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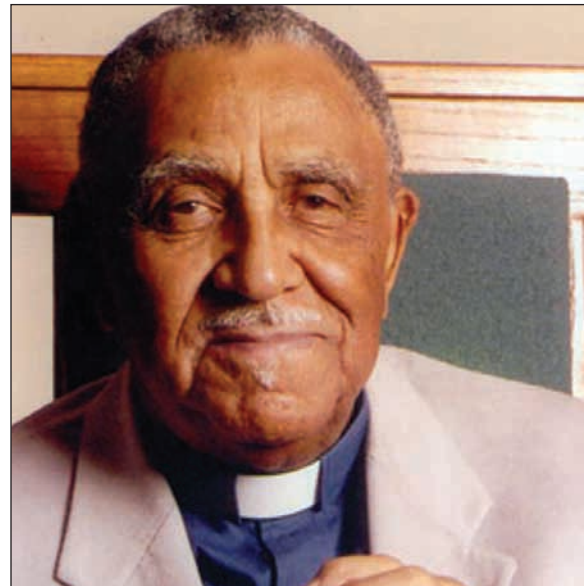
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sented to one freshman and one transfer student, for a total of two awards given at the Denton Open House. Students must be present at the event and At June's EMPOWER Series workshop, participants will learn the differences

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COVER STORY

The Anatomy of the Modern Day Drum Major



Rev. Joseph Lowery

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Tornado and Hurricane season is here – be prepared!

BY: PAT EL-HINAWY

Bottles of water? Check.

Food for the family? Check.

Dad's blood pressure medicine? Check.

Grandma's heart monitor? Check.

It's tornado and hurricane season again.

Anyone who lived through or watched the recent Texas and Oklahoma tornados or Hurricane Sandy last year knows the horrific consequences that can follow major storms.

As we enter the tornado and hurricane season, keep in mind that good planning can help ease the burden on you

and your family if and when bad weather comes your way.

The FDA prepared a simple checklist to help families prepare for large storms. It shows what steps to take to protect those products you have and to make the right choices as you prepare for this year's bad weather.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) says it's always best to start with a plan and an emergency kit.

For more tips on how to protect your FDA-regulated items, see FDA's Hurricane Safety Checklist.

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Former NBA All-star Daron "Mookie" Blaylock charged with vehicular homicide



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COMMENTARY

Call to action for voters in Irving: "It's time to let your voice be heard!"

BY PASTOR WILLIAM O'NEAL

Nehemiah the 4th chapter and the 6th verse says "For the people had a mind to work!"

My brothers and my sisters, its labor time! It's time to be about our Father's business.

Solomon said, "There's nothing new under the sun." We are still dealing with corruption, racism, wickedness, favoritism, stereotype, and political wickedness in high places.

City of Irving, we have two prime candidates John Danish in District 1 and Allan Meagher in District 2, who are running in a very close runoff election for Irving City Council. They have been faithful to our communities and we believe they can help implement much needed improvement. I Thessalonians 5:12 reads, "know them that labor among you."

Ecclesiastes 3:1 says, "To everything See ACTION, Page 3

State Homeowner Bills of Rights emerge as remedies to foreclosure problems

BY CHARLENE CROWELL

Last month, HUD released data showing that over 620,000 troubled homeowners received more than \$50 billion in principal reductions and savings. These actions were the direct result of the National Mortgage Settlement, nego-

tiated by America's largest banks, state Attorneys General, and the Obama Administration. Despite this success, the Congressional Budget Office recently reported that 13.2 million mortgages remain underwater, owing more than the homes are now worth.

Earlier this year, the

Center for Responsible Lending and its ally Consumers Union jointly offered state policy remedies known as Homeowner Bills of Rights (HBORs) that would protect homeowners, further reduce foreclosures and stabilize local housing markets. Key to these state

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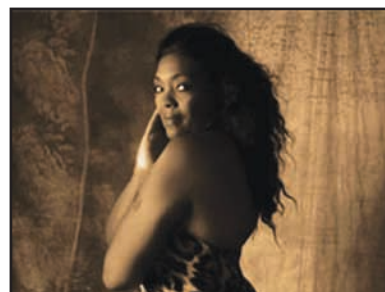
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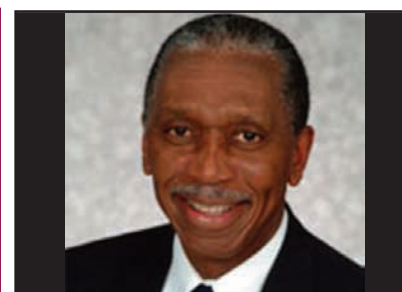
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Vincent "Heartbreak" Tucker



MC Sha-Rock



Dr. Seymour Weaver

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Vincent "Heartbreak" Tucker

Fishbowl Radio Network (fbrn.us) has announced Vincent "Heartbreak" Tucker, a syndicated online radio veteran, was named program director of the Blue Talk Bowl.

Tucker has over 5 years of independent radio experience including 3 years at fbrn.us. He assumed his new duties on May 28.

"The Fishbowl Radio Network has a great staff, all-star hosts and wonderful listeners," Tucker said. "It's an honor to be named the

new program director of the Blue Talk Bowl and work more intensely with knowledgeable radio veterans and help shape the minds of future leaders in radio. I'm getting an excellent chance to help take fbrn.us to the next level as we feel that we're at the forefront of the new movement in radio – radio stations on the internet."

Vincent "Heartbreak" Tucker (FOX, ABC & CNN) is currently the Host & Executive Producer of the

syndicated broadcast The Vincent Tucker Radio Show, which airs LIVE every Saturday Morning on www.fbrn.us – the flagship station of the program. Launched in December 2007, The award-winning & critically-acclaimed broadcast has been endorsed by executives at Clear Channel Satellite and CBS Radio Group and continues to be a hit among the 18 to 34 urban contemporary demographic.

"I think Vincent Tucker is one of the best radio tal-



ents out there and he's going to be a big star," said Fishbowl Radio Network Owner and 30 year Radio Veteran Sylvia "Sammi" Martinez. "He's passionate about the radio business and passionate about the fbrn.us brand. He's the Next Big Thing!"

Tucker is the founder of CWC Entertainment Group L.L.C., host of the award-winning & syndicated broadcast The Vincent Tucker Radio Show powered by fbrn.us and member of the board for The North Texas Fresh, a semi-profes-

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MC Sha-Rock

(BlackNews.com) -- Pioneering African American Rap Artist MC Sha-Rock has been appointed as National Advisor for the Cornell University Hip Hop Library. Sha-Rock is relevant to the Hip Hop culture, music and industry. Established in 1976, she began her career as a b-girl/break dancer in the Bronx, New York. In the Hip Hop community, she is known as the "Luminary Icon" or the "Mother of the Mic". She stands as the foundation for

female, emcee's. She is a former member of the legendary rap group, The Funky 4 Plus One More. In 1981" they appeared on Saturday Night Live and became the first rap group to ever appear on national television.

