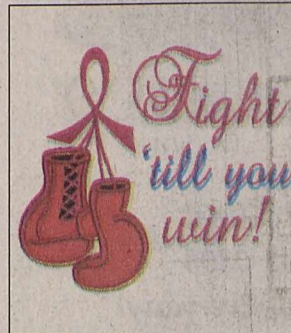
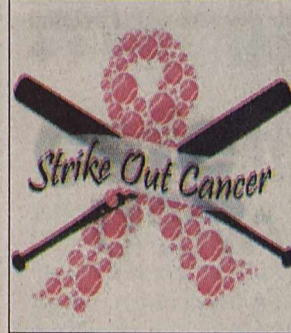
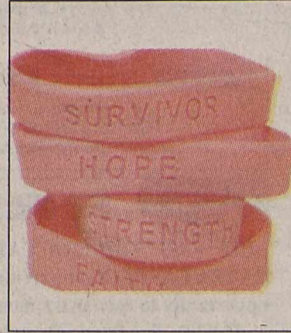


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* Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.

* 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.

* 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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Awards Event For ASCEND, Mentoring Group Sponsored By Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.



Outstanding Young Ladies Being Honored By ASCEND



Participants In The ASCEND Program

It is with much pride that we announce another successful End of Year Awards/Scholarship Program held Saturday, August 29, 2017 to recognize and honor ASCEND students! Many of you now know this program is designed for high school students, the signature mentoring program of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. It has been a great year, and all students continue to make us proud! Their positive comments and those of their parents throughout the program were heart felt, encouraging and much appreciated!

One of our former ASCEND students was a welcome guest, and she was quite eloquent in describing her appreciation for the time spent in the program and how she had benefited.

Last year, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Eta Delta Omega Chapter invested in the future education of ASCEND students

by awarding FOUR \$1000 scholarships to the four graduating seniors. We are proud to say that all four (100%) of these students are returning to college as sophomores this year! The remaining students were each awarded \$100 gift cards. Parents were remembered with small gifts.

This year's four graduating seniors were awarded \$2000 each, and again, the remaining students received \$100 gift cards. Our parents were presented with token gift cards to express appreciation for their faithfulness, commitment and support of their children and the program.

"Happiness is ..." the following: Our four 2017 graduating seniors are enrolling at Texas Tech University, St. Cloud University in Minnesota, University of Texas @ Austin and Texas A&M University! We must give

tribute to those in our community who have supported ASCEND in every way possible! Some have faithfully responded to our calls and a couple of you have actually "followed" us on FB, then picked up the phone or sent a message saying: "I want to help!" or "This is what I/we want to do!" Thank you for every encouraging word, every prayer, every positive response and every contribution. It is so easy for us to call you our "earth angels."

There is no doubt in our minds that these young ladies will make Lubbock-even our nation proud. Give them a little time, watch and you will see! Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Eta Delta Chapter is blessed to be a small part of their lives and as the song says - "The Best is Yet to Come!"

Congratulations, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.!

Middleton/Pierce Family Reunion Held In Lubbock, Texas Recently

They came from California, Nebraska, Maryland, Virginia, Georgia, and across Texas to attend the combined Middleton/Pierce Family Reunion.

From the many responses, they had no complaints. Those who toured Lubbock, Texas were surprised at the size and the sights, especially the cotton fields.

Events included a backyard Fish Fry, BBQ Picnic at the Park, with games and fun at both locations.

Claudia Owens, Middleton Family, and Delores Dean, Pierce Family, both well in their eighties, were recognized as the oldest.

William & Carolyn Mercer, Middleton, and Benita Dean, Pierce, traveled the longest distance also were recognized.

Several members attended Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church services and had a personal conversation with Rev. Dr. J. H. Ford, pastor.

Dwight and Grace Middleton Pierce were Host and Hostess.



Leon Pierce & R. J. Givens



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Dwight Pierce, Leon Pierce, Rev. Dr. J. H. Ford, Delores Dean & Norma Reeves



Rev. Adna A. Bean

Mount Vernon United Methodist Church Will Celebrate Its 92nd Anniversary

Mount Vernon United Methodist Church will celebrate its' 92nd Church Anniversary on Sunday afternoon, October 8, 2017, at 3:30 p.m. Mount Vernon was founded in 1925, and is located at 2304 Cedar Avenue, across from the Chatman Clinic.

The anniversary speaker will be Rev. Adna A. Bean, pastor of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church of Lubbock. She has just returned from the Annual Conference in Klein, Texas where she was re-appointed as pastor for another Conference Year.

Rev. Bean is a native of the beautiful island of Bermuda. Upon graduating from Wilmington High School in Wilmington, Delaware, she joined the U. S. Army and is a South Vietnam era veteran.

She has served as Pastor for Visitors Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church in El Paso, Texas; Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church of

Abilene, Texas; and is currently serving as Pastor of Bethel of Lubbock.

Rev. Bean enjoys challenging her congregation to see God as a real and present friend and endeavors to teach them to know how God is revelant to their situations. Never professing to be more than a servant of God Almighty, heir to the Kingdom of Heaven, Believer in the Lord Jesus Christ of Nazareth, Rev. Bean serves her church and community diligently.

The afternoon's program will feature various musical selections, including a selection by 98 year old saxophonist, James T. Braxton; Rev. Margaret Moss, and Joe Reeder.

Mount Vernon's pastor, Kara Leslie, and the members of Mount Vernon cordially invite the public to attend this historic celebration of faith.

Also, the Lubbock Community is invited to attend this afternoon of Lubbock history...

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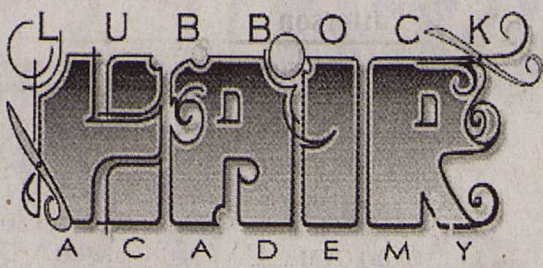
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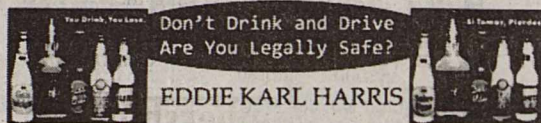


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In Cinque

By Renetta Howard



NATIONAL CONFEDERATE HISTORY

I just returned from Vicksburg, Mississippi where I attended the 64th year reunion of the junior college where I was a high school graduate. The now defunct institution was known as Southern Christian Institute and Mount Beulah College, located about 17 miles east of Vicksburg and about a mile west of Edward, Mississippi. It was founded as an 'Aunt Mary' or American Missionary Society school for Freedmen. It was later run by the United Christian Missionary Society as a home mission. The faculty was predominately Caucasian and students of all races and countries were accepted. The only problem arose when a Caucasian student enrolled and came to the school and saw Black students, their parents quickly un-enrolled them and took them someplace else. Their loss. The love and camaraderie gained at this place has endured for the 64 years that the institution has been closed. A part of the Alma mater is "Praise to thee, SCI, We will be SCI, True to thee, 'til we die, Praise to thee, SCI" Only an SCLan really understands this.

