in us did not come from love. It came from rape! The Iberian blood probably comes from Portuguese and Spanish slave ships. The fe-

PARKS & RECRE-ATION DEPARTMENT for the City of Lubbock is in the process of hiring a **CENTER DIRECTOR** which will supervise the MAE SIMMONS SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER and the MAE SIMMONS **COMMUNITY CENTER** There will be many programs for citizens to participate..... There will be no excuse for any SENIOR CITIZEN to give as to why they do not attend this SPECIAL PRO-GRAM for all of them..... THIS N THAT with

all sincerity is asking for more SENIOR CITI-ZENS to attend this im-

males were often raped during the voyage – the slavers couldn't wait until they arrived to the destinations. Ends that mystery.

The majority of the Great Britain and Ireland ethnicities comes from slave ships and the enslavement for nearly 250 years in the Southern United States. That is a lot of raping. Some of the rape started before the victims got on the slave ship. We visited a slave castle located on the coast of Ghana. There was one room which had the title of "Rape Room". One must wonder - were my relatives victims of this? I have a set of actual slave bracelets which hang in our conference room. These bracelets, according to the seller, are from Mali. I have 16% of such blood in my body. I wonder about the possibility that one of my own ancestors wore those bracelets and how ironic it may be

If you are wondering about the Scandinavian, Finland and Russian portions of our bloodline, the answer is simple. England was once conquered by the Vikings. Yes, the British had their turn at being raped also. portant program.... If you have any ideas or suggestions about what you'd like to see happen at this MAE SIMMONS SENIOR CITIZENS CEN-TER then please advise by visiting the center..... Your assistance is valuable and it will be considered. Call one of these telephone numbers (806) 767-2000 OR (806) 767-2006 and give your input Remember your input is needed.

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Our rapist carried the Scandinavian, Finland and Russian ethnicity due to this period of conquest. When the Vikings took land to the east it became known as Russia as the Vikings were from the land of "Rus" which would later form Finland, Sweden and Norway.

I encourage all of you to do the same. It is empowering to solve the mystery of you. Why do you have this kind of hair; your skin tone; natural athleticism, etc.? I know the next time I hear a Nigerian joke I won't be laughing. I will call that the "Dozens".

We (Blacks of the Western Hemisphere who bear the slave legacy) are the survivors and that which does not kill us makes us stronger. It is truly a miracle that we made it through. A big reason to be proud.

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

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Re: City of Lubbock/Citibus grant applications for the 2016 fiscal year (October 2015-September 2016):

- Section 5307 formula funding for operating, planning and capital projects;
- Section 5310 funding for operating and vehicle replacement
- Section 5339(a) funding for vehicle replacement
- Section 5339(b) funding for vehicle replacement
- TIGER Discretionary Grant for facility renovation/expansion

Notice is hereby given that an opportunity for a public hearing will occur in conjunction with the Lubbock Public Transit Advisory Board Meeting on **Tuesday, April 26, 2016, at 12:00pm at the Citibus Conference Room, 801 Texas Avenue.** The purpose of this hearing is to consider financial assistance under the Federal Transit Act of 1964, as amended, for the following programs:

Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grant Funds – The 5307 program cost is estimated at \$4,692,982, of which

\$3,148,669 will be provided by FTA Section 5307 funds and \$913,897 as local match. TxDOT will contribute \$630,416 for operating assistance as well. This funding will be used for preventive maintenance, non-fixed route ADA services, operating, planning, Jobs Access Reverse Commute (JARC) funding and miscellaneous capital improvements including passenger amenities and security upgrades.

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Funds – This program cost is estimated at

\$263,529, of which \$203,640 will be provided by the FTA and \$59,889 as local match. These funds will be used to purchase ADA Paratransit vehicle(s), fund a Mobility Manager and to subsidize CitiAccess extended service area trips and the NiteRide service costs.

Section 5339(a) Bus & Bus Facilities Funds – This program cost is estimated at \$309,500 and a request has been submitted to the Texas Department of Transportation for the award of 61,900 Transportation Development Credits that will serve as the local match. The funds will be used to purchase ADA Paratransit vehicle(s) and Transit Supervisor vehicle(s) to replace other outdated ADA Paratransit vehicles and Transit Supervisor vehicles that have surpassed their useful life.

