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Wendy Davis vs. Gregg Abbott Texas Gubernatorial Final Debate



DALLAS (AP) - Ebola, ethics and education are among the issues that dominated the final debate between Republican Attorney General Greg Abbott and Democrat Wendy Davis.

The debate Thursday night began only hours after federal officials confirmed that a patient in Dallas had the first diagnosed Ebola case in the U.S. Abbott and Davis vowed to keep Texans safe if there were more cases on their watch.

But fallout from a scathing audit of how Gov. Rick Perry awarded a half-billion in taxpayer dollars to private businesses made this a livelier and looser meeting than the first debate. Davis says Abbott failed as a watchdog, while Abbott questioned whether she profited from deals.

With Election Day only 35 days away, Davis must now hope her performance closes the gap in the polls.

St. Paul United Methodist Church Installed New Pastor

ANSWERING A CALL TO GREATER



Nearly 350 congregants watched on as the NEW St. Paul UMC welcomed their 52nd leader, Rev. Richie Butler during the 10:45 a.m. worship service last Sunday, September 28th. The 141 year old congregation, located in the heart of Dallas' Downtown Arts District, received Butler's appointment to St. Paul as a means to ensure their existence for another century.

Rev. Butler's appointment is unique in that he merged his vital, growing interdenominational congregation, Union Cathedral into the United Methodist Church structure. "In a day when churches split and divide, St. Paul and Union Cathedral model a new way of being the church Christ called us to be," said North Texas Annual Conference Bishop Michael McKee. My appointment of Pastor Butler and his acceptance is a bold act of faith, one both of us are confident will continue to make history.

A poignant look at how two very distinct congregations have unanimously merged to become one may prove to be a model for United Methodism. The Appointment worship celebration highlight was the Rev. Butler's mentor, Rev. Zan Wesley Holmes, Jr. Pastor Emeritus of St. Luke "Community" UMC who preached during the morning worship celebration, telling the congregation that their "best days are ahead!"

For 10-weeks, the two congregations have worked together to integrate various aspects of leadership and ministry...the results, a growing vital congregation transforming lives and community. "Our worship attendance has more than doubled and new members from our community are dropping in and deciding to be a part of the Greater movement happening here," said Rev. Butler.

"We are heirs to a great legacy at

St. Paul, but I believe God has Greater for not just this Church but for what it represents for Downtown, Uptown, The Arts District - quite frankly all points of Dallas," he said.

In a letter to the St. Paul Congregation, Bishop McKee said that God is beckoning and leading two congregations into a new future. Although there may be challenges, he said, the 141-year old congregation is poised more than ever to thrive, multiply and to become a greater witness to the Dallas community.

St. Paul is the oldest African American Methodist Congregation in Dallas. It recently celebrated 141 years of witness and ministry to the Dallas Community. Built by freed slaves and home to many historically significant moments in Dallas' past, St. Paul now looks boldly towards a future filled with hope and promise that will lead the way for more vibrant and significant presence in the center of Dallas.

To learn more about St. Paul, visit us on FB @ <https://www.facebook.com/StPaulDallas>.

Local Wins National Journalism Award



Karla Estrada, a junior at Duncanville High School, captured the first-ever Award of Excellence for having the best overall entry in the National Federation of Press Women's 2014 High School Communications Contest.

Her feature photo entry, "High Hats deal with tragedy through tribute dance," was deemed the top entry among 20 first-place winning entries nationwide. The photograph, which captures an emotional moment during a tribute to a student whose life was taken in a domestic violence shooting, was published in the school newspaper, "Panther Prints."

"It's tough to capture honest, raw emotion AND compose a good story-telling frame at pre-planned events yet this photographer succeeded admirably on both counts. Well done!" the judge wrote.

Karla was presented the Award of Excellence on Sept. 6 at the NFPW conference in Greenville, S.C. The award comes with a \$500 check for the winner's school communications department and a framed and inscribed First Amendment-themed poster to hang at the school, plus a smaller version for the winner.

Karla received first-place awards both for the feature photo and a sports photo titled, "Atkins takes falling foul." Besides certificates, she received a total of \$200 in prize money.

Overall, 92 students from 15 states won national awards for 86 entries. Students initially compete at the state level, and first-place winners then advance to the national competition. This year's state contests drew 1,653 entries. Of these, 188 entries competed at the national level. Seventeen professional communicators or journalism educators from nine states judged the national contest.

The contest, endorsed by the National Association of Secondary School Principals, is the only nationwide competition of its kind. The contest offers 20 categories, including news, feature and column writing; photography; videos; and graphic design.



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The First Case of Ebola Diagnosed In The U.S. Has Been Confirmed

(AP) - The first case of Ebola diagnosed in the U.S. has been confirmed in a man who recently traveled from Liberia to Dallas, sending chills through the area's West African community whose leaders urged caution to prevent spreading the virus.

The unidentified man was critically ill and has been in isolation at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital since Sunday, federal health officials said Tuesday. They would not reveal his nationality or age.

Authorities have begun tracking down family, friends and anyone else who may have come in close contact with him and could be at risk. Officials said there are no other suspected cases in Texas.

