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Young 'energized' over a 4th term

Clemons out in 2-vote loss, Fulton wins re-election easily

By STEVE SWOGETINSKY steve@neshobademocrat.com

Mayor James A. Young says he's energized and ready to roll up his sleeves and get more things done as he enters a fourth

Young handily won re-election last Tuesday night with 819 votes, or 61%, defeating Republican challenger Leo E. Renaldo with 504 votes, or 38%, complete but uncertified totals show.

Incumbent Republican James A. Young (D) Incumbent 62% | 819 VOTES

Leo E. Renaldo (R) 38% | 504 VOTES

Ward 2 Alderman Jim Fulton won re-election easily while Republican challenger James Waltman defeated Aldermanat-Large Leroy Clemons by two votes. Clemons plans to challenge the election, he reaffirmed Tuesday. (See stories, Page 10A, 3A.)

Independent Shaun Seales claimed victory over Ruthie D. Nash in Ward 4 and in Ward 3 Democrat James Tatum defeated Republican Wright Griffis. (See story, page 10A.)

Young said there are a lot of projects on the burner and he's thankful to "have the opportunity to see things through."

"I am going to roll up my sleeves and keep working,' Young said after Tuesday night's results were in. "It is a never-ending challenge to continue to do things for the com-

"There were negative things said throughout the campaign and it fires me up to work even harder to serve this city," he said. "I am thankful for the support that this community has given me. I have said all the time that I will never let Philadelphia down."

Young said street improvements and work on infrastruc-See MAYOR, page 3A



in front of the city's Ladder 1. Walker, who was homeless more than a and put him on a new path.

Philadelphia Fire Department Capt. Nicholas Alexander Walker stands decade ago, said that finding a Bible in a dumpster changed his life

Bible in dumpster changed man's life

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Nicholas Alexander Walker was homeless more than a decade ago, no car, no job and eating out of dumpsters around the Wendy's in Carthage when he found a discarded Bible.

"I started to read and study that Bible," Walker said recently documenting on Facebook his 16th anniversary as a believer in Christ and a changed man.

"I had a long compassionate talk with God and gave my life to Jesus," he said.

Now a captain in Philadelphia Fire Department, Walker, 38, is thankful for that Bible in the dumpster.

"Sixteen years ago I was homeless. No car, no job and no food," Walker said. "I had to find food in dumpsters to eat sometimes. But in one of those dumpsters, I found an old Bible.'

Walker grew up in Memphis where there were family issues, he says, graduated from Overton High School, went to community college, married, divorced and ended up homeless in Carthage in 2004.

After finding the Bible in the dumpster,

Walker, began working a few side jobs and

saved up enough money to buy a used car. He drove that used car to Philadelphia and got a job as a security guard at the Golden Moon Casino.

"I've gone through some hurtful times, but I use those events to show others how Jesus saved me and the things He taught me along the way," Walker said. "He led me on this path and I am forever grateful to Him."

He also worked at the Neshoba County Jail, before getting on at the Philadelphia Fire

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TRAILER PARK

Drug raid results in 2 arrests

By DUNCAN DENT duncan@neshobademocrat.com

County deputies and city police seized firearms, a felony amount of marijuana and more than

\$3,000 in cash in a drug raid that netted two arrests on the evening of June

Alexis Smith, 29, 12201 County Road 573, Philadelphia, and Demetrius K. Horne, 29, 244 Cora Street, Philadelphia, were charged with felony possession of mari-

Both bonded out on Thursday, 10 on June \$20,000 each.



Alexis

Demetrius bond Horne

Sheriff Eric Clark said the arrests came from a search warrant executed on Tuesday, June 8, in the evening by the Neshoba County Sheriff's deputies and Philadelphia Police Department on a residence in the Sistrunk Trailer Park just off Weyerhaeuser Road.

The search yielded a felony amount of marijuana, three firearms, \$3,068 cash and drug paraphernalia.

'Neshoba County Sheriff's Office continues to work with Philadelphia Police Department and other agencies to keep drugs from reaching our teenagers,' Clark said.

Clark said the raid was the result of an investigation that was started on Monday, June 7 when Neshoba County deputies initiated

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Neshoba Central students competing nationally with a film on time travel

By JOHN LEE john@neshobademocrat.com

If you could go back in time and provide crucial information to your past self, what would it be?

That is the plot of a short film titled "Jimmie's Time Quest," being submitted under the Video on Demand category to the national Technology Student Association (TSA) competition this summer by Neshoba Central High School students.

The Neshoba Central students, Ethan Harden, Kathryn Dreifuss, William Schmid, Jacob Goforth, Wayne Weaver and Aiden Collins (all rising juniors and seniors), worked together to make the short film happen in just a couple of

days.

The students won first place

The students won first place in the statelevel TSA competition in the Video On Demand category with a movie trailer they made titled "The Boy and his Key." The trailer focused on a young boy, equipped with only a book, backpack, key and his wits, who receives a treasure map in the mail and is tasked to find a gemstone somewhere

The plot of the short film that is still in production for the national competition focuses on the protagonist, Jimmie McGill, a boy who failed high school. Luckily, he meets a wizard who has the power to send him back in time to tell his past self to do better in school and change the future,

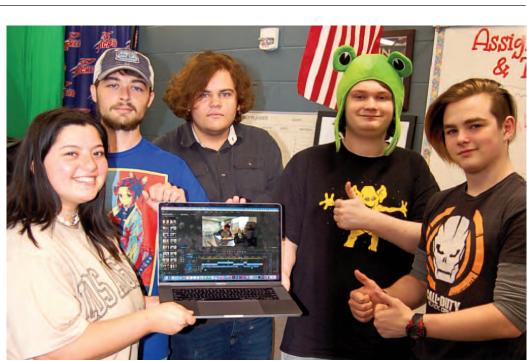
or else he will fail and be

forced to drop out. A montage ensues, and Jimmie's past self brings his Agame and changes the past with his hard work. When Jimmie returns to the present time, he receives his high school

Collins, Harden, Schmid and Weaver act in the film, while Goforth and Dreifuss do the photography, sound, directing and editing.

"The best part about the whole process was having my friends together and filming,' Weaver said. "Winning first place in the state TSA competition and competing in nationals is just the icing on the

> Weaver got into acting a See **FILM**, page 5A



Neshoba Central students show off their short film, "Jimmie's Time Quest," which they are submitting to the national Technology Student Association competition this month. Pictured, from left: Kathryn Dreifuss, Jacob Goforth, Aiden Collins, Wayne Weaver, and William Schmid. Not pictured is Ethan Harden.

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Donation to Fallen Veterans Monument

Steve Ponds presents a check in the amount of \$2,700 from Pearl River Outdoors to support the Fallen Veterans Monument in Dewitt DeWeese Park. The money was generated during Pearl River Outdoor's Memorial Day sale. This is the largest private donation received for the Fallen Veterans Monument. Receiving the check was Ray Crocker, Fallen

Veterans Monument committee chairman. Attending the event was, from left, Tim Gibbs, commander of American Legion Post 138, Tim Moore, Stanley Baxtram, commander of American Legion Post 238, Veteran Obidi Bester, David Vowell and Semeon DeWeese.

1 new arrest made in 'High Life'

By DUNCAN DENT duncan@neshobademocrat.com

Authorities have now brought in 36 of the 38 people targeted by a sweeping multiagency, year-and-a-half-long drug investigation in Neshoba County following an arrest in Flowood last Monday.

John Netherland, 55, 13070 Highway 488, Philadelphia, was arrested and charged with four felony counts of conspiracy to commit a crime. He has been denied bond and remains in the Neshoba County Detention Center.

Neshoba County Sheriff Eric Clark said that Netherland was pulled over by Flowood police on the evening of Monday, June 7 and realized he was wanted in Neshoba County.

Flowood Police then contacted Neshoba Conty and agreed to meet deputies in Leake County to hand over custody of Netherland that night.

Jail records show Nether-

land was brought into the jail just before midnight. Clark said that Netherland does not face any charges in Flowood.

The multi-agency investigation, dubbed Operation High Life, was led by Homeland Security Investigations New Orleans.

The two suspects who remain at large are Caleb Smith and Timothy Stewart.

More than 27 people were arrested on Friday, May 14. The arrests were led by the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics, the Neshoba County Sheriff's office, the Philadelphia Police Department, the Mississippi Attorney General's Office, the Drug Enforcement Administration, Neshoba County District Attorney and the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians as well as others following a multi-year investigation in collaboration with Homeland Security Investigations New Orleans.

"The arrest culminating Operation High Life is a definitive example of the coa-

lesced commitment among local, state and federal law enforcement to ensure public safety for all Mississippians," said Col. Steven A. Maxwell, director of the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics. "However, the seizure of fentanyl, methamphetamine, cocaine and marijuana is a clear indicator of how pervasive the drug culture is throughout our communities. These drugs were attributed to the loss of more than 500 Mississippians in 2020."

Clark said Operation High Life has taken more than \$5 million in illegal drugs off the streets of Neshoba County.

Previously, the ongoing investigation had resulted in 38 state and federal convictions and the seizure of 85 pounds of methamphetamine with a street value of \$3.5 million, 5 kilograms of cocaine worth about \$500,000, 270 pounds of marijuana worth \$1 million, 300 dosage units of fentanyl worth about \$6,000 and 16 firearms.

It is the result of ongoing Organized Crime Enforcement Task Force efforts statewide.

The investigation included Homeland Security Investigations of Jackson, the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics, Drug Enforcement Agency, Neshoba County District Attorney and the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians as well as others.

The investigation's most recent conviction occurred Wednesday, May 12 with the sentencing of Landon Marquale Dupree, 35, of Philadelphia, who was charged with and pleaded guilty in the Southern District of Mississippi to selling methamphetamine to an individual on July 15, 2019. Dupree was sentenced to serve 189 months in federal prison, followed by eight years of supervised release. He was also ordered to pay \$4,595 in restitution to the Mississippi Bureau of Nar-

Man arrested for car burglary at casino

By DUNCAN DENT duncan@neshobademocrat.com

A Maben man is being held in connection with meth and a car burglary reported at one of

the casinos Friday afternoon. Jerry Pittman, 37, 958 Mississippi 15, Maben, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance believed to be methamphetamine and

possession of parapher-

Neshoba County Sheriff Eric Clark said that Pittman is being held on \$15,600 in bond but is on hold as the investigation into the car burglary at the Golden Moon Casino continues.



Pittman

called to the Golden Moon for a complaint of a vehicle burglary. Deputies arrived to find Pittman detained by security. An initial interview

Neshoba County Sher-

iff's deputies were

with Pittman revealed that he possessed an excessive Clark said that on June 11 number of DeWalt battery tools,

power saws, grinders, drills and bags of assorted sockets and hand tools. A search of his vehicle revealed the suspected methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia.

Clark said that anyone with information on potential crimes is encouraged to please call Crime Stoppers at 855-485-

Off-duty nurse saves life after wreck

By STAFF REPORTS news@neshobademocrat.com

An off-duty nurse saved a man's life following a one-vehicle rollover accident on the northeastern edge of the county last week, Neshoba County Sheriff Eric Clark said.

The one-vehicle accident in the North Bend community on County Road 781 on Wednesday, June 9 sent one victim to a Jackson hospital via helicopter.

Clark said he believes the man was airlifted to Jackson where he remained as of Monday morning. The wreck occurred on the

evening of June 9 just north of the intersection with Road 2826 and south of the intersection with Road 852 where the vehicle left the roadway and rolled

over and he driver was ejected, Clark said.

That they are not releasing the victim's name, Clark said Monday.

The North Bend Volunteer Fire Department and EMS were dispatched and Clark said his deputies were impressed by the quick response that far out in the county.

He said that deputies who

worked the scene told him that the volunteers and EMS "worked like a well-oiled machine" and "don't get paid enough to do what they do.

Clark attributed the victim's survival to a nurse who was on scene shortly after the wreck occurred who was able to tend to the victim until EMS and fire personnel arrived.













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Clemons will challenge 2-vote loss to Waltman

By STEVE SWOGETINSKY steve@neshobademocrat.com

Incumbent Democrat Alderman-at-Large Leroy Clemons will challenge his two-vote loss to Republican James Carson Waltman, he reaffirmed this week.

Waltman had 670 votes to Clemons' 668, after election officials tallied absentee and affidavit ballots last week in complete but uncertified results from last Tuesday's election.

"If I had lost by a greater margin, I wouldn't have said anything," Clemons said. "But when losing by just two votes, I think I need to explore some things. We tossed out 17 affidavit ballots and I want to challenge how some of that was done. I think they were done wrong and the process was flawed."

Waltman declined to comment on the election until after the results are certified.

Officials have until this Friday, June 18 to certify the election results.

Clemons said he believes people were being told by poll workers to vote in the wrong

"Before the election, I got a copy of the voter roll from City Hall," Clemons said. "If people called and asked where they were supposed to vote, we would look their names up and tell them where to go.'

Clemons said when the voters in question showed up at the polls, the poll workers were unable to find their names at that precinct, and would send them to another. When their names were not on the roll at the other precinct, they would vote on an affidavit ballot. He said he was in contact at the time with several of those voters by phone.

Clemons said there were 24 affidavit ballots total, including 14 in Ward 4. He said 13 of the 14 were thrown out and most because they voted at the ballots. wrong precinct.

"When we got up there Wednesday, they were in the precinct we initially sent them to," Clemons said.

Philadelphia Municipal **Election Commissioner Harold** Richardson was present last Wednesday, June 9 to count affidavit ballots. The other two municipal election commissioners, Janice Payne and Eva Tisdale, however, did not show up for the Wednesday county.

"Mrs. Payne called me and said she had a doctors appointment," Richardson said. "She couldn't make it, and I never heard anything out of Mrs. Tis-

Clemons questioned the affidavit counting process.

"He was the only one there of the election commission, Clemons said. "He was the only one that was there Wednesday. He made all of the decisions as far as what votes were rejected and which votes were accepted."

Last Tuesday night's wardby-ward totals for the Alderman-at-Large position, including absenttee ballots, showed, the total at 662 for Clemons and 667 for Waltman. Those ward-by-ward totals were never updated with last Wednesday morning's count.

During last Wednesday's affidavit vote count, Clemons said he was never told how many affidavits were included or how many were rejected.

Richardson said he was assisted by members of the Neshoba County Election Commission and Circuit Clerk employees.

"I asked them to help me because I had to count those affidavit ballots and you have to have a county election commission or a circuit clerk computer to do it," Richardson said adding the computer system is needed to verify the affidavit

"We looked those things up and they told me what the problem was and I told them whether to count it or not to count it. All they did was look them up."

After the final affidavits were counted, Clemons said Richardson told him nine were accepted and six of them went to Clemons and three went to Waltman making the total Clemons 668 to Waltman's

Once the affidavits ballots were counted, the updated ward totals were not made public. Materials were placed in a sealed envelope and locked until the commission reconvenes to certify the results which must be done by the end of the day Friday.

Richardson said he could not remember how many affidavits were submitted, accepted or rejected but deffered to Clemons' recollection.

"I'm sure he (Clemons) is probably right because he was more interested in the total than I was," Richardson said. "I was trying to get them counted. He is probably right. I don't know what the total was.'

Clemons said he does not believe the process was transparent.

"They were not very cooperative on Wednesday when we did the affidavits as far as them being open about letting me see what was going on," Clemons said. "We don't know. At this point, it looks like it is headed for a court battle.

Clemons said he plans to complete paperwork to contest the election within 10 days.

"I'm not being a sore loser but I think the way they went about that was wrong," Clemons said. "I told Mr. Waltman I had no problems with him. There are things in the process that need to be addressed."

| At-Large | Clemons (D) | Waltman (R) |
|----------|-------------|-------------|
| Ward 1 | 68 | 233 |
| Ward 2 | 78 | 293 |
| Ward 3 | 133 | 100 |
| Ward 4 | 383 | 41 |
| Total* | 662 | 667 |

*Ward totals do not match the vote totals because officials have not released affidavit totals.

Mayor

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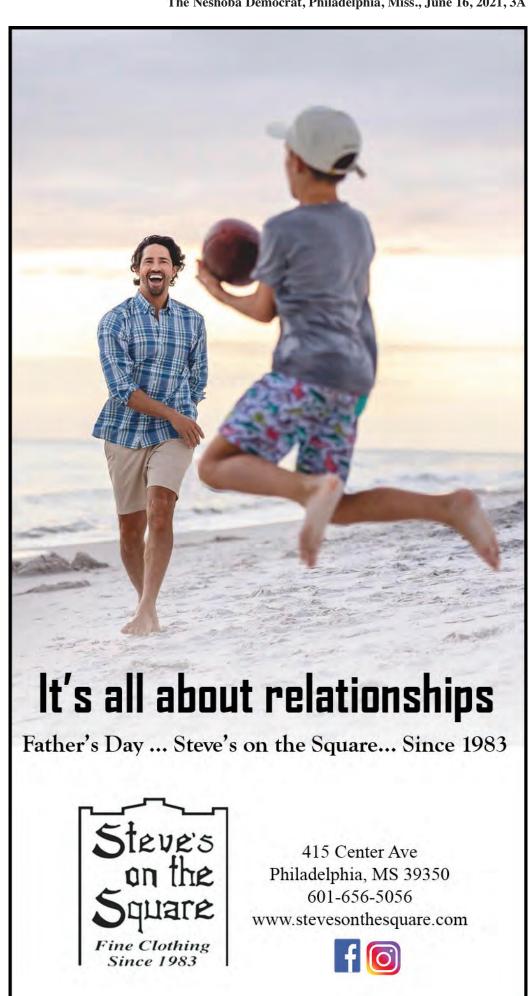
ture are signs of progress.

"Road work is an inconvenience but it is a sign that the city of Philadelphia is a busy alive

city," he said.
"The traffic is tremendous and that is a plus for our businesses and a plus for our community where people are coming in to shop and visit. My vision is to keep on working on

working with the utilities. water, sewer, getting the streets improved and upgraded. This is laying the ground work for new businesses that want to come while taking care of the ones that are here."







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EDITORIALS

Facebook censors truth

Unalloyed fact is hard to come by, and only individuals with an overabundance of self-regard apply for the job of minister of truth. Facebook's Mark Zuckerberg and immunology's Anthony Fauci recklessly assumed the role when they teamed up to craft the official word about the COVID-19 pandemic. Their coronavirus collusion serves as a warning to beware of those so assured of their own rectitude that they would silence opposing views.

Americans are currently learning how the powerful duo worked together to establish a narrative on Facebook that shaped perception of the pandemic. Through Freedom of Information Act fillings, Buzzfeed obtained email communications between the two that detailed their plans to dispense government-approved information, aka propaganda.

