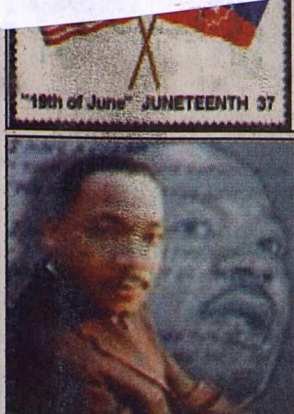


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\* Hub City Kiwanis meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p. m., Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, East 24th Street & MLK Blvd.

\* 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 meets at 7:00 pm, at the New Jerusalem Baptist Church, 3524 East Broadway Avenue on Tuesday evenings.

\* 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.

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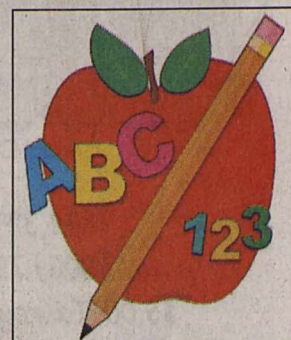
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## Mae Simmons Community Center & Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center Sponsor Rededication Ribbon Cutting



Some of those who were in attendance at the Mae Simmons Community Center's Redevelopment on Tuesday evening, August 1, 2017, with City Councilwoman Shelia Patterson-Harris, District 2, holding the scissors to make the cut. The Lubbock Chamber of Commerce coordinated this Ribbon Cutting.

With more than several hundred District 2 Lubbock residents and other Lubbock residents present at the Mae Simmons Community Center and Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center on Tuesday evening, August 1, 2017, it was a very positive successful Rededication Ribbon Cutting.

Among those present were City Councilpersons; Juan Chadis, District 1; Shelia Patterson-Harris, District 2; Jeff Griffith, District 3; and Karen Gibson, District 5. Also City Manager, Jarrett Atkinson and Parks Director, Bridget Faulkenberry were present.

Refreshments were served after the event.



"We enjoyed this Rededication!"



"Much information was given during Rededication!"

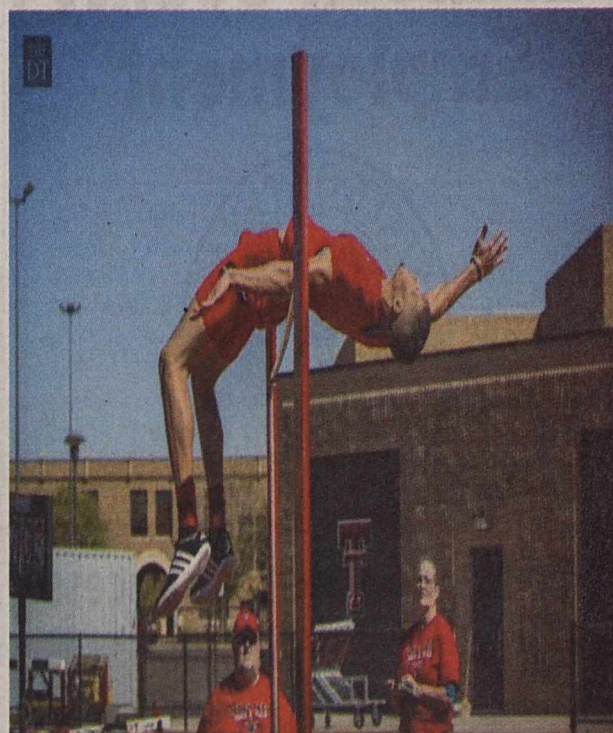
## New Business In District 2, SUP-LBK, In Dunbar Historical Lake Area



Lubbock City Councilwoman Shelia Patterson-Harris With Brent & Velvet Hodges, Owners



There is a new concept for the City of Lubbock: bringing water activities to the many lakes within our city limits and getting people outdoors. And a new business in town is the first one to dive into making that happen. That's why Velvet and Brent Hodges want to bring something unique to the community. "SUP stands for stand up paddle board. And obviously LBK is Lubbock," Velvet Hodges said. Right now SUP LBK is a mobile business, but its' main focus is Dunbar Historical Lake on Canyon Lake Drive in east Lubbock. The Hodges say Dunbar Historical Lake is the last lake of a group of six lakes that have a natural filtration system.



