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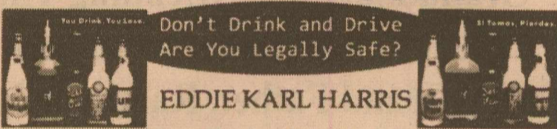
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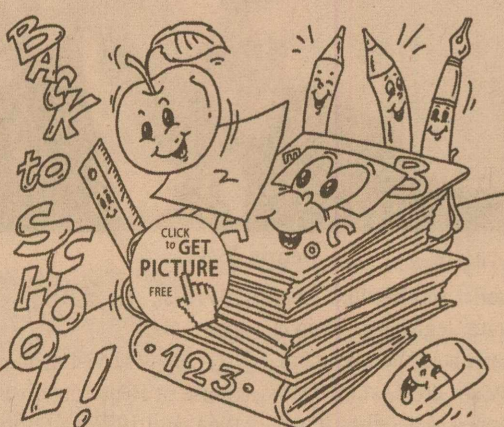
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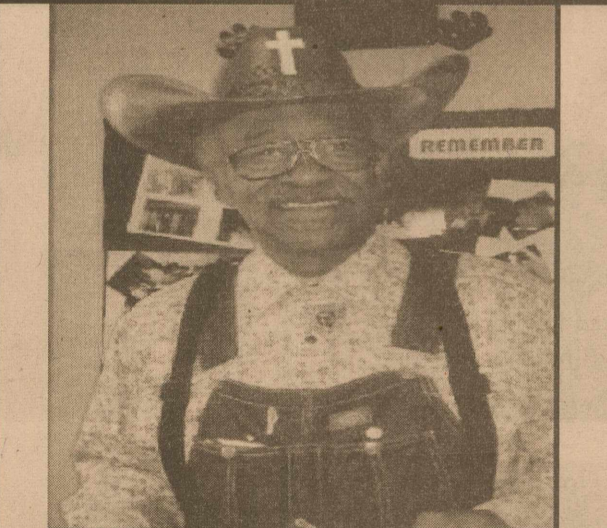
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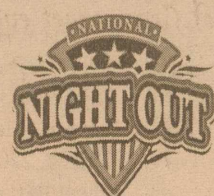
Mae Simmons

Community and Senior Centers
What's Happening This Month

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Saturday, August 7, 6-8:30 pm
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Join us for our 2nd annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer! Enjoy games, hot dogs and entertainment! There will be dance performances, a 3-on-3 tournament, bingo, dominoes and more! A special thanks to Starcare and all of our other sponsors.



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In Cinque

By Renetta Howard

NEGATIVE MEDIA

A few years ago, we had news from the radio and the television. If it travelled further, it was by word of mouth and we made our comments pro or con and the impact was usually not too impressive in most places. Too often, when we received the final word, our comments really did not matter. Life moved on and so did we. The most pressure to change any situation came with protests and behind-the-scene positive actions such as lobbying and court actions to have laws changed for the good of the people and the country. We did not have common use of a personal computer. They were found in the military and businesses.

With the advent of Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and other such forms of media, it only takes a split second now to know and be a part of a media protest of any denomination due to the accessibility of personal computers, tablets and iPads along with the cellphones, and especially the iPhones which are miniature computers. One would not believe how so many people do have access to these apparatuses with their exorbitant prices and data plans, and proclaim to be poor.

Not a day goes by that one is out and about in the community that one does not see more than a few individuals walking, sitting and even running, talking or texting on a telephone. Aside from that, it appears that some people 'live' on Facebook. Any day you check in to Facebook, there are certain people involved at that moment and have been involved earlier for quite a while. They comment on everything that has been in the news on the internet as the newspapers are always a day late. Too much of what is in the news is **NEGATIVE!**

There is too much being posted especially about the 'White' people who are calling the police on Black people and other minorities for trivial reasons, such as being Black and using coupons in a store; being LGBT and having a prescription filling denied; being Black and the odor of your barbeque escaping to your neighbor's yard; Black children playing near the home of 'White' people; being assaulted because someone does not like the way you look; being called vile names and told to go back to where you came from and spat upon; birthday parties invaded by 'White supremacists' waving rebel flags with knives and guns. These are perhaps not new things that are happening, but they have become overt due to quick media access and the nature of our current morality atmosphere. I believe in **FREE SPEECH** and the right to express yourself verbally and otherwise, but some people in this country have taken **ENTITLEMENT** to a new low level!

