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SANDRA BLAND'S DEATH IS BEING TREATED AS MURDER INVESTIGATION



(AP) - A Texas prosecutor says the death of Sandra Bland whose family disputes authorities' finding that she hanged herself in a jail cell is being examined thoroughly as a murder investigation. Waller County District Attorney Elton Mathis said Monday that there are many unanswered questions about the death of Sandra Bland, who died three days after a confrontational traffic stop.

A Texas Rangers investigation into her death is being supervised by the FBI, Mathis told a news conference. Authorities have said the 28-year-old woman from Naperville, Illinois, hanged herself with a plastic garbage bag July 13.

It's "much too early to make any kind of determination that this was a suicide or a murder because the investigations are not complete," Mathis said.

He said he's asked for extensive scientific testing, including fingerprints and DNA, "so we can figure out and say with certainty what happened in that cell."

"This investigation is still being treated just as it would be in a murder investigation," Mathis said, noting that the matter would go to a grand jury.

At the same news conference, Capt. Brian Cantrell, head of the sheriff's department criminal investigation division, said Bland's death "was a tragic incident, not one of criminal intent or a criminal act." But he said he welcomed the investigation.

Although a medical examiner has ruled Bland's death a suicide, supporters insist she was upbeat and looking forward to a new job at Prairie View A&M University, where she graduated in 2009. Bland's family and clergy members have called for a Justice Department probe, and an independent autopsy has been ordered.

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REGISTER NOW FOR 19TH ANNUAL MAYOR'S BACK TO SCHOOL FAIR



The 19th Annual Mayor's Back to School Fair will be presented by Walmart and Sam's Club on Friday, August 7, 2015, at Fair Park's Automobile and Centennial Buildings.

The Mayor's Back to School Fair is a collaborative effort between the City of Dallas, Dallas area schools, public health departments, state agencies, non-profit organizations, corporations and hundreds of volunteers.

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To pre-register, parents and/or guardians of students must fill out the registration form and provide the following information:

- a valid picture ID
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- proof of income

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5 decades later, U.S.-Cuba Diplomatic Ties Restored



Associated Press - Cuba's blue, red and white-starred flag was hoisted today at the country's embassy in Washington in a symbolic move signaling the start of a new post-Cold War era in U.S.-Cuba relations.

Cuban Foreign Minister Bruno Rodriguez presided over the flag-raising ceremony hours after full diplomatic relations with the United States were restored at the stroke of midnight, when an agreement to resume normal ties on July 20 took effect. Earlier, without ceremony, the Cuban flag was hung in the lobby of the State Department alongside those of other countries with which the U.S. has diplomatic ties. U.S. and Cuban diplomats in Washington and Havana had also noted the upgrade in social media posts.

The United States and Cuba severed diplomatic relations in 1961 and since the 1970s had been represented in each other's capitals by limited service interests sections. Their conversion to embassies tolled a knell for policy approaches spawned and hardened over the five decades since President John F. Kennedy first tangled with youthful revolutionary Fidel Castro over Soviet expansion in the Americas.

Rodriguez is to meet later with Secretary of State John Kerry and address reporters at a joint news conference. Kerry will travel to Havana Aug. 14 to preside over a flag-raising ceremony at the U.S. Embassy there.

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Mr. Bob Mong Confirmed as UNT Dallas New President



The University of North Texas System confirmed that the next president of UNT Dallas will be Bob Mong. UNT System Board announced Mong as the sole finalist for the position on Thursday.

Mong retired in May as editor of The Dallas Morning News. During his 36 years at the newspaper, he won nine Pulitzer Prizes, the most prestigious award in journalism. According to Mong's biogra-

phy, he has a long history of volunteer relationships with higher education, including UNT Denton, the University of Texas Arlington, Southern Methodist University, Austin College, UT Austin and Louisiana State University.

Mr. Mong has a very different but very successful background," commented State Representative Helen Giddings in the UNT System media release.

TOP LADIES OF DISTINCTION, INC. ELECTS NEW NATIONAL PRESIDENT



Mrs. Drema Lee Woldman

Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc. (TLOD), a professional humanitarian community service organization organized in Tyler, Texas in 1964, recently held its 39th National Convention in Washington, D.C., June 25-28, 2015. During this bi-annual event, a new administration was elected.

