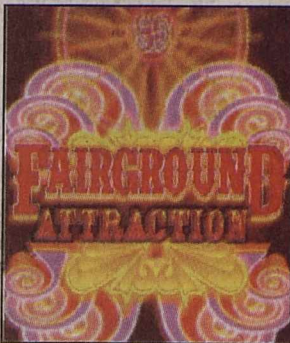




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## Community Meetings

\* 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 Church, East 24th Street & MLK Blvd.

\* Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm.

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\* 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  
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workforce demographics report earlier this year. They were commended for doing so, and so far, experts say they are the most aggressive at addressing the issue.

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## The Lewis Sisters' 27th Reunion Held In San Antonio, Texas



The Lewis Sisters

San Antonio, Texas -- 27 years of love, fun, and happiness were displayed during the Lewis Reunion held in San Antonio this year.

This reunion is in honor of their Mom who passed away 30 years ago. Their Mom and the sisters got together once a year. SISTERS ONLY! NO HUSBANDS! NO KIDS! Just the Sisters. They have kept the tradition going.

They had a BLAST like always! It's always Christmas in July. When they first begun, their reunion would buy a gift for each sister, and would return home with 7 or 8 gifts each. But that grew to more gifts than they had room to carry. Now, the Lewis Sisters purchase one gift and pick a number which is so much better. This becomes their

Christmas in July!

There are eight Lewis Sisters, blood sisters; four live in Lubbock, Texas; two reside in Fort Worth, Texas; one lives in Corpus Christi, Texas, and one lives in San Antonio, Texas.

The Lewis Sisters visited the Tower of America, which was an awesome 750 feet high. Some sisters were scared; one sister lost her voice because of the height, and a couple didn't want to get on the elevator. While at the Tower, the sisters watched three 40 minute movies while they were there. They will tell you this was different, and it seemed so real!

The Lewis Sisters attended Living Faith Community Church on Sunday morning. That was a blessing! The Lewis

Sisters always thank God for their 91 year old Dad, George Lewis. They want the world to know that he's the greatest! The sisters would tell you if it wasn't for their Dad, none of this would have happened. The Lewis Sisters have one brother, Curtis!

While in San Antonio, the Lewis Sisters visited several comedians which were hilarious!! In their hotel room, they cooked their breakfast and dinner. While together one night in the hotel, they played JACKS! How many of you remember Jacks?

The Lewis Sisters will tell you the Reunions are getting better and better every year! Each Sister believes their Reunion is a gift from God. They encourage all families to Love and Cherish each other!

## First Progressive Baptist Church Outreach Program



The Outreach Ministry of First Progressive Baptist Church was held Saturday evening, August 19, 2017 to reach the massive with the message of God's love, one community at a time. Stone Hollow Village's young and old showed up for food, fun, games and swimming as well as prayer

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## Who Killed The Church? Well Received By Those Who Were In Attendance Of This Gospel Comedy Play

There was a very large crowd of local citizens who were in attendance to observe the many talents of the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church members. These dedicated church members did an outstanding job in performing in a Gospel Comedy Play, "Who Killed The Church?"

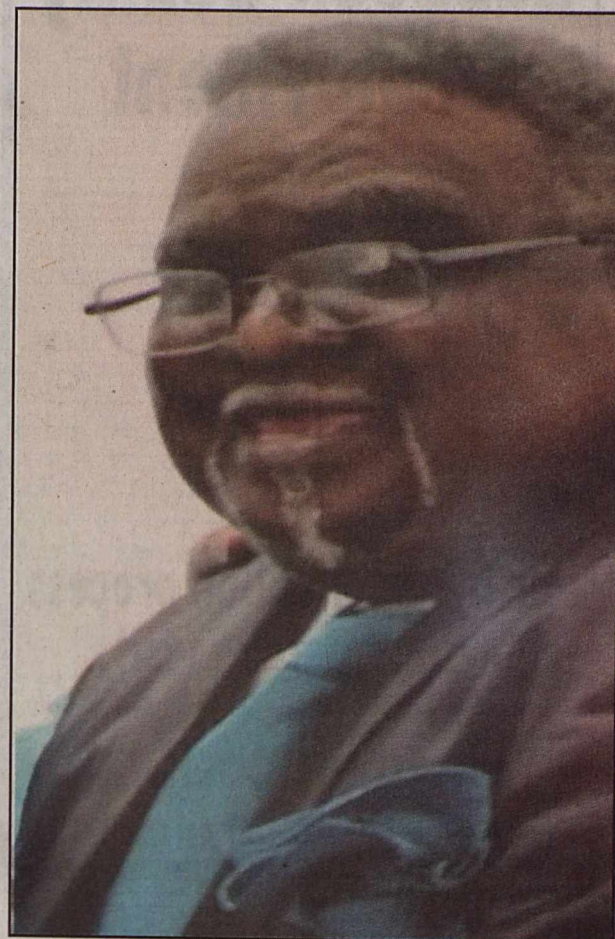
After many hours of practice, the actors and actresses came forward and did a splendid job. This presentation took place on Saturday evening, August 19, 2017, at 2202 Southeast Drive.

There were cheers, chuckles, praise, and smiles when these twenty-three participants began their effort.

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Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church Members Were Stars



Rev. Billy Ray Moton

## Former New Hope Baptist Church Pastor, Rev. Billy Ray Moton, Passes In Fort Worth, Texas

Fort Worth, Texas -- The funeral services for the Rev. Billy Ray Moton were held on Saturday afternoon, August 26, 2017, at the New Breed Christian Center with Elder Jeffery Brown as the Officiant. Bishop Ontario L. Jones, The Church at Philadelphia, as Eulogist. Interment followed in Cedar Hill Memorial Park in Arlington, Texas under the direction of Gregory W. Spencer Funeral Directors of Fort Worth.

Rev. Moton, age 67, passed away on Thursday, August 17, 2017.

Rev. Moton was born March 27, 1950 in Northport, Alabama to Mattie Lou Moton. He was the oldest of six children. At an early age, Rev. Moton accepted Christ as his personal Savior at First Baptist Church in Northport.

Rev Moton graduated from Riverside High School in Northport in 1969. He attended Alabama A&M University and became a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in History and Political Science in 1973. He accepted a position with the Internal Revenue Service as a Revenue Officer in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Upon arriving in Pittsburgh,

Rev. B.R. Moton united with Ebenezer Baptist Church. He became the youngest chairman of the Board of Trustees at Ebenezer.

Rev. Moton accepted the call to preach the Gospel in 1975. He became the first son of Ebenezer under Rev. Dr. JVA Winsett. He enrolled in the Pittsburgh Extension of the American Baptist Theological Seminary where he distinguished himself as a top student, and later became an instructor. Rev. Moton was ordained to the Gospel Ministry in 1976. In 1977, he accepted the call to full time ministry as Pastor of Christ Missionary Baptist Church in Pittsburgh. He served there until August, 1989, when he was called to pastor New Hope Baptist Church in Lubbock, Texas. He served in this capacity until his retirement on May 25, 2015. He then relocated to the Dallas-Forth, Texas area, and united with The Church At Philadelphia (TCAP).

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## Estacado High School Celebrates Its 50th Homecoming

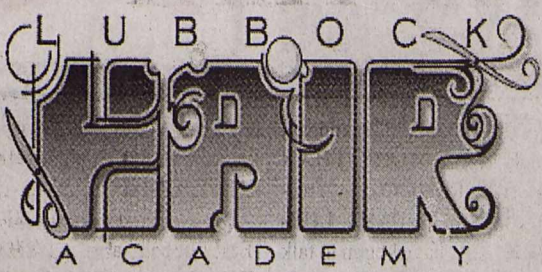
Estacado High School's homecoming week will be held-September 18-22, 2017, and will also feature several opportunities for additional community involvement:

Thursday, September 21: The homecoming parade will begin at 2:55 p.m. heading north from the corner of Martin Luther King Blvd. and Parkway Dr. and ending at Estacado High School. A community tailgate will follow the parade at 4 p.m. in the back parking lot near the Estacado High School football field.