Trey Culver leaps over the bar during the high jump event on Thursday at the Fuller Track and Field Complex. Culver made history on Friday as he was the first Red Raider to be named the Male Field Scholar of the Year by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association.

## Culver Named Scholar Athlete of the Year

Trey Culver was named Male Field Scholar Athlete of the Year as announced by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) this afternoon. This marks the first time in Texas Tech Track & Field history that a student-athlete has earned the honor.

The junior high jumper concluded the year with a 3.387 GPA, an Indoor NCAA Championships high jump title, a Big 12 Outdoor Championship crown and an Outdoor NCAA Championships silver medal.

"It is a huge honor and a blessing," said Culver. "It's a reflection of all the hard work that I put in both on and off the track, and I couldn't be happier or more appreciative."

This is the second time Culver has made Texas Tech history this year, the first being his back-to-back indoor national titles. The two titles also marked this first time in NCAA history that a student-athlete has swept consecutive indoor high jump titles.

"Trey Culver exemplifies what a true student-athlete should be, Head Coach Wes Kitley said. "To be that good athletically and then on top of that a great student, it really shows you what a great individual Trey is."

Additionally, Texas Tech had two males and four females named All-Academic Individuals topped with the women's team earning All-Academic hon-

ors. On the women's side: Zuliat Alli, Jocelyn Caro, Crystal Onwukaife and Reece Timmons all earned individual All-Academic titles.

Seniors Caro and Timmons both had outstanding finishes to their last season with the Red Raiders, both hitting career highs to conclude the year.

"These two seniors are great examples of what we're all about. They have always shown great leadership and are solid examples of what it is like to be a Red Raider."

Alli and Onwukaife had great freshman seasons. Onwukaife represented Texas Tech at the NCAA West Regional in the shot put, while Alli went on to qualify for the NCAA Outdoor Championships in the long jump.

Adding to the count on the men's side is Chancellor Stephenson and Dorian Williams. Both Stephenson and Williams finished their first season at Tech with All-Big 12 Honors.

"I couldn't be more pleased with how our four newcomers (Chance, Dorian, Crystal, Zuliat) came in and bought into the culture of our program. They had great starts here at Tech."

To qualify for USTFCCCA All-Academic honors, the student-athlete must have compiled a cumulative GPA of 3.25 and have met at least one of the following athletic standards:

## Estacado Matadors Celebrates 50th Year!

The Estacado Matadors will kick-off a yearlong celebration of the school's 50th anniversary with a special event on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the Estacado Spectator Gymnasium.

The community is invited to attend as veteran sports journalist and author Al Pickett releases his book, "Mighty, Mighty, Matadors," recounting the stories of the Estacado High School 1964 AAA football championship. The Matadors legendary season took them to a state championship in their first year of UIL varsity competition, coupled with the unique opportunity



Trustee Bill Stubblefield

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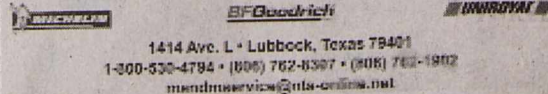


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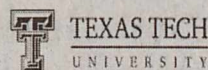
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# In Cinque

By Renetta Howard



## HEMP-CANNABIS-MARIJUANA

I have a bad habit of subscribing to magazines in which it sometimes takes me a couple of years to get around to reading. I stashed them in my 'Reading Room' and just a few days ago, I picked up an April, 2015 Good Housekeeping magazine and began reading a true story about the daughter of Liz Gorman, Maddie, age 8.

Maddie has Lennox-Gastaut syndrome (LGS), a severe form of epilepsy which is very rare. The family had tried everything medically available to them to stop or reduce the number of seizures that their daughter had. They were looking for a miracle. This child usually had about 100 seizures per day. With a leap of faith, Mrs. Gorman moved with her daughter from North Carolina to Colorado to get access to a new controversial treatment with stunning results which she had heard about. Her husband had to stand on his job to support her effort.