At the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Director Tom Frieden said the man left Liberia on Sept. 19, arrived the next day to visit relatives and started feeling ill four or five days later. Frieden said it was not clear how the man became infected.

Ebola symptoms can include fever, muscle pain, vomiting and bleeding, and can appear as long as 21 days after exposure to the virus. The disease is not contagious until symptoms begin, and it takes close contact with bodily fluids to spread.

The association's vice president encouraged all who may have come in contact with the virus to visit a doctor and she warned against alarm in the community.

The man, who arrived in the U.S. on Sept. 20, began to develop symptoms last Wednesday and sought care two days later. When he was released. At the time, hospital officials didn't know he had been in West Africa. He returned later as his condition worsened.

Blood tests by Texas health officials and the CDC separately confirmed his Ebola diagnosis Tuesday. State health officials described the patient as seriously ill. Goodman said he was able to communicate and was hungry.

The hospital is discussing if experimental treatments would be appropriate, Frieden said.

Passengers leaving Liberia pass through rigorous screening, the country's airport authority said Wednesday. But those checks are no guarantee that an infected person won't get through and airport officials would be unlikely to stop someone not showing symptoms, according to Binyah Kesselly, chairman of the Liberia Airport Authority's board of directors.

CDC officials are helping staff at Monrovia's airport, where passengers are screened for signs of infection, including fever, and asked about their travel history. Plastic buckets filled with chlorinated water for hand-washing are present throughout the airport.

Liberia is one of the three hardest-hit countries in the epidemic, along with Sierra Leone and Guinea.

Two mobile Ebola labs staffed by American naval researchers arrived this weekend and will be operational this week, according to the U.S. Embassy in Monrovia. The labs will reduce the amount of time it takes to learn if a patient has Ebola from several days to a few hours.

The U.S. military also delivered equipment to build a 25-bed clinic that will be staffed by American health workers and will treat doctors and nurses who have become infected. The U.S. is planning to build 17 other clinics in Liberia and will help train more health workers to staff them.

Dallas ISD Superintendent Mike Miles revealed that five children from four district schools were possibly exposed to the virus.

Miles identified the schools as:

- Conrad High School
- Tasby Middle School
- Hotchkiss Elementary School
- Dan D. Rogers Elementary School

Grambling Moves Up HBCU Coaches Poll Aafter State Fair Classic Win



Boxtorow.com

Alabama State's impressive 38-3 victory over previously unbeaten Texas Southern impressed the coaches. The Hornets remained No.1 in the BOXTOROW Coaches Poll, 10 points ahead of Bethune-Cookman, who is No. 1 in the BOXTOROW Media Poll.

In the coaches poll the top five teams remained the same. Texas Southern dropped two spots to No. 8, while South Carolina State moved up one spot to No. 6. Jackson State's roller coaster ride in the poll continued, moving from No. 10 up to No. 7.

Grambling State defeated Prairie View A&M 26-20 in the State Fair Classic in Dallas for its second-straight win and moved into the poll for the first time since the final 2011 and 2012 preseason polls at No. 9 this week.

Meanwhile in the media poll, Bethune-Cookman received all but three first-place votes and widened its margin over No. 2 North Carolina A&T by 21 points. The Aggies received two first-place votes.

Alabama State and Tennessee State switched positions from last week and sit at No. 3 and No. 4, respectively. Alcorn State received the other first place vote and moved up one spot to No. 5. Texas Southern dropped three spots to No. 8.

Livingstone is the only undefeated team in HBCU football and debuts for the first time in the eight-year history of the BOXTOROW Media Poll at No. 9.

Two huge matchups highlight this week's slate of games as Alabama State plays at Alcorn State on Thursday night in a nationally televised matchup and South Carolina State plays North Carolina A&T in the Atlanta Football Classic on Saturday.

The BOXTOROW HBCU FCS coaches and media polls are administered by FROM THE PRESS BOX TO PRESS ROW. The coaches poll is voted on by the HBCU Football Championship Subdivision coaches and the media poll is voted on by media members around the country who cover HBCU football.

Dallas: Too Busy Growing To Hate!



REFLECTIONS OF THE LIFE OF MR. EDWIN BERNARD CASH

Edwin Bernard Cash was born on November 30, 1930, to the late James D. and Merita M. Jackson in Dallas, Texas. Except for time spent in school and in the Military, he has resided in Dallas all of his life. He has been a member of Good Street Baptist Church since 1936 and has served this church faithfully ad a deacon since 1957.

Cash graduated from Lincoln High School in Dallas and received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Bishop College in Marshall, Texas, in 1952. He did graduate work at Southern Methodist University in Dallas and received a Master of Education Degree from North Texas State University in Denton in 1963.

Cash married Maxine

Leola Turner in 1957. They have one daughter, Sherrie Lynn Cash, who is an attorney in Dallas, Texas.

Cash served his country in the United States Air Force from 1952 to 1956. He was stationed at three Texas bases (San Antonio, San Angelo and Bryan) and at bases in Illinois and Arizona. His military travels took him to England, Germany, France, Spain, Italy, Austria and Sweden. While in the Air Force, he received some pilot training, but most of his training was in Meteorology. During his tour of duty, he served as a weather observer in the various states and countries, where he was stationed.

