

19th of June JUNETEENTH 37

Community Meetings

- * Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.
- * Hub City Kiwanis meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p. m., 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 neets 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 1401 Redbud Avenue * The Parkway & Cherry-Point

Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evenings, 7:30 pm at 517 Zenith Avenue, Star Care Center

- * Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm at 2301 Avenue A.
 - * ROOTS meets every 2nd Saturday at 2:00 p. m. at 2301 Avenue A.
- * If you have an annoucement about your organization, please advise by calling (806) 762-3612

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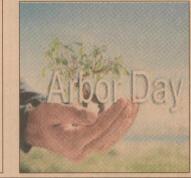
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George S. Lewis Celebrated His 90th Birthday With His Children!

George S. Lewis turned 90 years old on May 22, 2016!

His children honored their Dad on the weekend of May 20, 2016, Turning 90 is a blessing and an honor. Daddy's children, grand children, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren came to celebrate with him. We love Daddy, and we know that if it wasn't for him none of us would be here.

Daddy is so blessed! He still works Monday thru Friday. So many young people will not get up and go to work. It's such a blessing that Daddy is willing and able to go to work. We thank God for our Dad!

If you still have your Parents, honor and cherish them. There's nothing like Dad and Mom!

Take out time to say, "I love you", and do something nice today, because tomorrow may never come!

The Lewis Children



George S. Lewis

Federation of Choirs Will Celebrate Its 63rd Birthday On Sunday, March 26th

Come Sunday afternoon, March 26, 2017, beginning at 2:30 p. m. at the Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church, 301 East 24th Street, where Rev. Dr. J. H. Ford is pastor, the historical Federation of Choirs will celebrate its 63rd Birthday!

"We are looking forward to seeing all of you in attendance on this 63th Birthday celebration," said Janette Williams, President..

Some of the history of the Federation of Choirs was written by the late Secretary Emeritus, Ms. Maunita Terrell. The Federation of Choirs was born in the mind of the late Sister Sedella Solomon.

The first organizational meeting was held at the New Hope Baptist Church. The churches represented at the meeting were: Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, New Hope Baptist Church, Carter Chapel C. M. E. Church, Rising Star Baptist Church, Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, and Mt. Vernon Methodist Church.

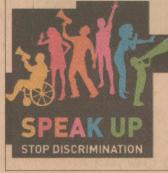
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O. L. Slaton Middle School Girls Enjoyed

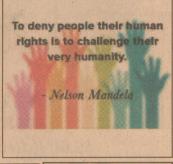
this meeting in March, 1954. The purpose of the Federation of Choirs was to sing and fellowthe Lubbock, Texas Community.

The Federation of Choirs Officers are: Janette Williams, President; Michael Horton, Vice President; Barbara Harris, Treasurer; JaNette Cage, Secretary; Francis Bell, Assistant Secretary; Arlee Jackson, President Emeritus; and Michael Horton and David Anderson, Directors of Music.

Happy 63rd Birthday, Fed-



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Michelle Obama Surprises D.C. **High School Students**

By Sheryl Estrada

Former First Lady Michelle Obama surprised a group of 14 students in Southeast Washington with a visit last week.

At Ballou STAY, an alternative high school, the students were told Antwan Wilson, the new chancellor of D.C. public schools, would be their special guest Tuesday. However, Obama walked into the classroom instead and spoke with students a school and a group of students for two hours.

Her office said it was her first ship with each of the churches in semi-official outing since leaving the White House in January. according to the Associated Press. Obama is continuing her practice of dropping in unannounced at local schools. As first couraged students to pursue ed-

> "Mrs. Obama had an emotional and heartfelt discussion with the students," Caroline

Adler Morales, a spokeswoman for the former first lady, said in an email to the Washington Post. "There were tears, laughs and lots of hugs."

Ballou STAY principal Cara Fuller, who found out about the visit an hour prior, said she thinks Obama wanted to speak to students who are "typically counted out."

"I think she really just wanted who are typically counted out to know that they themselves are amazing and wonderful and have the talents that they need to be successful," Fuller told the

Obama talked about the importance of education, following lady she launched "Reach dreams and her husband's presi-Higher," an initiative that endency. She also heard the concerns of students regarding the rhetoric of President Donald

> "They just asked what her Continue on Page 6



Student Athlete Enjoying Visiting Lady Red Raider

Meeting Lady Red Raiders On February 4, 2017

Nineteen student athletes from the O. L. Slaton Middle School were taken to the Texas Tech University Lady Red Raiders and Baylor University Bears basketball game on Saturday afternoon, February 4, 2017, in the United Supermarket Coli-

Carolyn Wadley, Assistant Principal, said, "All of the students said they loved the experience. About half of the young ladies said they had never been to a Texas Tech Women's Basketball game, " Continuing, she said, "The players from Texas Tech were very polite and played hard throughout the game. We would like to thank My Brothers' Keeper for providing the tickets for the game."



Nineteen Student Athletes From O. L. Slaton Middle School



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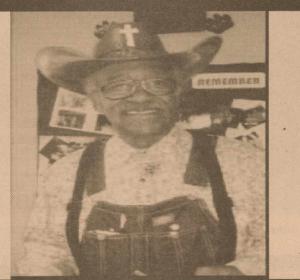
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Mae Simmons

Community & Adult Activity Centers What's Happening This Month!

