

# Mississippi ex-prison chief sentenced to more than 19 years in prison

*The Associated Press*

Mississippi's former corrections commissioner was sentenced Wednesday to more than 19 years in prison. Former Corrections Commissioner Christopher Epps pleaded guilty in 2015 to money laundering and filing false tax returns. Assistant Attorney U.S. Darren LaMarca recommended that Epps be sentenced to 13 years, but U.S. District Judge Henry T. Wingate instead sentenced Epps to 235 months. He faced up to 23 years in prison.

Epps pleaded in connection with nearly \$1.5 million in bribes he took from contractors doing business with Mississippi prisons. He has been

jailed for violating terms of his bond and was wearing a jail jumpsuit in court Wednesday. Epps will immediately begin serving the sentence.



Epps

# IHL names Bynum as its preferred candidate to lead JSU

Bynum currently serves as president of Mississippi Valley State University

By Othor Cain  
Editor

For him it's a promotion...for some alums of JSU, in their minds, it's a setback. Monday, the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning announced the selection of William B. Bynum as the preferred candidate for president of Jackson State University.

Naming a preferred candidate is a formality at best. "He has another step to take and that is to meet with core groups and he will do that next week," said C.D. Smith, who is a member of the board of trustees and chaired the search committee. "We believe we have found someone who has the background and the leadership skills necessary to lead this institution through its present challenges and work with the Jackson State family to develop and implement a vision for the future."

Bynum currently serves as president of Mississippi Valley State University. "Dr. Bynum has served Mississippi Valley State University very well as president," said Smith. "He is a student-centric leader who has increased enrollment and attracted philanthropic and legislative support for the university, putting the university in a good fiscal position to offer more programs, services and opportunities for students."

Campus listening sessions were held on the Jackson State University Campus in February for the members of the Board Search Committee and the Campus Search Advisory Committee to hear what qualities and qualifications the campus constituency groups believed the next president should possess.

After careful review of all applicants, the Campus Search Advisory Committee submitted the names of several candidates unranked to the Board Search Committee and nominated fellow



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# Company sued in prison bribery scheme to pay state \$2M

*The Associated Press*

A company that made drug testing cups involved in Mississippi's prison bribery scandal will pay the state \$2 million.

Alere, the parent company of Branan Medical Corp., agreed Tuesday to settle a lawsuit without admitting wrongdoing. Attorney General Jim Hood said in a statement that the amount "effectively" recovers what the state spent on the cups and any profits Branan made.

Hood in February sued 22 people and companies associated with the bribery scheme in 11 separate lawsuits, saying they should repay more than \$800 million they received from the state because of bribes taken by Corrections Commissioner Christopher Epps. Alere is the first company to settle.

Texas drug-testing supplier Mark Longoria pleaded guilty in August to a felony charge of conspiracy to commit bribery in sales of Branan cups. He was sentenced to five years in prison.

Longoria told the judge that he sought the Mississippi contract and ultimately agreed to bribe Epps because he was on the verge of losing his sales job with Branan after its buyout by Alere, meaning his only income would be from Drug Testing Corp., previously a sideline business.

The CEO of Drug Testing Corp., Longoria, admitted he paid nearly \$230,000 to Mississippi businessman Cecil McCrory for his work helping to secure \$782,000 in sales of drug testing cups in 2013 and 2014. Longoria has said he found out during the contract that McCrory was kicking back \$60,000 to Epps but did nothing to stop it. Prosecutors said he may have known from the beginning.

Alere, based in Waltham, Massachusetts, didn't immediately respond to an email Thursday seeking comment.

Hood said at the time that he believed evidence turned up in the federal criminal prosecutions showed that some companies knew of the bribes. The companies have generally denied knowing about the bribes and no execu-

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# Funeral service set for 6-year old Kingston Frazier

## Child killed in robbery

By Othor Cain  
Editor

The family of Kingston Frazier announced this week that a 'Celebration of Life' service will take place May 26 at 12 p.m. at Morning Star Baptist Church, 3420 Albermarle Rd in Jackson.

According to authorities, six year old Frazier, was shot to death in the backseat of his mother's car and the car was found abandoned on a dead-end road in Madison County. The car was 15 miles from the Kroger parking lot in Jackson where it was stolen last week while Fraizer was asleep in the backseat.



Frazier

# Flint residents still suffering, forgotten, abandoned

## Three years since discovery of tainted water, little has changed

By D. Kevin McNeir  
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Residents of Flint, Michigan have very little to celebrate, three years after the water crisis in the city made national headlines.

April 25, as citizens of the blue-collar city, located about one hour from Detroit, marked the third anniversary of the announcement that over 100,000 men, women and children had potentially been exposed to high levels of lead in the drinking water, the suffering continues.



Former President Obama drinks Flint, Mich. water three years ago.

The health crisis arose shortly after officials decided to switch drinking water sources to the Flint River. Before long, thousands began to suffer from illnesses linked to the contaminat-

ed water, including an estimated 12,000 children who have been exposed to dangerously-high levels of lead. And while an

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## Billings proposes remedy to racial wounds

### *Presentation and signing of his book Deep Denial*



Edgar Smith tells author David Billings and listeners that the world needs to move beyond superficial teachings and be exposed to the book *Deep Denial*.



Winner of the 2017 Next Generation Indie Book Award, David Billings, explains his book *Deep Denial* to book signing attendees at Lemuria Bookstore with his wife, Margery Freeman. PHOTOS BY JANICE K. NEAL-VINCENT



Attendees listen as David Billings invites them to take action against the stronghold of white supremacy.

By Janice K. Neal-Vincent  
Contributing Writer

In his historical sketch of white supremacy on the American shores, David Billings spoke earnestly from his book *Deep Denial* to listeners at Lemuria Bookstore May 22. The McComb, Miss. native traced his awareness of racism to the year 1962 when his uncle Harry was murdered there by a seventeen-year-old black male named Willie Lee Anderson. At the time Billings was sixteen. Anderson was soon executed.

That was when the author looked closely at skin color. "From that point on, 55 years ago, I took permission to find out why I became white. Along the way I began to feel a certain psychological state," he recollected. Such a state forged Billings into anti-racist work with the Peoples' Institute.

His Undoing Racism/Com-

munity Organizing workshop has drawn thousands of people to the welcome table and compelled Billings to take his message throughout the United States and various parts of the world.

The ordained United Methodist minister shared that he longed to write a book to white people about white supremacy. The appearance of white supremacy, he charged, is living at its strength. "My brother-in-law, who is a priest, said to me that if I write that book, that I must tell the truth. There are things in the book that I am not proud of," admitted Billings. He said that running away from the truth only sinks America further into a web that it cannot escape.

Billings maintained that he and his wife Margery advocate that racism be taught in the womb. "You can't legislate or educate racism. You have to

face the truth. Whites are both lied to and lie to themselves. But we're hoping that we can live in a world where we all experience equity," he charged.

"Margery introduced me to the knowing class concept which means those in authority like the universities and deans expect to know about everything. For the most part whites are taught that racism is anew among us but it goes back centuries. So the Bill of Rights, the Constitution and every system that is created is created with whites in mind," the storyteller noted.

In addressing sovereignty, Billings asserted that there are white privileges that come with imprisonment. "If you're white and you preach morale, you can go to prison. This happened to me. I had my own cell in Parchman. But there were 40 or 50 black people in one cell. Even if you fought against the sys-

tem, you benefitted from it," he claimed.

Attendee Edgar Smith referred to Billings' *Deep Denial* as fantastic and encouraged those present to read and share it with others. "The world needs to know about this. When I picked it up, it was all that I dreamed it to be. There are truths that need to be taught. Until we face the reality that this man has presented, everything is going to be superficial," the supporter noted.

"What I find in McComb talking with other white people, if I'm talking about race, they immediately stop the conversation and say they want to leave or they lean in and get involved in the conversation," stated Margery.

Billings concluded that people have been defending white supremacy longer than trying to undo it. Hence, there is frustration in that America cannot keep

its promise. He further noted that the study of racism is not part of the white educational experience. It is a system that only provides a pseudo rhetoric of racial inclusion. Other races do not receive privileges granted to whites as white dominance is maintained.

"But in Mississippi there are many of us who want to see change, to join forces for guidance in Jackson. As Jackson goes, so goes the state. We need to do the systemic work. Resist, organize and tell the truth. Begin with your family. Start with white supremacists," he told the listeners.

Billings grew up in Helena, Arkansas. He received his B.A. from the University of Mississippi, his Masters of Divinity from New York Theological Seminary and a Doctor of Ministry (ABD) from the University of Creation Spirituality (now

Wisdom University). Since 1983 he has been a trainer and organizer with the People's Institute for Survival and Beyond, a New Orleans-based group led by people of color and the premier anti-racism training group in the country.

Additionally, he holds title of Westchester Country Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers' Public Citizen of the Year; the 2010 Martin Luther King Social Justice Award from the New Orleans Jazz Foundation and the National Alliance Against Racist Oppression's Angela Davis Award for Community Service.

*Deep Denial* has made him winner of the 2017 Next Generation Indie Book Award.

The book *Deep Denial* can be purchased at Lemuria Bookstore. For inquiries, email Margeryfreeman@gmail.com or call 504-813-2368.

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## Flint

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estimated 15,000 children in the city will soon receive extra money for nutritional foods that can limit the effects of the lead exposure, that assistance will not be extended to families who left the city – even though their children may suffer from health problems related to the lead-contaminated water.

That decision, made by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, has not been well received. For now, qualifying families will receive a one-time payment of \$420 for each eligible child – funds that come from \$7 million in additional food assistance from the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families block grant.

But for those like one former Flint resident and mother who moved barely a stone’s throw away for the sake of her young child’s health, the dollars won’t be made available.