This new miracle drug is medical marijuana, a pungent green cannabis oil called Charlotte's Web. The name came from the first American child to be treated with the oil, Charlotte Figi, then age 8. At that time, the oil was only available in Colorado and California. The nation's first observational clinical trial on the oil was at the University of Colorado School of Medicine under the leadership of Dr. Edward Maa, M.D. They felt at that time that it appeared to be safe but they needed more data. Today in 2017, The Cook Children's Hospital in Fort Worth, Texas is doing clinical research with five children and has room for five more. One child travels from Lubbock, Texas to Fort Worth for the treatment. There are a total of 210 patients world-

wide in the clinical trials. It is reported that it does work. These trials are being done basically with children with multiple daily seizures. (Cannabis Oil Trial Ongoing at Cook Children's Hospital, KHOU, July 2, 2017) There is a notation that this is pharmaceutical drug, not the hemp oils which can be purchased on the internet.

I had heard about medical marijuana's use for glaucoma years ago, but more and more information is popping up now about its use for a plethora of ailments including cancer. It seems that this outflow may be a result of several states legalizing the use of marijuana. It would seem that if this plant does have the power of healing that there should be more clinical trials for some of these other ailments and make it available through physicians and pharmacists at a reasonable price for all who need it. I have always heard of the awful things about hemp as the source of the 'hemp head' or 'pot smoker' and never anything good about the plant or its users. If it has the power to cure as these clinical trials are professing, we need to get 'in cinque' and embrace that aspect of the plant.

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### Beyond the Rhetoric by Harry C. Alford Black Diaspora: When Democracies Morph into Tyranny

History shows that we, the children of Africa, have not had happiness or peace for most of our existence on this earth. There has been no other holocaust that has spanned over centuries like ours. In fact, collectively we endure many holocausts depending on which geography we are talking about. During the transition of the massive African slave trade to the western hemisphere there was a holocaust that lasted over 500 years. European explorers landed in North America, South America and Caribbean by the year 1500. Outright slavery started by 1525 with the first slave ship operated by Portugal and blessed by the Pope. We were injected into new areas that would be virtual prisons forcing suppression or merging of our cultures and biological integrities.

From that first launch began a trail of blood/rape and macabre to last until the beginning of the 20th century. Hundreds of millions of children from Africa were sacrificed for the love of exploration/domination and cold-blooded currency. This was hell on earth and reparations will never be settled. Children of Africa remain on the lowest rung of the economic ladder regardless of where they live. Minnesota to Buenos Aires to Bahia to Berlin and everywhere else we, children of Africa will collectively be located on the lowest rung of the national economic ladder regardless of the venue.

Is this status destined to us forever? I don't believe God intends this for us. But, first, we must realize that God will bless the children who have their own. Europe categorized us in a sys-

# THIS N' THAT

by T. J. Patterson

EAST LUBBOCK RESIDENTS ARE TALKING ABOUT WHAT CAN REALLY HAPPEN IF THEY COME TOGETHER!! Over the past few weeks THIS N THAT has heard residents in a very positive posture talk about the many OPPORTUNITIES they see for EAST LUBBOCK!! As they were talking to those listening this can happen and the outcome will change the DEVELOPMENT OF EAST LUBBOCK. Sure it will take time and effort We must believe in what we

want to accomplish and with PRAYER it can and will happen. When we come together and pray WE MUST PUT WORK AND EFFORT TOWARD THE GOAL OR GOALS we set collectively. Now it will not HAPPEN OVER NIGHT but it will happen. THIS N THAT has heard some EAST LUBBOCK RESIDENTS talk about THIS N THAT'S CONCERN about a 5 STAR BANK on the Eastside of Lubbock. It has been a concern of THIS N THAT of this becoming a reality. As

the older citizens would say; 'IF YOU DON'T ASK FOR ANYTHING, YOU WON'T GET NOTHING!!' If you keep on believing then things will happen. You see when WHEN YOU REALLY BELIEVE AND ASK ALMIGHTY GOD TO HELP THERE IS NOTHING WE CAN'T DO!!! DO YOU BELIEVE? When THIS N THAT rides by EAST 23RD STREET & CEDAR AVENUE one gets excited when those new dwellings are seen! It let's you know that its possible! The question is; DO YOU BELIEVE IT CAN HAPPEN??

tem of colonialism. They would destroy any semblance of geographical integrity we respected. They would merge tribes into bundles of chaotic values and traditions forced to co-exist as a single government with boundaries they drew up. Throughout our Motherland there has been a continual stream of conflict, wars, etc. that come to a boil whenever an African nation has a new election.