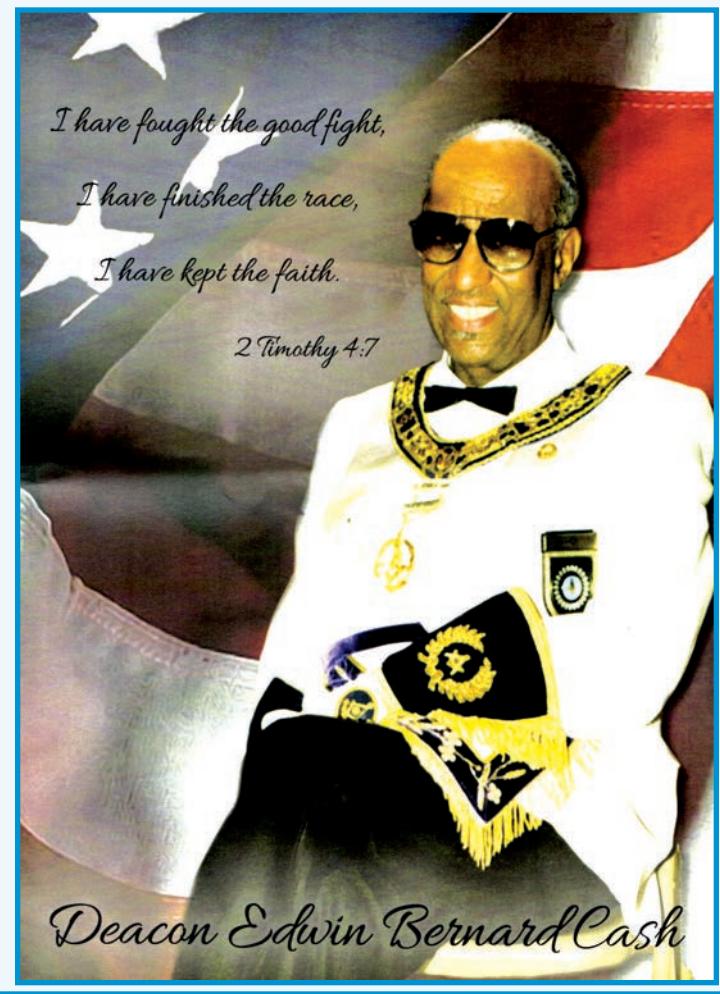
From 1956 to 1994, Cash worked for the Dallas Independent

School District. For six years he taught Mathematics, Science and Physical Education. He then became a visiting teacher, traveling between various schools and homes and doing more social work than traditional teaching. He retired on May 23, 1994.

Edwin Bernard Cash served as the nineteenth Grand Master of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Texas and its Jurisdiction from 1990 to 1994. At the end of his term, he remained an active member of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Texas and its Jurisdiction. He also lent his guidance and expertise to his community. His professional affiliations included Board of Directors of Senior Source from 2001 - 2007, Class of

1948 Lincoln High School Alumni, Classroom Teachers Association of Dallas, Visiting Teacher Association, NAACP, YMCA, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Pi Delta Kappa Fraternity, Inc. State Teachers Association, Texas Oklahoma District Member of Kiwanis International. In 2002, Edwin Bernard Cash became the only living Past Grand Master, with a quarter century of service to the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Texas.

Edwin Bernard Cash is survived by his devoted wife of fifty-seven years, Maxine; one daughter, Sherrie Lynn; many nieces, nephews, cousins; and a host of other relatives and friends.



Deacon Edwin Bernard Cash

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WHO'S WHO IN BLACK DALLAS, OCTOBER 2

The second edition of Who's Who In Black Dallas® will be unveiled at a networking reception and program at the Hyatt Regency Dallas Hotel on Thursday, October 2nd beginning at 5:30 p.m., officials announced today. Who's Who In Black Dallas® will celebrate the achievements of African Americans in the metropolitan Dallas area. More than 200 people will be featured in the publication.

Joining the celebration for the second edition will be Honorable US House of Representative Eddie Bernice Johnson. Congresswoman Johnson has written the Foreword for the second edition succeeding long time Dallas attorney H. Ron White.

"I'm delighted to have been asked to write the foreword for the second edition of Who's Who In Black Dallas®. I have spent my time in Congress working to represent the 30th District in Dallas and I'm always pleased to participate in an endeavor that celebrates the achievements of citizens," said Congresswoman Johnson.

Congresswoman Johnson is serving her

11th term representing the 30th Congressional District of Texas. The 30th District is entirely within Dallas County and it includes the cities of DeSoto, Lancaster, Wilmer, Hutchins, Cedar Hill, and Duncanville; with portions of the cities of Glenn Heights, Ferris, Ovilla, and South Grand Prairie. As a strong voice for inclusion, Congresswoman Johnson is the Founder and Co-Chair of the Diversity and Innovation Caucus and of the House Historical Black Colleges and Universities Caucus. She had the honor to serve as Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus during the 107th Congress. She is the ranking member of the House Science Committee and is the highest ranking Texan on the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. Johnson is also a member of the Congressional Task Force on seniors.

