



Community Meetings

- * Bayless-Atkins Neighborhood Association Every 4th Sunday @ 6pm 6501 University (YWCA)
- Hub City Kiwanis meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p. m., Lyons Chapel Baptist Chuch, 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.
- * Yellow House Canyon Neighborhood Association Every 2nd Tuesday @ 6pm 4203 E. 63rd (1st Progressive)
- 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 The Patterson Branch Library
- * Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm at 902 E. 28th Street
 - * ROOTS meets every 2nd Saturday at 2:00 p. m. at 2301 Avenue A.
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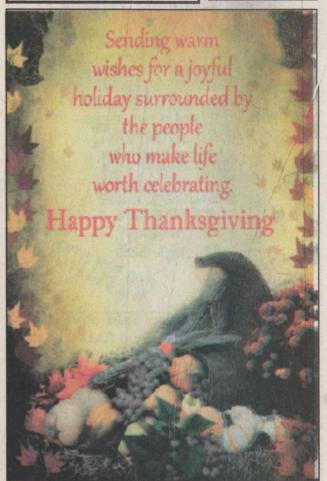


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A Beautiful Site Is Going on at Ernest Butler Park



Students from O.L. Slaton CIS enjoying the mural painting.

If you haven't already done so, please stop by Ernest Butler Park, located at 2715 E 7th Street and check out the mural painting going on.

Councilwoman Shelia Patterson-Harris had an awesome time on Saturday, 10/16 as these vibrant youth helped her with the painting at Ernest Butler Park. Councinwoman Patterson-Harris would like to give a "BIG SHOUT OUT" to Mr. Jaafar Harris and his students from O.L. Slaton CIS for coming out and putting in the work.....Much Appreciated!!

This project was the brain child of Councilwoman Shelia Patterson-Harris. As a result, a partnership was formed with the City of Lubbock Parks and Recreation, "Keep Lubbock Beautiful" and the Lead on the project, East Lubbock Art House and Director Danielle East. The project is being created to add color and art in the community, in hopes of drawing young peoples interest into the arts.

Each of the shapes represents the neighboring communitites that surround the park.

Go By and Check it Out!!

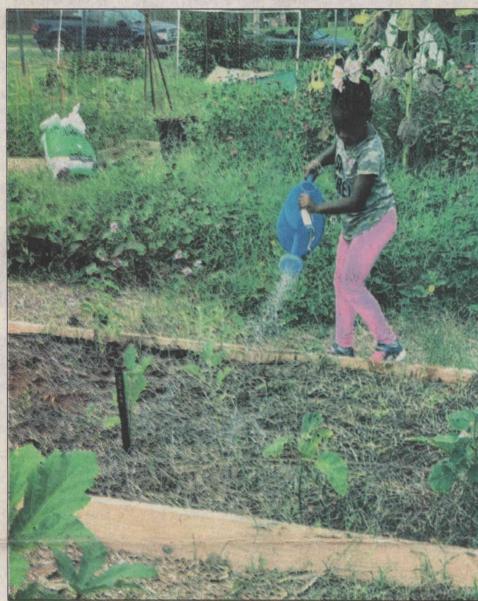




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IT'S FALL Y'ALL: Garden Work Day - October 23, 2021

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the wonderful rain we received. Our summer crops are ripe for the picking. Please come out to the garden and take your pick of okra, tomatoes, green beans, cilantro, and a variety of peppers. Currently our garden hours are Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:00am-11:00am. We will be changing our hours as soon as the weather cools

down so stay connected with us. Also, we will be digging up our sweet potatoes soon so keep in touch by adding us on FaceBook or Instagram and we will let you know when they are ready.

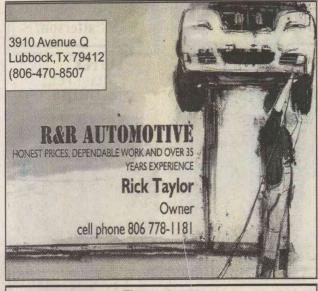
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Garden Work Day 10/08/21: Left, a teaching moment and Right, red/green tomoatoes. Garden Work Day 10/03/21: Left, yellow/red peppers and Right, volunteers working in garden.





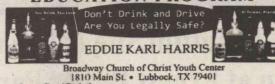


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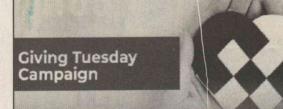




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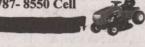
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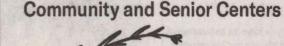
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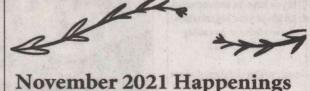
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Parks & Recreation Master Plan Survey

Let your voice be heard!

