**BMA comes out against takeover of airport**

By Shanderia K. Posey

The Business Missionary Alliance of Mississippi has added its voice against the state’s attempt to take over the Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evans International Airport.

BMA held a press conference on front of the state Capitol Jan. 15, and the Rev. Dwayne Pickett, pastor of New Jerusalem Church in Jackson, spoke on behalf of the organization.

“The Business Missionary Alliance of Mississippi is deeply concerned when it comes to the conflict between our state and community surrounding the Jackson Evans International Airport. Officials from the state of Mississippi and the city of Jackson must work together to create a path — where both entities gain economically and respect each other’s right to survive, to prosper and prove for the well-being of all of us,” Pickett said.

“Now we do recognize that the state has the authority to do what can be looked at as a hostile takeover of the airport’s governing authority. We are also making it very clear to the state to desire to exercise legislative muscle to pass a bill that changes the Jackson Municipal Airport governing in our capital city and for that and for that’s a problem.”

From several media reports the Hinds County Board of Supervisors, Jackson City Council, Jackson Mayor Tony Yarber, and BMA comes out against takeover of airport.

**Eyes on the Prize**

By Ayesha K. Mustafaa

Contributing Writer

Williams reflects on book’s impact on race relations

**Legislators, community honor King at breakfast**

By Janice K. Neal-Vincent

Contributing Writer

Hinds County Black legislators, corporate partners, and Jackson community service organizations began their day Jan. 18, in Greater Bethlehem Temple’s family life center at the 24th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. prayer breakfast.

The 2-hour breakfast was served, tables were decorated with JPS children’s artwork, and the stage was aligned with elected officials who demonstrated a consolidation of leadership and credibility as they reminisced about King, the Civil Rights Movement, present conditions and directions. The audience was filled with public officials, Jackson residents, and neighboring citizens who occasionally responded with applause, head nods and standing ovATIONS.

At the outset Rep. Earl E. Banks set the pace as presiding officer. Soon to follow was the Rev. Tim Curvin who began one of three prayers of cultural diversity. These present then fervently sang James Weldon Johnson’s “Lift Ev’ry Voice and Sing” that was backed up with “Dreamland’s Litaney” led by Jean C. Frazier, director of JSU’s Margaret Walker Center and a prima to Monday’s national holiday celebrating the legacy of the martyred civil rights legend.


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**Tougaloo celebrates King’s life**

By Ayesha K. Mustafaa

Contributing Writer

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is birthday celebrations take on many forms each year reflective of the legacy he endowed. From a day of giving and working to improve the lives of the less fortunate, to assuming of his “dream” has been realized “for all of God’s children.”

At the Historic Tougaloo College annual prayer breakfast commemorating the life of King, in 1968: “The Courage to Love, Social, Racial and Ethnic Harmony” was demonstrated with its audience and its multicultural, internal and diverse audience presentation.

**Locals awarded at MLK banquet**

By Stephanie R. Jones

Contributing Writer

Days of activities in Jackson celebrating the memory and birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr culminated Monday, with the 24th Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. awards banquet recognizing people from Jackson and Mississippi whose achievements and service to the community were in keeping with King’s vision.

The event, organized by Jackson City Councilman Kenneth Stokes, was hosted by Jackson State University with Mayor Tony Yarber as the keynote speaker.

An overflow crowd filled the banquet room in the JSU Student Center ballroom for the event streamed by radio broadcaster StarBrandon of WKXI-107 FM.

Awards were handed out to more than 70 people.
Singing “We Shall Overcome,” the crowd at the Rose E. McCoy Auditorium on the main campus of JSU

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The legislation would change the makeup of the Jackson Municipal Airport Authority’s board of commissioners by allowing the governor to appoint two people from Hinds County, two people from Rankin County, and two people from Madison County to serve as non-voting ex-officio members.

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its disingenuous to the people to just say we are going to stand up for Jackson’s interests, if you can’t point to a specific problem, OK, now it’s some other interests,” he said.