Friday, September 22: The homecoming pep rally will be at 2:45 p.m. in the EHS main gym. The homecoming queen will be crowned at halftime of the 8:00 p.m. football game against Lubbock High School at Lowrey Field - Plains Capital Park.

Everyone is invited to attend these historical events!

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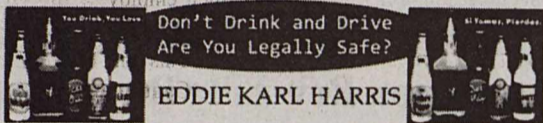


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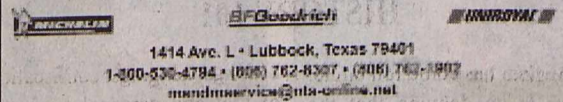


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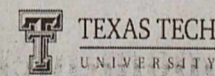
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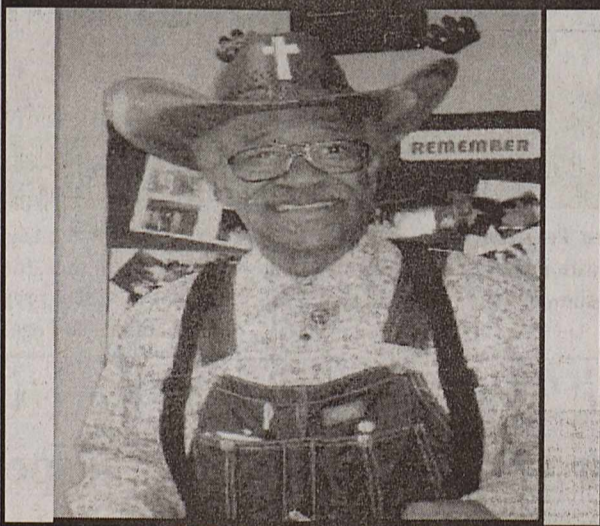
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# In Cinque

By Renetta Howard



## HISTORY 101

Racism has come full circle. There is no denying that the Charlottesville protests which ended in the death of one anti-protester and the wrong tweets and statements from the 45th President of the United States, has shown that there are many Americans of all colors and ethnic groups who do not embrace blatant RACISM.

One thing we need to remember is the fact that many of the statues which have been erected honoring Confederate heroes were built AFTER THE CIVIL WAR WAS OVER. The supporters of the Confederacy did not want slavery to end. The descendants of some of those same supporters and their friends still do not want to see the descendants of slaves free and equal. Defeated in war, coerced to be a part of the UNION and actively participating did not make the hearts of the Confederate citizens feel any different about people of color.

Amendments to the U. S. CONSTITUTION: Article XIII abolished slavery; Article XIV gave citizenship to slaves; Article XV gave former slaves the RIGHT TO VOTE. Though these Amendments to the Constitution were ratified the Confederate states have in every way possible, attempted to nullify the law with local and state laws which violate the U. S. CONSTITUTION.

In 1896, the case of Plessey v. Ferguson cemented separation and segregation in the United States. It has only been in the instances of violations and challenges to cases which have gone to the courts of the United States which have had any impact on the gaining of these rights for people of color.

Black people have suffered

beatings, hangings, confiscation of real and personal property, rape and rage, murder and every kind of scandalous incidences possible and still rise to the occasion to be citizens. It has been through the efforts of individual pioneers and organizations like the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and The Southern Poverty Law Center that strides have been made to accomplish equality for all people. Civil Rights Acts which should not have to be passed have also been put into play to right laws already on the books. Legislation has not changed the hearts of racist and haters. The greater power of God working through the good hearts of law abiding individuals is the only thing which actually has helped to achieve the greater good for all people in this country.

The Southern Poverty Law Center has been keeping track of hate groups for years. In the spring, 2017, Vo.47, No.1 issue of the SPLC REPORT they identified 917 hate groups throughout the United States, with the largest concentration in the East and Southern part of the United States. The largest group was the Black Separatist. Next were the Ku Klux Klan followed by the Anti-Muslim and White Nationalist then the General Hate, Neo-Nazi, Racist Skinhead, Anti-LGBT, and the Neo-Confederate.

The organization's headline for the spring issue was "SPLC fights back against bigotry in White House." The sub-headline was: "Hate groups rise, fueled by Trump campaign." Since the Charlottesville unrest, the President's closest adviser, Stephen Bannon, accused by many to be the spearhead of the

## Beyond the Rhetoric by Harry C. Alford Obama Presidential Center – How Black Will It Be? – Part 2

This monumental piece of construction and architecture is well into the planning phase. The architects have been named and the interviewing phase for the Construction Management should be announced within the next couple of months. So far, I see nothing that would lead me to believe that diversity is going to be a focus point for this \$1.3 billion project. This may become a typical Chicago style construction project. That means virtually no Black employment or contracting. The fact that the Chicago market is ripe for discrimination makes this a dismal outlook to begin with. Corruption and discrimination are "first cousins". The construction market of Chicago is, perhaps, the most concentrated form of construction discrimination in the United States. The crime and blight of this city is "fanned" by this sorry fact.

This dismal state makes Black employment in the Windy City anemic. Black neighborhoods bleed from it. This project will become a case study about the effects of Jim Crow style discrimination in the 21st century. It is important that we show how

protest, has left the White House according to the media. Whether he has left Trump's program is another question, or answer. With the possibility of war looming in the near future, our Congressmen need to get 'in cinque' and realize that now is the time for national action to do whatever is necessary to have a sane individual in the White House for the establishment of peace at home and abroad. We need to contact them to make certain.

# THIS N' THAT

by T. J. Patterson

THIS IS NOT THE TIME TO SIT BACK AND QUIT! JUST THINK WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF A 5 STAR BANK WAS DEVELOPED IN EAST LUBBOCK!!

awful things are when construction unions "rule the day" in an urban center. It is almost a certainty that this endeavor will be declared a "Project Labor Agreement" which means union rules will be applied. PLA's are expensive, disruptive, and discriminatory. This was one of the big complaints when the City of Chicago competed for the 2016 Olympics. They said there will be a PLA on the construction and that led to many people saying they didn't want it to come to Chicago.

President Obama is a big fan of construction unions. He will be determined to put a PLA on this project and that will have a terrible effect on his legacy. Maybe this will be a very important moment for our Black architectural and construction companies. We are going to call it out systematically and perhaps file discrimination lawsuits as the ugly truth will emerge.

I hope I am not sounding too

depressive but, my people, this is real! The City of Chicago is over 60% minority. Any major construction project will not employ more than 8% Black employment participation. It can't get any higher because the employment rolls of the union trades do not have sufficient numbers of Blacks participating. This will not change until one day the US Department of Labor starts decertifying construction unions for discrimination. When will that happen? The Department of Labor is part of this problem. The minority population of this nation is over 30% but you won't see an assigned goal for any project to exceed 12%. That is not equal employment opportunity! 30% population versus 12% goals is a clear indication of why the unemployment levels for Blacks and other minorities are significantly higher than for whites.

Our mission must be to make this major construction event

there would be an opportunity for ..... EAST LUBBOCK RESIDENTS ..... to work with others who live outside the East Lubbock area.....THIS N THAT ..... really believes by coming ..... TOGETHER WITH PRAYER ..... something will happen!!!

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THIS N THAT ..... is praying for those who are living in Houston, Texas ..... to continue to hang in there! Although ..... HARVEY HURRICANE ..... did much damage .... but with the help of ..... GOD ..... it will be alright! May ..... GOD ..... continue to be with them as ..... TEXAS MOVES ON!!

different than the norm. It is time to stop taking it Black people! After the last major expansion of Midway Airport in Chicago, a "whistle blower" sent me the final EEO report for the project. This is what I wrote after reading the report: "I once received the final EEO-1 report on Midway Airport (Chicago) after their last major addition which was construction via a Project Labor Agreement. The report showed very little Black participation and very little local employment for the City of Chicago. It was amazing that a large city that is majority minority had so little minority representation. There were a noticeable number of workers from Iowa, Wisconsin, Michigan, and Indiana. The people of Chicago were ripped off. Oh! If they only knew which one of their employees slipped a copy of their report to me?"