"This isn't public yet," wrote Mr. Zuckerberg in March 2020, "but we're building a Coronavirus Information Hub that we're going to put at the top of Facebook for everyone (200+ million Americans, 2.5 billion people worldwide) with two goals ." He described these goals as the dispensing of "authoritative information" and the encouraging of the practice of "social distance."

Dr. Fauci, head of the U.S. National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, readily agreed: "Your idea and proposal sound terrific. I would be happy to do a video for your hub." Innocuous in tone, their collaboration became collusion when Facebook distributed Fauciapproved disease doctrine worldwide, and quietly mustered an army of fact-checkers to squelch dissent.

Conflicting instructions about maskwearing and social-distancing caused

bewilderment, but a deeper mystery confounded the public: how the virus came to be. The Washington Times' national security reporter Bill Gertz related recently in these pages how Facebook made his wellresearched January 2020 report on links between the Wuhan Institute of Virology, the suspected source of the coronavirus' origin, and the Chinese military simply vanish from the Internet. Why? Because a "fact check" by USA Today labeled it "false information."

Facebook had whipped up a catalog of supposed "false claims" worthy of censorship. Topping the list: "COVID-19 is man-made or manufactured." As the White House's top adviser on disease, Dr. Fauci asserted early and often that the deadly coronavirus was almost certainly a natural occurrence. Thus, the idea that the virus must have seeped out of a wet market became media orthodoxy.

Americans have discovered recently that U.S. taxpayer funds flowed through intermediaries to the Wuhan lab, which has conducted "gain of function" experiments to render coronaviruses more virulent. Surprise — three lab employees developed COVID-like symptoms shortly before the pandemic exploded. Now that the most likely source of the virus that has killed nearly 4 million worldwide is the Wuhan facility, the "authoritative information" peddled by Dr. Fauci and Mr. Zuckerberg appears false.

Facebook has recently lifted its ban on claims that the virus was man-made, but only because information it tried to suppress broke into public view. The Zuckerbergs and Faucis of the world must not be allowed to censor the search for truth.

— The Washington Times

PATRICK J. BUCHANAN

Biden-Putin summit hype

History repeats itself, first as tragedy, then as farce.

Karl Marx's comment came to mind as President Joe Biden and Prime Minister Boris Johnson sought to equate their tetea-tete at the G7 confab in Cornwall, England, to the Atlantic Charter conference of 80 years

Those were historic days, to which these days cannot com-

In August 1941, Prime Minister Winston Churchill and President Franklin D. Roosevelt met secretly on warships off Newfoundland to confer and commit to a set of principles that were to govern the world after the defeat of a then-triumphant Nazism.

Aboard HMS Prince of Wales, the battleship that brought Churchill across the Atlantic, Americans and British sang together, defiantly and movingly, an old and venerable hymn.

"Onward, Christian Soldiers!

Marching as to War, With the Cross of Jesus,

Going on Before." Four months later, hours after the attack on Pearl Harbor, Prince of Wales would be sunk by Japanese fighter-bombers along with its sister ship, the battlecruiser Repulse, in the

South China Sea. When Churchill arrived in Placentia Bay off the Canadian coast, the Battle of Britain had been won, Adolf Hitler had turned on his former ally Joseph Stalin, and German armies were advancing from victory to victory in the USSR.

The danger then was that the Nazis might win the war.

And what did Biden, landing at Royal Air Force Base Mildenhall, identify for the U.S. troops there as the "existential threat" facing today's world?

Said Biden: "When I first was elected vice president with President Obama, the military sat us down to let us know what the greatest threats facing America were — the greatest physical threats. ... You know what the Joint Chiefs told us the greatest threat facing America was? Global warming.'

"This is not a joke," Biden sured the troops.

From the signals Putin has been sending, he intends to disagree firmly with Biden.

Chairman of the Joint Chiefs Army Gen. Mark Milley told Congress the following day that, over at the Pentagon, they had a somewhat different ranking of threat assessments.

Said Milley: "Climate change does impact, but the president is looking at a much broader angle than I am ... from a strictly military standpoint, I'm putting China, Russia up there.

Kicking off the first day's discussion of the seven leaders from the U.S., U.K., Canada, France, Germany, Italy and Japan, Johnson laid out his vision for the post-COVID-19 world.

Building on Biden's theme to "build back better," Johnson said that we should ensure that 'we're building back better together. And building back greener. And building back fairer. And building back more equal ... perhaps in a more feminine way.'

Johnson knows his media audience.

In the 12,400-word closing communique, the G7 accused Russia of threatening Ukraine while China was guilty of human rights abuses in Xinjiang and Hong Kong. The anti-China commentary was said to have been inserted at the request of President Biden.

But no concrete action was agreed upon in the communique that would unduly upset either Chinese President Xi Jinping or Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Indeed, the Chinese embassy in London dismissed the whole G7 exercise, with Reuters quoting a spokesman as saying, "The days when global decisions were dictated by a small group of countries are long gone.

That Chinese diplomat came as close to describing the reality at the Cornwall confab as anyone present.

For the G7 meeting — of the heads of government of seven

economies - and the gatherings this week of NATO and the European Union in Brussels appear designed more to send messages than to portend action.

What are those messages?

"America is back!" The prodigal son has come home. The bad old days of The Donald are over. We are united again and agreed we must stand together and raise our differences behind closed doors, not raucously in open forums.

And the struggle for the future lies in competition, not conflict, between autocrats and democrats, to determine which system works better for its peo-

To show solidarity, the G7 agreed to contribute 1 billion COVID-19 vaccine shots to poor and needy nations by the end of 2022. Half will come from the USA.

And what are the geopolitical realities largely left unaddressed?

Russia continues to hold Alexei Navalny in prison, to stand behind the dictator Alexi Lukashenko in Belarus and to support the pro-Russian rebel resistance in the Donbas.

China is not surrendering any of the reefs it claims in the South China Sea. Beijing continues to squeeze the political life out of Hong Kong, and its persecution persists in Xinjiang. And the Chinese military exercises in the Taiwanese waters and air space will continue and grow more aggressive.

meeting Wednesday's between Biden and Putin is the event toward which these preliminary meetings — the G7, NATO and EU gatherings have been pointing.

And from the signals Putin has been sending, he intends to disagree firmly and frankly with Biden, who has called him a "killer."

Following the Putin summit, Biden will hold his own separate press conference, by himself. What, one wonders, are the Americans afraid of?

Patrick J. Buchanan is the author of "Nixon's White House Wars: The Battles That Made and Broke a President and Divided America Forever.

FLASHBACKS

JUNE 20, 1941

William B. Hooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. L.B. Hooper of Philadelphia, graduated from the Missouri Aviation Institution in Kansas City, Missouri. He had the highest honors out of a class of 35. He is stationed in Tucson, Arizona.

JUNE 14, 1951

The Bond Community was host to the Philadelphia Rotary Club at a recent chicken supper, with the ladies of the community preparing the sumptuous meal. A program of music was given, followed by "What Rotary Means to Me " by Bill Myers and "Forty Years in Neshoba County " by Wilbur Cole. The rural-urban meeting was presented by the Club Service Committee, of which Vernon Gamblin is the chairman.

JUNE 15, 1961

Cpl. Sidney E. Hamilton is stationed at Tyndall Air Force Base, Florida. Formerly a member of the 9992 VART in Philadelphia, the young man entered active service. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Hamilton of Philadelphia.

Three Neshoba County lads entered the state final Marble Tournament which was held in Canton, after being winners in the county tournament. The boys were sponsored by the local organization of Veterans of Foregin Wars. The boys are; Bob Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Royce Baker; Winfred Dennis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Dennis; and Madison Spears, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Madison Spears.

JUNE 18, 1971

Karen Mitchell, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Yates, Philadelphia, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Mitchell of Jackson, has graduated recently with honors from Callaway High School. Mrs. Mitchell was one of the top ten scholars in her graduating class and received distinction for other achievements. Miss Mitchell will attend the University of Medical School of Nursing in the fall. Her mother is the former Kathleen Yates of Philadelphia.

JUNE 11, 1981

Buddy Davis, and Jimmy Hudson, both of Quitman, captured the championship flight at the sixth annual Philadelphia Country Club Four-Ball Tournament. There were 116 golfers from over the South participating in the two day tournament.

JUNE 12, 1991

Toni Adams of Philadelphia was the recipient of the Herbert Valentine Scholarship given recently during awards day ceremonies at Clarke College. This scholarship was established by Mrs. Kelton Valentine in memory of her husband, Herbert Valentine, who served Clarke College as business manager for 15 years before his death in 1981.

JUNE 13, 2001 Johnny Ray Cook Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Ray Cook, Sr., graduated from East Central Community College with honors. He was on the Dean's List, member of Phi Theta Kappa, Who's Who Among American Junior College students for two years. He was also an All American Scholar and recipient for the Adler Scholarship to Ole Miss where he will be attending school this fall.

JUNE 15, 2011

The ribbon was cut which officially opened the new handicap accessible playground inside Northside Park. Seesaws, stock cars, and a rockscape arch climber are among components in the new playground which is right next to Imagination Fun Station. The project was funded by a \$65,000 grant from the Pearl River Basin and Development District and a \$30,000 grant from the state Department of Rehabilitation Services. The balance was raised through donations.

Ashley Savell received the award for the largest fish in the 10-13 year old division at the Take a Kid Fishing Day event held at Neshoba Lake recently. Her fish weighed 3 pounds, 11 ounces. Presenting her award is Sherry Hazel-

RICH LOWRY

Not a cent more for defense

Joe Biden isn't known for his austerity, except when it

comes to the nation's defense. As part of his welcome emphasis on competition with China, the president cajoled reluctant European countries at the G-7 summit into releasing a statement critical of China, on top of the announcement of an infrastructure program meant to counter China's Belt and Road Initiative.

That's all fine as far as it goes, but a glaring omission from Biden's campaign is a defense budget that reflects the growing challenge from Beijing.

Indeed, Biden justifies almost any increased domestic spending as designed to check China's ambitions, at the same time he neglects what is most needful to keep China from dominating its region and waging war on our allies or perhaps the U.S. itself.

If we can deter China from taking Taiwan with subsidies for electric cars, Biden is inarguably the Churchill of his

If we can counter China's defense buildup with more funding for affordable housing, Biden deserves to take his place beside Alfred Thayer Mahan or George Kennan as great strategic thinkers.

Otherwise, his approach is lacking, and disturbingly so.

Biden's infrastructure plan, a sprawling proposal that would spend \$2.3 trillion on everything from roads and bridges to affordable housing and elder care, is about the 'global competition with China," the president insists.

By Biden's way of think-

Trillions for domestic spending, not a cent more for defense.

ing, whatever progressives have wanted to do for years is suddenly a priority in the new Cold War. The left-wing "explainer" website Vox now claims, "Improving domestic infrastructure and investing in new and emerging technologies, especially clean energy technology, is the best way the U.S. can challenge China for supremacy on the world stage." The publication quoted a Democratic congressional aide, "The best way to enact a progressive agenda is to use China [as a] threat.

There are indeed areas of advanced technology that we need to invest in, especially semi-conductors and artificial intelligence (a \$250 billion Senate bill passed last week is an imperfect step in this direction), but it's not true that we can simply windmill our way to victory over China. Although you might miss it

listening to Biden, there are threats from China that don't involve infrastructure spending or clean energy initiatives. China has been growing its

more than 6% a year. It has now surpassed the U.S. and technically has the largest navy in the world.

annual defense spending by

It is on pace to double its nuclear weapons over the next decade.

It has flown hundreds of sorties near Taiwan this year, and a top U.S. admiral warns that it could invade in the next six years.

Given all that, one might expect the openhanded Biden to invest substantially in a stronger, more advanced U.S. military, but his profligacy doesn't extend so far. He increased defense budget spending by about 2%, which won't even keep up with infla-

This doesn't come close to what we realistically need. Chairman of the Joint Chiefs Mark Milley said at a U.S. Naval Institute event late last year, "We're going to have to have a much larger fleet than we have today, if we're serious about great power competition and deterring great power war." He called for a 3-5% increase in the budget every year but didn't think that was plausible because of fiscal constraints (little did he know, the \$6 trillion blowout to come in every other area of the budget).

We should be spending more on defense, and spending differently. With an eye to deterring conflict with China, we need to recalibrate in a serious way to focus on advanced technologies and weapons systems for the Navy and Air Force, and in space. Hypersonics, directed energy, and control of the electromagnetic spectrum should be particular priorities.

Biden has no excuse for not pursuing this. It's not as though he can say we can't afford it.

Rich Lowry is editor of National Review, a leading conservative magazine founded by William F. Buckley.

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BIBLE SELECTION

But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,

- Philippians 3:20 (ESV)

What is Critical Race Theory and how to respond

To explain Critical Race Theory, it helps to begin with a brief history of Marxism

Critical race theory is fast becoming America's new institutional orthodoxy. Yet most Americans have never heard of it—and of those who have, many don't understand it. This must change. We need to know what it is so we can know how to fight it.

To explain critical race theory, it helps to begin with a brief history of Marxism. Originally, the Marxist Left built its political program on the theory of class conflict. Karl Marx believed that the primary characteristic of industrial societies was the imbalance of power between capitalists and workers. The solution to that imbalance, according to Marx, was revolution: the workers would eventually gain consciousness of their plight, seize the means of production, overthrow the capitalist class, and usher in a new socialist soci-

During the twentieth century, a number of regimes underwent Marxist-style revolutions, and each ended in disaster. Socialist governments in the Soviet Union, China, Cambodia, Cuba, and elsewhere racked up a body count of nearly 100 million people. They are remembered for gulags, show trials, executions, and mass starvations. In practice, Marx's ideas unleashed man's darkest brutalities.

By the mid-1960s, Marxist intellectuals in the West had begun to acknowledge these failures. They recoiled at revelations of Soviet atrocities and came to realize that workers' revolutions would never occur in Western Europe or the United States, which had large middle classes and rapidly improving standards of living. Americans in particular had never developed a sense of class consciousness or class division. Most Americans believed in the American dream—the idea that they could transcend their origins through education, hard work, and good citizen-

But rather than abandon their political project, Marxist scholars in the West simply adapted their revolutionary theory to the social and racial unrest of the 1960s. Abandoning Marx's economic dialectic of capitalists and workers, they substituted race for class and sought to create a revolutionary coalition of the dispossessed based on racial and ethnic categories.

Fortunately, the early proponents of this revolutionary coalition in the U.S. lost out in the 1960s to the civil rights movement, which sought instead the fulfillment of the American promise of freedom and equality under the law. Americans preferred the idea of improving their country to that of overthrowing it. Martin Luther King Jr.'s vision, President Lyndon Johnson's pursuit of the Great Society, and the restoration of law and order promised by President Richard Nixon in his 1968 campaign defined the post-1960s American political consensus.

But the radical Left has proved resilient and enduring—which is where critical race theory comes in.

Critical race theory is an academic discipline, formulated in the 1990s and built on the intellectual framework of identity-based Marxism. Relegated for many years to universities and obscure academic journals, it has increasingly become the default ideology in our public institutions over the past decade. It has been injected into government agencies, public school systems, teacher training programs, and corporate human-resources departments, in

the form of diversity-training programs, human-resources modules, public-policy frameworks, and school curricula.

Its supporters deploy a series of euphemisms to describe critical race theory, including "equity," "social justice," "diversity and inclusion," and "culturally responsive teaching." Critical race theorists, masters of language construction, realize that "neo-Marxism" would be a hard sell. Equity, on the other hand, sounds non-threatening and is easily confused with the American principle of equality. But the distinction is vast and important. Indeed, critical race theorists explicitly reject equality—the principle proclaimed in the Declaration of Independence, defended in the Civil War, and codified into law with the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Voting Rights Act of 1965. To them, equality represents "mere nondiscrimination" and provides "camouflage" for white supremacy, patriarchy, and oppression.

In contrast to equality, equity as defined and promoted by critical race theorists is little more than reformulated Marxism. In the name of equity, UCLA law professor and critical race theorist Cheryl Harris has proposed suspending private property rights, seizing land and wealth, and redistributing them along racial lines. Critical race guru Ibram X. Kendi, who directs the Center for Antiracist Research at Boston University, has proposed the creation of a federal Department of Antiracism. This department would be independent of (i.e., unaccountable to) the elected branches of government, and would have the power to nullify, veto, or abolish any law at any level of government and curtail the speech of political leaders and deemed insufficiently

One practical result of the creation of such a department would be the over-throw of capitalism, since, according to Kendi, "In order to truly be antiracist, you also have to truly be anti-capitalist." In other words, identity is the means; Marxism is the end.

An equity-based form of government would mean the end not only of private property but also of individual rights, equality under the law, federalism, and freedom of speech. These would be replaced by race-based redistribution of wealth, group-based rights, active discrimination, and omnipotent bureaucratic authority. Historically, the accusation of "anti-Americanism" has been overused. But in this case, it's not a matter of interpretation: critical race theory prescribes a revolutionary program that would overturn the principles of the Declaration and destroy the remaining structure of the Constitution.

What does critical race theory look like in practice? Last year, I authored a series of reports focused on critical race theory in the federal government. The FBI was holding workshops on intersectionality theory. The Department of Homeland Security was telling white employees that they were committing "microinequities" and had been "socialized into oppressor roles." The Treasury Department held a training session telling staff members that "virtually all white people contribute to racism" and that they must convert "everyone in the federal government" to the ideology of "antiracism." And the Sandia National Laboratories, which designs America's nuclear arsenal, sent white male executives to a three-day reeducation camp,

where they were told that "white male culture" was analogous to the "KKK," "white supremacists," and "mass killings." The executives were then forced to renounce their "white male privilege" and to write letters of apology to fictitious women and people of color.

This year, I produced another series of reports focused on critical race theory in education. In Cupertino, California, an elementary school forced firstgraders to deconstruct their racial and sexual identities and rank themselves according to their "power and privilege." In Springfield, Missouri, a middle school forced teachers to locate themselves on an "oppression matrix," based on the idea that straight, white, English-speaking, Christian males are members of the oppressor class and must atone for their privilege and "covert white supremacy." In Philadelphia, an elementary school forced fifthgraders to celebrate "Black communism" and simulate a Black Power rally to free 1960s radical Angela Davis from prison, where she had once been held on charges of murder. And in Seattle, the school district told white teachers that they are guilty of "spirit murder" against black children and must "bankrupt [their] privilege in acknowledge-

ment of [their] thieved inheritance."

I'm just one investigative journalist, but I've developed a database of more than 1,000 of these stories. When I say that critical race theory is becoming the operating ideology of our public institutions, I am not exaggerating—from the universities to bureaucracies to K-12 school systems, critical race theory has permeated the collective intelligence and decision-making process of American government, with no sign of slowing down.

