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- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



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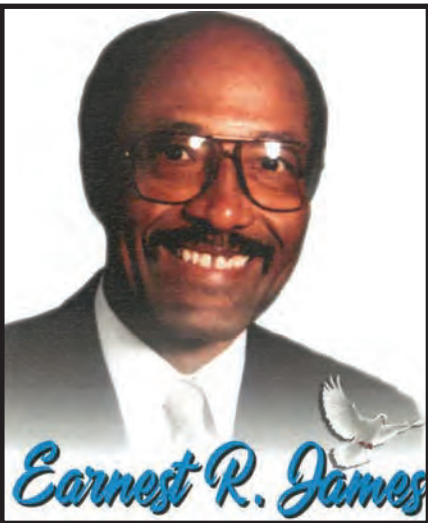


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IN REMEMBRANCE OF COACH EARNEST JAMES



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Earnest moved to Dallas, TX, with his family at the age of nine. In 1956, at the age of sixteen (16), he graduated from Booker T. Washington High School. Earnest went on to earn his Bachelor of Science in Education from Wiley College in 1960 and his Master in Education from North Texas State University (now University of North Texas) in 1963. He later met and married Jovern Kelley and together they had one daughter, Kelly Michelle.

While an undergraduate at Wiley, Earnest began what would become his life's work and legacy. He became the school's football athletic trainer thus developing his love of coaching and mentorship.

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US Rep John Lewis of Georgia says he has pancreatic cancer

By Bill Cormier

ATLANTA (AP) —

Congressman John Lewis of Georgia announced Sunday that he has stage IV pancreatic cancer, vowing he will stay in office and fight the disease with the tenacity with which he fought racial discrimination and other inequalities dating to the civil rights era.

Lewis, the youngest and last survivor of the Big Six civil rights activists in a group once

led by the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., said in a statement that the cancer was detected earlier this month during a routine medical visit.

He said subsequent tests confirmed the diagnosis of stage IV pancreatic cancer. “I have been in some kind of fight — for freedom, equality, basic human rights — for nearly my entire life. I have never faced a fight quite like the one I have now,” said Lewis, 79.



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EDITORIAL PAGE

2019: A Momentous Year



My Day
By Dr. J. Ester Davis

What did 2019 do for you? What did you celebrate the most? How much did you learn?

In 2019, Dr. Linda Amerson, Valder Beebe and I were selected as cover girls for an international magazine "Entrepreneurs of Color" based out of Atlanta, Georgia. The publisher mentioned early in our conversation that he wanted to design a means of communication among women of color around the world. He further wanted all three of us on the cover. Our next decision was where to do the photo session. Well, we decided to add another women of color. This photo was taken on a hot summer day on "Ann Williams Way", in the Arts District, Downtown Dallas. Mrs. Ann Williams is the Founder of the Dallas Black Dance Theater.

The "Power of Three" was foundationally created to reach more of a universal audience. You see Linda, Valder and I are internet host with difference formats, audiences and styles. Combining our numbers, brands and subjects we anticipated a larger global presence. . . and our expectations were overwhelming. Just our combined years in media (television, radio, print magazines, community) totaled over sixty(60)years. This concept rose very rapidly and within a few months we were receiving calls nationally, internationally with an increase in speaking engagements. The questions were mild ones at first . . . the ride was a wild one. But we quickly recognized that other regions were emulating our vision and 'morning calm' as one reader referenced to the cooperative movement.

Women are amazing. Women rock!!!. Women make it happen. And when combined with a ocean scope, there is a tidal wave of wonder and 'can do' spirit. But the secret is you never know until you make that little step beginning. We heard from so many women, a few Dads, one applauding us as 'icicles cascading down so impressive it looks like works of art'.

The final point here is 2020 is upon us. More challenges await us. Make it a more colorful year. . . and always remember to 'color within the lines'.

Happy New Year!

Esterdavis2000@gmail.com

How to Build an Emergency Fund



Setting aside hundreds or thousands of dollars for an emergency – and not using it – can seem like a challenge when you have bills and other responsibilities. But building an emergency fund can be done in phases over time, and you can make small changes now to get start growing your fund. Every dollar you save now can help cushion when the next emergency happens.