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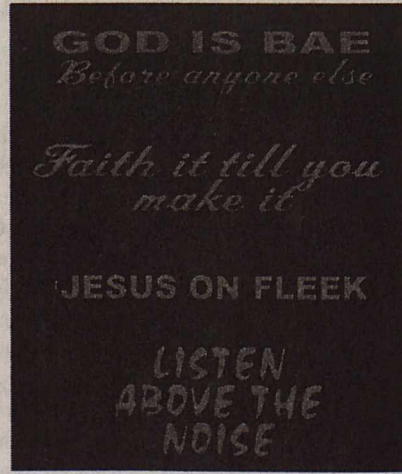
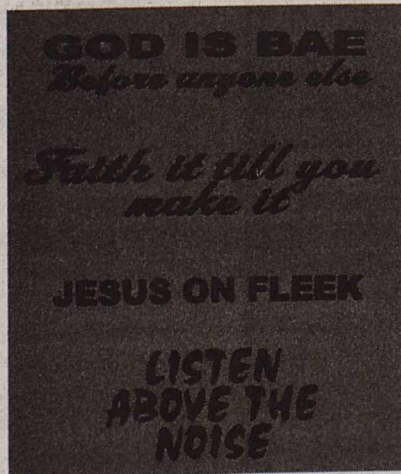
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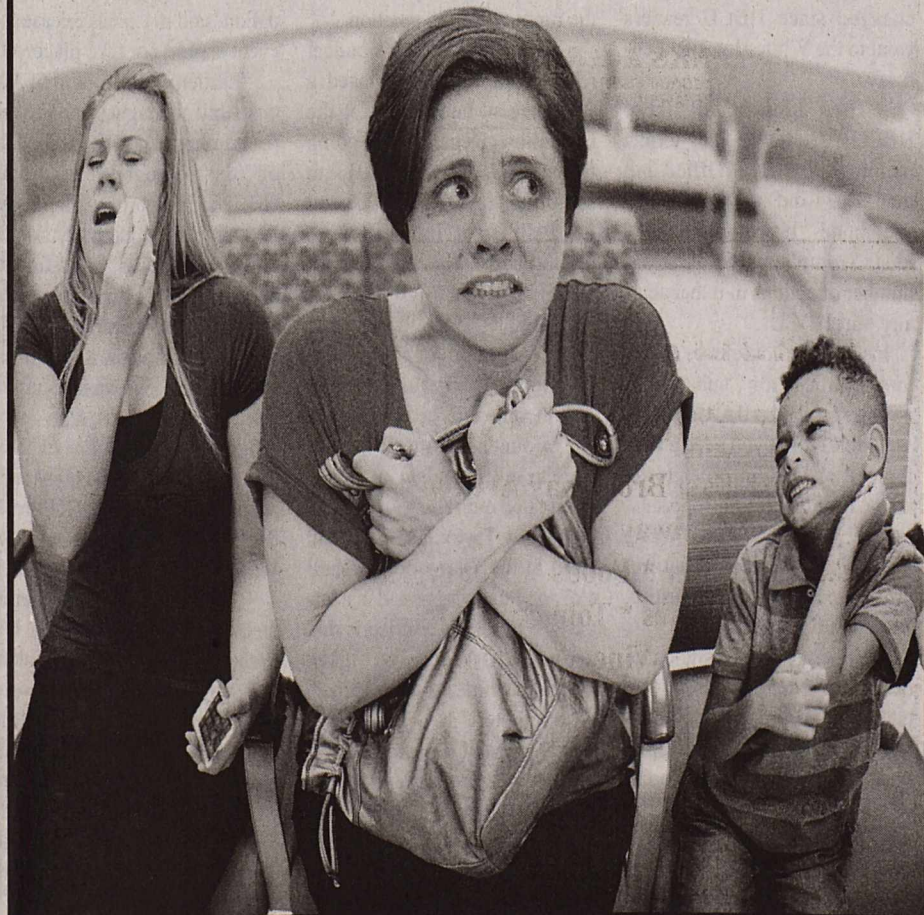


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**\*\*\* DO YOU LOVE GOD???**

When AMERICA started out, SHE WORSHIPPED AND PRAISED THE ONLY TRUE GOD, THEN SHE increased with WISDOM AND MANY RICHES; SHE THINKS SHE'S GOD!!!

**Revelation 3:13-17** -- Jesus said, He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit said unto the churches. Because you say, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and know not that you are wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked.

**AMERICA DOES HEART, EAR, NOSE, AND KIDNEY TRANSPLANTS; SHE THINKS SHE'S WISE, BUT THAT'S WHAT THE BIBLE CALLS A FOOL, WHEN THEY'RE WISE IN THEIR OWN EYES.**

**Proverb 12:15** -- The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, but he that listens unto counsel is wise.

**\*\*\* ARE YOU LISTENING???**

**AMERICA CAN'T SEE SHE'S IN TROUBLE; THAT EVEN A BLIND MAN SEES.**

**SHE'VE TURNED HER MIND, HEART, AND SOUL FROM GOD. LOOK, SHE'S IN MISERY!!!**

**Isaiah 1:7** -- The Lord said, Your country is desolated, your cities are burned with fire. Your land, strangers devour it in your presence, it is desolated, as overthrown by strangers.

**AMERICA'S miseries came. SHE LIKE ADAM AND EVE, WANT TO DO IT THEIR WAY. WENT OUT AND GAVE PEOPLE THEIR RIGHTS, BUT THAT WAS NOT GOD'S WAY!!!**

**Luke 19:14** -- Jesus said, His citizens hated him (JESUS), and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this man (JESUS) to reign over us.

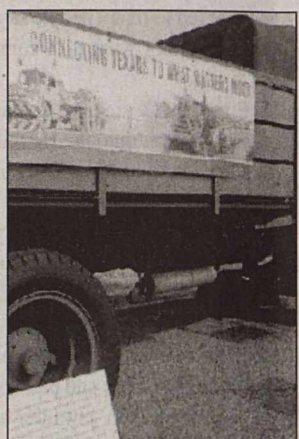
**(AS I WATCH THE BLACKS IN THE STREETS, RAISING HELL OVER THE STATUES OF ROBERT E. LEE. HE'S PART OF HISTORY. WILL YOU GET RID OF MY BROTHER, LONZY LEE? THERE IS A CITY IN TEXAS CALLED ROBERT LEE. WILL YOU GET RID OF IT ALSO?? YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT OFFENSIVE IS. OFFENSIVE IS WHEN SLAVES HAD A CHAIN AROUND THEIR NECKS. 2 FEET BETWEEN EACH MAN WHEN THEY CAME TO AMERICA. CHAINS SHOULD BE HATED BY EVERY BLACK MAN!!! BUT YOU'LL LOVE THEM AROUND YOUR NECKS.**

**EVEN MY DOG DOESN'T LIKE THE CHAIN ON HIS NECK!!!**

**The HEATHENS RAGE, BECAUSE THEY DON'T KNOW GOD. READING TOO MUCH FACEBOOK, THEY NEED TO TAKE TIMEOUT, AND READ THE HOLY BIBLE, WHICH IS GOD'S HOLY BOOK!!!**

**\*\*\* REMEMBER GOD SAID, HE WAS A JEALOUS GOD, VISITING THE INQUITY UPON THE THIRD AND FOURTH GENERATION OF THEM THAT HATE HIM!!!**

**Isaiah 56:10-11** -- The Lord said, His watchmen are blind; they are all ignorant, they are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber. Yes, they are greedy dogs which can never have enough, and they are shepherds that cannot understand: they all look to their own way, everyone for his gain, from his quarter (HIS ANNIVERSARYSSSS!!!)



**St. Matthew Baptist Church**  
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Again, we had a wonderful time in services on Sunday morning, August 27, 2017. Sunday School on Sunday morning was taught by our pastor, Rev. Edward Canady, and what a wonderful job he did.

Our subject for the morning lesson was "Drawing In" Acts 10:19-33. The Unifying Topic was "Called To Be Inclusive."