MC Sha-Rock is a recipient of the Honorary Award from the Council of New York and The Women's Distinction Award by The Hip Hop Culture Center in Harlem, New York. She has been featured



in countless magazines and books written by authors and Hip Hop Historians.

She comments, "I am humbled and honored to accept this titled as a National Advisor for the Hip Hop Library at Cornell, said MC Sha-Rock. It feels as if I'm home. I am thankful that Katherine Reagan and Ben Ortiz have asked me to serve as an educator on the board. I have been involved and apart of the Hip Hop culture, since its inception. I am truly looking forward to sharing my experience and knowledge

with the world. I am also excited about working with other pioneer's, educators and scholars. The Cornell Hip Hop Library will stand as the leading educational university to educate, highlight and showcase a vast selection of the origins of Hip Hop in film, old school flyers and photographs. It is open to the public, and it is my wish that everyone will get the opportunity to come out and experience the Hip Hop movement before its posterity."

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Dr. Seymour Weaver

(BlackNews.com) Lupus is a potentially serious, autoimmune disease that can

causes the body's immune system to attack healthy tissue, leading to a wide range



run in families. Ninety percent of lupus patients are women, and those of African, Asian or Native American heritage are most at risk. For unknown reasons, the disease

of symptoms that can include extreme fatigue, joint and muscle pain, sensitivity to sunlight, skin rashes and hair loss among others. The disease can lead to problems

with vital organs including the heart, kidneys and liver. There are two types of lupus - discoid lupus and systemic lupus - discoid usually affects the skin and systemic can affect internal organs as well as the skin. With proper medical care, lupus can frequently be controlled, but if left untreated or it is very severe, it can be debilitating and even fatal.

Hair loss and rashes are often the most obvious signs of lupus. There are three ways lupus can cause hair loss, and each is discussed below. Lupus sufferers may be extremely distressed about lupus-related hair loss, but the good news is that help is available.

Discoid lupus is one of the ways lupus affects the skin. It mostly affects sun exposed areas such as the face, neck, head and arms. Flare ups can be triggered by excessive exposure to the sun.

The rash caused by discoid lupus is destructive to tissue, and often leads to scarring, which on the scalp leads to hair loss. When discoid lupus causes hair loss, inflammation and scarring damage the hair follicles which can progress to irreversible baldness.

Systemic lupus goes through cycles of active flare ups and remission, and the flare ups are often signaled by hair loss. Lupus can leave sufferers feeling run down, often with a low grade fever and extreme fatigue. It can also be very stressful to live with lupus, especially when the patient is first coming to terms with the diagnosis and learning to manage the condition.

Medications used to treat lupus can contribute to hair loss as well. Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) are used to treat lupus and can contribute to hair loss. Chemotherapy medications such as Cyclophos-

phamide are also used occasionally, and they do cause hair loss. Hair loss caused by

medications is normally temporary, which does not make

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Moving Irving's District 1 forward

BY JOHN DANISH

I am a candidate in the Runoff election for District 1 of the Irving City Council, to be held June 15. Early voting in this election occurs June 3-11 at City Hall and the Valley Ranch Library.

I am running because I believe Irving's best days are ahead and we should begin right here in District 1 in South Irving. Irving has had some setbacks but we have the ability to recover and move forward. A few years ago I had the privilege to chair ISERVE, a South Ir-



John Danish

ving task force organized at the request of Mayor Joe Putnam. Our task was to review South Irving's assets and needs, and to take the opinions of our residents and

business owners. From that study we know what South Irving wants: better retail; more quality restaurants; signature grocery store; more housing choices; consistent code enforcement; redeveloped Downtown; better drainage; upgraded services. Since that time not nearly enough attention has been paid to these desires of such a large section of town. When I am elected, I will move to change that.

It is true prosperity and quality of life in one section of town benefits the entire

city. That is why we know if an entertainment center, convention center hotel, Water Street upscale shopping center, etc., are built in North Irving, we will be benefited. The same way, when our quality of life is improved in South Irving, North Irving benefits as well. It is all about being one community. So join me in making Irving what we want it to be. I don't belong to a slate or any special interest group.

I am your candidate: John Danish, District 1, Irving City Council.

Responsible leadership for Irving District 2

BY ALLAN MEAGHER

Last month on May 11, Irving voters went to the polls to elect three City Council members. Two of those races resulted in a runoff. I was the top vote getter in District 2. I am Allan Meagher. The election to decide between the runoff candidates will be held Saturday, June 15. Between June 3-11 voters can vote early at either City Hall or Valley Ranch Library.

This election is critical for our City. As Irving has increasingly struggled to with both economic development and neighborhood services, our surrounding cities are moving forward with extensive renovations, upgraded infrastructure, attractive entertainment are-as, and enhanced senior citizen services. Irving has the resources, the people, and the ideas. But Irving needs the leadership on the City Council



Allan Meagher

that will support these important endeavors. These endeavors will bring us a

better tax base, more jobs, and success for efforts like the convention center complex with its hotel and entertainment area, and the Heritage Crossing area in Downtown Irving.

This election is critical for Irving in another way. Never before have we seen a political season in which sitting office holders were taking sides in contested races, candi-

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Letter to the Editor: Irving voters we need your help

In my opinion, this runoff election for Irving City Council Place 1 and for Place 2 is the most important election I have seen since I first moved to Irving in 1988. I am asking all Irving voters to help us move Irving forward by voting for John Danish for Place 1 and for Allan Meagher for Place 2. The reason this is so important is because John's opponent, Loren Byers, and Allan's oppo-

nent - Kensley Stewart, are for moving Irving back to what they believe are the good old days when Irving was a mostly White bedroom community. They have done very little outreach into the Black community during this campaign nor in the Latino or any of the other ethnic groups who are our neighbors here in Irving because they are counting on the older White community to

go vote for them and they believe that will be enough for them to win.

Dr. Martin Luther King asked us back in the 1960's, "Which one is worst, the blatant and vitriolic voices of the bad people or the appalling silence of the good people?" To all good people in Irving who are registered to vote, from the bottom of my heart I ask you to go vote for John and Allan.

Early voting runs from June 3rd through June 11th, and Election Day is June 15th. Our ancestors fought hard to give us the right to vote. Please vote and reach out and touch 10 more of your family and friends and ask them to go vote, too. Please. I am sincerely asking for your help!

God Bless You All!

Anthony Bond, Irving

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there is a season and a time!

People of Irving, It's Time! It's time to stop being lazy. It's time to stop making excuses.

It's time to start getting involved. It's time to learn about the candidates who can make a difference.

It's time to know the issues at hand. It's time to help our school systems and leaders.

It's time to stop being too busy to vote! The time is



Pastor William O'Neal

now to let your voice be heard! It's time go vote now!

We came together and helped to put the first African American President in office. Can we not put 2 capable officials on the Irving City Council? It's a shame that we will stand hours in line to get a lottery ticket and will not stand in line to vote. Change does not happen without challenge! We are challenged to come out and vote.