ST PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

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





DOUBLE-ELIMINATION **DOMINO TOURNAMENT**

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

BREAKFAST BINGO

Wed, March 29, 9 am, \$2, Ages 50+ Come and enjoy a delicious biscuits and gravy breakfast and play Bingo afterwards.



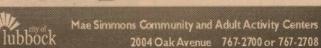
Mark Your Calendars: April 8 - Annie's Chat-n-Chew

Simmons Community Center is Closed for Renovations





Lubbock Parks and Recreation



In Cinque

By Renetta Howard



ALTERNATIVE FACTS

From the very first day that I discerned that I could read a complete sentence, I have been reading and enjoying comic books and comic strips. Some of my favorites were' Elmer Fudd,' 'Nancy,' 'Super Man,' 'Super Woman,' 'Nyoka the Jungle Woman,' 'Archie,' 'Dagwood,' 'Dick Tracey,' "Popeye' and 'Donald Duck.' I am still amused by the comic strips though I have not had a comic book in ages. I often found some person younger than myself with whom I could exchange comic books in high school and in college, as my school mates were not into the funnies like I was. In graduate school, I subscribed to the daily newspaper in order to keep up with the comics. Ironically, I still find the comics the most amusing section of the newspaper now. Even the comics have tuned in to the current political clamor of 'Alternative Facts.' I thought they would relieve me from the daily grind, but no luck, just yuck.

For weeks now, the news arena has been flooded with the notion from some writer that President Obama is not remaining in Washington, D. C. for his daughter to complete high school, but to make sure that his army of protestors do their job in harassing the Trump Administration. I ignored the first few times I got wind of this notion but each day something new pops up. Earlier, last week. there was an article that Mr. Obama had laid a plethora of glitches and bombs in the infrastructure of the presidency to make the Donald Trump administration have a very difficult time getting his program off the ground. If this assumption was in any way referring to the Affordable Care Act, it can be believable, as Mr. Obama worked

very hard with Congress and the Supreme Court to get insurance for everyone and better insurance for the aged and disabled. One of the last acts of Mr. Obama was to oust the Russian spies and initiate an investigation of the camaraderie between the Russians and the Trump election campaign as there was talk of election hacking in Mr. Donald Trump's favor; this is believable.

Just today, Mr. Donald Trump

has accused Mr. Obama of wiretapping his phones. It is believed that Mr. Donald Trump got this idea from an article called Breitbart News which has been refuted by a senior law enforcement officer from the Obama administration who had direct knowledge of the FBI investigation of Russian and government wire-tapping who stated that it was 100% untrue. Other top security agents have stated that a judge has to approve a wiretap since 2015 and the Edward Snowden leaks. Evidence points to Mr. Trump continuously tweeting 'alternative facts.' Hopefully, soon, the American people will know some truths. The comic strips. have now adopted the 'alternative facts,' and turned truths into an oxymoron. What is it going to take to end this roll out of groundless accusations and turn this period of history into something positive? We must get 'in cinque' and find ways to get the attention of our Congressmen and women who are systematically NOT answering their tele-



Beyond the Rhetoric 5468 By Harry C. Alford

Is the Democratic **National Committee Evaporating?**

There was a time when it seemed that the Democratic National Committee seemed to be invincible. It was the early 1990's and this new comer from Arkansas, William Jefferson Clinton, was the right guy at the right time. He named a guy who came out of nowhere named Ron Brown to head the DNC. That was unheard of at the time. A Black man running an entire political party. It wasn't long before everyone knew he had a calling. He led the DNC admirably. He got Bill Clinton elected and then the spell was cast. We had a new breed of national pol-

To everyone's surprise diversity immediately set in on this new breed DNC. Mike Espy, a Black from Mississippi became the Secretary of Agriculture. Hazel O'Leary was named Secretary of Energy. Ron Brown, who was responsible for this great change in a political party became Secretary of Commerce. He was a natural for this possession because he could make business deals with rapid fire fashion. Ron never forgot about his debt to his culture and heritage. If there was something dealing with business we could rest assure that there would be Black representation. Ron took a trip to Brazil. While there he set up an office for the Minority Business Development Agency to support our Black businesses when we ventured to Brazil in search of doing deals. That office help the National Black Chamber of Commerce with a Trade Mission. We took 84 members to Rio de Janeiro and came out with \$34 million in sales. The City of Rio de Janeiro gave us a certificate noting that we were the best trade mission ever for small business.

Hazel O'Leary was no "shrinking violet" either. She went into that Energy agency and made it clear. She put up a big banner on the second floor which said, "If you cannot accept Diversity than retirement is your option". Blacks started dealing with Energy contracts like never.