Vicksburg, Mississippi, at the Riverwalk Hotel and Casino was the place where the reunion was held. The physical campus of SCI is still there under the ownership of a well-known church which has not kept the premises in the best of repair, but has built a new building which they ask for exorbitant rental fees; therefore some other place had to be utilized to have the reunion.

Vicksburg, Mississippi is the location chosen for the reunion. Vicksburg is also the location of the Vicksburg National Military Park which preserves the site of the American Civil War Battle of Vicksburg, Missis-

siippi. The battle was waged for 47 days and ended with the surrender of the city to the union army. General Grant had his men making a canal to give the union army an advantage point for attack and the Mississippi River changed its own course by itself on April 26, 1876. The canal project had kept the troops occupied during the maneuvering necessary to begin the Battle of Vicksburg, but it was perhaps God's will that came into play, I say. "The national park was established on February 21, 1899, to commemorate the siege and defense of Vicksburg. The park sprawls over 1,800 acres of land." (Wikipedia, 2017) In 1933, the park was transferred from the War Department to the National Park Service. It was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on October 15, 1966.

When the park was first established, the streets of Union states were paved and the Confederate State streets were gravel. Today, all of the traveled streets are paved. Over half a million visitors visit the park every year, but some come to visit the five casinos there as well. Some of the park area had to be rearranged when interstate highway 20 was built through the city and the Memorial Arch was moved from Clay Street which was the entrance to the city on highway 80 which was replaced by highway 20. The confederate park with thousands of statues and memorials to all states involved in the Civil War will most likely continue to endure even though the Vicksburg Hotel continues to fly the Confederate flag across the street from the park whose reason for being really celebrates the defeat of a great confederate city which

A Message From the NELCDC

"Thank You To Our Community!!"

As many of you might have heard, the NELCDC did not receive funding via a grant management agreement with the City of Lubbock. However, it is important to note, the NELCDC is still operating and we are working towards securing other opportunities to continue our operation. Please also know to date, NELCDC management and the Board of Directors have not indicated the CDC will dissolve. This organization is too important to the community to simply dissolve. If there are any changes to the CDC's operations, we will inform the community.

There were exchanges of misinformation throughout the budget discussion, but we have worked to try to ensure the truth is known. Ensuring the truth is out is critically important as we pursue other funding sources. Although the CDC did not have a chance to speak at the September 14 budget hearing, we want to thank Fox 34 for allowing the CDC to provide a response to the citizens of Lubbock. One major challenge the CDC has had, now and prior to current management's tenure, is overcoming negative and inaccurate information, put out simply to undermine the CDC's efforts. The information doesn't have to be true to cause damage or sully the reputation of an organization or its leadership. Inaccurate information and innuendo of misdealing creates barriers of trust with supporters, funding

continued to serve as an exchange center for prisoners to be released and return home. Let us get 'in cinque' and appreciate the history that we have and continue to build positively on it.

THIS N' THAT

by T. J. Patterson

THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OPENING OF ESTACADO HIGH SCHOOL SHOULD OPEN OUR EYES ON WHAT WE HAVE IN EAST LUBBOCK, TEXAS USA!!! THIS N THAT was amazed with what he saw and observed during the CELEBRATION OF THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OPENING OF ESTACADO HIGH SCHOOL which took place on the various events in the EAST LUBBOCK COMMUNITY during the gathering in MCKENZIE PARK on Wednesday evening on September 20th the

MARCH IN EAST LUBBOCK on Thursday afternoon September 21st the OUTSTANDING PEPRALLY on Friday afternoon September 15th in the ESTACADO GYM where all of those graduated during the 50 YEARS were presented as they marched in the gym. The Estacado Gym was packed with FORMER STUDENTS AND THOSE ATTENDING as it was quite a presentation of MATADOR HIGH SCHOOL POWER!! Also in attendance were representatives of the LUBBOCK CITY COUNCIL which in-

cluded COUNCIL-WOMAN SHELIA PATTERSON-HARRIS who read a SPECIAL RECOGNITION. Also present were COUNCIL-WOMAN KAREN GIBSON & COUNCILMAN JEFF GRIFFIN. Last but not least was the big football game at the Plains Capital Bank Lowrey Field where the ESTACADO MATADORS DEFEATED THE LUBBOCK HIGH SCHOOL WESTERNERS by a score of 50-0 which was won by our MATADORS! After seeing and being present EAST LUBBOCK IS BACK!

sources, and the community at-large. The comments made about the CDC's mismanagement of funds was inaccurate. Since the completion of the CDC's 3-year audit, all audits have been completed between December-February and approved by the Board no later than March of the following year. There have been no findings, and as noted in all audit reports, under current management the CDC has been following the financial management policies and procedures drafted and implemented by current management. The CDC's accountant reconciles all financials on a monthly basis and processes payroll twice monthly. The CDC has a very well-run financial management operation. All administrative and programmatic issues have been addressed through policies and procedures, and the CDC's programs are finally functioning as they were designed. Any mem-

ber of the community is welcome to seek to become an office volunteer to witness the CDC's well-organized and professional daily operations. Please review the NELCDC Update document.

The CDC is currently the only HUD-approved housing counseling agency with three (3) certified counselors in homeownership counseling and education. The CDC's team is preparing to take the HUD-administered exam to become HUD-certified housing counselors. The CDC's operation has been in existence since 2005. As a message to all of our workshop and housing counseling clients seeking homeownership - we will continue to be here to support you and help you meet your homeownership goals!