The Federal Reserve Board reported recently that 40% of people in the U.S. said they would have trouble covering a \$400 emergency. Now think back to the last time you had an emergency or unexpected expense. Maybe it was a car repair or medical bill or even paying all your bills until you found a new job. Were you confident you had enough money to cover it?

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1. Open and set up automatic deposits to a savings account.

First come up with an amount you can afford to save and put toward an emergency fund every month. Consider saving this money in a separate account to help you stay focused on building those savings and avoid spending it. Automatic deposits can make saving easy. For help figuring out what to pay first, check out [financial education program](#).

2. Reduce your spending.

If you need to change your spending so you have enough money to put aside, start by reviewing your expenses – large and small. For example, the total cost of dining out may be larger than you think. With the average household spending \$3,365 a year on eating out, cutting just two meals out a month (meals on average cost \$12), saves around \$288 a year.1 Another quick way to cut spending is to cancel any memberships and subscriptions you use infrequently or don't need. Reviewing and cutting your expenses doesn't have to be a sacrifice, but rather a chance to adjust your spending and saving in line with your priorities.

3. Find ways to make extra

cash.

There may be opportunities for easy income in your garage, closet, or old storage areas: consider selling old – and unwanted – stuff for a quick stack of cash that you can put in your emergency fund savings account. Online auction sites and marketplaces can help sell your stuff or just use the traditional yard sale. Other work opportunities, whether extra hours or one-off projects, can help bring in extra money to build your emergency fund plus support other financial goals.

4. Save "extra" money.

Have you received a tax refund, gift, bonus, or raise recently? Consider putting that extra cash into your savings account. Remember – keeping it out of reach of your checking account means it's harder to spend and there's a higher chance of saving it.

5. Create a savings challenge

You might have started with a smaller savings goal so your fund could grow little by little. Challenge yourself to make a bigger deposit like \$50 next month instead of the \$25 you deposit on a monthly basis. Then make the same goal again in a few months or even increase it a little. Any amount you contribute is a step in the right direction.

By their nature, emergencies happen when you don't expect them, but planning for them just in case can help you handle them. That's why an emergency fund is there. If you do have to tap into your emergency savings, that's what it's for, but get back on track by committing to building it right back up.

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COMMENTARY: A SHARP TONGUE CUTS FROM THE INSIDE OUT
SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING...

By James A. Washington, Publisher, The Dallas Weekly

Growing up, I was never a student of the Bible even though I grew up surrounded by the best kind of Christians there were: the love-filled family kind.

I believe I am now being constantly moved by the Holy Spirit (I hope) to see the simplicity in the scripture I now study. As such, I am finding myself gravitating to ministers, pastors and saints as they dissect in sermon and prayer the incredible power of the tongue; yes, that small but dangerously lethal weapon housed in one's mouth.

Without any biblical perspective, history confirms the ability of deceit-filled eloquence to entice weak men to murder, married women to stray, prideful men to war and so-called peace-loving folk to slaughter.

On a daily basis, a reckless tongue can sear forever the spirit of an innocent child, a wanting spouse, a true friend or a caring co-worker. Evil oratory moves men and women to do evil things.

But oh, how powerful, how wonderful is a well-intentioned 'thank you', a sincere 'I'm sorry' or a genuine 'I believe in you.'

James 3:10 tells us that the tongue wields the power of life and death. Having been the target of ill-intended criticism, and out of momentary anger or hurt having tried to destroy the souls of many I held dear, I know first-hand that James is so right.

I have been trying to correct this character flaw by being as deliberately uplifting as possible, thinking of myself as a vessel of the living God first before I speak and remembering that man was made in God's own image and cursing any man is tantamount to cursing God.

Could it be that James 1:26 holds a key to salvation? "...If anyone considers himself religious and yet does not keep a rein on his tongue, he deceives himself and his religion is worthless..."

I submit to you that if you compare the words of Jesus Christ to any demagogue, you will find that Jesus' words repulse with great power all hatred, gossip, rumor and even innuendo. It is impossible to claim to love God without loving Jesus as the living Word of God. Saying so merely confirms the truth in this case that the spoken Word will indeed set one free.