I want to thank and encourage all of the Pastors

who have kept your congregations abreast of our city's situation and have encouraged them to vote! We know that faith without works is dead! Pastors let's get busy. Let's get together. We must work while it's day. The night is coming and no man can work!

Pastor William O'Neal and his wife Laura co-pastor New Life Ministries located at 3706 Cheyenne Street in Irving, Texas.

Free community concert at Paul Quinn College on June 11

For the third year in a row the full Dallas Symphony Orchestra will perform free on the Paul Quinn College campus as part of the 2013 Community Concert series. The

public is invited to attend the outdoor performance under the direction of Associate Conductor Thomas Hong featuring the Dallas Symphony Orchestra. Deputy Mayor

Pro Tem Tennell Atkins, District 8 will serve as special guest conductor for the concert. "This event is great opportunity for District 8 residents to enjoy classical music in

their community, said Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tennell Atkins, District 8.

Associate Conductor Thomas Hong will lead the DSO in light classics

and popular movie music, including: E.T. and Star Wars by John Williams and William Tell Overture by Rossini. A surprise guest conductor will lead the Sousa's

Daughters of Texas March.

The community concert will also feature a Food Truck Festival with meals available for purchase.

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it any nicer to live with, of course.

However, since medications to treat lupus frequently have to be taken for years, medication related hair loss can be a long term problem.

The good news is that whichever of these three reasons cause hair loss in lupus patients, help is available. Diagnosing lupus early, including biopsies from the scalp when indicated plus appropriate treatment is the key to preventing permanent baldness due to lupus. The exact methods of treatment will depend on the specific findings - or

causes - but can include oral medications, topical medications, and localized injections to the areas of hair loss.

Prevention is better than any cure, of course, so it is vital that lupus patients follow their doctor's instructions about lifestyle changes such as avoiding sun, getting adequate rest, proper nutrition and complying with their treatment plan to best manage the disease. Lupus patients suffering hair loss should talk to their dermatologist and hair care professional about the best way to cope with the hair loss, groom & style the hair

and promote healthy hair growth.

Dr. Weaver is board certified in dermatology and a member of many medical organizations (American Academy of Dermatology, American Medical Association, American Society of Dermatologic Surgery, American Society for Liposuction Surgery, Houston Dermatological Society, National Medical Association, Texas Dermatological Society, Texas Medical Association) and is specifically recognized for his expertise in anti-aging dermatology, treating hair loss and scalp disorders, dermatological

laser procedures with capabilities to treat skin of every color, and surgical and non-surgical body shaping procedures.

He received his medical degree from Baylor College of Medicine. He completed a medical internship at Los Angeles County/USC medical center and dermatology training at Martin Luther King, Jr. Medical Center in Los Angeles. He also studied tropical dermatology in Nairobi, Kenya at the Kenyatta National Hospital.

For more information, please visit www.BlackHair-LossGuide.com and www.Dr-WDermatology.com

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initiatives is that homeowners gain a private right of action and the right to halt a foreclosure sale when a servicer breaks the law. The foreclosure cannot proceed until the servicer complies with the law. Other HBOR recommendations called for lawmakers to:

- Ban 'dual-tracking', the practice by mortgage servicers of pursuing foreclosures while at the same time processing a request for a loan modification;

- Require lenders to establish straightforward timelines, clear procedures for homeowner outreach, detailed denial notices and an affidavit detailing the homeowner's rights to appeal; and

- Require lenders to engage in loss mitigation activities to prevent avoidable foreclosures.

For communities of color, where the economic recovery has yet to be felt, HBORs are particularly important due to well-documented disparities in foreclosures. For example, Black Floridians risk of imminent foreclosures is doubled that projected for the entire state.

Earlier research by the Center for Responsible

Lending found that over half (52 percent) of the lost wealth resulting from living in close proximity to foreclosures was borne by minority census tract homeowners.

California, the first state to enact an HBOR, took effect in January with a private right of action and rules for servicers foreclosing. In cases where the homeowners prevailed in legal disputes, the lender may become responsible for attorney fees and court costs.

Already, a California court recently ruled in favor of a state homeowner. A preliminary injunction halted

foreclosure proceedings in the case of Singh v. Bank of America where the lender dual-tracked the homeowner.

Similar legislation is expected to become law in Minnesota and Nevada. Hopefully more states will embrace the emergence of HBORs.

In a recent blog, Tracy Van Slyke, director of the New Bottom Line, summed up the status of America's economic recovery: "This work is not just about righting past wrongs. It's also about the future of our retirement, our kids' lives, and the kind of communities we

want to live in and about our country's economic future."

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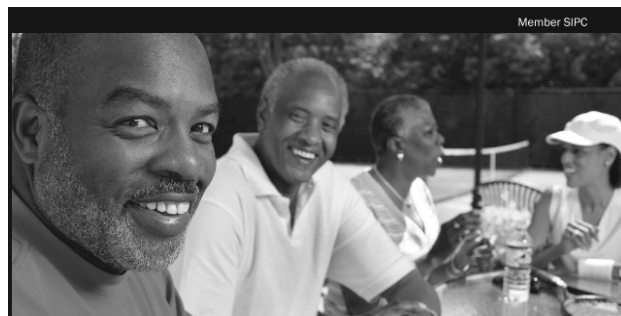
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TWU welcomes prospective students and guests to June 15 open house

DENTON — Texas Woman's University will host an open house for prospective students from 8 a.m. until noon Saturday, June 15, on the TWU Denton campus.

Prospective students and their guests will have the opportunity to meet faculty and students, participate in a campus tour and attend sessions on admissions, financial aid, housing, student life, commuter information and more.

Prospective students also could win \$1,000 to be applied to fall 2013 and spring 2014 tuition and fees at TWU. Awards of \$1,000 each will be presented to one freshman and one transfer student, for a total of two awards given at the Denton Open House. Students must be present at the event and eligible for admission to TWU to claim the awards.

Check-in for the open house begins at 8 a.m. in Hubbard Hall, located on

Administration Drive between Oakland Street and Bell Avenue in Denton. Information sessions are scheduled until noon, followed by campus tours that include residence halls. Free parking is available throughout the Denton campus during the open house.

For more information or to register, visit www.twu.edu and click on "Open House — Denton," email openhouse@twu.edu or call 940-898-3014

Baylor Invests in Higher Learning and Health Care in Collin County

Leaders of Baylor Health Care System hospitals in Collin County—including Baylor Regional Medical Center at Plano, Baylor Medical Center at McKinney, THE HEART HOSPITAL Baylor Plano and Baylor Medical Center at Frisco—recently presented a \$20,000 donation check to Collin College on behalf of Baylor. The donation is earmarked for scholarships for students pursuing degrees in health care-related fields such as nursing, respiratory therapy, surgical technology and

other high demand occupations.

Baylor has a long history of supporting Collin College through annual donations, as well as by providing job opportunities for its graduates. But it's a two-way street according to Jerri Garrison, Baylor Plano president and East Region Executive for Baylor Health Care System.