"We are excited to be doing the second edition of Who's Who In Black Dallas® and are equally excited to have Congresswoman Johnson penning the foreword for this edition," says Carter Womack, Chief Operating Officer of Who's Who Publishing. "Her impact on the African-American community goes hand in hand with the commitment and vision of Who's Who Publishing."

The second edition Associate Publisher is Ken Carter, President and CEO of Focus Communications, a 34 year old public relations, marketing and public affairs company. The company is responsible for the public relations, sales and content of the second edition. Focus has been a long time cornerstone in the communications industry. "We wanted to recognize 'People of Influence' who have done some extraordinary things," Carter said.

The reception is open to the public at a cost of \$50 per person that includes a copy of the book. To RSVP go online to whoswho@focuspr.com. Pre-order of the publication is also available for \$39.95 by going to website www.whoswhopublishing.com or calling (614) 481-7300. The North Texas Tollway Authority, Cedar Crest Development Company and KRN and K104 are sponsors.

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DOES ALAMEEL AND DEMOCRATIC PARTY WANT THE BLACK VOTE?

Texas Publishers Association

Has the African-American community become so loyal to the Democratic Party that politicians like David Alameel and the Texas candidate for the Governor's office feel they no longer need to work to earn our vote? It's a fact since 1932 with the election of Roosevelt, the Democratic Party has consistently garnered more than half of the Black vote. Understandably so, considering who the Republicans have had to offer in the past years and with the emergence of the Tea Party in recent years, the overall party is ever so hostile towards Blacks, people of color, women and every other demographic excluding wealthy white males. But that's no excuse for the continued gross and negligent oversight of the Democratic Party as a whole and its many candidates respecting the need to earn the Black vote.

Perhaps this is why Alameel and the current Texas Democratic candidate for the Governor's Office have yet to answer the call of the Black press to sit and address the Black agenda. They have been happy to sit down and speak to FOX News about issues of importance to the Latino community. They have even made it their business to address local issues affecting the LGBT community in order to receive support.

Alameel even seemed elated to speak with CBS KENS5 News about his plans, if elected to bring back American jobs from Japan and China. He

sounded jubilant to talk to Jay St. John and Sergio Mora on AM Radio about his travels "all over the state of Texas" and how much "fun" he has been having. We know where both candidates stand on immigration reform. We know where they both stand on the economy. We know they are working very hard to gain the support and votes of the Latino community. But why are they deliberately ignoring the Black vote? Is the Black vote not equally as important? Do we not have issues that are pressing? Why are we continually being disregarded when we have a number of media outlets that can ensure the Black communities throughout Texas receive the proper information regarding the platforms of each Democratic candidate who claims to represent ALL of Texas.

Maybe these two Democratic candidates have been ill advised regarding the importance of addressing the Black community collectively and continually. Maybe these two candidates believe that Black people will not mobilize collectively to demand a platform that addresses Black unemployment, police brutality, voter suppression laws and the host of issues plaguing the Black community.

Considering it was in the heart of the Black community, Oak Cliff (a Dallas Community), where Alameel got his humble beginnings one would think courting the Black vote would be atop Alameel's campaign agenda. However, if he thinks aligning with certain politicians of color is enough to win our sup-

port, he has made a gross miscalculation. Black leaders sometimes are well intentioned in their efforts, however it would be wise for them to pay attention to their constituents in their districts. Texas Black Publishers are now requesting a meeting to address and stress the need for Alameel, and other Democratic candidates meet with the Black Press of Texas. It's time to stop being inaccessible to the concerns and questions being asked by the Black Press. It's time to stop being unresponsive to the Black community. We are tired of the symptomatic negligence both candidates and the Democratic Party have continued to display for the Black communities around the Lone Star State.

Do not make the mistake of thinking a select group of Black elected officials speak for the Black community at large and definitely not the Black press. If David Alameel and the candidate for the Governor's Office want our continued support, our endorsements and our vote, then they will have to earn it just as any other viable candidate would. Do not expect us to toe the Party line. These candidates cannot assume that just because their opponents do not like the agendas of our current presidential administration that the Black vote is in the bag. It is no longer a matter of the lesser of two evils.

We look forward to sitting down in the near future.

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EDITORIAL PAGE



BY CONGRESSWOMAN
EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

The study of science, technology in early childhood education is one of the brightest and most productive things we can do as a community, and as a nation. Research shows that early childhood experiences can determine a child's success in school, and in later life.

Many families in our nation, however, cannot afford early childhood programs. Many experts argue that pre-kindergarten programs should not be the result of economic privilege, but should be part of a

Investing in Early Childhood Education

mandatory education program for all students. The National School Board Association and The Pre-K Coalition's argue that early childhood education should begin long before the start of kindergarten.

While there is much work to do to offer early childhood programs to all children, there are some programs in North Texas that should be commended for the work that they do to expand educational opportunities to children. One such example is the St. Philip's School and Community Center, which was founded in 1957 by a group of African American professionals in South Dallas.

Today, what began as a community center has become one of the leading private educational programs in the state of Texas for children between the ages of two and seven. According to school's principal, Gwendolyn Barjon, approximately half of the 242 children who attend St. Phillip's are pre-kindergarten students. "We give our students a firm foundation so that they can build

self-confidence," said Mrs. Barjon who began working with St. Phillip's school 25 years ago as a volunteer, after enrolling two of her children in the school.