Section 5339(b) Bus & Bus Facilities Funds – Citibus will seek \$3,500,000 in federal discretionary funding, with local match provided with Transportation Development Credits awarded by the Texas Transportation Commission. The funds, if awarded, will be used to purchase seven buses; four forty-foot buses and three thirty-five foot buses, which will replace outdated route buses

TIGER Discretionary Grant – Citibus will seek \$20,000,000 in federal discretionary funding with \$5,000,000 in local match. The funds, if awarded, will be used to renovate and eventually expand the existing Administrative/Maintenance facility.

Interested individuals may submit recommendations or comments orally or in writing before 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 25, 2016. Written comments may be addressed to Citibus Compliance Department, PO Box 2000, Lubbock, Texas, 79457; emailed to

cmandrell@citibus.com; or faxed to 806-712-2012. Oral comments may be made by calling 806-712-2002.

Written documentation on the above projects is available at the Citibus offices, 801 Texas Avenue.

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1 Timothy 1:8a -- Be not you therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord.

GOD SENT JESUS INTO THE WORLD: TO DIE ON THE CROSS OF CALVARY. **ON THAT CROSS: IT** SHOULD HAVE BEEN SIN-NERS: LIKE YOU AND **ME!!!**

John 3:16 -- For God so love the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

I was living in THE **CESSPOOL OF SIN; BUT** NOW I'VE BEEN FOR-GIVEN. BEEN SET FREE; **THANK GOD FOR JESUS:** MY NEW LIFE; I'M NOW LIVING!!!

1 John 1:9 -- If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

MY SIN'S WAS SO MANY: THE DEVIL EVEN CHANGED MY NAME: TO "DR. BLO-FLY" AND I TRIED TO BE FOUND, **AROUND EVERY KIND OF** FILTH; AND THAT'S NO LIE!!

I WAS LIKE THE SONG: I'M IN WITH THE IN CROWD; I WAS NO SQUARE.--- IF IT WAS FUNKY TO THE SKY; THEN I WANTED TO BE THERE.

GAL SON; IN THE PIG CIGARS, WINE, CARS, AND

PEN!!!*** 1 John 1:15 -- 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

But then one day, I HEARD SOMETHING VERY NICE: **ABOUT THE MAN CALLED JESUS CHRIST. I OPENED** UP MY HEART; AND LET **HIM INTO MY LIFE: NOW** I'M WALKING IN THE LIGHT!!!

Luke 7:47 -- Jesus said, Wherefore I say unto you, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she love much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little.

BEFORE I WAS LIKE THE WOMAN; MY SIN WAS MANY: BY THE LAW OF NATURE: I SHOULD DIE. **BUT GRACE AND MERCY; OH HOW I LOVE JESUS;** HE TOOK MY DEATH:-----THAT'S WHY!!!

John 15:13 -- Jesus said, Greater love has no man that this, that a man lay down his life for his friends

***** WHAT A FRIEND WE** HAVE IN JESUS!!!***

(WHEN I WAS WORKING FOR THE DEVIL; I ADVER-TIZED FOR HIM. MY LI-**CENSE PLATES READ: DR. BLO-FLY, IT WAS ALSO ON** THE SIDE OF MY PICKUP. **MY CAP'S READ: WHISKY,** *** I WAS THE PRODI- BEER, CIGARETTES AND

ABOUT SEX, EVEN CURSE WORDS. I WORKED FOR THE DEVIL WITH ALL MY HEART!!!)---Luke 8:27C, SAID THE MAN HAD DEV-ILS LONG TIME, AND WORE NO CLOTHES.----I WAS LIKE THAT MAN; I HAD NO SHAME IN MY LIFE;-----" UNTIL I MET JESUS CHRIST!!! ") JESUS GAVE ME A NEW LEASE **ON LIFE; NOW I'M WALK-ING IN THE LIGHT.---NOW GOD'S MISSION FOR ME** IS TO SHOW SINNERS;

JESUS IS THE LIGHT!!! * EVERYONE CAN BE** FREE AT LAST !!!***

(INOW ADVERTIZE FOR THE LORD; ON MY PICKUP, LICENSE PLATE IS " THANK GOD FOR JESUS ", ON THE SIDE IS **MY COMPANY'S NAME:"** LORD'S WILL I WILL", ON THE BACK IS:" LORD'S WILL "U" WILL", ON MY **R.V. IS THE SAME ON THE** SIDES AND ON THE BACK. LORD BLESS, ON MY COWBOY HATS IS A **CROSS, ON MY FENCE IS A SIGN: " CHRIST IS THE AN-**SWER ", ON OUR HOUSE **THE ADDRESS NUMBERS** SIGN IS " THE LORD IS **OUR SHEPHERD ", ON THE** SIDE OF MY 2 TRAILERS, **IS THE TEXAS SIGN; ONLY IT HAS A CROSS AND NOT** THE STAR, ON MY 2

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St. Matthew Baptist Church

2020 East 14th Street

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

We are here again to say, "What a wonderful time we had at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, on Sunday morning, April 3, 2016, where the proud pastor is the Rev. Edward Canady.'