"Reckless words pierce like a sword but the tongue of the wise brings healing." Proverbs 12:14. I'm told God hates a liar and loves the truth. Remember there is no cure for hurt feelings except an honest spoken apology. Hurt feelings fester and infect a person.

Think before you speak. And please don't take my word for it. "He who guards his lips, guards his life, but he who speaks rashly will come to ruin." Proverbs 12:3.

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US Rep John Lewis of Georgia says he has pancreatic cancer

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His statement added: "While I am clear-eyed about the prognosis, doctors have told me that recent medical advances have made this type of cancer treatable in many cases, that treatment options are no longer as debilitating as they once were, and that I have a fighting chance."

Lewis added that he decided he will return to the nation's capital in coming days to continue his work and begin his treatment plan. He said medical treatment will be ongoing over the next several weeks but he did not elaborate on the specifics of the treat-

ment or the cancer itself. "I may miss a few votes during this period, but with God's grace I will be back on the front lines soon," he said in asking for prayers.

An Atlanta Democrat sometimes called the "conscience of the Congress," Lewis is known for the prominent role he had in the 1960s civil rights struggles.

In that era, he led hundreds of protesters in the 1965 Bloody Sunday march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, Alabama. Then 25, he was at the head of the march when he was knocked to the ground

and beaten by police. His skull was fractured, and nationally televised images of the brutality forced the country's attention on racial oppression in the South. Lewis also joined King and four other civil rights leaders in organizing the 1963 March on Washington. He spoke to the vast crowd just before King delivered his famed I Have a Dream speech.

Lewis turned to politics in 1981, when he was elected to the Atlanta City Council. He won a seat in Congress in 1986 and has spent much of his career in the minority.

CONGRESSWOMAN EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON ANNOUNCES \$1.3 MILLION GRANT TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. FAMILY CLINIC

DALLAS, TX – Congresswoman Johnson announced Monday, December 23 that the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) has awarded a grant totaling \$1,397,132 to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Family Clinic. The clinic provides a wide range of medical, dental, behavioral health, and specialty health services to Dallas-Ft. Worth families.

"I am proud to announce that the Martin Luther King, Jr. Family Clinic has received this critical funding that will continue to help support thousands of Dallas-Ft. Worth families with various health services and programs," said Congresswoman Johnson.

MedStar Influenza Like Illness Report Through 12/27/19

So far for the month of December 2019, MedStar crews are treating an average 6.8 patients with a primary or secondary clinical impression of Influenza-Like Illness (ILI)

That is a 46% increase from the average of 4.6 cases per day last month.

Overall, response volume for patients treated for ILI are up 32% compared to this time last season.

We encourage area residents to use the flu prevention recommendations from the CDC and Tarrant County Public Health, which can be found at:

<https://www.medstar911.org/2019/12/17/flu-prevention-tips-from-the-cdc-and-tarrant-county-public-health/>

We also remind area residents that MedStar offers mobile flu vaccine clinics which can be scheduled here: <https://www.medstar911.org/medstar-mobile-flu-vaccine-program/>

Influenza Like Illness Response Report												Through: 12/27/2019		
October 2019			November 2019			December 2019			September - December 27, 2018		September - December 27, 2019			
Cases/Mo	Cases/Day	% Change from Prev. Mo.	Cases/Mo	Cases/Day	% Change from Prev. Mo.	Cases/Mo	Cases/Day	% Change from Prev. Mo.	Cases	Cases/Day	Cases	Cases/Day		
77	2.6		139	4.6	80.5%	183	6.8	46.3%	351	3.0	458	3.9		
Daily Run Volume Change for ILI cases: Season 2018 vs. Season 2019												31.6%		
September - December 27, 2019														
Most Active Zip Codes						Gender								
Zip	Cases	% of Total	Age Range	Incidents	%	Male	Female							
76102	43	20.2%	0 to 9	41	9.0%	181	276							
76104	23	10.8%	10 to 19	33	7.2%	40%	60%							
76112	28	13.1%	20 to 29	54	11.8%									
76116	48	22.5%	30 to 39	74	16.2%									
76119	40	18.8%	40 to 49	54	11.8%									
76133	31	14.6%	50 - 59	82	17.9%									
			60 - 69	59	12.9%									
			70 - 79	32	7.0%									
			80 and Over	29	6.3%									
				Total	458									

SPORTS PAGE

7 Day Weather Forecast for DFW

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Friday, January 3

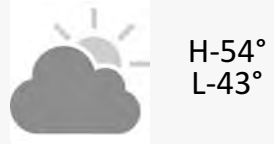
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Garrett future murky as Cowboys beat Redskins, miss playoffs



By SCHUYLER DIXON

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP)

— Jason Garrett lost himself in a couple of long anecdotes during a reflective session with reporters after what could have been his last game as coach of the Dallas Cowboys.

