





Community Meetings

- Lubbock Area Client Counci meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pn at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.
- * Hub City Kiwanis meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p. m., 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 lay 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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Southwest Digest Community Meetings 902 East 28th Street Lubbock, Texas 79404 (806) 76first to publicly release a workforce demographics report earer this year. They were commended for doing so, and so far, experts say they are the most aggressive at addressing the issue.

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Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association Removes 11 Tons In Clean Up

Lubbock City Councilwoman Shelia Patterson-Harris had a busy Saturday morning, July 22, 2017, during the clean up in Chatman Hill.

The clean up begun at 8:00 a. m. and continued until 12 noon. The clean up area included: Avenue A on the west; Southeast Drive on the east; East 19th Street on the north; and Coronado Drive on the south.

Volunteers walked allies, picking up trash, rubbish, and other items. More than 50 mattresses were picked up; different kinds of appliances, household items, and many other kinds of household goods.

Among those joining in this special clean up was Diana Thomas, President of the Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association. "This was a very motivating effort, and we appreciate all who have participated in this special effort," said Ms. Thomas

She also thanked young students from Frenship High School, Coronado High School, and Texas Tech University who served as volunteers. Also, she was excited about the residents who reside in Chatman Hill who participated.

Councilwoman Patterson-Harris made it known that there will be another clean up in District 2 in the month of October. "We will need your assistance in our next clean un "

According to Councilwoman Patterson-Harris, more than 11 tons were picked up and disposed of during this clean up.

She also sends a special 'Thank You' to the City of Lubbock, which includes the Code Enforcing Department for their assistance and utilization of various pieces of equipment.

'We will advise on the date of our next clean up, and where it will be,' concluded Councilwoman Patterson-Harris.







Vounteers Removing Rubbish In Chatman Hill.

Recreational Water Illness

The City of Lubbock Health Department has seen an increase in reports of recreational water illnesses (RWIs) including Cryptosporidium (Crypto). RWIs are caused by germs spread by swallowing or having contact with contaminated water in swimming pools, water play areas, and natural bodies of water such as lakes. RWIs account for a wide variety of infec-

tions, including gastrointestinal, skin, ear, respiratory, eye, neurologic and wound infections. The most commonly reported RWI is diarrhea.

Contrary to popular belief, chlorine does not kill all germs instantly. There are germs today that are very tolerant to chlorine. Once these germs get in the pool, it can take anywhere from minutes to days for chlorine to

germs can make you sick.

In the past two decades, there has been a substantial increase in the number of RWI outbreaks associated with swimming. Crypto, which can stay alive for days even in well-maintained pools, has become the leading cause of swimming pool-related outbreaks of diarrheal illness.

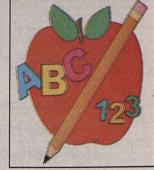
Protect yourself, your family and your friends from germs in

kill them. Swallowing just a little water that contains these

> the water: * Stay out of the water if you stopped, to go swimming.

Shower before getting in





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Police Chief Renee Hall

Detroit PD's Renee Hall to be new Dallas Chief of Police

Dallas, Texas - Detroit Police Department's chief deputy will be transferring to Dallas Police Department to be their first female police chief in the city's

As deputy chief of the Detroit Police Department, Ulysha Renee Hall directed the city's Neighborhood Policing Bureau for the last three years and has been a part of the department

since 1999. Dallas City Manager T.C. Broadnax announced Wednesday that Hall was chosen and is expected to begin her duties on September 5, 2017.

"I am honored to be chosen to lead the Dallas Police Department at this critical time in its history," said Hall in a written statement. "I look forward to building on the successes of the past, preserving community trust and ensuring the safety of our officers and the entire Dallas community."

According to the statement release, more than 55 community and business leaders participated in panel interviews of the top seven candidates and Broadnax said Hall was chosen based on her background and passion.

"Chief Hall is a proven leader with a stellar background and a passion for public service," Broadnax said in a written statement. "These are qualities I believe are critical as we tackle crime to make our city safer while addressing organizational and policy issues within the department."

Hall has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Grambling State University and master's degrees in Security Administration and Intelligence Analysis from the University of Detroit Mercy. She graduated from the FBI National Academy and completed the Police Executive Leadership Institute.

the water. Follow these 4 easy * Don't pee or poo in the steps to help keep germs out of

have diarrhea. If diarrhea is caused by Crypto, wait at least two weeks, after the diarrhea has

the water. This helps to remove any germs on your body that could contaminate the water.

water. Take kids on bathroom breaks often, and check diapers in a diaper-changing area and not right next to the pool.

Don't swallow the water. We want everyone to share the fun in the water, but not the germs. To learn more about healthy swimming go to www.cdc.gov/healthyswim-

Parkway Drive Traffic Signal Fully Operational As of Monday

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will fully activate the traffic signals at the US 82 (Parkway Drive) and Zenith Avenue intersection on Monday, July 31, 2017.

The signal is currently in a flashing-red, all-stop condition and will continue to flash-red throughout the weekend. Message boards have been placed to notify motorists of the upcoming signal changes occurring on Monday.

The new traffic signals are part of a \$6.4 million project that made traffic and pedestrian safety improvements to the roadway, including removing the frontage roads along the south side of Parkway Drive, between MLK and Cherry Avenue, replacing the raised medians with two-way left turn-lane, adding/upgrading pedestrian crossings and the addition of sidewalks.

For more information, contact **TxDOT Public Information Of**ficer Dianah Ascencio at (806)

Work will take place weather permitting.



Building New Homes In Chatman Hill Addition Looking Good For Area



NEW DEVELOPMENT IN EAST LUBBOCK; Four new homes are being constructed at Cedar Avenue & East 23rd Street. This is a positive omen that East Lubbock is on the move. This new development will serve as a catalyst on what and will happen in this area of Lubbock. Yes, without any doubt, East Lubbock is on the move! Chatman Hill residents are very excited!



