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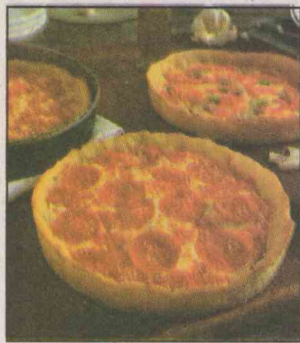
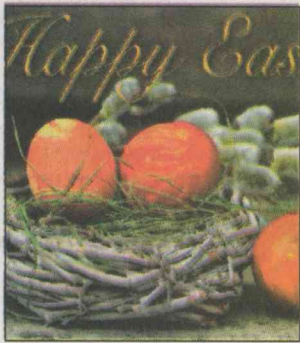
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April 17th

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April 22nd

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April 26th



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TAMACC Lubbock Chapter Ribbon Cutting Membership Drive



The Texas Association for Mexican American Chambers of Commerce held a Membership Drive entitled "On the Patio" on Thursday, March 25th, hosted by Shane Byrd of El Phoenix Taqueria. This organization's goal is to serve as the Hispanic Chamber for the Lubbock, Texas area.

Josie Benitez, the TAMACC Lubbock Chapter Chairperson, had the honor of cutting the ribbon for this event.

The TAMACC would like to service Lubbock in Commerce, Advocacy and Leadership. One of their desires is to bring to the Hispanic community information and programs to promote commerce, advocacy and leadership.

TAMACC has been the leading Hispanic organization in the

Texas since 1975.

Sam Guzman, the Chairman of TAMACC, came in from Buda, TX to attend this special event. He was born and raised in Lubbock and graduated from Lubbock High School. Sam said he was mentored by T.J. Patterson, Sr. of which he is very thankful and proud of.

TAMACC was founded in the 1970s. Some Lubbockites like Bidal Agüero were instrumental in founding the assoc-

iation. History about TAMACC can be found at TAMACC.org. If anyone is interested in hearing more about the services of this organization or would like to join them, please call Chairperson, Josie Benitez at 806-787-9638 and please visit their Face Book page at: **TAMACC Lubbock Chapter.**

More information and photos will follow in our Editorial for the month of May 2021. SWD

A Revised Article on the Community Service by The Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc, Eta Delta Omega's Mentoring Program

Corrections were on two individual's identity from our 03/04 editorial. Below the correct names have been placed underneath the appropriate individual.



Aprille Parson Price: Aprille is a Junior student at Coronado High School. She has been a member of the AKA Mentor Program for 1 year.



Loveisha Stevens: Loveisha is a Junior student at Lubbock Cooper High School. She has been a member of the AKA Mentor Program for 3 years.

First Black Students to Voluntarily Enroll in Lubbock High School as Sophomores in the Fall of 1963

Article Featured by:

Jane U. Henry (LHS, Class of 1961), plus my sister Gwynne U. Juett (LHS, Class of 1965) and brother Busty Underwood (Class of 1967)

In the fall of 1963, three adventurous and courageous young men from Alderson Junior High were the first black students to voluntarily enroll in Lubbock High School as sophomores. There were many Hispanic students who were coming to LHS with friends from Matthews, Carol Thompson and O.L. Slaton Junior High Schools, but these would be the first African Americans.

As with any students attending a new school, they were fortunate to have talents that gave each a "group" to join - Davey Mitchell with the Westerner's Marching Band, James David Lewis with the junior varsity

Cowhands football team and Don Burrell as a standout Westerner varsity football and basketball player.

To put this into context, Dr. King's March on Washington took place on August 28, 1963, just weeks before these three guys set foot on the LHS campus. The following summer, President Johnson signed the Civil Rights Act followed in 1965 by the Voting Rights Act. In the spring of 1965, the Selma Bloody Sunday march took place in Alabama and Malcolm X was assassinated in New York City.

In spite of the national turmoil, there seems to be no

trace of that unrest at Lubbock High during their tenure. In fact, their families and fellow students remark on how well liked the men were and what long term friendships were formed, as evidenced by the list of Facebook comments following Don Burrell's death earlier this month. Bringing home the Silver Spurs from Monterrey High School rivalry may have helped solidify the memory of these friendships formed 57 years ago!

They were obviously outstanding young men and it makes me very proud of the other young people at Lubbock High at the time. I'd like to celebrate them all! JUH

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Special Birthday Wishes and a Speical Tribute was given to The Honorable Congresswoman Eddie Bernice Johnson



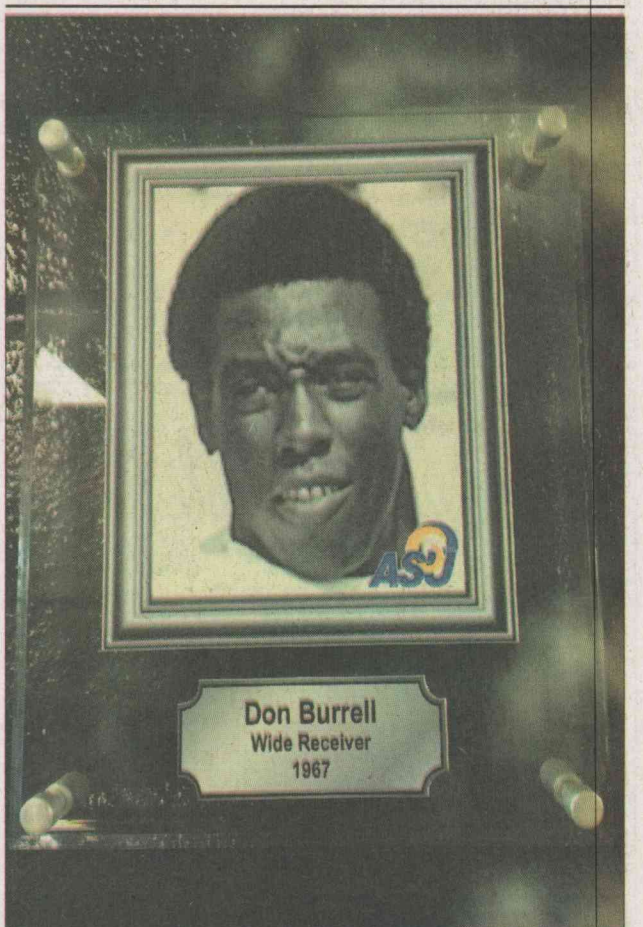
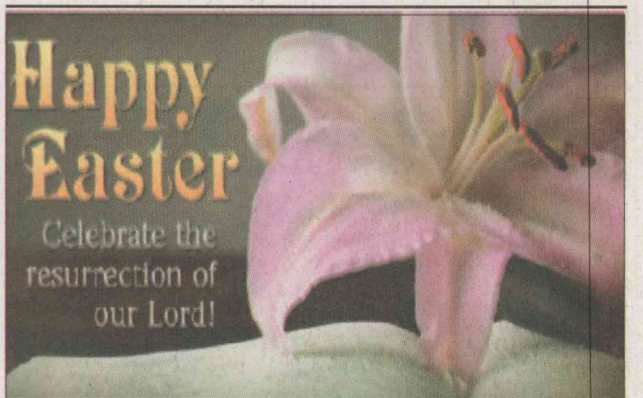
Congresswoman Eddie B. Johnson represents the 30th congressional district of Texas in the United States House of Representatives, where she chairs the House Committee on Science Space and Technology. She recently celebrated her 85th birthday!!

The Texas Metro News Celebrated the 85th birthday of one of Texas' outstanding leaders, The Honorable Congresswoman Eddie Bernice Johnson. Also a special tribute was shown to her in their September 2020 editorial.

Some of the words and phrases that were used to describe her were; Born to Serve (on their front cover of the editorial), A Woman Worth Celebrating, Servant Leader and Trailblazer. The edition featured several different articles pertaining to her accomplishment, along with lots of photos of her journey as the US Representative.

