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Felicia Hart Session joins Prosperity Bank Staff



Rusk, TX.- Felicia Hart Session recently joined the Prosperity Bank staff. She began training in March in the Jacksonville Bank.

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Billy "Hollywood" Groves Candidate for Crockett Mayor



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EDITORIAL

Texas Informer Celebrates 20th Anniversary May 2015



Maxine Session

With the printing of our May Issue we will celebrate 20 years of publishing the *Cherokee County Informer*, dba, the *Texas Informer*.

We thank you, our readers and supporters for staying with us in this 20 year journey. The spotlight has been placed on more than 235 local East Texas African Americans and their families through Texas Informer Cover stories that have shared with the world great contributions these families have made to local towns and communities and Local Black History. History has been discovered and documented that, no doubt would have been forgotten had it not been shared with so many others. These stories are read online around

the world and distributed to local news stands, churches, main stream businesses and libraries.

The *Informer* is read across racial lines and we pray is bridging racial gaps through positive news.

Issues from 2007 can be read online at www.texasinformer.com.

If you have a favorite story from the past, we ask that you share it with us by e-mailing or mailing or calling us to share your thoughts.

We plan a banquet for May and will give you the details to join us. May God continue to Bless you all.

Tyler Junior College R N Pinning Ceremony and Commencement set

Tyler, TX. - Tyler Junior College invites the public to attend the Pinning Ceremony for Registered Nurses at 7:00 P. M. on Thursday May 7, 2015 at the Wagstaff Gymnasium located on the Tyler Junior College Campus.

The Commencement Ceremony will be held Friday, May 8, 2015, 4:00 P. M., in the Wagstaff Gymnasium.

Letters to the Editor

Reader enjoyed February Editorial

Ms Session,

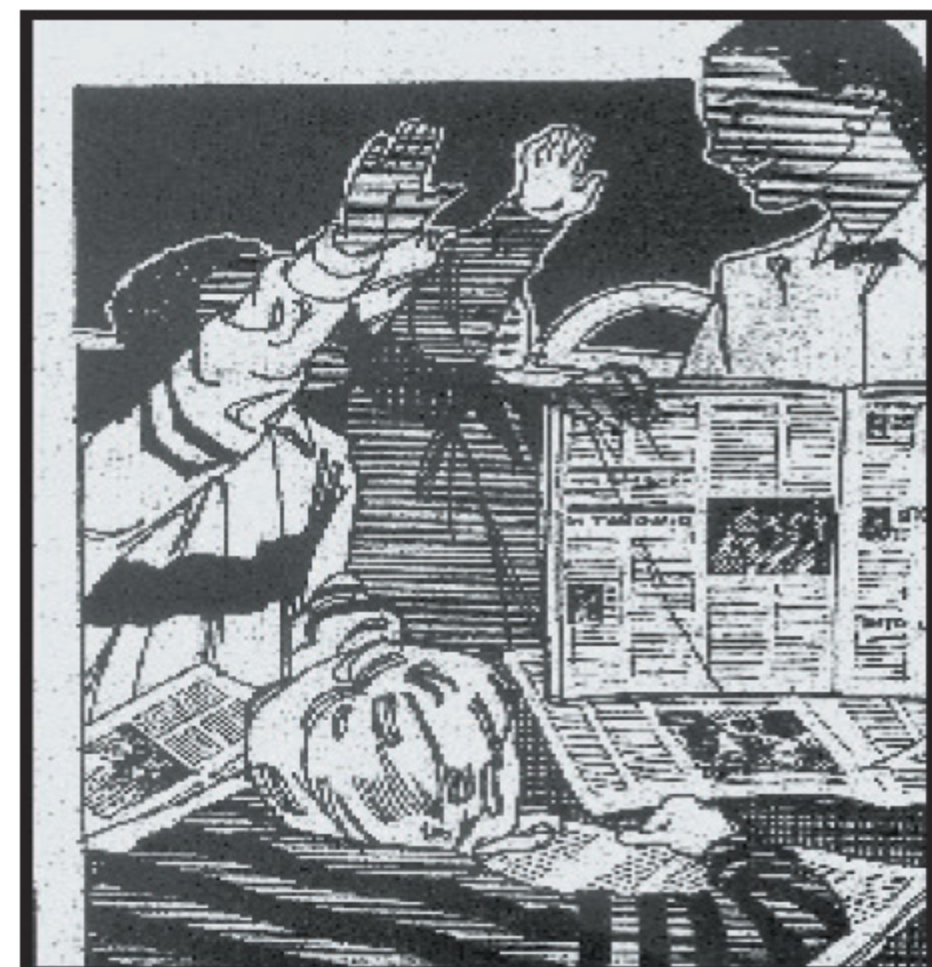
I enjoyed your February Editorial. We share some of the same opinions and I seem to always learn something. Keep up the good work.