St. Phillip's collaborates with a number of institutions in North Texas, including The University of Texas at Dallas, which currently designs the school's curriculum and provides training for its teachers. The school receives a small amount of federal assistance that helps to meet its \$2 million annual budget. In addition to federal grant assistance, St. Phillip's receives funding from Dallas based corporations, fundraising events and tuition payments.

We must work to expand access to these opportunities for all children in Dallas. High quality early learning programs result in less spending for remedial education, grade repetition and special education programs.

A study by the Brookings Institution, a Washington based think tank, revealed that

only 48 percent of children from impoverished backgrounds were prepared for school by the time they reached kindergarten. That same study stated that 75 percent of children from financially stable backgrounds were more prepared than those from impoverished backgrounds. These are disparities that should not exist.

No child should be a victim of academic inequality, and it is our duty to ensure that this cycle does not continue. President Obama has proposed a ten-year \$75 billion education program that would expand preschool programs administered jointly by the federal government and participating states. These partnerships would make day-long kindergarten available for children, including those from middle-class families.

Programs proposed by the Obama administration and those similar to the curriculum adopted by St. Phillip's are

"A Psalm Of Asaph Regarding The Destruction Of Jerusalem" Psalm 79:1-13



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Psalm 79 can be classified as an imprecatory psalm in which Asaph is calling upon God to destroy Israel's enemies. In fact, in verses 1-5, Asaph laments over the fact that Jerusalem and its temple had been demolished; moreover, the people had been slaughtered and greatly ridiculed.

They cried to the Lord, "We are become a reproach to our neighbours, a scorn and derision to them that are round about us. How long, LORD? wilt thou be angry for ever? shall thy jealousy burn like fire?" (vv. 4-5).

Despite the faithful warning of Jeremiah about God's judgment on the nation, Judah continued to rebel against God's message. Because of the nation's refusal to obey God's law and sabbatical years, God judged the nation by sending Judah into captivity to Babylonians in 586 B.C.

Jeremiah, the great prophet of God, not only warned the people about their captivity, but he witnessed to the captivity of Judah, for Lamentations 1:3-5 states: "Judah is gone into captivity because of affliction, and because of great servitude: she dwelleth among the heathen,

she findeth no rest: all her persecutors overtook her between the straits. The ways of Zion do mourn, because none come to the solemn feasts: all her gates are desolate: her priests sigh, her virgins are afflicted, and she is in bitterness. Her adversaries are the chief, her enemies prosper; for the LORD hath afflicted her for the multitude of her transgressions: her children are gone into captivity before the enemy."

The nation of Judah that was noted for its glory, has now become the object of scorn and ridicule (Psalm 137:1-4). As a result of the nation's plight, the psalmist pleads for God's help and for God to withhold His wrath against the nation because of their sins (vv. 6-9). Their plea is seen in verses 8-9: "O remember not against us former iniquities: let thy tender mercies speedily prevent us:

for we are brought very low. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name: and deliver us, and purge away our sins, for thy name's sake."

The psalmist earnestly pleads to the Lord to deliver the nation from their enemies so as to end Judah's being an object of ridicule (vv. 10-12). They desired that their enemies would be repaid for their injustices in verse 12: "And render unto our neighbours sevenfold into their bosom their reproach, wherewith they have reproached thee, O Lord." After the nation has been delivered, Judah will praise the Lord; "So we thy people and sheep of thy pasture will give thee thanks for ever: we will shew forth thy praise to all generations" (v. 13).

May God Bless!

Violence Against Women and Children is Wrong



BY MARC MORIAL
NPPA COLUMNIST

"I also understand after meeting with a psychologist that there are other alternative ways of disciplining a child that may be more appropriate." - Adrian Peterson

The NFL may have inadvertently done us all a favor by shedding light on a problem that is too often ignored or swept under the rug. Recent incidents of abuse of his then fiancée/now wife by former Baltimore Ravens running back Ray Rice and alleged child abuse by Minnesota Vikings running back Adrian Peterson are stark reminders that domestic violence against anyone has no place in any relationship, even when it is not captured on camera or doesn't become a national news story.

As the president of a civil rights organization that is steeped in a tradition of peaceful change, and as a husband and father of two daughters, I have consistently spoken out against the lack of value placed on the lives of Black males, including Trayvon Martin, Jordan Davis, Eric Garner, Michael Brown and too many more across the nation.

Today, I want to send a similar message about the value we place on the women and children who live in our homes. Non-violence has always been the cornerstone of what Dr. King and John Lewis have called "The Beloved Community" - and non-violence begins in the home.

While a wide range of disciplinary choices are available to parents, we must ask ourselves if the way we were raised is the same way we want to raise our children. What lessons are we teaching children when disputes between fathers and mothers are more likely settled with physical confrontations instead of reasoned conversations?