To read this special edition, please go to the following link: https://issuu.com/cherylsmith28/docs/eddie_bernice_johnson
In the Texas Metro November 2020 publication, it featured an article written by Congresswoman Johnson entitled Uniting the United States of America. That article can be found at: <https://texasmetronews.com/6576/uniting-the-united-states-of-america/>

This special birthday recognition was submitted by one of Congresswoman Johnson's dear friends, Mrs. Elurd Devenport, a resident of Lubbock, Tx.



Don Burrell
Wide Receiver
1967

Photos of Davey Mitchell and James David Lewis were not available for this publication.

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 p. m. at the Dunbar Alumni Building

* The Lubbock Branch of The NAACP meets the 3rd Saturday of each month at Life Run, Inc, 8240 Boston Ave. at 11: a.m.

* 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 2nd Saturday at 10:00 am at the Mae Simmons Community Center located at 2004 Oak Avenue.

* West Texas Native American Association meets at 7:00 pm, at the New Jerusalem Baptist Church, 3524 East Broadway Avenue on Tuesday evenings..

* 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.

* ColorYour Stress Away Adult Coloring meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at the Patterson Library 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm

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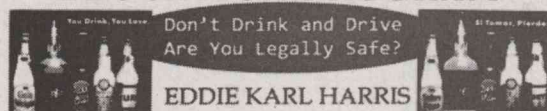
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Tu & Th- Full Body workout, 7p.m.- 8p.m., Ages 18+
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Bingo Breakfast
April 22, 10a.m., Ages 50+
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Join us for breakfast, and enjoy a friendly game of Bingo and some fellowship, Free.

Due to COVID-19, all events are subject to change.



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In Cinque

By Renetta Howard

"WORLD STRUGGLES"

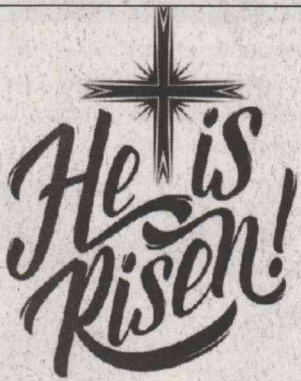
It is interesting how half of the members of the U. S. Senate stayed up half the night to pass a relief bill to help the millions of Americans whom have lost jobs, businesses, loved ones whom financially supported them and a life style of loneliness and isolation and without the necessities of life such as adequate living arrangements, food and clothing, not to mention so many of the other things of life; just plain healthiness.

The COVID-19 upset everything; including our ability to think and function adequately and normal. This virus has not only interrupted our ability to stay healthy as over 500,000 people have died before any vaccine could be approved on an emergency basis to slow down the deaths. Yet, not one Republican Senator has been recorded as supporting the relief bill. It has always been said that the Republican Party is the party of the rich and this latest act if definitely one to make a believer out of me and many more people, in spite of the fact that we all pay taxes and the money does not belong to just them, but somehow, that is the way it seems. When things got tough, most of them ran to their country estates, just as Senator Cruz ran to Mexico to ditch the freeze. Problem is, he was the only one to get caught.

On the other hand, after the state of Texas suffered the worse

climate disaster in a very long time, the ERCOT (Electric Reliability Council of Texas) committed the biggest crime of all denying electric power to millions of Texans, some whom died because of the lack of electricity. Millions are faced with no electricity and astronomical bills for the few minutes that they did receive service. On top of that, the Republican Governor decided after President Biden mandated masks for everyone and especially on federal property, while at the same time, the top infections doctor recommended wearing two masks, Governor Abbott decided that Texas no longer need masks and all business can open back up 100%.

At this time, nationwide vaccination is at best 10% for COVID-1 I have seen madness, but this is one of a kind. The big problem seems to be that this country has elected half of the people in Congress who really do not give a care about the average American except getting his vote to earn a dream job which benefits themselves instead of the people who elect them. It is time that we get 'in cinque' and make intellectual choices for our governmental leaders throw politics out of the window. We see and have felt what it has done to us. Things have to get better and we have to make it so!



Beyond the Rhetoric

By Harry C. Alford & Kay DeBow *****

"When Harry met Kay"

It was the city of Detroit where Kay and Harry met. Who would have guessed it? A fun loving and "wild" man from Southern California versus a nice and sweet pretty girl from the "Heartland" of Indiana. But it happened and has been going strong for over 40 years.

Harry had a reputation of a girl chaser and would work a rotation of 5 or 6 during a designated period. He had two divorces on his resume and an enormous "team" of broken hearts in between. A popular guy on the Detroit nightlife while Kay was new to the city working her first corporate job as a sales representative with Colgate Palmolive. Prior to working with Johnson & Johnson sales division Harry earned his sales skills with Procter & Gamble.

One sunny afternoon Harry was traveling through Detroit Metropolitan Airport with his local sales force on their way to a conference in Dallas, Texas. He ran into a friend of his who suggested he come over to his table where he and his team were having lunch. He said, "Harry, I want you to meet my new sales rep. I believe you are going to like her (knowing my reputation for chasing the prettiest of ladies). There she was sitting down with that gorgeous smile and rookie demeanor. My eyes laid on Kay DeBow and the "lightning" struck. She was on her way to a conference in New York City so we exchanged business cards and committed to some quality time upon our return to the Motor City.

I told one of my sales reps. that if I ever meet that foxy lady again, I will end up marrying her. He laughed but I meant every word of it from the bottom of my heart. Her smile, honey colored skin, legs that resembled

THIS N' THAT c/o T. J. Patterson, Sr.

This Issue is being dedicated to the victims of the Atlanta Spa shootings and the victims of the Boulder, CO., shooting. Please continue to pray for the

families and loved ones of each of these individuals that lost their lives. May God bring healing, comfort, restoration and forgiveness to all in need.

Also, please pray for God's deliverance to be brought to those who are responsible for the loss of these lives. **GOD BLESS THEM ALL!**

Boulder shooting victims: Identifying the 10 lives lost



Top row, from left: Tralona Bartkowiak, 49; Kevin Mahoney, 61; Denny Stong, 20; Jody Waters, 65; Bottom row, from left: Officer Eric Talley, 51; Suzanne Fountain, 59; Rikki Olds, 25; Lynn Murray, 62.

Tralona Bartkowiak, 49
Known to friends as Lonna, Tralona Bartkowiak co-owned a Boulder clothing shop, Umba Love, and was effervescent, friendly and loved music.

Kevin Mahoney, 61
To his daughter, Kevin Mahoney was her hero and "all things Love." Mahoney had worked in hotel asset management and investments.

Denny Stong, 20
A Facebook profile for Mr Stong says that he lived in Boulder and began working for the King Soopers grocery store in December 2018.

Jody Waters, 65
Possessing of style and a friendly demeanor, Jody Waters worked in and/or owned boutiques along Boulder's Pearl Street Mall for years. She was a longtime Boulder resident, but not of the tie-dyed, Birkenstock-wearing type.

Officer Eric Talley, 51
Boulder Police Officer Eric Talley, who was killed while responding to the King Soopers shooting, was the father of seven who took his job "very seriously." Talley was interested in using drones for policing and liked woodworking.

Suzanne Fountain, 59
A well-known community theater actress, Suzanne Fountain also helped enroll thousands of people in Medicare and was "simply a very genuine person with tons of integrity."

Rikki Olds, 25
Rikki Olds worked as a front-end manager at King Soopers. Her Facebook identifies her as a Lafayette resident who attended Centaurus High School and Front Range Community College.

Photos of and information on Neven Stanic and Teri Leiker is continued on page 4



Lynn Murray, 62
Described by her daughter as "the biggest light in everybody's life," Lynn Murray was working as an Instacart shopper recently. But before she retired, she was a photo director for Glamour, Marie Claire and Cosmopolitan magazines.