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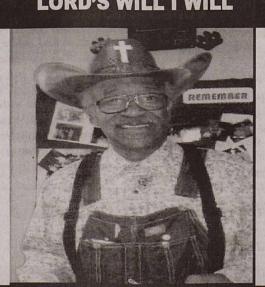


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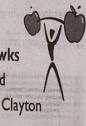


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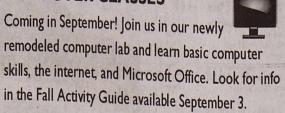


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Begins August 28, 3:30-5:30 pm Register now! Youth Ages 6-12, \$10/week Homework, arts & crafts, and recreational activities. LISD will provide transportation from Alderson and Ervin Elementary.

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In Cinque

By Renetta Howard



SUMMERTIME

"Summertime and the livin' is easy, Fish are jumpin', And the cotton is high. Your daddy's rich and your mamma's good lookin', so hush little baby, don't you cry!" That was the melody many of us heard as we grew up and listened to George Gershwin's lullaby from Porgy and Bess. It was a typical description of how Colored people lived on the southern eastern part of the United States, around Charleston, South Carolina in 1925 when the novel Porgy was written by Dubose Heyward, who collaborated with the Gershwins to create an opera. It was not until 1935 that the opera was first performed in New York by classically trained people of color. It did not get the best reception and it was not until 1976 that it became recognized at the Houston Grand Opera and has been popular since that time.

It is now the summer of 2017 and the same problems that were experienced by Porgy and Bess still plague young and old people of the cities of the United States of America. Porgy was a poor disabled Black man doing his best to survive, but he had a big heart and wanted to save Bess from her possessive, abusive lover and her drug dealer. He wanted to make her into a respectful woman and he felt that showering her with true love would make it happen.

Today, there are not many people who are concerned about how high the cotton gets, even though some of us are concerned about how high the fish jump, but still, life is not easy! Our government has provided programs to help the indigent and made laws to punish abusers and drug dealers, but the beat goes on. Summertime seems to bring out the worse of it. Any day you

pick up the newspaper, if the top story is not about the 45th U.S President of the United States and his unpopular tweets or Congress' inaction on needed legislation, it is about young men who are killing their girlfriends or good friends or family members over some drug deals

Our young people are not learning anything from history or observation. Couples are involved in toxic relationships and they are not securing intervention from their loved ones or professional entities. Heat and carefree living during the summer contributes to much of the unrest. Unemployment adds to the unrest. The availability of illicit drugs in connection with the absence of constructive life activities makes it difficult to enjoy summertime for everyone; the individuals who are involved in unhealthy activities and the people who care about them and the populace which observes mournfully. Let us get 'in cinque' and do all we can to make summertime as enjoyable as possible for everyone.

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Beyond the Rhetoric by Harry C. Alford

Nissan – A Miracle in Mississippi

The United Auto Workers union is at it again. The UAW was once the fighter for workers' rights and decent pay. That has become passé since the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the US Department of Labor being the watch dog on such Human Resources Management. Frankly, the need for the UAW is quite questionable. The membership roles for the UAW have been growing in the "south" continuously. States that don't require union labor, Right to Work states, have been growing in number over the past decade. Their number is up to 23 and growing. It makes political sense. While Governor, Mike Pence brought prominence to his political record of accomplishment when he converted Indiana into a right to work state. The Hoosier State was static, if not floundering, in its economic growth. The state now is growing and is on the right track. Hence the growth of Mike Pence from governor to Vice President of the United States.

Today, it is rare for the UAW to try and convert a worksite into a unionized operation. It is "Don Quixote" like at best. Auto unions in the Right to Work state of Mississippi is an oxymoron. Which is why I must voice concern in the recent UAW activity against the Nissan Plant in the fine city of Canton. That is like trying to get chickens to vote for Kentucky Fried Chicken. It would be a shame if the UAW's propaganda, badgering and dirty tricks would influence the very happy workers of Mississippi. How do you convince a person to shake down his boss simply for the hustle of it and pay a part of their wages to the instigator (union dues)? The fortunate workers of Nissan in

HISNALL

by T. J. Patterson

THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, EAST LUB-**BOCK DESERVES A FIVE** STAR BANK!! THIS N THAT and many others who reside in EAST LUBBOCK believes and will continue to believe that this part of Lubbock needs aFIVE STAR BANK!!! This part of Lubbock has contributed a DEAL IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF LUB-BOCK and brings many outstanding developments in the growth of Lubbock. Over the years and we have observed how this area of Lubbock was not given an equable opportunity so it would grow..... In

Mississippi are doing very well

and are not going to mess that

Magnolia State.

minorities. 62% of the general

workforce are minorities.

READ THAT AGAIN! Is there

any other auto plant with more

than 6,400 full time workers in

this nation that can match that?

Let's look at what has hap-

looking at the recent development of SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST LUBBOCK it brings about the question WHAT CAN WE DO TO PLACE EAST LUB-**BOCK IN THE SAME POS-**TURE AS SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST LUBBOCK? There's no doubt about it THIS N THAT very encouraged on what's happening in other parts of Lubbock but encourage other efforts to move EAST LUBBOCK in the same posture..... If you really think about it our childrenwhen they travel to and from the area THIS N THAT is sure they ask