The City of Lubbock Parks and Recreation Department is in the process of developing the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan. Please join us in participating in this process. Survey can be found at www.LubbockParksPlan.com

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



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Jo Long Williams

In Cinque

By Renetta Howard

"ENDEMIC COMING?

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention has approved the use of vaccine boosters for all three COVID-19 vaccines. The Pfizer and Moderna vaccines are available to anyone 65 years and over who has had a vaccine in the past six months, and to anyone age 18 to 64 who has any underlying conditions which would make them susceptible to COVI-19. The Johnson and Johnson vaccine booster is available to anyone age 18 and up who has had the vaccine in the last two months.

Pfizer Vaccines are not just available to qualified individuals whom have already had a shot but to everyone age 12 and over at this time and approval should be coming forward soon for children under 12 years of age. Pfizer is the only vaccine which has been approved for children 12 and up. They are also expecting approval for children under 12 years of age by November, 2021.

With the approval for the booster vaccines, the CDC has said that vaccines can be mixed or matched. It depends upon what the individual wants. Some people want the same vaccine they received at first and some do not care which one they get as long as they get one. Of course, it has been learned that even before the mix and match was approved that many people have gone on the forbidden side

with top dollars and paid for a booster of any kind. It seems that no matter how the cut goes, there is always someone who takes the low road without fear of the consequences. The World Health Organization objects to the U.S. giving boosters to people already vaccinated when 2.9% of the world has not had any vaccinations. I am sorry and pray that that 2.9% is able to secure vaccinations, soon, and feel blessed that we do have some.

With vaccines being available to the majority of American citizens, it is hoped that we can enter a period of endemic, where an individual can only affect one other person rather than a group of people. We may be very slow getting there as too many people are still protesting and objecting to being vaccinated while the disease is still spreading in spite of vaccines due to the many variants circulating. It seems that we are going to have to get a COVID-19 shot on a regular basis just like we do the "Flu" shot. Let us get 'in cinque' and do our best to stay on top of immunization as we traverse this





A Citizen's Viewpoint Written By

La Carl Richardson

"Just Passing Through" Introduction: "Where are all

of our leaders? We brought people into our midst that had their own agenda. They knew nothing about our neighborhood. Their presence contributed to more division than we had already encountered".

They had no investment in our community, therefore they had nothing to lose.

Therefore, we must embrace our past to educate our young adults to assist them with their kids. We need to inform them of who they are and where they cane from. It is also important to help them understand how we got here.

The system is designed to ignore our history, our culture and beliefs. We need to restore a sense of pride and dignity; most of all return to the cross.

In our past, our ministers were visible and available to the whole community; not just their congregation they assisted with preparation through discipleship and community involvement and setting positive examples.

God bless our parents, the generation that brought these people here. There was an automatic disconnect on their arrival. The next generation removed themselves from the scene because of the dynamics that had occured. It contributed to more

Over the years there has been no discipleship or community engagement from our leaders. There was no consideration of the effect of their behavior would have on the community. We know it all starts at home, but when home becomes the same kids that have been ignored, how can an adult give their kid something tey never re-

There has been three generations affected by the reluctance and careless behavior and handling of our leadership positions.Know that we hae lost the

c/o T. J. Patterson, Sr.

THIS MONTHS' FEATURED STORY: "Memorial Services for Jo Long Williams"

Some people leave such an indelible mark that their loss is a palpable absence for all who knew them. Jo Long Williams was one of them. In the days since her passing on Tuesday October 12, 2021 at the age of 71, so many individuals across so many different communities have paid tribute to her. While it is hard to find words to adequately honor someone whose life and legacy continues to have such far reaching impact, some that have been used most frequently this past week to describe her are visionary, legendary, beacon, generous, fierce advocate, force of nature, uncompromising, brilliant, activist, humble and so many

The impact Jo Long Williams had in shaping the cultural landscape of our City and beyond cannot be overstated. Many have spoken of her visionary and transformative role as an arts administrator and advocate, of her supporting the early work and careers of so many artists, of bringing up a generation of cultural leaders and laying the framework for so many other cultural arts institutions to come into existence and thrive. Almost all have spoken of her fierce love of and commitment to community, representation, inclusion and equity. In the world of the arts, Jo Long is indeed legendary. However, this is just one aspect of her identity. She was also beloved by her family, circle of friends and faith community. Her life, legacy and loss are felt deeply by so many.