Wille Mays' baseball bat with hips and a bustline to match. I said to myself if it is meant to happen then Lord please make it soon. Two months later we ran

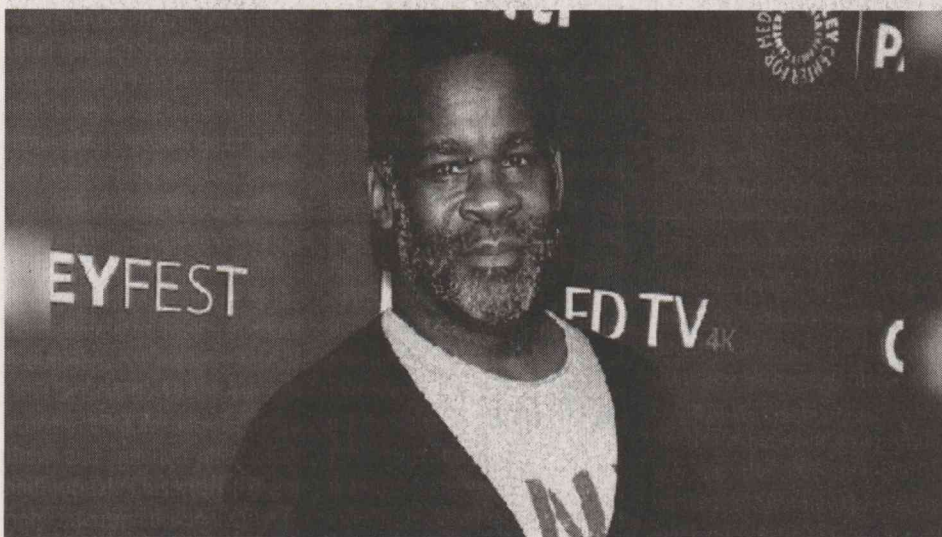
into each other in a Farmer's Jack supermarket. I immediately put this rap on her: This is a tough city with a very rough business environment. However,

I sort of ran this place. Ask around about me. In fact, I would make a great mentor for a young rookie as yourself. **Continued on Page 5**

Estacado Booster Club Membership Drive

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Craig 'muMs' Grant, 'Oz' actor, dead at 52



The poet, also known as 'muMs the Schemer' starred in Spike Lee's 'BlacKkKlansman' and 'Bamboozled'.
By Melissa Roberto | Fox News

Craig "muMs" Grant, an actor and poet who starred in HBO's "Oz," has died. He was 52.

The LABrynth Theater Company, which he belonged to as a member, released a statement on Thursday announcing his passing.

"The LABrynth Theater family is deeply saddened to share the news of the unexpected loss of Craig 'muMs' Grant. We'll forever miss our friend, brother, LAB member, Emcee, mentor,

poet, actor, spoken-word giant, and fire-breathing teddy bear," the statement shared on Instagram reads.

"muMs' presence, performances, and words inspired a generation. His legacy will live on, from the Bronx and into the beyond. Keep rocking the mic, Schemer!" it concludes.

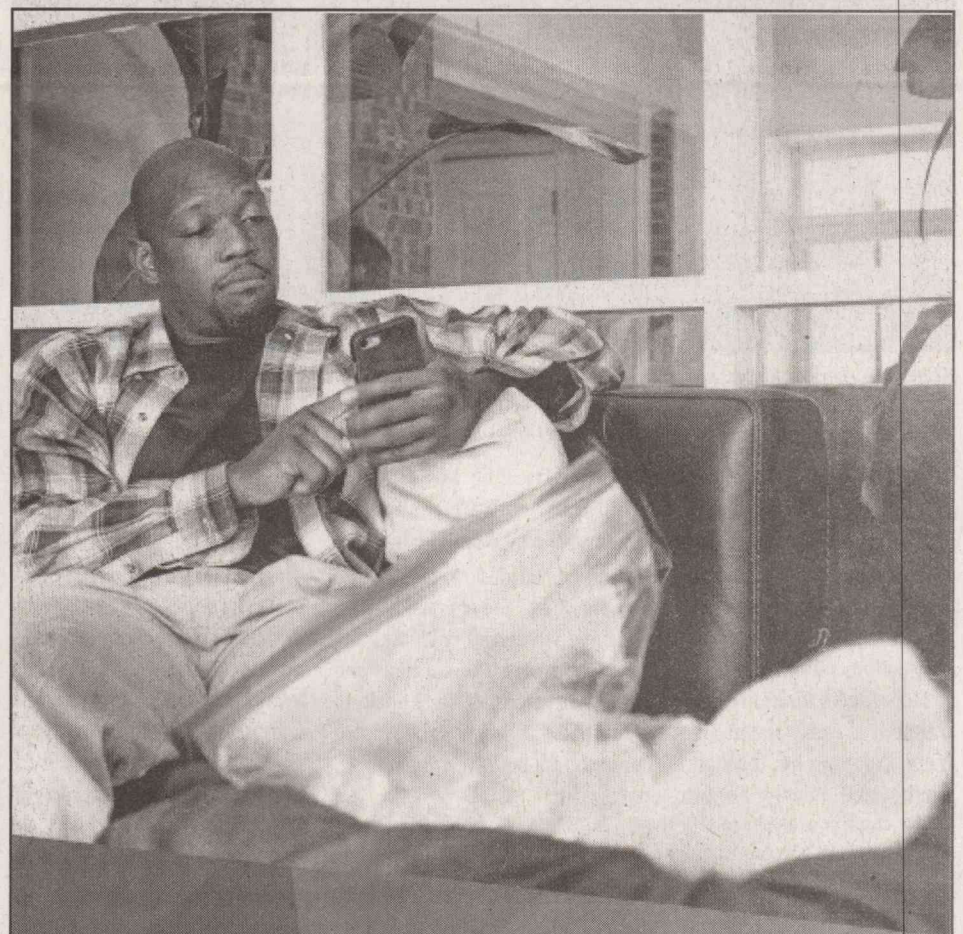
Grant was also known as "muMs the Schemer." A cause of death is still unknown.

A rep for Grant did not im-

mediately respond to Fox News' request for comment. His talent agency, Ellis Talent Group, also announced his death in a statement, calling him a "phenomenal man."

"We are heartbroken over the loss of one of the most genuine, caring, loving souls we have ever had the pleasure of representing," the talent agency said in a statement to The Hollywood Reporter. "Craig was more than

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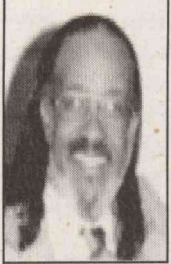
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"Oh, America Who Has Bewitched You"???

By
Evangelist Billy "B.J." Morrison, III

Joshua 24:15, If it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day who you will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

Even from the beginning of time; when LUCIFER; LIED TO ADAM AND EVE.

America; there is nothing new under the sun; WE HAVE BEEN DECEIVED!!!

Revelation 20:10, The devil that deceived them was casted into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophets are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

AMERICA TELLS HER PEOPLE: THEY'RE FREE AT LAST; AND HAVE RIGHTS. TO GET THEM TO DO ALL KINDS OF SINS; DAY AND NIGHT!!!

Ephesians 6:12, For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, and against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

AMERICA CHILDREN HAVE RIGHTS; TO PLAY THE VIDEOS KILLING GAMES.

THEN ACT THEM OUT; KILLING TEACHERS, STU-

DENTS; THEY'VE GONE INSANE!!!

Deuteronomy 18:10, There shall not be found among you any one that make his son of his daughter to pass through the fire, of that use divination, or an observer of time, of an enchanter, or a witch, Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits of wizard, or a necromancer (WITCHCRAFT).

AMERICA'S; SHE TEACHERS HER CHILDREN; MANY EVIL THINGS; THAT WON'T GO WELL. -- WE DON'T TEACH THEM THE BIBLE; TO SAVE THEIR SOULS FROM HELL!!!

Deuteronomy 7:26, Neither shall you bring an abomination into your house, lest you be a cursed thing like it: but you shall utterly detest it, and you shall utterly abhor it; for it is a cursed thing.

AMERICA IS TALKING ABOUT ABORTION; IT KILLS THE MOTHER'S BABY.