Felix Green

Membership, San Diego African American Genealogy Research Group.

Currently researching names: Austin, Barnett, Gray, Green, Murphy and Pierson

Friends and love ones remember the late Eddie D'Wayne Harris on his birthday, Thursday, April 16th.



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LOCAL COMMUNITY ACTIVIST SEEKS CROCKETT MAYORAL SEAT

By Dr. Ianthia Fisher, GSN/ Managing Editor Groves Standard

Crockett, TX.- Crockett local community activist founder and CEO of the Groves Standard Newspaper, Billy "Hollywood" Groves has taken his commitment to justice one step further. For many years Billy "Hollywood" Groves has supported the community in an "unofficial" capacity, but he is planning to make a change for the better. "Mr. Hollywood" as he's fondly called by family and friends is poised to embark on a new official position. We truly believe that he will be an asset to this community if elected to the position of Mayor. Below is a copy of his plat-form as taken from his political advertisement.

My name is Billy "Hollywood" Groves and I'm a candidate for Mayor of the City of Crockett, Texas. The first thing I'd like to acknowledge is, "I'm a Christian and my faith in God is paramount in my life". As a natural leader I believe that I can build on the past successes of Crockett while leading the people and the City of Crockett to a greater future. Our young people are looking to the Leadership of Crockett to bring jobs and opportunities to our beautiful City. Job creation and diversity among these employment opportunities are high priorities in my candidacy.

Additionally, The Education of the children of Crockett is very important to my Administration along with meeting the needs of our young families in Crockett. Transparency in a real way is the type of City Government our citizens deserve and that is what being Mayor of Crockett means to me. Citizens will know that I will listen to everyone who comes to City Hall and we will address the needs of our citizens.

My leadership skills will always lead me to place the best skilled people in the right positions.

While I will focus on the overall mayoral tasks, protection and care of the elderly and attention to the needs



Billy "Hollywood" Groves, above, announces his candidacy for Mayor of the city of Crockett, Texas.

of the very young will be my highest priority. Furthermore, I will dedicate my attention to strengthening the infrastructure of our city with a focus on getting our streets fixed as well. I'm very optimistic about the future of Crockett. We can get the job done. I'm asking the great citizens of Crockett to vote for me for mayor of Crockett.

There's an old saying that goes, "If you are not part of the solution you are probably part of the problem." I refuse to be part of the problem. I

will be the solution to Crockett's problems.

It is time for a change!

Mr. Groves is a longtime community activist serving on the Groves Education Foundation Board, the Hospital Board, Director of the Boys and Girls Club, writer for the Houston County Courier for nineteen years, the African American News and Issues Newspaper of Houston, Texas eleven years, writer for

The Texas Informer Newspaper fifteen years, and now he is the Editor/Owner of The Groves Standard Newspaper of Crockett.

Billy "Hollywood" Groves is a graduate of Crockett High School and received his higher education at Jarvis Christian College.

Early voting begins April 27, 2015 and regular election day is Saturday, May 9th from 7:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M. Mr. Groves is one of three other candidates vying for mayor.

OBITUARIES

Doris L. Hardeway Finley



Service was held March 13th for Ms. Doris L. Hardeway Finley at Benson Memorial CME Church with the Rev. Kenneth Cane Officiating and Rev. Orenthia Mason Eugolist.