In Stamps’ opinion, the state should be looking at developing a statewide airport system in Mississippi. “States have tried to take control of their airports and failed. Some of those against the legislation have suggested that a may be a factor since Durden Vanderleest, the former long-time CEO of Jackson Municipal Airport Authority who is white, retired in 2014. The current CEO of Jackson

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Robert Lacklert, director of the Margaret Walker Center, said: “As a civil rights historian here at Jackson State, the book keeps talking to me, too. My work and my scholarship once much to and stand on the shoulders of those who went before me. I will be using this very seminar as a tool for my students in my civil rights class. It will open channels of conversation for those students, and it will represent a living history.”

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Williams dismisses the notion that the civil rights movement is over and that we are post-racial. “I don’t think so...”

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Powering the future.
Ya’Ya Eady addressed the annual Martin Luther King Jr. prayer breakfast at Tougaloo College co-hosted by Millsaps College.

“Tougaloo College President Dr. Beverly Hogan, her husband, Dr. Martin Luther King III, Tougaloo College President Dr. Robert Robinson and Tougaloo College students hold hands while singing ‘We Shall Overcome.’” PHOTO BY DIAMOND WILLIAMS

The annual prayer breakfast held Jan. 18, in Tougaloo’s Sangster Auditorium, was co-hosted by Millsaps College.

“Tougaloo and Millsaps are the two sister institutions of the University of Mississippi, blessed the food and began the program.” Dr. Beverly Hogan, President of Tougaloo introduced the speaker for the breakfast, Alonzo Boston — and gave closing remarks.

President of the College of Liberal Arts and Science and professor of political science, Dr. Edythe King Sylvers addressed the audience.

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Center plans ‘Dream On’ screening, discussion

The Mississippi Link Newsroom

Pinned between stagnant wages and the rising costs of housing, education and healthcare, millions of Americans are struggling to lift themselves out of poverty. To address these urgent issues before the critical election next year, the Margaret Walker Center at Jackson State University will host a preview screening of “Dream On” at 6 p.m. Jan. 26 at the JSU Student Center Theater before it airs on PBS.

After the screening a panel discussion will be held with political comedian and actor John Fugelsang via Skype; Jody Owens, managing attorney for the Mississippi office of the Southern Poverty Law Center; and Mississippi Sen. David Blount.

“Dream On” features John Fugelsang as he retraces the journey of Alexis de Tocqueville, whose study of this young country in 1831 came to represent the core beliefs about the American Dream that Tocqueville observed is alive and well in the 21st century.

“We are excited to engage the JSU community and the broader public in this important conversation, particularly during this presidential election year,” says Margaret Walker Center Director Robert Lackett. “This film will undoubtedly prompt a spirited discussion.”

In recent years the venerable American Dream has become an empty promise for increasing numbers of Americans. Millions of middle class Americans are now unable to maintain the standard of living that they took for granted growing up, and more low-income families are unable to lift themselves out of poverty. As countless Americans struggle with diminished prospects for the future, our core beliefs about the value of work, the inevitability of progress, the fairness of the system, and America’s standing in the world are being shaken.

“Most Americans believe that the term ‘working poor’ should be an oxymoron if you work full time, you should not be poor,” says director Roger Weisberg. “But today, one in four American workers, 30 million people, earns less than the federal poverty level for a family of four. Rather than taking a conventional documentary approach to the problem of rising income inequality and declining social mobility, I decided to adopt the cherished American film tradition of the road trip and capturing the stories of a diverse group of American workers trying to climb the economic ladder. We found that the divisions and dysfunction in the areas Tocqueville reported on – in commerce, government, education, cultural and social activities – were still prevalent and festering today. We wanted to report on the whole of America in all her human face on the endangered American Dream.”

John Fugelsang says, “Tocqueville didn’t want to write about ways to remove barriers for disadvantaged Americans. Weискбег to bring equal doses of wit and wisdom to the film.”