When asked whether he expected to return for a 10th full year in 2020 with his contract expiring at the end of an underachieving season for Dallas, Garrett got right to the point.

“I have no idea,” the coach said Sunday after the Cowboys beat Washington 47-16 behind four touchdown passes from Dak Prescott but were eliminated from the playoffs thanks to Philadelphia’s victory over the New York Giants.

Dallas (8-8) lost control of its postseason fate with a 17-9 loss to the Eagles last week.

Now the fate of Garrett is in the hands of owner Jerry Jones, who turned aside numerous attempts to offer a timeframe on a decision, essentially saying any of those questions imply that he’s made a decision when perhaps there isn’t even a decision to make.

“I don’t have a shareable timetable,” Jones said. “The proper question here is: ‘Do I have anything that I would share as far as my timetable, my thoughts or any work that I’ve done, we’ve done, any work preparing for the future?’ All of that I would not comment on or share at this time.”

It’s the fourth time Dallas has finished .500 under Garrett, whose career record is 87-70, including a 2-3 playoff mark. The first three 8-8 records ran consecutively in his first three full seasons from 2011-13, with the Cowboys losing the finale each time when a win would have put them in the playoffs.

“Oh, absolutely,” Garrett said when asked if he still had more coaching to do in the NFL.

Asked if he wanted to remain in the job he’s held since the middle of the 2010 season when Wade

Phillips was fired, Garrett said, “I want to be the coach of the Dallas Cowboys, but we’ll see what happens.”

Dallas could have made the playoffs without a winning record for the third time in franchise history. Instead, the Eagles won the division for the second time in three years by beating the Giants 34-17.

as the Redskins (3-13) secured the No. 2 pick in the draft in what could be their final game under interim coach Bill Callahan.

The former Dallas assistant replaced Jay Gruden, fired in October with Washington at 0-5. Monday with the former Carolina coach, who also was fired this season.

“The thing that I know is that this team, this group of guys, this record is not indicative of the type of locker room this is, and the type of talent I think that we had,” said Keenum, who was 18 of 37 for 206 yards, with an early interception. “You can see there’s a lot of different things that you could point your finger at. I’m going to point my finger at myself.”

Three of Prescott’s TD passes went to Michael Gallup as the fourth-year quarterback fell 1 yard short of Tony Romo’s club record of 4,903 yards passing in a season.

About the time the Cowboys put away the Redskins on Prescott’s second TD pass to Gallup for a 37-16 lead late in the third quarter, Philadelphia went up 10 with a TD after the Giants lost a fumble at their 2-yard line.

“I don’t know if I’ve ever been disappointed after a win, to be honest with you. But that was tonight,” Prescott said. He was 23 of 33 for 303 yards in his second straight game playing with a sprained right shoulder, looking much better than he did in the loss to Philadelphia.

In Gallup’s first career game with multiple touchdowns, the second-year player had five catches for 98 yards.

Ezekiel Elliott, who helped fuel Super Bowl hopes by signing a \$90 million extension to end a long holdout days before the opener, and a 13-yard scoring catch.

The Cowboys won their first three games after the two-time rushing champion signed the big contract, but lost eight of the next 12 to put their postseason fate in the hands of the Eagles.

Elliott had 122 yards rushing to finish with 1,357. It’s the first time he has played a full season without leading the NFL in rushing.

Dallas was hoping to build on the first playoff win for Prescott and Elliott last season before a divisional-round loss to the Los Angeles Rams that ended the club’s 23rd consecutive season without reaching the NFC championship game.

Now that number is at 24 and counting.

“Just that we didn’t get the job done,” Elliott said of his biggest disappointment. “We’re not in the playoffs. We lost some games we should’ve won. We weren’t good enough.”