"We like collaborating with Collin College because they are producing great workers in many fields of health care that go on to serve the Plano and

Collin County community," explains Garrison. "It's really been a mutually beneficial relationship for as long as I can remember."

Cary A. Israel, Collin College district president, agrees. "Baylor's investment in scholarships at Collin College provides a meaningful return not only to students, but to our community because they support the future nurses and health care professionals who will be caring for us."

Annually, approxi-

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Rep. Yvonne Davis announces \$500,000 available for students through the Urban Scholarship Fund

State Representative Yvonne Davis (D-Dallas) announced that over \$500,000 in scholarships are available for high school graduates from Dallas and twenty eight other urban areas throughout Texas. Administrated by the Texas Association of Developing Colleges (TADC), the Urban Scholarship Program was created during the 74th Legislative session as part of House Bill 2128 with the co-operation of the three largest local telephone companies in the state of Texas at the time. This year's Scholarship Fund contributors are AT&T and Verizon Wireless.

Since the establishment of the Urban Scholarship Fund, nearly 11,000 students throughout the state of Texas have been able to begin or continue their college education due to over \$6,000,000 awarded to them through the Urban Scholarship Fund.

"This fund was created to provide access to higher edu-

cation opportunities for Texans who, without this assistance, might not be able to strive for a college education," said Rep. Davis. "Basically, all the problems facing our communities, including economic parity, high crime, building cohesive families, and other quality of life issues are related to the lack of education. By providing in-

creased avenues of educational opportunity, we multiply our chances of improving the conditions of our State. The goal of this fund is to boost chances of reaching this target" Rep. Davis continued.

The 2013-2014 Urban Scholarship Fund is for Texas residents who are also U. S. citizens and full-time under-

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Dirk Nowitzki and Duncanville High School's Shaun Breland go one-on-one to encourage students to not text and drive

DALLAS — AT&T announced last week a local high school student won a chance to go one-on-one with Dallas Mavericks star Dirk Nowitzki to help remind wireless users that texting should always be avoided while driving.

Shaun Breland of Dallas, who attends Duncanville High School, joins Dirk Nowitzki at American Airlines Center on May 16 for a shoot-around and coaching session. The once-in-a-lifetime opportunity



Duncanville High School student Shaun Breland and Dallas Maverick Dirk Nowitzki

came to him as the winner of a contest in which fans

wrote a message to Dirk in 160 characters or less about their personal thoughts on texting while driving.

Judges ruled that Shaun Breland had the most inspiring response, entitling him to not only participate in the ultimate one-on-one experience with Dirk but to also receive tickets to a future Mavericks game, opportunity to interact with Dirk on-site at American Airlines Center and dedicated time for a personal interview. "To me texting and driving is re-

ally selfish," wrote Mr. Breland. "You are putting your life in danger and other drivers' lives in danger as well. I would rather live than die to texting."

"We know texting is now part of everyday life, but nothing is so important to risk lives," Nowitzki said. "It only takes seconds for that message to mean the difference between life and death. It can wait. I appreciate Shaun and the hundreds of fans who entered

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Irving ISD middle school students honored recently



Irving ISD honored eight middle schoolers on May 7 at the Irving Masonic Lodge #1218 as part of the "Celebrate Good Kids" program. Front row L to R: Kalee Price – Johnson, Jacie Soberanis – Crockett, Maricruz Parra – de Zavala, Jose Morales – Lamar, Jazmyn Polk – Houston, Back row L to R: Dillon Springer – Austin, Edward Nunez Hernandez – Bowie, Levi Horn – Travis

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From Left to right: Mark Valentine, President THE HEART HOSPITAL Baylor Plano; Scott Peek, President Baylor McKinney; Jerri Garison, President Baylor Plano; Lisa Vasquez, Vice President of Public Relations and College Development; Amy Evans, Executive Director, Collin College Foundation; and Myrshem H. George, Senior Development Officer.

mately 275 students graduate from Collin College's health care credit programs. Many Baylor nurses, technicians and therapists received education and training through Collin College or other North Texas college districts. Collin College regularly attends Baylor Plano education fairs for Baylor employees and their family and friends interested in

pursuing a degree or certification in a health care-related field.

"Collin County is an extremely competitive market for health care, so having a college system like Collin College with quality medical training programs is essential to our local industry," says Garrison.

The check presentation was on April 5, 2013.

First Annual Radiant Luncheon concludes mentoring program for the school year

CEDAR HILL - Seventy women, all professional and community leaders from Cedar Hill, hosted tables at the First Annual Radiant Luncheon for over 450 female students. The luncheon was held at Trinity Christian Church on May 23. It was the conclusion of a mentoring program sponsored by

the Inspire School Program.

During the 2012-2013 school year, the program provided 22 volunteer facilitators who worked with both boys and girls at Cedar Hill High School, Bessie Coleman Middle School and Trinity Christian School. The volunteers helped stu-

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Curtis Report

by Barry Curtis

Mr. Obama I am a black man. I know that you are black, but not like me. I know that perhaps your policies have an unintended effect on blacks so I am here to proudly proclaim to you that I am a black man in spite of your policies.

The national unemployment rate among black men in this country is estimated to be some 14 percent. This is the highest level since the great depression among minority groups. You have come under great criticism from your own party for your failure to even talk

about the issue. Of course Mr. Obama you have always held a "government job so you may have less knowledge of real working men and women. Mr. Obama you are black but not like me.

Mr. Obama black homeowners lose their homes at an alarming rate. According to the *Washington Post* on June 19, 2010: "Minority homeowners have been disproportionately affected by the foreclosure crisis and stand to lose homes at a faster pace than white borrowers in the future, the report went on to say While about 4.5 percent of white borrowers lost their homes to foreclosure during that period, black and Latino borrowers had 7.9 and 7.7

percent foreclosure rates, respectively. That means that blacks and Latinos were more than 70 percent more likely to lose their homes to foreclosure during that period, the study found."

Mr. Obama your answer this was to push for mortgage companies to further loosen the approval process to buy homes in minority communities despite alarming evidence that this was a damaging policy. Mr. Obama you are black, but not like me.

Mr. Obama black crime is strangling our inner cities and now the suburbs are being affected. According to the New Century Foundation, a 501(c) think tank, "Blacks are seven

times more likely than people of other races to com-

mit murder, and eight times more likely to commit rob-

bery. When blacks commit

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Mr. Obama, you are Black, but not like me

Special event at Irving library spotlights African rhythms

The Irving Library on June 8 at 2:30 p.m. is hosting a performance by Local Storyteller and Griot Melody "AFI" Bell, who has been spinning tales and singing songs for audiences across Texas for over fifteen years. Guests will experience the rhythm of drums and traditional folk songs from the South, Caribbean and Africa. Chillin' at the Pavillion pro-



Local Storyteller and Griot Melody "AFI" Bell

grams are performed at the Jackie Townsell Bear Creek Heritage Center Museums located at 3925 Jackson Street in Irving.