Nissan was named one of DiversityInc's (magazine) "Top 25 Noteworthy Companies for 2016". What a fine example for

pened since the ribbon cutting in America! 2003 of the Nissan Assembly The huge facility is over 4.7 Plant in Canton, Mississippi. million square-feet sitting on Since the beginning Nissan pro-1,038 acres of Mississippi fine vides an economic impact to the earth. Think about how many state via \$2.9 Billion Dollars per statewide workers are included year. It has invested \$3.3 Billion in the daily operations of Nissan. Dollars into the plant. Local and Since the ribbon cutting over 3.2 state taxes amount to over \$300 million cars (Frontier, Murano, million annually. The workers NV Cargo, NV Passenger, Titan, receive \$2.6 Billion in disposand Titan XD) are traveling on able income which is recycled to U.S. highways and through Mississippi based businesses. American communities. Since opening Nissan - Mississippi There are more than 25,000 happy workers receiving payhas donated more than \$13.6 checks from various sources remillion to local charitable organizations and its employees have lated to Nissan activity in the contributed more than 8,000 vol-And just who are these workunteer hours to over 200 local ers. 46% of the managers are

organizations. Nissan Canton has a safety record that is substantially above the average for the industry. In 2016, it spent more than \$6 million on safety measures at the Canton plant, and they have 32

their parents MOM & DAD, WHY DON'T WE HAVE A FIVE STAR BANK IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD? Now these young boys and girls who reside in

..... EAST LUBBOCK can't understand why there is no FIVE STAR BANK in East Lubbock? THIS N THAT along with others who reside in East Lubbock haven't given up..... There is an opportunity for this to happen

...... and us coming together and asking GOD for the right direction surely we can reach this important goal. Keep in mind it is for CHILDREN!!!

full - time health and safety employees (24 medical staff and eight safety employees). This must be a national model.

Also, workers at the Canton facility have safe, stable jobs, with some of the highest wages and strongest benefits in the state of Mississippi.

So, why does the UAW want to mess with Nissan? I think they need to go somewhere else. If something is not broken, it would take a fool to try and "fix it". UAW has a very big problem. Its membership is falling and there is nothing they can do to turn it around. Raise all the hell you want to UAW but it is not going to help you. High technology and great Human Resources are facts well established. It may be time to find another hustle.

On August 3 and 4, about 4,000 of the Nissan workers will vote yes or no for union representation. I don't think they are

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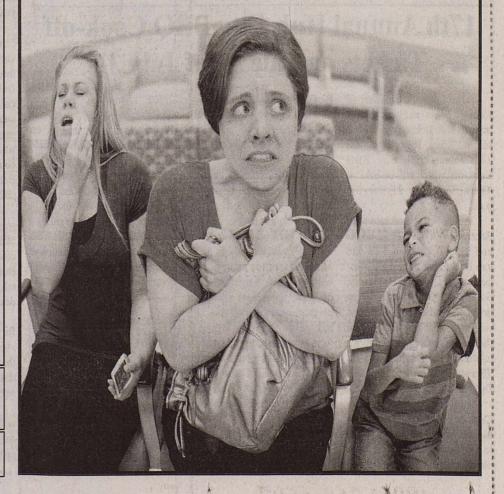


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We Thank God for Jesus

'The Glory Of The Lord Has Departed' Evangelist Billy "BJ" Morrison, III

Romans 2:18 - For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unright-

When Jesus told his disci-DYING WORLD, BECAUSE SALVATION AWAITS ALL MANKIND; MEN, WOMEN, **BOYS AND GIRLS!!!**

said, All power is given unto the heaven and in earth. Go you, therefore; and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and, lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

Many disciples wanted to PREACHERS become THINKING MONEY; HE COULD CON-TROL EVEN JUDAS: HAD CONTROL OF MONEY, AND THE LOVE OF IT, HE LOST HIS SOUL!!!

love of money is the root of evil, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

MANY CHURCHES HAVE THEIR BIG SHOT; UP FRONT, PROUD, AND VERY CLEAN. THEY LOVE THE FIRST FIVE SEATS IN THE CHURCH; SITTING LIKE KINGS AND QUEENS!!!

James 2:3 - You have respect to him that were the gay (RICH) clothing, and say unto him, sit here in a good place, and say to the poor, stand you there, or sit here under my footstool.

Many churches; ARE ples; TO GO PREACH TO A NOTHING BUT A RELI-GIOUS CLUB; JUST GOING HAVING A GOOD TIME. **PREACHERS DON'T** PREACH ON SALVATION: Matthew 28;18-20 -- Jesus JESUS DYING FOR OUR SINS; IS NOT ON THEIR MINDS!!!

Proverb 14;12 - There is a way which seems right unto man, but the end, thereof; are the ways of death.

*** WILLA PREACHER ROB GOD OF HIS SOULS!!!***

But the PREACHERS DON'T MIND; AS LONG AS THEY GIVE THEIR TITHE AND OFFERING. HIS LOVE LIKE JUDAS, CARING FOR THE LOVE OF MONEY: **WORLDLY THINGS!!!**

Ezekiel 3;18 - The Lord Said, When I say unto the wicked, You shall surely die, and I Timothy 6;10 - For the you give him no warning, nor speak to warn the wicked from which while some coveted after his wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity, but his blood will I require at your

MANY PREACHERS WILL ALLOW HOMOSEX-SAVED, AND FILLED WITH

Man stabbed woman he met on dating site 119

THE HOLY GHOST; ONLY WHEN THEY REPENT!!!

Matthew 15:7-8 -- Jesus said, You hypocrites, well did E'sal'as prophesy of you, saying. This people draw near unto me with their mouth, and honor me with their lips, but their heart is far from me. But in vain, they do worship me, teaching the doctrines the commandments of

(THE UN-GODLY STAND-ING ON THE OUTSIDE, LOOKING ON THE INSIDE, WANTING TO COME IN, BUT SEE SO MANY THINGS WRONG; IN THEIR HEART THEY WON-DER; IS THERE A GOD? IF SO, WHY DON'T **CHURCHES** RESPECT MANY IN CHURCHES, THERE SAT THE GAMBLERS, THE SHACKERS, THE DRUNK-ERS, THE ADULTEROUS, THE BLASPHEMOUS, AND THE LESBIANS. THOSE THAT WANT IN TO SAY --I CAN GO TO HELL; LIV-ING THE WAY I AM LIV-

Matthews 23:27-28 - Jesus said, Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrisies! For you are like unto withed sepulchers, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but within full of dead men's bones, and all uncleanness. Even so you also out-

St. Matthew Baptist Church

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

Church services at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, on Sunday morning, July 23, 2017, was wonderful, and was well attended by church members. The proud pastor is the Rev. Edward Canady.