These services, again were very well attended. Praise God for the knowledge we receive during Sunday School.

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted by Deacon Williams and Rev. Parker. What a time it was!!!

Pastor Canady entered the Church with the Choir and Congregation singing "O How I Love Jesus!"

The morning sermon was delivered by Rev. Canady. His subject was "Hypocrites In The Church." His scripture text came from St. Luke 13:15-17. It was a sermon which was informative and was well received

by all who were in attendance. Let us continue to Praise God for all who were in attendance.

The morning announcements were read and explained by Sister Shirley Canady, our First Lady, who always does an outstanding job. We thank her and love her very much

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

The Missionary Society meets every Wednesday afternoon, beginning at 2:00 p. m.

If you enjoy studying the Bible, then you would continue to learn. Being present among those who feel the same way, it should be extremely rewarding.

Choir Rehearsal is held immediately following the Missionary Society session.

If you are a singer and love to sing, then do come and join the Choir.

Shall we look forward to seeing you at our next Choir practice on Wednesday? Hope so!

Remember your involve-

ment from any of these important meetings is key to our Growth and Development.

So come join us. Shall we depend on you?

Let us continue to pray for sick and shut-in citizens.

Pray for Sister Ethel Williams.

**The St. Matthew Baptist Church is asking anyone who is interested in playing the piano for the St. Matthew Baptist Church. If you are interested, then please call Rev. Edward Canady at (806) 744-2445.**

**Our Thought For The Day: "Only Jesus, the living water, can satisfy our thirst for God."**

Looking for a Church Home, if so then come and visit the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street.

Come and visit with our Pastor, Rev. Edward Canady, who is also our dynamic teacher. Shall we see you Sunday?

## An Observation Made By East Lubbock Resident, Gwen Titus, Traffic Light At Parkway Drive & MLK

Hello everyone, here is an observation I have made and feel that it needs to be brought to the attention of the City of Lubbock Traffic department. Either by call or reporting it on their website if there is a location. Please see the observation below.

Please note that when driving North and South on MLK the Traffic light only allows three cards to safely turn left no matter how many cars are in the turn lane. Once the light turns green for thru traffic, once again only three cars in each lane (2 lanes going south and 2 lanes going north) can safely go thru the light a total of 6 cars. Now that school has started traffic is often times backed up to Community Baptist Church. The north left turn traffic is backed up past 4th street or the Something Fresh Cleaners business. Please join me by contacting the traffic department at the City of Lubbock to voice the concern and request that the time be adjusted for north and south traffic. There is no problem with the East and West traffic for the light allows

20 or more cars to safe pass thru the light.

Once again please observe this wait time at the light for North and South bound traffic and note how many cars can drive thru on green before the caution light comes on. If a

school bus is in these lanes, because of its size/length, then only one other car in that same lane will make the light.

Thank you in advance for your assistance and you are welcome to share this concern/observation with others.

## Lawmakers Call on White House to Postpone HBCU Conference After Trump's Charlottesville Response

"They brought all those HBCUs to town. They took a picture in the Oval Office and then they did nothing," said Rep. Cedric Richmond, chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus.



President Donald Trump welcomes the leaders of dozens of historically black colleges and universities (HBCU) in the Oval Office at the White House in Washington, Feb. 27, 2017. / REUTERS

The White House has no plans to reschedule its conference for Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) scheduled for next month, despite calls from lawmakers and other leaders to postpone the event.

Rep. Cedric Richmond (D-La.), chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC), slammed the Trump administration in a call with reporters on Monday, noting that nothing has changed since HBCU leaders went to the White House in February.

"They brought all those HBCUs to town. They took a picture in the Oval Office and then they did nothing," said Richmond. "If you look at President Trump's budget he has a number of actions in it that actually hurt HBCUs."

Instead of a conference, Richmond called for "substantive policies" to help HBCUs.

"I don't think you need a conference in D.C. in order to do that," Richmond told reporters. Further, he said, "This White House is not serious about improving our HBCUs, our institutions of advancement."

President Trump signed an executive order in February establishing a White House Initiative on HBCUs. But despite fanfare surrounding the order and the White House-HBCUs listening sessions (at which there was "very little listening," according to a subsequent blog

post by Dillard University President Walter M. Kimbrough), no progress has been made, and Trump has not yet assigned someone to be in charge of the initiative.

The Chronicle of Higher Education reported last month that the Trump administration is struggling to find someone willing to lead the effort. A spokesperson for the White House reportedly told the outlet that there are several finalists in the running for the position.

Meanwhile, Trump's budget released in March proposed a 13.5 percent budget cut for the Education Department, going from \$68.2 billion in 2017 to \$59 billion in 2018. HBCUs and the Pell Grant Program were promised no additional funding, and the Pell Grant Program was set to lose its \$3.9 billion reserve fund. Various programs that provide funding for students from low-income and disadvantaged backgrounds to attend school were to be eliminated entirely.

Johnny Taylor, president and CEO of the Thurgood Marshall College Fund, suggested in a letter to White House officials that substantive action be taken rather than hosting a conference, according to HBCU Digest.

"If the event is postponed, we request that the administration use the intervening period to hire an executive director of the White House Initiative on HBCUs and appointing the

membership of the President's Advisory Board on HBCUs; these appointments are necessary first steps for this administration to show its commitment to advancing the HBCU agenda," the publication reported the letter as saying.

Citing "recent events" and inaction from the White House regarding HBCUs, Congresswoman Alma Adams (D-N.C.), chairman of the North Carolina Legislative Black Caucus Foundation, said in a press release the event should not take place yet.

"Earlier in the month of August, my colleagues and I asked the administration for an update on their progress regarding HBCUs. In February, the President signed an executive order outlining greater investments and additional resources for HBCUs. It has become painfully clear that these promises are not being kept. In this current environment, and with zero progress made on any of their priorities, it would be highly unproductive to ask HBCU Presidents to come back to Washington."

Adams did not explicitly mention Charlottesville in her statement. Following the violent rally that left a 32-year-old counter-protester dead at the hands of a 20-year-old white supremacist, Trump insisted there were "very fine people" on the neo-Nazi side of the rally and described violence "on both sides."

## Ezekiel Elliott Drops Bombshell Lawsuit On NFL That Should Have Legs



Well, the other legal shoe has dropped, and sooner than most expected. Before arbitrator Harold Henderson even had a chance to issue his decision on Ezekiel Elliott's six-game suspension over domestic violence accusations, the Dallas Cowboys running back has filed a lawsuit against the NFL in Texas. And while it's early, this lawsuit has legs. Elliott is asking the court to temporarily set aside his suspension pending a final decision by the court. And there's more: Elliott has filed a petition with the court requesting that any discipline issued by Henderson be vacated. In order to get the court to set aside the suspension, Elliott can't focus on the sufficiency of the evidence. Rather, Elliott ...

## Mosquito-Borne Diseases

With the recent rains, the City of Lubbock Health Department (COLHD) is urging people to take steps to prevent mosquito-borne infections. Although the number of mosquito-borne disease cases in this area have been low, we are in peak mosquito season. Mosquito-borne diseases are those spread by the bite of an infected mosquito and include Zika, Chikungunya and West Nile Virus.

There have not been any reports of locally acquired illness, but current environmental conditions are perfect for mosquito breeding. City of Lubbock Vector Control works to keep mosquito populations low by treating mosquito breeding sites to prevent mosquito larva from developing and fogging to reduce the number of adult mosquitoes. In addition to Vector Control, it is very important for the community to remove mosquito breeding sites from around their homes such as dumping containers that collect water, filling in low lying areas that col-

lect water, or covering containers that can't be dumped with wire mesh or a tight fitting lid.

In addition reducing mosquito breeding sites individuals can take the following precautions to reduce mosquito exposure by:

- Wearing an EPA registered insect repellent
  - Covering up with long-sleeved shirts and long pants
  - Keeping mosquitoes out of living areas by using air conditioning or intact window screens
  - Limiting outdoor activities during peak mosquito times
- Symptoms of mosquito-borne diseases include headache, fever, muscle and joint aches, nausea and fatigue. If you are ill and suspect a mosquito borne infection, you should contact your healthcare provider.