AMERICAN HISTORY needs to be reinforced in our schools. ALL children need to know that this country was inhabited by the people we call Indians or Native Americans. It was taken by European explorers who planted stolen Africans on the soil to labor while they isolated the natives as they stole the land, gas lighted them with Christianity and diseases. For 500 years, the descendants from the Anglo-Saxon countries have felt entitled. We are beyond the melting pot and it is time for us to get 'in cinque' and realize that we are destroying this country with negative racism, ethnocentrism and political bigotry! **NONE OF US WILL BE FREE UNTIL ALL OF US ARE FREE!** Unless we obtain
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Beyond the Rhetoric

By Harry C. Alford

Wake Up Black People!

I guess I'm playing off an old Teddy Pendergrass tune. But it is long overdue. We stand on the shoulders of giants that progressed through the hall of the US Capitol. The first wave of Congressional Black Caucus members made great gains in terms of Black business development. Led by Adam Clayton Powell, Parn J. Mitchell, John Conyers, Gus Savage and Louis Stokes just to name a few – they made great progress. They wrote great programs; won congressional support; and codified brilliant legislation. There is just one significant truth I must identify: The programs are not being implemented by us.

I have been writing, screaming, pounding my fists and everything else to try and get my people's attention. The laws are brilliant, yet they are worthless if they are not implemented, monitored, and updated. Allow me to point out a few examples.

"Public Utilities' Plans for Small and Small Disadvantaged Subcontractors". This program was written in the early 1990's. It requires public utilities such as electric power companies, water companies, natural gas companies, etc. to write a plan to reach a certain level of minority business procurement in its purchasing. The plan must be approved and then reviewed by the General Services Administration. The program results are available to the public. It allows us to see just what our local utilities are doing in terms of diversity in the procurement sector. It is beautiful. There is just one thing – most utilities ignore this requirement, and no one calls them out.

When we just got started in building up the National Black Chamber of Commerce, I learned about this great pro-

THIS N' THAT

by T. J. Patterson

WE CAN WORK TOGETHER AND MAKE EAST LUBBOCK THE WAY WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE IT!! **THIS N THAT** really believes if there are few who **REALLY BELIEVES EAST LUBBOCK** can become the area we would like for it to become then it can happen..... **THIS N THAT** is a believer of **"IT'S NOT QUANTITY, BUT QUALITY,"** when you want to see things really happen..... Perhaps **THIS N THAT** doesn't have answers we need to bring **EAST LUBBOCK** like we'd like to see..... But **REALLY BELIEVES IF WE TAKE IT TO OUR GOD AND**

LEAVE IT THERE we should see some things happening..... Now why **GOD** knows where our hearts are as we express it through **PRAYERS** we may see some things happen..... As we **PRAY** either individually or collectively with others let's **REALLY BELIEVE IN WHAT WE ARE PRAYING FOR!!** If we would look back over the **HISTORY OF EAST LUBBOCK** it reveals in history on how **BLACK CITIZENS OF EAST LUBBOCK** couldn't **BORROW MONEY FROM LOCAL BANKS** but through fervent **PRAYERS TO OUR GOD**

..... things began to happen..... The record of **EAST LUBBOCK** reflects how **BLACK BUSINESSES BECAME A REALITY**..... Then there were **EIGHT BLACK CHURCHES BUILD** and they added much to the development of **EAST LUBBOCK**..... Today the oldest Black Church in Lubbock County **MOUNT GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH** which still exists and was one of the eight **BLACK CHURCHES** which is an example of what **GOD CAN DO!** Let's keep on keeping onand put it in the hands of our **GOD WITH OUR PRAYERS!!**

gram. I noticed that Indianapolis Power and Light and the Public Service of Indiana were refusing to send in their goals and annual reports. I blasted them with a press release that made the front pages of the local newspapers. In the end, the two started complying with the program and became corporate members of the Chamber. Local Black owned businesses started getting contracts from them like never. It showed me the power of monitoring and compliance.