Jo became the first executive director of the Carver Community Cultural Center in 1976...a position she remained in until

generation that brought them

here. We are left with empty

churches and elderly ministers

2000. Under her leadership throughout those two decades, the Carver Community Cultural Center became globally recognized as a leading cultural institution trademarked by Jo's visionary multicultural programming and uncompromising commitment to equitable access for all. These hallmarks continue to be the guideposts by which the Carver carries on the work

Prior to coming to the Carver, Jo began her career at Southern Methodist University (where she had received her MFA in Music History) as founding director of the Community Center for the Arts Association from 1972 to 1976. Her legacy of service continued after her tenure at the Carver as well when she went on to serve as an administrator at the San Antonio College Christian Student Center.

She was preceded in death by parents, Samuel Aaron and Marie Thompson Long, grand-

ents, only to leae us worse off as

we werewhen they fot here. This article is not designed to

1950 - 2021 mother Willie B. Williams and grandfather Clark Thompson. She is survived by husband Woodrow Williams and stepson Ryan, siblings Sammye Shelvin (Charles), June and Michael Long, niece Adrienne Scales (Brandon) and nephew Samuel Shelvin (Amber).

> A memorial service in celebration of her life was held in the theatre named in her honor at the Carver Community Cultural Center, 226 N. Hackberry St., San Antonio, Texas 78202 on Saturday, October 30, 2021, at 11:00 a.m.

> In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations be made to the Carver Community Cultural Center or Church of Christ Student Center.



to set the tone for our future. We must return to the cross and con tinue to look to the hills from

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District 2 Neighborhood Association Meetings

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November 29, 2021 "Chadwick Boseman Day" A new commemorative holiday, Chadwick Boseman Day has been created to honour and celebrate the actor annually on his birthday. November 29 would have been Chadwick Boseman's 44th birthday and National Today has marked the day to remember Boseman, celebrating his achievements and to preserve his legacy.



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We Thank God For Jesus

"I NEED A LITTLE MORE JESUS"

Evangelist Billy "B.J." Morrison, III

James 3:2. For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the whole body.

LORD, PLEASE FORGIVE ME; THIS I PRAY; I TRY TO LIVE FOR YOU; EACH AND EVERY DAY. BUT THE **DEVIL SOME TIMES GETS** A HOLD OF ME, AND I KNOW THAT'S NOT SUP-POSE TO BE!!!

Philippians 2:5, Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus. ***I NEED A LITTLE MORE JESUS!!!***

Many times my NEIGH-BOR'S DOG, POOPED IN MY YARD: I went over and told him.....I'VE HAD **ENOUGH!**

He talked backed SO UGLY TO ME: IT ALMOST MADE ME CURSE.

I NEED A LITTLE MORE JESUS!!!

James 3:6, The tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defiles the whole body, and set on fire the course of nature; and it is set on the fire of hell.

LORD, I know you said for us to turn THE OTHER CHEEK; but like I say; THE DEVIL GETS INSIDE ME: AND I SPEAK!!!

James 3:7-8, For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and has been tamed of mankind: but the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.

LORD I remember at THE SENIOR CENTER; A MAN SAID, I CALLED HIM A FOOL; I SAID I DIDN'T---; SO BE COOL. BUT THE MAN RAN UPON ME; WITH HIS FIST IN HIS

Mae Simmons

Community Center

2004 Oak Ave

Lubbock

HAND; AND I HAD TO PUT HIS BEHIND OVER IN A TRASH CAN!!!

I NEED A LITTLE MORE JESUS!!!

James 1:19, My beloved brother, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, and slow to

(PETER WALKED WITH JESUS THREE YEARS; AND THAT OLD DEVIL CAME INTO HIM AND HE CUT OFF A MAN'S EAR. WE'RE ALL HUMAN; AND GO INTO THE DEFENSIVE MODE: BECAUSE FEAR!!!)

John 18:10, Simon Peter having a sword drew it, and smote the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear.

The servant's name was

HE NEEDED A LITTLE MORE JESUS!!!.

LORD, I TRY TO WALK WITH YOU DAILY; WHER-EVER I GO; IN THE STREETS AND WHILE AT HOME.....BUT THAT OLD **DEVIL IS EVERYWHERE:--**--- AND HE WON'T LEAVE ME ALONG!!!

