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Community **Meetings**

- * Lubbock Area Client Counci meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.
- * Hub City Kiwanis meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p. m., Lyons Chapel Baptist Chuch, East 24th Street & MLK Blvd.
- * Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm.
- * Booker T. W Washington American Legion, Post 808, meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon.
- Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Branch Library.
- * East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Great Saint Luke Missionary Baptist Church.
- * Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Market Alumni Center.
- * Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 7:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center, 1301 E. 24th Street.
- * West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturdays of each month at

7:00 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations. * The Unified Juneteenth Commission of Lubbock meets

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

* West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men of West Texas meets 3rd Monday evenings at 7:00 pm at The Bridge

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evenings, 7:30 pm at 517 Zenith Avenue, Star Care Center * Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets 2nd Thursday

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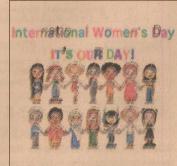
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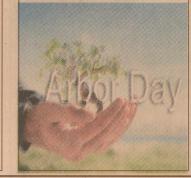
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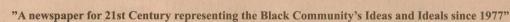
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Texas Buffalo Salutes The Mount Gilead Baptist **Church For Its Almost 100th Year Birthday Celebration**

Church members and friends of the Mount Gilead Baptist Church on Saturday afternoon, February 18, 2017, were present to celebrate the almost 100th birthday of this historic church. The Celebration was initiated by the Lubbock Buffalo Soldiers Association.

"This being Black History Month, our organization thought it would be a very positive program to do something," said Trooper Bennie Nash, who is local President. At the same time, according it would be a positive opportunity for young people to learn something about the Lubbock community, continued Nash.

Rev. J. Jerome Johnson, Jr., pastor of Mount Gilead Baptist Church, begun the program by explaining as why all had gathered. He led the congregation by singing, "We've Come This Far By Faith," which brought out the spirit. Those present began to say collectively, "Praise The Lord!"

Taking the congregation to another level with the opening prayer, was by Minister Eddie Harris, a member of Broadway Church of Christ.

Reflecting over the history of the Mount Gilead Baptist Church, it reveals the church begun with an organizational meeting on October 2, 1917, almost 100 years old, in a one room house of Ida Stafford, with Reverend A. Wilson, an ordained minister, presiding over the church's initial organizational efforts.

Although Mount Gilead Baptist Church faced many challenges in the early days as a church, a successful cotton harvest in 1919 brought in many new members, and helped establish Mount Gilead Baptist Church today as the oldest African American Church in Lubbock County.

Mount Gilead Baptist Church is an important and powerful



Trooper Bennie Nash, left, of the Lubbock Buffalo Soldiers Association, and Rev. J. Jerome Johnson, Jr., pastor of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, after the Celebration.



Two of the three Mothers of the historic Mount Gilead Baptist Church, left to right, Mother Marie Long and Mother Vinnie Thompson. Mother Mary Phillips was unable to attend.

force within the African Ameriness. can community, has a rich history of witnessing the Word of God, has historically supported programs of music and evangelism, and is a church that embod-Christian of love, faithfulness, charity, and kind-

It is more fitting to join the Texas Buffalo Soldiers Association in recognizing Mount Gilead Baptist Church as an historic place and a long-standing institution in our community, as **Continue on Page 8**

Vivian Je'Nelle Tyson Honored By St. John Baptist Church

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma -- Vivian Je'Nelle Tyson was honored on Monday, February 13, 2017, as one of the most influential Young Adults in the city by the St. John Baptist Church during Black History Month Celebration.

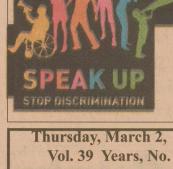
Vivian, is a twenty year old Sophomore at Oklahoma Unihoma University, she is also enployed by the University.

If you would ask Vivian what is her ambition in life, she would tell you she wants to become a

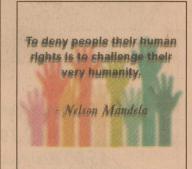
While in Lubbock, she graduated from Estacado High School. Vivian is the daughter

versity. While a student at Okla- of Equilla D. Peoples. Her father is Rev. E. J. Tyson & grandfatherRev. C. C. Peoples, Pastor of Mt. Olive Baptist Church of Slaton, Texas.

> If you'd ask her, she would tell you she is named after her grandmother, the late Vivian Peoples, First Lady of Mt. Olive First Missionary Baptist Church.







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City Councilwoman Shelia Patterson-Harris

Lubbock City Councilwoman Shelia Patterson-Harris' **Noise Ordinance Has Been Postponed Indifinitely**

During the Lubbock City needed, so she released a state-Council on Thursday morning, February 23, 2017, City Councilwoman Shelia Patterson-Harmeasuring point was met with opposition from owners of live music venues at the January 23rd meeting, and was first postponed so city leaders and citizens could discuss any concerns, was, postponed again.

Councilwoman Patterson-Harris had mentioned earlier in the week, she felt additional information and citizen input were needed before a fair proposal could be introduced.

At the Thursday evening meeting, she made a motion to postpone the issue indefinitely. It was unanimously approved by the Lubbock City Council.

City Councilwoman Shelia Patterson-Harris' noise ordinance was postponed in January so that more discussions could be held between the city and owners of some of Lubbock's live music venues. Owners and several local musicians were in attendance at the January meeting. They wanted the proposed new ordinance be postponed or voted down.

At this time, Patterson-Harris says she believes more time is

ment on Monday, February 20, 2017.

The release stated: "I appreris' amendment which, is aimed ciate all the people who have to give excessive noise a specific come forward to discuss amending the City's noise ordinance. I want to make sure that any changes take into account the ideas and concerns that have been expressed to me and the City Council. That is why I will be asking that the discussion of this item, currently scheduled for the February 23rd City Council Meeting, be postponed. I feel additional information and citizen input are needed before I can make a proposal that is fair to all those who would be affected.'

She told the Southwest Digest she wanted to do all she could to make a positive decision.

"I love this city, and I want to use all the information I've looked for in making this decision.," she said.

Mayor Dan Pope made it known that a postponed amendment to measure noise at 85 decibels in the city of Lubbock has been postponed indefinitely which essentially means it's killed unless a member of the council chooses to bring it forward at a later date.

Something Needs To Be Done With This Trash In Yellowhouse Canyon



The residents of Yellowhouse Canyon are talking daily about this trash which is seen on the side of the formerly Post 808 of the American Legion. This should not happen to an historical building as this building. Surely, this trash can be picked up by the City of Lubbock. Photo Courtesy of Billy "B J." Morrison.