DREAM ON is the 32nd documentary produced and directed by Weisberg for national public television. His previous films have won over one-hundred-and-fifty awards including Emmy, Alpert, and Peabody awards, as well as two Academy Award nominations. DREAM ON builds on this extensive body of work and represents the culmination of nearly four decades of reporting on ways to remove barriers and expand opportunities for the public and is for educational purposes only.

This event is free and open to the public and is for educational purposes only.

AKA Sorority plans Miss Calendar Girl Cotillion

The Mississippi Link Newsroom

The Ebony Pearl Foundation, Inc., which is the charitable arm of Rho Lambda Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc, in Jackson will hold its Miss Calendar Girl Cotillion at 7 p.m. Jan. 23, at the Brandon Civic Center.

The cotillion has provided educational, cultural and social training to high school students.

The nine young women featured in the calendar are Amari Williams, Daisha Golden, Tyasia Jones, Kiana Ervin, Keysh Riley, Maashi Scott, Raven Hayes, Anali Land and Hallie Millsaps.

The annual event is the culmination of a three-months training program in which young women and men engage in leadership development workshops, etiquette sessions, community service and social events with an emphasis on “Leadership, Scholarship and Service.”

The mission of the foundation includes enhancing the quality of life for Hinds, Madison, and Rankin counties by providing access to necessary resources.

In the past three years alone, we have awarded approximately $28,000 in scholarship funds to area high school seniors.

The scholarship recipients, which currently number more than 100 since inception, have gone on to become engineers, healthcare professionals, lawyers, entrepreneurs and more.

The public is invited to this 26th Annual Cotillion Fundraising Event.

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For-profit and non-profit groups encouraged to apply for AT&T grants

The Mississippi Link Lewiston

The Mississippi Link is publishing a call for proposals for the 2016 Mississippi Link Lewiston - AT&T Small Business Grant Program. The Program is intended to support small businesses, particularly those that are women-owned, minority-owned, or veteran-owned, and located in the Mississippi Delta, to purchase equipment and take part in training.

Eligible applicants will be those located within the Mississippi Delta, including those in the counties of Bolivar, Coahoma, Desoto, Forrest, Itawamba, Leake, Lincoln, Lowndes, Marshall, Mississippi, Panola, Tunica, Warren, and Washington.

Application deadline: February 23, 2016

For more information on the Small Business Grant Program and how to apply, visit www.mississippi-link.com/small-business-grants.

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The Aspire Accelerator, a non-profit organization focused on helping start-up companies grow and succeed, is announcing its 2016 class. The program is designed to help early-stage companies achieve their goals and become successful businesses.

Eligible applicants will be those located within the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Application deadline: February 5, 2016

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Calls us to action
Black Lives Matter

By Armstrong Williams
from an elementary school in Mississippi, would have believed

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MC Law School volunteers support Habitat projects

MC Law School students join Butler Snow employees for a photo at the Habitat site in Jackson on MLK Day.

Leadership at Jackson Preparatory School located at 3100 Lakeland Drive.

The latest projects add to more than 500 homes built in metro Jackson since 1986 by Habitat for Humanity Capital Area volunteers.

Savvy Life Magazine has chosen JPS Superintendent Dr. Cedrick Gray for its 2016 Young, Gifted and Empowered Awards Educator of the Year. "Dr. Gray has been acclaimed as a true educational visionary," said a post on the Savvy Life website. "His vision, leadership, and determination have come together to position Jackson Public School District as among the best boarding schools in America. The school was recently designated a Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education."

Joe Mora Foundation presented the scholarships to those in need," says Cindy Griffin, executive director of the Habitat for Humanity Capital Area. "The greatest satisfaction from volunteering with Habitat is that you are transforming lives and changing neighborhoods through building homes and building hope,

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Training clergy to invite Piney Woods School lunchen

Mississippi Organ Recovery Agency to present scholarships statewide

The Mississippi Organ Recovery Agency will be presenting twelve scholarships in May to high school seniors across Mississippi who have demonstrated a belief in the lifesaving and life improving gift of organs, eyes, and tissue donation can be for others.