PETERSON WATCH

Washington’s Adrian Peterson, fifth on the career rushing list, had a 32-yard run to set up a second-half field goal and finished with 78 yards to put his total at 14,216 in his 13th season. The club has a 2020 option on the 34-year-old’s contract.

INJURIES

Redskins: DB Maurice Smith was ruled out with a concussion after being taken off the field on a cart in the first quarter. ... Leading receiver Terry McLaurin, a rookie, had already been ruled out with a concussion.

Cowboys: CB Byron Jones missed a game for the first time in his career after injuring an ankle at practice during the week. ... Seventh-time Pro Bowl LT Tyrone Smith was out because of a back injury. It’s the fourth consecutive season that Smith has missed three games. ... DE DeMarcus Lawrence was sidelined early by a rib injury and later ruled out with a back issue.

UP NEXT

The season is over for both teams.

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2120	Double Match Overall Odds are 1 in 4.76	\$2	2/19/20	8/17/20
2143	Texas Road Trip Overall Odds are 1 in 3.93	\$5	2/19/20	8/17/20
2150	Red Hot Slots Overall Odds are 1 in 3.56	\$5	2/19/20	8/17/20
2084	Mega Loteria Overall Odds are 1 in 3.54	\$10	2/19/20	8/17/20
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NEWS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW

Dallas dismissed from lawsuit over police shooting

DALLAS (AP) — A federal judge has ruled the city of Dallas is not liable for an off-duty police officer fatally shooting a man in his apartment last year.

On Monday, December 23, U.S. District Judge Barbara Lynn dismissed the city from a civil lawsuit that the family of Botham Jean brought after Amber Guyger killed the 26-year-old.

The ruling leaves the 31-year-old former officer as the sole defendant in the suit, which argues she used excessive force and that better police training could have prevented Jean’s death. It makes a substantial financial settlement unlikely.

In her brief ruling, Lynn wrote that she was upholding a magistrate judge’s decision and dismissing the city because the suit failed “to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.”

Guyger was found guilty of murder for Jean’s death and sentenced to a decade in October. She testified at trial that she mistook Jean’s apartment for her own on the floor below and thought he was an intruder.

Jean, an accountant from the Caribbean island nation of St. Lucia, had been eating a bowl of ice cream when Guyger entered his home and shot him.

His death drew national attention for its unusual circumstances and as one of several prominent killings of black men by white police officers.

A lawyer for Jean’s family did not immediately respond to a request for comment Thursday.

Police: Two parishioners shot and killed Texas church gunman

WHITE SETTLEMENT, Texas (AP) — Congregants returned fire and fatally shot a gunman who killed at least one person in a church near Fort Worth, Texas, on Sunday, police said.

A second parishioner has life-threatening injuries following the attack at the West Freeway Church of Christ, White Settlement Police Department Chief J.P. Bevering said during a news conference Sunday afternoon.

The assailant fired at least once before the “heroic actions” of the congregants cut his assault short, Bevering said.

“Unfortunately, this country has seen so many of these that we’ve actually gotten used to it at this point. And it’s tragic and it’s a terrible situation, especially during the holiday season,” Jeff Williams, a regional director with the Texas Department of Public Safety, said at the news conference. “I would like to point out that we have a couple of heroic parishioners who stopped short of just anything that you can even imagine, saved countless lives, and our hearts are going out to them and their families as well.”

Authorities have released scant details about the victims, the shooter and what led to the attack.

An elder at the church told the that one of those killed was a security guard who responded to the shooter, calling him a dear friend.

“He was trying to do what he needed to do to protect the rest of us,” said the elder, Mike Tinius.

“It’s extremely upsetting

to see anyone committing violence,” he said.

Tinius said he didn’t know the gunman and that the shooting appeared to be random.

A woman who answered the phone at the West Freeway Church of Christ told the AP she could not answer any questions and that she was told to direct inquiries to authorities.

In a livestream of the church service, the gunman can be seen getting up from a pew and talking to someone at the back of the church before pulling out a gun and opening fire. Parishioners can then be heard screaming and seen ducking under pews or running as papers fly to the floor.

More than 100 people, including children, can be seen sitting in the pews from the livestream’s viewpoint.