Pictured above, from left to right are: Rev. E. J. Tyson, Vivian's father; Vivian JeNell Tyson, Pastor M. Jimmerson of St. John Baptist Church, and Judge V. Miles, the first Black female judge in Oklahoma.



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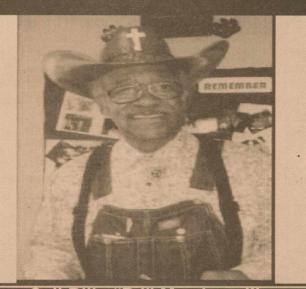
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Monday, March 13, 1 pm, Free, Ages 50 Join the ladies of Mae Simmons and enjoy tea, snacks and a craft. This month's craft is a Flower Headband.





ST PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

Friday, March 17, 1 pm, Free, Ages 50+ Wear your lucky green and join us for a St. Patty's Day craft and refreshments!

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Friday, March 24, 1 pm, Ages 50+, \$5/person Sign up by Noon on the day of the tournament!

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Lubbock Parks and Recreation



Mae Simmons Community and Adult Activity Centers



In Cinque

By Renetta Howard



THURGOOD MARSHALL

I just spent an enjoyable, enlightening, educational evening at a theatre watching a one-man show on stage about the life and times of America's first Black United States Supreme Court Judge. I already knew some interesting facts about this man, but the play went deeper into his life than any History or Sociology Book has done.

The play reflected upon Thurgood Marshall's family history dating back to slavery. It told and showed us about his childhood, growing up Black in Maryland with working parents who were underpaid for their services. According to this play, Thurgood Marshall was named for his grandfather and at birth his name was Thoroughgood Marshall which means "Great Dissenter.' In school, writing his name was a chore, so he shortened it himself to "Thurgood." It seems that Thurgood Marshall was an average teenager, often into trouble which caused him to be sent to the furnace room to learn some parts of the U.S. Constitution. He supposedly had learned the entire Constitution by memory when he completed high school because of time spent as punishment in the furnace room. Marshall wanted to attend college so he worked to earn money to attend and his mother who was a public school teacher pawned her jewelry to help him to realize his dream. In addition to working, Marshall earned money as a card shark. He also helped to integrate a movie theatre while attending Lincoln University, an African American college in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Marshal met his first wife while in college and was married during his senior year. He graduated in 1930 and enrolled in Howard University Law School

in Washington D. C., after several attempts to gain admission to the University of Maryland Law School. There, he worked closely with the law school dean Charles Hamilton Houston whose goal was to make the Howard Law School as good as or better than the University of Maryland. Marshall worked in the school library and came into contact with lawyers and activists from the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.) He joined the organization and later became a part-time legal counsel. He represented the Black teachers in Maryland and earned them equal pay as their White counterparts. He felt that his greatest accomplishment was winning the case Murry v. Pearson which helped a Black man gain admission to the University of Maryland Law School

in 1935; the school which had

rejected him.

Marshall's law cases earned him much publicity, hate, disrespect and praise wherein he became the chief Legal counsel for the NAACP. He encountered threats and many frightening situations which he survived. He worked hard to reverse the Jim Crow case which was the foundation of 'separate but equal,' Plessy v. Ferguson in 1896, with Brown v. The Board of Education in 1954, which were several cases under the name of the first plaintiff. He had made some inroads to equality with earlier cases in Texas in 1944, Smith v. Allwright, which permitted Black people to vote in Texas primaries; Sweat v. Painter and McLaurin v Oklahoma State Regents wherein universities had to provide equal education for Black students. Marshall continued to win cases and was appointed to the 2nd Circuit Beyond the Rhetoric 5468 By Harry C. Alford

The Trump Derangement Syndrome (TDS)

There is something going around throughout the United States that is causing anger, almost to the point of insanity, it is turning our media into a "Fake News Machine". You can turn to Fox News and get one story and then turn to CNN or MSNBC and get a different story concerning the same topic. People can't get over the fact that Donald Trump beat Hillary Clinton for the presidency of the United States. Many have cried repeatedly as if they just lost their mother. There are feuds amongst relatives.

This matter is starting to split our population into multiple factions. I heard a term for this from Senator Ted Cruz. He calls it the "Trump Derangement Syndrome". Many people cannot get over the election and it is having serious mental effects on them. Per Jim Martin, founder

Appeals Court by John Kennedy in 1961 and later Solicitor General by Lyndon Johnson in 1965 and eventually Associate Justice on the United States Supreme Court in 1967 where he served until he retired in 1991.

Thurgood Marshall is duly celebrated this February and Black History month. His story should be in depth in American History Books. Marshall died in 1994, survived by his second wife and two sons, one whose name is Thurgood Marshall, Jr., a blessing for him. Thurgood Marshall should be one of the first names that Black children learn about in school, as he won groundbreaking cases for JUS-TICE AND EQUALITY in America using the law as his weapon to gain civil rights. Let us get 'in cinque' and keep our children aware of the feats of this great man

THIS N'THAT

by T. J. Patterson

THE MOUNT GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH'S AL-MOST 100TH YEAR BIRTH-DAY CELEBRATION WAS QUITE A PROGRAM THIS & THAT would to say THANK YOU to the LUBBOCK BUF-**FALO SOLDIERS ASSOCIA-**TION and its members for making a SPECIAL AL-MOST 100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION to a very special Black Church MOUNT GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH on Saturday afternoon February 18, 2017 This being **BLACK HISTORY MONTH.** the TEXAS BUF-

of the 60 Plus organization, some of the symptoms are: "Sweeping, unsupportable assertions; visions of grandeur; espousing conspiracy theories; unhinged name calling; making up stuff; ad hominem attacks on people; unhappiness; paranoia and a sense of impending doom."

I know 2 sisters that don't speak any more. The one sister gets upset at anybody who says something positive about President Trump. The women would talk three or four times a week. On one of the calls she told her sister, and best friend, that she supported the Trump campaign and had tickets to the inauguration. Her sister went "bonkers" and hasn't called her or taken her calls since. This isn't strange or funny. I think it is a serious matter taking hold of millions of people in our nation.