“If I had moved to another state, I could understand being treated differently. But moving just 15 minutes away, I feel like it’s unfair,” said Ariana Hawk in an interview with the *Detroit Free Press*.

Meanwhile, a fundraising campaign has been launched by California-based Green for All – a climate and economic justice organization that focuses on poverty and pollution to create an inclusive green economy strong enough to lift people out of poverty.

Vien Truong, the director of Green for All said that the Fix-ThePipes campaign has raised \$10,000 to fix Flint homes. With several celebrities signing on and asking their followers to give their support, including Van Jones, Common, Russell Simmons and most recently hip-hop artist Big Sean, she expects to see the level of donations increase.

“Every dollar we collect brings Flint families one step closer to clean bathing and drinking water,” said Truong, who estimates that the bill for removing lead-contaminated pipes is \$10,000 per home. “Many don’t know

that over 8,000 city residents now have tax liens [on their homes] for refusing to pay for poisonous water,” Truong said. “It’s outrageous that three years later, families living in Flint still don’t have clean drinking water. Lead has poisoned over 300,000 people. Meanwhile, companies have left, restaurants have closed, property values have declined and investors have gone elsewhere. We have to make people remember and help.”

Truong continued: “With President Trump promising to cut the EPA budget by one-third, Americans need to understand that what’s happened here in Flint will one day become the norm. One can intellectualize this all they want but studies show the disproportionate number of landfills, toxic facilities and dumps are more often located near the dwellings of low-income families or near places where people of color reside. No one speaks for them. Race remains a prevalent factor.”

One young activist who has served as the face of the Flint water crisis, nine-year-old Amariyanna Copeny, also known as “Little Miss Flint, joined other protesters during the “Stand Up to Trump” rally outside the White House last month, criticizing President Trump for breaking his promise to address the problem.

“On the campaign trail, he promised he would fix Flint. Unfortunately, this was one promise that he failed to keep – just like his promise to ‘Make America Great Again,’” Truong said.

“Little Miss Flint” first made headlines last year after she sent a letter to President Obama inviting him to come see the damage caused by the lead poisoning. Obama replied and visited the city, even meeting with the youthful activist.

In many cases, the stories of suffering from Flint residents seem to be unbelievable in a country like America, given its level of resources. One senior citizen who has lived in Flint since 1963 says she feels aban-

doned and confused particularly after receiving a water bill for \$1099.09 which officials from the water department alleged was issued to her because she had been “undercharged.”

“I’ve written letters, I’ve gone to the city’s Board of Review, I’ve called on my city councilmember – I’ve gotten nowhere,” said Mary Huddleston, a 76 year-old widow who lives alone and says she barely uses any water at all.

Huddleston continued: “I keep making payments each month – just enough to keep the water on so I can flush my toilet, but I don’t wash much and only shower once a week. My hair began coming out from using the shower so I have to do it with bottled water that the city gave us. One day my water bill was \$151. Then, after new meters were installed, it jumped to over \$1,000.”

Huddleston has been diagnosed with several respiratory illnesses and said that she believes the illnesses are a result of drinking and using the contaminated water.

“I feel like I’m being forced to pay other folks’ bills – and for water that’s still contaminated,” said Huddleston.

Since a federal state of emergency was declared in January 2016, Flint residents have been instructed to use only bottled or filtered water for drinking, cooking, cleaning and bathing. Earlier this year, officials said the water quality had returned to acceptable levels.

However, residents continued to be told that they should use bottled or filtered water until all the lead pipes have been replaced – something that won’t be completed any sooner than 2020 – in another three years.

“Flint will soon become a ghost town,” Huddleston said. “But I can’t go anywhere. I have nowhere to go. They talk about all this money being donated to help us. I don’t know where it’s going, but I sure haven’t gotten a call.”

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The suits are being pursued by a group of private lawyers, including prominent Lexington plaintiff’s lawyer Don Barrett, on behalf of the state.

## Bynum

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members to serve on the Interview Search Advisory Committee.

“I would like to thank the members of the Campus Search Advisory Committee for the time and expertise each one devoted to the search process,” said Smith.

The members of the Jackson State University Campus Search Advisory Committee includes Jean-Claude Assad, co-chair; Yolanda Owens, co-chair; Carrine Bishop, Wheeler Brown, Kendall Bunch, Robert Cook, James Covington, Deborah Dent, Jean Frazier, Isaac Gaines, George Flaggs, Ashton Hamme, Malcolm Harrison, Rosella Houston, Thomas Hudson, Evelyn Leggette, Stuart Lott, Robert Luckett, Alfred Martin, Loretta Moore, Yolanda Owens, Robin Pack, Rod Paige, Cass Pennington, Gwen Prater, Judy Qualls, Dorris Robinson-Gardner, Dowell Taylor, Gordon Skelton, Mike Walker, Thea Williams-Black, Terry Woodard, Louis Wright, and Jianjun Yin.

Smith’s announcement of Bynum as the board’s choice was met with widespread-vocal disapproval, with several JSU supporters walking out.

When asked how he would bridge the gap with JSU stakeholders in wanting a JSU grad to lead the institution, Bynum said he was comfortable he would gain the trust and support of all of the stakeholders. “I came into a situation where there were similar fractures,” he said. “If there’s nothing else we can agree on, we’ve got to agree that the university is for students.”

Bynum was named the seventh president of Mississippi Valley State University in 2013. Under his leadership, the university has:

- Increased student enrollment by 11.4 percent
- Restructured the University by creating a student-centered operational model, which focuses on a University College for freshmen and places a strong emphasis on student learning outcomes and intensive writing skills development
- Improved the university’s cash position by 47 percent
- Increased the days of cash on hand by 65 percent, from 63 days of cash on hand to 105 days
- Increased annual giving from \$400,000 to more than \$1.2 million per year
- Improved the University physical plant and

## Frazier

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Upon learning the news that her child had been found dead, Ebony Archie collapsed and was escorted down the stairs of the Hinds County District Attorney’s Office.

“She couldn’t take that news, said David Archie, Ebony’s uncle. “But, I want to be very clear...this should put to rest the rumors of family members not being notified before law enforcement officials conducted a press conference. I was called and asked to go downtown. After pressing for information, I was informed about Kingston’s death and Ebony was told after she was finished with questioning.”

Three teenage suspects are in police custody in Madison County and are facing capital murder charges with one potentially facing the death penalty.

campus aesthetics with numerous renovations and additions, including the Harrison Sports and Recreation Complex, the Edna Horton Residence Hall, College Hall residence hall and the Academic Skills Complex

Bynum has helped secure almost \$2 million in grants, including:

- A \$900,000 grant from the NCAA Accelerating Academic Success Program
  - nA \$780,000 grant from the Hearin Foundation for scholarship support and a Saturday Bio-Informatics Program for high school students
  - Two grants, totaling \$624,000, from the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Mississippi Foundation to enhance health and wellness efforts on campus
- Under Bynum, federal grants and contracts awarded to Mississippi Valley State University have increased 34 percent, from \$6.4 million to \$9.9 million.
- Bynum recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Churchill Downs, Inc., well known for its namesake race track and its signature event, the Kentucky Derby, The MOU recognizes interests shared by MVSU and CDI in education, training and development and represents the culmination of a relationship established during recruitment efforts for MVSU’s Organizational Management Program, which is an accelerated degree program for adult learners.

Bynum will meet with campus constituency groups in Ballroom A of the JSU Student Center, May 31, according to the following schedule:
Wednesday, May 31, 2017
9 a.m.
Administration/Faculty/Staff
JSU Student Center
10 a.m.
Students
JSU Student Center
11 a.m.
Alumni/Community
JSU Student Center
1 p.m.
Board Meeting
JSU Student Center
1:30 p.m.
Press Conference
JSU Student Center

## Bribery

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atives of large companies have yet faced charges.

The settlement says Alere immediately stopped paying consultants such as McCrory after it bought Branan in 2012.

”They were one of the first companies to approach our office seeking settlement in this case,” Hood said in a statement. “Due to their cooperation, we have quickly resolved this mat-

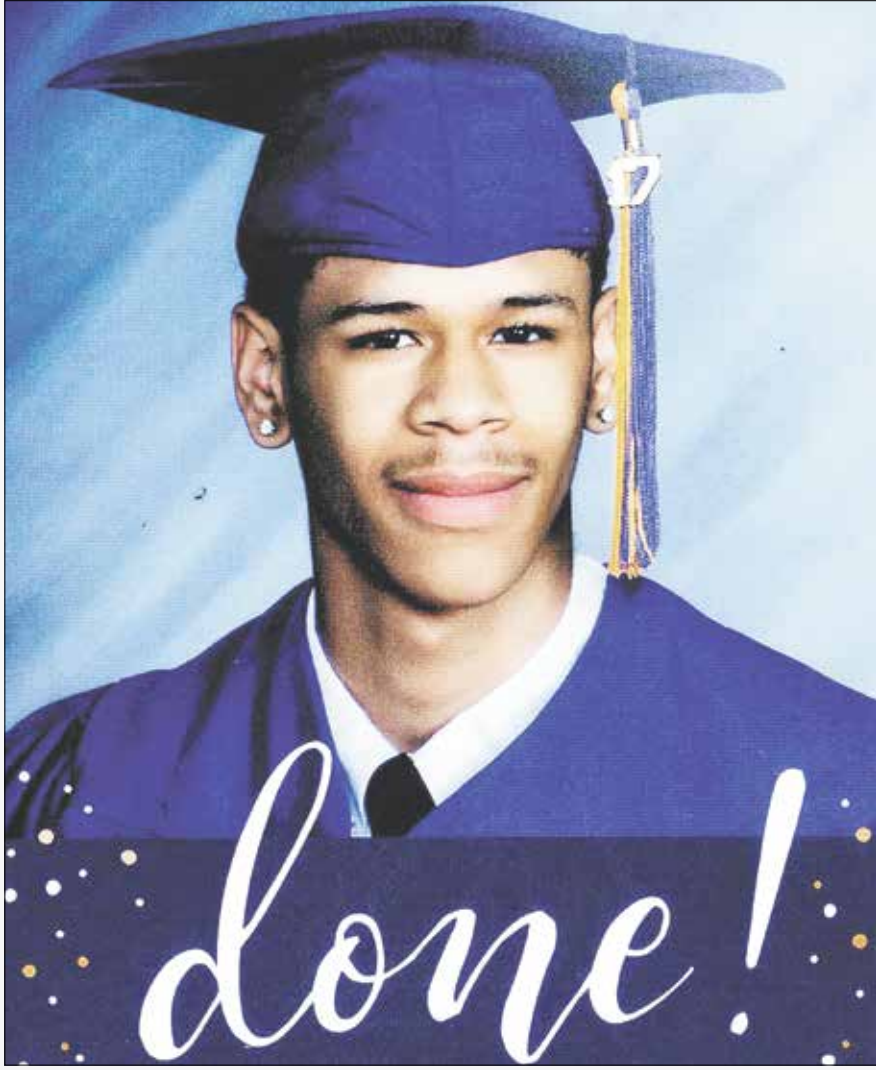
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# CONGRATS TO OUR GRADUATES