The Jackie Townsell Bear Creek Heritage Center Museums are open to tour on the second Saturday of each month from 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, please call 972-721-2501.

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After the storm has passed, it's time to pitch in and put your homes and neighborhood back in working order. The FDA field investigators contact local regulated firms that produce or process food, medicines, medical equipment, vaccines and other medical supplies.

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No one can control where or when tornados or hurricanes may strike. But at the FDA we can, and do, prepare for major storms – and so can you.

Pat El-Hinnawy is a Public Affairs Specialist in FDA's Office of External Affairs

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MC Sha-Rock couldn't be any happier to announce that the Cornell Hip Hop Library will showcase the first known vintage film footage that was documented and dated in 1977

by a young man's task to complete a high school project. The film highlights the Original Funky Four MC's and also charts MC Sha-Rock as the first female MC of Hip Hop.

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Allan Meagher is a lifelong Irving resident with experience in city government, planning and zoning activities, and community involvement. Allan is in management with the local office of a national transportation service.

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The Anatomy of the Modern Day Drum Major

BY REV. JOSEPH LOWERY

On April 9, 1968, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. preached a message that was strikingly applicable to the lives of modern day civil rights leaders and leaders of America's future.

In the pulpit of the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta only five days before he was assassinated, Dr. King meticulously outlined the anatomy of what he called, the "drum major instinct".

In that message, he drew from the book of Mark, Chapter 10, starting with Verse 13 where Jesus' disciples, James and John, asked to be placed on the Lord's right side and on his left side in glory. Jesus gave them an answer that resonates today as I contemplate the current state of equality and justice in America and the necessary anatomy of today's drum major.

The Lord told them that their placement in glory was not his to give. Rather their placement in glory - and anyone else's - would be contingent upon how they served here on earth. Specifically, Dr. King quoted the passage as saying, "But whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all."

Dr. King then described how some in leadership positions mistakenly think that they should be sat on high, receive expensive houses, cars, and receive exclusive access simply because of their positions. But, now, just as Dr. King pointed out then, the anatomy of the drum major - the leader that sets the tempo for justice and equality in America - must be the soul that is willing to humbly serve.

As then, the drum

major instinct has been perverted and must now be corrected in order for us to reach our righteous goals. In other words, as we look at the current state of equality and justice in America, we must refresh our hearts and minds, as Dr. King said, with "a new definition of greatness".

What he was saying is that it is not wrong to desire to be important, to want quality things and access. But those things are not equivalent to greatness. Greatness must be earned, he said. And that new definition is simple - service.

As much work as has been done and as much progress as has been made, there is much work needed as racial disparities in this nation are still horrendous. In a nutshell:

African-Americans are incarcerated at nearly six times the rate of Whites, according to the NAACP. Yet, the NAACP also reports that five times as many Whites are using drugs as African-Americans, but African-Americans are sent to prison for drug offenses at 10 times

breakdown of that statistic is riveting.

- The National Urban League reports that the total 2013 Equality Index of Black America stands at 71.7 percent. This means that on average, African-Americans enjoy less than three-fourths of the benefits and privileges offered to White Americans.

- Educationally, the NUL reports that African-Americans have closed the college enrollment gap at five times the rate of closing the unemployment rate gap. Still the racial disparities of deep. The National Center for Education Statistics reports that though college attendance is steadily rising for people of color, it is only around 14 percent for Blacks, 13 percent for Latinos and 61 percent for Whites.

This brief description of the state of equality and justice in America tells us that an astronomically higher level of service is needed - one that must replace any mindset of being recognized and awarded for every move. These statistics denote that people from the grassroots to

"...the NAACP also reports that five times as many Whites are using drugs as African-Americans, but African-Americans are sent to prison for drug offenses at 10 times the rate of Whites."

the rate of Whites.

- Economically, according to the U. S. Census Bureau, approximately 30 percent of Blacks are living in poverty. And the racial

Congress to the White House; people from the churches to the streets to the prisons; people from the educational institutions to the businesses to the civil rights organiza-



Rev. Joseph Lowery

Image credit: Duke

tions; people in every corner of our society much rise up and take leadership by placing their hands to the plows where they are. Without looking around to see who is looking, without seeking name recognition and reward - at every age and in every season - we must not shrink from the courage to say and to do that which is right.

This year is not only the 50th anniversary of the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom; but it is the 50th anniversary of those four little girls killed on September 15, 1963 in the bombing at the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama. In Dr. King's sermon at their funeral, he spoke of how they had not died in vain for even in their innocence their deaths sent multiple messages.

Among those messages that they preached from the grave was the fact that they died nobly and they did not die in vain because "unmerited suffering is redemptive."

Yes, the deaths of those children, and even too many of our children today who have died by senseless violence and even at the hands of terrorists, have taught us that we must indeed temper courage with caution.

But, in modern day America, we too often find ourselves - not cautious, but afraid. Instead of challenging the systems that oppress; instead of crying out in non-violent protest where it is warranted; instead of acting upon the courage of our convictions, we far too often live in fear of what we might lose or what we personally might not attain. But, the drum major instinct is one that is impeded by fear because it requires both vision and mobility.

In order to attain an acceptable status of equality and justice in America, the drum majors of our communities must keep moving. That means, those of us who have been given much are required to give

much. We must mentor the young, we must teach truth, we must take action where it is warranted, and by all means one of those actions must be to venture to the polls at every opportunity and vote.

As we move this great nation forward, let us take a moment to recognize the drum major instinct within each of us. Let us take personal leadership of ourselves and yield to our individual responsibilities to make a difference. Then and only then, will we perfect the noble art of leadership. Only then will we - through our service - become "the chiefest among us."

The Rev. Joseph Lowery was a co-founder of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference alongside Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Presented with the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor, by President Barack Obama in 2009, he continues to serve through numerous forums, including as advisor to the Georgia Coalition for the People's Agenda.

This article - the seventeenth of a 20-part series - is written in commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law. The Lawyers' Committee is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization, formed in 1963 at the request of President John F. Kennedy to enlist the private bar's leadership and resources in combating racial discrimination and the resulting inequality of opportunity - work that continues to be vital today. For more information, please visit www.lawyerscommittee.org.

NDG Gossip: Former NBA All-star Daron "Mookie" Blaylock charged with vehicular homicide

BY: SHENICE SANDERS,
NDG INTERN

Following a fatal collision on Friday, former NBA player Daron "Mookie" Blaylock has been charged with second-degree vehicular homicide, driving on a suspended license and failure to maintain his lane, authorities announced on Monday.

The 46-year-old was driving an SUV that crossed the center line of Tara Boulevard, which is about 20 miles from down-



Daron "Mookie" Blaylock

town Atlanta, as he crossed the center line he struck a van police stated. Two passengers were in the van, 43 year-old Monica Murphy and her husband. Murphy died hours later in the hospital while

her husband was treated and released.

Atlanta Medical Center spokeswoman Nicole Gustin said Blaylock was in fair condition Monday. He initially was on life support at the hospital, but his condition has improved over time.