James 4:7, Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. LORD, I DO SPEAK SOME-THE TIMES: UGLY WORDS; THAT I SOME-TIME SAY. BUT I KNOW I SHOULDN'T; BECAUSE MOTHER DIDN'T RAISE ME THAT WAY!!!.--***I NEED A LITTLE MORE JESUS!!!***

BROTHERS I CAN'T SAVE YOU; I'M TRYING TO SAVE ME; --- AND BOTH NEED TO STAY DOWN: TALKING TO GOD ON OUR KNEES!!!-

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*** DAVID NEEDED A LIT-TLE MORE OF GOD!!!***

2 Corinthians 5:17, Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, All things are become new.

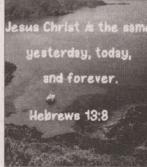
MORE OF YOU

God this is my prayer Make me more aware of You I wanna know You I wanna know You Jesus Jesus

I need more of You More of You less of me I wanna know Your love Your love I need more of You

less of me I wanna know more of Your heart Make me who

You want me to be





Thanksgiving Day Praver

Heavenly Father, on Thanksgiving Day, we bow our hearts to You and pray. We give You thanks for all You've done, especially for the gift of Jesus, Your Son. For beauty in nature, Your glory we see, for joy and health, friends, and family.

Lord, thank you so much. For Your gift of salvation and Your many promises that bring me hope, peace, and joy. May I see today all I have to be thankful for. In Jesus Christ's Name, I pray, Amen.

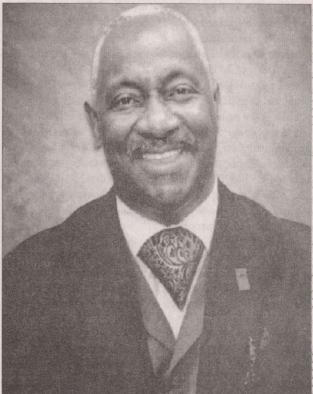
A City-Wide Pre-Thanksgiving **Worship Service**

The LAIMA Presents:

The Lubbock Area Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance (LAIMA) will host a City-Wide Pre-Thanksgiving Worship Service on Sunday, November 21st at the Agape Temple COGIC, 4510 Avenue Q at 7:00 p.m. Special guest speaker will be Dr. Lester J. Gillespie, Sr., pastor of the Greater Love Baptist Church of San Antonio, Tx. COVID protocols will be observed.

Pastor Gillespie is an anointed and dynamic preacher. He serves as the National President of Ministers United for Ministerial Development (MUMD), Vice-President of Boards of the National Missionary Baptist Convention of America, the Chairman of the Home Mission Board of the Missionary Baptist General Convention of Texas.

He is the former Pastor of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Crystal City, Texas, the Second Vice-President of the Ministers' Conference of the National Missionary Baptist Convention of



Dr. Lester J. Gillespie, Sr.

America, the Home Mission Board Chairman of the National Missionary Baptist Convention

of America, and Moderator of United Fellowship Baptist District Association.

Texas Tech Fires Head Coach Matt Wells after 13-17 record, Names **Sonny Cumbie Interim Coach**



Matt Wells - Texas Tech Coach Wells fired after 13-17 record

Texas Tech football coach two-plus seasons in charge.

Athletic director Kirby Hocutt said in a Monday afternoon news conference that he met with Wells that morning, conceding that Wells was surprised and "didn't agree with the deci-

Despite the Red Raiders being 5-3 this season, Hocutt said Saturday's loss to Kansas State, in which Tech blew a 14point second-half lead, made it clear there was no point in waiting. Tech is 0-2 at home in Big 12 games this season and will likely be an underdog in all four remaining games: at No. 4 Oklahoma, home against No. 22 Iowa State and No. 15 Oklahoma State and the finale at No. 16 Baylor.

nents since 2019. Only West Virginia (1-8) and Kansas (0-10) have worse records over that

"There's really no ideal time to make a decision like this," Hocutt said. "Just given where we were, when we looked at the full body of work in the program collectively, we felt it was inevitable."

Sonny Cumbie, who played quarterback at Texas Tech for Mike Leach between 2000 and 2004, will serve as the interim head coach. Cumbie served as an assistant at Tech between 2009 and 2013, then left for TCU. He returned again this season as offensive coordinator.

Wells, in his third season in Lubbock after replacing Kliff

Under Wells, Texas Tech is 1- Kingsbury, was 13-17. He was Matt Wells has been fired after 6 against ranked Big 12 oppo- just 7-16 in Big 12 games, and only two of those wins were against teams that finished with a winning record (in 2019 against an 8-5 Oklahoma State team and in 2020 against 6-4 West Virginia). Wells' .433 winning percentage was the second worst in school history to Jerry Moore (.309 from 1981 to '85) among coaches who spent more than one season in Lubbock.

"We need somebody with that determination, knowledge and ability to get this program to that next level," Hocutt said. "We haven't been there in quite some time. We all know it. We get frustrated because we know what we're capable of. We're not going to back away.