Mike Espy represented his roots in Mississippi like every person should - make your home better by

THE STREET

by T. J. Patterson

IT'S DOESN'T TAKE MANY TO GET SOME-THING DONE IF YOU STICK TOGETHER AND REFUSE TO QUIT!! THIS N THAT observed this a few years ago when an organization was formed..... It was called the ADHOC COMMITTEE when its leader had a dream as he told his story.... He said one afternoon he was touched by GOD as he was on his front porch on Teak Avenue...... He made it known to those in the organizationthat he was advised by this ALMIGHTY GOD to do something to help the children who were attending

your deeds. Everyone was enthusiastic by his energy and courage in making truth come to power.

While we were enjoying all this procurement inclusion the "Dark Forces" were not amused. Before long investigations, charges of misconduct, etc. started popping up against our brave new stars. Ron Brown and Mike Espy had to hire lawyers and pay hundreds of thousands of dollars to defend their great reputations. While they went on defense to save their reputations and to keep from being indicted on various trumped up charges, Secretary O'Leary was being worn down by accusations. She eventually left from the immense pressure. Mike Espy resigned to prepare for the fight against big allegations. Ron Brown met a worse fate. His plane ran into a mountain under very strange circumstances. Suddenly, they were all gone.

As Bill Clinton went on to his second term the motivation and hope for Black business started to wither away. Of course, President Clinton became preoccupied with his own worries about dirt that started back in Arkansas. Of course, his doing "nasty" with an intern nu-

... ALDERSON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL on Parkway Drive but is now named ALDERSON EL-EMENTARY SCHOOL..... The leader of this special effort was MINISTER TRENT COX who knows the area well and he knew in his heart our children need all the safety for them as they travel to and from school...... This is when after visiting with his wife CARRIE who encouraged him to pursue an effort to help our children and upgrade the PARKWAY DRIVE AREA..... MINIS-TER COX contacted several residents of the commu-

merous times with an intern in the Oval Office really threw him off his game. The DNC became headless for a while and the George W. Bush came in with his own version of diversity. It was effective and the DNC strayed away.

Then in 2008 the DNC was ready for a comeback. They put all they had in this young, inexperienced guy named Barack Obama. Somehow it worked but the inexperience and lack of clarity made its toll. The DNC soon became a confused and misled entity. The loss of Ron Brown was a serious void. Black owned business was totally ignored. This new DNC was somewhat hostile to Black business. They would avoid it by claiming ignorance about contracting trends. One would ask "What are your Black business statistics?" They would proclaim ignorance and say "We don't keep those numbers". They would lie rather than produce.

Black business development has left the DNC agenda and all should be aware. Who they have at their helm today is a scary situation. Tom Perez, newly elected head of the DNC doesn't give a damn about Black business. I found him to be

nity...... and all contacted agreed to meet at the **BOBBIE GEAN & T. J. PAT-**TERSON BRANCH LI-BRARY...... It was a very interesting meeting and those present agreed withMIN-ISTER COX..... From the first meetings several others were held.. The ADHOC COMMITTEE contacted TxDOT which led to meetings with input from local citizens..... After much discussion it agreed to pursue the PARKWAY DRIVE EF-FORT at a cost of\$6.5 **MILLION DOLLARS. Project** is not complete at this time but it doesn't take many!!!

"tone death on Black business". This guy was Deputy Secretary for Civil Right for the Department of Justice. I filed a Title VI complaint against the state of California's Department of Transportation regarding its Black contracts amounting to only 0.8%. His formal conclusion was that since they were doing "some business there is no discrimination". I was dumb founded.

A Black group in St. Paul, MN filed a Section 3 complaint against the city. They were assigned Mr. Perez as their federal attorney. The case was going in their favor and it appeared the judge was about to award people living in public housing \$2 million dollars in damages. They were so optimistic until their federal attorney, Tom Perez, called the judge two days before the decision and withdrew from the case. What a betraval!

With leadership like that, the DNC is headed south with a "bul-

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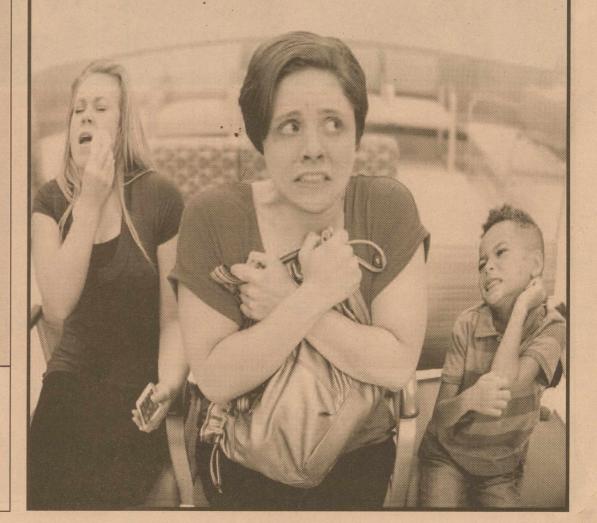


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Matthew 10:34-35a, 11:15 -- Jesus Said, Think not that I am come to bring peace on the earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. For I am come to set a man at variance again his father, and the daughter against her mother. And a man's foes (ENEMIES) shall be they of his own household. He that has an ear to hear, let him hear.

GOD BLESSED AMER-ICA, WITH OIL, WATER, COTTON, CATTLE, THE REST IN THE LAND. BUT SHE WAS NOT HAPPY, AND DID THAT WHICH WAS WRONG; NOW IT'S OUT OF HAND!!!