In 1989, Blaylock a native of Garland, was a first-round draft pick by the New Jersey Nets right out of Oklahoma.

Blaylock had his best season in 1996-97, averag-

ing 17.4 points and 5.9 assists. Blaylock also played for the Golden State Warriors and the Atlanta Hawks from 1992-99.

Blaylock told investigators he blacked out just before crash, but was not able to say much more. The police are working to determine the cause of the crash but alcohol does not appear to be a factor according to early reports.

The investigation is still ongoing.

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sional men's basketball organization in the American Basketball Association. Tucker is also the creator and founder of Register to Speak Out!, a non-partisan voter registration initiative and the co-director of My Brother's Keeper: Feed the Homeless Drive.

Touting a very heartwarming and inspirational real-life story, the "next American Feel Good Story in the making," is a unique role model for at-risk youth everywhere. He survived a deadly house fire that

claimed the lives of three (his grandparents & 7-year-old sister), premature deaths of childhood friends, dealing with his parents' drug abuse, surviving their abandoning of him at the age of thirteen and more. Determined not to fall into the traps of his surroundings, Vincent used the dark moments of his life to fuel his rise to the top of the music & entertainment industry.

For more information, please visit www.vincent-tucker.com.

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dents develop key character traits like respect, value and purpose while promoting positive decision-making. Separate year-end celebrations were held for the boys and girls.

The keynote speaker of the girls' event was Ashley Criss Ashley, the creative director of Class Act Culture. Criss talked to the girls



Front row L - R: Mivah Spears, Omiya Chandler, Imani Matt, Sacha Knight, Tievica Jenkins, and Breuna Preston. Standing L - R: Jasmine Brown and Jenae Franke, wife of Cedar Hill Mayor Rob Franke. (Image credit: Ramona Logan)

about "Living Your Dreams."

"You can't let your situation determine your attitude and outlook in life," Criss said as she described her childhood growing up in a poor neighborhood in Kansas City. "You have greatness inside of you."

During the luncheon, students chatted with their

professional table hosts about school and careers. Sapphire Dixon, a Bessie Coleman eighth grader, spoke on behalf of the students when she said: "The program was great. I really enjoyed it."

"Cedar Hill ISD is truly grateful to have such tremendous community support from individuals, busi-

nesses, and nonprofit agencies who would donate their time, money, and resources to benefit our students," said Director of Student Support and Community Services Dr. Chanda McGhee. "We are honored to see the support of the INSPIRE Mentoring Program and know that our students will reap the benefits."

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TO THE RESIDENT QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF DALLAS, TEXAS:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a runoff election is ordered to be held on Saturday, June 15, 2013, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of electing 2 members to the city council of the City of Dallas to be designated as: Member of Council, Place 5; Member of Council, Place 14, respectively.

Rosa A. Rios, City Secretary

For more information call (214) 670-5654

VOTING LOCATIONS

The following locations will be used as polling locations for the election precincts of the City of Dallas for the Runoff Election on June 15, 2013. A voting location may change if the location is not available. The most current list of voting locations is available in the City Secretary's Office, and the status of a particular location may be checked by calling the city secretary at (214) 670-3738 or accessing the City Secretary's website at <http://www.ci.dallas.tx.us/cso/elections.html>.

District	Precinct	Location	Address	City	Zip
5	1083	Urban Park Elem. School	6901 Military Pkwy.	Dallas	75227
5	1085	Urban Park Elem. School	6901 Military Pkwy.	Dallas	75227
5	1088	Forester Field House	8233 Military Pkwy.	Dallas	75227
5	1090	San Jacinto Elem. School	7900 Hume Dr.	Dallas	75227
5	1091	Annie Webb Blanton School	8915 Greenmound Ave.	Dallas	75227
5	1092	Annie Webb Blanton School	8915 Greenmound Ave.	Dallas	75227
5	1094	John Ireland Elem. School	1515 Jim Miller	Dallas	75217
5	1095	Nathaniel Hawthorne Elem. School	7800 Umphress Rd.	Dallas	75217
5	1096	Nathaniel Hawthorne Elem. School	7800 Umphress Rd.	Dallas	75217
5	1097	W.W. Samuell High School	8928 Palisade Dr.	Dallas	75217
5	1098	Fred F. Florence Middle School	1625 N. Masters	Dallas	75217
5	1099	Fred F. Florence Middle School	1625 N. Masters	Dallas	75217
5	1100	E.B. Comstock Middle School	7044 Hodde St.	Dallas	75217
5	1101	Pleasant Grove Branch Library	7310 Lake June Rd.	Dallas	75217
5	1102	B.H. Macon Elem. School	650 Holcomb Rd.	Dallas	75217
5	1103	B.H. Macon Elem. School	650 Holcomb Rd.	Dallas	75217
5	1104	William Anderson Elem. School	620 N. St. Augustine	Dallas	75217
5	1105	William Anderson Elem. School	620 N. St. Augustine	Dallas	75217
5	1106	Richard Lagow Elem. School	637 Edgeworth Dr.	Dallas	75217
5	1107	Richard Lagow Elem. School	637 Edgeworth Dr.	Dallas	75217
5	1108	H. Grady Spruce High School	9733 Old Seagoville	Dallas	75217
5	1109	H. Grady Spruce High School	9733 Old Seagoville	Dallas	75217
5	1110	Richard Lagow Elem. School	637 Edgeworth Dr.	Dallas	75217
5	1113	John Ireland Elem. School	1515 Jim Miller	Dallas	75217
5	1135	Fred F. Florence Middle School	1625 N. Masters	Dallas	75217
5	3082	E.B. Comstock Middle School	7044 Hodde St.	Dallas	75217
14	1013	North Dallas High School	3120 N. Haskell Ave.	Dallas	75204
14	1015	Multiple Careers Magnet Center	4528 Rusk Ave.	Dallas	75204
14	1016	Emeritus at Vickery Towers	5619 Belmont	Dallas	75206
14	1017	Emeritus at Vickery Towers	5619 Belmont	Dallas	75206
14	1018	Ben Milam Elem. School - DISD	4200 McKinney Ave.	Dallas	75205
14	1019	Dallas Fire Station #17 Dallas	6045 Belmont	Dallas	75206
14	1020	Ben Milam Elem. School - DISD	4200 McKinney Ave.	Dallas	75205
14	1021	Oaklawn Branch Library	4100 Cedar Springs Rd.	Dallas	75219
14	1022	Oaklawn Branch Library	4100 Cedar Springs Rd.	Dallas	75219
14	1023	The Father's Church	2707 Abrams Rd.	Dallas	75214
14	1050	Eduardo Mata Elem. School	7420 La Vista	Dallas	75214
14	1071	Lakewood Branch Library	6121 Worth St.	Dallas	75214
14	1073	Junius Heights Baptist Church	5429 Reiger Ave.	Dallas	75214
14	1075	St. Luke Community Life Center	6211 E. Grand Ave.	Dallas	75223

