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Tyler Perry To Produce Two New TV Series



partnership with filmmaker Tyler Perry, who will launch two new television series for the network that will premiere in the year 2013. The deal makes OWN the exclusive destination for any new television series that Tyler Perry produces, ending his partnership with TBS where his other shows (“Tyler Perry’s House of Payne,” “Meet the Browns” and “For Better or Worse”) are aired.

Perry is starring in a new movie to be released in theaters October 19th, titled “Alex Cross” with Ciciley Tyson playing the role of his “Nana Mama”, the grandmother who raised him.

George Zimmerman Lied!! Trayvon Martin’s Handprints Not Found



the gun’s grip, and indicates that Zimmerman lied when he said that Martin had his gun.

Zimmerman’s DNA also was identified on the gun’s holster, but no determination could be made as to whether Martin’s DNA was on the gun’s holster, according to the report from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

Zimmerman is charged with second-degree murder for fatally shooting Martin during a confrontation in a gated community in Sanford in February. Zimmerman is pleading not guilty, claiming self-defense.

According to the Associated Press, recent forensic tests made public show that George Zimmerman’s DNA was the only DNA that could be identified on the grip of the gun used to fatally shoot 17-year-old Trayvon Martin. The results completely rule out Martin’s DNA from being on

African American Churches across East Texas Plan “Let My People Vote” Sunday

African American Churches across East Texas are planning a “Let My People Vote” day on Sunday October 28, 2012. The voting polls will be open on this Sunday from 1pm through 5:00pm and many will end their services by 1:00pm to transport members by van, bus and private cars to the polling place to vote early.

The voting rights of African Americans and Hispanic Americans are under attack. Tools to make null and void their vote such as Voter ID Legislation and e-mails that contain false information have been used.

Voter registration drives were held at churches and door to door in local communities.

People of faith are urged to know their rights and responsibilities as voters. Hundreds of congregations across the country participated in “Let My People Vote” Sunday in other states.

Local pastors are asking their congregants to get involved and to encourage their neighbors.

The Oprah Winfrey Network (OWN) has announced that they now have an exclusive

Early Voting Dates and Locations

Early voting starts October 22nd and ends November 2nd in Cherokee County 8:00am through 5:00pm. Early voting locations are: 138 West 5th Street in Rusk, (across the street from the Post Office), Jacksonville Public Library, 502 South Jackson Street Jacksonville, and A. Frank Smith Methodist Church 103 Cooper, Alto.

Weekend voting days are Saturday, October 27, 2012 9:00am through 3:00pm and Sunday, October 28, 2012 1:00pm -5:00pm.

EDITORIAL PAGE**Seasons
of
our
lives**

Maxine Session



Summer has passed gently away and fall with all of its color and beauty is here. The seasons have changed. Just as the seasons of the year change, so do the seasons of our lives. There is the season when joy and happiness abound.The teen years when we enjoy high school and all the great times that come with it. The years of ups and downs with gaining our independence and college education. Marriage comes, the birth of children and all the blessings they bring. The

season when we spend time with our close friends and family enjoying the blessings of their lives. And then there is the season that brings struggles with life.....grief and heartache at the loss of cherished loved ones and when we experience failed health. We must live appropriately in the season in which we are in and make the changes necessary to move on to the next. We are able to change to the next season simply because God prepares us by giving us the resources we need. (Ecclesiastes 3) If you find yourself stuck in a season where you are not productive or unhappy, use God's great resource, prayer. Try turning off the cell phone, the t.v., the lights and get down on your knees. It works!

Letters to the Editor Policy

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Obama Election**awakens a sleeping giant** Caesar A. Roy

Four years ago I had tears in my eyes as I watched the final election returns showing that Barack Obama had won the election for President of the United States. I openly cried while watching the Inauguration ceremony in January of 2009 when Barak black President of this reached an advanced to see such an historic Although I have loved life, this was the first feel "Proud to be an this election actually America, were on the King's dream of equality Boy was I wrong.



Obama became the first great country. I have age and never expected event in my lifetime. this country all my time I could sincerely American". I assumed showed that we, in path of achieving Dr. and racial tolerance.