America walked away from God; didn't want to do things THE BIBLE SAY, but went out to do her own things THE **FLUSHY WAY!!!**

*** MY PRESIDENT, MR. TRUMP, WILL BRING JOBS, GET OUR CHIL-**DREN AN EDUCATION *****

Luke 19|:14 -- Jesus Said, His citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this Man to reign

*** OUR CHILDREN NEED SOME JESUS IN THEIR HEARTS!!! ***

The MESSAGE said, we the PEOPLE HAVE A RIGHT TO DO OUR THING. AND THE RIGHTS OF THE PEO-PLE, BRINGS ON SHAME, SHAME, SHAME!!!

America kicked GOD out of her SCHOOLS, COURT-HOUSES, HOMES, AND

THE VIOLENCE BEGAN, ING FROM ALL HER MEM-ITS IN THE HOMES. SCHOOL, COURTHOUSES -- IT'S EVERYWHERE, AND THERE IS NO END!!!

I Corinthian 5:6 --(AMERICA) Your glorying is not good. Know you not that a little leaven, leavens the whole lump?

(When you're making bread you can take 3 tablespoons of baking powder and put it into the flour and it will make a WHOLE LUMP RISE OUT OF THE PAN!!! ---- RIGHTS WITHOUT RESPONSIBILI-TIES LEADS TO VIO-LENCE; KILL THE POLICE RIGHTS, SAME SEX MAR-RIAGE RIGHTS, ABOR-TION RIGHTS, KILL THE DOCTOR RIGHTS, NO RE-SPECT RIGHTS, BLACK RIGHTS, WHITE RIGHTS, **ROADRAGE** RIGHTS, DRIVE BY SHOOTING RIGHTS, GANG RIGHTS, RIGHTS. **AWAY** BLACKS SUICIDE RIGHTS, KILL THE **FAMILY** RIGHTS, AND MANY MORE OF THE DEVIL'S RIGHTS).

Proverb 16:25 -- There is a way that seem right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

*** THE WAGES OF SIN **IS DEATH!!!** ***

When AMERICA gave out RIGHTS; for mankind to DO WHATSOEVER WAS IN THEIR HEART. AMERICA IS NOW BLOOD; --- BLEED-

BERS OF HER PARTS!!!

II Timothy 3:1-2 -- This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their Own selves, covetous, boasters, proud. blasphermers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, and unholy.

Now that AMERICA is in TROUBLE; CHURCHES ARE SEEKING THE LORD. GOD WANTS TRUE WORSHIP; FROM THE BOTTOM OF **OUR HEARTS!!!**

1 Peter 4:7 - For the time is come that judgement must begin at the House of God; and it first begins with us. What shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?

*** ARE THE CHURCHES **ROBBING GOD???** ***

AMERICA now has more LOCKS AND BARS ON THEIR HOME TRYING TO STAY SAFE. TROUBLE IS A SNOWBALL ROLLING DOWN A HILL, PICKING UP SPEED, AND **COMING YOUR WAY!!!**

Luke 12:54-56 -- Jesus Said, When you see a cloud rise out of the west, straightway you say, There comes a shower. And so it is. And when you see the south wind blow, you say, There will be heat, and it comes to pass. You hypocrites, you can discern the face of the sky and of the earth, but how is it that you do not discern the times? Yes, And why even of yourselves judge you not what is right?

St. Matthew Baptist Church

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

Again a wonderful time, we had at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, Who You Are." on Sunday morning, March 5, 2017, where the dynamic and

Canady. These services were well attended on Sunday morning which begun at 10:10 a.m. with Pastor Canady in charge.

proud Pastor is the Rev. Edward

Again, we praised God for all the knowledge we received during Sunday School.

The subject of the Sunday School lesson was entitled "Perfect Love." The scripture text was 1 John 4:7-19.

The Sunday School lesson was taught by Pastor Canady. It was a most rewarding lesson for all in attendance.

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted by Rev. Tommy Parker and Sister George Ann Hereford. Praise God for the Spirit!

Pastor Canady entered the Church with the Choir and Congregation singing, "Because of

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "Because You Said It, I Believe It." His scripture text was Luke 5:3-5.

It was a very informative sermon, and it was well received by all who were in attendance. Praise God for the Word of God!

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

The Missionary Society meets on Wednesday evenings at 5:00 p. m. All members are asked to continue making outstanding contributions. It's amazing what happens when members come together.

Bible Study is held on Wednesday evenings, beginning at 6:00 p. m. Come and learn with those who are in attendance.

It's just great when we sit down and learn about the Word of God! Shall we look for you on next Wednesday? Hope so!

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Choir Rehearsal is held on Friday afternoon, beginning at 2:00 p. m.

If you are a singer, then come and join us! You'll bring so much talent to our Choir! You will be glad you did so!

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in members who reside in Lubbock, Texas and the United States of Amer-

Today, they are ill, and tomorrow it could you or this writer. God is so GOOD!!!

St. Matthew Baptist Church is still in need of a Pianist. If you are interested and looking for an opportunity, call Rev. Edward Canady at (806) 744-2445! Do it TODAY!!