Two people with minor injuries sustained while ducking for cover were treated at the scene, MedStar Mobile Healthcare spokeswoman Macara Truisty said.

Gov. Greg Abbott asked the state to pray for the victims, their loved ones and the community of White Settlement, about 8 miles (12 kilometers) west of Fort Worth.

“Places of worship are meant to be sacred, and I am grateful for the church members who acted quickly to take down the shooter and help prevent further loss of life,” Abbott said in a tweet-ed statement.

It is not the first deadly shooting to take place at a church in Texas. In November 2017, Devin Patrick Kelley opened fire on the congregation at a church in Sutherland Springs, Texas, killing more than two dozen worshippers, before taking his own life.

California newspaper ends print publication after 161 years

MARTINEZ, Calif. (AP) — One of the longest-running newspapers in California printed its final edition on Sunday, ending 161 years of publishing news about the city of Martinez east of San Francisco.

Rick Jones, the Martinez News-Gazette's editor, said he wasn't certain whether the news outlet covering the city of nearly 40,000 will continue publishing online.

The News-Gazette began publishing in September 1858 and combined in 1906 with another local paper in Contra Costa County, the former owner's grandson, Bill Sharkey III told The San Francisco Chronicle. At its height in the middle of the 20th century, the paper had about 50 employees but the staff shrank over the

years as advertising revenue dwindled.

Jones said Gibson Publishing, which owns the paper, has not provided details on the future to the staff.

Meanwhile, the state's oldest weekly newspaper covering two rural counties northeast of Sacramento appears to be nearing its final days.

The Mountain Messenger's editor-publisher told The Los Angeles Times he is planning to retire by the middle of January, at which point publication will end. Don Russell said he spent the past year trying to sell the paper but he hasn't received any offers.

The paper began in 1853 as a twice-per-month pub-

lication; its claim to fame is that Mark Twain once wrote there under his real name, Sam Clemens, while hiding out from the law. Known around the area as the "Mountain Mess," the paper covered school board meetings, federal land use and other issues in rural Sierra and Plumas counties.

Lee Adams, a Sierra County supervisor, told the Times his family has subscribed to the paper since the 1970s.

"It has chronicled our history for 166 years, and to see it disappear now is just quite sad," Adams said. "This is more than a newspaper, it really is an institution."

IN REMEMBRANCE OF COACH EARNEST JAMES

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Immediately following his graduation in 1960, Earnest remained at Wiley to become the physical education instructor, assistant football coach, head track coach and assistant Dean of Men.

In 1962, Coach James brought his talent to the Dallas Independent School District as the physical education teacher and athletic coach at his alma mater, Booker T. Washington High School. However, it is his career at Roosevelt High School for which Earnest James is most noted. He is often quoted as saying "find a job you love and you will never work a day in your life". This is true of his career at Roosevelt High School as a social studies teacher, assistant football coach, head track and field/cross country coach and finally the school's athletic director.

Earnest was a part of the inaugural team of faculty to open Roosevelt High School in 1963. He was instrumental in selecting the school's colors: Columbia blue, red and white as well as the mascot: the Mighty Mustangs! Coach James was a true Mustang through and through!

During his 46 year career as an educator and coach, Earnest touched the lives of thousands of young people in Dallas and surrounding areas as well as built lasting friendships with scores of coaches throughout the United States. His coaching prowess is extraordinary and his

records remarkable. Among his most notable victories and championships are 200 plus victories in track and field invitational meets, 18 district track championships, 3 regional track championships, 4 state championships, and 30 plus state championships for individual and relays. His coaching record also includes 3 national track records by runners and one World Junior Track record by a runner. Earnest was extremely proud to have coached two U.S. Olympic track team members: Roy Martin in 1984 and 1988 and McClinton Neal in 1992.

Earnest wore many other hats. He was a consultant for USA Track and Field, a clinic speaker for the Texas High School Coaches Association, and a knowledgeable lecturer for African American History programs throughout the country. Some of Coach James' achievement awards include TCC/TFCA Coach of the Year in 1984 and 1985; 1985 Texas Sports Writers Track Coach of the Year; Coca Cola Bottling Company Achievement Award in 1992, Honorary Life Membership in the Texas P.T.A.; 2004 DISD Athletic Director of the Year; GNAT 2006 Class of Shining Stars; and the Texas Track and Field Coaches Association Hall of Fame Class of 2012. One of his most cherished awards was the Lifetime Achievement Award he received in 2014 for being the GOAT (Greatest of All Time) from the alumni

from Roosevelt High School.