This is a revolutionary change. When originally established, these government institutions were presented as neutral, technocratic, and oriented toward broadly held perceptions of the public good. Today, under the increasing sway of critical race theory and related ideologies, they are being turned against the American people. This isn't limited to the permanent bureaucracy in Washington, D.C., but is true as well of institutions in the states-even red states. It is spreading to county public health departments, small midwestern school districts, and more. This ideology will not stop until it has devoured all of our institutions.

So far, attempts to halt the encroachment of critical race theory have been ineffective. There are a number of reasons for this.

First, too many Americans have developed an acute fear of speaking up about social and political issues, especially those involving race. According to a recent Gallup poll, 77 percent of conservatives are afraid to share their political beliefs publicly. Worried about getting mobbed on social media, fired from their jobs, or worse, they remain quiet, largely ceding the public debate to those pushing these anti-American ideologies. Consequently, the institutions themselves become monocultures: dogmatic, suspicious, and hostile to a diversity of opinion. Conservatives in both the federal government and public school systems have told me that their "equity and inclusion" departments serve as political offices, searching for and stamping out any dissent from the official orthodoxy.

Second, critical race theorists have

constructed their argument like a mousetrap. Disagreement with their program becomes irrefutable evidence of a dissenter's "white fragility," "unconscious bias," or "internalized white supremacy." I've seen this projection of false consciousness on their opponents play out dozens of times in my reporting. Diversity trainers will make an outrageous claim-such as "all whites are intrinsically oppressors" or "white teachers are guilty of spirit murdering black children"-and then, when confronted with disagreement, adopt a patronizing tone and explain that participants who feel "defensiveness" or "anger" are reacting out of guilt and shame. Dissenters are instructed to remain silent, "lean into the discomfort," and accept their "complicity in white supremacy.'

Third, Americans across the political spectrum have failed to separate the premise of critical race theory from its conclusion. Its premise—that American history includes slavery and other injustices, and that we should examine and learn from that history—is undeniable. But its revolutionary conclusion—that America was founded on and defined by racism and that our founding principles, our Constitution, and our way of life should be overthrown—does not rightly, much less necessarily, follow.

Fourth and finally, the writers and activists who have had the courage to speak out against critical race theory have tended to address it on the theoretical level, pointing out the theory's logical contradictions and dishonest account of history. These criticisms are worthy and good, but they move the debate into the academic realm—friendly terrain for proponents of critical race theory. They fail to force defenders of this revolutionary ideology to defend the practical consequences of their ideas in the realm of politics.

No longer simply an academic matter, critical race theory has become a tool of political power. To borrow a phrase from the Marxist theoretician Antonio Gramsci, it is fast achieving cultural hegemony in America's public institutions. It is driving the vast machinery of the state and society. If we want to succeed in opposing it, we must address it politically at every level.

Critical race theorists must be confronted with and forced to speak to the facts. Do they support public schools separating first-graders into groups of "oppressors" and "oppressed"? Do they support mandatory curricula teaching that "all white people play a part in perpetuating systemic racism"? Do they support public schools instructing white parents to become "white traitors" and advocate for "white abolition"? Do they want those who work in government to be required to undergo this kind of reeducation? How about managers and workers in corporate America? How about the men and women in our military? How about every one of us?

There are three parts to a successful strategy to defeat the forces of critical race theory: governmental action, grassroots mobilization, and an appeal to principle

We already see examples of governmental action. Last year, one of my reports led President Trump to issue an executive order banning critical race theory–based training programs in the federal government. President Biden rescinded this order on his first day in office, but it provides a model for governors and municipal leaders to follow.

This year, several state legislatures have introduced bills to achieve the same goal: preventing public institutions from conducting programs that stereotype, scapegoat, or demean people on the basis of race. And I have organized a coalition of attorneys to file lawsuits against schools and government agencies that impose critical race theorybased programs on grounds of the First Amendment (which protects citizens from compelled speech), the Fourteenth Amendment (which provides equal protection under the law), and the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (which prohibits public institutions from discriminating on the basis of race).

On the grassroots level, a multiracial and bipartisan coalition is emerging to fight critical race theory. Parents are mobilizing against racially divisive curricula in public schools and employees are increasingly speaking out against Orwellian reeducation in the workplace. When they see what is happening, Americans are naturally outraged that critical race theory promotes three ideas-race essentialism, collective guilt, and neo-segregation—that violate the basic principles of equality and justice. Anecdotally, many Chinese-Americans have told me that, having survived the Cultural Revolution in their former country, they refuse to let the same thing happen here.

In terms of principles, we need to employ our own moral language rather than allow ourselves to be confined by the categories of critical race theory. For example, we often find ourselves debating "diversity." Diversity as most of us understand it is generally good, all things being equal, but it is of secondary value. We should be talking about and aiming at excellence, a common standard that challenges people of all backgrounds to achieve their potential. On the scale of desirable ends, excellence beats diversity every time.

Similarly, in addition to pointing out the dishonesty of the historical narrative on which critical race theory is predicated, we must promote the true story of America—a story that is honest about injustices in American history, but that places them in the context of our nation's high ideals and the progress we have made toward realizing them. Genuine American history is rich with stories of achievements and sacrifices that will move the hearts of Americans, in stark contrast to the grim and pessimistic narrative pressed by critical race theorists.

Above all, we must have courage, the fundamental virtue required in our time: courage to stand and speak the truth, courage to withstand epithets, courage to face the mob, and courage to shrug off the scorn of elites. When enough of us overcome the fear that currently prevents so many from speaking out, the hold of critical race theory will begin to slip. And courage begets courage. It's easy to stop a lone dissenter; it's much harder to stop 10, 20, 100, 1,000, 1 million, or more who stand up together for the principles of America. Truth and justice are on our side. If we can muster the courage, we will win.

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Film

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few years ago because he enjoys entertaining people and hopes to go into the entertainment industry in the future. He plans to attend Millsaps College and major in English.

Dreifuss, who plans oto attend Savannah College of Art and Design in Georgia, said winning the state competition was unexpected and she is excited to take part in the national competition. "I'm glad our hard work

paid off," Dreifuss said. "I didn't think we were going to win, and I was so excited to find out we did. The project was also a

great bonding experience."

Dreifuss said she started working on making different kinds of videos in seventh grade and still makes videos now, mainly for the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians. She has also made videos for Neshoba Central and hopes to be a movie director in the future.

Harden, who is not yet sure where he will attend college, said working on the project is fun, and he got to socialize more with his friends and see how talented they all could be when working in a group.

"Winning first place was a bit surprising, but I humbly accepted it and enjoyed it," Harden said. "It was a fun experience, and I wouldn't go back to change a single thing about it."

Schmid said he enjoyed

participating in the film and encouraged students to join TSA in the coming years. "Getting into it and investing your time in TSA benefits

you and helps you hone your

Schmid said.

skills,"

enjoyed this project, and I hope we win at nationals."

Schmid has been interested in photography and film work since he was younger, and he hopes to pursue a career in that field. He also plans on attending Savannah College of Art

and Design in Georgia.

Collins plans to attend East
Central Community College
and is thinking about majoring
in digital media and design.

"I've been interested in entertaining people, especially through videos, similar to Wayne's interest in entertainment," Collins said. "This film was right up my alley, and I'm confident we will win nation-

Goforth said he has always been into camera work, writing, filming and audio mixing, which inspired him to join the film project. He hopes to attend Ole Miss and major in writing.

"I'm glad my teacher, Sedera Anderson, got us to do this because it was overall a great experience," Goforth said.

The Technology Student Association is a national organization of students engaged in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) education.

TSA competitions include categories such as animatronics, architectural design, cybersecurity, fashion design, and technology. It spans nationwide, with high schools from throughout the nation competing to see who can create the best project out of each category. The national competition begins on June 24.

Anderson, TSA Teacher of the Year and the engineering and robotics instructor at Neshoba Central, said she is proud of the students for putting together the film so quickly. She said the on-demand video category is one of her favorite categories in the com-

petition, and she is thankful that Neshoba Central has the proper resources to take part in that category.

"This competition pushes students to think fast and get something pushed out in a timely manner," Anderson said. "It's exciting to see them be that creative so quick. I hope they do great in nationals since the national competition is at an entirely different level. It will be a challenge, but the talent is there, and I'm confident they'll do well."

To learn more about the Technology Student Association competition, visit www.tsaweb.org.

Bible

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Department in 2009. He became a captian in 2019. The Old Testament books of Proverbs and Job were especially meaningful to Walker early on in his strug-

Walker said he had nothing 16 years ago and that Jesus brought him from sleeping outside without food and needing help to blessing him with a home, full stomach and a career where he can help others.

"We've got a lot to do and accomplish with the life God gave me and gave everyone on Earth," he said. "I went from needing help to helping the community and spreading the word of God. God bless you all."

Marco Patrick, who has been a firefighter with the Philadelphia Fire Department's Station 3 for a year, said it has been a blessing working under Walker.

"Capt. Walker is a great leader and makes good deci-

sions on calls. I've never worked with a captain quite like him before," Patrick said. "Every time we get back to the station from a call, he'll give his best critiques and try to inspire us to do better each time."

Patrick said his favorite part of working for the fire department is working directly with Walker and other firefighters.

"We always uplift each other," Patrick said. "If one of us isn't feeling well, we encourage each other so we can always have a better and engaging shift. Capt. Walker is very humble, and I look at him differently every time I read his testimony and story. It's very humbling, and I think it inspires a lot of people."

Likewise, Walker said he is grateful to other people who have helped him along the way, including Bobby Goodin who is a coach at Neshoba Central High School.

Chance Smart, who has been at Station 3 four years, said he and Walker have been friends for a long time and that Walker is an excellent leader "Capt. Walker does things the way they're supposed to be done, and he does them right," Smart said. "He's such a good person to lead you morally and career-wise. His story is humbling and working with him and Marco is my favorite part of working for the fire department."

Walker wrote about his conversion on Facebook a few weeks ago.

"Please don't doubt God," he said. "Look at what HE has done for me!! Me and God ain't stopping here!! We got a lot to do and accomplish with the life he gave me... God bless you all..." Walker has two children, a

son, Nicholas Alexander Walker II, and a daughter, Layla Gabriel Walker. He is engaged to Letisha Tunice Ester and said he will continue his work at the fire department and share his testimony. He said he continues to thank God every day.

OBITUARIES

Leon Myers

Funeral services for Leon Myers were held Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. from

June 9, 2021 a
First Pentecostal Church,
Philadelphia,
MS with
Brother Tim
Vowell officiating. Interment was at
New Harmony Cemetery.
Mr. Myers,

age 91, died



Leon Myers

June 6, 2021.

He was an active member of First United Pentecostal Church. A lifelong resident of Neshoba County, he served in law enforcement as constable for 8 years. He is well known for his mechanic work at Myers Auto Repair.

Mr. Myers is survived by wife of 73 years, Mary (Maggie) Myers; daughters, Dianne Taylor, Debbie Price; son, Larry Myers;

grandchildren;17great-grand-



MRS. TENALYEA JEANNETTE RUSSELL 2 PM WED., JUNE 9, 2021 GRAVESIDE CONEHATTA COMMUNITY CEM.

MR. MARCUS LANDON WILLIS 10 AM FRI., JUNE 11, 2021 GRAVESIDE HOPE INDIAN BAPTIST CEMETERY

INFANT AMOS KIT CHESNUT INFANT SON OF ZACH & MEGHAN CHESNUT 10 AM SAT., JUNE 12, 2021 GRAVESIDE OCOBLA CEMETERY

RONNIE BLAKE FULTON INFANT SON OF SUMMER CUMBERLAND 1 PM SAT., JUNE 12, 2021 GRAVESIDE EAST LAWN CEMETERY

MS. BETTY JOYCE NEESE 3 PM SAT., JUNE 12 2021 FIRST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH LINWOOD CEMETERY

MS. KATHY LYNN ROBERTSON I PM SUN., JUNE 13, 2021 MEMORIAL SERVICE BOND BAPTIST CHURCH

MR. THADDEUS CHIP HICKMAN SR. 10 AM TUES., JUNE 15, 2021 GRAVESIDE

ISLEEP CEMETERY

MR. JOHNNY RAY LEWIS 10 AM WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2021 GRAVESIDE NEW CANAAN CEMETERY

MR. JEFF TRAPP 2 PM WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2021 JOHN E. STEPHENS CHAPEL EAST LAWN CEMETERY

MR. TERRY DIXON 10 AM THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 2021 GRAVSIDE OLD MT. ZION CEMETERY

MS. MARY ROBINSON
WESLEY
3 PM THURSDAY, JUNE
17, 2021
GRAVESIDE
BOGUE CHITTO
COMMUNITY CEMETERY

MS. IMOGENE THOMPSON 1:30 PM FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 2021 GRAVESIDE BOGUE HOMA COMMUNITY CEMETERY

812 Pecan Avenue • P.O. Box 34 Philadelphia • 601-656-1515 www.johnestephenschapel.com Our Family Serving Your Family children;twogreat-great-grandchildren; brother, Lim Barrett; sister, Alma Carol McElroy; a host of nieces and nephews.

Preceding in death his father, Otha Myers; mother, Lina Myers Barrett; brothers, James, Ellis and Elvert Myers, Keythel and Cecil Barrett; sisters, Dot Sims, Peggy Barnett, JoEtta Clark, Eunice Myers, Ella Mae Rhodes, Willie Dunn; son-in-law, Earl Taylor.

Jeffery Hays Trapp

Funeral service for Mr. Jeffery Hays Trapp will be held 2 PM Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at John E. Stephens Chapel with Rev. John E. Stephens officiating. Burial will be in East Lawn Cemetery. Visitation will be 11-2 Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at John E. Stephens Chapel.

Mr. Trapp, 57, passed away Sunday June 13, 2021 at his home. He lived in Neshoba Co. all of his life. He was a retired logger but now worked for the City of Philadelphia Sanitation department. His hobbies included hunting, fishing and gardening

He was preceded in death by his brother James Paul (Jamie) Trapp; grandparents, Hubard and Marie Chunn, Benji and Lorene Stokes Trapp.

Survivors include wife, Kim Walker Trapp; parents, Peggy Trapp, Lamar and Nancy Trapp; sons, Benjamin Walker Trapp, Colton Hayes Trapp; sisters, Lisa Trapp Metz (Allan)t, Susie Trapp, Mandy Trapp (Damon); several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Mary Robinson Wesley

Graveside service for Ms. Mary Robinson Wesley will be held at 3 PM Thursday, June 17, 2021 at Bogue Chitto Community Cemetery with Bro. Charles Doby Henry and Deacon Kendall Wallace officiating. No Visitation. John E. Stephens Chapel Funeral Services is in charge

Ms. Wesley, 73, passed away on Sunday, June 13, 2021 at MS Baptist Medical Center in Jackson, MS. She enjoyed gardening, spending time with family and friends, listening to Gospel music. She was preceded in death by her parents, Carl Robinson and Wichee Joe; son, Samuel J. Wesley; brother, Abel Robinson.

Survivors include sons, Clay Wesley, Jr. and Zechariah Wesley; 3 grandchildren.

Pallbearers are Jamion Shoemake, Rocky Isom, Theo Thomas, Craig Morris, Tony York, Jr., Jay Curtis Thompson, Teddy Allen, Eric Morris.

Imogene Thompson

Graveside service for Ms. Imogene Thompson will be held at 1:30 PM Friday, June 18, 2021 at Bogue Homa Cemetery with Bro. Robbie Johnson officiating. No Visitation. John E. Stephens



LEON MYERS SERVICES JUNE 9 FIRST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH NEW HARMONY CEMETERY

JO TAYLOR GRAVESIDE SERVICE JUNE 10 CEDARLAWN CEMETERY



McClain-Hays Funeral Home

www.mcclainhays.com

Chapel Funeral Services is in charge.

Ms. Thompson, 67, passed away on Sunday, June 13, 2021 at Asbury Hospice House in Hattiesburg, MS. She enjoyed watching crime shows and spending time with her grand-children. She was preceded in death by her parents, Riley Thomas and Zonie Nickey Thomas; sister, Bernice Frazier; brothers, Wayne Thomas, Olen Thomas, Dorsey Thomas.

Survivors include daughters, Laken Wilson, Lisa Morrow; son, Jeff Morrow; sisters, Marilyn Nickey, Vernita Thomas, Berdie Steve; brothers, Andrew Thomas; 9 grandchildren.

Pallbearers are Greg Thomas, Mike Briscoe, Lemeul Solomon, Henry Whited, Paul Frazier, Dan Willis.

Terry Wayne

Graveside service for Mr. Terry Wayne Dixon will be held at 10 AM Thursday, June 17, 2021 at Old Mt. Zion Cemetery with Rev. Carl Wilson and Deacon Gary Chickaway officiating. No Visitation. John E. Stephens Chapel Funeral Services is in charge.

Mr. Dixon, 61, passed away on Friday, June 11, 2021 at Anderson Regional Medical Center in Meridian, MS. He was preceded in death by his parents, James Dixon and Encie Farve; sister, Molly Ann Dixon; brother, Billy Joe Dixon.

Šurvivors include his sisters, Sonja Edwards, Carolyn Dixon, Celestine Steve, Charlotte Tubby.

Pallbearers are Benjamin Farve, Sam Farve, Terrance Kinsolving, Andrew McMillan, Eric Nickey, Robert Sam, Gordon Willis, Allen Peoples.

Jo Taylor

Graveside services for Jo Taylor were held Thursday, June 10, 2021 at 3 p.m. from Cedarlawn Cemetery with Rev. Homer Rhea officiating. McClain-Hays was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Taylor, 80, of Philadelphia, died Tuesday, June 8, 2021.

She was a native of West Point, MS and a longtime resident of Dixon Community and later Goodhope Community. Mrs. Taylor was a retired interdenominational minister and continued her outreach and visiting during her time in the nursing home. She was also a poet and author/writer.

She is survived by her daughter, Vicki Coats (James) of Philadelphia; son, Gene Stafford of Montpelier; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; sisters, Peggy Guyton and Patsy Sykes both of Starkville.

Mrs. Taylor was preceded in death by her grandson, Bennie Wayne Stafford; parents, Buck and Dot Swain; brother, Butch Swain.

Thaddeus Hickman, Sr.

Thaddeus Hickman, Sr., also known as "Chip," was born on September 9, 1955, to the late Willie Hickman and Mabel Bell Jackson. He was called to start his new journey with the Lord on Wednesday, June 9, 2021, at the Choctaw Health Center in

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9:43 a.m.
Wednesday Evening Activities
Family Night Dinner

6:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

Bible Study and Prayer Service
7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)

Children's Program
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Choctaw, MS. He was blessed with 65 years of life he shared with us.

Thaddeus Sr. was raised in the Bogue Chitto Community. He attended Bogue Chitto Elementary School then Choctaw Central High School where he graduated in 1974. He worked with Chotin Riverboat Company in Baton Rouge, LA for 9 years and Choctaw Tribal Maintenance for 7 years as a custodian.