Sunday morning services begun at 10:00 a.m. with Sister Shirley Canady presiding.

The subject of the Sunday School lesson was "Good As New." The scripture text was 4:1-10.

Sunday School lesson was taught by Sister Canady, who did a marvelous job. She was encouraged to keep teaching.

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted by Deacon Edward Williams and Deaconess Sister Ethel Williams.

Minister Michael Menton brought the morning sermon. His subject was "A Sign From God." His scripture text was Exodus 4:1-8.

It was a very informative

Sister Alice M. Willard Succumbs

Littlefield, Texas -- Funeral services were held for Sister Alice M. Willard on Tuesday afternoon, March 22, 2016, at the New Jerusalem Baptist Chuurch with Pastor D. Ross, Sr. officiating.

Interment was held in the Littlefield Cemetery under the direction of McCarty Funeral

message. It as also well received by those who were in attendance

The morning announcements were read by Sister Canady, who is our First Lady. Thanks for all you do, Sister Canady.

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

1. The Missionary Society meets on Wednesday evenings at 5:00 p. m. If you are interested in attending, then do you.

2. Choir Rehearsal is held on Friday afternoons at 2:00 p. m. If you love to sing God's Praises, then come and join our Choir. If you have someone who loves to sing, then bring them with you.

If you are looking for a Church Home, then come and visit the St. Matthew Baptist Church, which is located at 2020 East 14th Street.

1930 in Giddins, Texas to the

parents of Dave and Willie Lewis. She attended public school in Winters, Texas, and worked at the Hospitality House.

Sister Willard was a member of the New Jerusalem Baptist Church. She was married to Collie B. Willard, Sr.

She was preceded in death by: a daughtr, Alice Fay; a son, Leslie Charles; her parents, on sister, Evangelist Josephine Simmons; and four brothers: Billy Joe, Walter, Willie, and Izear

both heavily, we could disrupt those communities. We could arrest their leaders, raid their homes, break up their meetings, and vilify them night after night on the evening news. Did we know we were lying about the drugs? Of course we did."

This is an incredibly blunt, shocking response — one with troubling implications for the 45-year-old war on drugs.

It's possible Ehrlichman was-

God bless each of you! Pastor Canady and members will be glad to meet and greet you. We're just excited you are thinking about us. Shall we look forward to seeing you soon? *****

If you are interesting in being a Pianist for the St. Matthew Baptist Church, please call Rev. Edward Canady at (806) 744-2445. *****

Thought For The Week: "Father, grant me an awareness of my place in your work. Help me to see you at work in the people and places where I spend my time

God will show us how to serve Him wherever we are." *****

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works. which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. **Ephesians 2:10**

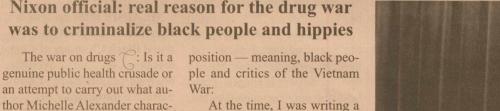


Lewis.

She leaves to cheriish her memories: two sons, Leonard **Continue on Page 7**

Baum's argument: Drug prohibition began with poor intentions, it has contributed to terrible consequences (racial disparities in the justice system and drug-fueled violence around the world), and it has failed to significantly curtail drug abuse and trafficking. So we should try a new approach — and legalize and regulate drugs.

But in doing this, Baum glosses over a few options. Even



book about the politics of drug prohibition. I started to ask Ehrlichman a series of earnest, wonky questions that he impatiently waved away. "You want to know what this was really all

At the time, I was writing a

Home of Littlefield. Willard, age 86 of Littlefield, Texas, passed away on Monday, March 14, 2016. She was born on October 15,

mestic policy chief for President Richard Nixon when the administration declared its war on drugs in 1971. According to Baum, Ehrlichman said in 1994 that the drug war was a ploy to undermine Nixon's political op-

terizes as "the New Jim Crow"?

for Harper's Magazine suggests

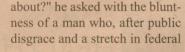
the latter. Specifically, Baum

refers to a quote from John

Ehrlichman, who served as do-

A new report by Dan Baum





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President Richard Nixon gives a nationally televised address.

prison, had little left to protect. "The Nixon campaign in 1968, and the Nixon White House after that, had two enemies: the antiwar left and black people. You understand what I'm saying? We

knew we couldn't make it illegal to be either against the war or black, but by getting the public to associate the hippies with marijuana and blacks with heroin, and then criminalizing

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n't being honest, given that he reportedly felt bitter and betrayed by Nixon after he spent time in prison over the Watergate scandal. Nixon also very much despised drugs, which likely played a role in his policies beyond political goals. And his drug czar, Jerome Jaffe, strongly pushed for treating drugs as a health issue, not solely a criminal matter as Ehrlichman suggested.