President Obama's ascendancy to the White House that brought tears of joy to my eyes was the shock that awakened a slumbering Giant in much of America.

Like Rip Van Winkle, he suddenly opened his eyes and saw the country with a Black President. This Giant had slept thru many of the events of the recent years; had not really heard or understood the significance of the Voting rights act; had napped thru the election of Black governors, Congressmen, and Mayors; and other civil rights gains of the past decades. But the election of a Black President was an alarm he could not sleep thru.

This giant goes by many names: Racism, Intolerance, Bigotry, and Hatred are just a few. The election of President Obama showed us that he is still alive and well in the United States of America.

Initially he tried to undermine the legitimacy of President Obama to hold office – claiming that he was not born in this country: the giant also tried to discredit the President, alleging that he was a Muslim. (As if Muslims are not eligible to hold office in U.S.)

Then he decided to invite his friends and neighbors over to develop a strategy to right this wrong that had befallen the country. I believed he called this get-together a "Tea Party".

Using the mythical guise of patriotism, constitutional rights, government interference, taxation without representation etc, he instituted an effort to defeat this President. His so-called love of country was second nature to his hatred of Obama. He has managed to infiltrate a large segment of the Republican Party and force it to defer to his agenda.

Some in that party have openly stated that their primary goal during the past four years has been to defeat the President. Mind you, in our country which had just gone thru a devastating economic recession, unemployment at near record highs, increasing health care costs, the banking and auto industries in shambles. The Republican controlled House of Representatives was unwilling to address these issues, because their primary goal was to defeat President Obama.

Nevertheless, President Obama during the past four years, even in the face of this obstructionist giant and his allies, has managed to make significant strides in curing the ills which had befallen the country before his arrival. He has saved the jobs of several million autoworkers, teachers, policemen, and firemen; and has instituted programs causing the formation of over 4 million private sector jobs. He has managed to bring our military forces home from Iraq; the brain child of the 9/11 attacks is dead. President Obama has signed legislation to prevent the disparity in pay between the sexes. He has signed into law an Affordable Health Care act to benefit the millions of Americans who otherwise would not have access to medical treatment. The economy is now on the mend; companies have begun hiring again, the banks are lending again and Wall Street has rebounded to new highs.

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BALLOT LEGEND

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DEM	Democratic Party <i>Partido Democrático</i>
LIB	Libertarian Party <i>Partido Libertariano</i>
GRN	Green Party <i>Partido Verde</i>
IND	Independent <i>Independiente</i>

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To cast a straight-party vote, choose the option to the left of the party name. Selecting a party automatically selects all candidates associated with that party. If you select a candidate associated with a party other than the straight-party selection, your vote for that candidate will be counted in that particular contest.

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- Democratic Party
Partido Democrático
- Libertarian Party
Partido Libertariano
- Green Party
Partido Verde

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Paul Ryan
- Barack Obama \ DEM
Joe Biden
- Gary Johnson \ LIB
Jim Gray
- Jill Stein \ GRN
Cheri Honkala
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Senador de los Estados Unidos

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- Paul Sadler DEM
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- David B. Collins GRN

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Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distrito Núm. 5

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- Dale Henry DEM
- Vivekananda (Vik) Wall LIB
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- Jaime O. Perez LIB
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Juez Presidente, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales

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- Lance Stott LIB

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Juez, Corte de Apelaciones, Distrito Núm. 12, Lugar Núm. 3

- Sam Griffith REP

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Juez del Distrito, Distrito Judicial Núm. 2

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Procurador del Distrito, Distrito Judicial Núm. 2

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Sample Ballot

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What's Cook'n



West
African
Groundnut
Stew

- 2 whole boneless, skinnless chicken breasts, cut into 1/2-inch pieces
- 1 tablespoon peanut oil or vegetable oil
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 garlic glove, minced
- 1 (28 Oz.) can whole tomatoes undrained, cutup
- 1 (15.5-oz.) can great northern beans, undrained
- 1 (11-oz.) can vacuum-packed whole kernel corn, drained
- 1 sweet potato, peeled, chopped
- 3/4 cup water
- 1/4 cup peanut butter
- 1 tablespoon tomato paste
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- 1/21 teaspoon ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon ground red pepper
- 3 cups hot cooked rice

In 4-quart crock pot or dutch oven, cook chicken breasts in oil until light brown or well done, stirring often. Add onion and garlic. Cook 3 to 4 minutes. Add remaining ingredients except rice. Mix well and bring to boil. Reduce heat to medium-low. Cover and cook 30 minutes or until sweet potatoes are done, stirring occasionally. If stew gets too thick ad additional water. Serve stew over hot rice.