Thaddeus Sr. enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He shared countless laughter and joyful memories. He loved playing on "The Million Man Team" - Bok Cito (with his favorite goggles). He considered the team his inspiration, his family.

Thaddeus Sr. was a very independent person with a strong-willed attitude and witty and carefree personality. He always found the good in a bad situation and always found laughter through it.

He loved performing Choctaw Social Dances, especially the House Dance during the Choctaw Indian Fair and Spring Festivals. He also enjoyed playing the guitar, along with the late fiddler Albert Frazier.

He was preceded in death by a special companion, Barbara Clemons; parents, Willie Hickman and Mabel Bell Jackson; two sons, Jason Bell and Garrison Jim; an infant grandchild Jim; two sisters, Willie Mae Hickman and Sylvia Wimberly; five brothers, Sylva Weathersby, Jeffery Hickman, Leonard Hickman, Darryl Hickman, and Flavion Hickman; a niece, Sequita Dixon; and nephews, Brandon Billie and Bronson Bell

Thaddeus Sr. leaves behind in God's care his four daughters, Alyssa Hickman, Tasha Dawn Bell, Keahna Lewis, and Talisha Bell, all of the Bogue Chitto Community; four sons, Alan Jimmie of the Pearl River Community, Shane Bell, Sr., Nekota Bell, and Thaddeus Hickman, Jr., all of the Bogue Chitto Community; four sisters, Donna Williams and Flora Billie, both of the Bogue Chitto Community, Angela John of Philadelphia, MS, and Deborah Lewis of the Standing Pine Community: brother, Jerry Lewis Hickman of the Bogue Chitto Community; 18 grandchildren, 10 greatgrandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

Betty Joyce Neese

Funeral services for Ms. Betty Joyce Neese was held at 3 PM Saturday, June 12, 2021 at

First Pentecostal Church with Rev. Tim Vowell and Rev. Lloyd Adcock officiating. Interment in Linwood Cemetery. John E. Stephens Chapel Funeral Services in



Betty Joyce Neese

charge.
Ms. Neese, 84, passed away
Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at her
daughter's home. She has lived in
Neshoba County all of her life.
She was a homemaker, enjoyed
reading and working word puzzles. She was a member of First
Pentecostal Church.

Ms. Neese was preceded in death by her parents, Clifton Roy Hill and Pauline Gray; Husband,

Memorials to the American Cancer Society may be mailed to

Charlene Deweese 12491 Road 614 Philadelphia, MS 39350 Henry Neese.

Survivors are (2) daughters, Sylvia Boswell (Rufus) of Philadelphia and Teresa Barton of Philadelphia; (3) Grandchildren; (7) Great-Grandchildren.

Pallbearers are Jonathan Boswell, Junior Bell, David Boswell, Allen Hancock, Junior Williamson and Jerry Neese.

Amos Kit Chesnut

Graveside service for Amos Kit Chesnut, infant son of Zach and Meghan Chesnut was held at 10 AM Saturday, June 12, 2021 at Ocobla Cemetery with Rev. Kevin Vaughn officiating. John E. Stephens Chapel Funeral Services in charge.

Amos is survived by his parents, Zach and Meghan Chesnut; sister, Etta Chesnut; brother, John Chesnut; grandparents, Jeff and Angela Burton, Wendy Chesnut; great-grandparents, Margie Burton, Joel Nowlin, Jerri Wright.

He is preceded in death by his grandparents, Donna Burton, James T. Chesnut; great-grandparents, John Euell Burton and Ruth Nowlin.

Johnney Ray Lewis

Graveside service for Mr. Johnney Ray Lewis will be held at 10 AM Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at New Canaan Cemetery with Rev. Thomas Ben officiating. No Visitation. John E. Stephens Chapel Funeral Services in charge.

Mr. Lewis, 43, passed away on Thursday, June 10, 2021 at his home. He loved to hunt, fish and spend time with his kids. Mr. Lewis is preceded in death by his father, Raymond Johnnie Lewis.

Survivors include his mother, Lucy Ann Lewis; daughter, Jazlynn Lewis, Tatyana; son, Ray Shaun Lewis; sisters, Christine Sockey, Stephania Farmer.

Randy Earl Hembree

Mr. Randy Earl Hembree, 62, passed away peacefully Monday, June 7, 2021, at his home surrounded by his loving family. A visitation will be held on Thursday, June 10, 2021, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven (626 Star Landing Road East, Southaven, MS 38672). A graveside service will immediately follow at 12:00 p.m. at Autumn Woods Memorial Park (6240 Davidson Road, Olive Branch, MS 38654). Reverend David Smith will officiate. Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Hembree was born January 5, 1959, in Philadelphia, MS. He was reared to be a true Southern man, who loved God, family, NASCAR, wrestling, country music, Hershey bars, and Mountain Dew. He had the most wonderful personality, which was that of a God-fearing, conscientious, hard-working and loving family man, combined with a mischievous witty side, which appeared when teasing those whom he was particularly fond.

Mr. Hembree was preceded

Mr. Hembree was preceded in death by his parents, Cecil and Audrey Shepard Hembree.

Mr. Randy Hembree is survived by his loving wife, Connie Jean Hembree of Hernando, MS; his five children, Constance Hembree (Joshua) Kennedy of Hernando, Christopher "Chris" Hembree of Lawley, AL, Justin Hembree of Brierfield, AL, Thomas Hembree of Lawley, and Ashley Hembree of Maplesville, AL; his three stepchildren, Christy Ingram of Memphis, TN, Courtney Cook of Inverness, FL, and Jeremy



10460 Rd 561 Philadelphia 601-656-1191 www.beckfuneralhomeinc.com Cook of Inverness; twenty grandchildren; six great-grandchildren with one on the way; and his two sisters, Tommie Hardy and her husband, Jerry, of Philadelphia, MS, and Nancy Tucker (Dwight) of Brandon, MS.

Online condolences may be left on his Tribute Wall at www.colemanfuneralhome.co m.

To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Randy Earl Hembree please visit our Sympathy Store.

Tenalyea Jeannette Russell

Graveside service for Mrs. Tenalyea Jeannette Russell will be held at 2 PM Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at Conehatta Community Cemetery. No visitation. John E. Stephens Chapel in charge.

Mrs. Russell, 43, passed away on Friday, June 4, 2021 at University Medical Center in Jackson, MS. Her hobbies included texting and talking to friends, fishing, spending time with grands and visiting with close friends. Mrs. Russell is preceded in death by her parents, Tommy Thomas and Freddie Willis; daughter, Edna McMillan; brother, Freeman Frazier.

Survivors include husband, Keenan Russell; daughters, Katie Mingo, Paneshia Mingo, Shanshia Mingo; sons, Devon Mingo, Derrick Mingo, Jr.; sisters, Shirley Shoemake, Theresa Sockey; brothers, James Frazier, Timothy Thomas, Sr.; 5 grand-children.

Marcus Landon Willis

Graveside service for Mr. Marcus Landon Willis will be held at 10 AM Friday, June 11, 2021 at Hope Indian Baptist Cemetery. No visitation. John E. Stephens Chapel in charge.

Mr. Willis, 44, passed away on Sunday, June 6, 2021 at St. Dominic Hospital in Jackson, MS. He is preceded in death by his sister, Shannon Rose Willis.

Survivors include parents, Hulon and Marybell Willis; daughter, Destiny Grace Willis; sons, Demarcus Kambridge Willis, Jaden Marquis Willis; companion and mother of his children, Sharon Fox.

Kathy Lynn Robertson

Memorial service for Ms. Kathy Lynn Robertson will be held at 1 PM Sunday, June 13, 2021 at Bond Baptist Church.

Ms. Robertson, 56, passed away on Thursday, May 27, 2021 at her home in Christiana, TN after a lengthy battle with cancer. She was a 1983 graduate of Neshoba Central High School, living the past 30 years in the Nashville, TN area. She attended MCC on a softball scholarship, graduated from The W and had worked as an IT Specialist with IRS since 1991. Kathy was known for helping others but she was notorious for helping those less fortunate. She enjoyed playing softball and tending to her animals on her farm.

Ms. Robertson is preceded in death by her Parents, Truett & Melba Robertson; Grandparents, Buford & Betty Lynn Robertson, Jimmy & Waldean Bowen.

Survivors include Brother, Mike & Lynda Gayle Robertson; 2 nieces, Ella Grace Robertson & KK Robertson; special friend, Judy Pooler & her 3 children & 2 grandchildren, Justin (Kelly) Garner, Matthew (Jami) Gotcher, Elora & Arlo

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Annual Mt. Zion memorial set for Sunday, June 20

By SARAH K. WATKINS news@neshobademocrat.com

A retired United Methodist minister and civil rights leader will headline the annual Mt. Zion memorial service for three young men murdered here by the Ku Klux Klan 57 years ago registering blacks to

"Where Do We Go From Here: Chaos or Community?" will be the theme of this year's 57th Memorial Service at the Historic Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, 1119 Road 747, in the Longdale communi-

The service, scheduled for 3

p.m. Sunday, June 20, will feature the Rev. James Lawson Jr., a retired United Methodist pastor, civil rights leader and founder of the James Lawson Institute.

This year's memorial also will feature a workshop series from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 19, presented by the James Lawson Institute, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio and Southern University Law Center.

The young men, James Chaney, 21, Andrew Goodman, 20, and Michael Schwerner, 24, were in Neshoba County to investigate the June 16, 1964, burning of the Mt.

Zion church set ablaze by the Klan. Several members of the church such as the now late Bud Cole were severely beaten by a hooded mob of Klansmen that night as they left a church meeting.

The young trio, leaving the church on Father's Day June 21 headed back through town to their headquarters in Meridian, was stopped and arrested on trumped-up speeding charges on Main Street and detained in the Neshoba County Jail until nightfall.

They were released and as they traveled down Highway 19 south ambushed at House by a gang of Klansmen that included law enforcement. They were taken to a nearby remote county road and shot to death at point-blank range.

Their bodies were found 44 days later buried in an earthen dam not far from the murder site following one of the most extensive federal searches in history.

"Each year we remind our community of the police brutality, voter suppression, white supremacy and murder of three young men only 20, 21 and 24," said the Rev. Lydia Michelle Daily, pastor of Mt. Zion. "These young men came to Mt. Zion to teach the community how to vote under Jim

Crow racist laws.

The murders went unprosecuted for 40 years until 2004 when a multi-ethnic group of Neshoba countians led a community-wide call for justice endorsed by local business and political leaders and others.

A Neshoba County grand jury indicted Edgar Ray Killen in 2005 and he was later convicted and sentenced to a 60-year prison term for arranging the murders. He died at Parchman in January 2018 at age 92.

Last year the memorial was held as a virtual meeting due to the COVID-19 pandemic with an attendance of more than 100 people. This year, the memorial service will be held in person with social distancing guidelines and virtually as well.

The James Lawson Institute, Miami University, and Southern University Law Center workshop series from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 19, at the church, will be under the theme "Nonviolent Transforming our Time, and Our Environment and speakers will include Dr. Mary King, Dr. Daniel Wayne, Dr. Ada Goodley James, Dr. Keith Parker, Deborah Mathis and Gloria William.

Both events will be live-streamed on the Mt. Zion Face-book Page.

Neshoba man arrested in Picayune for making terroristic threats

By STAFF REPORTS news@neshobademocrat.com

A Neshoba County man has been booked in Picayune on charges of making terroristic

threats.

The man was arrested after he reportedly confronted officers reportedly wearing body armor and told them he had a gun and if they didn't leave he would kill them all, the Picayune Item reported last

Picayune police arrested Samuel David Fulton, 33, of 10172 Road 561, Philadelphia, and booked him on the offense of making terroristic threats.

Picayune Police Assistant Chief James Bolton said the incident began with a report of a suspicious vehicle in the area of Iberville Place in Picayune on May 27 at 9:48 p.m.

Bolton and some patrol officers went to the scene and found a Ford Explorer with a Neshoba County license plate parked in the area. Investigation into the vehicle determined the owner of the vehicle, later identified as Fulton, parked it there at about 7 p.m. that day and walked off into the neighboring woods, according to the newspaper.

Bolton said a K-9 unit was

requested to conduct a search of the woods. After the unit arrived and as the K-9 was being prepared to conduct the search, officers saw Fulton exit the woods apparently wearing body armor and holding something

in his hand that appeared to be a weapon. When he was confronted by the officers, Fulton headed back into the woods and told the officers that he had a gun and if they didn't leave he would kill them la all, Bolton said.

As a result of the threat, addi-

tional officers, tactical teams and deputies with the Pearl River County Sheriff's Department were called out to set up a perimeter.

Fulton then refused to communicate with law enforcement personnel.

Fulton Officers kept the perimeter up until the next ck morning when they heard that fii- Fulton had been picked up by his parents and taken to Highland Community Hospital.

Bolton said that the parents got di- involved after the Neshoba

alerted them of what was going on, who was alerted to the incident after Picayune Police Department representatives contacted the Neshoba law enforcement agency to get some background information on Fulton. Fulton's parents then drove down from their Neshoba County home to see if they could find him. Bolton said they found Fulton walking along Highway 11 north of where the perimeter had been established. He estimates that Fulton got by the perimeter by leaving the

County Sheriff's Department

When officers were alerted

area before it was set up.

by medical staff at Highland Community Hospital that Fulton was there he was then taken into custody and booked on the offense of making terroristic threats, Bolton said.

Fulton's parents said that he often sells produce on the road-side in Picayune.

While his parents advised the officers that drug use could have been a contributing factor in the incident, no drugs were found on his person or in his vehicle. Also, no weapons or body armor were found in his possession when he was taken into custody by the Picayune Police Department.

No new COVID-19 cases reported within county over the last week

By JOHN LEE

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Neshoba County recorded zero cases of COVID-19 and no deaths this past week, according to the Mississippi State Department of Health's Tuesday COVID-19 report.

Neshoba County's total COVID-19 cases since the pandemic began in March 2020 remains at 4,059, with the death

toll still at 179. Of those deaths, 114 are from the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, according to MSDH.

As of Tuesday, 19% of Neshoba County's population is fully vaccinated, according to MSDH, and 22% of the county's population has received one of the 11,778 total doses of COVID-19 vaccines administered in the county.

Vaccinations are being

administered Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Neshoba County Coliseum, 12000 Highway 15 North, and are available to all Mississippians 16 and older. Go to https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_

make an appointment.

The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians has reported no new positive cases of COVID-19 and no new deaths

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as of June 14, with the total number of positive cases for the Tribe remaining at 1,838 with 114 deaths since the pandemic began in March 2020. No new hospitalizations have been reported.

Statewide, since the pandemic began in March 2020, 195,571 confirmed COVID-19 cases have been recorded by the MSDH along with 123,857 probable cases, totaling 319,428

cases. There have been 5,074 confirmed COVID-19 deaths, along with 2,287 probable COVID-19 deaths, totaling

cases. There have been 5,074 7,361 deaths since the start of confirmed COVID-19 deaths, the pandemic.



COUNTY JAIL DOCKET

Neshoba County Jail Docket from 6/7-6/13

10840 Road 454, failure to appear
• Scottie Bell, 40, of 117

· Jessie Battle, 32, of

Indian Hills Circle, hold for other agency
• Austin Guy Boswell, 27, of 11391 Road 418 of Union, fail-

ure to appear
• Michael Lee Bryant, 29, 11622 Road 383, rape

Stacie Burnside, 46, of 105 St. Francis Drive Apartment 7, 2 counts of failure to appear

• Brooks Chunn, 37, of 10301 Road 1327, suspended drivers license, possession of paraphernalia

Jariel Ikhieam Cotton, 17, of 224 Indian Road of Louisville, robbery-armed

 Lawrence Davis Jr., 33, of 256A Carver Avenue, hold for investigations, possession of controlled substance

• Robert James Dukes, 74, of 921 West Church Street Lot 6 of Newton, public drunk

 David L. Grace, 30, of 77 Purvis Murray of Dekalb, possession of marijuana- 1st offense, possession of paraphernalia, possession of controlled substance

Terry Hardin, 56, of 10755
 Manderin Avenue of Jackson,
 counts of grand larcenymore than \$1000.00

 Demetrius K. Horne, 19, of 244 Cora Street, hold for investigations, possession of controlled substance

 Richard John, 44, of 10270 Road 604, public drunk, public profanity, disorderly conduct

 Nikki Landrum, 33, of 10051 Road 1345 of Union, 3 counts of conspiracy to communical crime-felony, child neg-

• Terry Lewis, 52, of 10201 Road 1321, failure to appear

Crystal Lamae
 McWilliams, 30, of 3473 Laurel Hill Road of Carthage, no insurance, no license tag

 John Netherland, 65, of 13070 HWY 488, 4 counts of conspiracy to commit a crimefelony, NCIC Hit

• Stephanie Jeanette Patty, 29, of 15625 HWY 15 North, simple assault

• Jerry Pittman, 36, of 958 HWY 15 of Maben, hold for investigations, possession of controlled substance, possession of paraphernalia

• Don J. Rhynes, 36, of 280 Little Rock of Newton, failure to appear

• Sabrina M. Robertson, 26, of 12620 Road 383, hold for other agency • Paul Michael Rodrigue, 47, of 17550 HWY 21 South, contempt of court

Alexis Smith, 19, of
 122201 Road 573, hold for
 investigations, possession of

controlled substance
• William Smith, 34, of 260
Carver Avenue, felony pursuit, false id information, resisting

• Eric Christopher Truss, 35, of 558 Goat Ranch Road, court order

Cedric Williams, 52, of 82
 Mills Road of Conehatta, driving under the influence-1st offense

 Toby Alan Windham, 25, of 10101 Road 1355, hold for investigations, 2 counts of possession of controlled substance, possession of paraphernalia

Winston County Jail Docket for Philadelphia Police arrests from 6/7-6/13

• Michael Bryant, 29, of 11633 Road 383, rape; assault with intent to ravish

 Dale L. Chickaway, 45, of 117 Foxtrail, contempt of court; municipal court, public drunk, alcoholic beveragesunlawful possession

• Elijah T. Davis, 32, of 13320 HWY 491 North, DUI-2nd offense, alcoholic beverages- unlawful possession, MV- drivers license- none

• Brittany M. Franklin, 33, of 10011 Road 426, Union, DUI-2nd offense, MV- careless driving, license, driving while revoked or suspended, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, failure to comply with request or command of law enforcement officers, simple assault,

• Desma A. Fuentes, 57, of 12071 HWY 485 Box 21 Lot 7, child; contributing to the neglect or delinquency of a child

• Terry Hardin, 56, of 1436 Miller Avenue of Louisville, grand larceny

police officer

• Billy G. Hudson, 34, of 115 Tak Chitto Circle, MV- seat belt violation, MV- stop signrunning, alcoholic beveragesunlawful possession, DUI- 1st offense, MV- no insurance

Alanna M. John, 27, of 19860 HWY 21 South, controlled substance; possession of marijuana, alcoholic beverages- unlawful possession, MV- no insurance, MV- careless driving, speeding 10 over, obstruction; tampering with

physical evidence
• Tyler B. Kelly, 30, of
10161 Bounds Avenue, contempt of court; municipal court

 Demarius T. Lee, 20, of 8062 Ebenezer Road, of Carthage, contempt of court;

 Demarius T. Lee, 20, of
 Road, of
 Carthage, contempt of court;

 Demarius T. Lee, 20, of
 Road, of

municipal court
• Roderick D. Miller, 40, of 166 Hillcrest Circle, bench warrant; chancery court

 Jerry W. Smith, 63, of 250 Martin Luther King Street, simple assault- attempt by physical menace to create fear

 Rhonda Smith, 37, of 12850 HWY 15 North, contempt of court; municipal court, controlled substance, trespass; after notice of non per-

mission
• Willie J. Smith, 34, of
1310 McDonald Road of Preston, fleeing or eluding a law
enforcement officer in mother
vehicle, resisting arrest, MVreckless driving, MV- seat belt
violation, hold for MDOC, acci-

dent; giving false information
• David K. Wells, 65 of 572
Poplar Avenue, simple

assault- causing bodily injury
• Amber Williamson, 34, of
10693 Road 187, controlled
substance

 Jerithan Willis, 38, of 145 Yard Road, controlled substance; possession of paraphernalia, possession of controlled substance, contempt of court; municipal court

 Magglenda Willis, 34, of 119 Fox Trail, DUI- test refusal, disorderly conductbreaching peace with a willful and wanton disregard for the life or safety of another

Justin L. Winstead, 33, of

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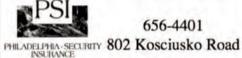
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Getting the Message/Rev. Chris Shelton

For God so loved the world

known Bible verse: "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." This passage shows us how Saul of Tarsus found room in the "whosoever" word the Lord used, and how he turned it into great zeal to proclaim the name of the Lord who saved him.