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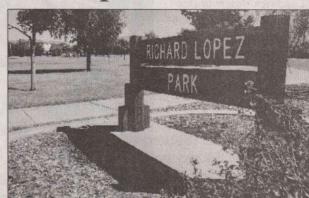
Richard Lopez Park

Behind the Name:

In 2001, the park at 5402 Auburn (Auburn and Chicago north of the Loop) was named for Richard Lopez. Lopez was an outstanding citizen of Lubbock because of his efforts for the Hispanic community.

He was known for his compassion and community service. Lopez served as the executive director of Guadalupe Economic Services Corporation for over 25 years and was instrumental in the rebuilding of the Guadalupe area after the 1970 tornado.

Lopez was recognized as one of Lubbock's Top Twenty Hispanics in 2008. His associations were many: owner of Rio Vista Construction, Executive Director of the South Plains Economic Development Corp., and Past Executive Director of Belhaven Convalescent Center, founder of the Ad Hoc Committee for Farm Workers in West Texas; Co-Founder of the South Plains Food Bank; member of the Tex. Assoc. of Community Action Agencies; member of the Texas Affordable Housing Task Force, appointed by Governor



Mark White; member of the Guada-lupe Neighborhood Association; founder and member of the Lubbock Indigent Health Consortium; treasurer, secretary, and member of the Lubbock Housing Finance Board; Board of Directors, Presbyterian Clinic; board member of Federal Home Loan Bank; member of the Tex. Development Institute; member of the Lubbock Homeless Coalition; member of the Tex. Dept. of Human Services; member of LISD, Advisory

Committee; member of the

American Business Club,

founder and member of Bel haven Convalescent Center; and

member of TTU Hispanic En-

rollment Task Force. He was a member of St.

Joseph's Catholic Church and also the Guadalupanas Society. Lopez was born in Edinburg in 1934 and moved to Lubbock in the 1950s. He married his wife Rachel in 1962, had three children and passed away June 8,



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Ernestine Cunningham

Ernestine Cunningham, age 78, Amarillo formerly of Lubbock passed away Friday, October 1, 2021. Visitations were held Saturday, October 9, 2021, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Celebration of Life service followed at 2 p.m. at Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary.

She was born to the late John and Catherine Childress on February 16, 1943. She leaves to cherish her memory; her husband, Jerry Cunningham; 3 children, Nancy Knight, Edna Wilbon, and Chris Wilbon; 3 brothers, Greg Childress, John Childress, II, and James Childress; 3 grandchildren, 7 greatgrandchildren; a host of other relatives and friends.





Joe Douglas Wilborn, III



Joe Douglas Wilborn, III of Slaton, age 53, departed this life on Monday, October 4, 2021. Celebration of Life Service was held Saturday, October 16, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church, Slaton, TX. Interment

followed at Englewood Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary.

Joe Douglas Wilborn, III was born on August 3, 1968, in Slaton. Texas to Bobbie Chew and Joe Wilborn, Jr. Joe attended public schools in Lubbock and Slaton Texas. Joe graduated from Slaton High School in 1987. After graduation from Slaton High School, Joe attended Texas Southern University in Houston, Texas. While at Texas Southern University, Joe pledged Phi Beta Sigma Zeta Zeta Chapter, University of Houston, Spring 1990, SS Chaotic Prelude.

Joe leaves to cherish his memory: his loving wife, Coretta Wilborn; his daughters, Corne-

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Wendell Wash Coleman

Wendell Wash Coleman, age 65, of Lubbock, passed away Tuesday, October 5, 2021.

Celebration of Life Service was held Friday, October 15, 2021, at 11 a.m. at St. John Baptist Church. Interment followed at Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary.

Wendell was born on April 17, 1957, to Reble and Wash Coleman. He attended Lubbock Public Schools and graduating from Dunbar High School in 1975 with honors. He continued his education at Texas Tech University and South Plains College. He worked at Methodist Hospital and the Postal Service following his retirement of 33 years of service.

He leaves to cherish his memory; his wife, Vera Coleman; 2

tta Robinson Wilborn, Jonetta

Wilborn, J'Azia Ragsdale; his

son, Joe Wilborn, IV (Shauntae

Banks); his sisters, Nedra Chew,

Wilborn, and Jacqueline Adje-

pong; his brothers, Louis

Chew, Gregory Chew, Darrick

Wilborn, and Theado "Michael"

Elaine Lawrence,

sons, Darius Coleman and

Christopher Coleman; sisters, Watricia (Wooduronn) Holman, and LaTina Jackson; 1 brother, Lew (Drue) Coleman; 3 grandchildren; a host of other relatives and friends.