Doris was a native of Jacksonville, Texas. She was born July 6, 1927 to the late Joe Ella and Horace G. Hardeway. She attended Rusk public Schools graduating from George Bradfor High. She received her B. A. Degree from Texas College, did graduate work at Boulder in Boulder Colorado and received her Masters Degree from Prairie View A & M University. she was a member of Delta Sigma Theta Soriority.

Doris taught school for over thirty plus years in Jacksonville ISD, until she retired. She met Booker T. (Cheetie) Finley whom she married and and cherished 50 years until his death.

Doris was a long time member of

Benson Memorial CME where she servedaspianistuntilherhealthfailed.

She passed awayMarch 7th and was preceded in death by her parents and her loving husband, two sisiters Lois and Helen Hardeway, and three brothers Curtis, Jack and Horace Hardeway, Jr.

Doris leaves to cherish her memory two sisters Carol J. Bowens, Tyler and Bobbie Robinson, Arlington, neices nephews and a host of family and friends. Interment was at Evergreen Memorial Park Cemetery, Tyler under the directions of Community Funeral Home, Jacksonville.

Henry Lee (Wendy) Fry



Service was held March 28th at Mt. Horeb Baptist Church for Mr. Henry Lee(Wendy) Fry with Pastors Michael Hollie, Dale Ward and Minister Jackie Mackey Officiating. He was born March 8, 1957 to the late Earnest Fry and Henrietta Holmes in Pleasant Plains, Texas.

He passed away March 16th in Jacksonville, Texas. He was a graduate of Fred Douglass Hich School and was employed with Staton Lumber Company many years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers Louis Edward Fry, James Oliver Fry and Johnny Ray Fry; three sisters Helen Fry, Lottie Fry and Earnestine Fry.

He leaves to cherish his memories one sister Joyce Lynn Vasquez, Dallas, five neices, two nephews and a host of other family and friends. Interment was at Pleasant Plain Cemetery New Summerfield, Tex. under the directions of Community Funeral Home.

Betty Jean White Christopher



Service was held March 28, 2015 at Elm Grove Baptist Church with REv. James Fuller and Pastor Timmothy Bircher Officiating. Betty Jean White Christopher was born August 28, 1935 to the late Charlie (Dock) and Leveta White in Rusk, Texas. She passed away March 19, 2015 in Tyler, Texas.

She received her education from G. W. Bradford High School and attended

Prairie View A & M University. She worked for Rusk ISD 42 years, before retiring.

Betty joined Elm Grove Baptist Church at an early age and remained a faithful member until her death. She united in Holy Matrimony with Ruby Christopher, Jr. on June 15, 1957. She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Charlie (Buster) White, and Lavearn White, Sisters: Hazel White, Helen White Venora (Bill) Lenzy, Eunice Thompson, and Bobbie Nelson.

Betty leaves to cherish her memory: husband Ruby Christopher, Jr., daughters: Regena Diann (Zen) Simmons, Dana and Aubry (Moze) Tinsley, all of Rusk, Texas, Gwendolyn (William) Warren of Bossier City, LA., Nadean Burnes of Phoenix, AZ., sons: Bobbie Christopher, Tracy Christopher both of Rusk, Larry (Kim) Irving of Ft. Worth, TX. grandchildren, great-grandchildren, neices, nephews

Inteerment was at Plainview Cemetery, Ponta under the directions of Mercy McGowan Funeral Home.

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.

~Ephesians 4:2

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The Seven Dooms – Chapter 17

I. The seven angel's message of the Judgment of Babylon. vv.1,2

II. The woman on a beast v.3

III. The dress attire of the woman v.4

IV. The name on her forehead v.5

V. The woman and the blood of the saints v.6

VI. The mystery of the woman revealed v.7

A. The bottomless pit v.8

B. The seven mountains v.9

C. The seven kings vv.10,11

D. The ten horns v.12

E. One mind for power v.13

F. Horns make war with the Lamb v.14

G. Waters where the whore sitteth v.15

H. The whore hated v.16

I. Fulfilling God's will v.17

J. The reign of the woman v.18

Let's talk about it:

1.In vv.1,2 what was the discussion of the angel and John about? What is the importance of the water ways in that day?

2.In v.3 what was the women doing?

3.In v.4 what does the dress of the woman tell about her position and activities in the world?