I started investigating what is going on in our nation. These violent protests towards public

FALO SOLDIERS ASSOCIA-TION with their State President ROSIELEETTA REED wanted this to be a success and no doubt about it IT WAS A VERY SUCCESSFUL BIRTHDAY PROGRAM..... Since it was BLACK HIS-TORY MONTH we need to understand that one time in history it was founded in 1926 BY A BLACK HIS-TORIAN WHO CARTER G. WOODSON AND THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF NEGRO LIFE AND HIS-TORY and announced it would always be BLACK

HISTORY WEEK BUT THANK GOD it is called BLACK HISTORY MONTH!!! That is why the celebration about the upcoming 100TH BIRTHDAY is so important to us...... THE **MOUNT GILEAD BAPTIST** CHURCH WAS ORGAN-IZED ON OCTOBER 2. 1917!! It is the OLDEST BLACK CHURCH in Lubbock County, Texas..... A special THANKS to the REV. J. JEROME JOHNSON, JR. for all he did TROOPER BENNIE NASH for his efforts in making THIS A RE-**ALITY! THANK GOD!!!**

speakers who support conservative views. These strange events of universities, politicians' town halls and "March Madness" – as the late George Curry would say are being financed and managed by some entity. They are fueling those with TDS to continue. I have said many times the George Soros (billionaire) has something to do with. But now it is starting to appear that someone else might be involved.

These marches, protests have tactics that remind me of the philosophy of that great Marxist organizer Saul Alinsky. This is how Wikipedia defines Mr. Alinsky: "Saul David Alinsky (January 30, 1909 – June 12, 1972) was an American community organizer and writer. He is generally considered to be the founder of modern community organizing. He is often noted for his 1971 book Rules for Radicals."

In my opinion, this path of community organizing leads me to a big fan of Saul Alinsky. A community organizer by the name of Barack Hussein Obama who is proud to say he is a "Community Organizer". He has it on his resume! Therefore, he is staying in DC. His new office in the Foggy Bottom area of Washington, DC will be his new "Command Center". His two terms at the White House did not satisfy his taste for changing America. He believes that there is much more to do. Does he feel that the GOP will destroy the "progress" he has made? An example of this "progress" being Obamacare.

Per Infowars.com our former President Barack Obama has returned to his community activism. It is alleged that there are 250 local chapters of his new organization "Organizing for Action" or OFA which grew out of his first campaign and is probably another Soros funded organization. It is estimated that 30,000 protesters have joined

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GOD SENT HIS SON, JESUS, TO DIE ON THE CROSS OF CALVARY. BUT ON THAT CROSS, IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN SIN-NERS; -- JUST LIKE YOU AND ME!!!

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

*** THAT'S WHY I LOVE THE LORD; I HAVE THAT ETERNAL LIFE!!! ***

I know I was living in THE WORLD'S CESSPOOL OF SIN; BUT I'VE BEEN FOR-GIVEN: BEEN SET FREE. I THANK GOD FOR JESUS: HE GAVE HIS SON; FOR NO GOOD SINNERS, LIKE YOU AND ME!!!

I KNOW THE LIFE I WAS LIVING, AND BY THE LAW OF THE PEOPLE; I SHOULD HAVE LONG BEEN DEAD; SLEEPING IN MY GRAVE; BUT GRACE AND MERCY CAME BY; MY SOUL GOT AND SAVED!!!

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

GOD BROUGHT ME OUT OF DARKNESS, INTO HIS **MARVELOUS** LIGHT: GAVE ME A NEW WAY OF WALKING; EVEN A NEW

WIFE (JEFFOTHEL)! --- (I LOVE GOD, BUT HE FIRST LOVED ME!!!)

GOD WOKE ME UP THIS MORNING, BEFORE I GOT OUT OF MY BED. I LOOKED TO HEAVEN, AND THIS IS WHAT I SAID: THANK YOU, LORD, FOR THIS DAY. YOUR BLESS-INGS KEEP COMING MY

Psalm 118:24 -- This is the day which the Lord made, we will rejoice and be glad in it.

*** I CAN'T SPEAK FOR YOU, BUT I LOVE GOD. BECAUSE HE **LOVED ME!!! *****

When I moved back to LUB-BOCK in 1980, My first poem was: "LORD THEY WANT TO KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING TO MY SOUL" MY MOTHER, POLLIE V., GAVE IT TO MR. T. J. PAT-TERSON TO PRINT IT IN THE SOUTHWEST DIGEST **NEWSPAPER. FROM THEN** ON THE COLUMN WAS BORN CALLED: THANK GOD FOR JESUS." SOME OF THE PREACH-**ERS IN TOWN ASKED WHY** DO B. J. HAVE A COLUMN? DOESN'T HAVE A CHURCH!!! MR. EDDIE RICHARDSON AND MR. PATTERSON TOOK THE COLUMN OUT. THE PEO-PLE STARTED CALLING AND WRITING IN AS WHY THE THANK GOD FOR JESUS IS NOT IN YOUR PAPER? SO THEY CALLED ME, AND ASKED IF I WOULD WRITE SOME MORE? PRAISE GOD!!! THE REST IS BLACK HIS-

*** I KNOW I'M BLESSED, AND I'M NOT STRESSED!!! ***

Revelation 3:7b-8 -- Jesus Said. These things said he that is true, he that has the key of David; he that open, and no man shuts, and no man opens. I know your works; I have set before you, an open door, and no man can shut it; for you are a little strength, and has kept my words, and has not denied my name.

*** I'M JUST A NO-BODY; TRYING TO TELL **EVERYBODY ABOUT** JESUS!!! ***

(Now my pickup license plate is the name "WE THANK GOD FOR JESUS," AND ON THE OTHER SIDE IS THE NAME OF MY BUSINESS, "LORD'S WILL I WILL." ON OUR HOUSE ADDRESS PLATE IS, "THE LORD IS OUR SHEPHERD." NOW, THE TEXAS SIGNS I MAKE IS THE CROSS, NOT A STAR. NOW, MY COWBOY HAT IS A CROSS. THESE ARE THINGS THAT LIFT UP MY LORD AND SAV-IOUR. WE LIVE IN A WORLD OF ADVERTISING AND I WISH ALL CHRIS-TIANS WOULD ADVER-TISE SOMETHING THAT WOULD LIFT UP THE LORD!!!

A PREACHER HAS ON THE SIDE OF HIS CADIL-LAC, A DALLAS COWBOY HELMET. THAT'S CALLED LOVING THE WORLD, AND THAT'S ADVERTIS-

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

PRAISE GOD FOR and Friday. **JESUS EVERY DAY!!!**

St. Matthew Baptist Church

2020 East 14th Street Rev. Edward Canady, Pastor Lubbock, Texas 79403 (806) 744-7154

Church Services at the St. Matthew Baptist Church were well attended

All members had a wonderful time on Sunday morning, February 19, 2017.

The Church address is 2020 East 14th Street where the proud Pastor is the Rev. Edward Canady.

Sunday morning services begun at 10:10 a.m. with Rev. Edward Canady in charge. What a wonderful time we had. Praise God for all the knowledge we receive during Sunday School.