But the claim of racial prejudice is not implausible. Although black Americans aren't more likely to use or sell drugs, they're much more likely to be arrested 7° for them. And when black people are convicted of drug charges, they generally face longer prison sentences for the same crimes, according to a 2012 report from the US Sentencing Commission.

Ehrlichman claimed this was a goal of the drug war, not an unintended consequence. And Baum cites this as one of many reasons to end the drug war once and for all.

if it's true that the drug war was launched on faulty reasons, that doesn't mean it hasn't led to some benefits. And even if those benefits aren't worth the costs of the current model of prohibition, there are alternatives to pulling back drug prohibition besides legalization.

As I've written before, the drug war does likely prevent some drug use: One study by Jon Caulkins, a drug policy expert at Carnegie Mellon University, suggested that prohibition multiplies the price of hard drugs like cocaine by as much as 10 times. And illicit drugs obviously aren't available through easy means — one can't just walk into a CVS and buy heroin. So the drug war is likely stopping some drug use: Caulkins estimates that legalization could lead hard drug abuse to triple, although he told me it could go much higher.

America's latest drug epidemic provides some evidence for Caulkins's claims. In the

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We must learn to live together as brothers or we will perish together as fools.





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Obsequies

Tommie Lee Moore "Binky" Finch

Funeral services were held for Tommie Lee Moore "Binky" Finch on Tuesday morning, March 15, 2016, at the Greater St. James Baptist Church with Pastor Mark Culver as Officiate & Eulogist.

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

Finch, age 79 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Tuesday, March 8, 2016.

She was born on February 15, 1937 to the parentage of Tom Client Moore and Louise Gipson Moore in Calvert, Texas.

She moved to Lubbock at age 9, and lived with her grandparents. She was a member of St. James Baptist Church, and was baptized by the Rev. W. L. Grimes. She became an usher and remained in that position for the next 70 years.

Tommie was preceded in death by her parents, husbands, four sisters, and three daughters.

She leaves to cherish her memories: four daughters: Wilma Richard of Austin, Texas,

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Lola Covington, Sandra Fillmore, and Linda Richard; one step-son, Stephen Finch; and a close cousin, Emma Tipton, all of Lubbock, Texas; one brother, Sammie Moore (Anni.e Ruth) of Fort Worth, Texas; 10 grandchildren (2 deceased), 16 greatgrandchildren, a special friend, Mr. Willie Byrd "Pork Chop"; and friends.

Edward Williams, Matthew Fill-

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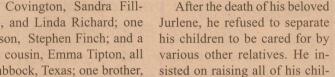
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distinguished accomplishment. She also preceded him in death. Malouf Walter families; her Church Family; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives

Kevin Green, Timothy Finch,



Active Pallbearers were:

ing as a farmer. In 1945 he enlisted in the United States Army (USAAC); now known as the U.S. Air Force (USAF). He hon-

dren together.

more, Ronnie Martin, and Jermey Williams.

Honorary Pallbearers were the Deacons of The Greater St. James Baptist Church.

Hester Marie Raven

Funeral services were held for Hester Marie Raven on Friday afternoon, March 25, 2016, at the Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church with Rev. J. H. Ford, pastor, officiating.

The Lubbock Alumnae Chap-2016.

Raven entered into eternal 18, 2016.

Eddie James Hooks

Graveside services were held for Eddie James Hooks on Fri-

day afternoon, March 18, 2016,

at Resthaven Memorial Ceme-

tery under the direction of Grif-

fin Mortuary & Funeral Home

Texas, passed away on Monday,

He was born on September 28,

1920, to Retelus Tull and Elese

Hooks. He grew up in Dekalb, Texas, and moved to Lubbock in

In 1945, he married Jurlene

Akins and to that loving union

nine children were born. He was

a very proud and dedicated fa-

ther who loved his children very

In 1966, he married Nellie

F. Hughes, who willingly and

lovingly assisted him with that

Early in life he made his liv-

Hooks, 95, of Lubbock,

of Lubbock.