4.In vv.5,6 what is the message of the woman and her position towards people of God? What was John's response to what he saw about the woman?

5.In vv.7,8 the angel begins to brief John on the woman and the beast that he saw. What was his first description of the beast?

6.In vv.9-11 how does the angel describe the places where the woman sits? Who are the mountains?

7.In vv.12,13 how are the kings described as a union of force?

8.In v.14 the Lamb of God is the victim turn victor (Revelation 1:7). How are those with the Lamb described by the angel?

9.In v.15 how does the angel describe the waters upon which the woman sits? What practical relevance and meaning can be matched with this verse?

10.In v.16 how will the horn of the beast hate the beast? How do you see in-fighting by nations today and power turning against other powers? (Ezekiel 16:37-44)

11.In v.17 the wars of destruction will line up with the will of God in the end (Romans 8:28). What are some instances that you know of where evil has attacked evil and it resulted in the coming forth of the will of God?

12.In v.18 how is the woman described by the angel? (hint: a place where people live)



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Citizens 1st Bank brings seminar to the community



Citizens 1st Bank recently hosted a Home Buyers Seminar which was held at Mount Pleasant CME Church Fellowship Hall. Pictured above are community residents who attended and Citizens 1st Bank Staff.



Presenting the Home Buyers Seminar : Charles Hassell- Executive Vice President- Rusk, Bobby Garmon, Asset Protection Officer- Tyler Jim Perkins, President, Tanner Chancey, Bruce Mehlenbacher, Sr. Vice President-Jacksonville, and Chris Sidell, Sr. Vice President,

Mount Olive Baptist Church Installs New Pastor



On Sunday, March 15, 2015 Mount Olive Baptist church held an installation service for their new Pastor Rev. Jerry D. Leviston and wife Anne Leviston. Associate Minister Brenda Davis conducted the pulpit service and local churches from Rusk and Alto joined in. Pictured above are fellow ministers, Deacons and Elders standing with Rev. and Mrs. Leviston as they are installed.



L to R - Rev. Leviston, Anne Leviston and Rev. Mertis Bartley, DDM Tyler Texas, also former pastor of Mount Olive Church. Rev. Bartley conducted the installation and was speaker for the event. The Leviston's children Jaamal and wife, Okeem, and Nya were present, their grandchildren, brother and sister in law Frazier and Carolyn Foreman from Dallas along with other family, and nephew Melvin Foreman of Jacksonville.

What Does the Easter Bunny Have To Do With Easter?



Backrow L to R: Max, Destyne, Tiarra, Triston, Gracie and Jenya. Mattie, Kerri and Marcus far back. Front: Triniti and Morry. Children run excitedly, to find hidden Easter eggs in the backyard of the Ratcliff home. Prior to this day family members read and discussed Jesus's crucifixion and resurrection (Luke Chapters 23 and 24) with the children. They wanted to know what the Easter Bunny and Easter Eggs had to do with Jesus's death and resurrection. The information below was read to them and discussed explaining how this is tradition not tied to facts from the Holy Bible.

Credits to Ian O'Neill, Library of Congress, Corbis - There's no story in the Bible about a long-eared, cotton-tailed creature known as the Easter Bunny. Neither is there a passage about young children painting eggs or hunting for baskets overflowing with scrumptious Easter goodies. And real rabbits certainly don't lay eggs.

BRIEF: How the Moon Affects the Date of Easter?

Why are these traditions so ingrained in Easter Sunday? And what do they have to do with the resurrection of Jesus? Well, to be frank, nothing. Bunnies, eggs, Easter gifts and fluffy, yellow chicks in gardening hats all stem from pagan roots. These tropes were incorporated into the celebration of Easter separately from

the Christian tradition of honoring the day Jesus Christ rose from the dead.

NEWS: Was the Last Supper a Day Earlier?

According to the University of Florida's Center for Children's Literature and Culture, the origin of the celebration — and the origin of the Easter Bunny — can be traced back to 13th-century, pre-Christian Germany, when people worshiped several gods and goddesses. The Teutonic deity Eostra was the goddess of spring and fertility, and feasts were held in her honor on the Vernal Equinox. Her symbol was the rabbit because of the animal's high reproduction rate. Spring also symbolized new life. The tradition of making nests for the rabbit to lay its eggs in soon

and rebirth; eggs were an ancient symbol of fertility. According to History.com, Easter eggs represent Jesus' resurrection. However, this association came much later when Roman Catholicism became the dominant religion in Germany in the 15th century and merged with already ingrained pagan beliefs.