The Sunday School subject was " Celebrate Freedom." The scripture text was Galatians 5:1-17. The Sunday School lesson was taught by The Rev. Edward Canady.

Pastor Canady gave a very informative review of the morn-

The Sunday School lesson was well received by all who were in attendance!

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted by Rev. Tommy Parker and Sister Shirley Canady. It was another soul feeling devotion.

Pastor Canady entered the Church with the Choir and Congregation were singing "Because of Who You Are."

The morning sermon was delivered by Rev. Edward Canady. His subject was "When We Come To Ourselves." The scripture text was Luke 15:20-

Luke 15:20-22 - 20 And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him. 21 And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. 22 But the father said to his ser-

vants, Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet.

The morning announcements were read by Sister Shirley Canady. Praise God for Sister Canady who always does an outstanding job!

The weekly meetings at St. Matthew Baptist Church are as

The Missionary Society meets on Wednesday evening at 5:00 p. m.

Choir Rehearsal is held on Friday afternoon, beginning at

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in members. Sister Conway and Sister Johnson, we miss you very much! ****

Thought For The Week: "God is the Master of turning burdens into blessings.'

Praise God!!!

The Bridge Needs Your **Help With Project Prom**

The Bridge of Lubbock will be sponsoring its' annual Project Prom on Saturday evening, April 1, 2017, at 1301 Redbud Av-

At this time, this organization is looking for donations of prom-night items, including new or gently used tuxedos, suits, prom dresses, accessories and

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Conservative North Carolina laws spur NAACP call for boycott

An economic boycott by the NAACP is the latest fallout over North Carolina's so-called bathroom bill and other conservative policies. The civil rights organization urged religious conferences, athletic events and musicians Friday to take their business elsewhere. They cited a state law that limits protections for LGBT people as well as ongoing legal fights over voting rights. The group stopped short of telling its members to cease all travel and spending in North Carolina — a component of previous boycotts -- but said it might add other economic measures later. The NAACP's national president Cornell Brooks also warned that the group would consider similar actions in any other state that seeks it.

"When Mama Calls, You've Got To Go Home."

"When mama calls, you've got to go home".....

Those words spoken by Chris Beard at his introductory press conference last April set the tone for his tenure as Texas Tech basketball coach.

Home is a word that Beard has used freely to describe what Texas Tech means to him, and he credits the people of Lubbock and West Texas for his love of the Red Raiders.

"I fell in love with Texas Tech University and Lubbock, Texas years ago," Beard said. "To me, it's a simple reason if you ask why: the people. Here in West Texas, and in Texas Tech, it's the people. Everything culminated for me, and I think it's a great example of how I feel about this place and why this is my dream job. When one of the coaches first stepped off the plane and asked what was up with the wind and I said, 'It's just a little breeze. That's God taking us where we're supposed to be - Lubbock, Texas.' The breeze, the facilities, the people, and the best fan base in college basketball, all reasons why this is the best job in the country."

Lubbock is a special place for Beard not only on the basketball court. Two of his three daughters were born in the Hub City, and return frequently to cheer

on the Red Raiders, as well as their father.

Earlier in the season during a postgame press conference, Beard refused to start taking questions until the most important people had walked into the room, gesturing towards his girls in the back.

"I'm not an emotional guy, and sometimes I try to get through this," Beard said. "I want to thank my three daughters: Avery, Ella, and Margo. Ella and Margo were born in Lubbock, all three were raised here. I'm just so proud to be able to come home and be closer to you guys."

"I think coaching is about the players, not the X's and O's."

Before even stepping foot on campus, Beard let his new team know that they were his ultimate priority. He knows that the program was coming off of a 19-13 season and the program's first NCAA Tournament berth since 2007.

"This is not a rebuild; these guys were in the Tournament," NCAA Beard said. "They were one of the best stories in college basketball, last year. We have incredible talent on the team right now. We have character, and I think our job now is to take this to the next level. My vision for Texas Tech basketball is to try to win every game on the schedule. As a competitor,

I've never gone into a game thinking that we're not going to win. If you take that approach, the end the result will not be there."

As much as Beard wants to win games, he prides himself on being a player's coach where winning is not just about having a good record at the end of the season, but three things: winning games, graduating and having your dreams come true - all which can be done at Texas Tech.

"I pride myself on being a player's coach," Beard said. "Everything I do is about the players. All of our coaches will be hired on one merit: everything they can do for the players. We're going to follow the rules, we are going to graduate every player and we are going to win big."

Since coming to the program, Beard has instilled in his team a motto of 4:1 – four parts mentality as to one part physical. This valuable lesson was learned from one of his mentors former Texas Tech and Hall of Fame Coach Bob Knight.

"One of many great things I learned from Coach Knight was the idea about mental toughness," Beard said. "The mental is to the physical as 4 is to 1. Everyone has talented players. What separates good teams from great teams and contenders

"From champions is

mental toughness." Beard is not only trying to leave an impression on each of his players but also in the Lubbock community. In late September, the Red Raiders held an event exclusive to over 300 of their season ticket holders. The appreciation event gave attendees a 'backstage' look at the recent facility updates, including the new United Supermarkets Arena video board and: a sneak peek inside the player's lounge.

Beard has given back to the Lubbock community and participated in the Toys for Tots program with Lubbock Mayor Dan Pope to assist the United States Marine Corps Reserves in providing toys to underprivileged children during the holiday season.

Beard also spends time spreading the word of the program to the Texas Tech student body and staff. In late January, he invited

the leaders of each organization on campus to come to the USA and chat about how important each of them is to the university. Beard also provided new shirts for the Court Jesters, the student band.

Coach Chris Beard

In another attempt to connect to students, you can find Beard in the Student Union Building buying lunches for as many students as he can, while talking to them about their

"We want to have a great relationship with you guys," Beard said. "It's two-way, we want to support you, and we want to help you out."

"Simply stated, it's great to be home."

Beard's basketball coaching journey began more than 20 years ago when he moved to San Antonio to become a graduate assistant at Incarnate Word in 1995-96.

As Beard's reputation hard work ethic spread

throughout the coaching ranks, he landed assistant coaching positions at Abilene Christian and North Texas before he accepted his first head coaching jobs at Fort Scott Community College in 1999-2000 and Seminole State College in 2000-01.

Beard planted his West Texas roots when he came to Texas Tech as assistant coach under Bob Knight and as associate head coach under Pat Knight over the next 10 seasons. The Red Raiders racked up 188 victories – the best 10year stretch in program history – while Texas Tech piled up four NCAA Tournament bids and three NIT appearances. The run was highlighted by a 2005 NCAA Sweet 16 trip.