The CDC will be working to fulfill our obligation to the Jackson-Mahon and Parkway Cherry-Point neighborhoods. Two neighborhood action plans

were drafted as a part of the community engagement process of the Adopt-a-Spot program. When the time comes to kick-off the physical revitalization component of the program, we hope all reading this will volunteer...we need your help and most importantly, these neighborhoods will need you!

To our current and prospective funders, thank you for your support and words of encouragement. This work is very difficult. North and east Lubbock has been neglected and overlooked for more than 60 years. Urban renewal demolished neighborhoods in north and east Lubbock but never put any homes back in its place. Now, you have an abundance of vacant land followed by the closing of schools within these communities. My hope is those seeking to re-build communities and neighborhoods (like the CDC and other non-profits) purchase the vacant land

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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. 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.

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.

Feeding Texas leads a unified effort for a hunger-free Texas. Learn more and find your local food bank at www.feedingtexas.org.



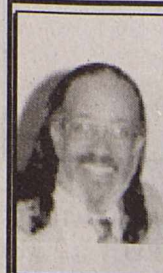
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Romans 1:18 -- For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness.

Even as Moses was God's minister to lead the people in the right way. **TODAY'S PREACHERS ARE TO DO THE SAME, BUT THEY DON'T DO IT TODAY!!!**

Romans 1:21-22 -- Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful, but became vain in their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools.

When Moses brought the people to worship **GOD, GOD WAS THE PREACHER HIMSELF. HE WAS THE ONLY ONE TO BE WORSHIPPED, AND THE GLORY WAS FOR NO ONE ELSE!!!**

Exodus 19:17, 18a, 22 -- And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with God, and they stood at the northern part of the mount. And Mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the Lord descended upon it in fire. And let the priests also which come near to the Lord, sanctify themselves, lest the Lord break forth on them (**DESTROY**).

But today's **CHURCH MEETINGS ARE DIFFERENT; THE PEOPLE DON'T HAVE TO BE SANCTIFIED**

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***** THAT'S HOW YOU ROB GOD!!! *****

Leviticus 11:44a -- The Lord said, For I am the Lord your God; you shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and you shall be Holy; for I am Holy.

IN GOD'S HOUSE, THERE ARE BOUNDARIES, AND THEY ARE SET BY THE LORD. THAT'S WHAT MALACHI WAS SAYING; THIS IS HOW A MAN WILL ROB GOD!!!

Malachi 1:6 -- A son honors his father, and a servant his master; if then I be a father, where is mine honors? And if I be a master, where is my fear? Said the Lord of hosts unto you, O' priests, that despise my name, and you say, Wherein have we despised your name.

Many churches are allowing **HOMOSEXUALS; TO HOLD OFFICES IN THE CHURCH. THAT'S CALLED BLASPHEME, AND GOD'S HOLY NAME; IT IS HURT!!!**

Galatians 6:7-8 -- Be not deceived, God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man sow, that shall he also reap. For he that sow to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption, but he that sow to the Spirit shall of the Spirit

reap life everlasting.

Even **CHURCHES WITH SIGNS OUT FRONT, SAYING, 7:00 O'CLOCK STARTING TIME, BUT DON'T OPEN THE DOORS TILL 7:30. THAT MEANS THE CHURCH IS LYING!!!**

(PREACHERS, YOU DIDN'T DO THAT ON THE MAN'S JOB; THEN WHY BE LATE ON GOD'S BUSINESS? THESE ARE THE THINGS MALACHI WAS SPEAKING OF; -- WILL A MAN ROB GOD!!!)

Malachi 1:8 -- If you offer the blind for sacrifice, is it not evil? And if you offer the lame and sick; is it not evil? Offer it now unto your governor; will he be pleased with you, or accept your person? Said the Lord of hosts.

Just the other day, a man went into a **CHURCH, AND STARTED SHOOTING, AND KILLED A PERSON. TIME OUT FOR PLAYING CHURCH; TIME TO PRAY TO GOD; HE'LL PUT THE DEVIL ON THE RUN!!!**

II Chronicles 7:14 -- The Lord said, If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins, and will heal their land.

St. Matthew Baptist Church

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

Again, we will say, "What a wonderful time we had at the St. Matthew Baptist Church on Sunday morning, September 24, 2017, where the proud pastor is the Rev. Edward Canady."

Sunday morning services began at 10:10 a. m. with Pastor Canady presiding.

The subject of our Sunday School lesson was entitled "A Change of Heart." The scripture text was Ezekiel 36:22-32.

The Sunday School lesson was taught by Rev. Canady, and was reviewed by Rev. Tommy Parker. Both did a wonderful job with their presentation. Praise God for the knowledge made available during this Sunday School presentation.

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

Pastor Canady entered the Church the Choir and Congregation singing "Near The Cross." Sister Lucinda Griffin played the piano for this selection.

The morning sermon was delivered by Pastor Canady. His subject was "Don't Let It Be Said Too Late." His scripture text was St. Luke 16:23-25.

Again, it was a very informative message. It was well received by all who were in attendance. The subject was one which all will remember!

The morning announcements were read by Sister Shirley Canady, our First Lady, who also advises of programs in the community. Sister Canady always does an outstanding job!

The weekly meetings which are held at St. Matthew Baptist Church, which are very important, are as follows:

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

Attending this session each week will give you knowledge of what the Missionary Society is all about.

As we often say, when God's people come together much is learned.

Choir Rehearsal is also held

on Wednesday afternoon, beginning at 4:00 p. m.

If you enjoy singing God's Praises, then do come and join this Choir. Come and become a member of the Choir.

If you are looking for a Church Home, then come and visit the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street.