While spanking - sometimes with belts and switches - might

have been a part of many of our childhoods, what are we saying to our children when we whip them until their butts are black and blue? Charles Barkley was a formidable basketball player and is an entertaining sports commentator, but Chuck got it wrong when he recently downplayed Adrian Peterson's use of a switch which caused lacerations and bruises on his 4-year-old son. Barkley responded by saying, "I'm from the South. Whipping - we do that all the time. Every Black parent in the South is going to be in jail under those circumstances."

Responding to the fumbling response of the NFL in the wake of recent incidents and allegations of domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse involving professional football players, NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell admitted, "I got it wrong and I am sorry." Saying that "Domestic abuse and sexual assault have no place in the NFL," he also pledged to re-examine and change NFL policies to prevent future incidents and toughen sanctions for players who break the rules.

But this is a problem that affects all of us. Domestic violence occurs among all races and in all communities. Parenting is not easy, and none of us are perfect; but when loving discipline crosses the line into angry and hurtful punishment, it is time to take a step back and seek healthier ways to teach our children right from wrong. Many urban families facing the twin stresses of poverty and single parenthood may need special help. That is why many Urban League affiliates across the country offer parenting counseling as part of their services to the community, and it is why the National Urban League has been such a strong supporter of Early Childhood Education and programs such as Head Start, which include parenting classes.

This issue is about more than Ray Rice, Adrian Peterson and the NFL. It is about who we are as a nation. It's time for all of us to take a stand and make it clear - domestic violence is wrong - no tolerance, no excuses. Our mothers, daughters, wives, sisters and friends are counting on us.

A Little Bit of Faith: Are You in God's Will?



BY COLLEEN WHITE

What are you doing to hinder your prayers from being answered? Have you been

praying to our Heavenly Father about special needs, or desires? How long have you been praying? Perhaps there is unresolved sin in your life that is hindering God from answering your prayers. In the book of Galatians it says, "Do not be deceived, God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows" (Galatians 6:7).

Therefore, don't be angry with God if your prayers are not answered. If you are being

obedient to Him, then you are hindering God's blessings from coming your way. Take time to search your heart and ask for God's forgiveness. Truly look to see how you may be doing things your own way. Oftentimes, if we are in total control of our situations, then we are totally messing things up.

If you have been driving the car of your life without seeking God's will, then you may be in

sin. He desires to help you make the right and best decisions for your life. We often want the fastest and easiest way to get what we want done right now. If this is you, press the pause button and see if you are walking in God's will.

Once we are truly walking in God's will, He is willing and able to answer our prayers. Are you willing to take inventory of your life? I know I will. Amen? Amen.

DALLAS VOLUNTEER ATTORNEY PROGRAM HOSTS

MONTHLY LEGAL CLINICS FOR DALLAS COUNTY RESIDENTS

In the month of October, the Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program (DVAP), a joint initiative of the Dallas Bar Association and Legal Aid of Northwest Texas, will hold ten free Legal Clinics for Dallas County residents who meet certain financial guidelines. All clinics begin at 5:00 p.m., with the exception of the Veteran's Clinic, which begins at 2:00 p.m.

Schedules and locations are as follows:

East Dallas (Grace United Methodist Church-4105 Junius at Haskell)

-Thursdays, October 2; and

October 16

South Dallas (Martin Luther King, Jr. Center-2922 MLK Blvd.)

-Tuesdays, October 7;

October 14; and October 28

West Dallas (3107 N. Winnetka Dallas, TX 75212)

-Thursdays, October 9; and

October 23

Garland (Salvation Army-451 W. Avenue D, Garland, TX 75040)

-Thursday, October 16

St. Phillip's Community Center (1600 Pennsylvania Ave., Dallas, TX 75215)

-Tuesday, October 21

VA Medical Center (for vet-

erans only)-2:00 p.m.

-Friday, October 3

The clinics offer free legal advice and consultation in civil matters for those who qualify under Legal Aid's income eligibility guidelines. Applicants are asked to bring proof of income, identification, legal papers, etc. with them to the clinic. For more information, log on to www.dallasbar.org/dvap.



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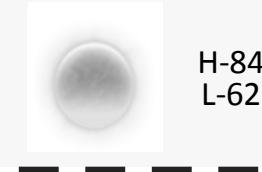
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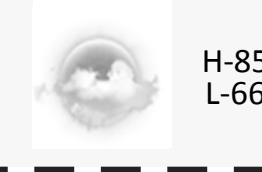
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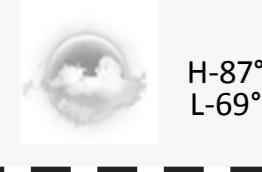
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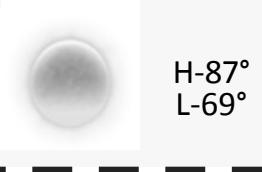
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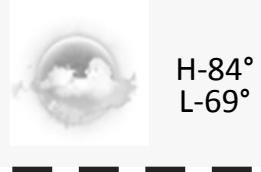
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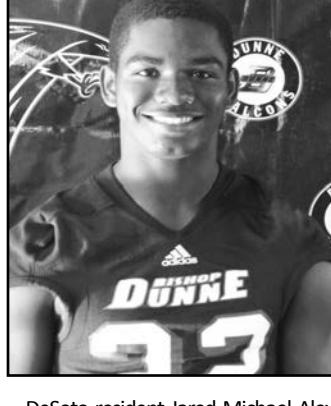
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Bishop Dunne Senior Has Big Shoes to Fill



DeSoto resident Jared Michael Alex has big shoes to fill. Fortunately, he has size 15 feet.