Eric Strong, Longtime Community Activist, Dies

The Lubbock community was shocked on last Saturday evening, March 18, 2017, when the news came out of the passing of a longtime resident and advocate, Eric Strong, had passed. Strong was 64 years young.

He had worked with the Upward Bound program at Texas Tech University. He was the director of the Roots Historical Arts Council.

Just recently, the opening of the Caviel Museum of African American History, 1719 Avenue A, had been one of his many projects in Lubbock. This property, which was the location of Caviel's Pharmacy, was donated to the Roots Historical Arts Council, by the owners, Billie and Alfred Caviel.

Strong was excited about the

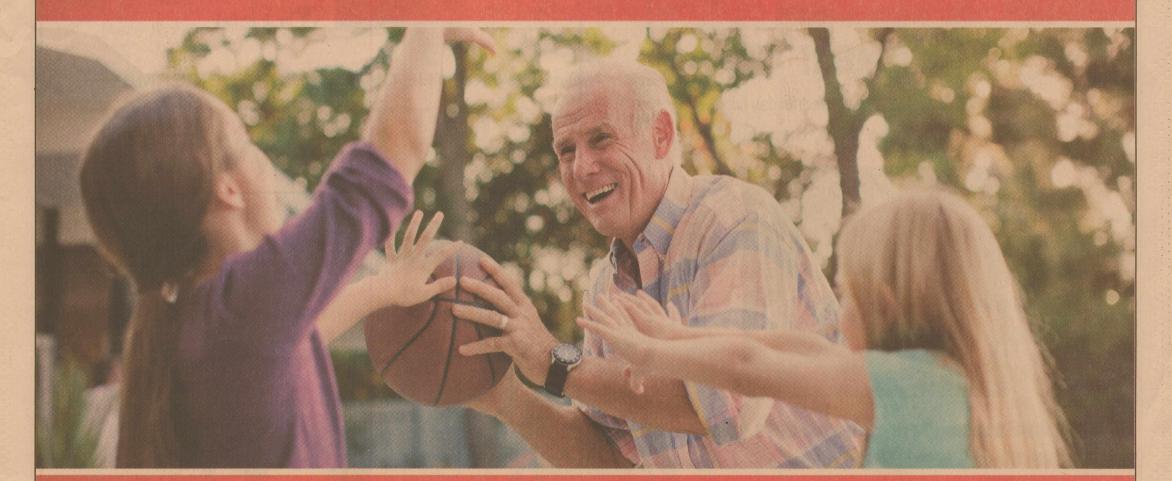
upcoming East Lubbock Gateway Project which is scheduled to be completed in the summer of 2018.

A complete story of Eric Strong will appear in the Thursday, April 6, 2017 issue of the Southwest Digest.





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Tommy "Tommy D" Ross

Funeral services for "Tommy D" Ross were held on Saturday afternoon, February 18, 2017, at the New Hope Baptist Church where host pastor is Pastor Larry Polk. Officiating the services were Rev. Larry Moore and Bishop Phillip Ross as Eulogist.

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

Ross, 72, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away Monday, February. 13, 2017, born to Ernest Ross and Minnie Lee Ross-Steen on September 2, 1944.

He was known by many family and friends as "Tommy D". He is preceded in death by his father, Ernest Ross, Sr., Ernest Ross, Jr., Barbara Ross, Collier

Ross, and Ruby Ross. Thomas leaves to cherish his and friends. memories: his God fearing wife wonderful children, Lydia Ross (Shun) and La Kesha Ross-Dixon (Brandon); five beautiful grandchildren, Derrick and An-Wright, Ashunya and Shunae Albert Ross, Mose Lewis,



Hereford; his beloved mother, Minnie Ross-Steen; his brother, David Ross; five loving sisters, Johnnie Ross, Anita Robinson, Pamela King (Glen), and June Miller; a special nephew, Phillip Ross; in-laws; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives,

Active Pallbearers were of 42 years, Beverly Ross; two Bernard Lewis, Curtis Draper, Greg Holeman, Sr., Jason Robinson, Kareem Ross, and Adrain Ross.

Honorary Pallbearers were gela Cauthorne, De'Marco Robert Brightman, David Ross,

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Graveside Services Held For McKinzie Brothers, Henry M. McKinzie, Sr. & Johnny McKinzie

Graveside services were held for Henry M. McKenzie, Sr. on Friday afternoon, March 3, 2017, at the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock

Henry, age 69 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Friday, February 24, 2017.

He was born March 25, 1947, to Mims McKinzie and Berothia Jackson in Athens, Texas.

He attended New Deal Public School.

Henry is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Saundra McKinzie; one sister, Olda Faye McKinzie; and three brothers, Sammie McKinzie, September Pink McKinzie, and Howard McKinzie.

Henry leaves to cherish his memory; two sons, Henry McK-

Patrick Lewis, De'Marcus Wright, Leon Taylor, Jr., and Phillip Ross.



inzie, Jr. and Michael McKinzie; three sisters, Betty Drake, Josie McKinzie (Kirk Patrick), and Pinkie McKinzie; two brothers, James McKinzie and Johnny McKinzie; a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, other relatives and friends.