IN LUBBOCK; A 16 YR OLD; SHOT AND KILLED A 16 YR OLD; WHICH ONE IS THE MOTHER'S BABY!!! ***O' FOOLISH AMERICA; WHO HAVE BEWITCHED YOU???*

Romans 1:18, For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven

against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men (THE CHRISTIANS), who hold the truth in unrighteousness.

AMERICAN'S CHRISTIANS; MARCHING AND RIOTING WITH THE UN-GODLY MAN. JESUS SAID, GO INTO THE HEDGES AND HI-WAYS; PREACHING AS HE COMMAND!!!

James 4:7, Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. AMERICA'S RAP; IT'S ONLY DEGRADING; OUR SISTERS AND MOTHERS.

IT TEACHES HOW TO TRICK AND TREAT; THEN BE RAPED BY THE BROTHERS!!!

Micah 6:6-8, wherewith shall I come the Lord, and bow myself before the most high God? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?

Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

He has showed you, O man, what is good; and what do the Lord require of you, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.

These Are the Victims of the Atlanta Spa Shootings:

By Paola Rosa-Aquino



Young's Asian Massage in Acworth, Ga., the morning after a gunman shot and killed eight people at three separate locations. Credit...Nicole Craine for The New York Times

Eight people, six of them Asian women, were killed Tuesday night in three shootings by a single gunman at spas across the Atlanta area. The shootings have sent shock waves throughout the country, especially in the Asian community, which has been reeling from an apparent surge

in racist violence that coincided with the start of the coronavirus pandemic a year ago.

Authorities released the names of those killed in the shootings. Xiaojie Tan, Daoyou Feng, Delaina Ashley Yaun Gonzalez, and Paul Andre Michels, were killed during the first attack on

Young's Asian Spa northwest of Atlanta.

Soon Chung Park, Hyun Grant, and Suncha Kim, were killed in the second attack on Gold Spa in Atlanta and Yong Ae Yue was killed across the street in the third and final attack on Aromatherapy Spa.



Delaina Ashley Yaun Gonzalez, 33
Yaun was on a date at Young's Asian Spa with her husband who she married in August, Yaun's cousin told WXIA-TV.



Paul Andre Michels, 54 (Right)
Michels was a local business owner who had been married for over two decades, according to The Daily Beast.



Xiaojie Tan, 49
Xiaojie Tan owned Young's Asian Massage and at least one other spa, according to The Daily Beast. Tan is a licensed massage therapist.



Daoyou Feng, 44 (Feng photo Not Available)
Little is known about Feng at this time. She worked at Young's Asian Massage, according to a co-worker who spoke to the Times.



Hyun Jung Grant, 51
Hyun Jung Grant was a Korean immigrant who worked at Gold Spa. She leaves behind two sons who do not know their father.



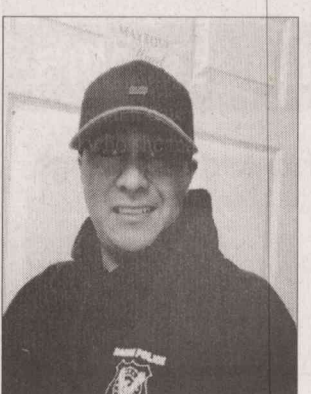
Suncha Kim, 69 (Left)
Kim worked at Gold Spa and in her spare time enjoyed line-dancing, a family member told the Times.



Soon Chung Park, 74 (Left)
The oldest of those killed in the triple attacks, Park worked alongside Grant and Kim at Gold Spa. Park lived in New York before moving to Atlanta.



Yong Ae Yue, 63 (Middle)
Yue worked at Aromatherapy Spa, across the street from Gold Spa. Born in South Korea, she met her husband Mac Peterson, stationed in the U.S. Army.



Elcias Hernandez-Ortiz, 30
"He's still alive, he's fighting for his life," Gonzalez told the Times.
Hernandez-Ortiz's wife, Flor Gonzalez, told the New York Times he called her after being wounded by the gunman steps away from Young's Asian Massage. "I've been shot!" she recalled him saying. "Please come."

It's hard to find the right words at a time like this.

May you find all the love you need in the days to come.

Georgia Lawmaker Arrested As Governor Signs Law Overhauling Elections



State Rep. Park Cannon was arrested at the state Capitol. Cannon was arrested after she attempted to knock on the door of Gov. Brian Kemp's office during his remarks after signing into law a sweeping Republican-sponsored overhaul of state elections.

Georgia state troopers arrested state Rep. Park Cannon on Thursday as she knocked on Gov. Brian Kemp's door, interrupting his livestreamed announcement that he had signed an elections bill into law.

The officers forcibly removed Cannon, a Democrat from Atlanta, dragging her through the Capitol and pushing her into a police car. She was charged with obstruction of law enforcement and disrupting General Assembly sessions, according to the Georgia State Patrol and released on bond late Thursday.

Cannon was with several other protesters when she knocked on Kemp's office door, saying the public should be allowed to witness the announcement of the bill signing. The sweeping legislation requires ID for absentee ballots, limits drop boxes and changes early voting hours.

Tamara Stevens, an activist who was with Cannon, said she wasn't being disrespectful or causing a disturbance.

She knew he was signing a bill that would affect all Georgians — why would he hide behind closed doors? This isn't a monarchy," Stevens said. "You have a women of color fighting for the rights of Georgians and they arrested her for knocking on the door because she wanted to witness our governor sign "the bill."

Cannon was charged with the two counts taken to the Fulton County Jail after she refused repeated warnings to stop knocking on Kemp's office door, according to the Georgia State Patrol.

"She was advised that she was disturbing what was going on inside and if she did not stop, she would be placed under arrest," said GSP spokesman Lt. W. Mark Riley. "Rep. Cannon refused to stop knocking on the door."

Court documents show she was charged with "knowingly and intentionally" knocking on the governor's door during a bill

signing and stomping on Officer L.T. Langford's foot three times "during the apprehension and as she was being escorted out of the property."

"The accused continued kicking on LT Langford with her heels," according to the arrest warrant. State Rep. Erica Thomas, a Democrat from Mableton, said Cannon didn't do anything illegal.

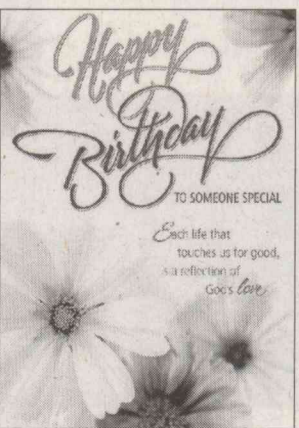
"She was doing her job as an elected official," Thomas said. "She was asking where the governor was and where the bill was being signed."

The Georgia Constitution says legislators are "free from arrest during sessions of the General Assembly" except for charges of treason, felonies or breach of the peace.

"Today is a very sad day for the state of Georgia," said US Sen. Raphael Warnock. "What we have witnessed today is a desperate attempt to lock out and squeeze the people out of their own democracy."

HAPPY 94TH BIRTHDAY!

Mrs. Josephine Sneed



Mrs. Josephine Sneed, better known by many as Granny Sneed, just celebrated her 94th birthday with family and friends.

Mrs. Josephine Sneed would like to extend a Big "THANK YOU" to all that wished her a Happy 94th birthday.

To God Be The Glory!!



Mrs. Josephine Sneed

Obsequies

Charlie Isiac Reed, Jr.

Charlie Isiac Reed Jr, 55, of Amarillo died Friday, December 11, 2020.

Funeral service was held for Charlie Isiac Reed on Monday, December 21st, at 11AM at Greater Love Temple, Amarillo, TX; under the direction of Golden Gate Mortuary. Burial for Mr. Reed was held on Tuesday, December 22nd, at 11AM at Llano Cemetery.