Elected as National President was Mrs. Drema Lee Woldman, a resident of Lynwood, Illinois. Mrs. Woldman is the 13th National President of Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc. She has been a member of TLOD since 1997 and has served on the Executive Board for the last four administrations. She has served nationally as Area III Director, First Vice President, and Second Vice President. As president, she will provide leadership and program direc-

tion for the 100+ chapters across the United States, including their signature program, Top Teens of America.

Along with Mrs. Woldman, the following Top Ladies were elected to national office:

National 1st Vice President - Sharon Beard (Dallas)

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National Recording Secretary - Cheryl Williams (Houston)

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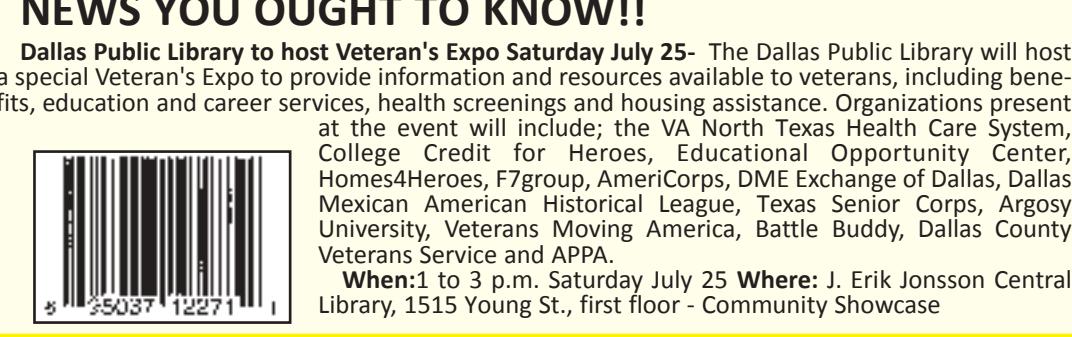
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National Area V Director - Sybil McDowell (Cincinnati)



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Dallas Public Library to host Veteran's Expo Saturday July 25- The Dallas Public Library will host a special Veteran's Expo to provide information and resources available to veterans, including benefits, education and career services, health screenings and housing assistance. Organizations present at the event will include; the VA North Texas Health Care System, College Credit for Heroes, Educational Opportunity Center, Homes4Heroes, F7group, AmeriCorps, DME Exchange of Dallas, Dallas Mexican American Historical League, Texas Senior Corps, Argosy University, Veterans Moving America, Battle Buddy, Dallas County Veterans Service and APPA.

When: 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday July 25 Where: J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 1515 Young St., first floor - Community Showcase



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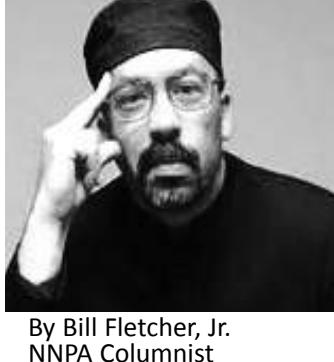
For a child of God, there isn't a situation confronting you that the Lord isn't right there with you. When we are going through the valley of hardship and misfortune, I want to

impress upon you that God is right there with you to minister unto you with His comforting presence. God has the power to comfort us in times of trouble, and He will never leave us alone, for He said in Matthew 28:20: "And, lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." In the midst of whatever you might be encountering in this evil age, God wants your undivided trust in Him, for He has promised us His abiding peace, for Isaiah 26:3 says: "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee; because he trusted in thee" If you really want to be fortified for the plight to which you find yourself, you need to wholly trust in the omnipotence of God.

If God can sustain and uphold a vast universe, and keep it together, don't you know that He can sustain your troubled heart? Don't you know that if God can feed the birds of the air that He too cares for us? As we are undergoing the various trials of life, let us rest in God, and He will be a source of tremendous strength for us, in that Isaiah 26:4 says: "Trust ye in the Lord forever: for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength." God isn't indifferent to the things that we are going through, but He wants us to trust Him in the midst of what we are going through. God will not exempt us from going through hard times, but He has promised that 'I will be right there with you.'

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Trumping the Donald on Immigration



By Bill Fletcher, Jr.
 NNPA Columnist

Watching Donald Trump being interviewed this past week was - for the few moments that I could take it - quite fascinating. What quickly became clear was that Trump will not let the facts get in the way of his opinion. Actually, he will dispense with the actual facts and create his own.