March 14, 2016.

the late 1950's.

much.

orably served as an Airman First Class (airplane mechanic) from March 5, 1945, to Aug. 2, 1946. He was a very proud WWII veteran.

His occupation for many years was a truck driver. However, his passion and true vocation was as a mechanic. He was an excellent mechanic his entire life.

memories: daughters, Carolyn Hooks Walker (Daniel E. Walker) and Eddie Jewel Hooks; sons, Charles James Hooks and Donald Ray Hooks; 17 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren, three great-great grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

Today's burden can be endured. It is when tomorrow's burdens are added to the burdens of today that the weight is more than one can bear. Unknown

ter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. had a special dedication on Thursday evening, March 24,

life with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Friday, March

Hester Raven was born on October 17, 1939 in Slaton, Texas Lubbock State School. to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Parker.

Emma Lee Love James Funeral services for Emma Lee Love James were held on

Saturday morning, March 19, 2016, at the First Progressive Baptist Church with Rev. DeShun Avery, pastor, officiating.

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

James, age 80 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Sunday, March 13, 2016.

She was born on October 16, 1935, in Clifton, Texas, to the parentage of Leon Arthur Love Sr. and Hattie Watley.

Emma obtained her diploma from Dunbar Jr.-Sr. High School in 1968. After graduation, Emma soon became employed at TMN&O Bus Service, where she worked for 26 years.

Later she was employed by Durham Transportation as a bus He leaves to cherish his aide. She was also a grandmother for the Foster Grandparent Program. Emma sold Avon for many years as well. Emma enjoyed baking, and was considered one of the best cake bakers in Lubbock.

> She worked faithfully as an usher and church secretary at First Progressive Baptist Church, and was also a citywide

usher until her health began to fail. She was preceded in death

by: her parents, Leon Arthur Love Sr. and Hattie Watley; son, Dennis Chapman; daughter, Jada Love and two sisters.

She leaves to cherish her memories: four sons, Rocco Love, Danny Love (Brenda), Galon Love and Rodrick James; two daughters, Michelle Love Brown (Ricky) and Ocie James Estie: three brothers, Eddie Love (Shawneequa), Leon Love Jr. (Lite), Lewis Love (Debra); two sisters, Mary Robinson and Emma Cravin (Roy); five grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

John L. Gober

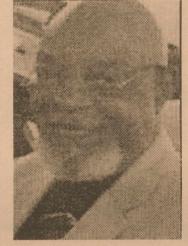
Funeral services wee held for John L. Gober on Thursday morning, March 24, 2016, at the Pilgrim Baptist Church.

Interment and graveside services were held on Tuesday afternoon, March 29, 2016, at Georgia National Cemetery in Canton, Georgia under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

He passed away on Friday, March 18, 2016.

Gober was born September 16, 1952 to Minnie L. Walker and Samuel Blount.

He was a graduate of Marietta High School, 1970. He was a retired Air Force Veteran, who graduated from Non-commissioned Officer Leadership School. He received the Out-



pacities of the church from Sunday School Teacher to Director. He worked on the Usher Board, sung in the choir, enthusiastically led as the Director of Vacation Bible School for many years as well as the Leader of the Royal Ambassadors program. He was also a dedicated employee of Lubbock Delivery. He leaves to cherish his loving memories the love of his life and his devoted wife of 42 years, Peggy Marie Gober; two daughters, Sherry Thompson and Serena (Christopher) Stevenson; two brothers, Tony (Mercedes) Gober, Terry (Pat) Walker; two stepbrothers, James E. (Dorothy) Walker and Thomas (Aretha) Walker; nine grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and so many friends.



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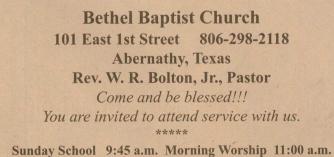
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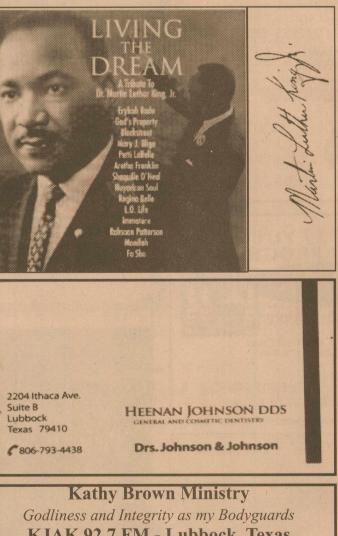
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She attended school in Slaton. She received her nursing degree and her BSN from West Texas State in Canyon, Texas. She was employed by Methodist Hospital in Lubbock, Texas for many years. Hester was also employed, and later retired from

her parents, Charlie and Susie Parker; her husband, William Raven Sr.; two sisters, Rocenia Clemons and Ester Maxwell; and one brother, Zell Parker. She was an active and faith-

She is preceded in death by

ful member of St. Luke Mission-**Continue on Page 6**



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standing Unit Award, Air Force Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and the Air Force Overseas Long Tour Ribbon while in the military.