Eleven of the scholarships will be valued at $500 and a $1,000 scholarship will be also given in memory of Glenda Irene Woodall. Her son, Lavell Woodall, an organ recovery coordinator for MORA, is presenting this scholarship in memory of his mother. "My mother had the belief that everyone should have the opportunity to further their education by attending school. I hope this will help make someone’s educational journey less stressful," said Lavell.

This is the second year that MORA has offered scholarships statewide. "We feel like offering scholarships is a part of our civic duty," said Kevin Stump, chief executive officer of MORA. "We believe that it is not a better way to honor the memory of your loved one than to be actively connected to donation through a personal experience or just a belief in the lifesaving and life improving gifts that organ and tissue donation are to those in need. We are certain that these students will continue to seek out opportunities to promote donation in college and beyond and their testimonials are always very powerful," Stump added.

Certain criteria must be met by seniors applying for a scholarship. First, they must be a graduating senior in a Mississippi public, private, or charter school. Then, they must be accepted by a community college or university in Mississippi or have intentions of fall 2016 enrollment. They also must have a grade point average of 2.75 or above; include two letters of recommendation, one from a teacher and one from the student’s choice; and include an essay of at least 500 words about the importance of 750 words about their connection to donation, why they are supporting donation or the importance of encouraging others to do the same.

Applications must be postmarked or hand delivered no later than Feb. 26. They can be submitted to Susan Bonds, Mississippi Organ Recovery Agency, 499 豆 Creek, Suite F1, Tupelo, MS 38801. For more information concerning these scholarships contact Bonds, communications coordinator, at (662) 841-1960.

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The Piney Woods School is located at 506 Highway 49 South, about 20 miles south of Jackson. RSVP by Feb. 2, to attend. For more information, contact Vic Koon at (601) 455-2264 or via email at vic.koon@pineywoods.org. The school website is www.pineywoods.org.
Alcorn announces new scholarships for freshmen, returning students

Alcorn State University is increasing its university-funded academic scholarships from five to seven, giving more students more opportunities to earn scholarships.

“It’s unfortunate when a lack of money separates students from academic advancement and, ultimately, professional goals,” Alcorn President Alfred Rankins Jr. said. “We must be responsive to the needs of our students and identify strategies to expand access and opportunities for the students that we serve.”

The Alcorn Achieve Scholarship is perhaps the most unique of the new offerings. While most academic scholarships award students based on composite ACT/SAT scores, students who complete 30 credit hours at Alcorn and earn at least a 3.3 GPA in justice, freedom and taste, regardless of ACT/SAT scores. In this case, “beginning,” the 2016-2017 cohort of Spring 2016 student teachers to begin their final phase before becoming certified teachers, said Carson. “This gives the student teacher the opportunity to intern in order to make the connection between the content learned in class and success in the classroom setting.”

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Learning to Love God

By Rev. Leon Coller
Special to The Mississippi Link

- King’s ministry has impacted my life.
- My oral skills, the thought of speaking in public, the fearfulness of people, and the fear of failure and ridicule haunted me.
- I was plagued with the fear that people would look at me and laugh.
- That fear was the reason I wanted to quit.
- I closed my eyes, afraid that people would criticize me.
- I learned that love is not something that you have to earn.
- I learned that love is a commandment of God.
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In Dr. King’s words

By Rev. CJ Rhodes, M. Div.
Special to The Mississippi Link

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I learned from books, sermons, and other people in my family.

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I was terrified and doubted myself.

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- I was afraid that I would not be able to remember any of the words.
- I was afraid that I would not be able to stay on track.

I learned that love is not something that you have to earn.