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June 15, 2013

District	Precinct	Location	Address	City	Zip
14	1076	Eduardo Mata Elem. School	7420 La Vista	Dallas	75214
14	1117	North Dallas High School	3120 N. Haskell Ave.	Dallas	75204
14	1118	J.W. Ray Elem. School	2211 Caddo St.	Dallas	75204
14	1120	Emeritus at Vickery Towers	5619 Belmont	Dallas	75206
14	1131	Grace United Methodist Church	4105 Junius St.	Dallas	75246
14	2031	Skillman SW Branch Library	5707 Skillman St.	Dallas	75206
14	2032	Skillman SW Branch Library	5707 Skillman St.	Dallas	75206
14	2033	Skillman SW Branch Library	5707 Skillman St.	Dallas	75206
14	2035	Stonewall Jackson Elem. School	5828 Mockingbird Ln.	Dallas	75206
14	2036	Zion Lutheran Church	6121 E. Lovers Ln.	Dallas	75214
14	2037	Ben Milam Elem. School - DISD	4200 McKinney Ave.	Dallas	75205
14	2038	Robert E. Lee Elem. School - DISD	2911 Delmar Ave.	Dallas	75206
14	2039	Robert E. Lee Elem. School - DISD	2911 Delmar Ave.	Dallas	75206
14	2040	St. Andrews Presbyterian Church	3204 Skillman St.	Dallas	75214
14	2068	Zion Lutheran Church	6121 E. Lovers Ln.	Dallas	75214
14	2071	Lakewood Elem. School	3000 Hillbrook St.	Dallas	75214
14	2201	Ben Milam Elem. School - DISD	4200 McKinney Ave.	Dallas	75205
14	3000	William B. Travis Vanguard	3001 McKinney	Dallas	75204
14	3006	Reverchon Recreation Center	3505 Maple Ave.	Dallas	75219
14	3007	Reverchon Recreation Center	3505 Maple Ave.	Dallas	75219
14	3008	Dallas County Courthouse - Allen	600 Commerce	Dallas	75202
14	3009	Exall Park Recreation Center	1355 Adair St.	Dallas	75204
14	3010	Exall Park Recreation Center	1355 Adair St.	Dallas	75204
14	3081	Reverchon Recreation Center	3505 Maple Ave.	Dallas	75219
14	3086	William B. Travis Vanguard	3001 McKinney	Dallas	75204
14	4032	Reverchon Recreation Center	3505 Maple Ave.	Dallas	75219
14	4102	Reverchon Recreation Center	3505 Maple Ave.	Dallas	75219
14	4106	Reverchon Recreation Center	3505 Maple Ave.	Dallas	75219

EARLY VOTING

Early voting by personal appearance for the June 15, 2013 City of Dallas runoff election will be conducted at the early voting locations listed below. Any qualified voter of the City of Dallas may vote early by personal appearance at any of the listed locations. Early voting locations are subject to change. The most current list of voting locations is available in the City Secretary's Office, and the status of a particular location may be checked by calling the City Secretary at (214) 670-3738 or accessing the City Secretary's website at <http://www.ci.dallas.tx.us/cso/elections.html>. Dates and times locations will be open for early voting are:

DATES AND TIMES OF EARLY VOTING

June 3 - June 7 (Monday through Friday)	8 AM - 5 PM
June 8 (Saturday)	8 AM - 5 PM
June 9 (Sunday)	1 PM - 6 PM
June 10 - June 11 (Monday and Tuesday)	7 AM - 7 PM

EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS

Location	Address	City	Zip
Carrollton/Farmers Branch ISD Administration Building	1445 N. Perry Rd.	Carrollton	75006
Garner Fine Arts Academy	145 Polo Rd.	Grand Prairie	75052
Desoto Town Center	211 E. Pleasant Run Rd.	Desoto	75115
Irving City Hall	825 W. Irving Blvd.	Irving	75060
Lakewood Branch Library	6121 Worth St.	Dallas	75214
Our Redeemer Lutheran Church	7611 Park Ln.	Dallas	75225
Pleasant Grove Branch Library	7310 Lake June Rd.	Dallas	75217
Records Building	509 Main St.	Dallas	75202
Reverchon Recreation Center	3505 Maple Ave.	Dallas	75219
Richardson Civic Center	411 W. Arapaho Rd.	Richardson	75080
St. Luke Community Life Center	6211 E. Grand Ave.	Dallas	75223

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graduates in good academic standing at any accredited public or private non-profit college, university or technical college. Additionally, applicants must demonstrate financial need and have graduated from a high school in the following metropolitan cities: Abilene, Amarillo, Arlington, Austin, Beaumont, Brownsville, Carrollton, Corpus Christi, Dallas, Denton, El Paso, Fort Worth, Frisco, Garland, Grand Prairie, Houston, Irving, Killeen, Laredo, Lubbock, McAllen, McKinney, Mesquite, Midland, Pasadena, Plano, San Antonio, Waco, and Wichita Falls.

Students interested in applying for scholarships should contact their high school

guidance counselor; college financial aid officer, or call the Texas Association of Developing Colleges at (214) 630-2511. Applicants may also complete the scholarship application online at www.txadc.org then print, sign and mail it with the required documents. The deadline for applying for the 2013-2014 Urban Scholarship Fund is Monday, July 8, 2013 (postmarked).

Students attending technical, junior or community colleges will receive \$700, public four-year college and university students will receive \$1000, and private four-year college and university students will receive \$2000. The number of awards is uncertain

because of the varying funding levels to different types of institutions.

The Urban Scholarship fund was created in 1995 when Rep. Davis attached an amendment to the omnibus telecom bill creating a pool of funds derived from unclaimed telephone service deposits. Previously unclaimed funds went into the unclaimed funds pool in the State Treasury. Although these funds will be shifted into the scholarship account, local telephone companies will still reimburse consumers for any funds properly claimed in the future.

"We ask our students to study hard, make the grade and prepare themselves for

the next level necessary to reach their goal. However, the continued rising cost of a college education presents an obstacle to some students. The Urban Scholarship Fund provides these students additional funding to help pay for their college education and ultimately realizing their goal," stated Rep. Davis.

Students from non-metropolitan areas of the State may be covered by the Rural Scholarship fund, which was also created by House Bill 2128.

Rep. Davis is currently serving her eleventh term, representing District 111 in the Texas House of Representatives.

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the contest and provided their personal thoughts and messages on why no one should ever text and drive."

"Spending some time on a court shooting baskets with Dirk is a dream come true," said Shaun Breland, a lifetime Mavericks fan. "He's not only one of the greatest basketball players on the planet, but he has inspired me and so many of my classmates to take the pledge."

Earlier this year, AT&T visited 10 high schools across the Dallas Metroplex to show teens the dangers of texting while driving. To enforce the message and make roads and highways safer, AT&T brought a virtual reality simulator to the schools, allowing students to experience firsthand the dangers of texting and driving in a safe, controlled environment.