For more information on mosquito-borne diseases visit the CDC website at <http://www.cdc.gov/Features/stommosquitoes/index.html>

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# Obsequies

## Bruce Earl Williams

Funeral services were held for Bruce Earl Williams on Saturday afternoon 12, 2017, at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Private disposition was under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Williams, age 54 of Lubbock Texas, passed away Thursday, August 3, 2017.

He was born April 16, 1963 in Lubbock, Texas to the parents of John Lee and Mary Jean Williams.

He attended Ella Illes and Wheatley and Parkway Elementary Schools; Alderson Jr. High and graduated from Estacado High School in 1981.

At Estacado High School is where he learned his life-long skill in wood-work and carpentry. Bruce was also well-known for his resemblance to his favorite actor- Samuel L. Jackson.

Bruce was a dedicated servant of Jehovah God and was a brother in the Lubbock-East Congregation.

Bruce is preceded in death by his father- John Lee Williams, his sister- Johnnie Mae Williams



and his grandparents- Willie and Madie Bell Williams, Mavis Shipman, William Shipman, and Johnny Culver.

Bruce is survived and will be truly missed by his sons, Bruce Earl Williams, Jr. and Antoine Cleaver (Toni); his grandchildren, D'Mari Cleaver, Dashawn Cleaver, and Da'Kaya Carter; His mother, Mary Jean Williams; his brothers, Charles Culver (Ilecia), Mark Anthony Culver (Lisa), Timothy Williams, Johnny Ray Williams, and Heath Williams (Paula); His sisters, Pamela Culver, Vanesa

## Inell Marie Moore

Funeral services for Inell Marie Moore were held on Saturday morning, August 12, 2017, at the Greater Works Evangelistic Church with Minister Reggie Moore as Eulogist. Pastor Billy Moore.

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

Moore, age 66 of Lubbock Texas, passed away Sunday, August 6, 2017.

Inell was born on April 16, 1951 to the parentage of Albert Melton, Sr. and Lovie Mae Ward. Inell enjoyed being with her family.

She worked as a nurse for 37 years at Highland hospital and later to be renamed Grace Medical Center till 2014 when she retired. She will be truly missed.

Inell is preceded in death by her parents, Albert Melton, and Lovie Mae Ward; husband William Moore, and seven brothers, Jones Hardeman, George Howard, Samuel Howard, Charles McDowell, Collier Ward, Simon Ward, and Carroll Ward.

Williams, Lesha Roberts (Matt), Jill Thompson (Harold), Marcie Payton (Leroy), and Gunilla Ross (Brandon); and host of loving and dedicated relatives and friends.

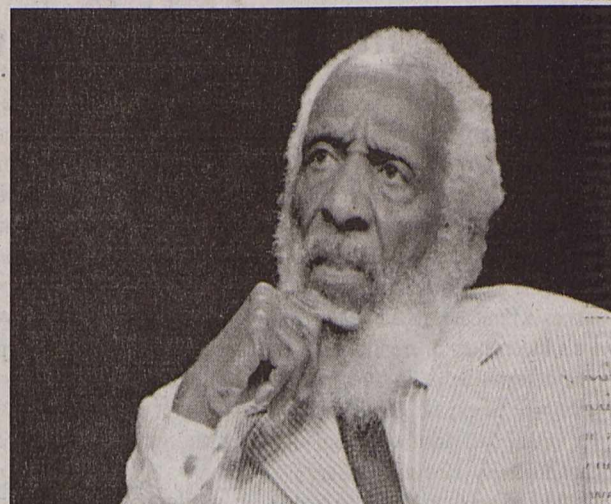


Inell leaves to cherish her memories: three sons, Tyrone Moore (Leanna), Omar Moore (Deena), and Malcolm Moore (Ashley); five grandchildren, four great grandchildren; five sisters, Doris Dalton, Edna Mae Douglass, Mary White (Jimmie), Katherine Melton, and Carla Melton; two brothers, Lawrence "BB" Milton (Wanda) and Douglas Melton; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Active Pallbearers were Shelton Douglass, Cedric Douglass, Larry Douglass, YaBradrick Ward, Jerry McDowell, and Joseph Johnson.

Honorary Pallbearers were Tobias Milton Jaburi Parker, Gerron Moore, Gary Brantley, Lawrence Milton, Patrick Milton, Abdul Ward, Charles Ross, and Richard Willard.

## Dick Gregory Dies At 84



Civil rights activist Dick Gregory, pictured July 21, 2012 in Beverly Hills, died at the age of 85. His cause of death was not immediately known.

Civil rights activist, writer and comedian Dick Gregory died Saturday at the age of 84. His son, Christian, took to Instagram to reveal the sad news. A cause of death was not immediately given, though the family promised to give more details in the coming days.

"It is with enormous sadness that the Gregory family confirms that their father, comedic legend and civil rights activist Mr. Dick Gregory departed this earth tonight in Washington, D.C.," Christian wrote Saturday. "The family appreciates the outpouring of support and love and respectfully asks for their privacy as they grieve during this very difficult time. More details will be released over the next few days."

Christian took to social media to reveal Gregory was hospitalized for an unknown illness. It is with enormous sadness that the Gregory family confirms that their father, comedic legend and civil rights activist Mr. Dick Gregory departed this earth tonight in Washington, DC. The family appreciates the outpouring of support and love and respectfully asks for their privacy as they grieve during this very difficult time. More details will be released over the next few days - Christian Gregory

"My father, Dick Gregory remains hospitalized with a serious but stable medical condition. His prognosis is excellent and he should be released within the next few days," Christian wrote Thursday.

"After feeling ill last Wednesday (August 9th) Mr. Gregory was taken to the hospital. He was evaluated, treated and re-

leased," the statement said; "Showing only minimal improvement we returned him to the hospital Saturday (August 12) he was evaluated and admitted. Balancing a fine line between privacy and his friends and fans (who are his extended family) right to know. We have and will always gladly and freely share this gift with the world."

Christian continued: "When it comes to sickness and disease one's age is highly significant. There is no such thing as a 'simple' condition. In advanced age a simple cold or a simple infection could be catastrophic. At soon to be chronologically 85, my father's true age far exceeds that. A life well-lived but heavily sacrificed, has definitively taken its toll."

"Laughter is truly good medicine," Gregory's son finished. "I've watched my father for a lifetime heal the world. Today he is in need of your healing. We are truly grateful for the phenomenal care he has been receiving. My family and I remain thankful for all of the prayers, positive thoughts, messages and good energy."

Various celebrities and prominent figures flocked to social media to send their condolences. Disgraced comedian Bill Cosby was one of them. "His comedy showed his education, intelligence, and was inclusive of humanitarianism along with great timing," Cosby wrote about Gregory. "The man went off the stage into the arena of Civil Rights worldwide facing his enemies. He was FEARLESS. Rest in Power Dick Gregory."

Singer John Legend also issued a statement. "Dick Gregory lived an amazing, revolutionary life. A groundbreaking in comedy and a voice for justice. RIP," he wrote.

## Tony L. Swoopes

Funeral services for Tony L. Swoopes on Friday afternoon, August 18, 2017, at the Griffin Mortuary Chapel.

Private Disposition was under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Swoopes, 55 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away Wednesday, August 9, 2017.

He was born on March 13, 1962 to Mr. Gene Jordan and Ms. Billie L. Swoopes in Odessa, Texas. He attended the public schools of Ector County, ISD. He was an active member of Trinity Church. Tony was employed as the Maintenance Supervisor for McDonalds.

Tony leaves to cherish his memories, his wife, Desiree Swoopes; his mother, Billie L Swoopes; two sisters, Tisha Bowers and Jennifer Jordan;



three brothers, Cedric Jordan, Gene Jordan, Jr., and Mark Burks; two daughters, Latasha Washington and Michelle Haynes; one son, Michael Haynes; one aunt, Jackie L Hammond; a host of other relatives and friends.