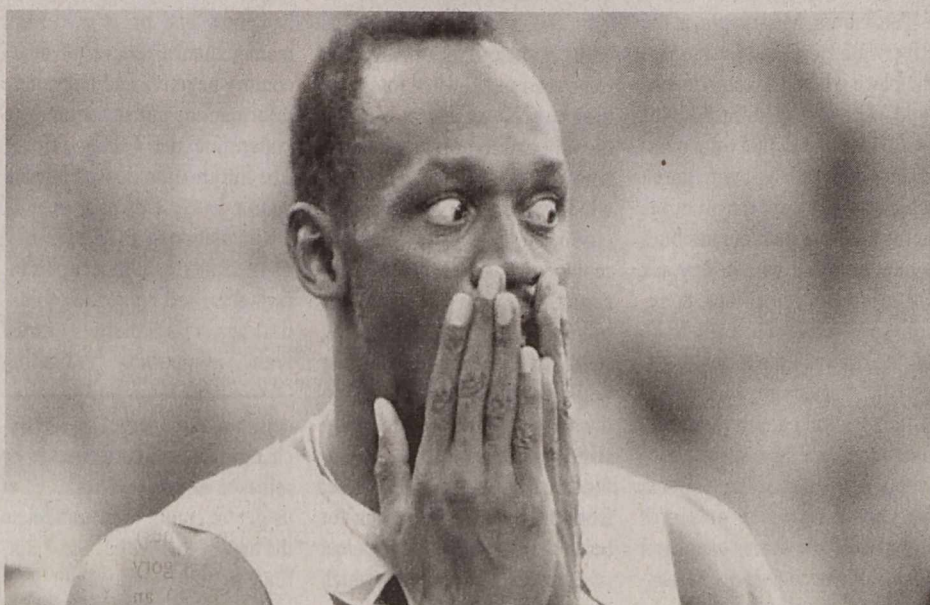
Bring a family member with you. Our pastor, Rev. Edward Canady, will be glad to visit with you.

Shall we look forward to seeing you on Sunday morning!

Thought For The Week: "God can do the most with what we think is least."

Here's something we can do if we have the time and energy. Go by one of our Lubbock Public Schools and encourage our children to continue to learn. If possible, this will help some young person. There's no doubt about it, our children really needs us today. Have a blessed week!!

Donald Trump's Attempt At Using Usain Bolt To Slam NFL Players Spectacularly Backfires



President Donald Trump tried to use Jamaican athlete Usain Bolt to criticize National Football League players who protest during the national anthem on Tuesday night.

But it didn't go down well. Trump tweeted this five-year-old video of the now retired track star cutting away from a live television interview during the London 2012 Summer Olympics so that he could stand

for the U.S. national anthem.

Even Usain Bolt from Jamaica, one of the greatest runners and athletes of all time, showed RESPECT for our National Anthem!

The president outraged many at a rally in Huntsville, Alabama, on Friday with his thinly veiled attack on former San Francisco 49er Colin Kaepernick and other NFL players who have taken a knee in protest against police

brutality and racial injustice during the national anthem before games.

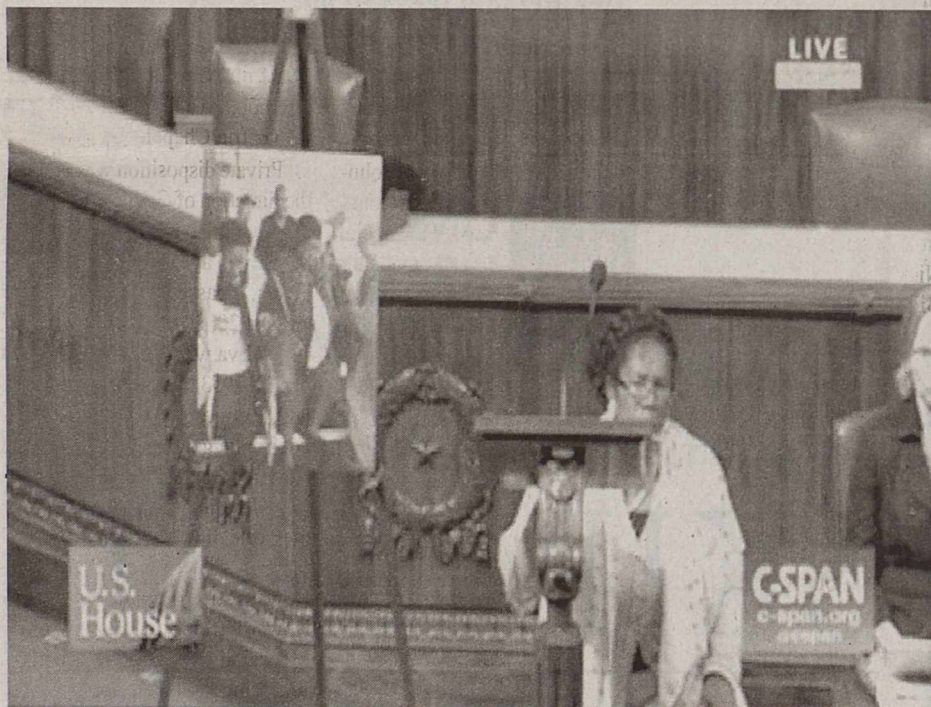
Bolt himself has yet to comment on Trump's tweet.

But Team Jamaica, a forum for the Caribbean island's Olympic sports' enthusiasts, immediately came to the runner's defense and admonished the president to leave him "out of your politricks."

Black Lawmaker Takes Knee on House Floor 'To Stand Against Racism'

"You tell me which of those children's mothers are a son of a b. That is racism," Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee said.

By Kaitlyn D'Onofrio



NFL players' protests against racial injustices have inspired lawmakers to take a stand — or, rather, take a knee.

Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, a Democrat representing Texas and member of the Congressional Black Caucus, on Monday night knelt on the House floor to stand in solidarity with the men of the NFL.

"We simply ask for the dignity and respect to not call our mothers a son of a b," Jackson Lee said, adding, "I refuse to accept that as a standard of leadership for the highest office in the world."

President Donald Trump on Friday at an Alabama rally referred to any player participating in the protest as a "son of a bitch."

"Wouldn't you love to see one of these NFL owners, when somebody disrespects our flag, to say, 'Get that son of a bitch off the field right now. He is fired. He's fired!'"

Jackson Lee rejected Trump's notion that the men are doing something wrong.

"We in the Congressional Black Caucus have always stood for what is right," she said. "There is no basis in the First Amendment that says that you cannot kneel on the national anthem or in front of the flag."

"You tell me which of those children's mothers are a son of a b. That is racism. You cannot

deny it, you cannot run for it, and I kneel in honor of them."

At this point, Jackson Lee knelt right there on the House floor.

"I kneel in front of the flag and on this floor. I kneel in honor of the First Amendment. I kneel because the flag is a symbol for freedom. I kneel because I'm gonna stand against racism. I kneel because I will stand with those young men and I'll stand with our soldiers and I'll stand with America, because I kneel."

Former 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick started kneeling during the national anthem last year to draw attention to national oppression against Blacks. Debate sparked as to whether this decision played a role in the fact that Kaepernick now remains unsigned.

But this year has seen many players following Kaepernick's lead. On Sunday, over 200 players representing all 28 NFL teams either sat or knelt during the national anthem prior to their respective games.