Higgins; his grandchildren; a host of other relatives and friends.



Zenetta Franae "Meme" Wilborn

Sandra



Zenetta Franae "Meme" Wilborn of Slaton - 29, departed this life on Friday, October 1, 2021. Celebration of Life Service was held Saturday, October 16, 2021, at 11 a.m. at First Baptist Church, Slaton, TX.

Interment followed at Englewood Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary. Zenetta was born on June 24, 1992, in

Lubbock, Tx., to Joe and Coretta Wilborn. Meme attended Lubbock Public Schools. She graduated in 2011 from Estacado High School.

After her graduation, Meme was employed as a caretaker for her cousin, Zenobia (Missy) Robinson. Meme leaves to cherish her memory: her mother, Coretta Wilborn; her sisters, Cornetta Robinson Wilborn, Jonetta Wilborn, and J'Azia Ragsdale; her brother, Joe D. Wilborn, IV (Shauntea Banks); a host of other relatives and friends.



Ruby Reyes Taylor

Ruby Reyes Taylor of Lubbock age 83, passed away on Sunday, October 17, 2021.

Celebration of Life Service was held Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at 11 a.m. at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Interment followed at Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary.

Mrs. Ruby was born on November 13, 1937, to Manuel and Juanita Reves in Midland, TX. She worked for Texas Instrument for many years along with the Food Bank and housekeeping. She leaves to cherish her memory; two granddaughters, Dominique and Brittany; two grandsons Jarvis and Jeremy; two sisters, Rosa and Belen; two brothers, Manuel and Johnny;



and a host of other relatives and friends.



Detwaune Lamar Walker



Detwaune Lamar Walker of Lubbock, age 38, passed away on Monday, October 18, 2021. Celebration of Life Service was held Friday, October 22, 2021, at 11 a.m. at St. Luke Baptist Church. Interment followed at the Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary.

Detwaune was born to Debra Walker and Fred Thomas Overstreet on October 24, 1982. He was raised and grew up in Lubbock, Texas where he graduated from Estacado High School. He leaves to cherish his memory; his significant other, Lisa Caraveo; father, Fred Thomas Overstreet (Kendra): mother. Debra Walker: 2 daughters, Damoni Walker and Laila Caraveo; 9 sisters, LaShonda Overstreet, Det-Walker, Fredresha Overstreet, Frenita Thomas, Phaedra Thomas, Fretasha

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Lisa Castillo



Lisa Castillo of Lubbock, 46, passed away Thursday, September 2, 2021. Celebration of Life Service was held Thursday, October 21, 2021, at 11 a.m. at Griffin Mortuary Chapel.

A Private Disposition was held under the direction of Griffin Mortuary. Lisa was born on November 6, 1974 to Irema Villarreal and Ellurerio Torres.



Napolean Landis Ellison

"What Would Life Be Without Mistakes?"

by Dr. James L. Snyder

If somebody has not made mistakes in life, I would have to give that award to the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage.

I suppose she does make mistakes, but she knows how to fix them before anybody notices them. I wish I knew how she does that.

I remember several years ago a mistake I made. I planned to fill up my truck with gas for the

Driving to the gas station, I thought of something I needed to pick up at Publix, which was on the way. So I stopped, went in and bought the item I wanted and then went out to get in my truck and go get some gas.

As I turned the key to start the engine, it did not start.

I looked at the fuel tank gauge and saw that it had passed empty, and according to that, the

cell phone. I knew what I had to do, but I didn't want to do it. In a few minutes, I tried to start it

Quietly sitting in the truck, I continued staring at my cell phone. I had no option at the time. I had to do what I had to

So, I called the Gracious Mis-

dear," I said as sweetly as possi-

ble, which is above my pay grade, "could you get a can of gasoline and bring it to me? I'm over here at Publix."

I heard silence on the other end, and then I heard chuckling. "Are you telling me," she said, trying not to chuckle, "that your truck is out of gas?"

"No," I said sarcastically, "I just want to know if you can bring me a can of gasoline to Publix."

"Oh," she said, "I might be able to get over there in about three hours."

I hung up the phone and sat in my truck thinking that I had a three-hour wait until she got there with the gas for the truck.

On my fourth deep sigh, I saw my wife driving her van and park right next to my truck. I saw her through the window with the biggest smile I've ever

She got out of her van and said, "Is this the truck that's out of

She got a can of gas out of her van and set it down next to my truck. I picked it up and emptied it into my truck's gas tank.