Sleeping Giant

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The November elections are crucial to determine the future of our country. We must go forward in this country and not return to the failed practices of the past. You, the voters for Tolerance, Equality, Justice, and Fairness must not go the way of our bigoted giant. Do not sleep thru the elections. You cannot be apathetic or complacent in November.

I urge you to go to the polls and vote to re-elect President Barack Obama.

Americans

Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe to assure the survival and the success of liberty.

~ President John F. Kennedy

There is not a liberal America and a conservative America — there is the United States of America. There is not a Black America and a White America and Latino America and Asian America — there's the United States of America.

~President Barack H. Obama

Symptoms

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evaluated by your doctor.

4 Be aware of any vaginal bleeding occurring beyond a normal menstrual cycle as it should also be taken as another symptom. For women of a reproductive age, any bleeding that occurs outside of a menstrual cycle should be evaluated. If your menstrual cycle is unusually heavy or light, this is also worth mentioning. For young girls and menopausal women, any bleeding at all should be addressed with a doctor. There are many disorders this can be a signal for and should never be ignored.

5 Mention to your doctor any excess hair you have. Hirsutism is the name given to the condition in which a woman is unusually hairy or has excess hair in places only typical to men. Although it may not seem like a gynecologic disorder, it can signal that there is a problem with the woman's hormones and should be evaluated by a doctor. The most common disorder causing this condition is Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome. Learn about innovative treatments for Endometrial Cancer today At Cancercenter.com

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The 2011-2012 REDC budget is based upon receiving \$199,500.00 from the ½ cents sales tax for the FY with an average monthly amount of \$16, 625.00. The monthly average for the REDC, based upon 1 Month received of the FY is \$16,720.91.

Nacogdoches Presents play "One Stone At A Time"

Over a hundred years ago when the Old Stone Fort was demolished to make way for progress, the women of Nacogdoches saved the stones and laid the groundwork for historic preservation in the Oldest Town in Texas. "Saving Nacogdoches, One Stone at a Time" is set in 1907-08 when the historic stones were moved near the Old University Building. The historic play is Oct. 26-Nov. 4 at the Old University Building, 515 North Mound Street in Nacogdoches.

The play focuses includes famous orator William Jennings Bryan, the 1907 Nacogdoches band, notable historic high school faculty & staff, the women who saved the stones and poet Karle Wilson Baker.

This is the fourth historic play at the Old University Building written and directed by Linda Thorsen Bond and performed by a large cast of history-loving locals. Each evening's performance includes turn of the century-style refreshments.

The show opens Friday, Oct 26 with a sponsors' reception at 6:30 p.m. Performances are at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct 27, Friday, Nov 2 and Saturday, Nov 3 and at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct 28 and Nov 4. Tickets are \$15 and are available online at www.olduniversitybuilding.com or at, the Nacogdoches Convention and Visitors Bureau downtown or the Old University Building at 515 North Mound Street. Checks can be mailed to NFWC, PO Box 633113, Nacogdoches, TX 75963

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Joyce Session Musical Benefit



Mt. Enterprize Male Chorus as they performed at the musical.

Rusk, TX. A benefit musical was held September 29th at the Elm Grove Baptist Church for Joyce Faye Dennis Session. When Joyce was sixteen years old she began playing the piano for her church, Pennel Chappel CME Church, and over the last 50 years has played at one time or another at most of the African American Churches in Cherokee County. She was born and raised in the Pine Grove Community. Pictured rith is Joyces Session.