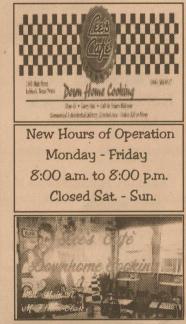
He was also a devoted husband, father, father-in-law, big daddy (grandfather), son, brother and friend.

He was truly a faithful servant of Pilgrim Baptist Church, Lubbock Texas. He became an ordained Deacon on June 30, 1985 and received his License to Preach the Gospel on August 21, 2005. He worked in all ca-

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Patrick Rodrick Paulhill

Funeral services were held for Patrick Rodrick Paulhill on Saturday morning, March 26, 2016, at the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church.

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

Patrick, age 38 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Wednesday, March 16, 2016.

He was born on June 8, 1977 to the parentage of Annie Marie Jefferson and David Lee Jefferson.

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ary Baptist Church and until her health failed, Also a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Her survivors include: one son, William Raven Jr. (Robbie) of San Angelo, Texas; one daughter, Donna Marie Hayes of Lubbock, Texas; six grandchildren, Marterio Raven, Miranda Richards, Jamarick Raven, Candra Raven, Latisha Raven, and Antiqua Raven; seven greatgrandchildren, Purnell Upshaw, Braden Raven, Ukiah Upshaw, Treyvon Santos, JSean Santos, Jemini-Rayn Santos, and SaNaa Upshaw, all of Lubbock, Texas; one sister: Piney Scott of Abilene, Texas; and three sisters-inlaw: Carolyn Parker of Slaton, Texas, Rosie Lee Alexander (Wilbur) of Dallas, Texas, and Josefine Sneed of Lubbock, Texas.

Hester is also survived by a host of special relatives and friends.

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C-POC committees at both campuses and has been invited to several LISD focus groups involving bond elections, the transfer policy, and the STAAR test changes within the district. Tena has been very vocal and involved with the future of the District 2 feeder system and advocates for equality in facilities, instruction, resources and instructors for all campuses. As a trustee, Tena will support changes that will improve both the academics and teacher quality and retention on all of the campuses so that students remain in the feeder system and do not leave the district. Tena will also advocate for improvements in the fine arts programs so that students are exposed to new experiences that can lead to additional successful careers.



The family moved to Lubbock in 1976. Patrick attended Lubbock Public Schools, and graduated from Estacado High School.

He loved his family, "life of every party" at every family gatherings, and other social environments. He enjoyed spending time with his family and

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past couple decades, doctors loosened access to very addictive and potentially deadly opioid painkillers. Painkiller abuse exploded, leading not just to more overdose deaths but to people trying other opioids, such as heroin, and overdosing on those as well. So more access led to more abuse and deaths.

Does this mean the war on drugs, as it's currently fought, is worth it? Not necessarily. It's a matter of weighing the pros and cons of the current model of drug prohibition.

So maybe the drug war reduces drug use. But it also enables and reinforces the justice system's biases against minority Americans. And it perpetuates a black market for drugs that fuels violence in the US and around the world, particularly in Mexico

But there are options to draw down the war on drugs without legalization. The US could decriminalize — remove jail time and other criminal penalties for personal possession but not sales — and emphasize prevention and treatment, as Portugal has done. It could allow supervised injection sites for heroin users to provide a safe place to use the drug, as Canada, Switzerland, and several others have done. It could allow for the medical use

close friends.