Active Pallbearers were Family and Friends.

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Richard McKinzie, Sr. were held on Friday afternoon, March 3, 2017, at the City of Lubbock Cemetery with Bishop L. Chatham and Pastor J. H. Ford officiating. Johnny, age 78 of Lubbock,

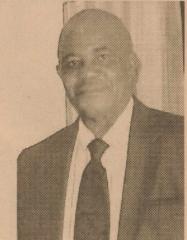
Funeral services for Johnny

Texas, passed away on Saturday, February 25, 2017.

He was born July 2, 1938 in Palestine, Texas to Mims McKinzie and Berothia Jackson.

Johnny received his education in New Deal Public Schools. He accepted Christ and attended Bible study at the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. J. H. Ford.

Johnny worked for Lubbock Body Works for over thirty-five years. He owned his own body shop for fifteen years.



Johnny married Linda Darnell Randle McKinzie on July 9, 1978 in Lubbock.

Johnny will forever live on in our hearts and memories.

Johnny is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Linda Continue on Page 6

Velma Perkins

Brownfield, Texas -- Funeral services were held for Velma Perkins on Monday afternoon, February 20, 2017, at the Greater New Hope Baptist Church of Brownfield with Pastor Eugene Reed as the Officiate/Eulogist.

Interment followed in the Mt. Zion Cemetery in Brownfield, Texas under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Perkins, 94, of Brownfield, passed away Monday, February

Velma was born on April 27, 1922, in McGregor, Texas, to Jefferson Clark, Jr. and Viola Gaines. She attended school in McGregor, Texas.

Velma was a house keeper for thirty plus years.

She was a faithful member of Greater New Hope Baptist Church, where she enjoyed singing in the choir.

Velma is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Leroy



Perkins, Sr.; son, Leroy Perkins, Jr., and two daughters, Cynthia Perkins and Marie Sanders.

Velma leaves to cherish her memories three daughters, Jewel Dailey (Johnny), Beverly Wilburn (Willie), and Mable Perkins; two sons, Charles Perkins (Vivian) and Elbert Perkins; 20 grandchildren; 52 great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Elijah Junior Johnson, Jr.

Private Disposition of the remains of Elijah Junior Johnson, Jr. was arranged in Portland, Oregon. His remains were sent to Resthaven Cemetery in Lubbock, Texas in memory of his parents on February 6, 2017.

Johnson, age 77 of Portland, Oregon, passed away on November 28, 2016.

Elijah was born on May 4, 1939 to E. J. Johnson, Sr. and Charlie May Johnson in Tyler,

He graduated from Dunbar High School in 1957. He was very smart, very popular, and played the trumpet in the school

He attended Junior College for a short time after his enlistment ended in the U.S. Marine Corp on June 27 1962. Elijah Johnson and Barbara Wood were married in California May 14, 1960. From that union, 4 children were born.

Throughout his career, he held a variety of positions, including: car salesman, postal clerk, Veteran Administration mail clerk, and found his niche in mainframe data processing at

Elijah is survived by: Robert



Johnson (Catherine) of Fairview, Oregon, Karla Y. Johnson of Portland, Oregon, Charmaine B. Johnson-Draughan (Rodney) of Dallas, Texas, and Elijah Johnson, III (Rhianna) of Vancouver, Washington; nine grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren; and a host of Brother and Sister-inlaws; nieces, nephews and friends.

He will be missed dearly!!

Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself.

Leo Tolstov

Robbie L. Williams

Funeral services were held for Robbie L. Williams on Saturday morning, February 11. 2017, at the Church of The Nations with Pastor Mark Culver as Officiate/Eulogist.

Interment followed in the Peaceful Gardens Cemetery

New Light Baptist Church News

3013 Idalou Road Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson, Pastor

On Sunday morning, March 5, 2017, church services got started at New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road where Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson is the proud pastor.

Morning worship started at 11:00 a.m. with the Praise Team leading the way. There was the testimony period that was held and then O I WANT TO SEE HIM was sung. The responsive reading came from 1 Corinthians 11: 23-30. Pastor Jackson led altar prayer and the congregation sung "MY SOUL **LOVES JESUS."**

Sister Linda Green read all of 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 the appointees.

The melodious voices of New Light Adult choir sung SIGN ME UP, BECAUSE HE LIVES and I AM RE-DEEMED. **AMAZING** GRACE was sung before the sermon. Pastor Jackson preached the sermon titled: **CHRIST IS NEAR BUT HE'S OUTSIDE** and its printed scripture came from Revelation 3:20-22.

Often times we hear things and its the voice of the Lord. The Lord is speaking to us but we are not listening.

A lot of people the Lord is trying to get their attention but they are not listening.

Warning comes before destruction. The Lord warns us before things happen but we sometimes don't want to listen. Christ wants us to prosper he always wants the best for us. We know that God does not bless

mess. There are consequences when things go wrong and we don't listen.

God is always knocking at the door of your heart so why not open it and let him in. You can't go wrong if you do. God is always everywhere at the same

God is always trying to get our attention when he speaks to us. He (God) knocks at the door of our hearts on a daily basis if people will just stop and listen. You don't have to live a defeated life if you give your concerns to the Lord and let him take care of them. Some people hear when God knocks but because of their freewill they decide to do whatever they want to.