Such was the case when it was pointed out that the number of murders committed by undocumented immigrants were less, as a proportion, than those committed by the general public. Trump simply said that the interviewer had her facts wrong; did not state counter-facts; and moved on.

We have to remember that this is the same person who played to the worst, racist sentiments in the U.S. with his support for the Birthers, i.e., those who suggested that President Obama had not been born in the U.S. and was, therefore, not a citizen and not eligible to be president of the United States. The facts, including the provision of Obama's birth certificate, were never enough to stop his gab. Again, the facts are as he sees it.

Trump's anti-immigrant rant, while ridiculous, is quite dangerous. He is playing to right-wing, xenophobic forces in the USA who wish to portray immigrants as the source of the problems of this country. His blatant, anti-Mexican rhetoric, suggesting, for example, that Mexican immigrants bring with them crime, leads one to ask a simple question: What does Trump think about the people who migrated from Sicily? How about from Ireland? In both cases, notorious criminal organizations were either

way for us to both control crime and rehabilitate individuals."

He added, "...When we're looking at nonviolent offenders, most of them growing up in environments in which the drug traffic is common, where many of their family members may have been involved in the drug trade, we have to reconsider whether 20-year, 30-year, life sentences for nonviolent crimes is the best way for us to solve these problems."

Of the 2.2 million people behind bars in 2012, nearly 1.5 million were in state and federal prisons and 744,500 were in local jails. According to the Bureau of Justice Statistics, 38 percent of federal and state prisoners were Black, 35 percent were White and 21 percent were Latino.

How do we reform the criminal justice system?

The Sentencing Project, a Washington-based organization that works for sentencing reform, offering alternatives to incarceration and ending racial disparities, said a number of things can be done to end or reduce mass incarceration. In its publication titled, "Ending Mass Incarceration: Social Interventions that Work," the Sentencing Project stated. "Preschool education for at-risk three and four year olds is also an effective prevention strategy...Head Start and other preschool programs produce both short-term and long-term benefits. This includes reduced engagement with the criminal justice system through the age of 27, along with positive school outcomes and reduced need for social services."

On juvenile justice, the report said, "Research shows that programs prioritizing family interactions are the most successful, probably because they focus on providing skills to the adults who are in the best position to impact the child's behavior."

The community also has a vital role to play.

"Studies have shown that organizational participation and informal social control mechanisms can address criminal violence at the neighborhood level," the report said.

"Community participation can help in supervising and monitoring teenage peer groups through social networks that facilitate adult and youth interaction."

In a July 14 letter to Rep. Jason Chaffetz, chairman of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and Rep. Elijah E. Cummings, the ranking member of the committee, a coalition of 60 organizations - including the Sentencing Project, Blacks in Law Enforcement of America, Families Against Mandatory Minimums, the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, the National Council of Churches, the NAACP, and the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers - called for broad-based criminal justice reform.

"In its 2011 report to Congress, the U.S. Sentencing Commission found that mandatory minimum sentences disproportionately impact communities of color and that African Americans received relief from mandatory mini-

mum sentences least often, compared with Whites and Hispanics," the letter noted.

The organizations urged Congress to support reform that:

- Changes current federal law that allows a person with two prior felony convictions to have a 10-year mandatory minimum sentence converted to a mandatory life sentence;

- Allows past criminal records to be sealed and removes the lifetime ban on persons convicted of drug felonies to receive federal benefits such as welfare and food stamps;

- Makes sentencing reductions passed in 2010 retroactive;

- Expands the Bureau of Prisons' Compassionate Release Program and

- Expands time credited for good behavior.

"We note the importance of supporting initiatives that aim to assist in effective recidivism reduction and re-entry programming as well as provide opportunities for early release for individuals in federal prison," the groups said. "Ninety-five percent of incarcerated individuals will return to our communities, and in the interest of public safety, we must ensure that they are on a path for successful reintegration back into society while in prison and upon their release. It is a smart investment to implement expanded re-entry programming, given that evidence-based programs, job-training, and education can reduce recidivism and lead to better outcomes for individuals returning to their families and neighborhoods."