Above Rev. James (Dusty) Fuller, organizer, presents love offering to Vincent Session, son of Joyce and Dee Session for Joyce Session, who was unable to attend due to illness.

Their daughter Tamara, daughter-in-law Angela and grandchildren were present along with other family members.



Democrats host Jacksonville office grand opening



Jacksonville, TX. - Thursday evening September 27th a standing room only crowd attended the grand opening of the Democratic Party Headquarters located 421 South Main Street in Jacksonville. Those attending enjoyed a great meal and meeting. The office has been open daily from 8:00am to 5:00pm since

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Paul Sadler is best for Texas

By T. L. Wyatt

Special to the TPA



L to R- Mollie Belt, Dallas Examiner, Paul Sadler and

The Texas Publishers Association (The Black Press of Texas) believes that Paul Sadler (D), is best qualified to be our next U. S. Senator. Sadler is the Democratic nominee who has served in the Texas House of Representatives from 1991 – 2003. He left the position to care for his son who had been hurt in a serious auto accident. He is the only candidate in the race who has had previous legislative experience. As a result, he can hit the ground running.

Sadler supports the Dream Act,ould fight to save Medicare, would supports the President's plan to have a fair tax system designed to make sure that huge corporations and the super wealthy pay their fair share. He is in favor of continuing health care reform while making changes, improvements and corrections.

Sadler, a Henderson, Texas resident, is making a special effort to reach out to the traditional voters of the Democratic Party as well as Independents. He knows that this is the only way to win over the heavily funded Republican candidate in the race.

While serving in the Texas House of Representatives, Sadler received numerous awards for his legislative work. A decade ago, Sadler was a force in Texas politics. As the chair of the House Public Education Committee, he had tried to fix school finance when it was only a crisis and not a disaster. He stepped down in 2002, and has since practiced law and kept a low profile. Now he's back, running for the U.S. Senate seat vacated by retiring Republican Kay Bailey Hutchison. Sadler offers the best chance of having an effective U. S. Senator in Washington who can help eliminate the gridlock

in Washington.

With very little help from the Texas Democratic Party and the National Democratic Committee, Sadler knows that this race will be an uphill fight. But, he believes that it is one worth fighting. The Texas Publishers Association (TPA) believes that Paul Sadler will be an effective representative for Texas in Washington.

Rusk Plans City-wide cleanups

Dumpsters will be available October 13th and 20th for city-wide cleanup in Rusk. Dumpsters will be located at the city barn on U.S. Highway 69 South and at Conley Park on Reeder Street.

Most of God's people are content to be saved from the hell that is without; they are not so anxious to be saved from the hell that is within.

~Robert Murray M'Cheyne

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Religion



So, YOU SAY YOU ARE A CHRISTIAN?

Many people make the statement, I am a Christian' with out thinking about what it means. To say that you are a christian is to say that you follow Jesus Christ. To follow Jesus is to follow the example He set and His teachings, which should be seen in you and the way you live life everyday.

The ethical teachings of Jesus was part of His proclamation of the kingdom of God. Only by His death and resurrection could the devine rule be established. But even while the kingdom of God was in the process of inauguration during His ministry, its principles could be translated into action in the lives of His followers. The most familiar presentation of these principles is found in the Sermon On The Mount (Matthews 5 - 7), which was addressed to His disciples. These principals showed how those who were already children of the kingdom ought to live. Jesus declared that He had come to fulfill the Law of Moses from the Old Testament not to destroy it. (Matthew 5:17) He emphasized its ethical quality by summarizing it in terms of what He called the two great commandments: "You shall love the Lord your God" (Dueteronomy 6:5) and "You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Leveticus 19:18)

Jesus insisted that more is expected of His followers than the ordinary morality of decent people. Jesus settled the question of divorce by an appeal to the original marriage ordinance (Genesis 126 - 2:24 - 2:24 -25). Since husbands

and wives were made by the Creator's decree, Jesus pointed out, divorce is an attempt to undo the work of God. If the law later allowed for divorce in certain situations (Dueteronomy 24:1 - 4) that was a concession to people's inability to keep the commandment. He declared, and it should not be so for those who belong to the knigdom of God. Jesus prescribed a way of life for His followeres. The act of murder forbidden in the sixth commandment, was punishable by death. Conduct or language likely to provoke a disturbance of the peace could also bring on legal penalties.