"Spending 10 years under Coach (Bob) Knight and Pat Knight really shaped me as a coach

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Obsequies

Joe L. Bunton

Funeral services were held for Joe Bunton on Monday morning, February 13, 2017, at the St. James Baptist Church with Pastor Raymond Foster as the Officiate/Eulogist.

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

Joe, age 71 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Saturday 4, 2017.

He was born August 30, 1945, to the parentage of Lawrence Bunton and Hazel Brown. Joe received his education at Lubbock ISD. Joe enjoyed playing pool and watching

Joe is preceded in death by his parents, Lawrence Bunton and Hazel Brown; and two brothers, Clarence Walker and Steve Bunton.

Joe leaves to cherish his memories, his wife, Maggie Bunton; eight daughters, Michelle Johnson (Gregory), Charlotte Bozeman, Denise Bozeman, Michelle Bozeman, Co'Quise Smith, Annie Brown, Tammy Durham (James), and



Tiffany Byrd (Vincent); two sons, Joe Bozeman and Willie Byrd; three sisters, Judy Issac, Hazel Montgomery, and Wanda Hooper (Irvin); one brother, Carl Bunton; special aunt, Frances Bell; and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends

Active Pallbearers were Aldon Johnson, Omar Martin, DeMarcus McGaha, Jimmy Mc-Gaha, Desmond Dickerson, and Lepolua Dickerson.

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LeVeta Gail "Peanut" McGaha

Funeral services were held for LeVeta Gail "Peanut" McGaha on Monday afternoon, February 13, 2017, at the St. James Baptist Church with Pastor Rose as Officiate/Eulogist.

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

McGaha, age 53 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Monday, February 6, 2017.

She was born September 15, 1963, to Lonnie Houston and Dorothy Gibbs in Denver City, Texas. Graduating from Estacado High School in 1982, she later attended Jessie Lee's School of Beauty here in Lubbock. She worked for MHMR of Lubbock.

LeVeta attended St. James Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Pastor Johnny Lee Barnes.

LeVeta is preceded in death by her husband, Darrel Saunders; grandmother, Erma Hardy; grandfather, Jimmy McGaha; brother, Lonnie Houston; and three uncles, Jimmy McGaha, Larry McGaha, and Raymond



McGaha.

LeVeta leaves to cherish her memory, her parents, Lonnie Houston, Jr. and Dorothy Gibbs; one daughter, LaToya Laugston; one son, Ray Laugston, Jr.; three sisters, Vickey McGaha, Gwen Brown, and Batriva Houston; one brother, Reggie Gibbs; nine grandchildren; and two nieces, three nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Active Pallbearers were Jordan Lewis, Deaudtre Williams, Nathan King, Ronney Dosey, Dameon Pakus, and Justin Martin.

John L. Randle

Slaton, Texas -- Funeral services were held for John L. Randle on Friday morning, February 17, 2017, at Englewood Cemetery in Slaton under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Randle, 83, of Slaton, passed away Tuesday, February 7, 2017.

He was born March 25, 1933, to Willie and Josephine Randle in Temple, Texas.

John was a 1953 graduate of Evans High School in Slaton where he was involved in football, basketball, track, and softball.

John was employed over the years for Slaton Head start, the City of Slaton, and Slaton Lumber Company.

John is preceded in death by his parents; and two brothers, Willie Randle and Albert Ran-

Arber Day

Sunday morning, February

Church School started at

19, 2017, at the New Light Bap-

tist Church, 3013 Idalou Road,

where Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson

10:00 a.m. with Pastor Jackson

ship which got started at 11:00

a. m. with the devoted Praise

There was the testimony serv-

The responsive reading came

ice that was held and then the

congregation sung O I WANT

from Psalm 119:105-112. After-

ward there was the altar call led

by Pastor Jackson while the con-

gregation sung O HOW I

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morning announcements and

told of all the upcoming events

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YOU WILLING TO GIVE?

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John leaves to cherish his memory: his nephew, Dennis Randle; three nieces, Phyllis Randle-Hill, Cynthia Dunn, and Stephanie Bullock; a host of great-nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends



3013 Idalou Road Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson, Pastor

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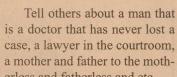
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like some of us do.



Christ kept going and gave everything to us that we can have that right. We need to give of our time, talent, dedication, commitment and etc...

SONG AFTER THE SER MON: I'LL FLY AWAY

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "GOD CAN TURN A TEST INTO A TESTIMONY and A VICTIM INTO VICTORY. BE ENCOURAGED NO MATTER WHAT'S GOING ON.'

Rickey Del Bass

Funeral services for Rickey Del Bass were held Saturday morning, February 18, 2017, at the St. James Baptist Church.

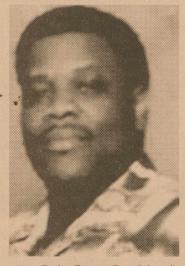
Interment was held in Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction ofiffin Mortuary & Funeral Home in Lubbock. Bass, 57, of Mississippi, for-

merly Lubbock, passed away Monday, February 6, 2017.

He was born September 23, 1959, in Roxton, Texas, to Lois, Jr. and Minnie Bass. He attended Lubbock ISD. He was in the United States Army for six years. After the Army he went to trade school where he mastered in carpentry, electrical engineering and diesel mechanic.

He worked for Huntington-Ingalls Shipbuilding for more than 20 years.

Ricky is preceded in death by his father, Lois Bass, Jr.; his sister. Norma Bass; his brother, Timothy Bass; and his grandpar-



ents, Lois Bass, Sr., Maggie Bass, and Dorothy Yates.

Ricky leaves to cherish his memory: his mother, Minnie Rhodes-Ray; five brothers, Totsey Bass (Shawnda), Anthony Bass, Jeffery Bass (Sharon), Thomas Bass (Cora), and Myron Alexander (Pamela); seven chil-Shena Washington,

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Isaac Haskins, Sr.

Littlefield, Texas -- Funeral services for Issac Haskins, Sr. were held Tuesday afternoon, February 14, 2017, at the New Jerusalem Baptist Church.

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

"Mike", age 70 of Littlefield, passed away on Wednesday, February 8, 2017.

Issac was born November 3, 1940 in Calvert, Texas, to the late Ed Haskins and Ollie Roberts. Issac attended Littlefield ISD.

He did farm work for many years, and later drove a truck for Plains Dairy of Amarillo, Texas.

Issac is preceded in death by his parents, step-father, Lee Johnson, Sr.; son, Issac Haskins, Jr.; two brothers, Joe Porter, Sr. and James Haskins, Sr.; and one grandson, Jerome Anthony.