While onsite, students had the opportunity to take

the pledge to not text while driving as well as enter the contest for the chance to go one-on-one with Dirk Nowitzki.

It Can Wait is a national movement tapping into the power of social media and personal networks to make

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June 12, 7 p.m.

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And 9:30 a.m.**

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June 12, 7 p.m.

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June 12, 7 p.m.

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This is June 2013; students are graduating, couples are planning weddings, families are having reunions, and many individuals must be wondering, "Where am I going from here?" It is time to remember to, "Put Your Trust In God." God will deliver and keep you from all temptation and harm; if you obey the teachings of Christ, and set your mind to live right.

God gives instructions as to how we should live because He created us and knows what it takes. The Word of God loosens a tight mind. We should live right in order to have peace and comfort of mind. If you don't believe you can live holy in this life, you are an unbeliever. You reveal your love for God by your anxiety to do something for Him.

Prayer is a mighty force; and Christ is a panacea for every ill or sickness, in mind

and body. What counts is not what God has done for us, but what He has done which we have not forgotten. A good follower makes a fit leader. A good listener is a good learner. Your feet can remain on the ground, but your mind can be lifted upward.

Regardless of your intelligence, if you practice unrighteousness, you are going down in shame. Learn to deny yourself in order to please God. You can't shine for Jesus without being rubbed. No matter what may be your problem, shine for Jesus.

The paradox of our time in history is that: We have taller buildings, but shorter tempers; wider freeways, but narrower viewpoints. We spend more, but have less; we buy more, but enjoy less. We have bigger houses, yet smaller families; more conveniences, but less time to enjoy the family that we have. We have more degrees but less common sense; more knowledge, but less judgment; more experts, but more problems; more medicine, but less wellness.

As a society, we drink and smoke too much, spend too recklessly, laugh too little, drive too fast, and get too angry. We stay up too late, then get up too tired; read too little, watch too much TV, and pray too seldom. We have multiplied our possessions, but greatly reduced our values. We talk too much, love too seldom, and we hate too often, and for too long.

As my maternal grandmother, Maggie Smith Baker, said, "We've learned how to make a living, but not a life." With modern medicine we've added years to our life, but not life to our years. We can go around the world to meet people, but have trouble meeting a new neighbor. We have conquered outer space but not "our" inner space. We have done larger things, but not better things.

We are learning to clean up the air, but we are polluting our soul with the TV. Internet, Pornography, vulgar language, etc. We've conquered the atom, but not our prejudice. We write more, but learn less. We plan more, but accomplish less. We've

Things To Ponder



Cleo Spann Tarpley (center) with Uncle & Aunt David and Rose Demus Fielding at Cleo's Surprised Birthday Party Recently

learned to rush, but not to wait; patience is a virtue. We build faster computers; they hold more information, produce more copies, but we communicate less and less.

These are the times of fast foods and slow diges-

tion; big men and small character; steep profits and shallow relationships. Days of two incomes but more divorce, fancier houses, but more broke homes. The days of quick trips, disposable diapers, throwaway morality,

one night stands, overweight bodies, and pills that do everything from cheer, to quiet, and kill. Now is the time to spend some time with your loved ones; they are not going to be around forever.

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dates were campaigning for each other at, and the members and candidates and members of the IISD Board and Irving City Council were joining forces to campaign for and against candidates. Unlike national politics, which is based on a party system and naturally runs this way, local politics are prohibited from partisan politics and this type campaigning has been considered unacceptable. My race has even seen the entrance of an Austin PAC, an ideologically based group with a questionable background. This behavior smacks of desires for control, not good government. It also leads to government by the special interest, not the people. Who will these candidates be loyal to if elected? You? Or the council member who campaigned for them?

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But would you move, permanently? In the new book **"Unsinkable"** by **Nicole Bradshaw**, the LaRoche fam-

ily decided to return to Canada and leave France behind forever. But they would actually leave behind much, much more.

The night started so well, and ended so badly.

Fifteen-year-old Corrine LaRoche snuck out of the house to see her boyfriend, but then she caught him cheating. When she returned home in tears, she found the police in her house – and one of them had his foot on her father's neck.

That kind of harassment didn't happen often, but it happened enough. Corrine's father was a Negro man; her mother was white. Years ago, they'd left Canada to move to Cherbourg, France, hoping to make a good life for their family



overseas. Now it was time to go back home.

With plans for his wife to join them later, Corrine's father booked second-class tickets for himself and his daughters on the *Titanic*.

Unsinkable tanks

Though her sister was less than awed, Corrine was amazed by the size of the great ship. She could hardly believe that something so big could float on water. The *Titanic* was nearly as big as Cherbourg itself! There was music on-deck, tables with umbrellas, and lots and lots of people.

But the one person who caught Corrine's eye was a handsomely-uniformed young white seaman who seemed quite attracted to her. His name was Christopher and his uncle was the Captain of the *Titanic*. So when he invited Corrine to have dinner with him in the first-class dining room, she naturally accepted – although no

one else was happy about their budding romance. Christopher's mother had hoped he would marry a girl from his social class, and not a common Negro girl. Corrine's father distrusted white people, too. But for Corrine and Christopher, nothing would stop their growing love.

Nothing, of course, except an iceberg...

I was so excited about this book. It had such promise: a novel loosely based on a true story of the only Black family on the *Titanic*.

I couldn't wait to read it. Unfortunately, I should've...

When I say that author Nicole Bradshaw "loosely" based "Unsinkable" on truth,

I mean very, very loosely. The setting of the book is 100 years old but its language is modern, which ruined the story for me right there. There are some obvious historical details that are wrong here, and we're expected to accept several big stretches of imagination on top of that. Yes, this is fiction, but it could've been much better *fiction* had it not been modernized, altered, or contrived.

To say that this book was a disappointment to me is an understatement of Titanic proportions and for that, I can't recommend it. Overall, my opinion of "Unsinkable" is that it just tanks.

CREDIT, continued from Page 1

between various types of credit, how to establish Credit, how to understand their credit report and credit score, how to maintain and how to repair their credit history. Participants will also learn effective debt relief resolutions.

Comerica Bank began partnering with the Dallas-Fort Worth Chapter of The National Association of Black Accountants in 2011 to host a series of monthly financial empowerment workshops. Called The Empower (E-mpowering M-inorities to P-lan & O-rganize for W-ealth & E-

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crimes of violence, they are nearly three times more likely than non-blacks to use a gun, and more than twice as likely to use a knife. The single best indicator of violent crime levels in an area is the percentage of the population that is black and Hispanic."

Mr. Obama your response is that same old liberal line of "let's look at the root cause", they have no father, no money, no job and live in dilapidated housing. Poor black people if only these things weren't true then maybe they wouldn't rob you, or murder you. Sad Mr. President

sad! I know you are black, but not like me.

Mr. President there are people of all races in this country black, white, Hispanic and Asian that are living the true American experience. You see Mr.

President we don't need your food stamps, free cell phones, un-ending unemployment benefits and free housing. We just need opportunity.

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