A Little Bit of Faith: Storms Love More

Sincerely



BY COLLEEN WHITE

How do you show love? Do you love from a sincere heart? Do you love from a sincere conscience? Or do you have a difficult time showing any kind of love? In the book of 1 Timothy, Paul explains how we are to love. He says,

"The goal of this command is love, which comes from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith" (1 Timothy 1:5). Knowing how to love with a sincere heart and pure faith sounds like it is easy to do. However, it is not.

Many of us have not seen a good example of love in our homes, marriages, or from our friends. Matter of fact, much of the love we are shown in our society is a distorted type of love. But pure love should come from a

Do you want to learn how to love more sincerely? The first step is to learn how to worship God in faith and truth. Once we are able to learn how to love God with a sincere heart, then our actions will start to reflect more of His love and sincerity. Are you ready to love with a God like heart? I know I am.

Amen? Amen.

5 DECADES LATER, U.S.-CUBA DIPLOMATIC TIES RESTORED

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Shortly after midnight, the Cuban Interests Section in Washington switched its Twitter account to say "embassy." In Havana, the U.S. Interests Section uploaded a new profile picture to its Facebook and Twitter accounts that says US EMBASSY CUBA. And, Conrad Tribble, the deputy chief of mission for the United States in Havana, tweeted: "Just made first phone call to State Dept. Ops Center from United States Embassy Havana ever. It didn't exist in Jan 1961."

Obama's efforts at engagement were frustrated for years by Cuba's imprisonment of U.S. Agency for International Development contractor Alan Gross on espionage charges. But months of secret negotiations led in December to Gross's release, along with a number of political prisoners in Cuba and the remaining members of a Cuban spy ring jailed in the United States. On Dec. 17, Obama and Cuban President Raul Castro announced that they would resume full diplomatic relations.

Declaring the longstanding policy a failure that had not achieved any of its intended results, Obama declared that the U.S. could not keep doing the same thing and expect a change. Thus, he said world would begin apace on normalization.

That process dragged on until the U.S. removed Cuba from its list of state sponsors of terrorism in late May and then bogged down over issues of U.S. diplomats' access to ordinary Cubans.

On July 1, however, the issues were resolved and the U.S. and Cuba exchanged diplomatic notes agreeing that the date for the restoration of full relations would be July 20.

Some 500 guests, including a 30-member delegation of diplomatic, cultural and other leaders from the Caribbean nation, attended the Cuban ceremony at the stately 16th Street mansion in Washington that has been operating as an interests section under the auspices of the Swiss embassy. The U.S. was represented at the event by Assistant Secretary of State for Western Hemisphere Affairs Roberta Jacobson, who led U.S. negotiators in six months of talks leading to the July 1 announcement, and Jeffrey DeLaurentis, the chief of the U.S. Interests Section in Havana who will now become chargé d'affaires.

Although the Interests Section in Havana won't see the pomp and circumstance of a flag-raising today, workers there have already drilled holes on the exterior to hang signage flown in from the U.S., and arranged to print new business cards and letterhead that say "Embassy" instead of "Interests Section." What for years was a lonely flagpole outside the glassy six-story edifice on Havana's seafront Malecon boulevard recently got a rehab, complete with a paved walkway.

Every day for the last week, employees have been hanging hand-lettered signs on the fence counting down, in Spanish, today: "In 6 days we will become an embassy!" and so on.



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Word on Wednesday (Bible Study) 7:00 PM
Saturday Higher Praise Rehearsal (Saturday) 11:00 AM

Zion Hill Baptist Church
399 Morris Avenue
Dallas, Texas 75283
214-948-4975

Rev. J. E. Whitaker, Pastor.



Order of Service
Sunday School 9:30 AM
Morning Worship 11:00 AM
Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM
"This is the Church... Where Everybody Is Somebody"

Greater Providence Baptist Church
5300 Marvin D. Love Freeway
Dallas, Texas 75232 • (214) 339-5800



Schedule of Service
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Brotherhood (1st & 3rd Wed.) 8:00 p.m.
Senior Mission (1st & 3rd Wed.) 8:00 p.m.
Adult & Youth Bible Study (Fri.) 7:00 p.m.
"Committed to proclaiming and teaching the word of God to change lives forever"
Matthew 28:19-20

Cedar Crest Church Of Christ
A Church of Christ in the Heart of Dallas with Dallas at Heart!

Sunday

KHVN (770 AM Radio)
8:00 a.m. Bible Class
8:15 a.m. Children Worship
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
10:10 a.m.