Recently, I read an article in the Black owned newspaper serving Akron, Ohio. "The Reporter" stated on June 30, 2018: "2018 CDBG and HOME Investment Partnership Program Action Plan to Fund Numerous Projects Throughout Summit County". It went further and said, "The county anticipates receiving \$966,416 in CDBG (Community Development Block Grants from HUD) fund-

ing, and \$440,372 in HOME (HUD program) funding for the 2018 program."

Now, this is HUD funding which means Section 3 of the HUD Act must be implemented. Section 3 requires that 10% of all contracting should go to Section 3 businesses and 30% of the new hiring should go to Section 3 residents. A Section 3 resident is a person who lives under the poverty level and needs on-the-job training. A Section 3 business is a company that is owned and managed by a Section 3 resident or hires Section 3 persons. Now, isn't this powerful? Too bad! They aren't going to comply with this in Akron – just like 95% of other communities. Section 3 could greatly increase Black employment and reduce poverty if it is complied with. Some how we Black folks don't take advantage of it. Don't believe me? Go google: "24CFR Part 135" and read the program.

I bet your community isn't complying either. Section 3 was written in 1968 and we just ignore it. What a pity! Akron and all communities need a Black Chamber of Commerce.

We all thought things would be getting much better when we elected Barack Obama as our President. We figured that federal programs would improve in terms of serving the Black community. Wrong! Sometimes people may be of our color but nowhere near our mindset. The Small Business Administration lending program has been in existence for decades. Capital Access is the key to business development and growth. Special attention is given to the lending activity of the SBA for that reason. However, the Congressional Black Caucus gave President Obama a "pass" when he failed us. We should have called him out just like we
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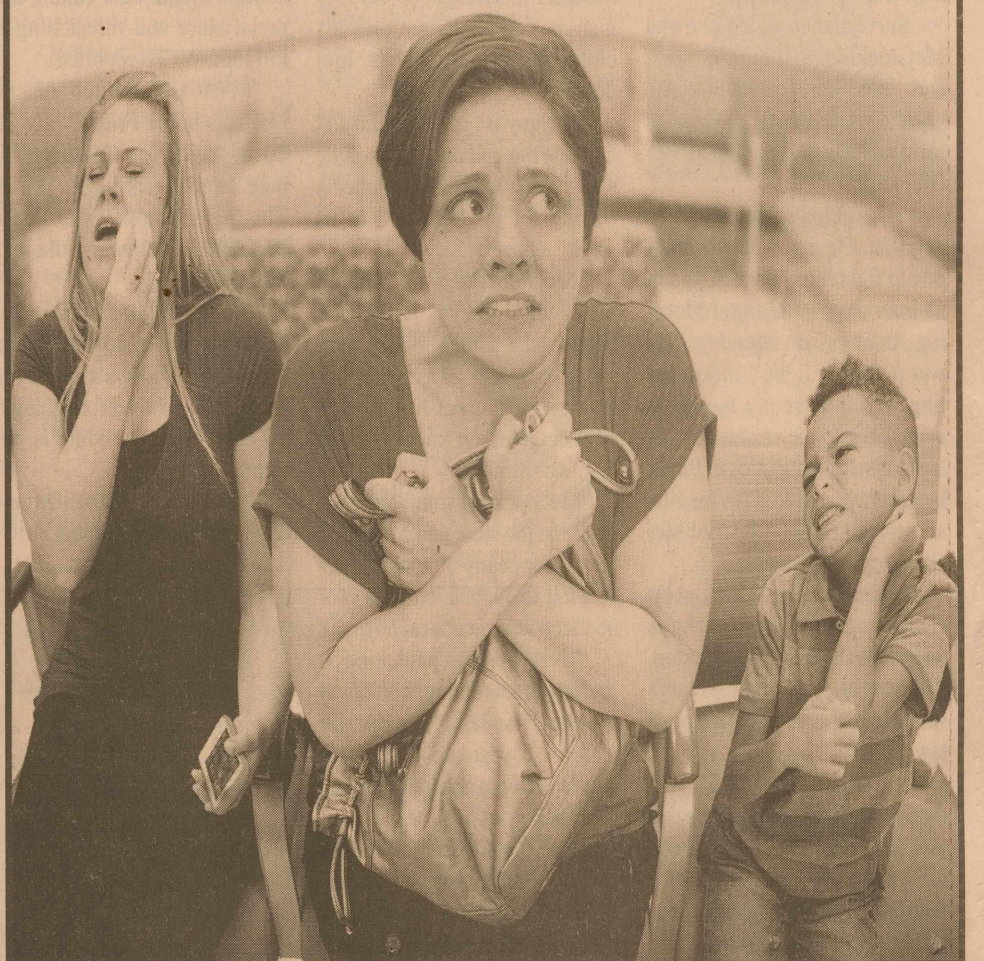
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The History of Alexander Hamilton Coming to Lubbock at The Patterson Branch Library