## New Light Baptist Church News

3013 Idalou Road Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson, Pastor

On Sunday morning, August 20, 2017, members of the New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road, were excited about hearing about the goodness of God. The proud pastor is Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson.

Church School started at 10:10 a. m. with Pastor Jackson teaching the lesson entitled, 'Learning To Preach', and its scripture text came from Acts 9:10-20.

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The morning worship begun at 11:00 a. m. with the devoted Praise Team leading the way. The testimony period followed, and the responsive reading which came from Psalm 150:1-6. The altar call was done by Pastor Jackson with the congregation singing 'O' I Want To See Him' and 'It Is No Secret.'

What a time when God's people come together!

Sister Linda Green read all the morning announcements and told of special events which will be taking place in Lubbock. She always does an outstanding job!!

The morning offering was taken up by an appointee.

The melodious voices of the New Light Choir sang; 'Let Your Light Shine,' which was led by Sister Linda Green; and a melody of songs which consisted of 'We Come This Far By Faith,' 'The Blood That Jesus Shed,' 'Old Ship Of Zion,' and 'Shine On Me.'

Pastor Jackson preached the morning sermon. His subject was 'God Will Provide.' His scripture text was Psalm 23:1-6.

We all are going through something; no one is exempt. No one knows the day or

hour, or time of the day when it will be the last.

I Peter 5:8; Be sober and be vigilant because of your adversary. The devil is doing all he can to kill, steal, and destroy.

Something is going on all the time with us!

Storms are gonna come, dark days are gonna come, people are gonna take you through things.

God is still in the business of taking care of our problems. He will see us through it all.

God is still in control. We have the victory. Yea though I walk through the valley of dark days, sleepless nights and etc. God will see us through it.

The Lord is our shepherd. The devil thought he had us, but thanks be God, He gave us vic-

tory. Yea though they continue to talk about my saviour, and etc. God will provide. Thank God today, He's still seeing us through. We walk through problems, make bad decisions, God will provide and see us through it all.

Don't worry what others say or do. He's the Rock of ups, bridge over trouble water. He's our all in all, our first, last; our beginning and end; our alpha and omega.

\*\*\*\*\* After Pastor Jackson's sermon, the song, 'Down At The Cross' was sung!

Praise God for the Sunday morning services. It kept all present to know about God!!

## Teresa Lynn Ridge

Funeral services were held for Teresa Lynn Ridge on Thursday afternoon, August 24, 2017, at Peaceful Garden Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Ridge, age 49 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away Wednesday, August 16, 2017.

She was born May 9, 1968 in Lubbock to Earnest and Thelma Ridge.

Teresa worked for Health and Human Services Commission. She was a member of Mensa, the largest and oldest high IQ society in the world.

Teresa is preceded in death by her parents, Earnest and Thelma Ridge; maternal grandmother, Hulene Craft; and her paternal



grandmother, Virgil Ridge. Teresa leaves to cherish her memories; her son, Tavaris D. Portee; sister, Yvette Lorraine Mitchell; brother, Derek V. Vilalpando; nephew, Michael G.

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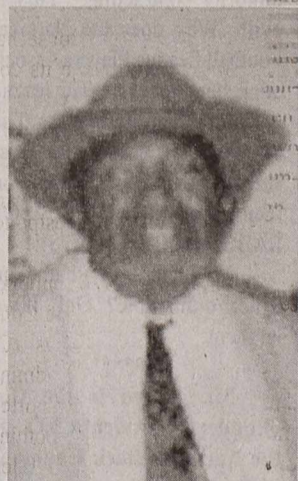
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Worship-10:15 a.m  
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Wednesday: Matthew 7:21  
Bible Class/ Devotional 7:00p. m. How Do We Obey Him?  
Hear The Gospel - Romans 10:17  
Believe -Hebrews 11:6  
Repent of Our Sins - Acts 2:38  
Confess that Jesus is the Son Of God - Act-8:37  
Be Baptized- Mark 16:15-16  
For Transportation Call:  
Charles Curtis at (806) 535-7158  
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## Earnest "Buck" Beamon, Jr.



Funeral services for Earnest "Buck" Beamon, Jr. were held on Saturday afternoon, August 26, 2017, at the New Millennium Baptist Church.

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

Beamon, age 80 of Lubbock, passed away Saturday, August 19, 2017.

Beamon began his life when he was born on May 31, 1937 in Rusty County to Earnest and Ola Beamon. He was employed by D&D investment for forty years where he retired.

He leaves to cherish his memory; his son Bobby L. Johnston (Dee); ten grandchildren, five step grandchildren, two grandchildren, one step son Timothy J. Johnson six step daughter

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Baker; a host of other relatives and friends.

## 'El Diez y Sies de Septiembre' Set To Begin Saturday, September 16th

Fiestas del Llano, Inc. who is the founding organization for the celebration of 'El Diez y Sies de Septiembre' will once again hold its annual celebration Fiestas Patrias in Lubbock. Fiestas Patrias is a celebration that exists as a remembrance of Mexico's Independence from Spain. The celebration of Fiestas Patrias will begin on September 16, 2017 at Landwer-Manicapelli House (Hispanic Culture Center) located on 2525 Cesar Chavez Drive (N. Univeristy Ave. & Cesar Chavez Drive) and continue on Saturday, September 17 at the Reagor Dykes Outdoor Stage at LHUCA Plaza-5th Street & Ave J. This type of celebration has brought the awareness to the general public of the battle of freedom that was won for the Mexican-Mestizo culture.

Fiestas del Llano, Inc. has sponsored Fiestas Patrias for 29 years in various venues for the celebrations. The first celebrations of Fiestas Patrias began with celebrations at local churches then moved to local parks then to different locations of the city.

The celebration will begin on Friday, Sept 15 at 7:00 p.m. with the Grito de Dolores ceremony. This ceremony is the reenactment of Father Hidalgo's declaration of Independence from Spain.

A Parade will begin the activities for Saturday, Sept 16 starting at 10:00 am. Parade route will start at Broadway & Avenue V traveling east on Broadway up to Avenue M and then turn north up toward east-

side of the Civic Center parking lot. All non-profit organizations, schools, any type of clubs, athletic teams, businesses, political groups, politicians are encouraged to participate in the parade.

Crowning of the next **Reina Hispana de Lubbock** will take place on Saturday, Sept 16. The Reina Hispana Pageant Committee is currently looking for female contestants ages 17-24.

**Fiesta Patrias** main celebration will begin on Saturday, Sept 16 starting at noon at the Reagor Dykes Outdoor Stage at LHUCA Plaza. The main celebration will consist of local bands including traditional Mariachi groups and Folklorico dancers. There will also be food vendors including Food Trucks and a Children's Area.

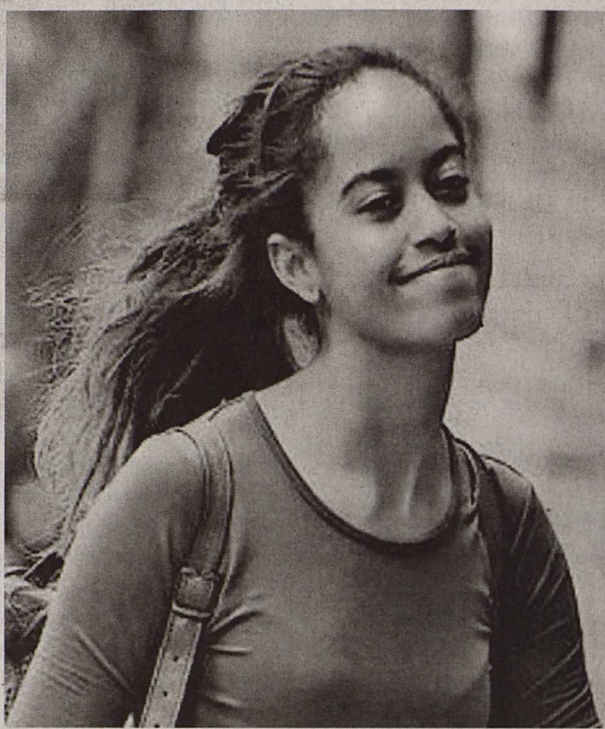
All of the events will be free. The organization feels that pro-

viding the free outdoor event will attract more families to enjoy the richness of the Mexican-Mestizo culture without reservation of cost.