Charlie Reed was born June 25, 1965, in Amarillo, TX, to Charlie I. Reed Sr. and Imogene (Reed) Mallory. He was loved by all who knew him, from all walks of life, and will be deeply missed by those he leaves behind to cherish his memory. Survivors include his children: Shandrika Reed, Tramane Reed-Lewis, and Emma Reed, his sisters: Rhonda Reed Salome



and Yolanda Reed, two grandchildren: Jaleel Reed and Samiya Williams, two nieces: Taylor Salome and Madison Salome, one nephew: Nnonyelu Okafor, and many relatives, friends, and loved ones.

Jill Williams Jones



Jill Williams Jones, 61, passed away on Wednesday, March 17, 2021. Celebration of Life Service was held Friday, March 26, 2021, at 11 a.m. at Lyons Chapel

Baptist Church. Interment followed at the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary.

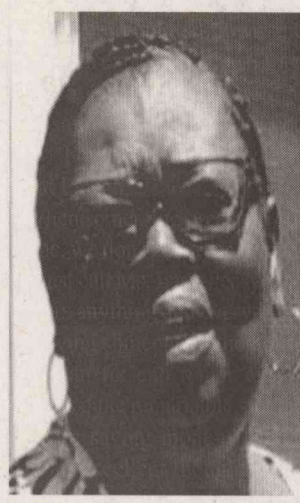
Jill was born to the parentage of Roosevelt, Jr and Mae Jessie Williams in Stanton, TX. She graduated from Estacado High School. She worked at Lubbock State Supported Living Center for 30 plus years. She is survived by her son, DeTwill Williams; daughter, Camille Jones; sisters, Barbara Rhodes, Chekier (Andre) Ester and Erther Williams; brothers, Terry Williams, Sr., Curtis Williams, Willie (Samantha) Thomas, Courtney Williams, Roosevelt

Bennie Lois Russell

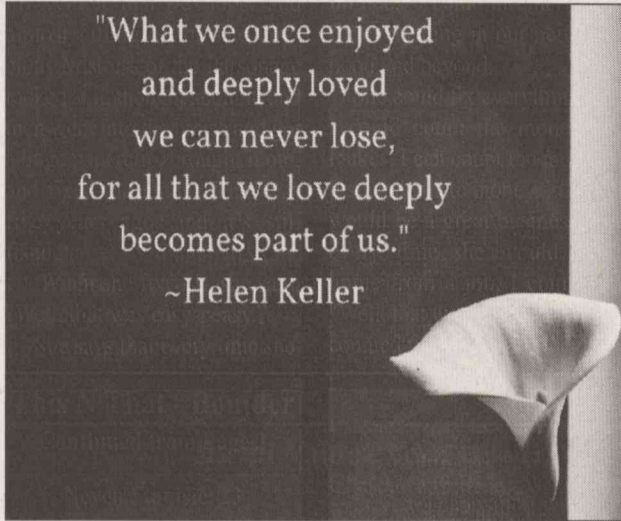
Bennie L. Russell, 71, passed away Sunday, March 7, 2021. Celebration of life service was held on Thursday, March 18, 2021, at 11 a.m. at the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary.

She was born to Raymond, Sr. and Mary Spencer on August 10, 1949 in Commerce, TX.

Bennie is survived by her husband, Roosevelt Russell, Jr.; three children, Shannon Spencer, Tonya Dedrick, and Roosevelt Russell, III; twelve grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; two brothers, Ramon Spencer and Raymond Spencer, Jr.; one sister, Kathy (Bobby)



Larry, Jr.; a host of other relatives and friends.



(Stephanie) Williams, III, and Christopher Williams; four grandchildren; life partner, Terry Lewis; a host of other relatives and friends.



Allen Johnson

Allen Johnson, 93, passed away Thursday, March 18, 2021. Celebration of Life Service was held Saturday, March 27, 2021, at 11 a.m. at New Light Baptist Church. Interment followed at the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary.

Allen was born on May 8, 1927, to Allie Daniels and Vera Hurst in Ida Bell, Oklahoma. He leaves to cherish his memory, seven daughters, Addie Johnson, Gladys Johnson, Alvera Johnson, Wanda Wingo, Donna (Author) McGowan, Eulanda Johnson, and Ann Flanagan; one son, Allen (Lisa) Johnson, Jr.; one sister, Joann Dickens; one brother-in-law, Harold Cavana-



ugh; a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, other relatives and friends.

Olga Nunez

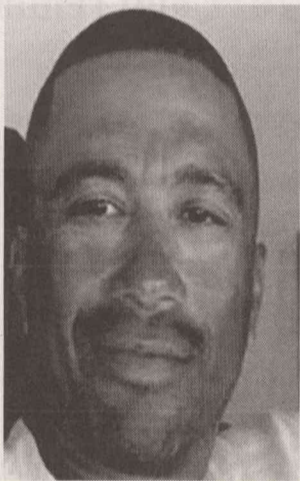


Olga Nunez, Lubbock, Sus hijos Maria Eugenia, Adriana, Julián y Silvia Janet; sus nietos Sofia, Nicolás, Juan Pablo, Juli-

ana, Sandra Patricia, Leah Raquel e Isaac; sus hermanas Graciela y Florencia; sus biznietos y tataranieta, sus sobrinos, demás familiares y amigos la recordarán por siempre.

Con su partida nos deja un valioso legado por haber sido amorosa hija, esposa, madre, hermana, abuela, tía y amiga. Con su entrega y fe inquebrantables, sembró sentimientos de afecto poderosos y duraderos a quienes la rodearon. Mujer querida e inolvidable para quienes disfrutaron de su cariño y maravillosa compañía.

David Valdez Vera



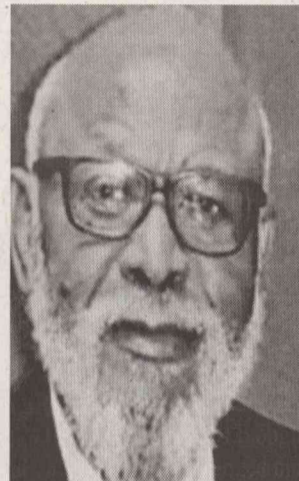
David Valdez Vera, 45, passed away Saturday, March 13, 2021.

Private Disposition was held under the direction of Griffin Mortuary. David was born on December 23, 1975, to Daniel and Enequina Valdez Vera.

David leaves to cherish his memories, his wife, Joy; son, Devossi; one sister, Monica (Lance) Parker; a host of other relatives and friends.



Lester Patterson, Sr.



Lester Patterson, Sr., 80, passed away Wednesday, January 20,

2021. Celebration of Life Service was held Thursday, March 25, 2021, at 11 a.m. at the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary.

Lester was born on March 29, 1940, to Bernice Rucker and Walter Patterson in Paris, TX. He graduated from Dunbar High School.

He leaves to cherish his memories, four sons, Michael Patterson, Turon Patterson, Lester Patterson, Jr. and Dwight Patterson; eighteen grandchildren, eighteen great-grandchildren; a host of other relatives and friends.

Latonya Shanta Hymes

Latonya Shanta Hymes, 40, passed away Saturday, March 6, 2021. Celebration of Life Service was held March 20, 2021, at 11 a.m. at Great Faith Community Baptist Church. Interment followed at Littlefield Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary.

Latonya was born to Barbara Ann Moody and Dwight Bullard on July 29, 1980 in Los Angeles California.

She is survived by her father Dwight Bullard, Siblings Kisha Moody-Davis (Ryan, Sr.), Porcha Pulley (Steven) Yolanda Davis, Girard Moody, Jimmy Ray Marshall, Patrick Davis Sr (Keesha), Daughters Karaysha White, Za'Mya Bracy, Za'Nya Bracy, Avia Williams, Nyla Robinson, Sons Delton Lewis, Cory Bracy Jr, Karmelo Cooper, Karmion Cooper, Zion Hoyt, Zyrone Hoyt, Donnell Hoyt; sister/cousin, Rochelle Jackson (Mike); six grandchildren; a host of other relatives and friends.



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"What's so Peasy About Easy?" by Dr. James L. Snyder

I am nowhere to be found when it comes to crafts, remodeling, and just plain fixer-uppers. My carpentry skills are nowhere to be found even though I've looked for a long time.