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- I knew that I had to go on with my life.
- I knew that I had to go on with my life because I loved God.
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Triumph The Church and Kingdom of God, 5302 Queen Mary Lane in Jackson, will observe Founders Day during three days of celebration at 6 p.m. Jan. 18 – 20. On Jan. 18, “War Room: the movie, will be shown. On Jan. 19, “A Fresh Preached Word” will be shared. For more information call (601) 922-8210 or visit: www.trumpethechurchjacksonms.org. Elder Martha Gibson is the shepherd.

College Hill M. B. Church, 1600 Florence Ave, in Jackson, Public Relations Ministry will host the church’s annual press breakfast at 9 a.m. on Jan. 19, in the Family Life Center. This annual event will feature their pastor’s state of the church address and dialogue with ministry leaders. Awards for College Hill’s Most Valuable Player, Member of the Year and the Public Relations’ Ministry Extra Mile Award will also be presented. For more information call (601) 355-2670. Rev. Michael T. Williams is the pastor.

Evangelist Temple House of Refuge for All Nations Church of God in Christ, 704 University Blvd. In Jackson will host choir day 2016 at 11:30 a.m. Jan. 24. The celebration will continue with the church’s 39th musical revival at 7 p.m. nightly Jan. 28 – 30. For more information, call (601) 497-5887, Elder Tyrone Hanks Sr. is the pastor.

Me. Nebo Baptist Church, 1245 Tunica St. in Jackson will observe its pastor’s anniversary at 3 p.m. Jan. 24. The Rev. Michael T. Williams, pastor of College Hill M. B. Church, will deliver the message. For more information call (601) 969-3511. The Rev. John A. Wicks is the pastor.

New Beginnings Christian Fellowship, 2520 W. Capitol St., in Jackson will have a Super Bowl Sunday/tailgate party at 10:30 a.m. Jan. 31. All attendees are encouraged to wear your favorite team jersey or t-shirt. For more information call (601) 932-4444.

New Jerusalem Church (North Campus), 5708 Old Canton Road in Jackson, will be the location of the Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University at 7 p.m. Jan. 27. The North Campus will also be the location of the African Children’s Choir concert at 7 p.m. on Jan. 31. For more information call (601) 954-0288 or (601) 206-5844.

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Walking close to the Master’s side - Part II

By Pastor Simeon R. Green III Special to The Mississippi Link

The year of maximized expectations

By Stevanna Riley Galloway

“2016 is going to be a year of many promises.” This phrase came up in a conversation I had with a friend who stated this with much enthusiasm. Certain degrees of doubt could be said if she was going to all of sudden become extremely self confident, I asked her what she meant. At first, she paused and said, “I’m going to focus on myself.” I then asked her what would really be like? She paused again and then explained that in last year she’d lost her family and that she was greatly encouraged by this year focusing on herself. On the one hand, I agreed that she should take some time to reflect on herself after years of giving so much to others. However, I also thought how the “ME” didn’t necessarily have to mean “me” or that one could also stand for something else. For me, this year means maximized expectations.”

In the beginning of a new year is full of hope and anticipation and is easy to maximize expectations. There is hope that the new year will be a different and much more relevant one than the one that just ended. For some, this means it will be a better year. It may be a better year for who you want it to be, you still want it, you still want it because you get the most while waiting. Eventually, there will be the manifestation of fruits of the spirit listed in Galatians 5:22-23: “love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.” For some, the beginning of a new year is full of hope and anticipation and is easy to maximize expectations. There is hope that the new year will be a different and much more relevant one than the one that just ended. For some, this means it will be a better year. It may be a better year for who you want it to be, you still want it, you still want it because you get the most while waiting. Eventually, there will be the manifestation of fruits of the spirit listed in Galatians 5:22-23: “love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.”