The services were exciting and uplifting as these services begun with Sunday School. It all begun at 10:00 a. m. with our Sunday School Superintendent, Sister Barbara Johnson, in charge. Again we continue to Praise God for all the knowledge we receive in Sunday School.

The subject of the Sunday School lesson was entitled 'Speak The Truth Any Way!' The scripture text was Ezekiel

As one member in attendance made known, these Sunday School lessons can be used in our daily lives. Praise God for their observation!!!!

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted by Rev. Tommy Parker and Sister Barbara Johnson. What time in the Lord!!!

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

The morning sermon was delivered by Rev. Tommy Parker who delivered a dynamic message. May God continue to bless Rev. Parker!

The morning announcements were read by Sister Shirley Canady, our First Lady who always does an outstanding job in explaining the upcoming events in Lubbock. She also en-

courages all listening to take

note and support those you can.

The weekly meetings which will be held at the St. Matthew Baptist Church are as follows;

The Missionary Society meets at 2:00 p. m. on Wednesday afternoon. We would like to see your presence at this important meeting. It will be great to enjoying smiling face on Wednesday afternoons. Shall we count on seeing you? Hope so!!

Choir Rehearsal will be held also on Wednesday afternoon,

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After Death of Man Hit With a Stun Gun

beginning at 4:00 p. m.

If you have an outstanding voice and you love to sing, then do come and join us!

At the same time, bring someone with you! Shall we look for you?

Let us remember our sick and shut-in members as well as others in Lubbock, Texas and across Texas and the United

Among those on the sick list this week include; Sister Ethel 51 Williams and Sister Brenda Bilal.

States of America.

May God continue to bless them.

St. Matthew Baptist Church is asking for anyone who is interesting in playing the piano for the St. Matthew 180 Baptist Church. If you are interested in playing for St. W. Matthew Baptist Church, then WI please contact Rev. Edward Canady at (806) 744-2445.

Thought For The Week; 619 'Put out the fire of anger before will it blazes out of control!"

wardly appear righteous unto UALS; TO HOLD OFFICES, men, but within you are full of AND PLAY INSTRUMENTS. FIRST, THEY NEED TO BE hypocrisy and iniquity.

times after she told him she was transgender A former sailor in the US Navy stabbed a woman 119 times when she revealed she was transgender after they had sex, a court heard

Dwanya Hickerson, 21, "lost it" after learning Dee Whigham, 25, had been born a man.

Mississippi's Jacksonville Circuit Court heard that he knifed Ms Whigham multiple times in the face and slashed her throat in a hotel room before showering and leaving her for dead.

The pair had been chatting online for two months after making contact through a dating site.

They decided to meet for the first time when Ms Whigham was visiting the city of Biloxi, where Hickerson lived, on July 23 last year.

The hospital nurse picked him up at the gates of Keesler Air Force Base, where he was training to be a weather forecaster, and drove them to her hotel, the court heard.

CCTV footage showed them walking into her room together at Best Western at about 8.30pm. Hickerson was seen leaving 23 minutes later with his shirt around his neck.

Ms Whigham's body was found at about 9.45pm by her



Dee Whigham

An Air Force instructor later recognised Hickerson in a police appeal over the killing and reported him to detectives, according to the WLOX news channel.

Hickerson later told police he and Ms Whigham had sex at the hotel before she told him she was transgender.

"I lost it, I lost it," he said, adding he did not remember much afterwards.

He was jailed for 40 years without parole after pleading guilty to second-degree murder.

He will also have to serve 15 years for a robbery charge after taking Whigham's purse and mobile phone.

Hickerson could have faced the death penalty if he had been convicted of capital murder.

Ms Whigham's mother, Vickie Blackney Whigham, criticised Hickerson's sentence.

"I think the plea is a slap in the face," she said. "He gets a chance to see his family and I don't have that chance with my

(OMAHA, Neb.) — Two Omaha police officers will face

Officer Scotty Payne

anyone."

seeking comment.

who witnessed the altercation

leave following Bearheels' death

Payne or McClarty with murder

or manslaughter, Kleine said.

"there's no evidence whatsoever

that these officers intentionally

killed Zachary Bearheels."

Kleine also cited an autopsy re-

port that said Bearheels died of

"excited delirium," but couldn't

say that the shocks or punching

Bearheels' mother has told

of Bearheels caused his death.

police and media in Omaha that

her son was bipolar and schizo-

phrenic. Relatives believe he

had stopped taking his medica-

grand jury investigation any

time a person dies in police cus-

tody or while in the process of

being arrested. Kleine said a

grand jury has been set to con-

vene on Sept. 26, but that the

charges he's brought "likely

make the grand jury process in

this case moot."

Nebraska law requires a

Asked why he didn't charge

but do not face any charges.

assault charges in the death of a mentally ill man who was shocked with a stun gun a dozen times and repeatedly punched, even after he was on the ground, a Nebraska prosecutor said Wednesday.

Douglas County Attorney Don Kleine made the announcement while revealing police video that captured the altercation officers Scotty Payne and Ryan McClarty had with 29year-old Zachary Bearheels at an Omaha convenience store. Kleine said he wouldn't file more serious charges against the officers because a coroner could not directly link their actions to the Oklahoma man's death.