No human law can detect or punish the angry thought; yet it is here Jesus taught, that the process that leads to murder begins. Therefore who ever is angry with his brother.....shall be in danger of the judgement" (Matthew 5:22) He was careful to point out that the judgement is God's, not man's.

Adultery, was forbidden in the seventh commandment. (Matthew 5:28) Jesus maintained that the act itself was the outcome of a person's thought. Therefore, "whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart."

Jesus' attitude and teachings also made many laws about property irrelevant for His followers. They should be known as people who give, not take. (Luke 6:29) There is more to life than abundance of possessions. (Luke 12:15). He pointed out that material wealth is a hindrance to one's spiritual life. The principal of nonviolence is deeply ingrained in Jesus' teachings. The course He called for was the way of peace. He urged His followers not to strike back, but to turn the other cheek.

In the teachings of Jesus the highest of all incentives is the example of God. The central section of Leviticus is called "the law of holiness" because of its recurring theme: I am the Lord your God... Be holy; for I am holy (Leviticus 11:44). This bears a close resemblance to Jesus' words in Luke 6:36, "Be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful." The children of God should reproduce their Father's character. He does not discriminate between the good and the evil in bestowing rain and sunshine; likewise His followers should not discriminate in showing

kindness to all. He delights in forgiving sinners; His children should also be marked by a forgiving spirit.

The example of the heavenly Father and the example shown by Jesus on earth are one and the same, since Jesus came to reveal the Father. Jesus's life was the practical demonstration of His ethical teachings. To His disciples He declared, "I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. (John 13:15)

So, when you make the statement I'm a christian, think! Can you and others seen Jesus in you?



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Celebrate Breast Cancer Awareness Month

By Pam Stephan

Breast Cancer Awareness Month (BCAM) is a great time to educate and empower yourself for the best breast health. Every October, pink ribbons appear all around – from cans of soup in the grocery store to stylish bracelets and lapel pins. But how does all that pink relate to breast health and breast cancer? The pink ribbons remind of our risks, responsibilities, and raising breast cancer awareness. Anyone with breast tissue – men and women – is at risk for developing breast cancer. But only one percent of men and one in eight women will develop breast cancer. Knowing your risks – and what you can do to reduce your risks – is a great way to raise your personal breast cancer awareness. Breast cancer is a malignant (cancerous) growth that begins in the tissues of the breast. Cancer is a disease in which abnormal cells grow in an

uncontrolled way. Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women, but it can also appear in men. In the U.S., it affects one in eight women.

only learn they have cancer when noticeable symptoms appear. The most common symptoms include:

- a new breast lump or mass (painless and hard with irregular edges)
- a new breast lump or mass (tender, soft, and rounded)
- swelling (part or all of the breast, with or without a lump)
- swelling in an underarm lymph node
- skin indentions or dimpling
- skin irritation or inflammation
- skin redness, thickening, or scaliness
- nipple retraction
- nipple thickening
- non-milk nipple discharge (particularly blood)
- breast pain or nipple pain

Gynecologic Cancer Symptoms

There is no way to know for sure if you will get a gynecologic cancer. That's why it is important to pay attention to your body and know what is normal for you, so you can recognize the warning signs or symptoms of gynecologic cancer.

1 Document any pain and make sure to mention it to your doctor. Feeling pain is the first and most obvious symptom of a gynecologic disorder. The type of pain can vary from mild to severe and from just occasional cramps to consistent. Any pain that you are feeling between your hipbones should be addressed with your doctor as it can be directly linked to any of your reproductive organs. How to Recognize Symptoms of a Gynecologic Disorder

2 Pay attention to vaginal discharge. A lot of times small amounts of discharge from the vagina are completely normal and are produced by the cervix. This discharge should be white or clear in color. Also, it should be odorless. Any discharge that has an odor or is of a different color or consistency can signal an infection and should be mentioned to your doctor