At 6'3" and 185 pounds, Jared is intimidating on the football field - which could explain the opposing team throwing the ball away from him all night.

Only two players on the team are taller than he is, A.D. Miller and Darren Daniels, both considered a top ten player by The Dallas Morning News.

"He's a smart guy," Daniels says of his teammate. "And really sarcastic."

That sarcasm isn't evident in class. With a 4.23 average, Jared is better known for answering questions correctly and turning in perfect homework.

He came to Bishop Dunne from Merrymoore, where he got a good education and learned to read music and play drums. "My mom said I used to bang on everything at home, so the drums made sense," he explains.

Four classmates came with him: C.J. Ramsey, Lily Guy, Sofia Rana, and De'Stin Henderson. "I was a little bit afraid of the bigger school," he admits now, "but with friends around me, it didn't scare me for long."

In fact, he now puts younger potential students - and their parents - at ease, working as a Bishop Dunne student ambassador. With many AP courses on his transcripts, it seems likely that he'll be in the National Honor Society, and he is, and was elected Vice President for his senior year.

His favorite teacher in 7th grade was Sister Carol George. "She was so funny and so clear in her teaching that

learned to love math," he says. He's hard pressed to pick a favorite teacher this year, but admits, "Mr. Braun is also pretty funny and an excellent AP Calculus BC teacher."

He attributes the good teaching of Mr. Haley in Human Geography class to the "4" he received on the AP exam, and admits that he passed all the rest with a "3" which means he has college credit in World History, US History, English, and Calculus AB. He also is earning dual credit in English and calculus this year.

So what's a brainy football player do on the weekends? "Apply to colleges," he said, "The Stanford application is really intensive." He knows his friends on the team also hope to attend there, so thinks it would be great to have Micah Simon and Travis Cook in college with him. He's also applying to Yale, Columbia, OU, Texas Tech, Florida, Texas A&M, Baylor, UCLA, USC, and the Colorado School of Mines. But the Air Force and Cornell have already made Jared offers. "I'd play football for the Academy if I go there, and Cornell is offering a merit scholarship." Those are good choices, and they make him a hero to his parents who'd love to see him earn a full scholarship.

Jared was a hero this past summer, working as a lifeguard at a local pool. Twice he had to jump in and pull struggling swimmers out of the deep end. "It's an adrenaline rush, after, when you realize what could have happened," he says simply. "I'm just glad I was there and could do my job."

His job now is to continue his straight-A streak and help his team on the football field, should the ball be tossed his way. On Sundays he attends Oak Cliff Bible Church with his parents, and prays for his older sister Jorden Alex, who is a freshman at the University of Missouri. "I do miss her," he says, "but now there's more food at home for me and I get the use of the family car more frequently, so I'm not complaining."

In fact, the only time he's complained was when he couldn't go on the Mission Trip to Nicaragua this past summer. He explains: "I was feeling a little bit ill and the doctor thought it might be mono, so I couldn't go. Then a few days later I was much better, but I'd missed the trip."

His days of serving others began early, when he served 100 hours as a freshman in a city program, helping out at a local clinic with his sister and her classmate Caitlyn Jones, now attending Oklahoma University. The Youth Volunteer Corps was a great way for him to spend a summer and he's happy to lead the NHS students to other service sites last year and this fall.

His father works as Assistant District Attorney of Dallas, prosecuting some high profile animal cruelty cases, and Jared says of his father, "I admire him greatly, but he's downright scary in a court room. I look at this giant man making a case against a criminal and I think, 'that tough guy is not my dad.' He's really very good at what he does."

But it's his mother Bonnie who runs circles around them both. "If I were ever in a car wreck, she would know about it before I would. She's so organized and proactive. She knows more school gossip than I do," he laughs. His parents met when his father was in a gap year between college and law school, and then within the first two years of their marriage, they had Jorden and Jared. "I know it wasn't easy on my father to be studying for the bar exam with two little kids in the apartment," Jared remembers. "I give credit to my parents for working hard through that and getting us to where we are now."

Jared is willing to follow their example and work hard to get where he wants to be: in a good college, to study to become a mechanical engineer.

He may finish his senior year as a triathlete, and join the soccer team after football season, and play on the basketball team, which he was on in 9th and 10th grades. He gave up both - and the band, where he played in the drum line - to concentrate on his grades and football. "I played soccer all through middle school, then joined the band in 8th grade here to play drums, and played basketball for two years. But it is senior year and I've got to set my priorities. Homework and college applications take a lot of time," says Jared.

Time that will fly by fast for this Falcon, who may find himself on the Air Force Academy's football field next fall.