On the other side of the parsonage, we have a different scenario.

If the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage cannot fix something, it cannot be broken. No matter what it is, it doesn't take her long to figure out how to fix it.

I must say, and this is just between you and me, she has saved me quite a bit of money by fixing things up that would cost a lot to have them fixed at a professional place. If there is something wrong with my vehicle, I first present it to my wife. I have yet to find something broken in my vehicle that she cannot fix.

Once there was a fender on my vehicle that was loose and almost falling apart. The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage looked at it, thought about it, and then went into the house and got a huge paperclip, brought it out, and fixed the fender. That was five years ago, and it's still fixed.

When she fixed it, she said, "Well, that was easy-peasy." She says that every time she

fixes something and then looks at me and smiles.

The first 100 times she said that, I didn't think too much of it. But as of late, I've been trying to figure out what in the world she means by "easy-peasy."

I know I could sit down and ask her to explain it to me. I tried it once, and she just looked at me, smiled, and said, "Oh, you silly boy. You know exactly what I mean."

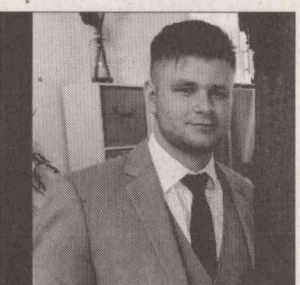
When something breaks in our home, we don't call a repairman; we just call Ms. Easy-Peasy who can fix anything and everything.

Having someone in the house who can fix and repair everything is quite remarkable, not the least in saving money. Then I had an excellent thought. How much money could we make if we started our fix-it-up business? I think I would call the business "Ms. Easy-Peasy Unlimited." I could hire her out to fix everything in our neighborhood and beyond.

She could fix everything, and I could count the money she makes. I can count the money; I just can't make money. I think it would be a great business, and every time she would come home from a job, I could say, "Well, that was easy-peasy," as I counted the money for the day.

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Neven Stanistic, 23
Mr Stanistic worked as a repairman and had been called to the store to fix a broken coffee machine, the reverend at his family's church told local media.



Teri Leiker, 51
The University of Colorado marching band director and former band member said Teri Leiker "was kind of a personal cheerleader for the band." Leiker worked at King Soopers.

Those we love never truly leave us. There are things that death cannot touch.
JACK THORNE

Beyond the Rhetoric - "When Harry Met Kay"

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If ever you want to probe my mind and pick up some good training "tips" please call my voicemail.

It did not take long! In 20 minutes, I had a message from Kay saying she wanted to start the "training". The next day we had our first breakfast date which later turned into a lunch and then into an after- hours bar date. The next day I drove her through rural Ontario replete with a cabin restaurant. That evening we pulled into a fancy hotel and consummated our super - duper love affair.

Three weeks later we had moved in and so, the beginning of this 40- year love affair began its fantastic "voyage". If you have watched the sitcom "Martin" and notice at the beginning of each show they have a picture of a hotel. That is the "Parkstone" in the English Village neighborhood of the Eastside of Detroit. That is where we first lived. Truly, it was beautiful times.

For our first vacation, I wanted to make it something that would be most memorable. We came up with a trip to Las Vegas and stay at the MGM Grand Hotel. That visit would become instrumental in showing our love and devotion for each other. Yes, it

was that hotel that had one of the largest fire disasters in history and killed 84 people.

It was like yesterday on that Friday morning when we heard this screaming tenant running down the hall shouting "We are all going to die! You must run for your lives!". Then we heard a bunch of fire engines surrounding the grounds. I looked out the window and saw a bunch of firemen running. I opened the window and asked what is going on? They said just go back to your room and we are going to put out a fire. "Put out a fire" - quite an understatement.

I casually went to the restroom to brush my teeth and start our day. Immediately, I noticed black smoke billowing from the local vent and then it hit me - THIS IS BIG! It was time for my Army skills to kick in.

I told Kay to get dress and prepare to leave when I return. I ran down the hallway and saw that all the elevators were shut off and people were bumping into each other as they hurried to exit somehow.

The stairwells were filling up with smoke like a chimney. I made the decision and said to Kay, "We are going out the window". She replied - "We are on the fifth floor!" I said yes but

there is a rose garden below with grass and soft dirt. We go or else will die.

I tried to convince the people around us to do the same. They refused. When the legal depositions started coming out we found that those who refused to jump out our window like us all died of smoke inhalation.

We jumped out but it came at a cost. I broke my ankle and five toes. Kay did much worse. She broke two bones in her vertebrae and an ankle. Thanks to that soft grass.

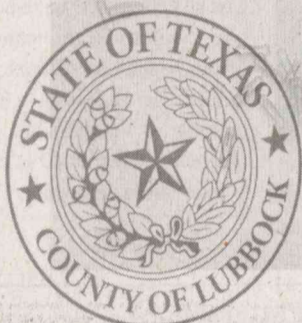
Kay's rehabilitation took a year and a half including two major surgeries. I worked through my injuries. My bosses allowed me to work from the home and nurse Kay in the process. The bonding we went through sealed our love in forever. Five years later my remarkable lady delivered twin boys and this family hasn't looked back since.

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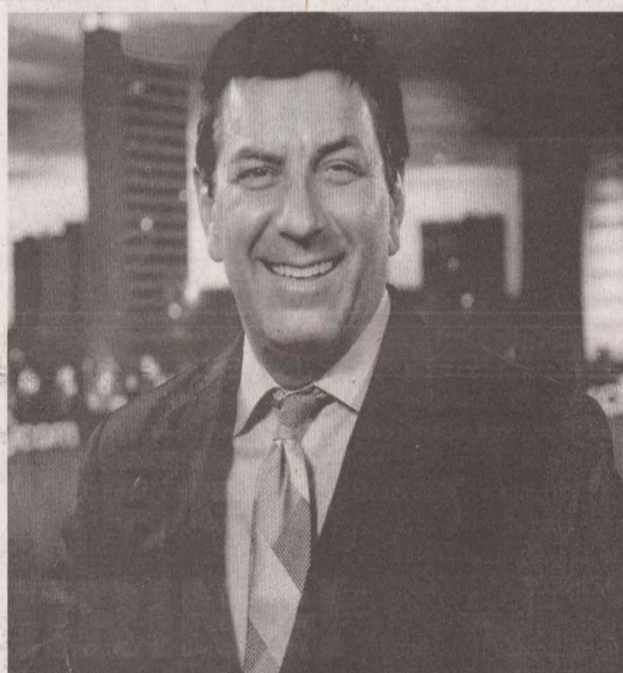
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Pete Christy at the Lubbock Women's Club Celebrating Administrative Professionals' Day Wednesday, April 21, 2021

The Lubbock Women's Club will hold its annual Administrative Professionals' Day on Wednesday, April 21, 2021. The luncheon will start at 11:30 am and the cost is \$25 per person or \$165 for a table of six (6).

Pete Christy, Sports Director of KCBD, Lubbock, will be our inspirational speaker. Christy's Sports Challenges known as "I Beat Pete" were extremely popular as he faced celebrities and viewers in the sport or game that they played.

This is typically a sold out event so make your reservations early by calling the Lubbock Women's Club at 763-6448 or reservations@lubbockwomensclub.com



Craig 'muMs' Grant

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our client, he was our dear friend. We all just lost a phenomenal man."

Grant is best known for portraying the role of Arnold "Poet" Jackson on all six seasons of "Oz," which ran from 1997 to 2003. The role saw him play a heroin addict and prisoner who recited poetry to inmates.

Born Craig Grant in New York City, the entertainer got his start through a documentary ti-

ttled "SlamNation," which saw him and the Nuyorican Poetry Slam Team competing at the 1996 National Poetry Slam, according to Entertainment Weekly.

His poems were also featured on HBO's "Def Poetry Jam."