Police cruiser video shows Payne using a stun gun to shock Bearheels and McClarty punching Bearheels. Some of the blows came after Bearheels was on the ground and not resisting. Kleine said he would charge Payne with second-degree assault, a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison. He said he's charging McClarty with third-degree assault, a misdemeanor punishable by up to one

year in prison. Bearheels, a Native American from Oklahoma, was lost in Omaha after being kicked off an interstate bus going from South Dakota to his home state, according to his family. Police were responding to a report of a man causing a disturbance who would not leave when they encountered Bearheels. Kleine said Bearheels "had committed no

Police have said Bearheels was acting erratically and fought officers' efforts to take him into custody. After the altercation, Bearheels was taken to a hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

Matthew Burns, an attorney for Payne, said his client is hoping that bail is set low enough that he can be released on Friday, when he's set to turn himself in to police.

"He feels awful," Burns said of Payne. "He's not a bad person. He didn't set out that day to go to work with the intent to hurt



Officer Ryan McClarty

An Omaha police union Joseph Naatz, an attorney for blasted Kleine's decision to McClarty, did not immediately charge the officers. The Omaha return a message Wednesday Police Officers' Association accused the Douglas County Attor-The officers, both of whom ney's Office of bowing to are black, were fired earlier this pressure and said prosecutors month based on the recommenshould have allowed a grand dation of police Chief Todd jury to determine whether

Schmaderer. Two other officers charges were warranted. The case prompted the city were placed on administrative of Omaha to announce the forming of a Native American advisory board and training for police officers on indigenous

> Several members of the Native American community were present Wednesday for the announcement of charges, with most expressing outrage that Payne and McClarty aren't facing more serious charges and that no charges have been brought against two other offi-

> cers on the scene. April Gladfelter, 52, of Omaha, is a member of the Omaha Tribe and issued an emotional plea during the news conference for police to better learn how to interact with the mentally ill. Gladfelter said she has a son who is mentally ill, prompting her to contact Bearheels' mother after his death. The women now speak daily, she said.

> "I fear for my son's life every day," she said, sobbing. "Are the police going to shoot him because he's talking to himself?"

17th Annual Hub City BBQ Cook-off **Tickets on Sale As of July 31**

The Lubbock Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce that tickets will go on sale on Mon., July 31, for the 17th Annual Hub City BBQ Cook-off, which will be held on Thurs., September 21, from 5-8 p.m.

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be headlined by popular Texas Country musicians Micky & the Motorcars, while the opening will be provided by the School of Rock, with local musicians playing some good ol' rock and

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Obsequies

Vicky Sandra Kyle Berry

Funeral services were held for Vicky Sandra Kyle Berry on Saturday afternoon, July 22, 2017, at the New Hope Baptist Church with Rev. Larry Polk, pastor, officiating.

Interment followed in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

Vicky, age 72 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on Thursday, July 13, 2017.

Vicky was born on February 18, 1945 in Austin, Texas to the union of Daniel Webster Kyle and Celestine Hatchett Kyle.

She grew up in Lubbock attending Ella Iles Elementary School preceeding with her education, she went to Dunbar High School. During high school, she was a member of The Mighty Dunbar Panther Band. Vicky graduated from high school in

Her education continued at Prairie View A&M University where she majored in education. and graduated in 1966.

Vicky returned back to Lubbock, and became a school teacher with Lubbock Independ-



ent School District, teaching at several surrounding schools in the area. She retired from LISD in 2000. Vicky did not stop there, she continued as an educator at South Plains Academy until 2013.

She was a member of Dunbar Alumni Association, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Eta Lambda Chapter. She was a dedicated member of the New Hope Baptist Church of Lubbock where she was director of the Education Department, and a very faithful servant.

Vicky was preceded in death

COMMUNITY CHURCH

"The Oasis of Love"

Charles Ray Knox

Funeral services for Charles Ray Knox were held Wednesday morning, July 12, 2017, at the Word of Truth Church.

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

Knox, age 46 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away Saturday, July 1, 2017.

He was born November 20, 1970 to Starlin Leo and Helen Louise Knox in Memphis,

He loved the Dallas Cowboys but most of all he loved his family. He will be greatly missed and will be remembered by all of his loved ones and friends.

Charles leaves to cherish his memory; his wife, Portia Knox; one daughter, Chandra Walker;



one son, Dwayne Walker (Michelle); two sisters, Toni Smith and Patsy Knox; one brother, Bobby Ray Knox; five grandchildren, one great grandchild; one niece; a host of other relatives and friends.

Michi Yvonne Parks

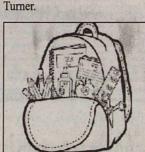
Funeral services were held for Michi Yvonne Parks on Friday morning, July 21, 2017, at the Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church with Rev. Dr. J. H. Ford, pastor, officiating.

by her father, Daniel Webster Kyle.

She leaves to cherish her memories; her mother, Celestine Hatchett Kyle; her son, Dorian Lamar Berry; an aunt, Bernice Haynes; a step-son, Darrell Berry; a step-daughter, LaToyia Cook; Godchildren, and a host of family and friends.

Pallbearers were Michael Wright, DiNart Alexander, Charles Nunley, Tray Smitherman, Doug Wilson, and Lawrence Wilson.

Honorary Pallbearers were Larry Lawrence, Dennis Phillips, Floyd Price, and Willie





Church School begun at

10:00 a. m. with Sister Alvera

Johnson teaching the lesson en-

titled, 'Jeremiah' with the lesson

scripture coming from Jeremiah

formative lesson which we can

started at 11:00 a. m. with our

devoted Praise Team leading the

way. There was the testimonial

period which was held. There is

always interesting information

done which came from Psalm

27:1-14. The altar prayer fol-

lowed which was led by Pastor

all of the morning announce-

ments, and told the membership

about all upcoming events

which will be held in the Lub-

taken up by Deacon Lee and ap-

New Light Baptist Church sung

the following; 'Sign Me Up.',

'Two Wings', 'Shine On Me',

'Precious Lord', and 'When I

before the morning sermon.

sermon entitled, 'What Can The

'Amazing Grace' was sung

Rev. Jackson preached the

The morning offering was

The melodious voices of

bock community.

pointees present.