Coach James never worked a day in his life! He spent every moment doing what he loved. He looked forward to each day spent with his students and athletes as he treated them all as his own. Coach James was the ultimate motivator, father-figure and mentor.

Earnest was a member of several organizations including Phi Delta Kappa Fraternity, Inc., Classroom Teachers of Dallas, the Texas State Teachers Association, The Links, Inc. - Connecting .Link. He was also extremely honored to be inducted into the Texas Black Sports Hall of Fame.

Following his retirement in 2006, Earnest spent time attending monthly ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out) breakfasts with many of his lifelong friends, including Ocell Miller, his best friend, college roommate and neighbor. He also enjoyed talking to and Face-timing his daughter Kelly and his three grandchildren, working in the yard and reminiscing on his active coaching days.

Coach Earnest R. James passed from this life into the heavenly realm at his home on December 23, 2019. He leaves behind his wife of 45 years, Jovern; one daughter, Kelly Johnson; one son in law Mark Johnson; three grandchildren Karly (12), Kameryn (10), and Mark, Jr. (4). A host of special nieces, nephews, devoted friends and others will dearly miss this legendary coach.



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Community Reinvestment Act Changes Expected to Benefit Low- and Moderate-Income Communities

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Proposed changes to the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) could lead to greatly enhanced investment in low- and moderate-income (LMI) communities around the country, according to Grovetta N. Gardineer, senior deputy comptroller for Bank Supervision Policy with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC).

The OCC is soliciting comments on a proposal to modernize the CRA by clarifying what counts, updating where activity counts, measuring performance more objectively, and making reporting more timely and transparent.

"The CRA has a very noble goal of making sure banks meet their responsibility for lending, investing in and servicing communities where they do business, with a focus on low- and moderate-income individuals and areas," Gardineer said. "The statute remains a noble goal, but the implementation is outdated and, in many ways, ineffective."

The CRA was enacted in 1977 as a direct response to redlining, an unethical practice whereby banks and other lending institutions made it extremely difficult, if not impossible, for residents of poor, inner-city communities to borrow money, get a mortgage, take out insurance or

access other financial services. Redlining did not take into consideration an individual's qualifications or creditworthiness.

Gardineer explains that a primary reason the CRA needs updating is because the banking industry has changed fundamentally in the more than 40 years since it was implemented. "Among other things," Gardineer adds, "we did not have the internet in 1977, and interstate branching was not available.

"Banks were limited to where they had branches or where their home office was located, so they had a completely geographical approach," she continued. "With all of the tremendous technological advancements in recent years, banks now offer products and services across the country regardless of geography."

The OCC hopes stakeholders will carefully review the proposed changes and submit comments so that a final rule can be issued in the first half of 2020.

Noting that the new CRA rules would fight displacement and harmful gentrification – a high priority in many minority communities – Gardineer points out that the OCC is making a concerted effort to work closely with such organizations as the NAACP and the National Urban League.

To that end, OCC has invested the time to meet

with thousands of concerned individuals "discussing the issues that need to be addressed." Meetings are currently scheduled with Derrick Johnson, president and CEO of the NAACP, and Marc Morial, president and CEO of the National Urban League. Another recent outreach effort to solicit public input included an Atlanta bus tour with Ambassador Andrew Young.

There are still too many underserved communities in the U.S. that are "CRA desserts," Gardiner notes. "No matter what their geographical footprint, we want banks to be able to offer a broad array of services to communities and individuals throughout the nation.

"Given the wide spectrum of individuals who we know will benefit from this rule making process," Gardiner said, "it is particularly important to the Comptroller to make sure that we spread a wide net, that we make ourselves available and that we share our vision.

"We have really worked hard over the past two years," she concluded, "closing a loophole that allowed wealthy people to get CRA credit for investing in LMI areas. That is not what CRA was ever intended to do. And that is being directly responsive to some of the feedback we have been receiving."



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