Our largest populated nation is Nigeria. This nation has endured dictatorships, coups and, currently terror groups like Boko Haram. When will there be peace in Nigeria, the land that lays claim to most of my personal bloodline? The second largest Black population is Brazil. African descendants make up most of this nation's population (55%) but only account for less than 20% percent of the wealth. The poverty and hopelessness is immense and the violence and official corruption leveled at the African descen-

dants is just plain hateful. This nation is majority Black and the elected official base is over 90% white. The system is rigged!

It is election time in Kenya, August 8, 2017. That means one thing. Blood is going to "flow". The Kikuyu's, Luo's and the other two dozen tribes will start their age-old rivalries and begin to riot, kidnap and torture political rivals. These are not subtle rituals or competitive events. Stay out of Kenya until this election is officially "settled". The national official who oversees the election management process went missing until they recently found his tortured dead body.

Remember when peace came to Zimbabwe and Robert Mugabe became the elected President. That was decades ago and guess what? This dictator is in his 90's in age and will not leave his "throne" until death and the next dictator will step up. Once known as the "Bread Basket of Africa" it is racked with a de-

plorable economy not being organized enough to adequately feed its own people.

It has been said that the Congo is the richest region in the world. Why is it one of the most violent, disorganized, impoverished and least governed nation in the world? Every multi-national crime organization is pillaging the precious metals lying in the ground of this region while its citizens suffer poverty, hunger and hopelessness. Where is the United Nations? Hardly noticeable. Beware of the UN troops in this area. They are mostly known as rapists and ogres.

We, people of African descent, inhabit more than a hundred nations in this world. Our diaspora may rival that of China. However, unlike the China diaspora that is rich in entrepreneurship, organization and self-made wealth, we are disorganized, and lacking in self-sufficiency. I pledge to my ancestors (now that Continued on Page 6

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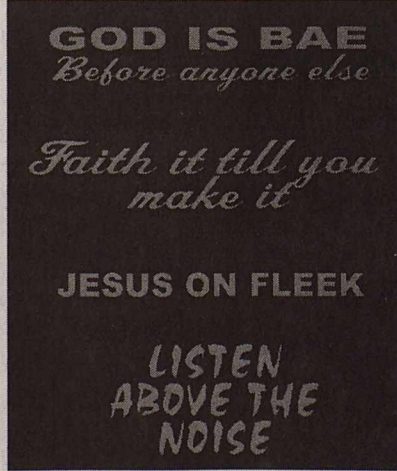
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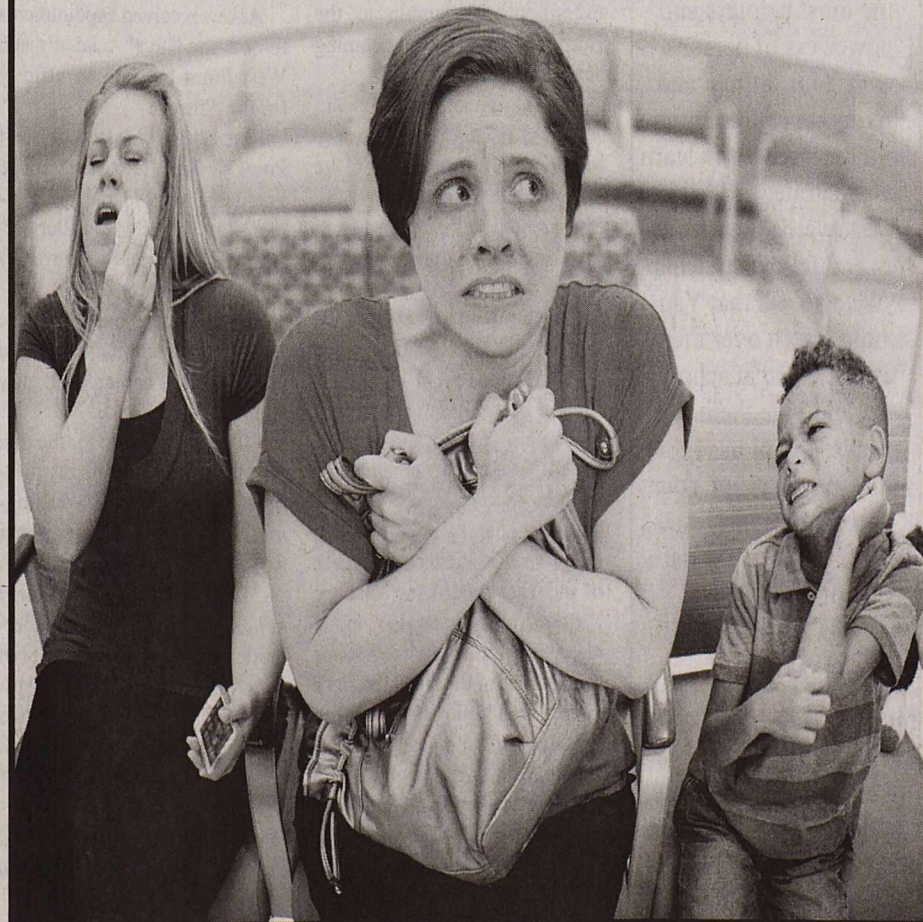