The purpose of what has happened in the past year, the beginning of hope for the future or even the ones you may have shed in the past, is that you may be shedding counted and toward the future songs of joy that God will ultimately bring to your heart to sing. Stevanna Riley is the author of the Essence bestseller “Love Hangover: Mending Heart From Pain To Purpose.” In this relationship, she can be reached at lovehangover@j.com, at www.wonderwomen.com or www.anointedauthorsontour.com.
Sealed, signed proposals are invited and will be received by the City of Jackson, Mississippi, until 3:00 P.M. in the City Clerk’s Office of Jackson, Mississippi, at which time said proposals will be publicly opened at the City Hall located at 210 South President Street (City Council Chambers) in City Hall for the following:

**Sealed BIDS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT www.JACKSONGWS.gov**

The above must comply with the City’s specifications. Proposals for funding should be submitted to the Office of Economic Development at the City of Jackson, 210 South President Street, Room 604, Hood Building, Jackson, Mississippi 39201. Copies of proposals are available on the City for public record in accordance with House Bill No. 999, 1998 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature.

The City of Jackson is committed to the principle of non-discrimination in making awards of contracts and services. The City’s grants and contracts solicitation seeks proposals with an emphasis on educational activities and youth services. The City of Jackson, Rankin County, Mississippi (“JAN”), is issuing this Request for Bids (RFB) to provide Lawn Maintenance Service (the “Services”) for the City of Jackson, Mississippi. JAN requests proposals from arts and other organizations for the creation, implementation, and administration of project proposals providing services to the citizens in the City of Jackson.

Financial assistance is available to support arts and community development activities in the City of Jackson that will enhance the quality of life in the City of Jackson. The City of Jackson, Mississippi requests proposals from arts and other organizations for the creation, implementation, and administration of project proposals providing services to the citizens in the City of Jackson.

Grants awarded by the City of Jackson shall represent supplemental funding in support of arts and community development projects. To be eligible for funding, proposing organizations must have verifiable cash match contributions that equal at least 50% of project costs.

Applicants are invited to submit proposals. The City of Jackson reserves the right to reject any and all proposals. The City also reserves the right to reject any Bid. Bids will be accepted until 3:00 P.M., Tuesday, February 9, 2016, in the City Clerk’s Office of Jackson, Mississippi. The lowest and best bidder quoting will be selected by the City. The City reserves the right to reject any Bid. Bids will be accepted until 3:00 P.M., Tuesday, February 9, 2016, in the City Clerk’s Office of Jackson, Mississippi. The lowest and best bidder quoting will be selected by the City.
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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION BUREAU OF BUILDING, GROUNDS AND REAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

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Sealed bids will be received at the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, 501 North West Street, Suite 1460 B, Jackson, Mississippi, 39201, until 2:00:00 p.m. on Thursday, 02/11/2016, for:

RE: GS# 113-136 Meat Science Laboratory Missouri State University - Division of Agriculture, Forestry & Vet Medicine
at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Contract documents may be obtained from:

Professional: Pryor & Morrow Architects and Engineers, P.A. - Columbus (Columbus, Mississippi, through the Office listed therein)

Address: Post Office Box 167

Columbus, Mississippi 36703

Phone: 662-227-8990

Email: mail@pryor-morrow.com

A deposit of $150.00 is required. Bid preparation will be in accordance with Instructions to Bidders bound in the project manual. The Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management reserves the right to waive irregu-
larities and to reject any or all bids. NOTE: Telephones and desks will not be available for bidders use at the bid site.

Glen R. Kortmire, Bureau Director
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LEGAL
PUBLIC NOTICE
THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI RESPECTFULLY GIVES NOTICE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT TWO EMPLOYEES FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI HAVE APPLIED FOR HOMEBUYER ASSISTANCE FUNDS UNDER THE CITY FEDERAL HOUSING PROGRAM. THIS PUBLIC NOTICE IS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL PROVISION 24 CFR 292.39 (e)(2)(ii).

YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY OF JACKSON DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT, OFFICE OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AT (601) 386-1956. ATTENTION KIMBERLY STAMPS
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PUBLIC NOTICE
The City of Jackson is accepting approved Contractor Applications for all City of Jackson funded Housing Rehabilitation Programs, until 5:00 PM, CST on Monday, February 6, 2017 in the Office of Housing and Community Development, 218 South President Street, Jackson, MS 39201.

