

THREE CHEERS

Three Cheers is a weekly collection of upbeat letters that inspire readers to think and act positively. Share your own timely story or observation by sending it to "Three Cheers" at letters@dallasnews.com.

1 To a cleaning worker — My sister was on a flight recently with American Airlines to Dallas. During the flight, she somehow dropped her billfold.

An American Airlines cleaning worker found it on the plane in Los Angeles. She did the honest thing and turned it in, completely intact. American called me during the night, thinking my sister might be disturbed at not finding it. We did not know it was missing yet.

It was a great act of service. A cleaning worker needs a special commendation for her integrity as well as service.

Bonnie Kelley, Irving

2 To the staff at Baylor Hospital — Last December, I entered the Baylor's Jack and Jane Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital for an angiogram. I am 72 years old. During the procedure, the "old widow-maker" took a shot at ending my life.

I was very fortunate to be there at that time under the care of Dr. Robert Stoler and staff. I can't say enough about the excellence and expertise of the doctors and nursing staff; they are the best. However, I want to tell you what elevates this hospital to the top, and this is the attitude of the hospital doctors and staff toward visitors. The kind treatment and support of my family while I was there was amazing.

I was in ICU, on a heart pump two days and ventilator for six days. During this time, my wife, three children, grandchildren, a sister-in-law, niece and others stayed at the hospital until I recovered enough to breathe



Staff photo

Elijah English, Martin Luther King Jr. Oratory Competition winner.

without the ventilator.

I have never experienced the hospitality, love and caring that my family and I were shown at this hospital.

Bob Powell, Mesquite

3 To Elijah English — Re: "Small orators, big voices — The King legacy echoes in dreams and passion of speech finalists," Jan. 15 news story.

First grader Elijah English, winner of the Gardere Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Oratory, is a lot of positive things, but, most of all, at a very young age he shows character and leadership for a future generation.

He's very impressive. Credit goes to the adults in his life.

Donna Lackey, Dallas

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