The actor had several film and television roles throughout his career. He collaborated with director Spike Lee, having been cast in "BlacKkKlansman," "Bamboozled," and Lee's Netflix series "She's Gotta Have It." He starred in Alejandro G. Iñár

ritu's "Birdman," "Side Effects" and the Safdie brothers' "Good Time."

He recently completed filming for Steven Soderbergh's film "No Sudden Move" also starring Don Cheadle, John Hamm and Benicio del Toro.

On the small screen, he appeared in "Chappelle's Show," "The Sopranos," "Law & Order," "Nurse Jackie," "Boston Legal," "Blue Bloods" and more.

Lubbock Housing Authority will open the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) waitlist on March 29, 2021 and remain open until April 2, 2021.

Applicants will have the week of March 29 to April 2 2021 to enter their application on line.

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LHA has changed the application process. It is now all online.

Applications may be completed by going to LHA website at www.lubbockha.org and clicking on application link. If you do not have access to a computer, you may go to local libraries near you or use one at our main office 1708 crickets Ave. during normal business hours Monday-Thursday 7 am to 4 pm / Friday 7 am to 11 am.

(Office will be closed Friday April 2nd for Good Friday)

Contact the Housing Authority Intake Department at 776-2316 if you have questions.

Online Application Process is required!!!

Additional information on the application process is available now at 1708 Crickets Ave. or at www.lubbockha.org on the News releases page.

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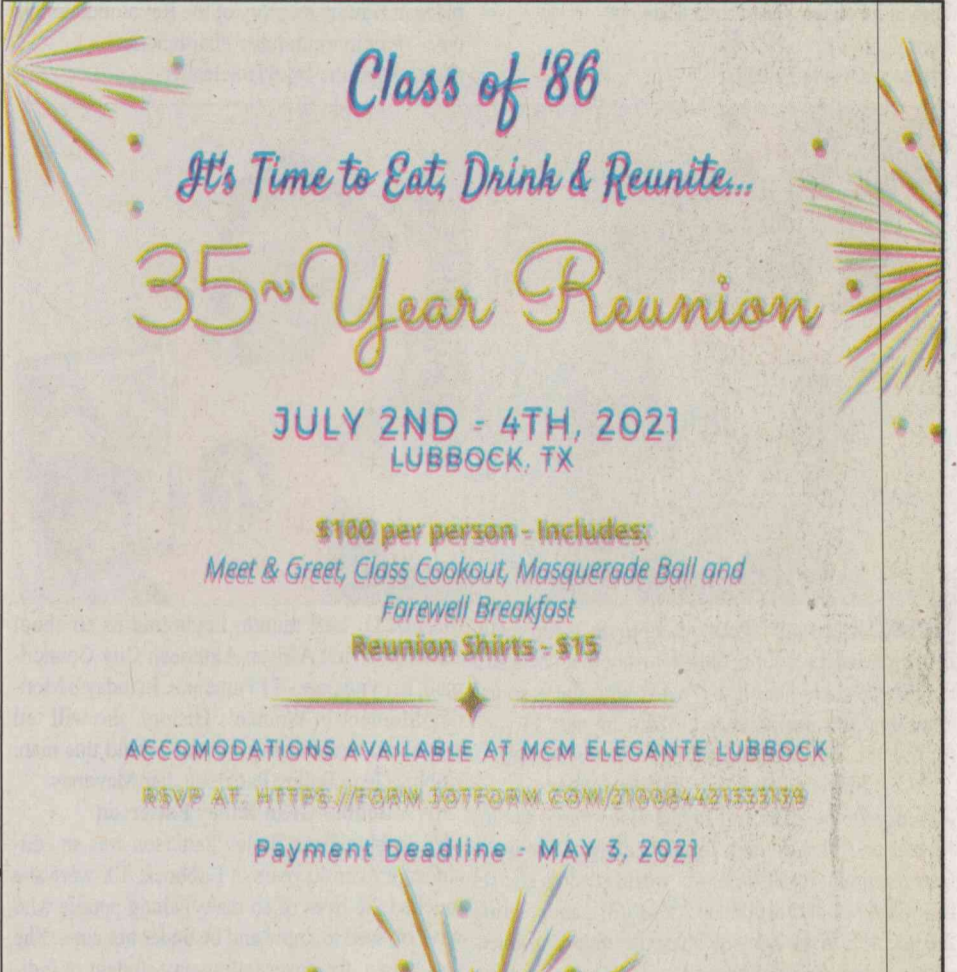
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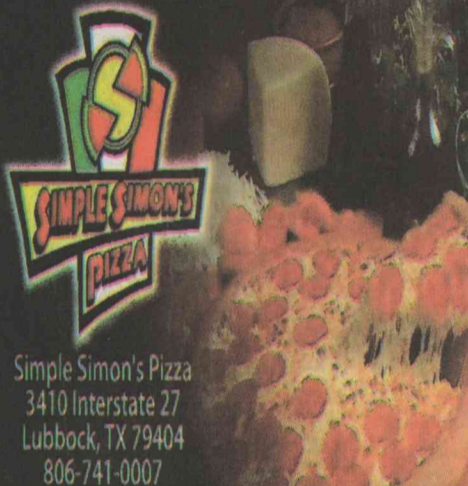
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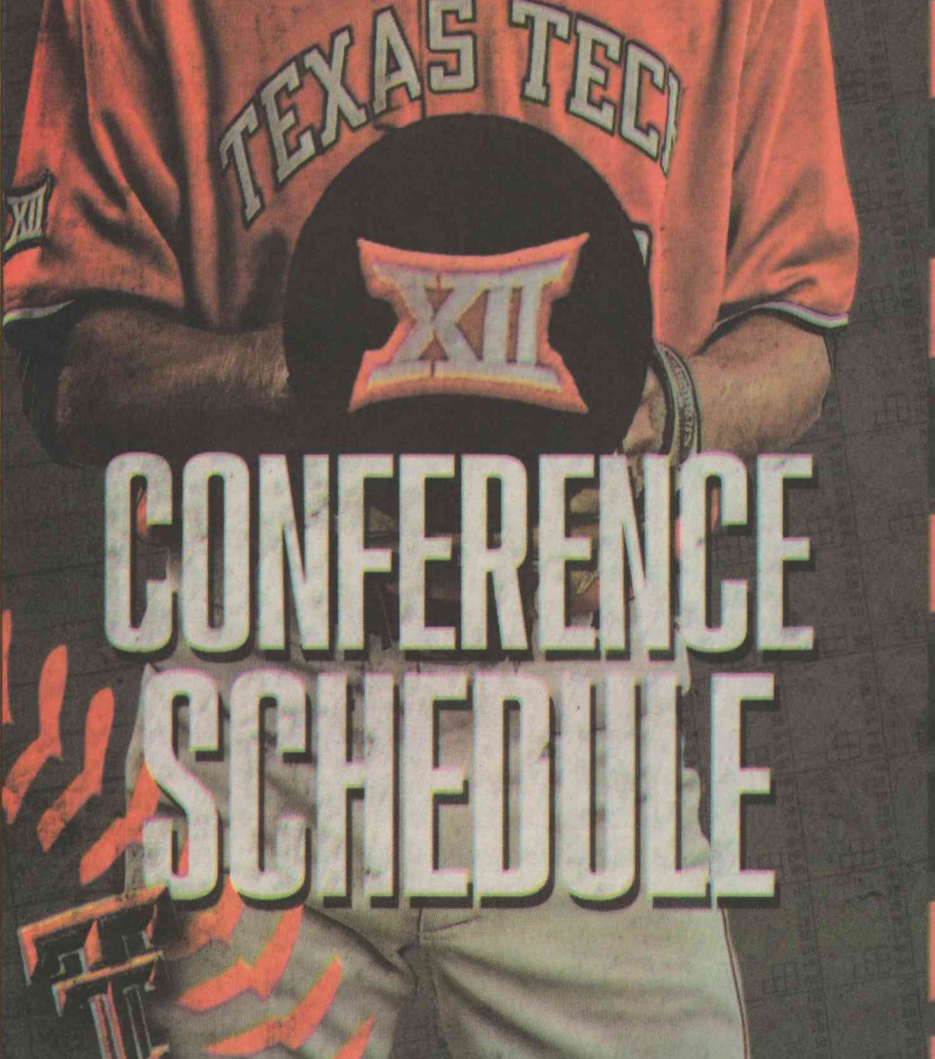
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More Black History Month Moments From 1st Grader, Layla Williams "The Leader"

(03/01/21): Layla really enjoyed Monday Moments (03/08/21): Layla is giving us a double celebration in Black History, so she decided to continue and also highlight her Haitian her- celebrate Women's History Month. She is kicking the itage for this Monday Moment in Women's month off with none other than the Notorious RBG - History. Today she spotlights Catherine Flon. Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

Ruth Bader Ginsburg

American lawyer and jurist who was a renowned ad- vocate for gender equality and women's rights before the U.S. Supreme Court's second female justice from 1993 until 2020.