The first Easter Bunny legend was documented in the 1500s. By 1680, the first story about a rabbit laying eggs and hiding them in a garden was published. These legends were brought to the United States in the 1700s, when German immigrants settled in Pennsylvania Dutch country, according to the Center for Children's Literature and Culture. The tradition of making nests for the rabbit to lay its eggs in soon

followed. Eventually, nests became decorated baskets and colorful eggs were swapped for candy, treats and other small gifts.

So, while you're scarfing down chocolate bunnies (I hear chocolate is good for you!) and marshmallow chicks this Easter Sunday, think fondly of this holiday's origins and maybe even impress your friends at your local Easter egg hunt.

Go ye therefore and teach all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you and lo, I am with you, always even unto the end of the world. Amen

Matthew 28: 19-20

What's Cooking?



Broccoli Cornbread

Ingredients Nutrition

Servings 4-6 Units US
 1 (8 1/2 ounce) box Jiffy corn
 muffin mix
 1 large onion, chopped
 1/2 cup margarine or 1/2 cup butter
 4 eggs
 1 cup cheddar cheese, shredded
 1 (10 ounce) package frozen
 chopped broccoli, thawed and
 drained
 8 ounces sour cream, i use low fat
 1 teaspoon salt

Directions

Preheat oven to 425 degrees
 Fahrenheit.
 Mix all ingredients together well.
 Grease a 8x8 pan using spray Pam.
 Pour into prepared pan.
 Bake@ 425 degrees Fahrenheit for
 40 minutes or until bread is pulling
 away from side of pan.
 Let sit for 15 minutes until cutting.



Grannie's Greenbeans

Ingredients

Original recipe makes 6 servings
 Change Servings
 6 cups water
 1 ham hock
 2 tablespoons butter
 1 teaspoon seasoning salt
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
 1/2 teaspoon onion powder

1 pound fresh green beans - rinsed,
 trimmed and snapped into bite size
 pieces

Directions

1. Combine the water, ham hock, and
 butter in a large pot over medium-
 high heat. Season with seasoning
 salt, salt, pepper, garlic powder, and
 onion powder. Bring to a boil, then
 reduce heat to medium-low, and add
 green beans. Simmer covered for
 about 2 hours.

OBITUARIES



Larry (Doe Doe) Shears

Larry Shears was born on
 March 19, 1951 to the late
 Lula Mae and Iven Shears. He
 passed away March 15, 2015.

Graveside service was held 12:00
 Noon on Saturday March 21, 2015 at
 Plainview Cemetery, Ponta, with the
 Rev. Travis McGowan Officiating.

Doe Doe, as he was lovingly
 called by family and friends, was
 raised in the Elm Grove Community
 of Rusk, Texas. He joined Mt.
 Hebron Presbyterian Church
 at a young age. He attended
 G. W. Bradford High School.

Larry was preceded in death by his
 parents, sister Carolyn Jean Johnson
 and brother Clearence Lee Shears.

He leaves to cherish his memory
 wife Henrietta Shears, two sons:
 Gevoni Shears and Devonta Shears
 all of Dallas, TX. One sister : Letha
 Shears of Rusk, Texas; Two brothers
 Weldon (Josie) Shears, Ivy Dale
 (Mamie) Shears both of Dallas, Texas
 ;Special friends Barbara
 Reed and Bernard Reed;
 a host of grandchildren, great
 grandchildren, neices, nephews
 and other family and friends.

Interment was at Plain View
 Cemetery under the directions of
 Mercy McGowan Funeral Home.



Velma
 Deloris
 Tennison
 Fuller

Service was held March 14, 2015 at
 the Rock Hill Presbyterian Church,
 New Summerfield, Texas with Rev.
 Travis McGowan, Rev. R.E. Thomas
 and Rev. James Fuller Officiating.