In some cases, owners, coaches and other officials made statements and joined the players. However, according to Rep. Cedric Richmond (D-La.), chairman of the CBC, many of the officials' words missed the point of what the players' actions represented.

"While a few of these statements mentioned 'social injus-

tice,' 'racial divides,' and 'societal issues,' none of them explicitly mentioned the reason why Mr. Kaepernick and many others (professional athletes, celebrities, elected officials, and citizens) are taking a knee during the National Anthem," Richmond said in a statement.

"They are taking a knee to protest police officers who kill unarmed African Americans — men and women, adults and children, parents and grandparents — with impunity. They are taking a knee to protest a justice system that says that being Black is enough reason for a police officer to fear for his or her life.

"Those words were missing from the statements I read despite the fact that 70 percent of NFL players are Black and many of them, as well as their family and friends, have experienced racial profiling by police that leaves too many unarmed African Americans injured or dead."

Trump took to Twitter on Sunday to double down on his comments and insist that they had nothing to do with race but were about "our Country, Flag and National Anthem."

Richmond called on Trump to "stop acting like a child."

"It is no surprise that athletes and others do not want to come to the White House when President Trump calls Black athletes

Michelle Obama shows off toned physique in tangerine Roland Mouret dress at tech conference



Michelle Obama's tangerine look is a total dream!

The former first lady wore a bright orange Roland Mouret dress with black-and-metallic Jimmy Choo pumps to speak at a tech conference in Florida on Tuesday. Her longtime stylist Meredith Koop shared a few snapshots of the look on Instagram.

The 53-year-old sat down with who exercise their First Amendment right to free speech 'a son of bitch' and calls White men who yell racial epithets 'very fine people.' Perhaps President Trump did not notice that many of those White men were carrying the American flag."

Rep. John Lewis, a Georgia Democrat and also a CBC member, used the president's favorite communication platform to show that the NFL players' protests are not unprecedented.

Microsoft president Brad Smith in front a packed house to share her experiences at the White House and what her future plans are with husband and former president Barack Obama.

Last week, the former FLOTUS also spoke at a tech conference in Utah, where she stunned in a black-and-white dress with intricate floral detailing on the front.

Outside of formal appearances here and there, including surprising a classroom full of fe-

male students for International Women's Day back in March, Michelle has been in R&R mode since leaving the White House back in January.

Just a couple of weeks ago, she was spotted boarding a yacht in Spain wearing a stylish beach ensemble that showed off her toned physique. Back in May, she was seen walking through the streets of Italy in a casual vacation look -- trousers and a ruffled off-the-shoulder top -- and she was totally glowing!

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Obsequies

Amice Mae Dixon

Funeral services were held for Amice Mae Dixon on Friday afternoon, September 22, 2017, at the Victory In Praise Church.

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

Dixon, 82 of Lubbock Texas, passed away Sunday, September 17, 2017.

Amice was born March 11, 1935 to E. J. Owens, Sr. and Allie Mayfield Owens.

She leaves to cherish her memories, four daughters, Brenda Dixon, Betty Dixon, Bobby Dixon, Teresa Miller; three sons, Pircell Dixon, Mark



Taylor, and Karl Taylor; five grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; a host of other relatives and friends.

James Roland Gilmore, Sr.

Funeral services for James Roland Gilmore, Sr. were held on Friday morning, September 22, 2017, at the Pilgrim Baptist Church.

Interment was held in the Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Gilmore, 86 of Lubbock,

Texas, passed away Saturday, September 16, 2017.

He was born on January 10, 1931 to Lucille (Jones) and James Gilmore in Birmingham, Alabama.

He attended Birmingham Public Schools and graduated from Parker High School.

James was a teaching assis-

Edward Earl Coppage, Former Crosbyton City Councilman, Dies

Crosbyton, Texas -- Memorial Services were held for Edward Earl Coppage on Saturday morning, September 23, 2017, at the First Baptist Church of Crosbyton.

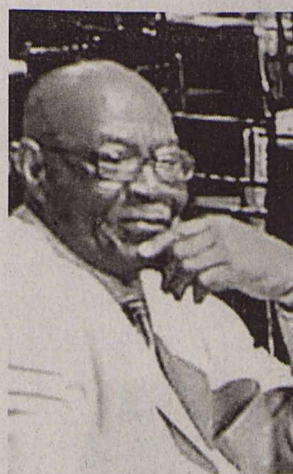
Cremation burial followed in the Crosbyton Cemetery under the direction of Adams Funeral Home of Crosbyton.

Coppage, age 78, passed away on Friday, September 15, 2017 in Lubbock.

Edward was born on February 11, 1939 in Mart, Texas. He grew up in Crosbyton attending school at Fred Douglas Elementary and Middle School. He graduated from Evans High School in Slaton in 1958.

He served in the US Army from 1962-1964. After his discharge he returned to Crosbyton and married Emma Carr on June 19, 1964 and they were happily married for 53 years. He was a farmer for several years.

He was a City Councilman for several years and also worked for the Caprock Community Action for several years. He was an active member of Galilee Baptist Church where he



served as a deacon for over 40 years. He also taught Sunday school for many years.

He is preceded in death by his mother: Marie Wiley, three brothers; Mitchell, Robert Earl and Wilbert, five sisters; Catherine, Aria, Nell, Texana, and Willie.

His family includes his wife Emma Coppage of Crosbyton, one daughter: Kristi Norsworthy and husband John of Lubbock, four sons; Edward Coppage, Jr. and wife Lola of Lubbock, Embry Coppage and wife Pearl of Plainview, Bobby Jackson of Amarillo and Willie Jackson of Lubbock, one brother; Billy Wiley of Crosbyton, three sisters: Verdine Cornelius, Odessa Lewis and Mabel Willis, all of Lubbock, 17 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren.

Ester Mae Johnson

Amhurst, Texas -- Funeral services were held for Ester Mae Sterling Johnson on Monday morning, September 18, 2017, at the First United Methodist Church with Rev. Joe Price officiating.

Angelus Chapel Funeral Directors of Colorado Springs, Colorado was responsible for arrangements.

Ester, age 72, passed away on Sunday, September 3, 2017.

Ester was born on November 3, 1944 in Amhurst, Texas to Ray and Exlee Mosley. She attended public school in Martin, Littlefield, and Muleshoe, Texas.