Alexander Hamilton, one of America's most visionary founding fathers, is with us every day -- not just in the lyrics of a Broadway show, or courtesy of the \$10 bill in our wallet, but also in a local library.

Courtesy of the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, a touring exhibit called "Alexander Hamilton: Immigrant, Patriot, Visionary" will open Tuesday and remain available for viewing through Aug. 14 at the Bobbie Gean and TJ Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Dr.

There is no admission charge. Library hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday.

Call manager Melissa Barber at 767-3300, or email her at mlbarber@mylubbock.us, for more details.

Funded in part by the Rockefeller Foundation, this exhibit examines Hamilton's important role in the Revolutionary War and founding period.

More than any other founder, Hamilton foresaw the way we live now. In his Federalist Papers he advocated ratification of the Constitution; as treasury secretary, he oversaw the adoption of a national currency; and as an economist, he recognized the importance of trade and commerce in building a strong nation.

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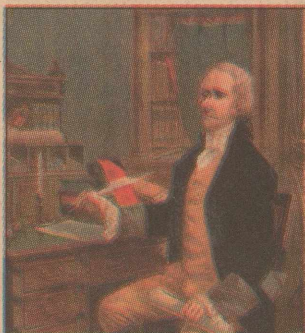
It seems that since the musical 'Hamilton' hit Broadway, everyone wants to know more about this historical figure from America's past.

Well, now you have a chance to learn more at your Lubbock Public Library's Patterson Branch.

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The best part of the exhibit is that it is open to the public and free to view it during regular library hours - Monday and Tuesday from 10 am until 7 pm, Wednesday through Saturday from 9 am until 6 pm). For more information, you can call the Patterson Branch Library at (806) 767-3300.



SAVE THE DATES FOR UPCOMING DISTRICT 2 COMMUNITY MEETINGS
With Councilwoman Shelia Patterson-Harris

Councilwoman Shelia Patterson-Harris is planning on meeting with the residents of District 2 as a means of reaching out to her constituents to share pertinent information of things that have taken place within District 2 and of the progress made over the past 3 years since her role as the representative for this District.

This will also be a time of sharing all the upcoming projects and current projects in progress. Most importantly, this will be

an opportunity for her to hear the voice of the people.

This will mark the 3rd occasion meeting with the people of District 2 as a group. There is a lot going on within the city and lot of wonderful and positive things to come.

This time around, Councilwoman Shelia Patterson-Harris will conduct these meetings within the residential parks. The meetings will be held under the pavillions at the park and residents are ask

ed to bring their lawn chairs and/or blankets for seating.

The first two meetings will take place on 8/6/18 (Underwood Park) and 8/13/18 (Strong Park). Both meetings are on a Monday evening beginning at 6:30 p.m. For exact locations, please see the notification below.

For more information, please contact Councilwoman Shelia Patterson-Harris at 806-474-9918.

She would love to have you join her there.

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