He leaves to cherish his memory: four daughters: Diana



Haskins, Melissa Haskins, Artelia Lockhart, and Patricia Anthony; four sisters: Hattie Harris, Lena High, Christ Guess, and Nollene Smith; two brothers, Andrew Porter and Lee Johnson, Jr.; special sister-inlaw, Patricia Jackson; nine grandchildren; eight greatgrandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Carolyn Jean Parker

Slaton, Texas -- Funeral services were held for Carolyn Jean Parker on Saturday afternoon, February 18, 2017, at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church with Pastor C. C. Peoples officiating.

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

Parker, 69 of Slaton, passed away Thursday, February 9,

Carolyn was born August 2, 1947, to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bert Posey in Slaton, Texas.

Carolyn attended Evans High School and she graduated from South Plains College with a Nursing Certificate.

Carolyn worked at Slaton Nursing Center for many years and later worked for Lubbock State School until retirement. Carolyn accepted Christ at an early age.

Carolyn is preceded in death by her husband, Zell T. Parker, Sr.; parents, Lee Posey and Lonnie Scott; three brothers, Jimmy Lee Posey, Robert Scott, and Louie Scott, Sr.; two sisters, Ruth Posey and Sherry Roberts; and one daughter, Tommie

Carolyn leaves to cherish her memory: one daughter, Cammy Scott, Jr. (Rose), and Joe Scott (Melva); two sisters, Glodine Butler (Charles) and Rosemary Morgan (Timothy); and a host of other relatives and friends.

White; four sons, Edward

Phenix, Lonnie Phenix (Muriel),

Freddy Phenix, and Steven

White; 12 grandchildren; six

great-grandchildren; three broth-

ers, Walter Posey, Maurice

Billy Dean Wilborn



Slaton, Texas -- Funeral services were held for Billy Dean Wilborn on Monday afternoon, February 20, 2017, at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church with Pastor C.C. Peoples officiating.

Interment followed in the Englewood Cemetery in Slaton under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock. Wilborn, 74, of Slaton,

passed away Sunday, February. 11, 2017. He was born to J.D. and

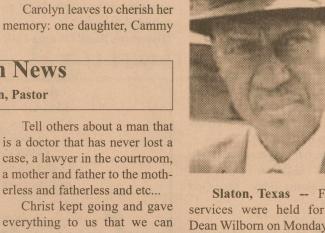
Ludelia Wilborn, Sr. on August 8, 1942, in Lubbock, Texas.

Billy grew up and attended school in Slaton, Texas. Billy worked at Slaton Compress and Lubbock Compress for several

Billy always loved sports and was a great Baseball and Basketball player. In his later years he loved going to church.

Billy was preceded in death by his parents, J.D. and Ludelia Wilborn, Sr.; his siblings, J.D. Wilborn, Jr., Hazel Hall, Doris Willis and Clarine McKellar; and his grandson, Jared Thomas.

He leaves to cherish his memories: companion, Carrie Gilbert; sons, Rev. Michael Matthews, Sr. (Patrice) and Billy J. Wilborn (Tabetha); daughters, Cynthia Brown (Willis), Patricia Price and LaTara Hood; brother, Earl Wilborn; sisters, Hattie Jones, Lucille Lewis, Noval Hall and Carolyn Powell; 14 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews and loved ones.



Presidents' Day' was 'Barack Obama Day' at Morehouse College

Monday's observation of Presidents' Day, February 20, 2017, took on new meaning at the campus of Morehouse College, an all-male historically Black college in Atlanta, Ga.

NewsOne hosted its inaugural "Barack Obama Day" at the alma mater of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The day of programming explored the work and legacy of former President Barack Obama, the nation's first African American president.

"The relationship between our audiences and this president is a complicated and special one," Jamilah Lemieux, vice president of news and men's programming at iOne Digital, said in a statement.

"It is our goal to use this holiday as an opportunity to have healthy, nuanced dialogue about his successes, his challenges and what the African American community must do to continue to push for equality in this country."

The event's keynote speaker

Beyond The Rhetoric

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this group. Their mission is to stop President Trump on every move he makes whether it is banning terrorists or local Republican congressmen having town hall meetings in Utah or wherever. OFA has partnerships with Center for American Progress, Planned Parenthood and MoveOn.org. This is a formula for felony rioting.

This organization will have a perfect recruiting ground: the growing number of persons being wrapped up in the state of mind known as TDS. Why couldn't Barack Hussein Obama "ride" off into sunset heading back to Chicago and build his presidential library and live off the millions of dollars that will come his way for whatever reasons? Just like all the other retired presidents.

But no, he has chosen the way of Alinsky.

I believe the next few months are going to evolve into something the world has never seen. It is going to make the riots and demonstrations of the 1960's become elementary. We may be headed for chaos beyond any other model. It could develop into a national security problem as our enemies may start to get ideas of how they can take advantage of this.

Time will tell how far it will go. But remember I am sounding the alarm today. May God help us.

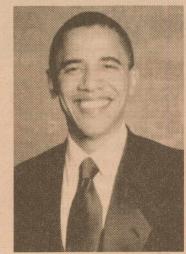
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Laquisha Bass, Phillip Johnson, Antionette Bass, Karima Bass, Taylor Bass, and Micah Price; seven grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

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Barack Obama Former U. S. President

was scholar and author Michael Eric Dyson. Panelists included author Mychal Denzel Smith and cultural critic Michaela Angela Davis; Panama Jackson, cofounder of Very Smart Brothers; writer Rembert Browne; and Joshua DuBois, a former presidential advisor and author; as well as scholars Greg Carr of Howard University and David Wall Rice and Jamila Lyn of Morehouse.

Michaela Angela Davis recalled her first impression of Obama. Davis said she met him at a small reception after an Essence magazine discussion with Black women, which took place shortly following the events of Hurricane Katrina in 2005.

"I shook his hand and the first thing I said was, 'I love your wife,'" Davis said. "And he said 'I do, too."

She said she wasn't initially that impressed by him, but "he felt very presidential." However, her favorable opinion of the former first lady made her more interested in researching and learning fully about Barack Obama's policies.

"My entry point into the Obama administration was through Michelle [Obama]," she

"We hope that Obama Day will continue to grow in the years to come, and that folks will host similar events in their own communities," said Lemieux.

Black Students United, an upcoming iOne Digital platform, also hosted the event. View an extended video.

extended video.

Historians Rank Obama 12th

Among Former Presidents

C-SPAN released a major survey of 91 presidential historians on Friday. Obama enters a ranking of former presidents in the no. 12 position.