God wants the best for us so that he can support, sustain, delivery, take care and help us. God stands at the door and knocks and if any person open

up and let him in he will follow, keep, lift and change you. Christ wants to be a part of your life and he's trying on a daily basis to get your attention why don't you let him in?

SUNG AFTER SERMON: O HOW I LOVE JESUS

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: AN ATTITUDE IS LIKE A FLAT TIRE NOTH-ING WILL HAPPEN UN-LESS YOU CHANGE IT.

under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock Williams, 52, of Lubbock

passed away Sunday, February 5, 2017. He was born May 27, 1964,

in Levelland, Texas, to Robert Williams and Alice F. Williams. Robbie attended Estacado High School.

He owned his own business, Rob's BBO.

Robbie is preceded in death by his father, and one daughter, Shermonna William.

Robbie leaves to cherish his memories, his wife, Johnetta Williams; daughter, Shonnea Williams, and stepdaughter, Treva Steele; mother, Alice Williams; one son, Robbie Williams, Jr.; one sister, Shronda Wesley (Isaac); one brother, Deverick Williams (Mary); seven grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

children: Xavier Franklin, Ja'Nyzhua (dodo) Franklin, and Jaquez Franklin.

He is survived by an Aunt, April Wormly of Hobbs, New Mexico; Rod Wormly of Lubbock, Texas and Tommy Joe, Jr. of Sherman, Texas; three sisters: Valeria Hill Griffin (Cornelius) of Dallas, Texas, Marsha Johnson (Michael) of Hobbs, New Mexico, and Trina Holloman of Lubbock, Texas; two brothers, Ken Moore and Sherwin Holloman, both of Lubbock,

Texas; and his mother, Shelia Continue on Page 6

Homegoing Services Held For New Mexico Citizen, William "Slick" DeShawn Wormly

Hobbs, New Mexico -Homegoing Services William "Slick" DeShawn Wormly were held Friday afternoon, March 3, 2017, at the Pleasant Green Baptist Church, James K. Russel, Senior Pastor. Rev. Joe Cook was the Officiant.

Interment followed in Prairie Haven Memorial Park under the direction of Calvary Memorial Funeral Home of Hobbs, New

He was born September 30, 1969, and passed on Tuesday, February 21, 2017.

Wormly, who was a husband, father, son, grandfather, uncle, brother-in-law, and friend of many, will be missed. He is preceded in death by his Maternal Grandmother, Annie Mae



Wormly of Hobbs.

He leaves to mourn his passing: a wife, Jacquelyn Wormly; three children: Aleshia, Brent, and Tory Franklin, all of Hobbs, New Mexico; and three grand-

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7:00p. m.

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Longtime Resident, John Wesley Henderson, Dies Here March 1, 2017



Funeral services were held for longtime resident, John Wesley Henderson, on Thursday afternoon, March 9, 2017, at the St. John Baptist Church with Pastor Solomon Fields as Officiant & Eulogist. Rev. W. D. Davis offered prayer.

Private Disposition was under the direction of Griffin

Homegoing Services Held For William Wormly **Continued from Page 5**

Anderson of Hobbs, New Mexico; maternal Grandfather, Tommy Joe Wormly, Sr. of Hobbs, New Mexico; and by special parents, Benny and Helen Franklin, who referred to him as "Our Special Son," and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

"Slick" was a beautiful person and had a beautiful soul and spirit. Nothing he had was too good for his wife and children, and those he loved. He was kind to everyone and everybody.

He will be greatly missed and forever, and always loved. His brother-in-law loved him as a brother, and to sister-in-laws, he was their brother. Kindness was a virtue he always possessed and showed. He was caring and willing to do whatever needed to be done, without hesitation. The world lost a very caring and loving person who made the lives he touched and blessed to have

He would make you laugh!!

Johnny McKinzie **Continued from Page 5**

D, McKinzie; two sons, Richard Jackson and Bruce McKinzie: one sister, Olda Faye McKinzie; and three brothers: Sammie McKinzie, September Pink McKinzie and Howard McK-

Johnny leaves to cherish his memory: his daughter, Demeteria Hearn McKinzie; six sons: Richie Darrell McKinzie (Denise), Danny McKinzie, Micheal McKenzie, Johnny McKenzie, Jr., Joe Joe Caraway, and Winston Caraway; three sisters: Betty Drake, Josie McKenzie (Kirk Patrick), and Pinkie McKenzie; one brother, James McKinzie; grandchildren: Taricea Johnson, Jer'richa McKinzie, Logan Bloodworth, Damon Burke, August Thompson, Rhyare McKinzie, Teal McKinzie, Kenshave Knighten, Kellen Hearn, and Chelsa Hearn; and a host of greatgrandchildren; other relatives and friends.

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Henderson, 61, of Lubbock passed away Wednesday, March

He was born on September 11, 1955, in Lubbock, Texas to Joe W. and Flora M. Henderson. John received Christ at an early age and was baptized at Greater St. Luke Baptist Church in Lubbock. He later united with St. John Baptist Church.