She was born May 20, 1946
 in New Summerfield to the late
 Waldo and Vertis Thompson
 Tennison. She passed away March
 10, 2015 in New Summerfield. At
 a young age she joined Pleasant
 Plain Presbyterian Church and was
 president of the choir and a member
 of the Missionary for many years.

She attended Rock Hill School
 and Fred Douglass High School.
 Velma was employed with
 Ragsdale Cleaners, Grace Home
 Health and later a homemaker.

She was preceded in
 death by her parents.

Mrs. Fuller leaves to cherish her
 memory husband James "Dusty"
 Fuller, Two daughters, Velma Ann
 Fuller and Venita Renee Browning;
 Two sons James Brad Fuller and
 Larry Fuller all of Jacksonville;
 Three brothers: Carl (Anna)
 Tennison, Ft. Worth, Lawrence
 "Tweet" Tennison, Jacksonville,
 James E. Tennison, California;
 Three Sisters: Carmia Bell and Cubie
 Pierce, Ft. Worth, Bernice Marshall,
 Dallas and Sister-in-law Sallie Bell
 Fuller, Jacksonville. John R.
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Poetry Corner

Benefit of the Doubt

By Michael Guinn

I've noticed you following closely
while I shop
As I browse I feel your eyes stare then
stop
Your subtle suspicion by itself is
admission
That' it's my color and not my actions
that prompt inquisition
What is it about me that fits your
profile?
Could it be that you see my skin and
not my style
This is obviously a case of false
disparity
You've seem to make a habit of
mistaken similarity
Why have you mistook me for this
common thief
Nervously phone security based on
personal belief
You refuse to believe I have the
ability to pay,
In your mind, you see me as part of
society's decay
Abject humiliation precede this moral
attack
Heavily fueled by the reality that I
happen to be black.
You'd think sober judgement would
thwart this embarrassment
this intentional breach of privacy
borders on harrassment
Why deny me the courtesy
that for years I've done without?
So for once please grant me
the Benefit of the Doubt

Mama 's Words

By Jill Darden

Hardwood floors and glass-
knobbed doors
set the scene for Mama's throne
It was a village with one queen
raising three children alone

Four chairs at the kitchen table
where we sat each night to break
bread
Laughter mixed with the sound of
slurps
following the prayer she led

Homemade beef stew in the
winter, a southern delight in this
home,
Skillet fried catfish on Fridays
and little plates to hold the bones

Life-lessons mashed with potatoes
is what we came to be fed
I'll always savor the food's flavor
as well as the words she said

*Remember your mother
every day, but if you are
blessed enough to still have
her, show her
special love on
Sunday,
May 10th which is
Mother's Day !*

Bee Hive Removed from Local Yard



Rusk, TX- Ray Ross assists bee-keeper, Chris Morgan with securing his bee-keeper protective gear. Chris was called when a very large nest of bees made their home in a peach tree in Ray's yard. The hive made of thousands of swarming bees was removed without incident.

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South Carolina Cop Charged with Shooting Black Man in Back

By Barney Blakeney

CHARLESTON, S.C. – Leaders of local civil rights organizations had been taking a wait-and-see approach to the April 4 North Charleston police shooting death of 50-year-old Walter Scott, but voiced concern that Scott was unarmed when he was shot and that police said Scott had run away from the officer attempting to arrest him. Officer Michael Slager was charged on Tuesday with murder after a video of the incident revealed he wantonly shot Scott in the back.

The video shows Slager drawing his service weapon and firing eight times as Scott runs away, eventually falling after the final round struck him.

"We've lost another Black man shot by the police," North Charleston Branch NAACP President Ed Bryant said on Monday before the video's existence was made public. "We have Ferguson right here," he said alluding to the nationally protested police shooting death of 18-year-old Michael Brown in Ferguson Mo.

Police had not released much information about the North Charleston incident. It was being investigated by the S.C. State Law Enforcement Division (SLED), which follows protocol in such incidents.



Officer Michael Slager

On Monday, North Charleston police said 33-year-old Michael Slager shot Scott after a traffic stop because of a faulty brake light. According to a police report made public Monday, Slager called for backup during a foot pursuit before saying he had deployed his taser. Later, however, he said shots had been fired and the suspect was down.