3 Take notice of any vaginal itching as it is another symptom of a gynecologic disorder. The itching can resolve on its own and can even be prevented by showering regularly, using mild soaps, keeping the area dry, and wearing cotton underwear. Vaginal itching, however, can also be a sign of an infection so any itch that persists should be

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Job Fair Dates:

Thursday, October 11- 4- 8am

All applicants need to be prepared to take a willingness survey on site the day of the job fair. Applicants who express 100 percent willingness to perform the specific tasks required for the positions offered at the facility will be invited to complete an employment application and to participate in the pre-employment assessment. This process could take up to four hours of your time. All individuals to be considered must be willing to consent to pre-employment testing including drug and alcohol screening. It should be noted that entry level position at this plant facility require moderate to heavy lifting and can be physically demanding, including working in extreme temperatures.

Nucor is an EEO employer.

To participate in this job fair, you are asked to call 936-687-4665 to reserve an appointment or email TX_HR@VULCRAFT-TX.com with your name and date of the job fair in the subject line of the email. You must register in order to participate in this job fair.

Rusk Plans City-wide cleanups

Citizens of Rusk are urged to take advantage of dumpsters that will be available on Saturday October 13th and Saturday October 20th for city-wide cleanup in Rusk. City employees will be on hand to monitor waste at each location. Dumpsters will be located at the city barn on U.S. Highway 69 South and at Conley Park on Reeder Street. Citizens are asked not to dump tires, paint and other toxic waste.



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The Career Fair will take place on Tuesday, October 30, 2012, (10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.) on the campus of Texas College (2404 North Grand Ave., Tyler, Texas 75702). The fee for this event is \$75 per business/organizational participant. Please be aware that space is limited and on a first come, first serve basis.

Therefore early registration is crucial. If you plan to attend, please reserve your table by October 25, 2012. Lunch will be offered to our participants. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at (903) 593-8311 ext. 2277 or by

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Romney Calls Obama Supporters Freeloaders



By George E. Curry
NNPA Editor-in-Chief

WASHINGTON (NNPA)

– In a private discussion with millionaire donors, Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney stereotyped those who voted for President Obama in 2008 as “victims” who want and expect a free ride from the federal government.

The surreptitiously recorded video of Romney’s unusually candid remarks was obtained by Mother Jones magazine. Romney spoke and answered questions at a \$50,000-a-plate fundraiser at the home of financier Marc Leder, a co-owner of the Philadelphia 76ers, in Boca Raton, Fla. on May 17.

Replying to a donor’s question about strategy, the former Massachusetts governor replied: “There are 47 percent of the people who will vote for the president no matter what. All right, there are 47 percent who are with him, who are dependent upon government, who believe that they are victims, who believe the government has a responsibility to care for them, who believe that they are entitled to health care, to food, to housing, to you-name-it. That, that’s an entitlement. And the government should give it to them. And they will vote for this president no matter what... These are people who pay no income tax.” Romney added that his job

“is not to worry about those people. I’ll never convince them they should take personal responsibility and care for their lives.”

In a brief news conference Monday night, Romney said that his “off the cuff” comments were not “elegantly stated.”

He did not back away from his controversial comments. Romney told reporters, “This is, of course, something I talk about a good deal in rallies and speeches and so forth, which is the president and I have very different approaches to the future of America and what it takes to ignite our economy and put people back to work.”


He added, “The president believes in what I’ve described as a government centered society where government plays a larger and larger role, provides for more and more of the needs of individuals and I happen to believe instead in a free enterprise, free individual society where people pursuing their dreams are able to employ one another, build enterprises, build the strongest economy in the world.”

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The 2012 FAST ratings are assigned to 1,136 school districts and charter schools. Based on the FAST formula, school districts and campuses receive ratings from one to five stars, in half-star increments. A district that achieves the highest rating of five stars ranks among the top 20 percent of all Texas school districts in academic progress, while keeping expenditures among the lowest 20 percent of fiscally comparable districts.

Forty-five districts received the highest rating of five stars. FAST information for all Texas public school districts, campuses and charter schools is available at <http://www.FASTEXAS.org>.

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