John's education was in Lub-

bock ISD, beginning at Wheatley Elementary, E.C. Struggs and O.L. Slaton Junior Highs and graduated from Dunbar High School on May 27, 1974. Throughout high school and college, he excelled in sports.

John loved working as a Chef at several establishments in Lub-

John was preceded in death by his parents: Joe and Flora Henderson; and siblings: Linda Henderson Williams, Chester Henderson, and Odessa Marie Henderson Felder.

His memory will be cherished by his wife, Karen; one son, Aric (Joni) Bibbs; grandchildren: Aric, Jr., Kira, and Arika; Continue on Page 7

Michelle Obama Visits D. C. **High School Students**

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thoughts were on the current with knowledge of the sales president and they were deeply concerned about the rhetoric that has been going around," Fuller said.

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Obama talked about her visit to the school in an Instagram

Life After the White House Obama and her husband, former President Barack Obama, are living in Washington while Sasha, their 15-year-old daugh-

ter, completes high school. It was announced last week that there would be two forthcoming books by the Obamas, with one volume to be written by the former president and the other by the former first lady. The couple plan to donate a "significant portion of their author proceeds to charity," including the Obama Foundation, the pub-

lisher said in a statement. The deal followed a heated auction for global rights to the two books with bidding that reached more than \$60 million, a record sum for U.S. presidential memoirs, the Financial Times reported, citing people

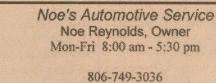
Obama will also participate in paid speaking engagements and continue charitable works. During her time as first lady, Obama, along with Dr. Jill Biden, wife of the former vice president, spearheaded the Joining Forces initiative, which supmilitary personnel, military families and veterans.

In an interview with PEO-PLE magazine, former President George W. Bush said he and his wife Laura hope to work with the Obamas on this initiative. Bush also talked about his fondness for Michelle Obama. He said, "We just took to each

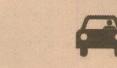
"She kind of likes my sense of humor. Anybody who likes my sense of humor, I immediately like," Bush said.

As her post-White House agenda increases, one activity the former first lady will not be doing is joining a dance competition. Obama turned down an offer to appear on ABC's "Dancing With the Stars," according to the Washington Post. The dance competition, which matches professional dancers with amateur dancers, asked both Obama and Hillary Clinton, who also refused the offer.



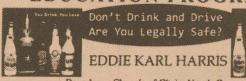


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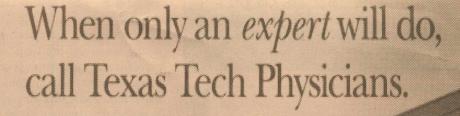
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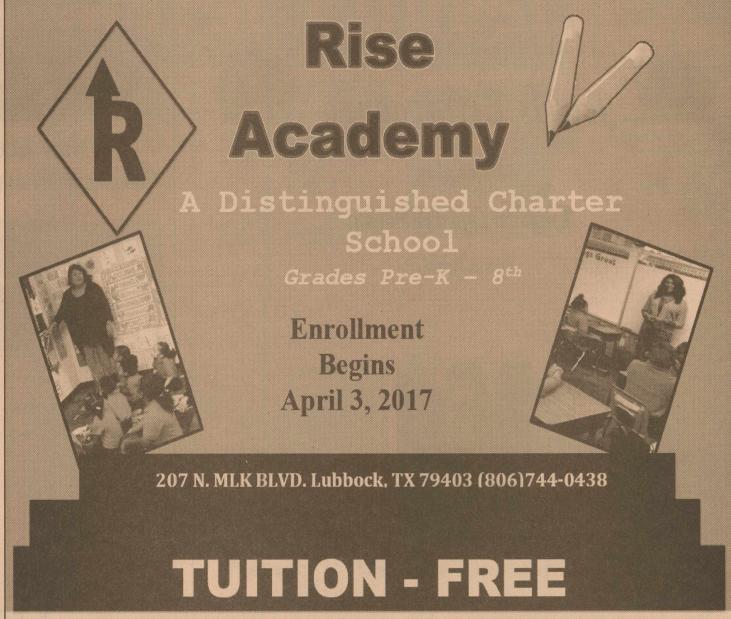
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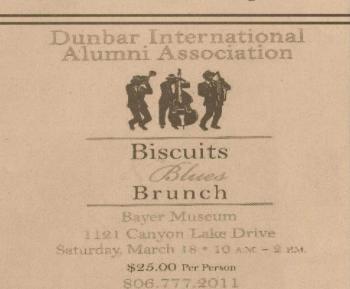
John Henderson Dies Here Continued from Page 6

stepchildren: Corey Childers fresh Others Conference" will be (Rochelle), Kelli Robinson held Saturday, April 29, 2017 at (Kevin), and Kendrick Childers Church of the Nations, 5902 (Adrienne); siblings: James Joe (Catherine), Tommy, Mary Jo A Continental breakfast at Henderson Wilson, Margaret 8:30 am. Conference will be Henderson Nathan, and Dora Henderson Miller (Larry); 20 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, Come out and receive a nephews, and many other relatives and friends.

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