One of her passions was singing in a Quartet for many years. Her professions were cooking, Medical CNA, and caregiving. But her greatest joy came from spending time with her family and sharing stories, rich in family history, about old past times.

Preceding her in death includes her father, Ray Mosley, Sr.; grandparents, Nash and Roberta Cantu; sister, Priscilla Lang-Daner; special cousin Rosezel Randell; 3 infant sons, and special long time friends; Zeddie Taylor and Glenn Jackson.

Ester leaves to mourn -- 5 children: Jerry and Tina Marie Sterling, Deatrice Robinson, Pamela Clemons, Willie and Regina Brown, Yuronda Wilson,



and her mother, Exlee Mosley; 7 sisters; Rosemary Rogers, Roberts McClendon, Rose Anna Nunley, Debbie Gordon, Bobbie Spencer, Robbie Mosley, and Shelia Hood; Also, 4 brothers; Ray Charles, Leonard (Rickie) Mosley, Gary Mosley, and Lewis Mosley; 11 grandchildren; Lisa Clemons, Dominique Higgins, Larry Wilson, Jerry Wilson, Kristi Sterling, Shauntaya Sterling, Keshia Sterling, Janisha Smith, Stacy Brown, and Regina Brown; 19 great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and many friends.

Her loving, giving, free spirit will be missed by many. Thank you to everyone she came in contact with who loved her because her love was none like any other.

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tant at Wilson Jr. High School; also used his talents in the community through Alcoholics Anonymous.

James leaves to cherish his memory; his daughter, Gladys Hardware (James); three sons, James, Jr., Gregory (Mary), and Gerald (Anita) and a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, great great-grandchildren, other relatives, and friends.

Anyone who truly loves God travels securely.
Teresa of Avila

Cora Lee Thornton

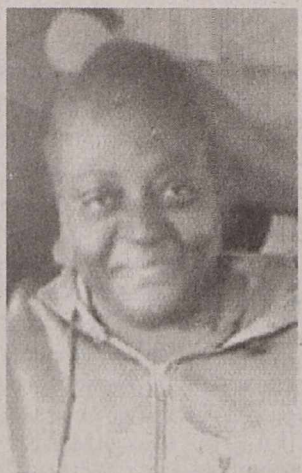
Hale Center, Texas -- Funeral services were held for Cora Lee Thornton on Saturday morning, September 23, 2017, at the First Baptist Church in Hale Center.

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

Cora, 58 of Hale Center, Texas, passed away Monday, September 18, 2017. Cora was born in Plainview, Texas on January 16, 1959 to Ray Johnson and Nona Johnson.

Cora attended school in Hale Center, Texas. Cora worked for Home Health for 6 years.

Cora leaves to cherish her memories; her husband, Tommy; mother, Nona Johnson, two daughters, Tamira Johnson (Nick) and Tiffany Johnson (Billy); three sons, Marlon, Maurice, and Marcus; five sis-



ters, Linda Poindexter, Iris Clark, Joshua Johnson, Darcus Phenix (Chris), and Chanell Johnson; five brothers, Freddie Anderson (Paula), Mike Johnson, Eric Johnson, Vincent Johnson, and Cecil Barns; special daughter, A'mirah; 20 grandchildren, three great grandchildren; a host of other relatives and friends.

New Light Baptist Church News

3013 Idalou Road Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson, Pastor

On Sunday morning, church services at the New Light Baptist Church, 303 Idalou Road, were well attended where the proud pastor is the Rev. Kenneth O. Jackson.

Church School begun at 10:00 a. m. with Pastor Jackson teaching the lesson entitled "Circumcision" with the scripture being Genesis 7:1-14.

The Morning Worship started at 11:00 a. m. with the Praise Team leading the way. The testimonial period was held with members participating. The responsive reading came from Psalm 124:1-8. The altar call was led by Pastor Jackson with the Congregation singing "I Need Thee."

Sister Linda Green read the morning announcements and told of all the upcoming events which will be taking place in Lubbock.

The Choir sang a melody of songs which consisted of the following selections: "We've Come This Far By Faith," "Working On The Building," "If You Miss Me," "Sign Me Up," "Old Ship Of Zion," "When I See Jesus," "Precious Lord," "Shine On Me," and "Amazing Grace."

Pastor Jackson preached a dynamic sermon entitled "We Are Blessed," with his scripture text coming from St. Matthew 5:11.

The members learned that problems didn't just start in 2017. They've been here since the beginning.

We are blessed when people come up against us and try to do things to us.

Jesus is the channel by which all our blessings come.

We are blessed because the Lord has given us another chance.

God has a fence of protection around each of us no matter where we may go.

Let them talk evil against you, because you are blessed!

If you are a child of God, then you are truly blessed.

Fret not thy self because of

evildoers for they shall soon be cut down.

Get on Jesus' Team, because he will and can provide. Have you tried Jesus? Dare you to give him a try.

Things that are up side down in your life, Jesus will turn them right if you get on Jesus' Team!!!

The Selection sung after the sermon was "What A Fellowship."

Frank Zavala

Slaton, Texas -- Funeral services were held for Frank Zavala on Wednesday morning, September 20, 2017, at the Englewood Cemetery in Slaton, under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Zavala, age 74 of Lubbock, Texas, passed away Tuesday, September 15, 2017.

He was born in Cameron, Texas on June 14, 1943 to Ambrosio Zavala and Juanita Gonzales Zavala.

He is survived by his wife Rosa and three children; sons Frank Zavala Jr & David Zavala, and daughter Rachel Zavala; five grandchildren; two brothers,



Jimmy Zavala and Santos Zavala; two sisters, Reyes Pena and Mary Zavala; a host of other relatives and friends.

And the Lord answered me: "Write the vision; make it plain.... so he may run who reads it. For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end--it will not lie. If it seem slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. Habakkuk 2:3

Eva Los Mims



Funeral services were held for Eva Lois Mims on Wednesday afternoon, August 30m 2017, at the Griffin Chapel.

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

Eva, age 63 of Lubbock Texas, passed away Sunday, August 20, 2017.

Eva was born on November 29, 1953 to Robert Mooreing and Ruthjean Wright in Lubbock. She graduated from Dunbar High School.