The organization is striving to bring back the traditional celebrations from its conception. Fiestas Patrias strives to maintain cultural purity in music, dance, and art. Our goal is to educate young people about their heritage as Hispanics, to entertain adults with all types of style of music, and to instill a pride about their heritage that has not always existed because of a lack of knowledge.

Contact information:  
General Information & Pageant: Zenaida Aguero-Reyes-806-252-2828  
Parade : Frank Gutierrez 806-392-2892  
Food Vendors : Suzie Juarez-806-549-3904

## Malia Obama Joins List of Famous Harvard Students



**Malia Obama**

Malia Obama has officially entered Elle Woods territory. The 19-year-old eldest daughter of former President Barack Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama was spotted with her family as they helped her move into a Harvard University dorm on the college's campus in Cambridge, Massachusetts Monday. A passe-by posted a video of the U.S. leader on Facebook. This

will mark Malia's freshman year at the Ivy League school, where classes begin next week, and her major has not been revealed. The former president's daughter had recently spent a gap year traveling and working as an intern at the Weinstein Company film studio, which had followed past stints working on the set of *Girls* and the *Halle Berry* series \*\*\*\*\*

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wait for the final report. We will get reports periodically and will vigorously announce to the public just where they are in terms of diversity. If they can't be representative of the population of Chicago, we will go to court. Yes, we should set up our own Monitoring Team. As the reports come out we will decide on the proper steps, if any, to take.

People of Chicago! Don't do like Detroit did when they built brand-new football and baseball stadiums. Detroit is 83% Black but could not get more than 8% Black employment on the projects. Contracting did not reach 3%. How about the recent Levi stadium for the San Francisco 49'ers football team? They could not get more than 1.6% in minority contracting. This is evil! Why does the National Football League Players Association stand for this? The league is predominantly Black. The same goes for the National Basketball Association. Shame on them! NO MORE PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS!!!

Will there be shame on Chicago this time? Only if we let them.

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

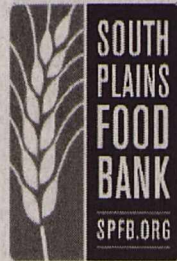
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### South Plains Food Bank Organizing Efforts to Help Victims of Hurricane Harvey: From Lubbock with Love

The South Plains Food Bank to Coordinate Disaster Relief Efforts to Assist the Thousands Affected by Hurricane Harvey

LUBBOCK, TX- The South Plains Food Bank is calling on area businesses, schools and faith based organizations who are conducting food drives for victims of Hurricane Harvey to coordinate relief efforts with South Plains Food Bank (SPFB) in a campaign called From Lubbock with Love.

SPFB has been asked by Feeding Texas, a statewide network of food banks, to make food boxes for flood victims. Once the boxes are made, Feeding Texas will transport the food for distribution to areas of greatest need.

Groups and businesses in Lubbock are already conducting food drives for coastal relief efforts. However, the food must be sorted and packed before it can be sent to coastal relief agencies. At this time, food banks along the coast have themselves been damaged by wind and flooding. They lack both the staff and volunteers to work donated food for distribution.

Organizations wishing to conduct food drives are being asked to register their food drive with SPFB by going to [www.spfb.org/hurricaneharveyrelief](http://www.spfb.org/hurricaneharveyrelief). The link provides a way to register food drives or make a donation to SPFB for Hurricane Relief efforts. Organizers are asked to provide containers for the food they collect and to provide transportation to the South Plains Food Bank at 5605 ML King Blvd.

According to David Weaver, CEO of the South Plains Food Bank, "Lubbock and the South Plains is filled with generous and caring individuals who want to help. At this point, we want to coordinate food relief efforts so that no food goes to waste. That may happen when people collect food and head to the coast without a destination in mind. By working through Feeding Texas, we are insuring that donations are put to the best use."

#### The most needed items are:

- Hand-held snack items such as granola bars
- Pop-top ready-to-eat items
- Shelf-stable pantry items such as peanut butter, tuna and soup
- Bottled water
- Cleaning supplies (bleach, non-bleach, paper towels, etc.)
- Personal hygiene items (toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc.)
- PLEASE NO GLASS OR CANNED ITEMS that could be damaged in transportation

Hurricane Harvey is an unfolding disaster that will require long-term recovery efforts. The best form of support right now is monetary donations that can be used to purchase the needed items and have them delivered in the most efficient manner. The SPFB can leverage donations through bulk and planned buying to avoid the cost associated with sorting and transporting.

For additional information call Meagan Bratton at 806-589-5917 or email her at [mbratton@spfb.org](mailto:mbratton@spfb.org).

SPFB always welcomes all forms of support. Contacting us first to see if your donations can be held until affected food banks are ready to receive it, is the best course of action. Once items are collected, we will put out a call for volunteer help.

There are people who have sought refuge in our communities that were affected by the storms. If they are in need of emergency assistance they are encouraged to contact the SPFB at (806) 763-3003. The SPFB will continue to do what we can as a humanitarian resource, and know the South Plains community will assist in every way possible to help our fellow Texans.

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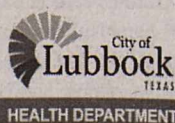
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## Rev. Billy Ray Moton Passes In Fort Worth

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At the time of his departure, Rev. Moton was on assignment at Greater Faith Chapel Church of God in Christ.

On May 24, 1975, Rev. Moton married Margaret Earl Groce. Margaret was more than his wife; she was the love of his life. Two children were born as a result of God's gift of love to the Moton union, Pamela Linette and Michael Ray Moton.

Rev. Moton served with the Allegheny Union Baptist Association (AYBA), the Pittsburgh Ministerial Alliance, and the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education. He also served as visiting teacher with the National Baptist Convention USA. Rev. Moton was active in the Baptist Missionary and Educational (BME) State Convention as long as his health allowed.

He was moderator of the West Texas Baptist District Association, and served on the Board of Directors of Heavenly Productions, Inc., a Christian Ministry dedicated to glorifying God and drawing souls to Christ through musical and dramatic performances. He was selected to be the keynote speaker for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Annual Commemorative Celebration and was honored as "Man

of the Year" by the Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. in Lubbock, Texas.

Because of Rev. Moton's faithfulness, stewardship, and financial savvy, Christ Missionary Baptist Church was able to purchase their current location. He used the same skill set for the glory of God in Lubbock, Texas. Following major expansion, removal, and purchases, Rev. Moton's insight allowed New Hope to satisfy debts much earlier than expected-- saving the church more than \$140,000 in interest.

Rev. Moton was the first president of the Inspirational Choir, an anointed singing choir that he encouraged Rev. Winsett to create. The following were called to preach and went on to become pastors: Billy Moton, Grady Folds, Barbara Gunn, and Shirley Pierre. In addition to his 35 official sons and daughters in the Ministry, Rev. Moton also influenced and helped to shape the lives of numerous pastors, preachers, and lay persons. Rev. Moton, also participated in sowing into lives during international evangelistic crusades in Russia, Haiti, and Jerusalem. He was a true preacher's friend. He

exemplified, "If I can help somebody, then my living shall not be in vain."

In what ever area Rev. Moton excelled, he was careful to take no credit for himself. He was quick to say, "To God be the Glory!"

Rev. Moton was preceded in death by his mother, Mattie Lou Moton; his brother, Fredrick Moton; his son, Michael Ray Moton; and his mother-in-law, Ilee Groce.

He leaves to cherish fond memories: his devoted wife, Margaret Earl Groce Moton; daughter, Pamela Linette Moton; grandson, Mychael Arrece Moton; sisters: Charlotte (Barney) Hurst, Mary Robin Steele, Shelia Moton Burns, and Rev. Amelia (Joseph) Jones; brother, Dudley Moton; one brother-in-law, Minister Stephen (Vanessa) Groce; Spiritual parents, Rev. JVA and Mrs. Jacqueline Winsett; and a host of nieces, nephews, godchildren, children in ministry, and friends.