**Zion Malik Jackson**  
graduated from Langston Hughes High School in Atlanta, Ga. May 20, 2017.  
He plans to attend Jackson State University in the fall.  
He is the son of John B. Jackson (Rotarsha) and the late Cera White.



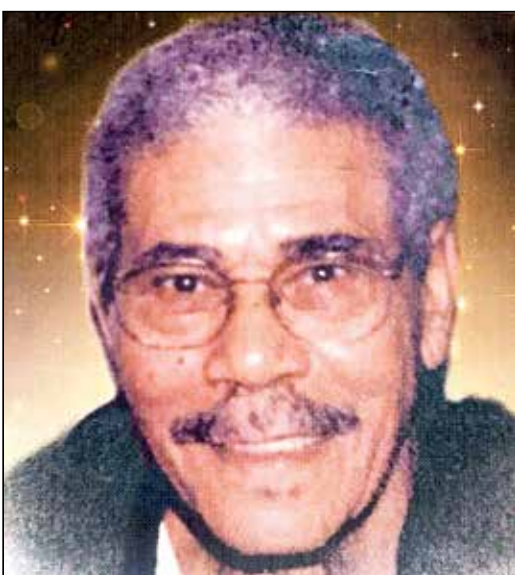
**Garrett Benjamin Ellis**  
will graduate from Lakeside High School in Atlanta, Ga. May 27, 2017.  
He will attend Old Dominion University in the fall.  
He is the son of Eric Ellis and Toyah Brent.



# In Memoriam

## Walter Herbert Williams

*February 5, 1923 - May 16, 2017*



Williams

On May 16, 2017, Walter Herbert Williams was called home to be with the Lord. His legacy of wisdom and love will always be in our hearts.

Born February 5, 1923, in Farmhaven, (Madison County) Mississippi to Isiah and Maggie (Hargon) Williams, he was the second of ten children. His parents; sons Freddie Westley Williams and Walter Herbert Williams Jr.; one granddaughter Januari Rhianon Rhodes; sisters Catherine Ware, Lurlean Samuel and Mattie Ruth Chatman; brothers Isiah Williams and John Leon Williams preceded him in death.

Walter attended public school in Madison County and continued his secondary education in carpentry.

At an early age he professed his faith and accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior. He was united with the Farmhaven Church of God in Mississippi, continued to serve in St. Louis under Elder Gabriel P. Dixon of Garfield Church of God and

worshipped his latter days at Riverview Church of God in St. Louis under Pastor Andre Epps.

He had a God given talent and propensity to create work with his hands. He provided for his family as a mechanic/driver for Hertz Trucking Company and enjoyed doing carpentry work.

He was drafted in the U.S Army in 1942. He loved sharing military stories about being the driver for Gen. Patton and had strong hopes that Gen. Patton would save black people from oppression. He was very proud to have served his country.

Walter married the love of his life Minnie (Davis) Williams on September 1, 1945. They raised six children – four daughters and two sons, five grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren. They were married 71 years.

He leaves to cherish his memory wife, Minnie Vee Williams; four daughters, Germa Dean Jenkins, Jackalean Mason, Harweada Outlaw Jennings

(Rodney), and Sammie Rhodes; five grandchildren, Romel Mason (Erica), Ricky Outlaw Jr., Jasmine Outlaw, Ashli Paige Rhodes; eight great grandchildren, Tawnie Mason, Malik Mason, Kamrin Washington, Blake Rhodes-Brown, Ava Mason, Parker Perry, Brooklyn Outlaw, Myuell Chew Jr.; two great-great grandchildren, Marlie Howard and Mason Wilburn; two sisters, Fern Allen and Vivian Peterson; two brothers Jerome Williams and James Richard Williams; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

The family would especially like to thank his care givers Josephine and Nachele, The Heartland Hospice Care, The Veteran's Care coordinator, family and friends for their endless love, support and care.

Services were held May 22, 2017 at the Riverview Church of God in St. Louis where Pastor Andre Epps served as eulogist.

Uncle Walter was blessed to have a faithful wife, Minnie Vee, and four strong and gentle daughters. They cared for him during his illness and made sure their mother received the same tender loving care.

Undergirded by their enduing love, each daughter took on different roles in the family. Germa Dean, the eldest, was with her parents 24-7. When all others had gone home for the evening she attended their needs. Jackalean was his confidant and "doctor." She won their confidence to try herbs and remedies and they soon referred to her as "Dr. Jackie." Harweada took on the roll of manager of finance, business, appointments, itinerary and logistics. Wherever and whenever, she was ready to go for them. Sammie was the princess of love and peace. She was always kind and encouraging and her sweet spirit buoyed everyone.

As seen in these photos, Uncle Walter's home going became a lovefest for family and friends. We even visited one of the nationally acclaimed Sweetie Pie's Restaurants that have become as famous as the St. Louis Gateway Arch.

- Minnie Garrett, niece



Minnie Vee Williams



These cousins, and nephews of Uncle Walter, Lucas "Stickem" Davis, Socrates Garrett, Coleman Garrett and Larry Davis were happy to see each other.



Family with Sweetie Pie's manager Jan (center) at the West Florissant, Mo. location.



Minnie and Walter Williams with daughters Jackalean, Germa Dean, Sammie and Harweada

# Dr. Margaret R. Kern

*July 14, 1956 - May 11, 2017*



Kern

A memorial service for Dr. Margaret R. Kern of Starkville, Miss., was held at 1 p.m., Saturday, May 20, 2017 at Winters Funeral Home in Kosciusko, Miss.

Margaret was born July 14, 1956 in Kosciusko, Miss. She was the youngest and the ninth child born to the late Columbus Elvige and the late El-nora Woods Kern. At age 12, following the passing of her mother, Margaret went to live with her brother-in-law and eldest sister, the late Martin L. Winters and Thelma K. Winters.

She accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior as a teenager and became a member of Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church in Kosciusko.

Margaret graduated as salutatorian of the Vaiden High School Class of 1974. She furthered her education at Mississippi Valley State University in Itta Bena, Miss., earning a bachelor's degree in biology in 1980. As a single mother of three children, Margaret decided to join the local workforce and postpone her dream of becoming a veterinarian. She was employed at the Attala County Library and later at the local U.S. Post Office, where she walked up to 17 miles daily as a letter carrier.

Seeking a better life for herself and her children, Margaret applied and was accepted into Mississippi State University's College of Veterinary Medicine in Starkville, Miss. On May 14, 1988, she received her medical degree from CVM; it was one of the proudest days of her life. In 1992, she completed a three-year residency at the University of Missouri-Columbia's College of Veterinary Medicine's Department of Small Animal Medicine. She returned to Mississippi State's CVM and began a tenure in numerous positions including but not limited to associate professor, service chief of Small Animal Internal Medicine, associate hospital director, professor, curriculum coordinator, director of Clinical Education and director of Admissions.

She was the first African-American woman to become associate dean of CVM. Her career took her all over the country and overseas sharing research, conducting presentations and recruiting students. She was a revered colleague and mentor to numerous veterinarians, students and associates of CVM.

In an effort to encourage students struggling through vet school, she frequently asked them the same question: "How do you eat an elephant?" Her reply was, "One bite at a time." Her responsibilities also included overseeing the breeding process and selection of Mississippi State University's bulldog mascots. Needless to say, she cheered for MSU only whether on or off any athletic field. Hail State!!

In Starkville, Margaret attended and supported Griffin United Methodist Church.

Away from work, Margaret was a beloved mother, sister, cousin and friend. Close and extended family members could rely on her greeting them with a huge smile and hug. She loved to laugh, spend time with family, spoil her grandchildren and advise her children. "Remember, no matter where you go, whose child you are," she would tell her kids.

In 2014, Margaret began having health problems. After months of misdiagnoses, an accurate diagnosis of amyloidosis was obtained in October of that year. Amyloidosis is a rare condition of several types affecting less than 200,000 individuals in the United States. The condition causes abnormal protein deposits – amyloid – to build up in a person's body often attaching to organs, which can lead to organ failure. The condition is similar to multiple myeloma but is not cancer. However, amyloidosis patients are treated with anti-cancer drugs. Amyloidosis patients may encounter several obstacles to access treatment because insurance companies do not always approve needed medications citing that a drug

was not created for amyloidosis patients. Early diagnosis is key to survival, and through stem-cell transplants some patients achieve remission. Margaret was hopeful she would have a stem-cell transplant, but she never got the chance.