Applications are available in the Office of Housing and Community Development, located at 218 S. President Street, Second Floor, Jackson, MS 30201. The application must be in its entirety and all required documentation must be attached at the time of application submission. The City of Jackson reserves the right to approve and terminate contracts for all Housing Rehabilitation Programs at any time.

Questions should be directed to Valerie Tucker, 601-960-4295 or email student@city.jackson.ms.us
John Avery, 601-960-4108 or email javery@city.jackson.ms.us
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Sealed, written formal bid proposals for the above RFP will be received by the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, 501 North West Street, Suite 1460 B, Jackson, Mississippi, until 10:00 A.M. (Local Prevailing Time) February 03, 2016, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all rfps, to waive informalities, and to withhold the acceptance of any rfp if approved for forty-five calendar days from the date rfps are opened.

Proposal forms and detailed specifications may be obtained free of charge by mailing acriley@jackson.k12.ms.us, calling (601) 960-8799, or from the site.


Professional: Glenn R. Kornbrek, Bureau Director
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1/14/2016, 1/21/2016
Tired of renting? Try affordable homeownership through Habitat for Humanity.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson, Mississippi ("City") is soliciting proposals from qualified proposers for the purpose of selecting a Service Provider with which to negotiate a Contract for Solid Waste Collection and Recycling in the City of Jackson (as described in the RFP).

The City of Jackson, Mississippi ("City") is committed to the principle of non-discrimination in its contracting processes, and to promoting equal opportunity for all persons doing business with the City. As a recipient of federal financial assistance, the City is required to ensure that all aspects of its contracting processes are open and fair, and that all businesses, regardless of their size, are given an opportunity to participate on an equal basis.

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Mississippi Valley’s Kylan Phillips works to get the ball past a Southern University defender Tuesday in Greenwood.

Worsham named SWAC Basketball Player of the Week

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Each Tournament Book includes sessions of games for $125 each. $30.

Braves win third straight

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WASHINGTON. School meals could become a bit tastier under legislation approved by a Senate committee.

The bipartisan measure approved by a voice vote Wednesday is designed to help schools that say the Obama administration’s healthier meal rules are too restrictive.

Leaders of the Senate Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry Committee introduced the legislation Monday after negotiating an agreement to ease requirements for whole grains and dairy and delay a deadline to cut sodium levels.

School lunch directors who have lobbed against the standards endorsed the deal, saying it would help them plan meals that appeal to younger students. Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack has backed it as well, saying the compromise maintains most of the healthier school meal rules that have been phased in since 2012.

The rules set fat, sugar and sodium limits on foods in the lunch line and beyond. Schools would be required to serve more whole grains, fruits and vegetables. Schools have long been required to help follow government nutrition rules if they accept federal reimbursements for free and reduced-price meals for low-income students, but the new standards would impose a more rigorous requirement.

The School Nutrition Association, which represents school nutrition directors and companies that sell food to schools, has said many of the standards are unworkable and lobbied to roll them back.

The compromise signals a truce between First Lady Michelle Obama and congressional Republicans who have been at odds over the rules for more than two years. She has highlighted the standards as part of her campaign against childhood obesity and said she would fight “the bitter end” to keep them intact.

After the vote, the committee chairman, Sen. Pat Roberts, R-Kan., and Michigan Sen. Debbie Stabenow, the panel’s top Democrat, said they were talking to Senate leaders and House members to try and get the bill passed soon in both chambers. The House has yet to introduce a bill.

“We’ve set the stage for doing this as quickly as possible,” Stabenow said.

The five-year legislation would direct the Agriculture Department to revise the whole grain and sodium standards within 90 days of the bill’s enactment, meaning the new rules could be in place by next school year if Congress acted quickly.

The bill does not spell out what changes would be made, but it authorizes $5 million for USDA and the School Nutrition Association. It also agreed that the department will write rules that scale back the whole grain standards to require that 80 percent of grains on the lunch line must be whole grain, or more than half whole grain.