See Jesus.

Church Do?'

Sister Lucy Thompson read

The response reading was

when church members testify.

This was another most in-

The morning worship got

Praise!

1:4-10.

use daily.

Jackson.

Parks, age 42 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away peacefully on Friday, July 14, 2017.

She was born July 27, 1974 to Nancy Parks Travenia. Michi attended and graduated from Lubbock High School in 1993. She worked for Stenocall and quickly became a supervisor. Afterwards, she studied to get her Phlebotomy degree and later a medical office assistant diploma from Vista College.

She also worked for Central Finance for several years and later retired in 2016 due to her

Michi is preceded in death by two aunts, Gertrude Hawkins Myles and Thelma Robinson; one uncle, Billy Myles; and one cousin, Thomas Michael Jack-

Michi leaves to cherish her memory; her mother, Nancy Taylor; granddaughter, Katelyn

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3013 Idalou Road Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson, Pastor

Dessie Lee Hunter

O'Donnell, Texas - Funeral services for Dessie Lee Hunter were held on Saturday afternoon, July 15, 2017, at the First Baptist Church in O'Donnell.

Interment followed in the City of O'Donnell under the direction of Combest Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Hunter, age 61 of O'Donnell, passed away on Saturday, July 8,

She was born January 22, 1956 in Lubbock, Texas to James and Eula Frances Steveson-Taylor.

She was a member of First Progressive Baptist Church of Lubbock, Texas, where she joined her mother and many other family members. She sung in the Choir as well.

On February 23,1975, she married the love of her life, Odell Hunter, Sr. They shared 39 wonderful years together. They loved to fish, or play dominos or cards with family members.

Dessie was a strong and loving mother who enjoyed attending all the activities of her grandchildren. She also loved to cook and clean. She loved to sing and dance. Her kindness and gentle smile will not be forgotten.

Dessie was preceded in death by her husband, Odell



Hunter, Sr.; her father, James Taylor; and two brothers, James Taylor, Jr. and Earl Taylor.

She leaves to cherish her precious memories; her mother, Eula Francis Taylor; two sisters, Vanessa Menton and Beatrice Taylor; two brothers, Johnny Taylor and Kevin Taylor; five children; Timmy Taylor, Jacqueline Childers, Deann Hunter, Angelia Hunter, and Odell Hunter, Jr.; nine grandchildren; Nyquisha Johnson, Jamandra Williams, Derek Washington, Ladardean Hunter, Jatavia Taylor, Deandre Nelson, Patrice Childers, Kendrick Nelson, and River Hunter; one great-grandchild, Kyrie Hunter; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins,

dear friends, and relatives.

Lepolua Dickson, Sr.

Funeral services for Lepolua Dickson, Sr. were held on Saturday morning, March 25, 2017, at Lyons Chapel Baptist Church where Pastor Wendell Davis is host pastor. Pastor Charles Dick-

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

Dickson, age 77, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away Monday, March 13, 2017.

Lepolua was born June 3, 1940, in Clarksville, Texas, to Mack and Lonetta Dickson. Lepolua received his education at Cheatham High School in

Mendoza; brother, Sidney Travenia; niece, Kaiya Travenia; three aunts, Pamela Robinson, Betty Robinson, and Myra Robinson; best friend and sister, Parks Travenia; grandmother, Omega Morgan; a host of caring Dora Mae Robinson; son, J'von cousins, other relatives and friends.

life. If you pray, God will start to

move things in and around your

power for your believeth, then

things will really happen in your

that God will not do. It doesn't

matter what you go through,

it when you ask the question.

WHAT CAN THE CHURCH

God is always there.

If you believe God has the

If you pray, there's nothing

Now, you really think about

After the strong sermon by



Clarksville, Texas. Lepolua, Sr. was employed at Lubbock Foundation where he retired after 40 years.

His parents, Mack and Lonetta Dickson; his wife, Patsy Dickson; son, Lepolua Dickson, Jr., and 11 siblings preceded him in

Lepolua leaves to cherish his memory: his son, Dewayne Dickson; four daughters, Charlotte McCarty (Keith), Belinda Washington (Alfred), Janice Johnson and Donna Phillips-Nwogwugwu; one sister, Alice Fay Thomas; 25 grandchildren, 47 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; mother-in-law, Eurlean Phillips; and a host of other relatives and

Active Pallbearers were Kendrick DeLeon, Lepolua Dickson, III, Kaleb Washington, Darius Johnson, Desmond DeLeon, Dewayne Dickson, Jr., and Brian Fungwe.

Honorary Pallbearers were Brothers-in-Law; Fred Phillips, Jr., David Russell, David Davis, Travis Phillips, Buddy Adams, and Leonard Bailey.

in death by his mother, Josephine Lauterdale, stepfather, Albert Artisan; father, Robert Williams; grandparents; daughter, Veronica Williams; two sons, Terry Goree and Marvin Goree; grandson Roy Lee Williams, Jr.; and two uncles.

Pastor Williams leaves to cherish his memory; his wife, Sally Williams, three sons, Franks Williams, Jr. (Teresa), Marcus Goree, and Ronnie Goree (Sharron); three daughters, Addie Joe Pride (Glynn), Jill Walker, and Teresa Madison (Emmanuel); twenty-seven grandchildren, fifty-two great grandchildren, seven great-great children; a host of other relatives and friends.

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On Sunday morning, July 16, One thing the Church can do is pray! Faith is the key and faith 2017, church services at the New Light Baptist Church, unlocks the door. Ask yourself 3013 Idalou Road, where the what can the Church do? If we proud pastor is the Rev. Kenneth would come together we will O. Jackson, got underway with find out that prayer changes

When we take our eyes off Jesus, anything can happen. Prayer changes things!!