After his conversion on the road to Damascus, Saul spent some time with the Christians in the city, and then immediately began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying "He is the Son of God (Acts 9:20)."

In verse 22, following the example of the apostles, Saul used scripture to prove that Jesus was the Christ. In Peter's sermons we find constant references from the Old Testament prophets who wrote of the coming Messiah. Jesus fulfilled the words of the prophets in his birth, life, death, resurrection, and ascension. He continues to do so in his building of his church.

Jesus had told Paul how much he would suffer for Jesus name (Acts 9:16), and in this passage Paul's life is threatened both in Damascus and then in Jerusalem. Many sought to end his life. Nevertheless, we read that as Saul persevered in proclaiming Christ, he grew in strength (verse 22). It is a strange thing to hear of one under such threats growing in strength.

In verse 31, Luke gives us a summary statement of how the church was doing after all the activity of the converted Saul: "The church had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit it multiplied." There are some important applications for us here.

Christians have peace walking in the fear of the Lord. Psalm 85:9 says, "Salvation is near to those who fear the Lord." The fear of the Lord is a right reverence, a regard for the majesty, authority, holiness, and love of the Lord. John Bunyan called this "a blessed confusion."

Plainly, after his conversion Saul feared the Lord in a good way. The Lord

John 3:16 is probably the most well-supplied him with comfort and strength. He was joyful because of the unfailing love of the Lord. We need the Spirit of God to give us a right fear of the Lord. What can we do to stir up the Spirit to this

> We can follow the example of probably the two most zealous preachers of the Lord's wrath against sin and his great love in giving the Son of God as Savior; Isaiah and Paul. Both were put in the presence of the exalted and holy God. Both knew the meaning of Psalm 130:3-4: "If you O Lord should mark iniquities, O Lord who could stand? But with you is forgiveness that you may be feared."

> The fear the devil has of the Lord is mingled with bitterness. The fear a redeemed soul has is mingled with knowledge of forgiveness of sin by a great Redeemer. If you put yourself in the presence of God knowing you are exposed with all your sin, the knowledge of atonement for sin is a great thing; greater than anything in the world. The fear of the Lord is such as that.

> So it was with Paul and Isaiah. How they revered and loved the Lord! Paul is held out to us as an example to follow. The grace of Christ altered him in a great way. It allowed him to see his misery in sin, that death and the devil laid claim to him. Christ gave balm to his soul: thy sins are forgiven thee.

> He learned of the love of God. It was from love the Father sent the Son, when he was equal with the Father. It was love that drew Christ to the virgin's womb, not only to be man, but a suffering man: one who would be stricken, smitten, and afflicted. One who suffer the wrath of God as atonement for sin.

> How could God convey his love to us any better? While were yet sinners, Christ died for us. To be awakened to sin and the offer of salvation is a great mercy. We do not deserve salvation, but we are offered it freely in Christ. Psalm 107:43 says, "Whoever is wise, let him attend to these things; let them consider the steadfast love of the Lord."

> The Rev. Chris Shelton is pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Union.

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Reckless driving stop results in arrest for meth, paraphernalia

By DUNCAN DENT duncan@neshobademocrat.com

A Neshoba County man

was caught with meth and paraphernalia when he was pulled over for reckless driving last Saturday evening. Toby Alan Windham, 25, 10101 Road 1355, was arrest-

ed and charged with felony and misdemeanor charges of possession of a controlled substance and possession of paraphernalia.

Jail records show that Windham is being held on

\$1,400 in bond but has not yet received bond for one of the controlled substance charges.

Sheriff Eric Clark said that on Saturday, June 12 late in the evening Neshoba Sheriff's County deputies encountered a white Lincoln Towncar on

as Burnside Road. Clark said that Windham was initially stopped for reckless driving, but was later

County Road 571, also known

ing impaired. Windham sessed marijuana,

methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia at the time of his arrest, the authorities

determined to be driv-

Clark said that anyone with information on potential crimes is encouraged to please call Crime Stoppers at 855-485-8477.



Windham

Deputies arrest man with firearm, ecstasy

By DUNCAN DENT

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A Philadelphia man was arrested with a firearm and ecstasy at one of thee casinos late Saturday afternoon.

Lawrence Davis Jr., 32, 256A Carver Avenue, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance believed to be ecstasy.

Jail records show that Davis

has a hold on him for an unspecified investigation.

On June 12 Neshoba County Sheriff's deputies were called to the Golden Moon Casino to assist security with a subject that possessed a handgun and a controlled substance, Sheriff Eric Clark said.

Davis Jr.



deputies arrived on the scene they made contact with casino authorities and Davis and made the arrest.

Clark said that anyone with information on potential crimes is encouraged to please call Crime Stoppers at 855-485-8477.

DeKalb man caught with drugs at casino

Clark said that when

By DUNCAN DENT

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A DeKalb man was arrested with what is believed to be meth Friday evening at the Silver Star Casino.

David L. Grace, 30, 77 Purvis Murray Road, DeKalb, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance believed to be methamphetamine, possession of marijuana and possession of para-

Jail records show that Grace remained in the Neshoba County Detention Center on \$16,800 in bond on Monday afternoon.

Neshoba County Sheriff Eric Clark said that on the evening of Friday, June 11

deputies responded to the Silver Star for a welfare check on children left unattended in a



Choctaw Police officers were speaking with the owner of the car, who was later identified as Grace when deputies arrived, Clark said.

Clark said that any-David one with information Grace on potential crimes is

encouraged to call Crime Stoppers at 855-485-8477.

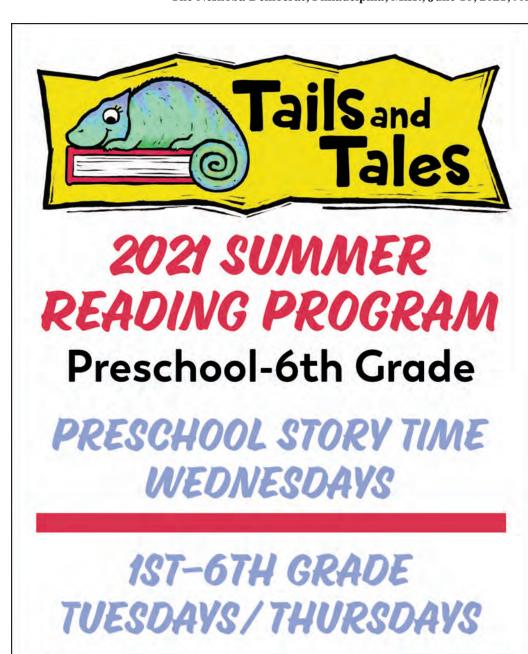
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The Neshoba County School District will hold a public hearing on its proposed school district budget for fiscal year 2022 on June 25, 2021 at 11:00 AM in the Neshoba County Office of the Superintendent at 580 East Main Street. At this meeting, a proposed ad valorem tax effort will be considered.

The Neshoba County School District is now operating with projected total budget revenue of \$41,013,280. Of that amount,12.82 percent or \$5,259,371 of such revenue is obtained through ad valorem taxes. For next fiscal year, the proposed budget has total projected revenue of \$56,336,504. Of that amount, 10.12 percent or \$5,701,448 is proposed to be financed through a total ad valorem tax levy.

For the next fiscal year, the proposed increase in ad valorem tax effort by the Neshoba County School District may result in an increase in the ad valorem tax millage rate. Ad valorem taxes are paid on homes, automobile tags, business fixtures and equipment, and rental real property.

Any citizen of the Neshoba County School District is invited to attend this public hearing on the proposed ad valorem tax effort, and will be allowed to speak for a reasonable amount of time and offer tangible evidence before any vote is taken.



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Fulton wins re-election; Seales, Tatum winners

By STEVE SWOGETINSKY steve@neshobademocrat.com

Incumbent Ward 2 Republican Alderman Jim Fulton won re-election to a third term with 299 votes, or 83%, defeating a challenge from Democrat Mangold Washington III with 57 votes, or 16% last Tuesday night.

"I would like to say I appreciate my Ward 2 constituents for giving me another four years," Fulton said. "I appreciate my opponent for running a clean campaign. We have big challenges ahead. I am looking forward to continue to lead Philadelphia in the future."

Incumbent Democrat Alderman-at-Large Leroy Clemons appears to have lost his re-election bid by a twovote margin with 668 votes, or 49%, to Republican challenger James Carson Waltman's 670 votes, or 50%. (See story, Page 2A.)

Independent Shaun Seales claimed a victory over Democrat Ruthie D. Nash in the race for the Ward 4 seat vacated by Cassie Henson who mounted an unsuccessful bid for the mayoral nomination.

James Carson Waltman (R) 50% | 670 VOTES

Leroy Clemons (D) Incumbent 50% | 668 VOTES

Mangold Washington III (D) 16% 57 VOTES

Jim Fulton (R) Incumbant 84% 299 VOTES

James Tatum (D) 54% | 120 VOTES

Wright Griffis (R) 46% | 103 VOTES

Shaun Seales (D) 78% | 313 VOTES

Ruthie Nash (D)

Seales garnered 313 votes, or 78%, to Nash's 87 votes, or

In the Ward 3 race, Democrat James Tatum defeated Republican Wright Griffis to win the seat vacated by Ronnie Jenkins.

Tatum got 120 votes, or 53%, to Griffis' 103 votes, or

Republican Justin Lewis Clearman was unchallenged in filling the Ward 1 seat vacated by Joe Tullos.

Clearman got 279 votes, or 98% percent. Five write-in votes were recorded in Ward

ECCC announces 2021 football schedule

The 2021 football season is just 12 weeks away and the East Central Warriors have announced their nine-game 2021 schedule.

The East Central Warriors, who had to cut the 2020 season short due to COVID-19, finished the year 2-3 overall and closed out the year with a 13-10 overtime victory over Co-Lin in

Wesson.

The 2021 season will kick off with a road trip to Scooba to face East Mississippi on Sept. 2. The matchup will be the first between the two programs since 2019 when the Warriors fell 24-0 in Scooba.

East Mississippi opted out of the 2020 season, meaning the meeting will be the first game

for the Lions since a 31-7 loss to Mississippi Gulf Coast on Nov. 2, 2019. ECCC is 1-4 against the Lions in the last five meetings with the last win coming in the 2007 season opener.

All East Central home games are scheduled for 6:30 p.m. kickoff times at Bailey Stadium located in Decatur.

Raid

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a traffic stop on Weyerhaeuser Road in Philadelphia.

"The traffic stop led to a misdemeanor charge of possession of marijuana in a motor vehicle," Clark said. "Information from this stop subsequently started an investigation that produced several misdemeanor marijuana drug charges over the next two days.

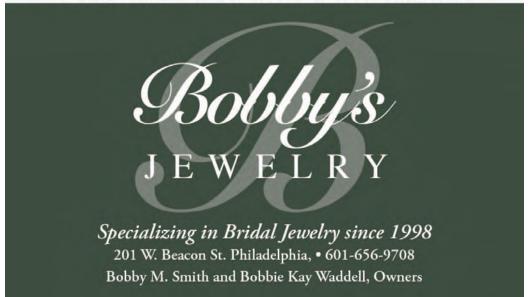
Those included a stop that revealed a 15-year-old had purchased marijuana from the residence in question, Clark said.

Clark said anyone that has any information about crimes in the area is encouraged to please call Neshoba County Sheriff's Office at 601-656-1414 or East Mississippi Crime Stoppers at 1-855-485-8477 (TIPS).



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Kirksey enjoys being back home from D.C.

By SARAH KATHRYN WATKINS

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laine Kirksey moved to Washington, D.C., in 1980 to work for the federal govern-

"I wanted a better career and better job opportunity," Kirksey

said of her decision to leave Neshoba County all those years

She eventually got on with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, before transferring to the United States Department of Justice and later the Department of Homeland Security closing out her career with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement in 2018.

Though Kirksey worked in Washington, D.C., she lived in Maryland.

"I got used to the cold weather," Kirksey said.

Kirksey, however, missed her family and events such as birthday parties and family barbecues. In addition, she missed small-town living.

Kirksey's mother, Vera Lewis of Philadelphia, who has always been a positive influence for Kirksey, is known for making some of the best German chocolate cake and turnip greens around. After working for the government for 37 years, Kirksey moved back home a few years ago to take care of her

Kirksey loves spending time with her nephews, Damien Lewis and Nick Harrington, and her brother and sister, Alice Harrington and Eddie Lewis. Kirksey's hobbies include

reading books with romance and history. She also enjoys hanging out with friends.

A couple of friends and I like to go out to eat, go for walks or go to the gym," Kirksey said.

Kirksey's goal is to get more involved with helping the community and getting more engaged.

Last year before the COVID-19 pandemic, Kirksey joined Jerusalem Temple Church. She is now starting to go back and feeling safe at her church.

Some of Kirksey's favorite foods are Chinese food and fried chicken.

Kirksey does not consider herself much of a baker, and she gets her recipes from different cooking shows. On a recent Saturday, the

Kirksey family got together to celebrate Kirksey's birthday with lots of love and food.

Kirksey said her favorite type of cooking style is Southern comfort food.

CORN DIP 3 cans whole kernel corn, 2 Jalapeños, seeded and

diced, 1/2 cup of sour cream 1 cup grated pepper jack cheese

1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese Salt pepper, 8 oz. cream



Elaine Kirksev

cheese

Mix corn, jalapeños, sour cream, pepper jack cheese and Parmesan well and place in slow cooker. Top w/cream cheese, cut into pieces. Cover and cook on low for 2 hrs. Uncover and stir until cream cheese is well combined. Cover and cook for 15 mins more. Top with bacon and green onions.

TEQUILA CITRUS CHICKEN WINGS

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2 tablespoon vegetable oil 2 1/2 lbs. small chicken

1/2 cup tequila, 1/2 cup orange juice

1/2 cup of fresh lime juice 6 tablespoons seasoning

3 tablespoons honey 2 teaspoons grated orange

2 teaspoons chili powder teaspoons ground

Assorted vegetables, ranch or blue cheese dressing for dipping. Heat oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Brown chicken wings in batches for 5-7 minutes on each side or until golden brown. Remove from skillet

set aside. Drain skillet, place tequila, orange juice, lime juice, seasoning sauce, honey, orange peel, chili powder and cumin in same skillet. Cook over medium heat until boiling. Add chicken wings; return to boil. Reduce heat to medium-low; cook, stirring occasionally, for 25 minutes or until sauce is thicker and chicken wings are fully

cooked. Serve w/assorted veggies and ranch dressing.

CHICKEN DIJONNAISE 4 skinless boneless chicken breast halves

1/4 cup prepared Dijon mustard

Mayonnaise blend

1/4 cup olive oil 1 tablespoon fresh lemon

Just Among Friends

By MARIANNE ENOCHS friends@neshobademocrat.com

Congratulations to Kelsey Bounds who won the Neshoba County 2020-2021 Reward "A's" Scholarship contest sponsored by The Citizens Bank. She will receive a \$1,000.00 scholarship and her school, Neshoba Central High School, will receive \$500.00.

The contest was open to all juniors and seniors in each community served by the bank. To enter, students registered with the program director, Channing Peebles, at the Citizens Bank, and then emailed their report cards to her. The winners with the most "A's" were selected on Monday, June 7.

The scholarships were awarded as an extrinsic motivation for the students. The schools received an award for encouraging them to send their report cards into the director. Congratulations to each student in every community who participated in the contest and thank you to The Citizens Bank for the program!

The Neshoba County Sports Hall of Fame revealed its first inductee. The group inducted Pashen Thompson of Philadelphia as its very first member. She was an outstanding women's basketball player for the Philadelphia Tornadoes and received a basketball scholarship to play for the Lady Volunteers at the University of Tennessee. She played for the Lady Volunteers her entire four-year college career. Congratulations!

In case you haven't heard, Hardy was nominated for the 2021 CMT Breakthrough Video of the Year with "Give Heaven Some Hell." It is a huge honor to be nominated for such a prestigious award, and even though he did not win, his family is so proud of his accomplishment. The CMT Music Awards were live on June 9 and many of his local fans were watching.

Hardy will perform on Tuesday night, July 27, at the Neshoba County Fair this year. He is a Philadelphia native known as Michael Hardy. His proud grandparents are Bobby and Joyce Hardy of Philadelphia. Congratulations!

Fifty years ago, on June 6th, Bob and LaNita Douglas were married and one week later, on June 12tth in Philadelphia, Sam and June Jackson Nowell were married. The couples did not m\know each other at that time.