On May 11, our Heavenly Father saw fit for Margaret's suffering to come to an end and called her home to eternal healing and joy. She was preceded in death by brothers, James Kern, Richard Elvige Kern, and Branch William Kern; sisters, Gloria Kern Davis and an infant sister who died at birth; granddaughter, Kristian Olivia Posey; and a special brother-in-law, Martin L. Winters.

She leaves to cherish her memories and celebrate her life daughters, Shanderia Kern Posey of Byram, Miss., and T. Lakettia Luckett of Starkville, Miss.; son, Tuni (Gabriela) Kern of Spring Valley, Calif.; sisters Thelma K. Winters and Alfrancis Kern of Kosciusko, Miss.; brother, Ladallis (Vervyla) Kern of Las Vegas, Nevada; special friend, John Nelson of Starkville, Miss.; two aunts, Blanch Kern of Kosciusko, Miss., and Essie D. Winters of Milwaukee, Wisc. Continuing her legacy will be eight grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews, cousins and friends.

The Dr. Margaret R. Kern Memorial Annual Scholarship has been established to aid veterinary students at Mississippi State University's College of Veterinary Medicine. Those desiring to contribute to the scholarship fund may write checks payable to MSU Foundation earmarked for Dr. Kern's memorial scholarship. Mail contributions to CVM, P.O. Box 6100, Mississippi State, MS 39762.



## SBA participates in Resource Partner Workshop

Mississippi Link Newswire

LEXINGTON, Miss. – More than 20 current and potential business owners attended an information-packed, two-hour workshop conducted by the Mississippi Small Business Administration (SBA) District Office on Thursday, May 18, at the Community Students Learning Center's (CSLC) Empowering the Delta with a Growing Economy II (EDGE II) entrepreneurial outreach program, located at 333 Yazoo Street in Lexington, MS.

Although owning your own business can be a frightening and challenging undertaking, 20-plus attendees learned of free help available during the workshop. You may be asking: What characteristics do you need to be an entrepreneur? What does it take to start and succeed in business? Advice was offered from SBA staff and other resource partner organizations such as SCORE, the Small Business Development Centers, Women's Business Centers and the Veteran Business Outreach Centers (VBOC) that can help business owners avoid common pitfalls. Attendees also learned of the U. S. Small Business Administration's programs and services to secure funding sources available to start or grow their business.

The presenters provided information to existing and aspiring adults and teens located in the City of Lexington, Miss. Each shared information on their counseling and other free services available. "This workshop was very informative, educational and worth the trip," said Larry White, president and technology consultant of Larry White, Inc. "The resources shared were just what I needed for my business to get that boost."

Members of the CSLC AmeriCorps VISTA program also assisted the center in coordinating the much-needed community event. County officials were represented by Henry Luckett, chancery clerk, who greeted SBA. The CSLC welcome was offered by CSLC Executive Director Beulah Greer.

"Your seminar was powerful," said Gail Brown, project director of CSLC/EDGE Community Students Learning Center. "Everyone in attendance learned so much, and we truly appreciate SBA and its resource partners bringing their services to Holmes County."

Small mom and pop businesses that serve these communities are truly the backbone of their economy.

For more information about SBA services and events, visit <https://www.sba.gov/tools/events>



Group photo of SBA staff, resource partners, and community attendees



Judy Forester, Mississippi SBDC associate state director



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## Hinds County School District Weekly Update

### HCSD recognizes its community sponsors!

The Hinds County Boards and Schools thank all of its sponsors for their support to student success across the district for the 2016-2017 school year.



Pictured L-R: Delesicia Martin, superintendent, David Broadaway, Members Exchange Credit Union and Linda Laws, board president



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Pictured L-R: Delesicia Martin, superintendent, Michael Wilkerson, Mississippi Sports Medicine and Linda Laws, board president



Pictured L-R: Delesicia Martin, superintendent, David Johnson, BankPlus and Linda Laws, board president



# JPS scholars seeing their way to success thanks to new partnership

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Vision To Learn (VTL) and Jackson Public Schools have partnered to provide free eye care to K-12 students in Jackson Public Schools. VTL announced the screenings on May 16 at Timberlawn Elementary School.

Participating in the event were Jackson Public Schools Interim Superintendent Fredrick Murray, Vision To Learn Founder and Chair Austin Beutner, and Vision To Learn Mississippi Director Gayle Wicker. Former New Orleans Saints football player Deuce McAllister made a surprise appearance.

“This effort will help thousands of our scholars in Jackson see the board, read a book and participate in class,” said Murray. “I sincerely thank the Vision To Learn organization for their commitment to help our scholars improve their eyesight. This will have a significant impact on how students perform academically.”

“Vision To Learn serves kids in over 180 cities from Honolulu to Baltimore,” said Beutner. “We are delighted to expand our services to Mississippi and to be working with Jackson Pub-



Dr. Fredrick Murray, left, and Austin Beutner, right, announce Vision To Learn Partnership in Jackson Public Schools.

lic Schools to provide students with the glasses they need to succeed in school and in life.”

Vision To Learn will provide vision screenings to every child in Jackson Public Schools. Its clinics will travel to schools and give an eye exam to each child who did not pass the screening.

If the child needs glasses, he or she can choose their very own style and frame. Their glasses will be delivered to them at school within two weeks, all free of charge.

So far, 380 JPS students have been screened and 53 students have received eye exams.

# Junior League and Agape North donate spirit t-shirts to Lake students



Lake Elementary scholars will be reminded that they are super achievers every time they wear their shirts. Members of the Junior League of Jackson, back row, delivered the shirts during a state testing pep rally. The slogan on the T-shirts reads: Student Growth Is Our Superpower.

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Agape North and the Junior League of Jackson donated 400 spirit T-shirts to Lake Elementary School students and staff. The shirts were presented at a state testing motivational pep rally. Agape North provides

matching school spirit shirts for each one an organization purchases.

The Junior League has long partnered with JPS to improve outcomes for the District’s students. They have donated book bags, school supplies, and uni-

forms. The group also funds classroom projects through its mini-grant program.

A valued partner of JPS, the Junior League has sustained its commitment to improving the quality of life for the communities it serves.

# South Jackson schools celebrate opening of new grocery

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Two JPS schools helped celebrate the grand opening of a new business in south Jackson May 5.


Jackson Cash and Carry opened its doors to the community with Whitten Middle School and Wingfield High School taking part in the celebration. The top ten were recognized for their achievements, and the cheerleaders from Whitten and Wingfield performed.

Whitten’s Interim Principal Roderick Smith presented the business with a plaque in recognition of it becoming an adopter of the school. Greg Price is the owner of the new store.



Whitten Middle School celebrated the opening of the Jackson Cash and Carry. The grocery store is an adopter of the school.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LAST DAY FOR TEACHERS

The last day of school for JPS teachers is Friday, May 26.

### MEMORIAL DAY BREAK

All JPS schools and offices will be closed Monday, May 29 for the Memorial Day holiday.

### SUMMER READING PARENT ORIENTATION

Jackson Public Schools and its partners in Read On Jackson will hold a Summer Reading Parent Orientation on Saturday, June 3 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at the Mississippi Children’s Museum. Museum admission is free during the workshop. Summer reading books will be provided for the first 25 attendees. For more information, call (601) 960-8872.

### GRADUATION DVDS

The Office of Partners in Education will begin taking orders for High School Graduation DVDs on Monday, June 5. DVDs are \$10 each. For more information, call JPS Partners in Education, (601) 960-8905 or JPS Instructional Television, (601) 960-8898. Complete the Graduation DVD Order Form.

### INDEPENDENCE DAY BREAK

All JPS schools and offices will be closed July 3-7 for the Independence Day break.

### ONLINE REGISTRATION

Registration for new and returning JPS students begins Tuesday, July 11. Any student who attended a JPS school in 2016-2017 is considered a returning student. Parents/guardians must make an initial visit to the school in their attendance zone in order to receive a Snapcode, which must be used to complete the online registration process. To locate their attendance zone, parents/guardians may contact Transportation at (601) 973-8513 or Enrollment Services at (601) 960-8852.

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# Four Hinds CC students named for Continental Tire summer internship

By Rachel James-Terry  
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Four Hinds Community College students will spend the summer in Mount Vernon, Ill., as part of an internship program at Continental Tire.

They are Raymond Campus students Mack Pope, 25, of Terry, Electronics Technology; Ken Anderson, 49, of Jackson and Dylan Canant, 20, of Pearl, both electrical technology students; and Rankin Campus student Samuel Williams, 22, of Jackson, industrial maintenance technology.

“The students will be placed within the organization’s maintenance department for on-the-job experience in electrical, electronic, mechanical and hydraulic systems,” said TJ McKinney, Continental’s director of Human Relations. “We hope that this opportunity provides the professional training that they need to advance their careers.”

The four have already toured the plant they will be working at as interns.

“I had the pleasure of accompanying these students to Mount Vernon for their interviews and was very impressed with how they interacted with the Continental Team,” said David Creel, district director of Manufacturing Training. “There is no doubt in my mind that these fine young men will represent themselves, Hinds Community College, and their programs very well. I am excited for this opportunity for them and for what this successful internship program will mean to students in the future.”

Pope has been a Hinds student for about five years but he was having trouble finding his niche until he discovered the electronics technology pro-



Hinds Community College students Samuel Williams, front left, and Mack Pope are among four receiving a paid internship this summer to the Continental Tire plant in Mount Vernon, Ill. Back, Sherry Franklin, associate vice president for Career-Technical Education for Hinds Community College's Rankin Campus, and Zach Morrow, Senior Project Engineer/Construction Manager for Continental Tire.

gram on the Raymond Campus. He had been accepted into the radiology program but discovered he didn’t want to work in a hospital.

“I’ve been taking things apart since I was five years old, since I got my first screwdriver,” he said. “And I found the electronics program, which interested me the most out of all the technical programs.”