The Church needs to come together and pray one for another. If we honestly pray, things will begin to really happen.

It doesn't matter what you go through, prayer really changes things. No matter how bad it may appear!

from happening. It will change sickness, move mountains, people problems, and change your

Prayer will stop bad things

Pastor Kenneth O. Jackson, the song, 'TROUBLE IN MY WAY' was sung by the congregation.

Pastor Frank Albert Williams Passes Away In Lamesa

Lamesa, Texas -- Funeral services were held for Pastor Frank Albert Williams on Wednesday afternoon, July 26, 2017, at the St. John Baptist Church in Lamesa.

Interment followed in the **Dawson County Cemetery under** the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock. Pastor Williams, age 76 of

Lamesa, passed away Tuesday, July 18, 2017.

He was born March 30, 1941 in Crosbyton, Texas Josephine Lauterdale and Albert Artisan, He was raised by his grandparents in Ralls, Texas.

Pastor Williams has been a pastor for several churches including Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Crosbyton, Texas, Little Zion



Baptist Church in Hobbs, New Mexico, and St. John Baptist Church in Lamesa, Texas. He was always ready and eager to give a sermon.

Pastor Williams is preceded

Michelle Obama Opens Up About The **Racism She Faced As First Lady**

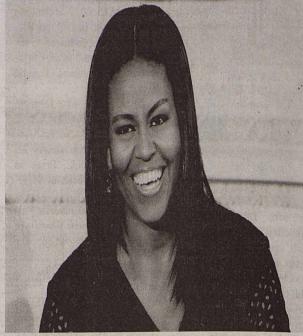
Being the First Lady of the United States is no easy feat, and the added layer of being African-American no doubt dredges up our nation's ugly history of racism.

At the Women's Foundation of Colorado's 30th Anniversary event, Michelle Obama opened up about her experience as America's first Black first lady.

In an interview with WFCO President and CEO Lauren Casteel, Obama discussed shattering the glass ceiling. When Casteel asked which of the falling glass shards cut her the deepest, Michelle Obama eloquently answered, "The shards that cut me the deepest were the ones that intended to cut. Knowing that after eight years of working really hard for this country, there are still people who won't see me for what I am because of my skin color."

She added that she can't pretend like it doesn't hurt because that lets the people who do the hurting off the hook. "Women, we endure those cuts in so many ways that we don't even notice we're cut. We are living with small tiny cuts, and we are bleeding every single day. And we're still getting up."

In a crowd of 8,500 people, Obama encouraged women to seize their power and don't let go. While she didn't address



Michelle Obama

threw some shade at the current administration and warned against the belief that the United States was falling apart. "The people in this country are universally good and kind and honest and decent. Don't be afraid of the country you live in. The folks here are good."

Michelle Obama also reiterated for the millionth time that she will not seek public office.

The WFCO event was a fundraiser for the organization.

Booker T. Washington Park In Lubbock, Texas

President Trump directly, she Lt. Gov. Donna Lynne, former first lady of Colorado and WFCO co-founder Dottie

> President Obama and first lady Michelle Obama have largely stayed out of the public since leaving the White House, but recently emerged on several speaking tours after a post-presidency vacation. Mrs. Obama also spoke at the Partnership for a Healthier America summit in

****** Other invited speakers included Minter & Reed Family Reunion Held In

The Minter & Reed Family Reunion was held at the Booker T. Washington Park in Lubbock, Texas on Saturday, July 8, 2017. This was the 25th year of this family reunion which begun in 1992.

There were approximately 50 family members present. The theme was; 'Fun In The Park.' Our motto is; 'Only The Strong Survive.' Family members traveled from several cities to attend.

Both parents of the Minter family preceded their children in death. They were parents of six girls and one son.

The father was Maxie Eugene Minter who passed away June 1, 1993. The mother was Rosie Lee Minter who passed away October 26, 1983.

Four daughters have passed away; Emma Jean Benson, February 23, 2001; Katherine Gilbert, November 14, 2016; Maryallene Thomas, November 8, 2015; and Liriel E. Minter, March 14, 2017.

This year, everyone wore what they wanted. C. D. player was brought by Patricia Minter. Kids had tents, played basket-

Beyond the Rhetoric Continued from Page 3

going to mess with their very good thing.

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

Mr. JR Jones, Chair of the National Black Chamber of Commerce, is a happy resident of Jackson, MS.

ball, volley ball, and dominoes. Our special guest were; Aunt Roerta Jeffers, Donna Hayes, Xavier Hawkins, Faye Jackson, Angel White, Jaden White,

Prayer was offered by Effie Nelson. Food was served. Our menu this year was Hot Links, KFC Chicken, Boxes of Pizza,

A'yanna Wiley, and Yolanda

Fried Fish, Spaghetti Casserole, White Bread, Corn Bread, Red Beans, Greens, French Fries, Krispy Donuts, and Varsity

We have still living; Auntie Thelma Jo Jackson, Uncle Willie Minter, Sr., and Auntie Earnestine Minter. Our Family wants to say we love you all very much.

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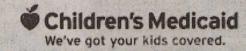
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AN 80TH BIRTHDAY SURPRISE CELEBRATION TO BE CHERISHED & REMEMBERED!!!

Our very own "This-N-That, everyone was together at the otherwise known by his family as-"Paw-Paw" received the surprise of his life. On June 29, he celebrated his 80th birthday, but on June 30th he was overwhemimgly surprised by his family with a surprise birthday dinner and celebration that lasted throughout the entire weekend.

Family members traveled from various cities and states; Mansfield, Houston, and San Antonio, Tx., Toledo, Oh and Eastvale, Ca. The greatest joy This-N-That received was not only having all his family together, but the pleasure of spending time with his grandchildren & great grand-children. This was the first time every-

same time. Another big surprise for This-N-That was the attendance of his Step-Mother, Mrs. Dorothy Collins.