Patrick loved music, playing drums, barbecuing, and watching movies. He will truly be missed by all who knew him. He was preceded in death by:

his parents, Annie and David Jefferson; two brothers, Douglas and DeWayne Paulhill, and his grandparents.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his brothers, Alvin, Curtis, and Raymond; his sisters, Jackie and Daphene; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Spring is finally here as April comes along, flowers blooming bright and birds sing out their song A birthday wish for you for blue skies up above and may your days be filled with family, friends and love 1000 1000 1000 1000

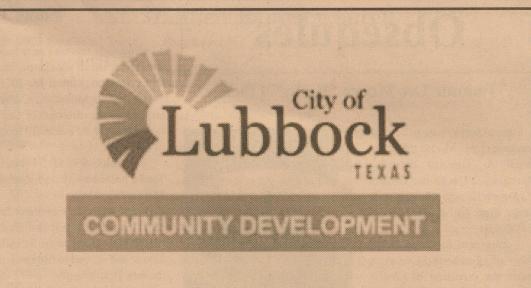
of some drugs, such as psychedelics, as some researchers have pushed for. These are steps countries and states could take without legalizing drugs.

Baum does, however, acknowledge that even if a country does legalize, there are various ways to do it. Governments could spend much, much more on prevention and treatment programs alongside legalization to deal with a potential wave of new drug users. They could require and regulate licenses to buy drugs, as some states do with guns. Or they could ban private, for-profit sales of drugs, limiting greedy companies' abilities to market and sell the drugs no matter the consequence (as tobacco companies have done to get Americans hooked on cigarettes - to still very deadly effects).

None of these policies would wholly eliminate drug abuse, drug deaths, or drug-related violence and crime. But drug policy is often about picking the best out of the available bad options, rather than picking the perfect solution.

Still, there are far more options than prohibition and legalization, and different drugs with all sorts of different risks likely merit different policies. But it's going to be very difficult to get to the right balance of policies if the debate is framed as deciding between only legalization and prohibition.

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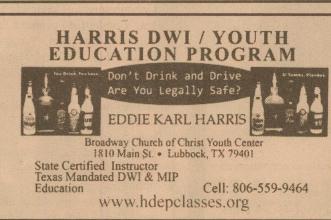
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in the high growth of property taxes."

Klein said that he believes if action cannot be taken at the local level to address this serious issue then the state should look at ways to curb this growth and lack of public accountability. Noe's Automotive Service Noe Reynolds, Owner Mon-Fri 8:00 am - 5:30 pm

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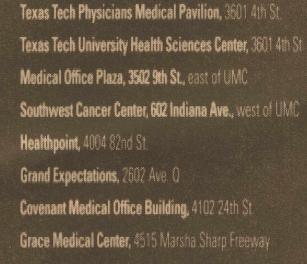


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New Light Baptist Church News

3013 Idalou Road Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson, Pastor

On Sunday morning, March of a cross. 27, 2016, Pastor Kenneth O. Jackson preached the Sunrise service at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church.

His scripture text came from Matthew 27:16-24. The Subject Text was: "WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH JESUS?"

Also service 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 Pastor Jackson teaching the lesson titled: **"RESURRECTION FAITH"** and it scripture coming from Mark 16:1-8.

Breakfast was served to those in attendance afterward. *****

Morning service started at 11:00 a. m. with the devoted Praise Team leading the way. The responsive reading came from Psalm 8:1-9. The altar call was led by Pastor Jackson with the congregation singing

"I NEED THEE". Sis. Lacey Thompson read all the morning announcements and told of all the up coming events that will be taking place. There was the offering that was taken up by appointees.

The Youth and Young Adults sung "I KNOW IT WAS THE BLOOD" and, Sis. Angela Mosley, Sis. Lacey Thompson and Sis. Savannah Pannell did a praise dance titled: "WHY DO YOU CRY." The theme song of the church, "AMAZING GRACE", was sung before the sermon.

Pastor Jackson preached the sermon titled: "WHERE IS HE?" and its printed scripture text came from Matthew 28:1-6.. The song after sermon was **"BECAUSE HE LIVES."**

THAT EASTER MORN-ING REMEMBER!!!

Jesus bare the stripes of pain and suffering He bowed under the weight He shed his blood and said

"IT IS FINISHED!" He entered the tomb and broke the bonds of death

He rose to live forever **REMEMBER!!!** His sacrifice, his pay and his

joy!!

For by the power given to Jesus to overcome death

He has proven there is no death.

When we put our trust in him **REMEMBER!!!**

We hoped everyone had a HAPPY RESURRECTION **DAY!!!**

Sister Willard Dies Continued from Page 4

Earl of Los Angeles, California and Sammy, Jr; grandson whom she raised, Sammy Joe Davis of Littlefield, Texas; seven teen grandchildren, a number of great-grandchildren, three si.sisters: Ella Mae Johnson (Clarence) of Littlefield, Texas, Merline Williams (Curtis) of Casa Grande, Arzonia, and Nancy Willis of Lubbock, Texas; one sister-in-law, Ocie Lewis of Littlefield, Texas; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives and friends.