However, the tale of two State Farm agents, 2 Kindergarten teachers, each having two children the same age continues. The Douglas and Nowell families met and became best friends who have remained close through many years. They celebrated their anniversaries together several

times as the years went by.
This year both couples celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversaries a little early with a trip together to the Dominican Republic They stayed at "The Sanctuary" Resort in Punta Cana. It was a dream trip with beautiful

beaches, flowers, great food, and lots of pampering by the resort staff. There was a special celebratory dinner for them one evening with a Happy Anniversary greeting in Spanish and English outside the restaurant door. Both couples had a wonderful time. Congratulations on 50 years of marriage and a lasting friendship!

Another precious baby has arrived! Christopher McKnight Thomas was born on June 6, 2021, weighing 6 pounds of sweetness. Mac's parents, Dusty and Courtni Bounds Thomas, greeted him with joy. They have decided to call him "Mac" for short. Congratulations!

June 7, 2021, will be a date that Tyler Holland will long remember as the day he began his journey to become a rural physician. He is a 2021 graduate of Mississippi State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biochemistry, Molecular Biology, and Chemistry. He applied and was accepted for early admission into the University of Mississippi Medical Center School of

Tyler was accepted into the See FRIENDS, page 2B

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'Love Out Loud' event kicks off June 21

By SARAH KATHRYN WATKINS

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The Neshoba County Baptist Association will hold the second annual week-long worship and community service event known as Love Out Loud next week.

This year's Love Out Loud events will begin at 8 a.m. each day starting Monday, June 21 and lasting through Friday, June 25. Each day will begin with a light breakfast followed by a praise, worship and devotion session from 8:15 to 8:45 a.m. at the Neshoba Baptist Center, 903 Valley View Drive.

After the worship services are over each day, the attendees will split into groups to go out into the community to do community

projects.
"We will dismiss groups to various ministry sites throughout the city and county," said David Addy director for the Neshoba County Baptist Association.

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Ministry projects will be completed by noon each day and will include giving away clothing at the Baptist Center, writing letters to soldiers overseas, working with the local Open Arms ministry preparing food bags and helping with painting and landscaping at parks.

Love Out Loud volunteers also will be supplying crafts to nursing homes and assisted living facilities, including Neshoba Nursing Home, Choctaw Residential, New Beginnings, Atwood and Beehive, where they will hand out goody bags and lead singing and danc-

Love Out Loud volunteers also will help renovate the parks, including Burnside Park, Northside Park, Westside Park, Neshoba Lake and DeWeese Park, by painting, cleaning up and collecting used sports equipment to be donated to the parks.

Judy Bates, a Love Out Loud volunteer who headed up the last registration, is looking forward to

helping the community at this year's event.

"I love seeing the community come together," Bates said.

Bates said this year will include new projects such as writing letters to soldiers and donating

Love Out Loud will also sell merchandise such as T-shirts and

"Anyone in the community is welcome to come," Bates said. "Registration is free, and there will be free breakfast throughout the event."

Speakers throughout the week will include Dr. Fred Luther, the senior pastor of Franklin Avenue Church in New Orleans, who served as president of the Southern Baptist Convention in 2012 and 2013, and Michael Fredrick, a worship leader based out of Kosciusko who is known for passionately leading Gospel-saturated worship sessions that lead people to Christ.



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The deadline to apply for these emergency loans is January 25, 2022. FSA will review the loans

based on the extent of losses, security available and repayment ability.

NESHOBA CENTRAL PRE-K

The Pre-Kindergarten Program is located at the Neshoba County School District, Office of Federal Programs/Pre-K building at 1125 Golf Course Road. Students are screened for enrollment by a pre-kindergarten test. The program is designed to serve those chil-

dren with the most academic/ developmental needs, and will be 4 years old on or before September 1, 2021. The classes will begin and end to coincide with the regular school term at Neshoba County Schools. Participating students' parents will be required to provide transportation to and from the center. As other students in the school district, pre-k students will be offered breakfasts and lunches by the Neshoba County School District Food Services.

Registration and testing will be conducted from 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m., on May 19 - 21. We ask that one parent attend with the child being tested.

To register a child for the pre-k program, guardians must provide the following documents:

Two (2) of the following proofs of residency:

 IF RENTING/LEAS-ING: Current notarized offihome/apartment cial lease/rental agreement with length of lease and Parent's or Guardian's name included on lease/rental agreement (THIS MUST BE ONE OF THE PROOFS IF LEASING OR RENTING and one of the following #3-#6)

Filed Homestead Exemption application form OR current mortgage document or property deed

 Valid driver's license OR voter identification card

• Current utility bill (dated within 60 days) showing the service location with parent's or guardian's name listed (acceptable bills: electricity, gas, water, or landline telephone)

• Automobile registration receipt

• Any other document that will objectively and unequivocally establish that the parent or guardian resides within the school district, and in the case of a student living with a legal guardian who is a bona fide resident of the school district. (Official government documentation – i.e. current tax year return, social security statement, DHS statement, etc.)

• Property Tax Card, Property Deed, or other document that states the residency property's

Section, Township, and

C. The child's certified birth certificate from Mississippi State Department of Health Vital Records (601-206-8200) (child must be 4 years of age on or before September 1, 2021),

D. The child's social security card,

E. The child's MS certificate of immunization compliance form (Form no. 121)

checked and signed, F. CDIB (if applicable).

COOKBOOKS AVAILABLE

Veterans of Foregin Wars Cookbooks are ready to be ordered! They are \$20 a piece and \$25 for shipping. Please call, text, or email to order! 601-562-1769, susans438@aol.com, 13281 HWY 16 E.

CEMETERY UPKEEP

If anyone is interested in the upkeep of the Martin McNeil Cemetery, then please send donations to Ann Pinter, 12451 Rd 101.

MT. ZION MEMORIAL **SERVICE**

The Historic Mt. Zion United Methodist Church will host the annual memorial service for Chaney, Goodman & Schwerner on Sunday, June 20, 2021 at 3:00

Our featured speaker for this occasion is the Reverend James Lawson, Jr., a retired United Methodist pastor, Civil Rights Leader and founder of the James Lawson Institute.

On Saturday, June 19, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., The James Lawson Institute, Miami University, and Southern University Law Center will host a series of workshops at Mt. Zion. A keynote message from Rev. Lawson on: "Where Do We Go from Here: Chaos or Community?"

Workshop speakers include: Dr. Mary King, Dr. Daniel Wayne Lee, Dr. Sekou Franklin, Daryn Cambridge, Dr. Ada Goodley, Dr. Anthony James, Dr. Keith Parker, Deborah Mathis, and Gloria Williamson. overall theme is: "Nonviolently Transforming Our Times, Our Work, and Our Environment."

We look forward to your presence and participation. Social distancing guidelines and masks will be enforced to ensure the safety and wellbeing of everyone.

NESHOBA COUNTY FAIR LIVESTOCK SIGN UP

Come by the MSU Extension Service-Neshoba County office and pick up your entry form and rules and regulations book for the Neshoba County Fair Livestock Shows. Youth ages 8-18 can enter in events of Beef Show, Dairy Show, and Sheep and Goat Show. The deadline to enter is Friday, July 16. Call 601-656-4011 or come by the Extension Service office in the Neshoba County Coliseum for more information. You must enroll in 4H to enter.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Join us at First Church of God on 435 Columbus Avenue for Vacation Bible School, the Knights of North Castle. It is on June 21-25 from 6 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join. 662-803-1015

BIBLE STUDY

Gatherings on Tuesday nights, 7 p.m. at the Philadelphia Thrifty Nickel. Stay inspired by the Word of the Lord. Come join us as we dive into "Learning the Bible" with Speaker Bro. Ricky Rogers. Be renewed by the Bible.

Cook

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juice

Preheat oven 350 degrees F (175 degrees C), place chicken in a 9-inch by 13-inch baking dish. In a medium bowl, mix mustard-mayonnaise blend, olive oil, lemon juice,

lemon pepper, salt and bouillon. Pour over the chicken. Bake 30 minutes in the preheated oven, or until chicken is no longer pink and juices run clear.

Friends

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Pre-Matriculation Portion of the Mississippi Rural Physicians Scholarship Program as a participant. His beyond proud parents are Tommy and Sharon

THIS FATHER'S DAY

Eldridge Holland. Best wishes as you travel the career path you have chosen!

You will be missed... Rev. Lee Otis Clemons April 5, 1925 - December 14, 1997

Danny L. Clemons

Stepchildren: Children: Dr. Lee Roy Clemons Michele Henson Earnestine Clemons-Harvey Addie Bell Kirkland Odis Lee Clemons James Adams Betty Jean Clemons-Adams Ruth Clemons-Whittington



Mr. Robert Lee Gates



Rev. Cozy Baxtrum

LEGALS

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE WHEREAS, on June 8, 2006. Undeon Hardy and Mary Key Hardy, as joint tenants with full rights of survivorship and not as tenants in common executed a certain deed of trust to Arnold M. Weiss, attorney at law, Trustee for the benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as beneficiary, as nominee for, GMAC Mortgage Corporation d/b/a Ditech. com, its successors and assigns which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Neshoba County, State of Mississippi in Book 2006 at Page 4955 and re-recorded in Book 2006 at Page 6178; and WHEREAS, The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company National Association fka The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Residential Asset Mortgage Products. Inc., Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-RZ3 has heretofore substituted Logs Legal Group, LLP as Trustee by instrument dated January 19, 2021 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 2021 Page 1030; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association fka The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Residential Asset Mortgage Products, Inc., Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-RZ3, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale. NOW, THEREFORE, I, Logs Legal Group, LLP, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on July 13, 2021 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the North Door of the County Courthouse of Neshoba County, located at 401 East Beacon Street, Philadelphia, MS 39350, to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds the following described property situated in Neshoba County, State of Mississippi, to-wit: Being in Neshoba County, Mississippi, City of Philadelphia, Herrods Survey, Block 1, in SW 1/4, Section 30, Township 11 North, Range 12 East; beginning at the Northeast Corner Block 1; thence South 89 degrees 42 minutes West 152.9 feet; thence South 13 degrees 15 minutes West 88.5 feet; thence North 88 degrees 30 minutes East 147.9 feet; thence North 18 degrees 00 minutes East 85 feet to the point of beginning. I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on this 22nd day of March, 2021. /s/Tammy Scott Tammy Scott, Officer Logs Legal Group, LLF SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE LOGS Legal Group LLP 1080 River Oaks Drive, Suite B-202 Flowood, MS 39232 (601) 981-9299 414 Crockett Ave Philadelphia, MS 39350 20-026654 Publication Dates: June 16, June 23, June 30 and July 7, 2021 52478

Notice is hereby given that SEALED BIDS for the purchase of Apple iMacs and iPads will be received in the NE-SHOBA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT Office, 580 East Main Street, Philadelphia, MS 39350, until 2:00 p.m. on July 2, 2021, and there opened and tabulated. Description of products are as follows:

Quantity 29 of 27" iMac with 5k Retina Display (Product Number: Z0ZX) Processor: 3.8 GHz 8-core 10 th -generation Intel Core i7 processor, Turbo Boost up to 5.0 GHz Memory: 8GB 2666MHz DDR4

memory Storage: 2TB Graphics: Radeon Pro 5500 XT with 8GB of GDDR6 memory Display: Standard Glass 802.11ac Wi-Fi wireless networking IEEE 802.11a/b/g/n compatible Bluetooth 5.0 wireless technology 3.5 mm headphone jack SDXC card slot Four USB-A ports
Two Thunderbolt 3 (USB-C) ports
Gigabit Ethernet Wired Keyboards & Mice Maxon Cinema 4D Preloaded Logic Pro, Final Cut

ProX, and Motion Preloaded with Microsoft Office for AppleCare+ for Mac – 3 years coverage (Product Number: S7729LL/A) Quantity 5 of 12.9" iPad Pro (Prod-

uct Number: PHNF3LL/A) Storage: 128 GB
Apple Pencil
Magic Keyboard
Connectivity: 802.11ax Wi-Fi 6
Free Engraving: Neshoba County School District AppleCare+ for iPad – 3 years coverage (Product Number: S7744LL/A) Quantity 10 of 10.9" iPad Air (Prod-

uct Number: PYFM2LL/A) Capacity: 64 GB Connectivity: 802.11ax Wi-Fi 6 Free Engraving: Neshoba County School District AppleCare+ for iPad – 3 years coverage (Product Number: S7743LL/A)

Publish: Wednesday, June 16 and Wednesday June 23, 2021.

CHOCTAW TRIBAL CIVIL COURT MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

IN THE INTEREST OF LEVI MYLES ROBINSON, A

MINOR

LEVI MYLES ROBINSON, A MINOR BY AND THROUGH HIS MOTHER

AND FRIEND, KRYSTAL ROBIN-NEXT

SON

VS.

MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH, VITAL RECORDS **DEFENDANT**

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

SARAH SHALESE DAVID-TO: SON-GIBBONS, AS MOTHER AND NEXT FRIEND OF MINORS A.H. JR., L.H., and R.H. You have been made a Respondent in a Petition to Establish Paternity and Amend Birth Certificate filed in this court by Petitioner. You are summoned to appear and defend against the petition filed against you in

this action at 1:00 o'clock P.M. on the 6th day of July, 2021, in the courtroom of the Choctaw Tribal Civil Court located at the Smith-John Justice Center in Choctaw Mississippi and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for things demanded in the petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if

Issued under my hand and the seal of this Court, this the 4th day of June, 2021.

/s/ Jennileen Young Choctaw Tribal Court Clerk

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF NE-SHOBA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

NESHOBA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES. BY MARCUS D. DAVENPORT. AND ALAINA RAIN IRWIN AND KAYLA LYNN IRWIN, MINORS, BY AND THROUGH THEIR NEXT FRIEND, MARCUS D. DAVENPORT. PETI-TIONERS VS.MELISSA LYNN HENRY, STEVEN MIC'AL IRWIN, AND SCOTT CUMBERLAND, RESPONDENTS

CIVIL ACTION, FILE NO. 2021-143

CHANCERY COURT SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Steven Mic'al Irwin, who is not to be found in the State of Mississippi on diligent inquiry and whose post office address is not known to the Petitioners after diligent inquiry made by said Petitioners.

You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by the Neshoba County Department of Child Protection Services by Marcus D. Davenport, Social Services Regional Director, and Alaina Rain Irwin and Kayla Lynn Irwin, minors, seeking to terminate your parental rights as those rights relate to said minors and demanding that the full custody, control and authority to act on behalf of said minors be placed with the Neshoba County Department of Child Protection Services. Respondents other than you in this action are

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THE PETI-TION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:00, O'CLOCK A.M. ON THE 5TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2021 IN THE COURTROOM OF THE NE-SHOBA COUNTY COURTHOUSE AT 401 E. BEACON STREET, STE, 107. PHILADELPHIA. MISSISSIPPI. AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO AP PEAR AND DEFEND, A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court, this 26th day of May, 2021.

/s/Guy Nowell GUY NOWELL CHANCERY CLERK NESHOBA COUNTY. MISSISSIPPI PHILADELPHIA, MISSISSIPPI 39350

BY: /s/W Savell Deputy Clerk

Briana Keeler, MSB#105474 Office of the Attorney General PO Box 220 Jackson, MS 39205 Telephone No. (601)359-4239 Email: Briana.Keeler@ago.ms.gov

INVITATION FOR BIDS SCHOOL **PROPERTY**

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Trustees, Philadelphia Public School District, 248 Byrd Avenue, Philadelphia, Mississippi, up to and not later than 10:00 a.m., Monday, June 28, 2021 for a 1991 Wells Cargo Trailer. You may call the business office with questions.

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, on November 28, 2003 Ophelia Hunter and Floyd Hunter executed a certain deed of trust to Mel Westerfield. Trustee for the use and benefit of Union Planters Bank NA, which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Neshoba, County, state of Mississippi, in Book 611, Page 769; and

WHEREAS, Regions Bank Successor by Merger to Union Planters Bank, N.A., the current holder and/or assignee, substituted Jauregui & Lindsey, LLC as Trustee by instrument recorded in the Chancery Clerk's Office on May 17, 2021 in Book 2021, Page 4214; and

WHEREAS, Default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, Regions Bank Successor by Merger to Union Planters Bank, N.A., the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee in said deed of trust, will on July 6, 2021 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the main front door of the County Courthouse of Neshoba County in Philadelphia, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Neshoba County, Mississippi, to wit: Commence at the NE corner of NE 1/4 of NE 1/4, Section 31, Township 11 North, Range 12 East, and run South 850 feet, thence run South 01 degree 03 minutes West 400 feet, thence run North 89 degrees West 920 feet, thence run South 01 degrees 12 mutes West 235 feet to the South line of Blount Street, thence run North 89 degrees West 368.5 feet along the South line of Blount Street for the point of beginning, thence run South 0 degrees 15 minutes East 277.2 feet, thence run North 57 degrees West 142 feet, thence run North 185 feet

to the South line of said Blount Street.

thence run North 80 degrees 30 min-

utes East 125 feet along the South line

of Blount Street to the point of begin-

ning, containing 0.65 acres, more or

less, and being in the S ½ of NE 1/4, Section 31, Township 11 North, Range

12 East, City of Philadelphia, Neshoba

County, Mississippi.

Commence at the NE corner of the NE 1/4 of NE 1/4, Section 31, Township 11 North, Range 12 East and run South 850 feet, thence run South 01 degree 03 minutes West 400 feet, thence run North 89 degrees West 920 feet, thence run South 01 degree 12 minutes West 235 feet to the South line of Blount Street, thence run North 89 degrees West 243.5 feet along the South line of Blount Street for the point of beginning, thence run South 01 degree 55 minutes West 377 feet, thence run North 57 degrees West 137 feet, thence run North 0 degrees 15 minutes West 277.2 feet to the South line of said Blount Street, thence run North 80 degrees 30 minutes East 125 feet along the South line of Blount Street to the point of beginning, containing 0.93 acres, more or less, and being in the SE 1/4 of NE 1/4, Section 31, Township 11 North, Range 12 East, City of Philadelphia, Neshoba County, Mississippi.

I will convey only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee. Jaurequi & Lindsev. LLC Substituted Trustee Jauregui, Lindsey, Longshore & Tingle 244 Inverness Center Drive Suite 200 Birmingham, AL 35242

Publication dates: June 9, 2021, June 16, 2021, June 23, 2021, June 30,

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF NESHOBA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE CIVIL ACTION, OF KENNETH EARL TOWNSEND, DECEASED FILE NO. 19-428

RULE 81 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION (ALIAS)

(205) 970-2233

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF NESHOBA

TO: All Unknown Heirs of Kenneth Earl Townsend, Deceased

You have been made a respondent in the Petition to Determine Heirs filed with the Court by Bonnie Townsend seeking a judicial determination of the rightful heirs at law of Kenneth Earl Townsend. All other known heirs are Petitioner, Bonnie Townsend and Isaiah Townsend.