The Continental internship program “is definitely a good opportunity. I’m really looking forward to it,” Pope said.

The internship program focuses on Hinds’ Industrial Maintenance Technology, Electrical Technology and

Electronics Technology programs. It is a nine-week, paid summer program that provides the four students with scholarships and specialized training at the company’s tire plant in Mount Vernon, Ill.

Beginning June 4 and over the course of the program, interns will learn to:

- Install and maintain piping
- Troubleshoot and repair various control devices, motors, and electronic devices
- Establish, maintain and follow-up on the plant’s lubrication schedule
- Perform machinist tasks
- Assist in start-up of equipment for production

Williams, 22, has been pulling As and making the Dean’s List on the Rankin Campus over the last year since he was able to complete a one-week rigorous academic study program last summer at Hinds called “Project YOU,” which, in his words, rolled “16 weeks of work all into one week. By Wednesday I thought I was going to quit.”

However, he got through the program successfully, finishing second. “It changed me tremendously – making me better, making me a better person, a better man, making me not be another statistic,” he said.

His next step was to tackle the industrial maintenance program on the Rankin Campus last fall. “I have been succeeding ever since,” he said.

Williams is ready to leave any time for the Continental summer internship. “This is a new chapter of my life. I can’t wait. I’m ready to get there right now,” he said.

Sherry Franklin, associate vice president for Career-Technical Education and CTE Dean for the Rankin Campus, said the goal is to respond to industry and community needs.

“The Continental internship opportunity being given to our

students is just one example of how we are preparing our students for positive placement as we support economic development in the state,” she said.

Construction on a \$1.45 billion plant on more than 900 acres near Clinton began in November and is expected to be completed in 2019.

Continental will use the internship program to develop its emerging workforce in Mississippi. Maintenance technicians will be some of the first positions filled when hiring begins in the Clinton-based commercial vehicle tire plant in late 2018. As one of the key roles in Continental’s daily operations, maintenance technicians are responsible for both reactive and preventative maintenance of equipment throughout the facility.

The maintenance technician internship program will run June 5 through Aug. 4.

Hinds Community College is celebrating its 100th year of Community Inspired Service in 2017. Hinds opened in September 1917 first as an agricultural high school and admitted college students for the first time in 1922, with the first class graduating in 1927. In 1982 Hinds Junior College and Utica Junior College merged, creating the Hinds Community College District. Today, as Mississippi’s largest community college, Hinds Community College is a comprehensive institution with six locations. Hinds offers quality, affordable educational opportunities with academic programs of study leading to seamless university transfer and career and technical programs teaching job-ready skills.

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# 99 percent of Clinton third-graders pass state reading test

The Mississippi Link Newswire

Results are in, and nearly all of Clinton’s third-graders passed the state-mandated literacy test.

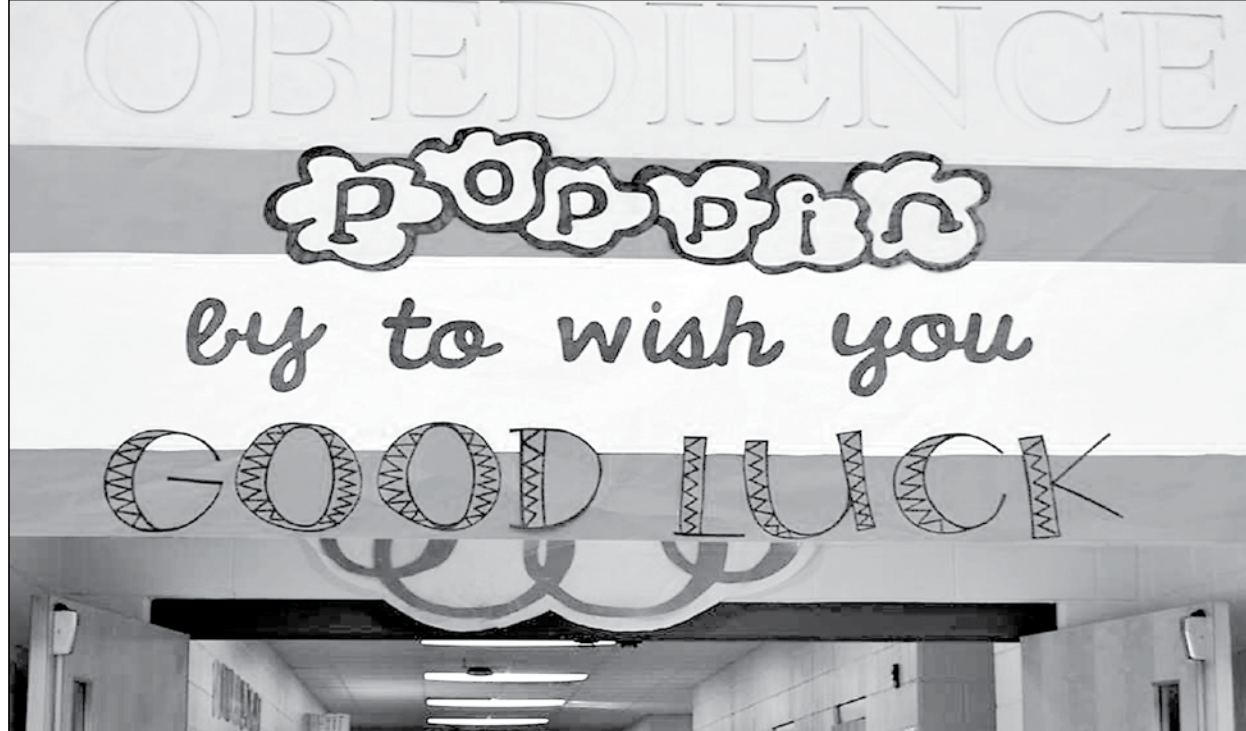
“Only two students will take the third attempt due to not passing the first two attempts or meeting ‘good cause,’” said Northside Elementary Principal Mandy Ambrose. “That puts Northside students with a pass rate of over 99 percent.”

Good cause exemptions are given for English language learners or students with a learning disability. Students have three attempts to pass the test.

“We hope that these early scores are a precursor to state test scores district-wide,” said Assistant Superintendent Tim Martin.

Mississippi’s Literacy-Based Promotion Act requires third-graders pass a reading assessment to show they are ready for fourth-grade reading instruction. Statewide, 92 percent of third-graders passed the test.

This school year, the reading portion of the Mississippi Assessment Program English Language Arts was used to determine third-grade promotion. In the previous two school years, a reading test developed by Renaissance Learning was used as the



Second-graders at Northside created motivational banners for third-graders taking the state-mandated reading test.

initial test and for both retest opportunities. That test is now the alternative assessment for students who did not pass the MAP test on the first try.

The final retest opportunity will take place between June 26 and Aug. 4.

“I am very pleased with North-

side’s reading test results,” Ambrose said. “Our teachers worked diligently to ensure that every student received the highest level of instruction possible.”

To prepare, teachers analyzed students’ assessment results and make a point to teach students based on their

individual needs, she said.

“Our teachers set goals for themselves, their students and the school as a whole at the beginning of the year, and did everything possible to reach them,” she said. “I am incredibly proud of our teachers and students.”

## Northwest announces Spring 2017 President's List

The Mississippi Link Newswire

The President’s List for the Spring 2017 semester at Northwest Mississippi Community College has been released by college officials.

The President’s List includes students completing a minimum of 12 semester hours with a 3.75 to 4.0 average.

Included among the list of distinguished Northwest Mississippi Community College students to be recognized for making the President’s List for their academic work during the Spring 2017 semester were:

Wesley Moore of Grenada  
Angie Williams of Grenada  
Jordan Lea of Grenada  
Emily Holley of Grenada  
Lindsey Hansen of Grenada  
Tristan Murphy of Byram  
Robyn Pardue of Tupelo  
Sarah Ewing of Tupelo  
Shawnee Johnson of Tupelo  
Brooks Boolos of Vicksburg

Northwest offers the pre-requisites students need to prepare for a four-year degree at any of Mississippi’s colleges and universities. Northwest also offers more than 30 Career and Technical programs designed to teach students the practical skills needed for a wide variety of jobs in the workforce.

Open registration for Fall 2017 evening classes will be held Wednesday, Aug. 9 from 4:30-7 p.m. Open registration for Fall 2017 day classes will be held Thursday and Friday, Aug. 10-11 from 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Late registration is Monday - Friday, Aug. 14 -18. Day and evening classes begin Monday, Aug. 14.

For more information, visit the Northwest website at [northwestms.edu](http://northwestms.edu).

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# 1975 alum give back to JSU

## With boost from Shell Oil, 1975 alum presents \$10,000 check to JSU Development Foundation

The Mississippi Link Newswire

A 1975 alum at Jackson State University has allied with Shell Oil Co., where he had worked nearly 38 years, to contribute \$10,000 to the JSU Presidential Challenge via the JSU Development Foundation.

Jimmie Harmon presented the matching gift to interim President Rod Paige Monday because “if it weren’t for Jackson State, I would not have been working for Shell Oil Co. Before you could put in an application for employment at Shell, you had to have a college degree.”