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Catherine Flon

Catherine Flon was a Haitian seamstress, patriot and national heroine. She is regarded as one of the symbols of the Haitian Revolution and in- dependence. She is celebrated for sewing the first Haitian flag in 1803 and maintains an important place in Haitian memory of the Revolution to this day. #lunionfaitlaforce #haiticherie #haitianheroine @laylatheleader



(03/15/21): Layla's favorite thing to do is run really fast. Her daily school update is to say that she's still the fastest kid in her class. That is why she is so excited to celebrate Florence Griffith Joyner "Flo Jo" for today's Monday Moment in Women's History.

Florence Delorez Griffith Joyner

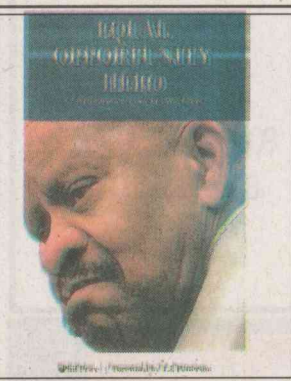
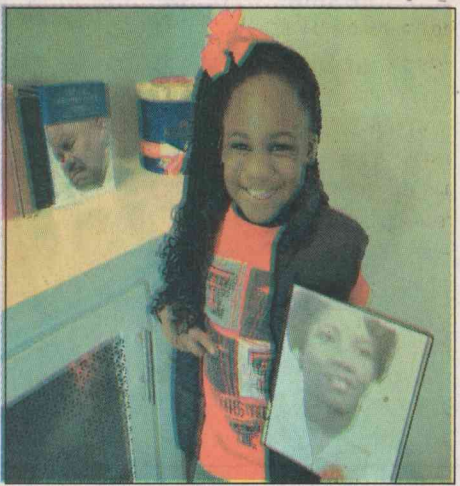
Florence Delorez Griffith Joyner also known as Flo-Jo, was an American track and field athlete. She is the fastest woman of all time; the world records she set in 1988 for both the 100m and 200m still stand. During the late 1980s she became a popular figure in international track and field because of her record-setting performances and flashy personal style. Sadly, Flo Jo died in her sleep as the result of an epileptic seizure in 1998 at the age of 38. @laylatheleader #shesnext

(03/22/21): Last month, Layla told us all about Lubbock's first African American City Councilman, her Pawpaw - T.J. Patterson. In today's Monday Moment in Women's History, she will tell you about the amazing woman behind this man, Bobbie Gean Bailey Patterson, her Mawmaw.

Bobbie-Gean Bailey Patterson

Mrs. Bobbie Gean Bailey Patterson was an educator for over 40 years in Lubbock, TX where she touched the lives of so many young people who were blessed to know and be under her care. She was known for never letting any student or individual give less than what she knew that they could. Providing for children was her priority, and she worked tirelessly to have another continuing gift to them through the T.J. and Bobbie Patterson Scholarship, where graduating high school students and undergraduate students may apply for a scholarship while attending Texas Tech University.

She has a record of service through Eta Lambda and Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. She served on numerous boards for the City of Lubbock, as a Cub and Girl Scout leader, and as a member of many community choirs, church boards and organizations. Layla never met her "Mawmaw", as she lost her long battle with cancer before Layla was born, but she is still able to see the tangible legacy that Bobbie Gean Bailey Patterson has left behind. The original "Leader" in the family inspiring "Layla the Leader" today. #leavealegacythatoutlivesyou

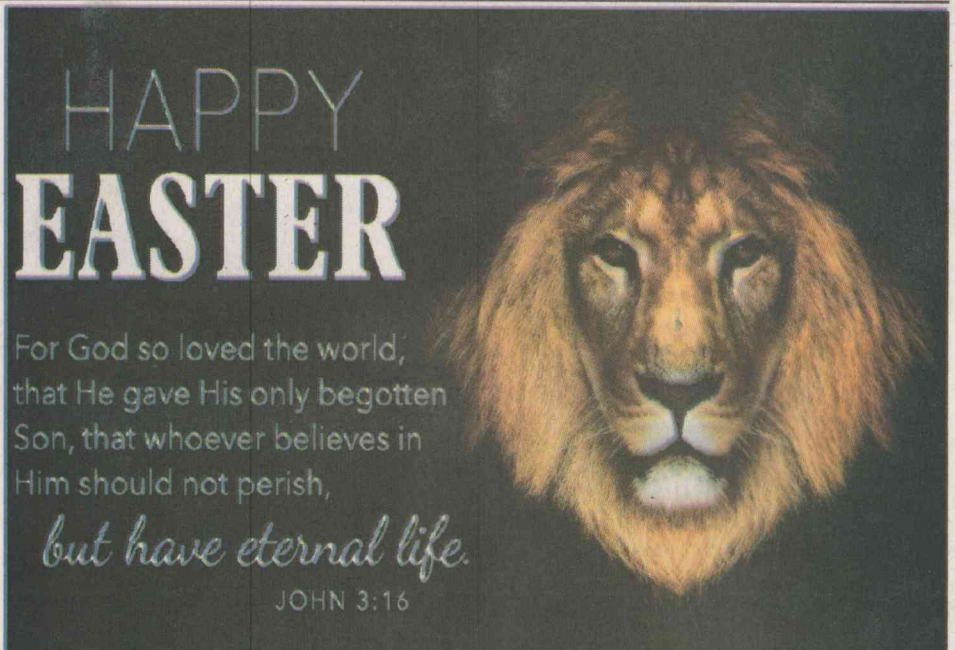


This book was released back in December of 2017. The author of this book, Phil Price has since passed. Mr. Price, was a very dear friend of T.J. Patterson, Sr. His wife, Victoria Price still holds a very special place with Mr. Patterson.

If you are interested in purchasing one of these books, please contact us at:

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Elm Grove Missionary Baptist Church Celebrates its' 10th Pastor & Wife Appreciation Service



From left to right: T.J. Patterson, Jr., Lauren E. Patterson (daughter), Ursula Patterson (wife), and Thomas J. Patterson, III (son). The Pattersons celebrated their 10th year Pastor & Wife appreciation service on March 21, 2021 during the 11:00 AM worship service. The Theme for the occasion was "A Servant sent by God for this Season" and the message was ministered by Reverend Zairreus Patterson, who is the nephew of Pastor T.J. Patterson. All in attendance were very blessed by the songs and word. After service, those that were unable to attend was offered an opportunity to "drive-by" and show their love and express their congratulations! T.J. Patterson, Jr is the son of Mr. T.J. Patterson, Sr.

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This event was originally scheduled to take place on September 18, 2020, but was cancelled due to the pandemic. The speakers' discussion topic will be "One Person Can Make A Difference: Confronting Today's Global Health Challenges".

The Lubbock Women's Club Historical Foundation and The Ernestine Payne Welborn Endowment Community Speaker Series will welcome Barbara Pierce Bush as a speaker for the Fall Speaker Series. Bush will speak on on Friday, April 30th, at 12:00 pm at The Lubbock

For additional information, refer to website:
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