Active Pallbearers were: Sammy Joe Davis, Quincy Davis, Andrel Shaw, Quintin Lewis, Anthony Goodson, and Ferrante Lewis, Sr.

Honorary Pallbearers were: Benjamin Bean, Ferrante Lewis, Jr., DeAndre Bean, Bretton Lee Smith, and Christoper Weaver.

For God so loved the world that He gave His Only Begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

Councilman Price Honored **Continued from Page 1**

the area.

March is National Social Work Month. Councilman Price will accept the award during the branch's annual March is Social Work banquet.

This is the second time Councilman Price has received this award

Price said, "I am most appreciative of receiving this award. It is great to be recognized when you are doing something to help others."

Tatyana Ali Will Perform Here Continued from Page 1

professionally. Tatyana began preparing for her singing career during the last year of the show as she began training her vocal chords, recording demos and publicly performing on television and in various informal live concerts. Her performances on "The Fresh Prince" actually helped her build a fan base that anxiously waited for her first album launch. On August 25 she released her album, "Kiss the Sky", and her single, "Daydreamin'". Her single was certified gold within weeks of its release and it quickly rose into the Billboard 100 Hot Singles, where it reached #6 and stayed there for two weeks. She also contributed to major movies such as Crocodile Dundee II (1988) and Eddie Murphy: Raw (1987). Since then, she has had large roles in two movies, Fall Into Darkness (1996) and Fakin' Da Funk (1997). She has also guest-starred in several sitcoms, including In the House (1995), and had a cameo role in the film Kiss the Girls (1997). She also went to Harvard and graduated with a degree in Anthropology in June 2002.

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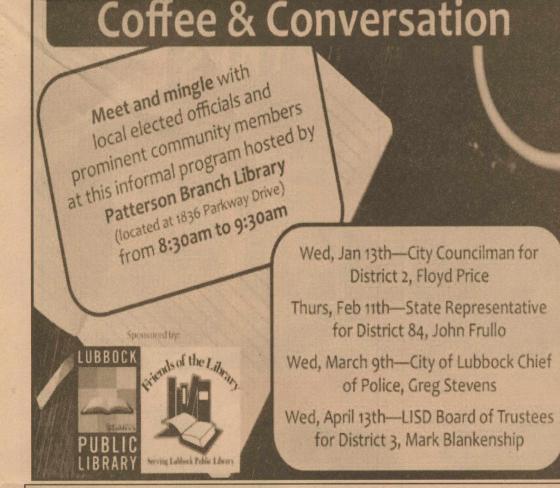
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Church of The Nations Sponsors 8th Annual Conference

Church of the Nations will host its' 8th Annual "Elevated To Refresh Others" Conference on Saturday, April 23rd. This is a time of worship, revelation, fellowship, and above all refreshment!

Registration begins at 8:30 am, along with a-continental breakfast. Conference is from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Pastor Larry Dumas, an anointed and cutting edge speaker, and founder of House of Witness Trans World Outreach will be the guest speaker.

Colleges Closing **Racial Gap Continued from Page 1**

Hechinger reports that a key to Texas Tech's success is the institution's Mentor Tech program, which focuses on reducing the dropout rate among students of color. The program conducts about five dozen workshops each year, which cover academics, career, and personal issues for minority students.

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This conference is free to the public.

Church of the Nations is located at 5902 11th Place. For more information, contact: Shirley Cleveland at (806) 763-1559 for questions about the conference.

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HORSES' BRIDLES IS A CROSS !!!-----THE BIBLE **DIDN'T SAY, HOW TO LIFT UP JESUS; AND I WILL BY ANY MEANS POSSIBLE!!!)**

John 12:32 -- Jesus said, And if I be lifted up from the earth, I will draw all men unto me.

THE FORCE

New Hope Baptist Chuch Celebrates 90th Church Anniversary

The New Hope Baptist Church will celebrate its' 90th Chuch Anniversary on Sunday afternoon, April 17, 2016, beginning at 3:30 p.m.

Special guest will be Pastor Billy Moore of the Greater Works Evangelistic Church of God in Christ.

The theme is: "Becoming The Circumcision Of Heart." Philippians 3:1-3.

New Hope Baptist Church is located at 2002 Birch Avenue.

The public is cordially invited to attend this 90th Church Anniversary. Bring someone with you and help us celebrate this 90th Chuch Anniversary!



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