George H.W. Bush was listed at no. 20; Bill Clinton, no. 15; and George W. Bush, no. 33; therefore, Obama ranked the highest of any president since Ronald Reagan, no. 9. He received high marks for public persuasion, equality, managing the economy and "moral authority."

He was given below-average scores in handling international relations. The list updates previous C-SPAN surveys compiled in 2009 and 2000.

"Once again the Big Three are Lincoln, Washington and FDR—as it should be," a spearhead of the survey, Douglas Brinkley of Rice University in Houston, said in a statement.

"That Obama came in at number 12 his first time out is quite impressive," Brinkley added.

He also placed ahead of generally well-regarded presidents such as James Monroe and James Polk.

Edna Greene Medford, a Howard University historian and consultant on the survey, said that she expected Obama to be ranked higher.

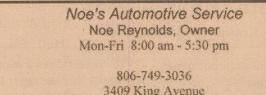
"Although 12th is a respectable overall ranking, one would have thought that former President Obama's favorable rating when he left office would have translated into a higher ranking in this presidential survey," Medford said.

"I am especially surprised that he was ranked at 7th in moral authority (despite heading a scandal-free administration); 19th in administrative skills; and 8th in economic management (despite having helped to save the auto industry and significantly reducing unemployment).

"But, of course, historians prefer to view the past from a distance, and only time will reveal his legacy."

Article By Sheryl Estrada



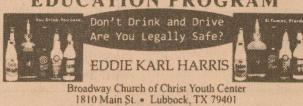


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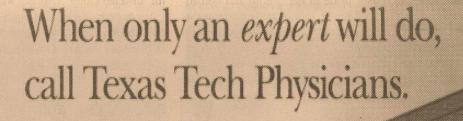
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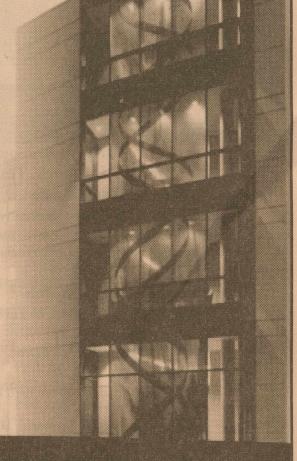
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Letter to the Editor

We Must Pray For The Man In The Tower of Power

Maurice Williams

Continued from February 16, 2017.

In fact, a long time Civil Rights Leader, Mr. John Lewis, a White House Rep. declared Trump to be unfit to lead this country as the President of our country. Trump made a misinformed statement about the overall daily events in Atlanta's community. President-elect Trump has a long history of racism, from the 1970's to 2016. Will that history inhibit his re-

solve to eliminate the racial in-

equality.

When one early red flag arose in 1973, when President Richard Nixon's Justice Department, not exactly the radicals of the day, sued Trump and his father, Fred Trump, for systematically discriminating against blacks in housing rentals. A Trump rental agent said the Trumps wanted to rent only to "Jews and executives", and discouraged renting to blacks.

In 1991, a book by John O'-Donnell, who had been President of the Trump Plaza Hotel and Casino in Atlantic City, quoted Trump as criticizing a black accountant and saying: "Black guys counting my money!! I hate it. The only kind of people I want counting are short guys that wear your equipment every day..... I think that the guy is lazy. It's probably not his fault, because laziness is a trait in blacks. It really is, I believe that!!! It's not anything they can control."

Trump's suggestion that President Obama was born in Kenya; his insinuations that Obama was admitted to the Ivy League was only because of affirmative action; his denunciations of Mexican immigrants as, "in many c cases criminals, drug dealers, rapists" his call for a temporary ban on Muslims entering the United States; his dismissal of an American-born judge of Mexican ancestry as a Mexican who cannot fairly hear his case; his reluctance to distance himself from the Ku Klux

Klan in a television interview; his retreat of a graphic suggesting that 81 percent of white murder victims are killed by blacks -- what a lie, Mr. Trump (the actual figure is about 15%).

Donald Trump, America has its first billionaire President. As he selected his cabinet and others in his administration, he surrounded himself with other billionaire advisors and former military m en. Already a rich man, President-elect Trump will soon be the most powerful leader in the free world or perhaps the world.

His New York Trump Tower has truly become a tower of power Men and Women, the world over gather at his beck and call. My questions which will soon be his to occupy, will be the place for his transformative experience from which all America will benefit!!!

We must Pray For The Man In The Tower of Power!

to her husband, sons, and parents. She retired in 1994 after twenty-five years of service.

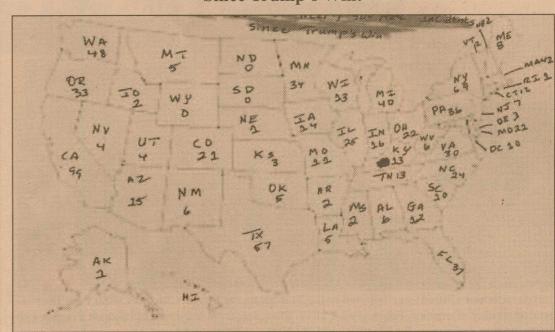
Carolyn spent her early years as a member of the Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church in Lubbock under the leadership of the late Rev. A. L. Davis and later Rev. J. H. Ford.During her more than forty years as a member, she contributed in a variety of ways. She was a member of the Gospel Chorus, Mission Circle, BTU, and volunteered every summer for VBS.

Texas, Carolyn became a member of St. Andrew Church of God in Christ where her son, Michael, served as the interim pastor. In 2009, he founded Dominion Word Ministries in 2009. Mother McWilliams was an active member of the Sunday School, served as the coordinator of The Dome Closet, was tribe captain for the women's ministry, and was a member of the Pastor's Aide Committee. In addition, she served as a greeter, a member of the Outreach & Evangelism Team, and helped to welcome and disciple new members through the Membership Ministry. She was "Nana" to everyone. Each Sunday, she could be seen giving God her best praise, even when in extreme pain or ill.

She loved spending time with her "boys" and their families. Her grandchildren had a way of making her darkest days brighter. She leaves to cherish her memory: two sons, Gregory and Michael; two-daughters-inlaw who she loved and considered her own children, Stacy (Greg) and Shanda (Michael); five grandchildren: Kenan, Kennedy, Kinsley, Kenna, and Kyron; and a host of other rela-

Annie Rose.

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"When mama calls, you've got to go home."

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and a person in a lot of ways," Beard said. "I'm very proud to be associated with Coach Knight and them for everything my family."

olina Warriors to a 31-2 record in the American Basketball Association (ABA). He returned to the college ranks at McMurry, Angelo State and Little Rock.