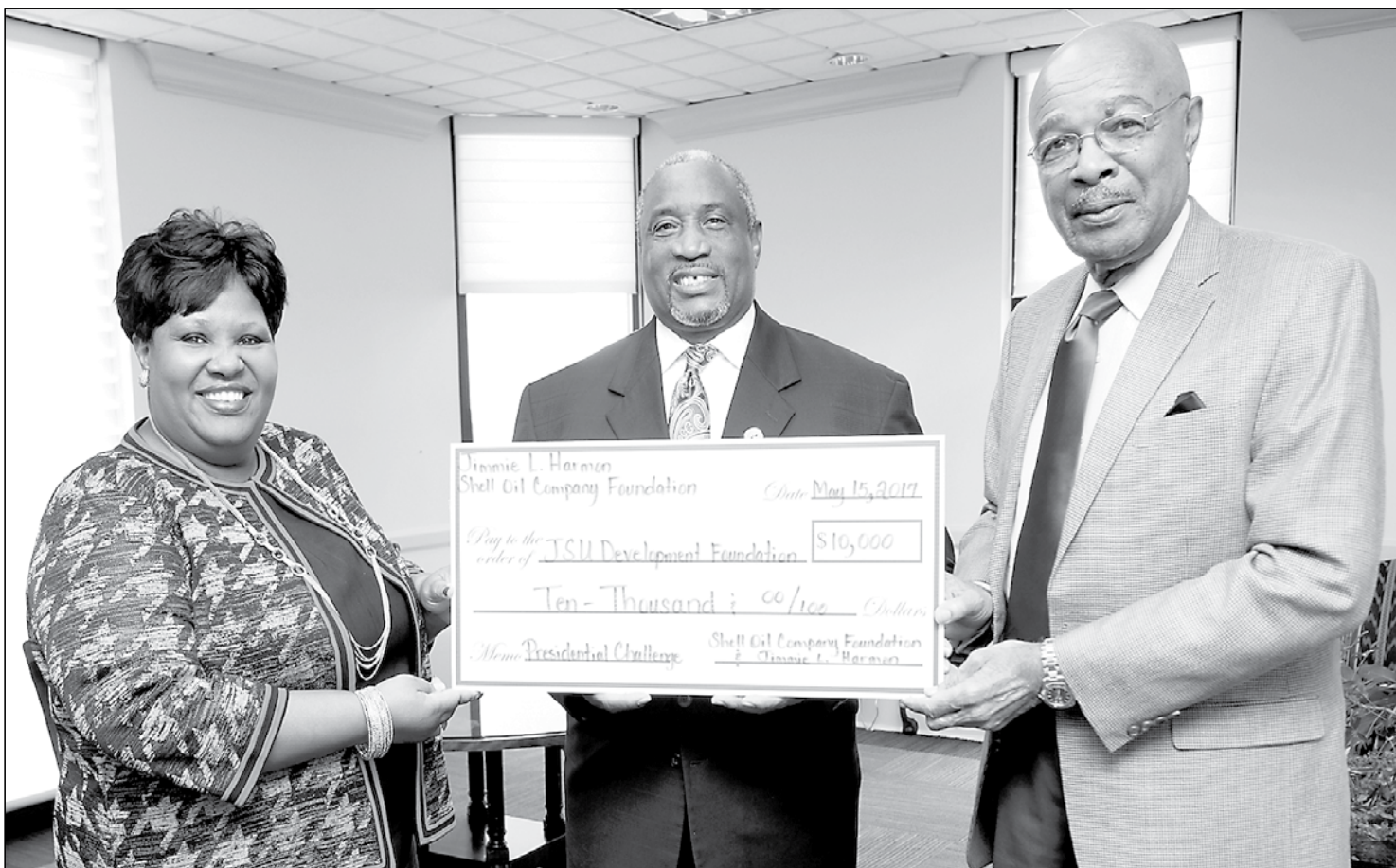
Harmon said, “Hopefully, this gift will help close the gap for what Dr. Paige is trying to do. We all know the challenges ahead of us. You can’t go a mile unless you take the first step. Many corporations have funds available, so it’s up to us as constituents and alumni to seek and look for them.”

Relative to the need of the university, Paige said this gift is enormous because it comes from the heart of a singular alumnus.

He told Harmon that, “our appreciation to you is huge, and to other alums, who make similar contributions such as this. I’m an alumnus, and I made such a contribution. And, I invite those who have not contributed to give some thought to this. It’s important. I know that in the hearts of others they realize what this university has meant to them. The university needs that support now.”

Sandra Hodge, JSU interim vice president for Institutional Advancement, said Harmon’s donation speaks to our efforts of encouraging alumni to step up their giving. This allows other alums to see that others are giving and that funding opportunities exist with employers matching their gifts. This is a great way to show the different ways to give – whether through churches, affiliated groups, individuals or employees.”

Meanwhile, Harmon said, “JSU has more than 40,000 alums. If everyone gives something it will make a huge impact. I hope my gift will help the larger goal.”



Jimmie Harmon (center), a 1975 alum of Jackson State University, holds a gift to the JSU Development Foundation between Sandra Hodge, interim vice president of JSU’s Institutional Advancement and interim JSU President Rod Paige. PHOTO BY CHARLES A. SMITH/JSU.

## Delta Sigma Theta Sorority donates \$15,000 to ASU Foundation honoring icon and scholarship

The Mississippi Link Newswire

The ladies of Alcorn State University’s Delta Epsilon Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. ended the academic year by presenting a donation to honor one of the university’s most iconic figures.

The sorority donated \$15,000 to the ASU Foundation, Inc. May 4 during the Delta Sigma Theta Graduating Senior Reception. The ladies donated \$10,000 in honor of the late Alpha L. Morris, former chair of the Department of Social Sciences and Golden Life Member of Delta Sigma Theta. The other \$5,000 was donated to a scholarship in the chapter’s name.

The sorority raised the funds through numerous service projects and functions held on campus. Deshayla Vassell, senior and Chapter president, said that they raised the money to honor Morris’ esteemed accomplishments on and off campus.

“We wanted to honor Dr. Morris’ legacy,” said Deshayla. “Delta Epsilon serves to create



Alcorn State University’s Delta Epsilon Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. presents check to Marcus Ward (center), ASU Foundation.

opportunities and empower students. We want to encourage all students to attain achievements that are the embodiment of the goals and ideals of Alcorn State University.”

Morris’ daughter and member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., Patricia Morris Sullivan, thought highly of the students’ effort to salute her late mother’s legacy.

“I thought the young ladies’ kind donation was a wonderful acknowledgement of her legacy, the university and the sorority,” said Sullivan.

Gwendolyn Lucas-Gordon,

one of the Chapter’s advisors and director for Alumni and Staff Development in the School of Agriculture and Applied Sciences, feels proud of the ladies for raising and providing the endowment.

“I am proud of the young ladies for their commitment to scholarship and service,” said Gordon. “Dr. Morris served as an advisor for Delta Epsilon for over 50 years and was initiated on the second membership intake line of the chapter. The current members wanted to leave a lasting legacy in her honor at Alcorn.”

## Alumnus Marc McCann becomes director of operations at Michael Foods in Minnesota

The Mississippi Link Newswire

Alcorn State University alumnus Marc McCann has risen to a new level of success in the field of agriculture.

McCann accepted the director of operations for the Specialty Division at Michael Foods, Inc. (MFI), which is a division of Post Holdings, Inc., in Gaylord, Minnesota.

In his new role, McCann is responsible for overseeing and providing leadership while managing budgets and sales of nearly \$1 billion for MFI facilities in Wakefield, Nebraska, Britt, Iowa, Lake Mills, Wisconsin, Chaska, Minnesota and North Las Vegas, Nevada.

McCann has done an outstanding job at climbing the ranks at MFI. He joined the team in August 2014 as the operations manager of the Gay-



Alcorn State University alumnus Marc McCann (2nd from the right)

lord, Minnesota facility. Since his arrival, McCann has demonstrated exceptional managerial skills by identifying and improving operational efficiencies demonstrated by the outstanding results of his team for the past three years.

Back in October 2016, McCann’s leadership led his team to earning the MFI Operations Excellence Award. The award was a result of excellent finan-

cial performance achieved by focusing on safety, quality, overall equipment effectiveness and direct manufacturing expense.

Prior to starting his career at MFI, McCann gained valuable experience with his leadership roles at Tyson and Pilgrim’s Pride.

McCann, and his wife Nita-sha and their daughters, Morgan and Madison, reside in Chaska, Minnesota.

## Whitney Jackson chooses to further her education at the University of Mississippi School of Law

The Mississippi Link Newswire

After being heavily sought after by a number of law schools, former Miss Alcorn State University, Whitney Jackson, has chosen her next educational destination.

Jackson will attend the University of Mississippi School of Law in the fall. The University of Mississippi School of Law was one of five law schools that Jackson received acceptance letters from. The other schools were the Mississippi College School of Law, North Carolina Central University School of Law, Florida Agriculture and Mechanical School of Law, and Southern University Law Center.

It was the welcoming personalities of the staff that persuaded Jackson to commit to the school. She was impressed by their interest in her.



Jackson

“When I toured the school, I was impressed by the staff and tour guide,” said Jackson, who earned a bachelor’s degree in chemistry at last week’s Commencement Exercise. “They did their research on me beforehand and made me feel welcomed. They made it very personable and I was captured by that.”

Shadowing attorney, Aisha Sanders, sparked Jackson’s interest in law.

“She played a big role in my

decision to attend law school. While working closely with her, I got a good look at how the judicial system works, and I am grateful for the rationale of it. I knew that it was something I wanted to be a part of.”

Jackson plans to pursue a career in patent law, which is perfect for her because she will get to practice law while utilizing her chemistry degree.

“I’ll still be able to use my chemistry education while intermingling it with law. Most patent attorneys need a scientific or engineering background. It is important for the attorney to understand the set up of an invention before representing a client in obtaining patents and acting in all matters and procedures relating to patent law and practice.”

Jackson’s long-term goal is to start a firm. She’s also interested in entering the political realm.

## Division of Finance and Administration donates televisions to the Jefferson County Nursing Home

The Mississippi Link Newswire

Alcorn State University’s Division of Finance and Administration displayed their commitment to community service with its latest charitable gesture.

The Department donated two televisions and mounting brackets to the Jefferson County Nursing Home during their “Jefferson County Nursing Home Family Council TV Campaign April 19 for their monthly service project.