Pallbearers were Keldon Jemison, Joseph Jones, III, Raymond Mack, Andy Moton, Elliott Roland, and Eric Wright.

Honorary Pallbearers were Sons of the Ministry and Spiritual Brothers.

## Outreach/Youth Program

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and a word! We're looking forward to our next outreach event to be held in October. The harvest is truly great but the laborers are few. Join us in October for a prayer walk. Time, date and community to be announced.

There were a large number of young people, five years of age to eighteen years of age who were present. The photo on page one is an example of some of those in attendance.

The Stone Hollow Village, 1510 East Cornell Avenue, appeared to have been totally in a different atmosphere.

There's no doubt about it, this Outreach/Youth Rally was a huge success and it made a great impact upon the whole community.

Rev. Deshun Avery, pastor of the First Progressive Baptist Church, said "We thank God for what He has done for this blessing, and those worked hard for the success of this effort!"

The First Progressive Baptist Church is located at 4201 East 64th Street.

## Who Killed The Church?

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"Emmanuel", sung by the Bethel Choir, prayer and scripture were done by Pastor Adna Bean, who also gave the Welcome.

The presentation begun with Judge, played by Brother Bennie Jordan, who explained what the task was to be. With a large voice, he said, "I call this trial to begin!"

The Bailiff, played by Dwayne Fockier, sworn in all witnesses. The Coroner was played by Lillian Darty.

The Jury members were Brother Elijah Donaldson, Brother Hillary Hutchinson, Sister Camille Carl, Sister Calille Cole, and Brother Christopher Rollison.

All characters portrayed in this play are fictitious.

Physician, Dr. Lavern Feel-Good, played by Sister Linda Robinson.

Minister, Rev. Jackleg, Jr. the 3rd, played by Brother Bobby Darty.

Deacon, Stella Doright, played by Sister Yvonne Davis.

Deaconess, Miss C. C. Culpepper, played by Sister Marilyn Cole.

Trustee, Oprah Dolittle, played by Sister Ruby Phoenix.

Usher, Calar Mae Genkins, played by Sister Bobbie Walker.

Choir Director, Anne Pearl Hawkins, played by Sister Denise Jordan.

President of Missionary Society, Mahalia Penn, played by Sister Pat Page.

Average Church Member, Daya Tea Tightwad, played by Rev. Adna Bean.

Christian Fellowship, Sara Lee Collins, played by Sister Robbie Walker.

Loose Living, Vivacious Vee, played by Sister Vera Newsome.

Christian Education, Dr. Rachel Kilmore Kevorkian, played by Sister Rejeane Sylvester.

Religious Ignorance, Mrs. Patrice Denise, played by Sister Shonta Fockler.

Christian Faithfulness, Della Reese, played by Sister Elaine Rodgers.

Those who were in attendance were very pleased with the presentation by the actors and actresses.

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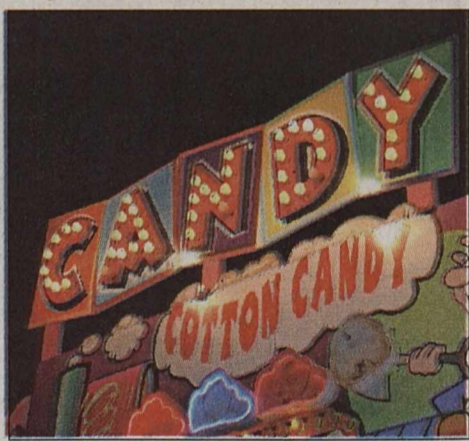
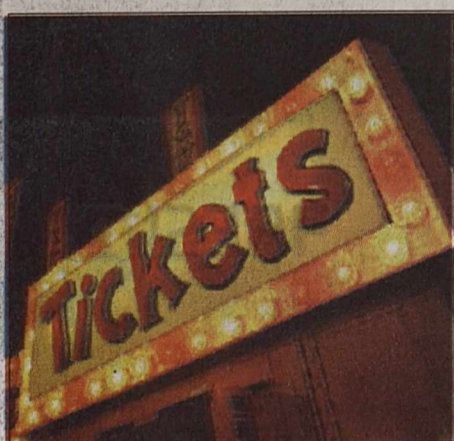
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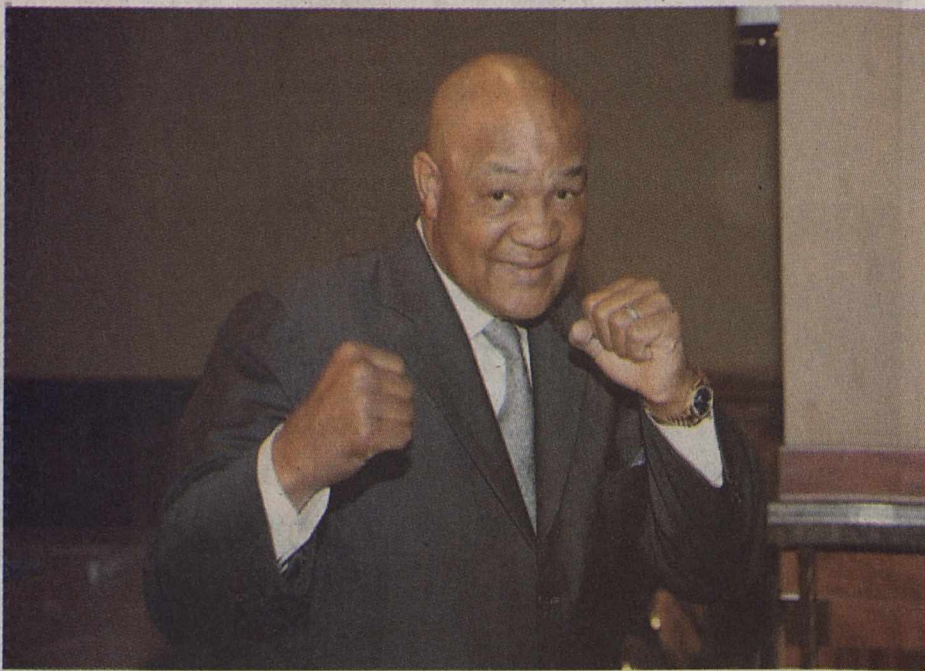
  
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# George Foreman on anthem, White House protests: 'Sore losers'



George Foreman

George Foreman, the two-time world heavyweight champion who shared a ring with Muhammad Ali, has weighed in on the national anthem controversy — and he's on the opposite side of Ali-esque political protests.

Speaking to the "Offended America" podcast, Foreman—who admitted he doesn't "pay much attention to what kids do"—indicated that he believed the anthem protests were merely a cry for attention: "I got all this money, but nobody knows me," he said, speaking as if he were a protesting athlete, "so let me say something like Muhammad Ali and maybe I'll be different. That's all that is."

Foreman, seven years younger than Ali, lost to Ali in one of the greatest fights in boxing history, the 1974 Rumble in the Jungle. Foreman then shocked the world two decades later by winning the heavyweight championship once again at age 45.

The concept of patriotism among athletes came up, and

Foreman, who represented the United States in the 1968 Olympics, proudly noted, "I still love this country. The greatest day of my life was when I put on the colors red, white and blue." He suggested that athletes who protest may not have been brought up in patriotic homes, and deemed athletes who declined to visit the White House "sore losers."

Foreman suggested that simply speaking out like Ali wasn't enough to make one equivalent to Ali. "The shame part of it, all of us, including Joe Frazier and myself, we became the heavyweight champion of the world,"

Foreman said. "We didn't realize that just because you're champ, you don't become Muhammad Ali."

One wonders what Ali—who died beloved but endured far worse criticism for his political stands than Kaepernick has ever received—would say about the protests, which began just weeks after his death.

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## Earnest 'Buck' Beamon, Jr.

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ters, Louise Ross, Doris Parrish, Glenda Darty (Garry), Audrey Johnson, Ava Orr, and Debra Anderson; two step sisters, Faye McGree, and Rachel Adam; a host of other relatives and friends.



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