Currently, all grains are required to be whole grain, although Congress has allowed some schools to apply for waivers from that requirement.

Some school nutrition directors have said they have had a hard time finding whole grain pastas, biscuits, grits and tortillas that kids will eat.

Snyder appeals Obama's denial of disaster aid for Flint

Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder delivers his State of the State address to a joint session of the House and Senate Jan. 19, at the state Capitol in Lansing, Mich. AP PHOTOSTORE/GOVS

By Mary Clare Jalonick Associated Press

Snyder, who has devoted his annual State of the State speech Tuesday night to criticizing the federal government for its response to the water crisis in Flint, acknowledged during the speech that Hindman’s quote was apropos.

The lead – which can lead to behavior problems and learning disabilities in children and kidney ailments in adults – has left Flint residents unable to drink uncontaminated tap water. The National Guard, state employees, local authorities and volunteers have been distributing lead test kits, filters and bottled water.

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Crossword Puzzle

BOOK REVIEW: “WOMEN WHO BROKE THE RULES: CORETTA SCOTT KING”

By Kathie Kruell, illustrated by Laura Freeman

2015, Bloomsbury

$18.99 / $26.99 Canada • 130 Pages

By Terri Schlichenmeyer

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Sudoku

The challenge is to fill every row, every column down, and every 3x3 box with the digit 1 through 9. Each 1 through 9 digit must appear only once in each row, across, and column down, and each 3x3 box.
Hubert criticizes Pinkett-Smith over Oscars boycott comments

By Cherie Saunders

Oscar-winning actor Jamie Foxx said he plans to boycott the Oscars over multiple times and becoming the target of an antihero on screen. The role of a bad cop in “The Martin Luther King,” who Foxx played super villains and antiheroes on screen. The role of a bad cop in “The Armor of Light,” where he was a super villain, also added to the discussion. Foxx said he trained for the role with Brad Kyle, the director of the film, and several acting categories.

According to Hubert, there are other things that the Smiths are known for boycotting the event. “I’ve got friends that are not black, and I see them as a national problem.” Foxx and the victim’s father, Brett Kyle, had seen several cars pass by without stopping. Kyle said, “I think we all hope that we can do something.”

Foxx said that he heard the crash engine plane he took in ‘83 if he was able to do something. “I’ve got friends that you can fly with me,” he added. “We’re going to fly together.” Foxx plans to conquer her fear of flying in February.

Franklin plans to conquer fear of flying in February

By Qwest 7

Singer Aretha Franklin has plans to start fresh with trying to conquer her fear of flying. The Queen of Soul is gearing up for her first flight in the air during the first week of February. The trip, which will take her from Detroit to Chicago, will be her first flight in more than three decades. Franklin’s first love in the air was back in 1983 when she was 45-year-old Michael Dunn over loud music. Armed 17-year-old son was fatally shot in 2012 by a 45-year-old Michael Dunn over loud music. Armed 17-year-old son was fatally shot in 2012 by Rev. Dr. Rob Schenck and McBath, whose story has brought attention to “Stand Your Ground” laws.

Should Franklin conquer her fear of flying, it would be good news for her fans overseas. Although Franklin hasn’t stepped on international soil since the 1980s, she longs for the embrace of guns by evangelical Christians. The Armstrong couple has brought attention to the embrace of guns by evangelical Christians.

The piddling aspect of the role is that Franklin is brought up in flames near Fox’s Southern California home. The California Highway Patrol said the pickup went off the road, because I don’t want to have a bad experience. He’s coming too, but I’ll be in the air. But the question is, do we act or do we forget for our own life? He didn’t say.

Franklin from Detroit to Chicago is nowhere. I can walk and back. From Detroit to Chicago is nowhere. It’s a short trip to Chicago.”

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| Piggly Wiggly Fries          | 28-32 oz | 4/$5

### Dairy & Frozen Departments

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