Beard's 2015 ASU team won 28 games en route the program's first NCAA Division II Sweet 16 appearance, while his 2016 Little Rock squad piled up a 30 victories

already amassed 17 wins in Beard's first season which

Purdue.

sparked by an 85-83 dou-

ble overtime win over No.

5 seed and No. 12 ranked

is third in program history. Only Gene Gibson (19 · 1961-62) and Bob Knight (23 · 2001-02) have more

wins during their first full

season as head coach.

Texas Tech has knocked off No. 4 Baylor, No. 7 West Virginia and No. 25 Kansas State. The two wins over Top 10 opponents is a program first since 2007-08.

"This is my dream job," Beard said. "It always has been. Our teams will work The Red Raiders have hard to embody and represent the City of Lubbock and West Texas."

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Former Lubbock Resident, Carolyn Ann McWilliams Passes In Denton, Texas



Denton, Texas -- Funeral services were held for Carolyn Ann McWilliams on Saturday morning, February 11, 2017, at the Dominion Word Ministries, conductor. The Eulogist was ered many of her classmates as Founding Pastor.

mital was held on Monday morning, February 13, 2017, at the Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church in Lubbock, Texas with Superintendent W. C. Kenan, Conducting. Rev. Dr. J. H. Ford, pastor, gave Words of Comfort.

Interment followed in Resthaven Cemetery under the direction of Peoples Funeral Home & Chapel of Denton,

Carolyn, age 72 of Denton, Texas, died on Friday, February 3, 2017.

Sunday, April 23, 1944, was a day of celebration and an extraordinary story and journey began in Guthrie, Oklahoma. On this day, Carolyn Ann Woodard entered the world and the world became a little brighter. Carolyn was the only child born to Rufus and Geraldine Woodard. She lived in Oklahoma until relocating to Lubbock, Texas.

Carolyn matriculated through Lubbock Independent School District. She was a 1962 graduate of Paul Lawrence Dunbar High School, and she took with Elder Mendell D. Davis as pride in her school and consid-Pastor Michael L. McWilliams, close family. After graduating from high school, Carolyn at-Memorial Service & Com- tended Lubbock Christian College and later left to obtain her cosmetology license.

> On October 24, 1965, Carolyn married her high school sweetheart, Joe Louis McWilliams. To this union, two sons were born, Gregory and Michael. Carolyn was a devoted wife and attentive mother. She nurtured both of her boys and taught them numerous lessons. Carolyn and Joe were married thirty-five years before Joe's demise in September of 2000.

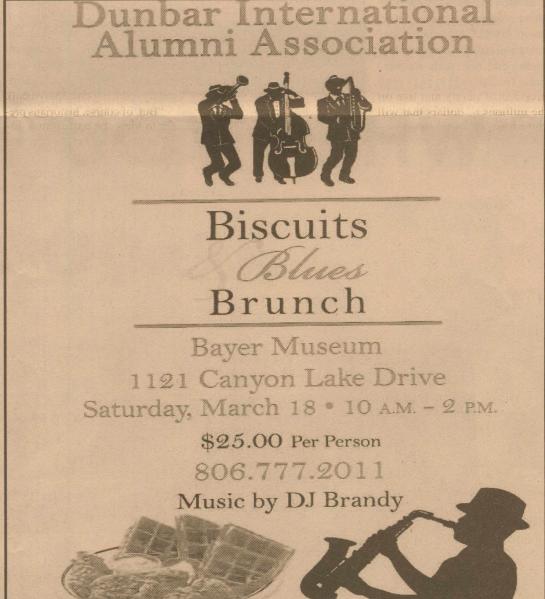
Carolyn worked as a telephone operator numerous years for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company until it became AT&T. She was a loyal and dependable worker and spent her time there building meaningful and long lasting relationships. She chose to relocate to Odessa to complete her final two years of service with the company. She worked in Odessa and commuted home to Lubbock to tend

Pat, and I want to thank they've done for me and Following 10 years with the Red Raiders, Beard coached the South Car-

After moving to Denton,

tives and friends.

She had a group of ladies called "The Golden Girls" who were Shirley, Mary, Ruth, and





Mae Simmons Senior Citizen Co-Ed Pool Tournament Winners



Sixteen Senior Citizens participated in the Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Co-Ed Pool Tournament on Friday afternoon, February 24, 2017. They are, from left to right: Ernest Peeples and Merry Walker, 2nd Place; Joe Martinez and Pat Neal, 1st Place; and Jose Lozano and Lupe Lopez, 3rd Place. A delicious Soul Food meal was served which was donated by Senior Citizens in Celebration of Black History Month.

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well as to recognize Mother Vinnie Thompson, Mother Marie Long, and Mother Mary Phillips, who have all been members for more than 60 years.

All three showed their faithfulness, dedication, and service as the three longest living members of the church.

Appearing on the afternoon celebration was the Mount Gilead Baptist Church Praise Team who begun the spirit-filled services.

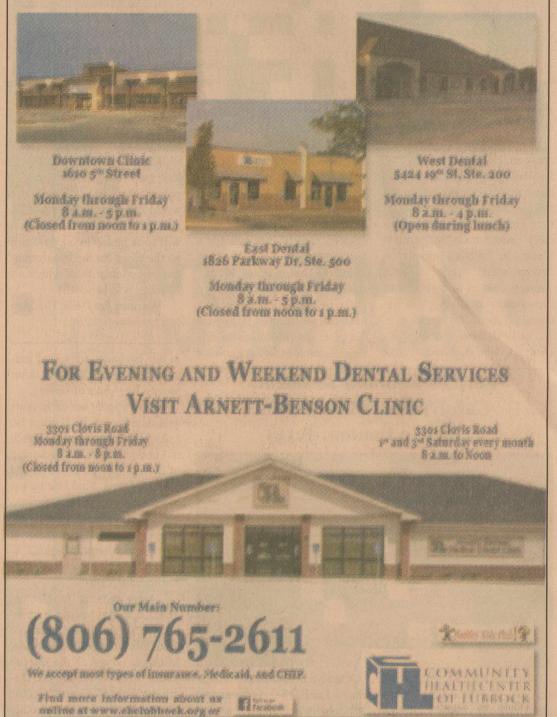
The Martin Luther King, Jr. Choir, under the direction of Minister Don Armstead, blessed everyone in attendance.

The services were blessed with a pantomime by Young People, with the music, "He's Bigger Than You And Me. A reception was held in the S. R. Roberts Fellowship Hall where delicious food was served. It was filled with people, young and old, and everyone fellowshipped one with another. Praise God!!!



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