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## Sister of Lubbock Man, Annie Love Henry-Fain, Dies In Palestine, Texas

Palestine, Texas — Funeral services were held for Annie Love Henry-Fain on Tuesday morning, July 25, 2017, at the New Fellowship Christian Church with Rev. Johnathan B. Strange, Pastor/Officiant.

Interment followed in the Memorial Cemetery in Palestine, Texas under the direction of McCoy Funeral Home of Palestine.

Fain, age 97 of Palestine, Texas, passed away on Sunday, July 16, 2017.

She was born June 16, 1920 to the parentage of Rev. Enoch Walnon Henry and Ophelia Spencer Henry in Palestine, Texas. She was a lifetime member of Fulton Street Christian Church until the new church was built, becoming New Fellowship Christian Church where she was the announcing clerk/publicity



coordinator.

She held an associate's degree from Mary Allen Junior College in Crockett, Texas and received her nursing license for LVN at Memorial Hospital. She also received her certification

### Beyond The Rhetoric

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I am finding out who they are) to do all I can to preach the need for Diaspora Fusion. Maybe one day it will gel and the "children of Mother Africa" can be structured into a viable and productive Diaspora ripe with networking, connections and a sense of cohesiveness like many other Diasporas.

We hold the Garden of Eden and the beginning of mankind. We should be further along in our evolution than what we are.

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Caraway (Lola Faye), Lockett Caraway (Francis), and Lonnie Caraway, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, two special nieces and a host of other family and friends.

for mid-wife in Anderson County. She delivered many babies at home. Annie also worked for Dr. H. D. Patton as office nurse for several years and later for Dr. J. Don Jackson until she retired.

Annie united in holy matrimony with Cleo Fain, Sr. in December 7, 1958, and to this union one son was born, Cleo Fain, Jr.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 43 years; four sisters, Cora L. Jackson, Carol Boyd, Betty J. Cannon, and Ruthie M. Jackson; and two brothers, Dr. Kenneth Henry and Rev. Enoch W. Henry, Jr.

Annie leaves to forever cherish her memories; a son, Cleo Fain, Jr.; daughter-in-law, Regina Fain; three granddaughters; Amber Phillips, Allison Phillips, and Devona Love Phillips; one great-granddaughter, Hannah Phillips, all of Ohio; one sister, Mattie Ester of San Francisco, California; one brother, Dr. Charles Henry (Janice) of Lubbock, Texas; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

### Estacado Matadors 50th Year!

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ies for an integrated team to unite a community. The book's author and members of the 1968 Matador team, Superintendent Berhl Robertson Jr. and other dignitaries will be present for the celebration event.

Trustee Bill Stubblefield, District 2, says, "We invite you to come to this event, We're proud of this accomplishment by the Estacado Matadors!"



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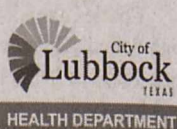
Gladys leaves to cherish her memory her sons, Albert J. Evans (Michelle), Micheal Henderson, and Kenneth Henderson (Debra); daughters, Linda Hobdy (Charles), Cleopatra Bonner, and Alisa George (Eric); brothers, Jim A. Turner, Jr. and Donald G. Turner; sisters, Shirley Gipson, Mary Louise Walker, Dorothy Turner, and Diane Turner; seventeen grandchildren, thirty-three great grandchildren, and one great great grandchild; three special nieces, two special nephews, three special friends (Minnie Bethany, Ruth, and Carlos Vasquez); a host of other relatives and friends.