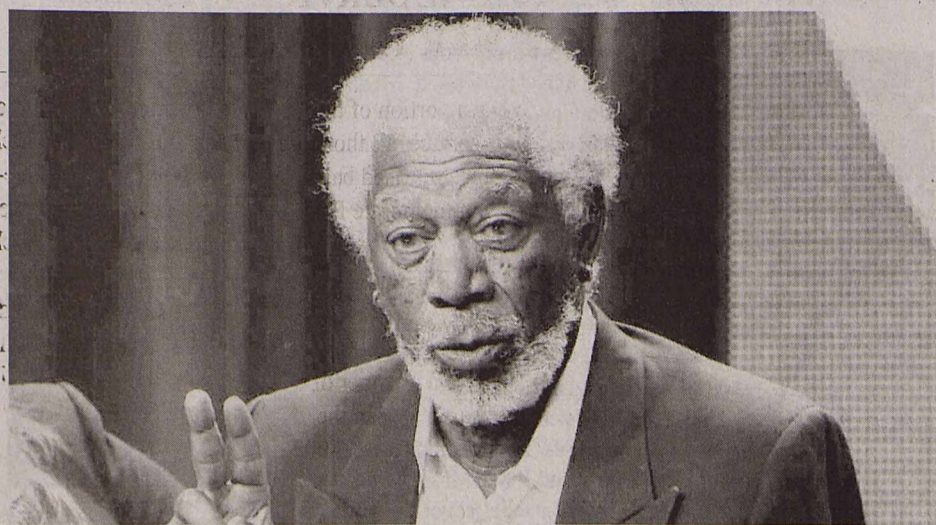
Eva leaves to cherish her memories; her mother and step father, Troy and Ruthjean Howard; three children, Donna Howard (Sebastin), Cawandra Mooreing (Robert) and Mamix Mooreing (Sharae); five sisters, Glenda Cleavland (Horace), Imesia Howard, Jawanza Jones, Lily Mooreing, and Debra Green; two brothers, Troy Howard (Genette) and Roylee Howard; 16 grandkids; 12 great grandkids; 12 honorary grandkids; 12 honorary great grandkids; a host of other relatives and friends.

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Morgan Freeman Attacked by Russia



The Oscar winning-actor declared the U.S. has been "attacked" and is "at war" — prompting Russian officials and media to paint Freeman as crazy.

By Kaitlyn D'Onofrio
Renowned actor Morgan Freeman has garnered unwanted

Thank You To Our Community!!!

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and begin to rebuild north and east Lubbock neighborhoods. My fear is the land will be purchased by those who only seek to drain the citizens of north and east Lubbock by only building rental properties, which only benefits the property owner; this outcome establishes a new structure but it still takes away from the community. To all community champions reading this letter, please come together to stifle any effort that seeks to bleed dry the citizens of north and east Lubbock. The CDC strives to create opportunities for those who live in north and east Lubbock to own their own property. Change will not happen over night. The services the CDC provides will continue to try to change the trend or trajectory of neighborhood decline. But we cannot be effective without community support. If you truly care for the community, work alongside those who strive to serve the community.

If you want to help the community, get involved. It is easy to be a spectator and make statements and claims from the sidelines; but the reality of the matter is much different, much more complex, and much more treacherous when you are in the game.

Be a bridge, not an obstacle. Most communities like ours remain stagnant because we will not come together. We claim to support one another but sometimes our actions and words do not match. We must all do better. When we do not come together, we remain in our same position while those who do not want us to succeed laugh because divisiveness and confusion was the whole point - divide and conquer.

"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy." Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

While I remain the Executive Director of the NELCDC, my focus will remain on the communities and neighborhoods that need us most.

Regards,
Monique Coleman, MPA,
MCRP
Executive Director
North & East Lubbock CDC
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attention from Russia after stating that the United States is "at war" with Russia and "former KGB spy" Vladimir Putin.

"We have been attacked. We are at war," Freeman says in a video for the Committee to Investigate Russia, a group dedicated to investigating Russia's impact on the United States' democratic processes.

Using social media to spread propaganda and false information, he convinces people in democratic societies to distrust their media, their political processes, even their neighbors. And he wins," Freeman said, describing Putin, Russia's president.

Director Robert Reiner launched the Committee to Investigate Russia, which was announced on Twitter about a week ago.

"Through Facebook and through other means, they were able to infect our democracy and our election system," Reiner said in an interview with Variety. "People don't get it I guess because they don't feel it. I guess it is like walking around with high blood pressure. You don't feel bad, and then before you know it you drop dead from a heart attack. My concern is people don't understand the gravity of what they were able to do."

"We need our president to speak directly to us and tell us the truth," he added.

A spokesman for Putin called Freeman "a victim of emotionally charged, self-exalted status," according to Radio Free Europe. A Russian news network hosted a team of psychiatrists that attributed Freeman's comments to "a Messianic complex resulting from playing God or the president in several

films," as well as "drug abuse," according to BBC.

Freeman's video resulted in a "#StopMorganLie" hashtag on social media, which did not gain a lot of traction.

A Russian news agency cited Russian Foreign Ministry Spokeswoman Maria Zakharova as calling Freeman's video "another story about the ends justifying the means."

"However, we will know who is behind this story sooner than we knew about the true contents of the infamous test tube," said Zakharova. Zakharova's statement was in reference to former Secretary of State Colin Powell's 2003 demonstration in which he held a tube of white powder that he said was anthrax in an effort to call for military action against Iraq.

Trump took to Twitter to dismiss the investigation as a "Russia hoax" and more "Fake News."

Agape Temple 24th Church Anniversary

The public is invited to attend the 24th Church Anniversary of the Agape Temple Church of God in Christ, 4610 Avenue Q.

The theme for the celebration is "Changed Mind In Christ In This Changing World"

The Sunday morning worship hour, October 29, 2017, beginning at 11:15 a. m. The guest speaker will be Prophet Ron Dawson of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Sunday evening, beginning at 6:00 p. m., with Prophet Dawson as speaker.

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- Home cannot be located in a Flood Zone

To determine eligibility, please contact Community Development by phone at (806) 775-2302, email at cdinfo@mylubbock.us or in person at 1611 10th Street, 2nd Floor.

Random participant selection will be held in November.

Mayor Dan Pope Will Host Coffee

Lubbock Mayor Dan Pope will host a Coffee with the Mayor on Wednesday, October 11th. The meeting will start at 7:30 a.m. at the United Supermarket located at 1701 50th Street.

This is an opportunity for the Mayor to meet with residents, hear their concerns, and connect with the citizens of Lubbock. Mayor Pope can also present his priorities, goals, and vision for Lubbock in the foreseeable future.

All residents are invited to attend.