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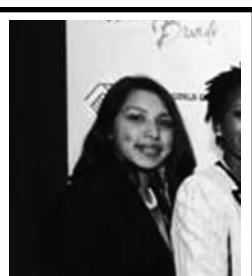
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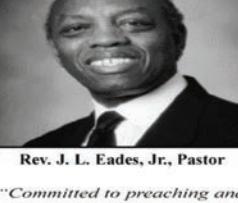
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Celebrity Studded Gala: Boys & Girls Clubs of America Hosts 67TH Annual National Youth of the Year in Nation's Capital



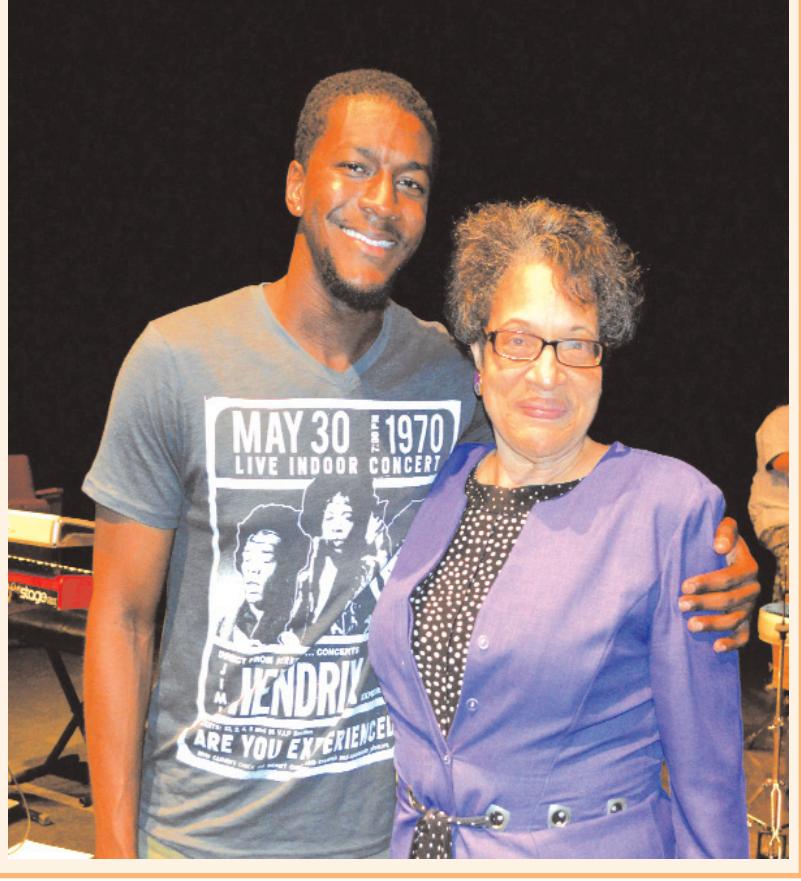
Misty Copeland, the Boys & Girls Clubs of America's Youth of the Year Ambassador (Center) poses with the six female finalists (L to R: Cecilia Garza, Sparkle Prevard, Jasminka Newbern, Misty Copeland, Natalia Lynch, Tae McKenzie and Maryah Sullivan) Photo © Tony Powell

On Tuesday, September 16, 2014 Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA) hosted its 67th Annual National Youth of the Year Award Celebration in Washington, D.C. where six youths from Boys & Girls Clubs across the nation vied for the title of the BGCA National Youth of the Year and \$61,000 in scholarships from Tupperware Brands and the Rich & Susan Goings Foundation. The Celebration was a star-studded event, with former Boys & Girls Clubs (BGC) alumni and other dignitaries in attendance, including. Erica Hill served as the evening's emcee, Youth of the Year Ambassador, Misty Copeland, music producer Timothy (Timbaland) and his wife Monique Mosely, and award winning R&B singer Kelly Rowland served as event presenters. National sponsors Rick & Susan Goings from Tupperware Mike Groff, president and CEO of Toyota and Kianna Knowland, the 2013-14 National Youth of the Year were also in attendance and participated in the event's activities.

Cedar Valley College Alum Returns For Recital Series

Cedar Valley College graduate Caleb (Sean) McCampbell returned to the Lancaster campus on Sept. 10 to perform as part of a recital performance by the Tom Braxton Quartet. The quartet performed each Wednesday at 1 p.m. during the fall semester in the Performance Hall. McCampbell, who played keyboards, has produced and performed with Beyoncé, Jay-Z, and Rhymefest since graduating from CVC a decade ago. Renowned jazz saxophonist Tom Braxton led the quartet through eight songs during the recital, which also provided an opportunity for musicians to share their guidance and wisdom with CVC music students. McCampbell is featured in the photo with Dr. Jennifer Wimbish, President of Cedar Valley College.

Recently, Minority Access, Inc., an organization that works to improve recruitment, retention and enhancement of minorities on campuses and worksites, honored Cedar Valley College President Dr. Jennifer Wimbish by naming her as an Outstanding Role Model. Dr. Wimbish will now be featured in Minority Access' annual publication, the Role Model Book. She was one of the honorees at the annual National Role Models Conference held in Washington, D.C. Sept. 27



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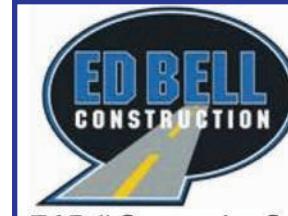


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