You are summoned to appear and defend against said Petition filed against vou in this action at 1:00 o'clock P.M.. on the 6 th day of July, 2021, at the Carroll County Chancery Courthouse, Vaiden, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the things demanded in the Petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if vou desire.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF THIS COURT, this the 28th day of May, 2021.

GUY NOWELL NESHOBA COUNTY CHANCERY CLERK

By: /s/W.Savell

Jim Arnold 435 East Beacon Street Philadephia, MS 39350 Telephone: 601-656-6914 Facsimile: 601-656-6958 E-Mail: jarnoldlawoffice@ att.net

Publish:June 2, 9 and 16

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF **NESHOBA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI** ETHEL POLK WRIGHT FILE NO. <u>21-87</u>

JIMMY **DEFENDANT**

WRIGHT

ALIAS SUMMONS (By Publication) THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF NESHOBA

TO: JIMMY WRIGHT.. a non-resident of the State of Mississippi, who is not to be found in this state on diligent inquiry made by the Plaintiff, and his whereabouts, place of abode, and post office address are unknown to Plaintiff after having made diligent inquiry to ascertain the same, but his last known address was in Philadelphia, Mississippi.

You have been made DEFENDANT in the suit filed in this Court by ETHEL POLK WRIGHT, PLAINTIFF, seeking a Divorce Decree. Defendants other than you in this action are None.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to JIM ARNOLD, Attorney for the Plaintiff, whose post office address and street address is 435 E. Beacon Street, Philadelphia, MS 39350.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUM-MONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT MAILED OR HAND DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DE-MANDED IN THE AMENDED COM-

You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT, this the 28th day of May, 2021.

Mr. Guy Nowell Chancery Clerk of Neshoba County (SEAL) 401 East Beacon Street, STE 107 Philadelphia, MS 39350

BY: /s/ G. Tate DEPUTY CLERK

Publish Date June 2, 2021, June 9th. 2021 and June 16, 2021

IN THE CHOCTAW TRIBAL COURT MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS IN THE MATTER OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF SARINA WILLIAMS ANDERSON, **DECEASED**

TARINA ANDERSON

CAUSE NO.: 2020-386

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Letters of Testamentary having been granted on the 5th day of May, 2021, by the Court Clerk of the Choctaw Tribal Court of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, to the undersigned upon Sarina Williams Anderson, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date or they will be forever barred.

/s/Tarina Anderson

TARINA ANDERSON **ADMINISTRATRIX**

Prepared By:

(601) 656-9597

MSBN: 99674

STEVEN D. SETTLEMIRES ATTORNEY FOR ADMINISTRATRIX Settlemires & Graham, PLLC 410 East Beacon Street Philadelphia, MS 39350

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF **NESHOBA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI** IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION FOR ADOPTION OF THE MINOR CHILD NAMED HEREIN, D.P.J.

NELDA JOHNSON, NEXT

FRIEND PETITIONER

VS.

BRUCE MOORE, NATURAL FA-THER; MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RESPONDENTS

SUMMONS (Rule81) (By Publication) THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF NESHOBA

TO: BRUCE MOORE, a non-resident of the State of Mississippi, who is not to be found in this state on diligent inquiry made by the Plaintiff, and her whereabouts, place of abode, and post office address are unknown to Plaintiff after having made diligent inquiry to ascertain the same, but her last known address was in the State of Mississippi

You have been made DEFENDANT in the suit filed in this Court, Nelda Johnson, Plaintiff, seeking an Adoption of a minor child born to Wendy Johnson on January 31, 2006. Defendants other than you in this action are: None.

You are summoned to appear and defend against said Petition at 9:00 O' Clock a.m. on the 7th day of July, 2021, in the Courtroom of the Choctaw County Courthouse in Ackerman, Mississippi. If your response is not mailed or delivered, the Petition for Adoption may be granted by the Court.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT, this 27th, day of May, 2021.

(SEAL) Mr. Guv Nowell **Chancery Clerk of Neshoba County** 401 East Beacon Street, Ste 107 Philadelphia, MS 39350

By:_/s/ G. Tate DEPUTY CLERK

TITLE OF ABANDOMENT SCOTTY'S RECYCLING 13070 HIGHWAY 19 NORTH PHILADELPHIA, MS 39350

MAKE: 2006 HONDA CIVIC GRAY VIN: 1HGFA16516L053928 PLACE OF SALE: SCOTTY'S RECY-CLING SALE DATE: JULY 2, 2021 AT 9:00 AM

OWNED BY: JAMIE CUMBERLAND ADDRESS: 10510 RD 779, PHILA-DELPHIA MS 39350 LIENHOLDER: LIGE'S AUTO SALES, 409 PECAN AVENUE, PHILADEL-PHIA, MS 39350

CHOCTAW TRIBAL CIVIL COURT MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW **INDIANS**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THURMAN BEE THOMPSON, DECE

ASED A. NO.: 2021-144

NOTICE TO ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 26 th day of May 2021, by the Choctaw Tribal Civil Court to the undersigned ELISHIA LASHAY THOMPSON upon the Estate of THURMAN BEE THOMPSON, deceased, notice is hereby given to all UNKNOWN HEIRS having claims against said estate to probate and register the same, as provided by law with the clerk of the court, within nine ty (90) days from the first publication of this Notice. Failure to probate and register any such claim within said ninety (90) day period will forever bar

WITNESS THE SIGNATURE of the Administrator, this the 26 th day of

/s/ ELISHIA LASHAY THOMPSON **ADMINISTRATRIX**

SUBMITTED BY: TIMOTHY L. TAYLOR, MSB# 103036 Post Office Box 6255; Choctaw, MS 39350 Phone: (601) 650-7449; Fax: (601) 650-7421

Attorney for Administratrix TITLE OF ABANDOMENT SCOTTY'S RECYCLING 13070 HIGHWAY 19 NORTH

PHILADELPHIA, MS 39350

MAKE: 2016 SILVER DODGE JOUR-NEY VIN: 3CYPDCAB5HT544920

PLACE OF SALE: SCOTTY'S RECY-CLING SALE DATE: JULY 2, 2021 AT 9:00 AM OWNED BY: CHRISTINA MARIE

WOODY OR WILLIAM GUIDO SLAT-ADDRESS: 1012 KENNEDY ST., APT B. ANDERSON, SC 29621 LIENHOLDER: CHRYSLER CAPITAL

76102 CHOCTAW TRIBAL CIVIL COURT MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

PO BOX 961272, FORT WORTH, TX

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

THURMAN BEE THOMPSON, JR. **DECEASED** C. A. NO.: 2021-144

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 26TH day of May, 2021, by the Choctaw Tribal Civil Court to the undersigned ELISHIA LASHAY THOMPSON upon the Estate of THURMAN BEE THOMPSON, JR., deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate to probate and register the same, as provided by law, with the Clerk of the Court, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this Notice Failure to probate and register any such claim within said ninety (90) days period will forever bar the claim.

WITNESS THE SIGNATURE of the Administrator, this the 26 th day of May, 2021.

/s/ ELISHIA LASHAY THOMPSON **ADMINISTRATRIX**

SUBMITTED BY: TIMOTHY L. TAYLOR, MSB# 103036 P. O. Box 6255; Choctaw, MS 39350 Ph: (601) 650-7449 / Fax: (601) 650-

NESHOBA COUNTY

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

EXPENSE SUMMARY FOR: 6/7/2021

Attorney for Administratrix

001-000 GENERAL COUNTY 156869.16 001-100 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 10056.39 001-101 CHANCERY CLERK 3200.47 001-102 CIRCUIT CLERK 809.91 001-105 TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR 472.11 001-151 MAINTENANCE OF BUILD-ING/GROUND 13179.68 001-152 DATA PROCESSING 6057.84 001-153 REAPPRAISAL 15232.00 001-160 CHANCERY COURT 3201.98 001-161 CIRCUIT COURT 5270.67 001-163 JUVENILE COURT 12191.40 001-164 JUVENILE DRUG COURT 85.76 001-165 LUNACY COURT 1330.00 001-166 JUSTICE COURT 1506.95 001-167 CORONER/MEDICAL EX-AMINER 44.84 001-169 COUNTY ATTORNEY 840.00 001-170 PUBLIC DEFENDER 948.93 001-171 COURT ADMINISTRATOR 2154.75 001-180 **ELECTIONS 39.20 001-200 SHERIFF** ADMINISTRATION 13414.56 001-220 **CUSTODY OF PRISONERS 42644.25** 001-232 MEDICAL SERVICE - PRIS-ONERS 3196.89 001-260 EMER-To be published on June 16, June 23, MANAGEMENT 3726.08 **GENCY** 001-420 HEALTH CENTER 3801.08 June 30 and July 7, 2021. 001-440 MENTAL HEALTH 1800.00 001-450 WELFARE ADMINISTRA-TION 2456.56 001-452 COUNCIL ON AGING 222.89 001-500 LIBRARY AD-MIN 20083.33 001-530 PARKS AND RECREATION 10833.33 001-540 Fax: (205) 758-8358 RECREATION/COLISEUM 001-550 SCHOOLS 6657.05 001-630 SOIL CONSERVATION 3262.50 001-**NESHOBA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI** 631 COUNTY EXTENSION 2133.70 001-676 INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPE MENT AUTH 6666.66 097-265 COUN-TY WIDE E-911 10583.60 104-172 **ALEX HENSON, Deceased** LAW LIBRARY 354.01 106-255 DIX-ON VFD 41.17 111-180 ELECTIONS 3295.00 115-205 FORFEITURE MON-IES 1841.15 130-540 COLISEUM EXPENSES 90.98 150-300 COUN-TY UNIT ROAD 68738.86 160-300 COUNTY WIDE BRIDGE & CULVERT

13906.68 691-000 ECCC BUILDING 9271.12 TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: 651279.73 THIS IS A SUMMARY OF EXPE DITURES FOR PERIOD ENDING JUNE 7, 2021 LISTING THE TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS BY EACH DE-PARTMENT/FUND PUBLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH MISSISSIPPI CODE ANN. § 19-3-35. A COMPLETE LIST OF ALL EXPENDITURES REP-RESENTING THESE TOTALS IS RECORDED IN THE DOCKET OF CLAIMS AND IS OPEN FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION IN THE CHANCERY CLERKS OFFICE OR BOARD OF SU-PERVISORS OFFICE DURING REG-ULAR BUSINESS HOURS. /S/ GUY NOWELL CLERK OF THE BOARD NESHOBA COUNTY BOARD OF SU-**PERVISORS**

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LEASE/PURCHASE 10456.29 202-

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400-340 SOLID WASTE 23872.58

650-000 ASSESSMENTS 82772.37

690-000 ECCC MAINTENANCE

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING The Board of Trustees of the Philadelphia Public School District will hold a public hearing on the school district's 2021-2022 budget which includes the Special Education and Federal Programs budget on June 17, 2021 at 12:00 P.M. in the Support Services Building, Philadelphia, Mississippi. The Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) for the district will also be discussed. The purpose of this hearing is to give the citizens of this school district an opportunity to comment on the expenditure and taxing plans of the district. The hearing is being conducted in compliance with the law as enacted by the 1986 and 1987 Legislative Sessions.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PHILADELPHIA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTBY: Dr. Lisa Hull, Superintendent

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2010,

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF NESHOBA

WILLIE M. TRIPLETT and TRACY TRIPLETT, husband and wife, executed a deed of trust to L. Bradley Dillard, Trustee for the benefit of Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., which deed of trust was recorded December 28, 2010, in Book 2010 at Page 9372 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Neshoba County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., the holder of said deed of trust and the note secured thereby, substituted Lori C. Baird as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument dated April 29, 2021, and recorded May 24, 2021 in the Office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 2021 at Page 4343; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust, and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., having requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of

raising the sums due thereunder together with attorney's fees, substitute trustee's fees and expenses of sale;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lori C. Baird, Substitute Trustee in said deed of trust will, on the 14th day of July, 2021, offer for sale at public outcry for cash to the highest bidder, and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the north door of the Courthouse at Philadelphia, Neshoba County, Mississippi, the following described property situated in the County of Neshoba, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

A parcel of land located in the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 4, Township 9 North, Range 10 East, Neshoba County, Mississippi and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at an iron pin found marking the NW Corner of the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of said Section 4: thence South for 1617.46 feet; thence East for 350.00 feet to an iron pin set; said point also being the Point of Beginning; thence South 62 degrees 22 minutes 58 seconds East for 200.00 feet to an iron pin set; thence South 27 degrees 37 minutes 02 seconds West for 242.02 feet to an iron pin set on the northern right of way line of Neshoba County Road Number 212; thence along said northern right of way line along a curve to the right for 209.77 feet to an iron pin found; said curve having a radius of 651.80 feet, an included angle of 18 degrees 26 minutes 22 seconds, and a chord of North 45 degrees 38 minutes 04 seconds West for 208.86 feet; thence North 27 degrees 37 minutes 02 seconds East for 181.83 feet back to the Point of Beginning, Said parcel contains 1.00 acre, more or less.

ALSO: One (1) 2010 Clayton manufactured home, VIN # CLW030078TX.

Said property shall be sold as is, where is. I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee. The full purchase price must be paid in cash or by certified funds at the time of sale.

WITNESS my signature this the 11th day of June, 2021.

/s/ Lori C. Baird_ Substitute Trustee

Lori C. Baird (MS Bar No. 104145) ROSEN HARWOOD, P.A. Post Office Box 2727 Tuscaloosa, AL 35403 Telephone: (205) 344-5000

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE

BY: ADRIAN HENSON, Petitioner Cause No: 2020-238

RULE 81 SUMMONS

(By Publication) STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF NESHOBA:::

heirs-at-law of Alex Henson, Deceased You have been made a party in the suit filed in this Court by Adrian Hen-

To the known or unknown

son, Administrator of the Estate of Alex Henson, deceased and known heirs at law of Alex Henson, deceased seeking determination of the heirs at law of Alex Henson.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed in this action at 9:00 a.m. on the 8th day of July, 2021, before the Honorable Judge Joseph Kilgore, at the Attala County Chancery Courthouse, Kosciusko, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the relief or other things demanded

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court this, the 24th day of May,

GUY NOWELL, CHANCERY CLERK

WSavell , D.C.

PETITIONERS

in the Petition.

Prepared and requested by: RaToya Gilmer, Esq., MB # 104487 Gilmer & Green Legal Group, PLLC Post Office Box 1668 Jackson, Mississippi 39215 Telephone: (769)208-8122 Facsimile: (769)235-6265

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF NESHOBA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

RAMONA JEWELL PALMER AND NOEL TRAVIS PALMER, JR. INDIVIDUALLY, AND AS NEXT FRIENDS OF

V. CIVIL ACTION No.: 2018-2 KARLEY HARVARD AND MATTHEW PERMENTER

M.J.P, A MINOR (DOB: 09/06/2016

DEFENDANTS SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO: KARLEY HARVARD

ADDRESS UNKNOWN **NOTICE TO DEFENDANT(S)**

You have been made a Defendant in

the suit filed in this Court by Ramona Palmer and Noel Travis Palmer, Jr., Plaintiffs, seeking custody the minor child in the above matter referenced You are summoned to appear and defend against said complaint, petition

or motion at 9:00 o'clock A.M. on the 22 ND day of July, 2021, in the Chancery courtroom of the Winston County Courthouse located in Louisville, Mississippi. In case of your failure to appear and

defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint, petition or motion. You are not required to file an answer

or other pleading but may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of

See **LEGALS**, page 4B

Breaking all of the gardening rules

your neighborhood who does things a bit on the wacky side?

Our expectations of a "normal" landscape are deeply ingrained: tidy lawn, shade trees, clipped shrubs hugging the house, flowers or vegetables in neat beds or containers, a fern hanging on the porch, maybe a flag or school logo by the door.

In spite of high maintenance and - dare I say - general lack of personality, there's nothing wrong with the Yard of the Month model; conforming is not only fairly easy, but also a social virtue signal that projects a stable image to neighbors and protects property values up. And I salute it!

But what about those out-

Is there a quirky gardener in liers who break all the rules, and don't seem to care? You know, the garden version of guys who wear funny hats and grease paint to pro football games?

> To be clear, most of these gardeners are not deliberate nonconformists; they are merely other-motivated. Mostly they simply garden so passionately they veer away from the norm.

> Some may be garden club members or participate in a local Master Gardener program, but they act on understanding that the rules of horticulture are tempered with certain inalienable rights such as being free to display as many wind chimes and gnomes as they want, plant any color

flower next to any color flower, and try (sometimes successfully) doing things the experts say won't work.

Many of these what I call DIGrs (Determined Independent Gardeners) see weeds as metaphors; when someone calls a beautiful wildflower in their gardens a weed, DIGrs, sadly, interpret it as saying their garden itself is a weed in the com-

While I resist comparing or romanticizing the ways garden-

anything, most DIGr gardens are easy to spot, from their reverse layout (faces the house, not the street) secluded behind a privacy fence or gate. The cluttered space within is a hodgepodge of plant groupings

woven with meandering paths usually lined with stones, bricks, pottery shards, or the

Something is usually in flower every month of the year, and somewhere there'll be a queue of pots of plants waiting for their own holes (often in vain). Throw in scattered sacks of potting soil, old pots, wellused tools, and other "useful someday" stuff, and of course lots of yard art, both classic and whimsical, sometimes storebought but often homemade from found objects.

Those are the outward manifestations of what DIGr gardens look like; the gardeners themselves also exhibit certain shared characteristics. Their arms are scratched, and fingernails often - yeah, you know. They plant stuff in plastic milk jugs, have local plant swaps circled on the calendar, and can be seen checking their gardens at night by flashlight, digging in the rain, or amusing themselves with a thumb over the end of their hose. And all they want for their birthday is for someone to haul some mulch for them.

DIGrs, in their unexpected ways, offer others a confidence boost to brandish a little personality. They're showing that gardening is less a team sport with refereed rules, and more a big tent under which everyone has opportunities to shine. Their garden lifestyle is simply about living intense versions of themselves, and hoping for understanding.

Rather than ridicule them, try to see how they give us permission to color a bit outside our own lines. In an "at least mine ain't that bad" way, they make our own gardens look

Just as you wouldn't dream of going into someone else's house to turn their toilet roll around, let's honor our different

approaches.

Felder Rushing is a Mississippi author, columnist, and host of the "Gestalt Gardener" on MPB Think Radio. Email gardening questions to rushingfelder@yahoo.com.