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In Memory of an Outstanding Educator and Administrator



Dr. Kendell Beck, D. Min. Ph., D.
Aug. 19, 1933-March 11, 2015

The Pastoral Care at Methodist Charlton Medical Center under the "Religious" Leadership of Chaplain Jacob Atuahene-Nsowah hosted and memorial service in memory of an outstanding educator and administrator Dr. Kendell Beck and twenty-two others who recently went to be with the Lord.

The message for the evening was brought by Chaplain Jacob Atuahene-Nsowah. He used the Twenty-third Psalm. He reminded those in attendance- that God is still in control, never, never, give up, because as long as we live, our love one lives. They will



In the picture are family member, and several members of the Department of Pastoral Care at Methodist Charlton Medical Center. Family Members: Taft W. Wilson, Aletha Wilson Rodrick Wilson, Dr. Mary E. Beck and Daiquari M. Wilson. Chaplains: Jacob Atuahene-Nsowah, Beatriz Pacheco, Kenneth Brown, Carlos Lopez, Mattie Jones-Horn, Joel Rosana, Frank Caro and Anderson Hammes.

always be part of our lives, and we will remember them.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;

In our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity,

In our death, a resurrection;

At the last, a victory,

Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see,

Dr. Mary E. Beck, D. Min; Ph. D. thanked the

Department of pastoral Care, Nurses, Doctors, and other hospital staff members for the love, concern, and attention given to patients under

their care daily.

At press time, Dr. Beck stated:

"She was pleased and blessed to have "Religious Chaplains sharing the word of God with her husband daily. The doctors and nurses at Methodist Charlton Medical Center always had a "Religious" attitude of caring and taking care of others."

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"10 Year Old Pilots". Back to these four(4)year olds, I was most intrigued at the enthusiasm of these babies sitting in toy airplanes with cartoon computers on board. Parents and grandparents were standing around with glee and promise in their eyes. The class and waiting list was full. The instructors were amazing.

Now in its third year at Dallas Executive Airport, loads of gratitude goes to numerous people in the community that carved out a portion of this program for a fit at Dallas Executive Airport for children in the Southern Sector. My hat is off to Dr. T. L. Brown, Senior Pastor, New Mount Zion for being the first to get flatfooted on deck with children, no questions asked, deacon board and buses. Dwaine Caraway sent over pallets of water. Adam Medrano had food deliv-

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Sundays	
Bible Study	8:45 AM
Morning Worship	10:00 AM
Children's Bible Hour	10:00 AM
Evening Worship	5:30 PM
Wednesdays	
Bible Class	10:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Bro. Lamont Ross, Senior Minister



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Pastor Freddie Orr
Sr. Pastor Glen Oaks UMC

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BE KIND! Never speak harsh words. Be kind and gentle with your tongue. For it has been said that the tongue can be like a sword. Think long before you criticize your neighbor. Your tongue can be nasty. Living is one of the most beautiful things in the world. But the tongue can kill!

The Premise Of Love

Love of God,
Love of Country,
Love of Self,
Love of Humanity,
the Will to Serve.

The Premise
Amor a Dios, Amor Al Pais,
Amor A Uno Mismo, Amor
a la Humanidad,
y el querer servir.

O Divine Master,

Grant that I may not so much seek To be consoled, as to console; To be understood, as to understand; To be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; It is in pardoning that we are pardoned; And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

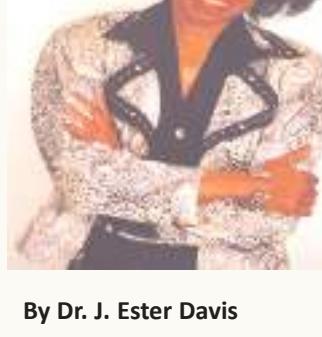
Greater St. James Missionary Baptist Church Installation and Appreciation Services for Pastor, Rev. Rudolph Phillips and First Lady Regenia Phillips



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Weekend attire is classic black and summer white. Tickets for the banquet are \$20 and can be purchased by calling the church office at 214-376-3110. All are welcome and invited to attend the banquet and installation services.

My Day: Flights to Success



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Flight School Participants - 2014. At Dallas Executive Airport on deck with the Dallas Police "tech-rich new" Helicopter and Police Pilot.



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