The Southwest Digest encourages all of our readers to attend the coffee and meet Mayor Pope. Let him know you appreciate him hosting this event.

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We the family of Roderick Toler (right) would like to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to everyone that may have either called, visited, brought food and/or sent cards to us during our time of bereavement.

Your thoughtfulness, kindness and prayers were so com-

forting to us and will never be forgotten.

Thank you so much for everything. Please continue to keep us in your prayers. May God continue to bestow His blessings upon all of you!

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The Toler Family



A SPECIAL MEMORIAL SERVICE WAS HELD FOR FORMER TEAMMATE

A Memorial Service was held for Roderick Deshawn Toler, on Friday July 21st, 2017 at the University of Texas-Arlington Track Field. The Memorial was organized by former Teammates and Coaches.

Mr. Roy Gene Toler & Mrs. Rowanda Toler, parents of Roderick Toler, were truly blessed by this recognition.

During a portion of the memorial service, all those in attendance released balloons to commemorate Roderick.

Roderick Toler attended the University of Texas-Arlington from 1998-2000, where he was a member of the track team. He ran the 400 meters and the 4 X 400 relay.

Team members gave expressions of how Roderick touched their lives and recalled different events they shared on and off the track field.

In January 2015, Roderick was among a group that was inducted into the University of Texas Hall of Fame for their endeavors

National Bullying Prevention Month

National Bullying Prevention Month is a campaign in the United States founded in 2006 by PACER's National Bullying Prevention Center.[1] The campaign is held during the month of October and unites communities nationwide to educate and raise awareness of bullying prevention. Traditionally held the first week in October, the event was expanded in 2010 to include activities, education, and awareness building for the entire month. National Bullying Prevention Month is recognized in communities across the United States, with hundreds of schools and organizations signing on as partners. Facebook,[2] CNN[3] and Yahoo! Kids[4] have supported the month through media outreach and dissemination.

PACER developed the initial campaign National Bullying Prevention and Awareness Week in response to the need to raise awareness of bullying, as it was historically viewed "a childhood rite of passage" and believed that bullying "made kids tougher", when the reality is that bullying has devastating effects such as school avoidance, loss of self-esteem, increased anxiety, and depression. PACER reached out to the community through partnerships with education based organizations such as National PTA, American Federation of Teachers and National Education Association to provide schools, parents and students with resources to respond to bullying behavior and to begin the shift of societal acceptance of bullying to social change of addressing the issue through education and support. PACER disseminated nationwide press releases through the partners and media channels, encouraging a call to action to educate the community about their role in bullying prevention, which provided the groundwork for the campaign to be consistently recognized as an annual event.

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia



ALZHEIMER'S FUNDRAISER HELD FOR LOIS JEAN ROWE

The Rowe family would like to express our appreciation to the Blue Box Convenient Store and Smiley's Fish & Chicken for their support with the Alzheimer's Association fundraiser.

This year's Walk To End Alzheimer's will be held on 10/14/17, at 9:00 am (Registration @ 8 am), McKenzie Park Amphitheater. Come out and join us.

Velvet Rowe-Newton

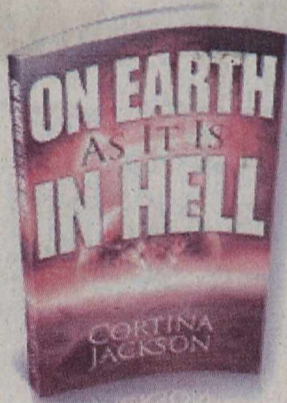


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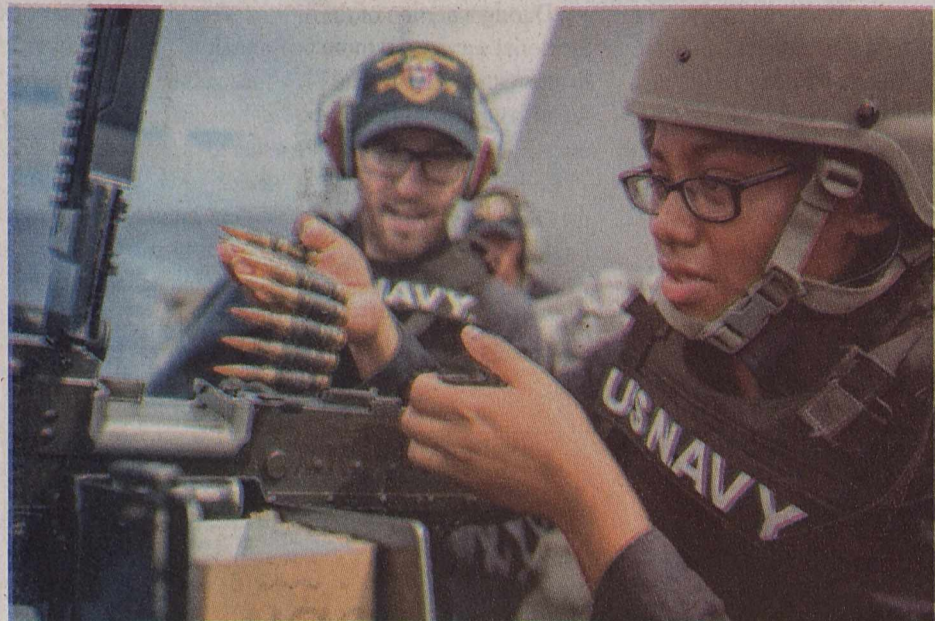
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Lubbock Native Serves in Pacific Aboard USS Chafee



WESTERN PACIFIC: Mate 1st Class Thomas Hedgpeth, left, assigned to the Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Chafee (DDG 90), and from Silver Spring, Md., assists Gunner's Mate Seaman Apprentice Aveanna Cash, from Lubbock, Texas, with loading a M240B machine gun. Chafee is part of the U.S. 3rd Fleet and U.S. Naval Surface Forces, currently deployed to the U.S. 7th Fleet area of responsibility on a routine scheduled deployment. The forces of both fleets complement one another across the spectrum of military operations in the Pacific.

(U.S. Navy Combat Camera photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Benjamin A. Lewis)



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WHO: All men seeking to reach their Potential in Christ Jesus. Women Welcome!

WHAT: 2017 Men's Conference.

WHEN: October 20th, 7:00 p. m.; October 21st, 9:00 a. m., and 22nd, 11:00 a. m., 2017.

WHERE: New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue.

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