The donations were presented to Brenda Buck, campaign coordinator. Its goal is to donate brand new televisions for each of the nursing home’s rooms.

This unit has set a goal to do at least two community service



Alcorn State University’s Division of Finance and Administration donated two televisions and mounting brackets to the Jefferson County Nursing Home.

projects per semester. Employees suggest service opportunities to the committee and an appropriate project is selected and shared with all employees in the unit.

“I think our employees understand the value of giving back to the local communities,” said Carolyn DuPre, vice presi-

dent for the Division. “They enjoy knowing their place of employment cares about making a difference.”

Other projects the unit has participated in include donating items to the Warren County Children’s Shelter and donating school supplies to Claiborne County School District.



# Mississippi joins \$18.5M settlement with Target Corporation over 2013 breach

*The Mississippi Link Newswire*

HARTFORD – Attorney General Jim Hood recently announced that Mississippi has joined with 46 other states and the District of Columbia in an \$18.5 million settlement with the Target Corporation to resolve the states’ investigation into the retail company’s 2013 data breach. The settlement represents the largest multi-state data breach settlement achieved to date.

The states’ investigation, led by Connecticut and Illinois, found that, on or about November 12, 2013, cyber attackers accessed Target’s gateway server through credentials stolen from a third-party vendor. The credentials were then used to exploit weaknesses in Target’s system, which allowed the attackers to access a customer service database, install mal-

ware on the system and to capture data, including consumer data comprised of full names, telephone numbers, email addresses, mailing addresses, payment card numbers, expiration dates and CVV1 codes, and encrypted debit PINs.

The breach affected more than 41 million customer payment card accounts and contact information for more than 60 million customers.

“We are living in a cyber world, therefore we must take additional steps to ensure consumers are protected,” said Hood. “Our consumer protection division, along with others across the country, is happy to see this case settled and to see Target implementing ways to protect their customers from future hacks.”

In addition to the monetary payment to the states, the set-

tlement agreement requires Target to develop, implement and maintain a comprehensive information security program and to employ an executive or officer who is responsible for executing the plan. The company is required to hire an independent, qualified third-party to conduct a comprehensive security assessment.

The settlement further requires Target to maintain and support software on its network; to maintain appropriate encryption policies, particularly as it pertains to cardholder and personal information data; to segment its cardholder data environment from the rest of its computer network; and to undertake steps to control access to its network, including implementing password rotation policies and two-factor authentication for certain accounts.

Mississippi will receive \$227,714.21 from the settlement.

In addition to Mississippi, and led by Connecticut and Illinois, other states participating in this settlement include Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington and West Virginia and the District of Columbia.

# ACLU of MS calls for investigation of Representative Oliver

*Jenifer Riley-Collins  
Executive Director, ACLU of MS*

*The ACLU of Mississippi issues the following statement, which can be attributed to Jenifer Riley-Collins, executive director of the ACLU of Mississippi.*

“When Representative Karl Oliver spoke of monuments erected to a loving memory of “family and fellow Southern Americans,” just who was he talking about? You can bet it was not the black “Southern Americans” who were bought and sold as property and murdered by the thousands using techniques like lynching. There is no question about the nature of lynching – blacks were beaten and then hung from trees until their necks were broken or they choked to death, while whites watched, many times in a picnic atmosphere. We know what it is and so does Representative Oliver.

“Oliver knew the history of lynching in America and in his home state when he deliberately wrote that anyone who would advocate for the removal of confederate monuments should be lynched. We can hope that Representative Oliver is not ignorant enough to try to act on his words. But his ignorance is shining through bright and clear from his statement, and those of us in the black community are not amused. No American should be amused – we should all be sick to our stomachs.

“The monuments and other symbols of the Confederacy emblems, including the Mississippi State Flag, are not loving memorials to all Mississippians. The history they reflect is one of white supremacy and slavery, which cannot be white washed by words like heritage and family. Owning people and breaking their necks or choking them to death does not make them family.

“It has been documented that somewhere around 5,000 lynchings of African Americans in twelve Southern states occurred between the end of Reconstruc-

tion, in 1877 through 1966. Mississippi had the second highest annual rate of lynchings per capita among the Southern States. No one has ever been held accountable for these horrific crimes in this state. No white person was ever convicted for the lynching of an African American. Southern politicians did little to halt the systemic racial violence and terror that was part of everyday life for blacks in America.

“When Representative Oliver’s wrote that he would do all within his power as an elected state leader to prevent the removal of monuments in Mississippi and that lynching might be an appropriate response to those who fought for removal of the monuments, he was speaking as a governmental actor. Words like this were spoken by many politicians in the Jim Crow South, and thousands of blacks were murdered and terrorized because of the attitudes reflected in the statements made in the past – attitudes that are alive and well as shown by Oliver’s statements.

“Apologies are not enough. Especially in today’s politically polarized environment, we must demand much more from our elected officials. Criticizing the statement made by Oliver is woefully inadequate. When a government actor suggests lynching as the way to protect monuments to a culture of white supremacy, it is time to do more than criticize.

“The ACLU of Mississippi calls upon Governor Bryant, Speaker Phillip Gunn, and the Committee on Ethics of the House of Representatives to initiate a preliminary investigation of this statement as a violation of the Code of Ethics, other House Rules, and written policy of the House adopted by the Management Committee, statute, or Constitution. If accountability means anything, Oliver should be held to account by his peers – unless they are comfortable with the opinions he expressed.”

# Mississippi sued over unequal education for black students

*The Mississippi Link Newswire*

Mississippi’s leaders are being sued again over school funding, this time by the Southern Poverty Law Center on behalf of four black public school students.

This lawsuit says Mississippi is failing to meet requirements of the federal law that readmitted the state to the union after the Civil War. That law says the state must never deprive any citizen of the “school rights and privileges” described in the 1868 constitution.

The SPLC argues that Mississippi has repeatedly watered down its constitutional protections for education ever since as part of a white supremacist effort to prevent the education of blacks. The lawsuit asks a judge to force



the state to honor the promise of that document, written nearly a century and a half ago. It’s the second major lawsuit over school funding now pending in Mississippi.

# Mississippi State Conference NAACP calls for Rep. Karl Oliver’s resignation

*The Office of the Mississippi State Conference NAACP*

The recent comments made by Mississippi Representative Karl Oliver are extremely disturbing and demonstrate a deeply rooted hatred incompatible with his office. Therefore, we are calling for the immediate resignation of Karl Oliver as a legislative representative of this state.

“While Oliver is entitled to his opinions as a citizen, he is not entitled to use the power of his office to force those opin-

ions on others,” states Mississippi State Conference NAACP President Derrick Johnson. “As a state representative, Mr. Oliver influences public policy that affects all Mississippians and hate-filled statements like these have no place at the state capitol.”

Karl Oliver’s intentionally inflammatory comments over the removal of pro-slavery monuments and his calling for the lynching of the Louisiana legislators who approved the re-

moval is both irresponsible and shameful.

Across the South, memorials, statues, streets, and schools bear the likeness or names of those men who fought and lead military forces against the government of the United States with the goal of keeping African Americans in a state of slavery. During the 19th century, Mississippi lynched more African Americans than any other Southern state.

“The history Karl Oliver wishes to preserve is distasteful and deeply insulting to those Mississippians, his constituents, whose ancestors suffered under the oppressive yolk of slavery at the hands of the Confederate leaders he reveres,” Johnson continues.

“Anyone who champions a fond remembrance of such a violent, racist history is unworthy of elected office. Karl Oliver must step down as he cannot in good faith represent all of the citizens of Mississippi.”

# Congressman Thompson request investigation into Miss. Rep. Oliver’s call for lynchings

*Congressman Bennie Thompson  
2nd Congressional District (D-MS)*

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Congressman Bennie G. Thompson (D-MS) released the following statement regarding Mississippi Legislator Kevin Oliver’s call for the lynching of individuals who seek the removal of symbols of the Confederacy:

“The recent Facebook post made by Kevin Oliver was dangerous and as an elected official in Mississippi he should have been aware of the harm that could result from the post,” said Thompson. “His insistence that people who are opposed to symbols commemorating the treasonous acts of the Confederate State of America should be lynched is deeply disturbing. This type of hate speech is extremely perilous and could inspire others to commit criminal acts.

“We should be reminded that less than two years have passed since nine African-American church members were murdered by a radicalized individual who swore allegiance to the confederate flag and we are three years



removed from a group of college students placing a noose and a confederate flag on a statue of civil rights’ icon James Meredith. These young people didn’t learn to hate on their own. They were inspired by people, like Mr. Oliver, who seek to indoctrinate others with vile speech.

“I am requesting that Department of Justice officials review the comments made by Mr. Oliver to determine if his recommendation of violence constitutes an immediate threat to individuals who are committed to removing tributes to the Confederacy from our public spaces.”

# The MS Legislative Black Caucus calls for Oliver’s immediate resignation

*The MS Legislative Black Caucus*

The MS Legislative Black Caucus is calling for the immediate resignation of State Representative Karl Oliver for his statement calling for the lynching of people responsible for the removal of Confederate statues in New Orleans, La.

“Members of the MS legislature already struggle to work across party, racial and gender lines. Rep. Oliver’s continued presence

in the legislature would deter and diminish any further progress among members,” says MS Black Caucus Chairperson, Sonya Williams Barnes. “Rep. Oliver’s apology for using the word ‘lynching,’ does not mitigate the sentiment behind the statement and his presence will continue to be a sore spot on the work of the Mississippi legislature.”

The MS Legislative Black Caucus is boycotting the upcoming Southern Legislative Conference as a part of its ongoing protest against the Confederate symbols on the state flag.