The celebration weekend was held at the MCM Elegante on Ave. Q. Friday night kicked off with the Birthday Dinner. A Proclamation was given to This N-That by his daughter, Shelia Harris from the City of Lubbock and by his son, Thomas Patterson, Jr. from TABCCM.

Saturday morning the family ate breakfast together in the hotel restaurant and the day and evening ended with family fun, food and games. As you can see from the photos, the theme for the dinner was "Western"

which was chosen based on the

love for Cowboy and Western movies that This-N-That has.

Sunday morning the family shared worship service at the Kingdom Life Fellowship and afterwards enjoyed lunch at Golden Corral. The afternoon was spent allowing the great grandkids to release energy by swimming at the hotel. The evening ended with another time of food, fun and games.

Monday morning was check out time as we had to bid farwell to family members traveling back to their homes. What a joyous time we all had and the greatest joy was to see the smile on This-N-Thst's face as he was showered with love from his family. Of course to see his great grands absolutely

melted his heart. If you all know This-N-That, he loves to talk, but this was one weekend he was speechless and tried to figure out how we got the surprise past him. This is one birthday celebration he'll never forget.

Here are just a few of the photos that captured some of the moments. From dining to dancing, we all had a blast!



*The Guest of Honor Arrival

- *This-N-That greeted at the door by his Grand & Great-**Grand Kids**
- *Pictures representing each
- * Dancing with the little stars



* The Birthday Dinner

- * The Breakfast
- * Great-Grands Swimming
- * Family Fun, Food & Game Night
- *Sunday Morning Worship















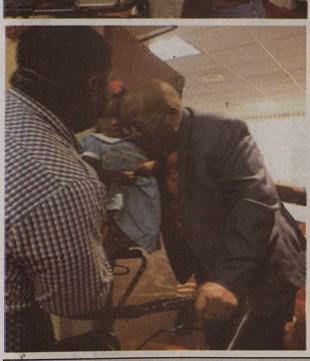


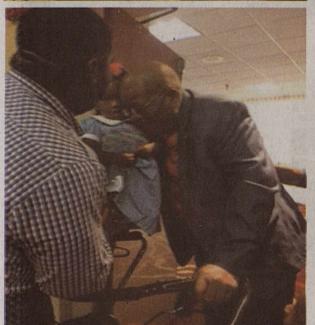


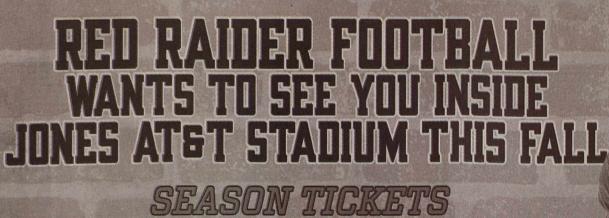




How did we pull it off? Very well planned and carefully executed. Thanks to "DJ Spoon" for spinning the tunes for us, to the Chef at MCM, you slammed it on the food, to the SWD staff and close friends of This-N-That thank you for sharing with us and to the MCM Event Coordinator, thank you for putting up with me. WHAT A TIME-WHAT A TIME!!! Author and Organizer, Avis Patterson







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Simone Biles shares hilarious post-wisdom teeth surgery video

Anyone who has been forced to get their wisdom teeth removed is familiar with that loopy post-surgery feeling as a result of the strong local anes-

Minter & Reed Reunion

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Some family members who were unable to attend this year were Anthony Thomas, Bennie Moore, Jr., and Lornita Thomas. Hopefully, we will see you in 2018. Keep the faith in God!

Congratulations to Effie Nelson! Family members saw you perform as a Clown in the 2017 Annual Juneteenth Parade where the Clowns won 2nd place.

We were glad to have Aunt Roberta Jeffers and Foxye Jackson for bringing her to Lubbock to the Family Reunion. The Minter Family was glad to shower her with Love. She is the sister of our grandmother, Rose

We miss our Aunties who have gone to their Homegoing.

Breakfast was served Sunday morning for Family Members

We want to thank everyone for coming to this Family Reunion in 2017!

Our hats are off to Aunt Earnestness Minter and Aunt Thelma Jackson who had another birthday this year, and Uncle Willie L. Minter, Sr. God bless all of you. Family Members, we love all of you!

Everyone was in a happy mood. Even in the park was Amazing today!

Information will be sent out to the family members about the next Family Reunion. Family Members, let's stay connected with God. A Family that prays together, stays together. Family Members, let's stay connected with God, and keep praying for one another!



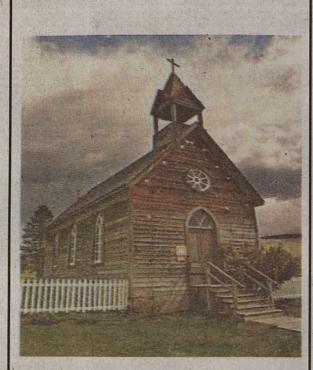
Olympian Simone Biles was dazed and confused after her wisdom teeth were taken out. (Getty)

thetic commonly used during the procedure.

On Thursday, July 20, 2017, five-time Olympic medalist Simone Biles did the world a huge favor by sharing her hysterical post-surgery moment via Twit-

The 20-year-old, clearly more than a little hazy, thought she was stuck in traffic as she sat in her dentist's chair, and yelled gibberish while operating an imaginary wheel and horn.

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I am really excited about this recognition from Inc. Magazine. The day we opened in 2003 we wanted to be the best place to do business and the best place to work in the car business. Our goal today is the same but we have more people on the team now than we did in 2003. I feel if we treat people better than everyone else growth is inevitable. This recognition is affirmation that we have no limits if we continue doing things the right way and working hard every day! " -- Bart Rigago