Scott was pronounced dead at the scene by EMS paramedics. "My thing is Scott did not have to die," Bryant said Monday. "I think it is



Walter Scott

the unwarranted killing of another Black man." North Charleston Police Chief Eddie Driggers agreed. In a statement delivered Tuesday afternoon, Driggers said the video obtained by the victim's family that later was turned over to SLED revealed there was no struggle with Slager. It shows Scott running away from Slager and the officer drawing his weapon and firing at Scott's back multiple times. Initially, Slager claimed that Scott had tried to wrestle the taser from him and use it against him before he shot Scott. Driggers said that version of the incident was proven to be inaccurate by the video that was recorded by a witness.

"Surely some questions must be answered," said Charleston NAACP President Dot Scott Monday before the contents of the video was made public. "It makes no sense that the officer could get close enough to someone running away and fight over a taser and the man ends up dead. Tragically, another unarmed Black man has been shot by the police."

S.C. National Action Network President James Johnson said he was present when the witness gave Scott's family the video, but did not know what it showed. At the time, he agreed that a lot of questions remained unanswered. "We're asking for transparency," he said.

That request was met Tuesday. "I knew the tape was damaging although I didn't know what was on it," Johnson said after North Charleston police held the press conference to reveal the new development.

"North Charleston police made a quick response and the right response," he said. "The arrest was the right thing to do. Now we hope the solicitor will prosecute."

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Rusk VFW Post Commander elected to District Position



Rusk TX.- Veterans of Foreign Wars Post Commander Emerson Griffin has been elected to the position of District 14 Senior Vice Commander. Commander Griffin has made local history as the first African American to hold both positions. The public is invited to attend the May 30th Memorial Day Service on the North side of the Cherokee County Courthouse lawn.

Felicia Session from page 1

Upon completion of her training, Mrs. Session will be assigned to the Rusk Prosperity Banking Center as a Teller.

Felicia is the wife of Michael Session and the daughter of Ira Lee Hart and the late Calvin (C. S.) Hart. She is a Rusk High School

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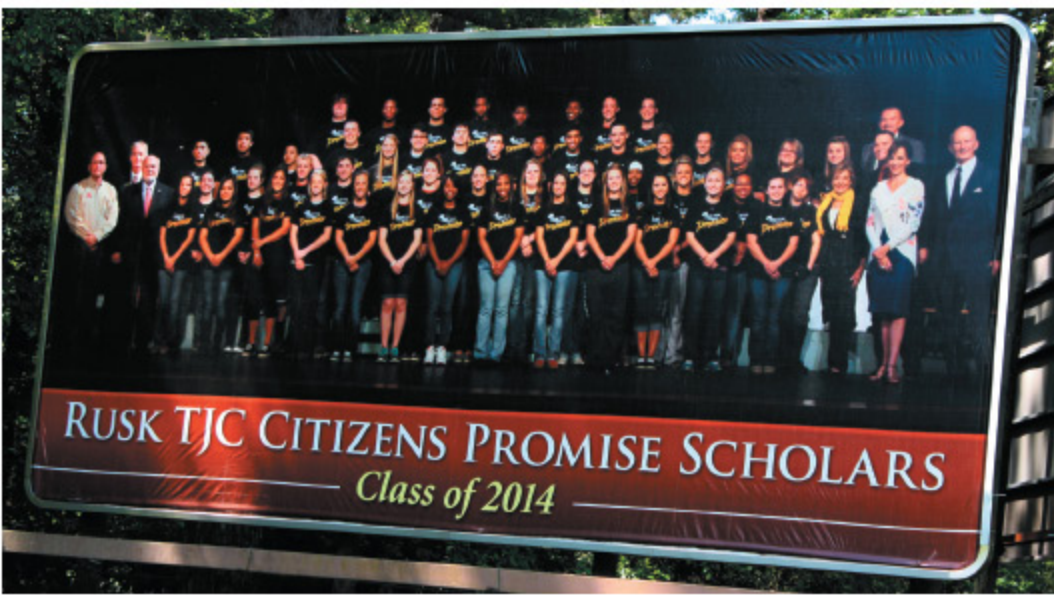
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