When finished, I put the can back in her van and closed the door. Then, I looked at her and simply said, "Thank you so

much for your help."

She chuckled and said, "Do you think you ought to go and fill your truck up with gas now?

Being all out of mistakes at

this point, I told her, "I'm going right now and fill this truck up with as much gas as I can get."

I like what David said, "Who can understand his errors? cleanse thou me from secret faults" (Psalm 19:12).

It's one thing to deal with the mistakes at hand, but it's another thing to be cleansed from secret faults. So I'm learning to deal with the mistakes that I don't know I'm making each day.

Dr. James L. Snyder is pastor of the Family of God Fellowship, 1471 Pine Road, Ocala, FL 34472. He lives with his wife in Silver Springs Shores. Call him at 352-687-4240 or email jamessnyder2@att.net.

The church web site is www.whatafellowship.com.



Service followed at 12 noon at Griffin Mortuary Chapel. Interment was held at the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Mortuary. Napolean was born June 1, 1941

Napolean Landis Ellison of

Lubbock, 80, passed away on

Monday, October 4, 2021. Visi-

tation was held Friday, October

15, 2021, from 10:30 a.m. until

11:30 a.m. Celebration of Life

to Oweda and Alonzo Ellison, Sr. in Cameron, TX. He graduated from O.J. Thomas High School. He retired from Pyco In-

ory; his wife, Johnnie Stigers; one daughter, Connie Ellison; two sisters, Dora Jones and Alice Nelson; two sisters-in-law, Bobbie Ellison and Christine Ellison; two grandchildren, five

He leaves to cherish his mem-

great-grandchildren; a host of other relatives and friends. Wells is 57-51 in eight-plus

seasons, including a 44-34 mark at Utah State. He was hired at Texas Tech after a 10-2 season with the Aggies.



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TTU Fires Matt Wells Continued from Page 4 I get people that will talk to me

about, 'Hey, you use the word elite.' You know what? Yeah, dang right we want to be elite." Hocutt said a search commit-

tee will include Tech booster and regent Dusty Womble, who just made a \$20 million donation to the athletic department earlier this month; former player and oil and gas executive Cody Campbell; former Red Raider running back Sammy Morris, who currently serves as the team's assistant director of player support development; and deputy athletic director Tony Hernandez. He said he doesn't have a

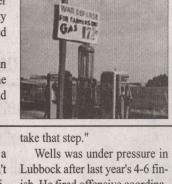
timetable for a hire and didn't want to speculate on any candidates. Hocutt said he expects the Red Raiders to get back to being in bowl games every season and to be contenders into November.

'We've been No. 2 in the country before," he said, referring to the 2008 season under Leach, when Tech was in the top 10 for 11 weeks. "We can do it again here at Texas Tech. We've just got to take that next step. We've got to find that individual that can bring that missing piece

of what's not there to allow us to

Lubbock after last year's 4-6 finish. He fired offensive coordinator David Yost, who had come with him from Utah State, and replaced him with Cumbie. "Nobody's going to put more

pressure on me than I put on myself," Hocutt said. "I want to win. I want to be competitive. I love to see young men celebrate after success. It cuts me at the core when we don't, and we're not, at the level that we want to be at. It cuts these young men at the core. It cuts this coaching staff at the core."



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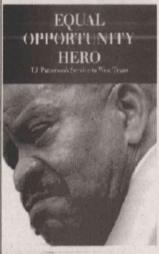
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Lubbock's Beloved Trailblazer dies, **Dorothy Bennett Phea Norville**

Long-time Lubbock educator, Mrs. Dorothy Bennett Phea Norville died on October 7, 2021, after a lengthy illness. She was 87 years old. Her funeral services was held Friday, October 29, 2021, at 1:00 pm at the First United Methodist Church, 1411 Broadway, Lubbock.

A public visitation with the family occurred on October 28, from 6-8 pm at Lake Ridge Chapel and Memorial Design. Interment occured at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Dorothy was born September 6, 1934, in Bonham, Texas. She was the tenth child of Lonnie and Virgie Bennett. She accepted Christ at an early age. She grew up in her home church in Bonham. In her sixty plus years as a faithful member of Lubbock's Carter Chapel C.M.E. Church, she served tirelessly as Sunday School teacher and superintendent, Stewardess, Trustee, church secretary, CYF Director and teacher, cook, and church delegate to annual, regional, and general conferences.

Dorothy graduated with a BA in Education from Texas College in 1956. She completed a Masters in Guidance and Counseling at Texas Tech University. She began work in Lubbock Independent School District in 1956. She taught elementary, high school, Head Start and adult education. She was a school guidance counselor and she retired in 2001 after serving over 20 years as proud principal of New Directions High School.