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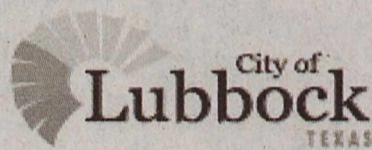
## Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goals for Federal Fiscal Year 2018-2020

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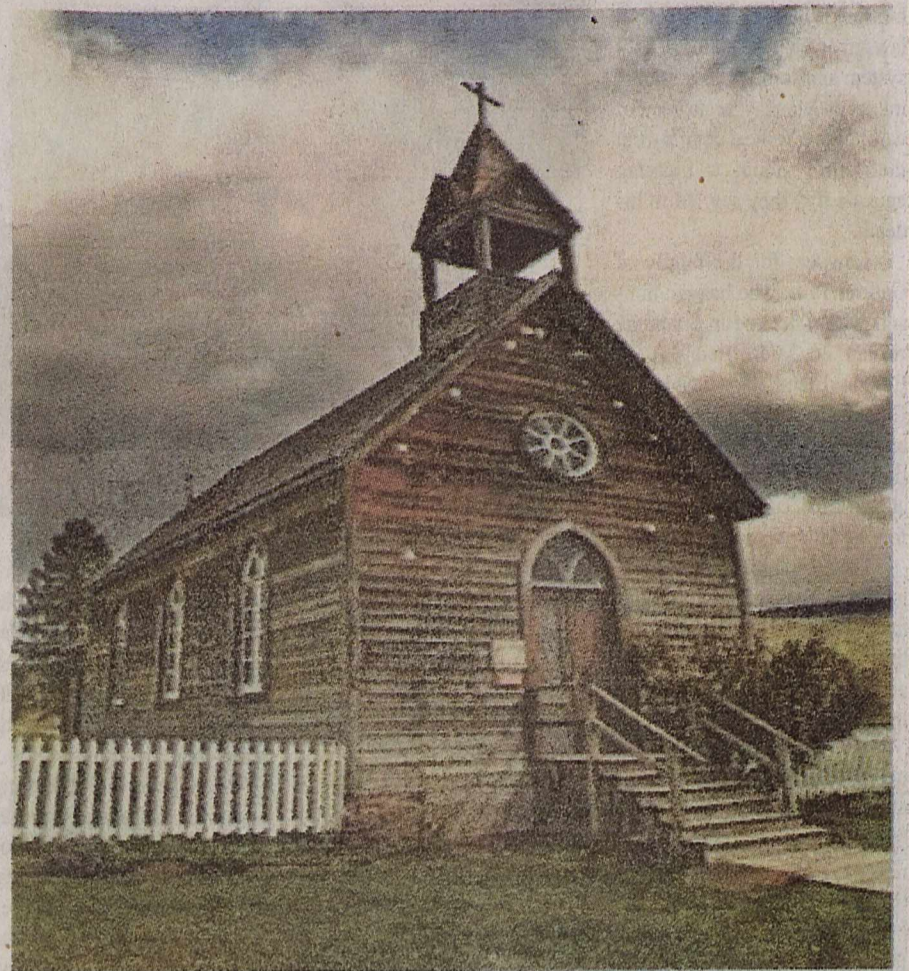
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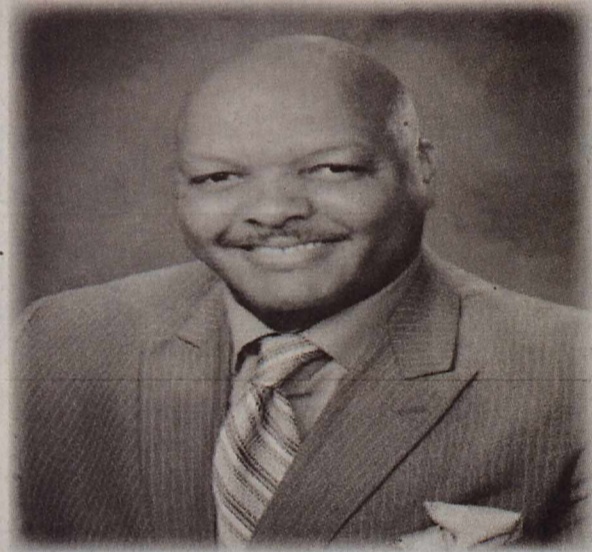


