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Robinson seeks re-election Rowe signs with Holmes to mayor of Durant Community College



DR. HENRY ROBINSON, JR.

The Holmes County Herald has been authorized to release the following paid political announcement.

Greetings: Four years ago when I was elected to the Office of Mayor, three days pri-

I was reminded of a quote by Helen Keller, "Alone we can do so little; together we can do much." It was in that mopower our community has when we unite as one.

solemn oath to lead this great city, I have worked tirelessly to ensure that I was leading this city into a more prosperous future. In these four years of office, the City of Durant has been successful in restoring our community from the devastation of the tornado, acquiring numerous grants that focused on infrastructure, beautifying our city by demolishing blighted or to election we experienced properties, revitalizing our the worst tornado in history parks, and so much more. since our founding. The de- Serving as your Mayor has struction left behind was not been a job, but a passion incomprehensible, but we because I have had the oprallied together as a commu- portunity to be instrumental nity, and people from around in fundamental changes our this nation stood in solidarity city desperately needed. I

recover from such a tragedy. can we wait on change to occur, but we must go out, take the initiative, and make the change.

When I look at other great ment where we realized the municipalities around this state and nation, I realize that we can be just as success-Since the day I took the ful when we stand together as one and the leaders fight for the community and not themselves only. Our community has lost a lot over the past years and decades, but I wholeheartedly believe that in the four years of serving as Mayor, we have changed the trajectory of this city. We are on the path to greatness, and I desire to continue to rebuild our community and build on the foundation that we have been able to lay. Durant has seen great days in the past, but I know we will reach a more prosperous future for our children and loved ones to enjoy.



Quashon Rowe, 18, son of Erica Rowe of Mileston has signed with Holmes Community College to play basketball in the fall. Pictured above (from left to right) are: Coach Antwayn Patrick, Rowe and Head Coach DeAngelo Priar.

(Photo by Julie Ellison)

There is so much hope unless there is a willingness inson Jr., am willing to con- and your vote as I seek rewith us to help us rebuild and understood that no longer hope cannot be manifested success. I, Dr. Henry Rob- humbly seek your prayers rant.

for our community, but that to do whatever it takes to see tinue the work of Mayor, and election for Mayor of Du-

By Keith Garland, Pastor at First Baptist Church of Lexington

Easter egg hunts with the children. Because of the coronagan rapidly closing in mid-March in an attempt to stop or at will be raised on the third day." least slow down the spread of this virus. Most of us did not And that's what happened. Jesus was arrested for crimes turned somewhat to normal or a "new normal" as the catch phrase goes.

For Christians, Easter is a very special time of year. Easter commemorates the time when Jesus rose from the dead after being crucified. In church the other day, Sonny, my co-laborer in Christ said that Christ could not have risen from the grave unless he was put there. True. I would add that Jesus Christ would not have been put into the grave unless he had died. The grave is where you lay people to rest when they have passed. Jesus was in the grave because he died on a cruel cross as a sacrifice for our sins of his own will.

I say "of his own will" because Scripture tells us that

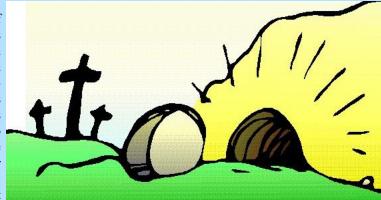
Jesus predicted to his disciples that he would die and rise ings and ridicule at the hands of Roman soldiers, Jesus was Easter Sunday is a special time for many. Some gather again. In the Bible book of Matthew 20:18-19 (ESV), Jesus crucified, dying for our sins. The greatest act of love known with friends and family at church, eat good food and have tells us "See, we are going up to Jerusalem. And the Son of to mankind happened on the cross of Christ. That is why the Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and scribes, Friday before Easter is called "Good Friday". virus, last Easter was drastically different as the virus was and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to rapidly spreading and businesses, churches and schools be- the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified, and he Gospels (the first 4 books of the New Testament) that very

gather with friends and family last Easter and we attended he didn't commit after being betrayed by one of his own, Ju- had gone to embalm the body of Christ. An angel appeared church virtually. This year is much better as we have re- das. After going through a series of mocked-up trials, beat-

But the Sunday after he died was also good. We find in the early that Sunday morning, the tomb where Jesus's body was placed was found empty. This confused the women who to explain. "But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified.

He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." (Matthew 28:5-7 ESV)

There is great significance to the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ. Much more than can be covered within the scope of this article. The Bible tells the whole story. As you enjoy Easter weekend with family and friends at church and around the table in your home enjoying a good meal, remember the significance of Easter. Consider first that it is about the resurrection of Jesus Christ!



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