Dorothy pledged Delta Sigma Theta while at Texas College. She joined the Lubbock Alumnae Chapter upon moving to Lubbock and served until her



served on numerous civic and non-profit boards.

In 1956, Dorothy Bennett united in matrimony with her school sweetheart Theodore R. Phea Jr. in Lubbock, Texas. To this union, three children, Theodora, Greg, and Angela were born. She was faithful to this union until Theodore's death in 1987. In June 1995, she united in matrimony to Homer L. Norville and was faithful to this union until his death, December 18, 2020. This union brought five adult children and two grandchildren.

Dorothy will be missed by everyone who was blessed to know her. Her smile, her caring and thoughtful ways, her hand on her hip, her "listening ear" and the way she could make a person feel special and cared about, will also be missed. She

and encouraged and helped so many students achieve.

Her own three children earned college and terminal degrees, Dorothy had class, style, and grace. Her beauty was evident internally and externally. She loved to cook, sew, paint and host people in her home. Most important was her love for God. her shining example of living for Him and her compassion for

Dorothy leaves to cherish her memories: three loving and devoted children, Theodora (Van) Pinnock, Greg (Patricia) Phea and Angela Phea; six grandchildren: Chloe, Angela, Greg Jr., Makenli, Vanessa and Nylah; and a host of nieces and nephews and long devoted friends, co-workers, and church

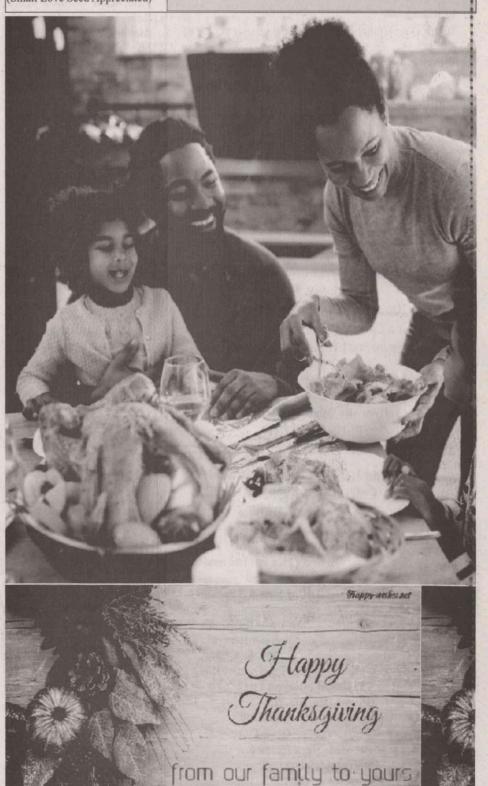


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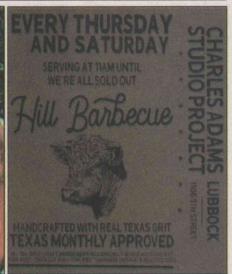


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Some of our time of enjoyment included, getting our feet

A Thanksgivng Wish from the Lewis Sisters!

Being a family means you are part of semething very wenderful. It means you will lave and be laved for the rest of your life. No matter what.

laxing. We attended our niece's birthday elebration. We truly enjoyed that time. This was the first time some of the sisters attended our nephew's church at ABC and it was very exciting. On Sunday morning, we attended Bethlehem COGIC and had a great time there. After service, we ate at Babe's Restaurant. We sung to the waitress and brought tears to her eyes.

massaged, which was very re-

The restaurant turned down their music so we could share our singing with everyone there. What a blessing that was!! We also had a birthday celebration for all 8 of us. Thanks to our nieces, nephews and other family members, we had a wonderful birthday celebration. They made us feel very special. Our neices cooked a great meal for us.

We want to encourage all sisters and families to love each other, love on each other and get together to enjoy each others' company as much as possible. Remember, "Together We Stand, Divided, We Fall" as the saying goes. Love Y'all!!

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been in need as well" says

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and he sent me an Angel to put

the fire out while we were in

route to setup a family gather-

ing, but we still fed 150 people,

and took family to help us. They

came all the way from Forth-

Worth with items to help us bless

our friends." Man won't He do

A Big "Thank you" to Shirley

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it" says Prencess Pearson.

Prencess Pearson.

"We were able to feed 165 people on Sunday, October 3rd. I got to pray with a lot of the families in need, talk, cry, and just had a great time. I can truly say I have been still going out to to use you to help us in this Ministry.

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