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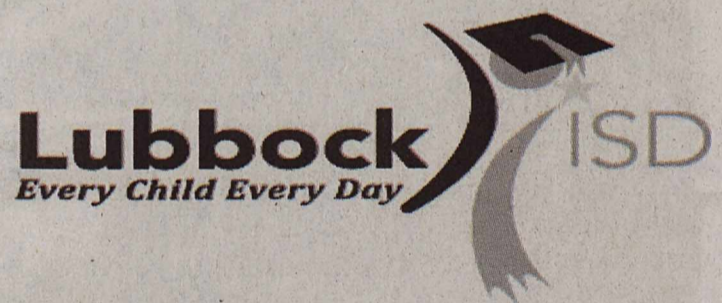


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## Family of 8-year-old Ohio boy who killed himself sues school system over his death

Family members of an 8-year-old Ohio boy who killed himself in January filed a federal lawsuit against the child's school system and some of its administrators on Monday, accusing it of withholding critical details from the family about a bullying episode that they say led to his death.

Lawyers for the family of Gabriel Taye, who hanged himself with a necktie in his home on Jan. 26, said officials at the Carson Elementary School in Cincinnati "recklessly and deliberately withheld vital information" about a school bathroom attack that occurred two days before he killed himself.

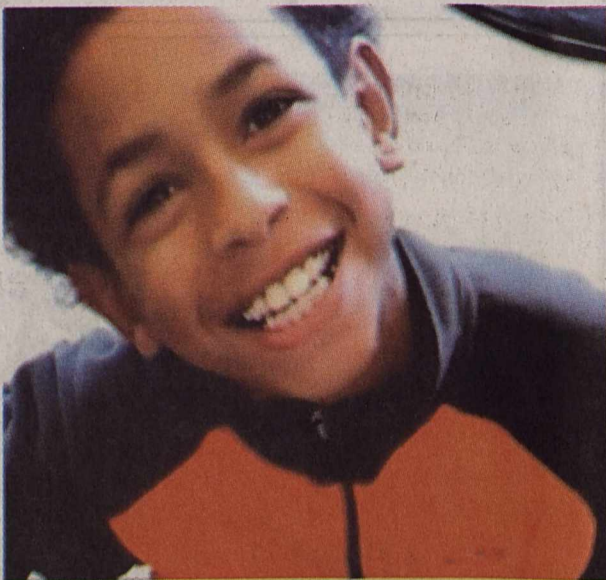
The assault left Taye, a third-grader, unconscious for more than seven minutes, according to the family members, who have accused the school of covering up the episode.

School officials "deliberately withheld vital information from his mother, including that he had been assaulted, lost consciousness for a considerable period of time and was at risk of a serious head injury. Defendants informed his mother only that Gabe had fainted in the boys' restroom and had recovered completely," according to the lawsuit.

That concealment "prevented his mother from seeking appropriate treatment. Had she known of the extreme violence at Carson, she never would have continued to send him to school there," the suit alleges.

In May, Cincinnati Public Schools released surveillance video recorded Jan. 24 outside a boys' bathroom at Carson, which the family's attorney, Jennifer Branch, says shows other students attacking Taye.

Mary Ronan, who earlier this month retired as Cincinnati Public Schools superintendent, said in May that the video shows



Gabriel Taye

only that Taye fainted and it doesn't demonstrate any connection to his death, according to WCPO, ABC's Cincinnati affiliate. She also denied the accusation that he was attacked, WCPO reported.

The family's 41-page civil rights and wrongful death lawsuit names as defendants the Cincinnati Board of Education, Ronan, Carson School Principal Ruthenia Jackson and its Assistant Principal Jeffrey McKenzie.

According to WCPO, McKenzie has resigned from his post, and Jackson was assigned to another school in the fall.

Cincinnati Public Schools released a statement in response to

the lawsuit on Monday, calling the death "tragic." It added, "Now that litigation has been initiated, we offer no further comments regarding this matter at this time."

"As we have stated previously pertaining to Gabriel's passing, our hearts are broken by the loss of this child, and our thoughts are with his parents and extended family. He was an outstanding young man, and this is a great loss for his family and our school community," the school said Monday.

Prosecutors investigated Taye's death and closed the case without charges. The coroner ruled his death a suicide.



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