Legals

Continued from page 3B

this Court, this the 11 TH day of June,

/S/ GUY NOWELL

BY: /S/ K. GREER Publish three (3) consecutive weeks

Robert Lee Thomas MSBN 105358 Alford, Thomas & Thomas PLLC 601-656-1871

TITLE OF ABANDONMENT MOTOR VEHICLE Debra Burton 1112 Keith Street Philadelphia, MS 39350 601-562-6640

MAKE: 2000 Ford Expedition VIN#: 1FMRU15L5YLB96866 PLACE OF SALE: Philadelphia OWNED BY: David Leopold ADDRESS: 1112 Keith Street, Philadelphia, MS 39350

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF NE-SHOBA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

NESHOBA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES, BY MARCUS D. DAVEN-PORT, AND EASTON GAUGE ELMORE, A MINOR, BY THROUGH HIS NEXT FRIEND, MARCUS D. DAVENPORT PETI-

HEATHER ELIZABETH HURST AKA ELMORE. DANIEL LEE ELMORE, JR., THOMAS GILES AND UNKNOWN FATHER RESPON-**PUTATIVE DENTS**

CHANCERY COURT SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Heather Elizabeth Hurst AKA Elmore who is not to be found in the State of Mississippi on diligent inquiry and whose post office address is 215 Lincoln Avenue, Apt. 205, York, NB 68467-3572.

TO: Thomas Giles, who is not to be found in the State of Mississippi on diligent inquiry and whose post office address is 322 W 6th Street, York, NB 68467-3572.

TO: Unknown Putative Father, who is not to be found in the State of Mississippi on diligent inquiry and whose post office address is not known to the Petitioners after diligent inquiry made by said Petitioners.

You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by the Neshoba County Department of Child Protection Services by Marcus D. Davenport, Social Services Regional Director, and, Easton Gauge Elmore, a minor, seeking to terminate your parental rights as those rights relate to said minor and demanding that the full custody, control and authority to act on behalf of said minor be placed with the Neshoba County Department of Child Protection Services. Respondent other than you in this action is Daniel Lee

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO AP-PEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THE PETITION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9, O'CLOCK A.M. ON THE 27th DAY OF JULY, 2021. IN THE COURTROOM OF THE NE-SHOBA COUNTY COURTHOUSE AT

401 E. BEACON STREET, STE. 107. PHILADELPHIA, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO AP-PEAR AND DEFEND, A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court, this 7th day of JUNE,2021. /S/GUY NOWELL, CHANCERY CLERK NESHOBA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI PHILADELPHIA, MISSISSIPPI 39350 BY: <u>/S/W. SAVELL</u> Deputy Clerk SEAL

Briana Keeler, MSB#105474 Office of the Attorney General Post Office Box 220 Jackson, MS 39205 Telephone No. (601) 359-4239 Email: Briana.Keeler@ago.ms.gov

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, on July 22, 2009, Carrie Clemons executed a certain deed of trust to David L. Thurston, Trustee for the use and benefit of Harvard Home Mortgage, Inc., which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Neshoba, County, state of Mississippi, in Deed of Trust Book 2009, Page 6054; and

WHEREAS, Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company, the current holder and/or assignee, substituted Jaurequi & Lindsey LLC as Trustee by instrument recorded in the Chancery Clerk's Office on May 7, 2021 in Book 2021. Page 3916: and

WHEREAS. Default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee in said deed of trust, will on June 17, 2021 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the main front door of the County Courthouse of Neshoba County in Philadelphia, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Neshoba County, Mississippi

BEGINNING AT THE CENTER COR-NER OF SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST, AND RUN EAST ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE QUARTER SECTION LINE 75 FEET TO A CORNER, THENCE RUN NORTH 105 FEET TO A COR-NER, THENCE RUN WEST 75 FEET TO THE QUARTER SECTION LINE, THENCE RUN SOUTH ALONG THE QUARTER SECTION LINE 105 FEET THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING ONE LOT SITUATED IN THE SW-1/4 OF NE-1/4, SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST, LANDS NOT MAPPED IN THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, NE-SHOBA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

I will convey only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee. Jauregui & Lindsey, LLC Substituted Trustee Jauregui & Lindsey, LLC 244 Inverness Center Drive

Suite 200 Birmingham, AL 35242 (205) 970-2233

Publication dates: May 26, 2021, June 2. 2021. June 9. 2021. June 16. 2021

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF NE-SHOBA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

NESHOBA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES, BY MARCUS D. DAVENPORT, AND JOSEPH ALEXANDER BUCHANAN ROBERT ADRIAN BUCHANAN AND DAVID FLOYD FRANK, MINORS, BY AND THROUGH THEIR NEXT FRIEND, MARCUS D. DAVENPORT, **PETITIONERS**

ASHLEY LYNN BUCHANAN, DAVID BRIAN FRANK AND UNKNOWN PU-TATIVE FATHERS. RESPONDENTS

CIVIL ACTION, FILE NO. 2020-347

CHANCERY COURT SUMMONS THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Unknown Putative Fathers, who are not to be found in the State of Mississippi on diligent inquiry and whose post office addresses are not known to the Petitioners after diligent inquiry made by sad Petitioners.

You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by the Neshoba County Department of Child Protection Services by Marcus D. Davenport, Social Services Regional Director, and, Joseph Alexander Buchanan, Robert Adrian Buchanan and David Floyd Frank, minors, seeking to terminate

your parental rights as those rights relate to said minors and demanding that full custody, control, and authority to act on behalf of said minors be placed with the Neshoba County Department of Child Protection Services. Respondents other than you in this action are Ashley Lynn Buchanan and David Brian Frank.

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THE PETI-TION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:00 O'CLOCK A.M. ON THE 27TH DAY OF JULY, 2021, IN THIE COURTROOM OF THE NE-SHOBA COUNTY COURTHOUSE AT 401 E. BEACON STREET, STE, 107. PHILADELPHIA, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO AP-PEAR AND DEFEND, A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so

ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court, this 25th day of May, 2021.

/s/Guy Nowell

GUY NOWELL, CHANCERY CLERK NESHOBA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI PHILADELPHIA, MISSISSIPPI 39350

BY: /s/G. Tate Deputy Clerk

Briana Keeler, MSB#105474 Office of the Attorney General P.O. Box 220 Jackson, MS 39205 Telephone No. (601)359-4239 Email: Briana.Keeler@ago.ms.gov

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AUCTION

On-site Absolute Auction. Saturday, June 19th 9:00 a.m. 10320 Rd 509 of Union. John Adcock #1443 & 2's. 601-416-3072--

ESTATE SALE

Estate Sale. Friday and Saturday June 18th & 19th. From 6AM-2PM. 10511 Hwy 485, Philadelphia. Furniture, kitchenware, glassware, and more!--



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CHAPTER 7 BANKRUPTCY

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CHAPTER 13 BANKRUPTCY

Court Fees Up Front

Jim Arnold, Attorney

601-656-6914

MS REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY V **POSITION OPENING**

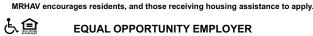
MAINTENANCE MECHANIC Philadelphia, Union, Dekalb, Scooba, Macon and Brooksville Areas

The Authority has a position opening for a Maintenance Mechanic based in Scooba. This position will cover the Scooba, Brooksville, and Macon area. Major duties are semi-skilled and skilled structural, plumbing, and electrical building maintenance work at Authority properties. Work involves repair and replacement of items such as windows, doors, gutters, cabinets, walls, ceilings, toilets, faucets, water lines, electrical outlets, and light fixtures. Also performs preventive maintenance tasks and

Individuals wishing to apply for this position should fax resume to 601-683-0478; or mail to: **Job Maintenance** P.O. Box 419 Newton, MS 39345

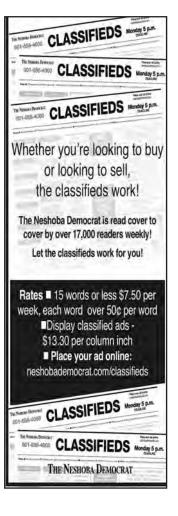
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

This job opening is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968. This act requires that wherever HUD financial very-low income persons, particularly those who are recipients of government assistance for housing (Section 3 income is defined as 80% or below the median income of that area. Very low income is defined as 50% or below the



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EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER





Uncle Si Robertson of Duck Dynasty fame sits back and tells his stories Friday during his visit to Philadelphia.

Uncle Si speaks his mind during visit

By STEVE SWOGETINSKY steve@neshobademocrat.com

Production of the popular A&E Network reality television program "Duck Dynasty" ended in 2017 but love for the show's stars, the members of the Robertson family of Louisiana, lives on.

That love was evident last weekend when Si Robertson of the show visited the Neshoba County Coliseum in Philadelphia.

"Uncle Si," as he is affectionately known, was (and still is) a wild card. He says what he thinks, often about his Christian faith. And on the show, he tended to meddle, get off task and wander a bit. That has led to many misadventures, both on and off the television show.

"You might get to see him for 30 minutes or an hour on television," said Phillip McMillan, a family friend who travels with Uncle Si with the specific instructions to try and keep Si out of trouble. "That

doesn't scratch the surface."
"Storytime with Uncle Si,"
as the show was called, is basically a back-and-forth conversation between Si and McMillian. They tell funny stories, mostly about things that Si has done and said. And one is usu-

ally trying to go one-up on the

The Robertson family was doing well with their family-owned business, Duck Commander of West Monroe, La. They sell equipment for duck hunters and are known for the duck calls they make. The show ran on A&E from 2012 through 2017 but reruns and spinoff shows are still available.

Si Robertson made the reeds for the duck calls. A Vietnam veteran with more than 20 years in the military, he said he was a bit surprised at the show's initial success.

"You have a business that caters to duck hunters," Robertson said. "But when they approached us about the show, they didn't want to make a duck hunting show. They wanted to do it about the family members."

Robertson said he played himself and enjoyed the experience.

"I loved doing the show," Robertson said. "Some of the family didn't like it. All the rest of them had to do a little bit of acting. Me. All I have to do is show up."

Last weekend was not Si's first trip to Philadelphia. He visited the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians a couple of years ago and became a big fan of stickball.

Lane Taylor put the show together. He had visited the Robertsons in West Monroe and became friends with them.

"Because of COVID-19, we haven't had a lot to do in Philadelphia in the past year," Taylor said. "I thought people might enjoy getting to see him. I asked if there was any way we could get Si up here to put on a show and (family patriarch) Phil Robertson said, "We'll make it happen."

Si made two appearances last weekend in Philadelphia. On Friday night, he entertained about 300 people at a sponsors dinner at The Venue. Then he put his show on Saturday night at the Neshoba County Coliseum. Approximately 1,000 tickets were sold.

Robertson made himself available to his fans both nights, signing autographs and taking pictures.

"He was going to leave after the Saturday night show," Taylor said. "But he stayed two hours afterward to sign autographs, take pictures and talk with the people. He said, "These people have been good."

'These people have been good to me and I will stay as long as I have to."

"NOTICE OF PROPOSED AD VALOREM TAX EFFORT"

Philadelphia Public School District

The Philadelphia Public School District will hold a public hearing on its proposed school district budget for fiscal year 2021 on Thursday, June 17, 2021 at 12:00 pm at Philadelphia Public School District Support Services Building. At this meeting, a proposed ad valorem tax effort will be considered.

The Philadelphia Public School District is now operating with a projected total budget revenue of \$11,824,979. Of that amount, twenty-nine (29) percent or \$3,388,465 of such revenue is obtained through ad valorem taxes. For next fiscal year, the proposed budget has total projected revenue of \$18,106,122. Of that amount, nineteen (19) percent or \$3,454,533 is proposed to be financed through a total ad valorem tax levy.

For the next fiscal year, the proposed increase in ad valorem tax effort by Philadelphia Public School District may result in an increase in the ad valorem tax millage rate. Ad Valorem taxes are paid on homes, automobile tags, business fixtures and equipment, and rental real property.

Any citizen of Philadelphia Public School District is invited to attend this public hearing on the proposed ad valorem tax effort, and will be allowed to speak for a reasonable amount of time and offer tangible evidence before any vote is taken.

2021 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

Is my water safe?

• Yes, your water is safe and meets all U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and safe drinking water health standards.

Do I need to take special precautions?

• Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Water Drinking Hotline (800-426-4791).

Where does my water come from?

• Philadelphia Utilities uses five deep wells, pumping from the Lower Wilcox Aquifer, to supply water for our customers.

Source water assessment and its availability

• The SWA is available online at: https://landandwater.deq.ms.gov/swap/reports/report.aspx-?id=0500008

Why are there contaminants in my drinking water?

• Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

How can I get involved?

• Our regularly scheduled meetings are held at 8:00 am on the second Thursday of each month at the main office of Philadelphia Utilities, located at 435 Myrtle St. East, Philadelphia, Ms. Anyone wishing to be placed on the meeting agenda, should contact Kirk R. Morgan, Executive Secretary, at

Required Fluoridation Information

• To comply with the "Regulation Governing Fluoridation of Community Water Supplies", MS0500008 is required to report certain results pertaining to fluoridation of our water system. The number of months in the previous calendar year in which average fluoride sample results were within the optimal range of 0.6 – 1.2 ppm was 11. The percentage of fluoride samples collected in previous calendar year was within the optimal range of 0.6 - 1.2 ppm was 92%.

Monitoring and reporting of compliance data violations

• 3A - Monitoring, Routine, Minor (RTCR) 11/01/2020-11/30/2020 E. Coli Complete

Additional Information for Lead

• If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Philadelphia Utilities is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

WATER QUALITY DATA TABLE

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the calendar year of this report. Although many more contaminants were tested, only those substances listed below were found in your water. All sources of drinking water contain some naturally occurring contaminants. At low levels, these substances are generally not harmful in our drinking water. Removing all contaminants would be extremely expensive, and in most cases, would not provide increased protection of public health. A few naturally occurring minerals may actually improve the taste of drinking water and have nutritional value at low levels. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done in the calendar year of the report. The EPA or the State requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not vary significantly from year to year, or the system is not considered vulnerable to this type of contamination. As such, some of our data, though representative, may be more than one year old. In this table you will find terms and abbreviations that might not be familiar to you. To help you better understand these terms, we have provided the definitions below the table.

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| Contaminants | MCLG or MRDL G | TT, or MRD L | Detect In Your Water | Lo w | Hig h | Sampl e Date | Violatio n | Typical Source |
| Disinfectants & Disinfection By | -Products | | | | | | | |
| (There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants) | | | | | | | | |

| | | | MCL, | | Range | | Sampl e Date | Violatio n | | |
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| Contaminants | MCLG or MRDL G | | TT, or MRD L | Detect In Your Water | Lo w | Hig h | | | Typical Source | |
| Chlorine (as Cl2) (ppm) | -4 | 4 | | 1.1 | _7 | 1.9 | 2020 | No | Water additive used to control microbes | |
| Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb) | NA | NA | | 2 | NA | NA | 2020 | No | By-product of drinking water chlorination | |
| TTHMs [Total Trihalomethanes] (ppb) | NA | NA | | 80 9.8 | | NA | 2020 | No | By-product of drinking water disinfection | |
| Inorganic Contaminants | | | | | | | | | | |
| Barium (ppm) | 2 | 2 | | 1.4 | NA | NA | 2019 | No | Erosion of natural deposits | |
| Chromium (ppb) | 100 | 100 | | 100 .7 | | NA | 2019 | No | Erosion of natural deposits | |
| Fluoride (ppm) | 4 | 4 | | .92 | | 49 1.2 | 2020 | No | Water additive which promotes strong teeth | |
| Contaminants | MCL G | A | 100000 | Sampl e Date | e Exceeding | | Exceed AL | s | Typical Source | |
| Inorganic Contaminants | | | | | | | | | | |
| Copper - action level at consumer taps (ppm) | 1.3 | 1. | .1 | 2019 0 | | No | | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits | | |

ADDITIONAL CONTAMINANTS

In an effort to insure the safest water possible the State has required us to monitor some contaminants not required by Federal regulations. Of those contaminants only the ones listed below were found in your water.

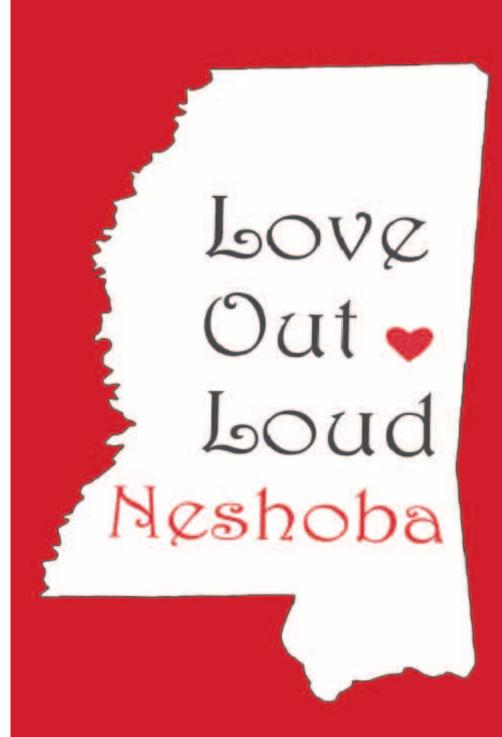
| Cor | ntaminan ts | State MCL | Your Water | Violatio n | Explanation and Comment |
|-----|----------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--|
| Sod | ium | | 17000 ppb | No | Likely source of contamination - Water Treatment Chemicals or Water Softeners. |
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| Init Descriptions | | | | | |
|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Term | Definition | | | | |
| ppm | ppm: parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L) | | | | |
| ppb | ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L) | | | | |
| NA | NA: not applicable | | | | |
| ND | ND: Not detected | | | | |
| NR | NR: Monitoring not required, but recommended. | | | | |

| Important Drinking Water Definitions | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Term | Definition | | | |
| MCLG | MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. | | | |
| MCL | MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. | | | |
| TT | TT: Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water. | | | |
| AL | AL: Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. | | | |
| Variances and Exemptions | Variances and Exemptions: State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions. | | | |
| MRDLG | MRDLG: Maximum residual disinfection level goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants. | | | |
| MRDL | MRDL: Maximum residual disinfectant level. The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants. | | | |
| MNR | MNR: Monitored Not Regulated | | | |
| MPL | MPL: State Assigned Maximum Permissible Level | | | |

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- Building ramps
- Cards for soldiers
- · Drive through prayer
- Open Arms
- Backyard VBS
- Blessing Box
- Donations



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Neshoba County Coliseum



Dr. Fred Luter

Dr. Luter serves as the senior pastor of Franklin Avenue Baptist Church of the 9th Ward in New Orleans, LA. Dr. Luter served as the president of the Southern Baptist Convention in 2012 and 2013

Michael Fedrick

Michael is a worship leader based out of Kosciusko, MS currently serving as the worship pastor at Williamsville Baptist Church. Michael's mission is to passionately lead Gospel-saturated worship that points others to Jesus.

June 23, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m.