“We remain steadfast in our commitment to fight racism and to move our state forward. Mississippi is losing millions of dollars in tourism and economic development because of our unwillingness as a state to move past our sordid racial history,” Williams-Barnes continued.

Oliver’s statement and the Confederate symbol on the state flag go hand in hand in sending the message that all are not welcome. Changing the flag is a direct action moving in the right direction as a collective body and it is the right thing to do. An apology is just mere protocol; it is not enough. If these comments are truly not the mindset of the body, change the flag and demand the resignation of Karl Oliver.





NEWS FROM THE WORLD

# Journey from bondage to destiny

By Rev. Leon Collier  
*Special to The Mississippi Link*



As we pick up the series again this week, remember, we said Exodus 20:1-17 covers what we all know as the

ten commandments, but there is so much more that God instructed His people to do.

In Exodus 21:16 we learn that, He that steals a man, and sells him, or if he is found in his hand, he shall surely be put to death. The Apostle Paul condemned this type of slavery in the New Testament (1 Timothy 1:9-10).

God's intention for giving this law was to promote life and prevent unnecessary killing. Those who are pro-life agree with this sentiment. God is about giving life not taking it.

So, at Mt. Sinai, God gave this law because He did not want Israel to go into the Promised Land, a place of blessing, a place God intended their lives to thrive and they start killing each other because this would send the wrong message to the rest of the world. This would make God's holy nation look bad.

Before we look at what God commanded in Exodus, check out what He said about murder before He gave Moses the written command. In Genesis 9:1, God told Noah and his sons to multiply and replenish the earth, and I find it interesting that in verse 6, He warned them to not murder.

Genesis 9:6 reads: "Whoever sheds man's blood, his blood will be shed by man, for God made man in his own image." God's image in people has been injured by the fall of Adam, but it is not lost. In this view, a high value is attached to the life of every person no matter how poor or how evil they may be and to kill a person is to ruin God's image, and so an injury is not only done to the victim, but also to God.

Therefore, before there was a written law to not murder, it was an unwritten universal law. But at Mt. Sinai, God said Exodus 21:12, "He who strikes a man so that he dies shall surely be put to death."

The secular law says if someone invades your home and you fear bodily harm, you are protected under the law to defend yourself by shooting the intruder.

Any force used against an intruder must usually be proportionate to the harm that is reasonably perceived. For example, if a burglar were to enter your bedroom with a yellow banana as a weapon, you would probably not be justified in shooting him or her with a 20-gauge shotgun.

In many states, there is a duty to retreat to safety, if possible, before using force. In other words, don't use force if it is not necessary. However, in many other states, there are "stand your ground" laws that remove the duty to retreat and allow a person to claim self-defense, even if they made no attempt to flee. Which one of these is consistent with what God commanded? We shall see as we go through this message.

In Exodus 20:13, God said you shall not kill. The word kill refers to murder. What is murder?

The secular law says murder is a form of criminal homicide, where the perpetrator intended to kill the other person, sometimes with premeditation. A good example of premeditated murder is found in Genesis 4:8, Cain said to his brother, "Let us go into the field: and when they were in the field, Cain made an attack on his brother Abel and put him to death" (BBE).

This verse shows Cain as cunning as he lured his brother in a phony spirit of brotherly kindness to an isolated place where there were no witnesses so he could do him harm. By the way, when people do premeditated murder, it reflects the wickedness within that person. I John 3:12, Cain who was of the evil one, and killed his brother. And for what did he kill him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's things were righteous.

Notice two things about this verse: Cain was of the devil and how do we know this? Cain's works were evil; he killed his brother because he envied his brother's righteousness. I am not surprised Cain attacked Abel because Cain was evil and Abel was righteous. Hebrews 11:4 reads: "Cain was not a man of faith, he did not trust and honor God."

Earlier we said that murder and killing are not the same. Murder is the intent to kill, but killing can be accidental or in self-defense. For example, Exodus

22:2 tells us: "If the thief is found breaking in, and is struck so that he dies, there shall be no guilt of bloodshed for him." If a thief was caught breaking in at night and was killed, the owner would not be held accountable because it would be considered self-defense. Ecclesiastes 3:3 says, "...there is a time to kill..." and when someone tried to take your life that is a time to defend yourself.

I think the word non-violence can be tricky. Non-violence does not mean allowing people to do anything they want to do to you. Non-violence is not causing problems, but self-defense says I am not going to let you harm me. Malcolm X was not violent; he said we must protect ourselves if the law does not.

Exodus 22:3 reads: "If the sun has risen on him, there shall be guilt for his bloodshed. He should make full restitution; if he has nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft."

It is simple to shoot to kill if someone breaks into your home, but the grace of God says don't kill if you don't have to. Don't kill if it is not in self-defense, even if a thief is in your house in broad day light. Perhaps you can shoot but not kill, maybe shoot the leg or the rear.

Matthew 5:21-22, "You have heard that it was said to the men of old, 'You shall not kill, and whoever kills shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be in danger of being judged; and he who says to his brother, Raca, will be in danger from the Sanhedrin; and whoever says, You foolish one, will be in danger of the hell of fire."

According to this text, Jesus says there are different ways to murder people.

1) An unreasonable degree of anger

Jesus implied that excessive anger or unreasonable degree of anger is murder in God's eyes.

Excessive anger can lead a person to commit outrages things against another. This is why the scripture says be angry, but sin not and don't let anger linger, or it will get the best of you. Cain let his anger linger after God had warned him (Genesis 4:6-7) and his anger leads him to kill his brother.

Note that anger is in the heart,

which cannot be seen until it is expressed. Some may carry anger in their hearts, and God says, this too is murder.

2) To call someone worthless

Raca means empty headed, worthless. One source said to call a person worthless is to kill his/her reputation. To kill a person's reputation is like killing them because it can also affect their livelihood. For example, when professional athletes get in trouble off the field sometimes they lose endorsements.

3) To call someone a fool

First, we must make a distinction. If people are joking and call each other fool, that is not what Jesus is saying here. Jesus meant calling a person a fool in the sense that they are foolish unbelievers who are condemned. This is why one source said to call a person a fool is to kill his character as if they are heathens bound for hell. This is reflected in Psalm 14:1, the fool has said in his heart there is no God.

In summary, Jesus said to be excessively angry for little or no reason, to call a person worthless and to call someone a fool is a form of murder. In this case, all of us are murderers. Who have you murdered by your words? Proverbs 18:21, Death and life are in the power of the tongue.

Have you ever said something that hurt someone's reputation? If so, then you are a murderer.

Have you ever killed someone's character by making them look like something they weren't or made them look worse than what they actually are? If so, then you are a murderer.

Jesus implied that we could commit murder without using a weapon, we can murder with words that stem from a bad heart.

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## Message from the Religion Editor

By Daphne Higgins  
*Religion Editor*



This May in the Jackson metro area has been one of so much happiness but yet, grief.

As graduates of every level continue to excel in their pursuit for a new beginning in their lives; the metro area has seen its share of the loss of young lives. I won't relive the scenarios of the horrific incidences that have occurred within the past few weeks but I will say this - "Thank you, God, for better days."

Yes, the holiday to kick off summer break is here and with every Memorial Day celebration comes an energy of life that continues to spring forth for months. It is the time when people enjoy a lot of family-fun filled activities and even do a little traveling.

Graduations are still taking place, the peak season for weddings has arrived, family reunions are abounding and "joy" continues to be one of God's miracles. It is because of the goodness of the Lord that we should continue to celebrate each day.

celebrate each day.

We all have different, yet, similar things occur in our lives. We do have one constant - God's goodness. It is because of His goodness that we continue to receive the blessings He bestows upon us (even though we may not see them coming).

Because of God's goodness, we ask that you help us celebrate His Holy Name by sharing His wonderful works throughout your life and community and as always, we ask that you let us help you to communicate the good news. Isaiah 52:7a reads, "What a beautiful sight it is to see messengers coming with good news!"

*The Mississippi Link*, a messenger for news in and around the state of Mississippi, would like to not only share your news but all who would like to tell others about the Lord's goodness and about their places of worship.

*To share your news contact Daphne M. Higgins at religion@mississippilink.com, fax (601) 896-0091 or mail 2659 Livingston Road, Jackson, MS 39213.*

## REIGNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

**New Jerusalem Church of God in Christ**, 3387 Medgar Evers Blvd., Jackson, will host its 2017 Homecoming Celebration May 28, at 2 p.m. For more information call 601-981-8569 or visit [newjerusalemcogic.org](http://newjerusalemcogic.org). Dr. Andrew Friday Sr. is the pastor.

**Mt. Helm Baptist Church**, 300 E. Church St., Jackson, will host its Vacation Bible School, May 29 - June 1, from 6 - 8 p.m. each night. The theme for the event is "The Faith Run: On Course with God!" For more information call 601-355-3981. Rev. CJ Rhodes is the pastor.

**Providence Baptist Church**, 8108 Highway 28, Hazelhurst, will host its Vacation Bible School, May 29 - 31, from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. nightly. The theme for the event, which is open to ages 6 and above, is "Galactic Starveyors." For more information call 601-574-1008. Rev. Frank L. Curtis Sr. is the pastor.

**The Church Triumphant Global**, 6531 Dogwood View Parkway, Jackson, will host Tammie Sykes (from Bill Winston's Ministry) during its 20th Anniversary, June 2 - 4. Services will take place: Friday, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, noon; Sunday, 10 a.m. For more information call 601-977-0007 or visit [triumphant.tv](http://triumphant.tv). Bishop Adrian Ware is the pastor.

**College Hill Missionary Baptist Church**, 1600 Florence Ave., Jackson, will host its Baccalaureate Services to honor its 2017 Graduates May 28, during its 10 a.m. worship services. Vacation Bible School will be held June 5 - 9, beginning at 6 p.m. each night. For more information call 601-355-2670 or visit [www.collegehill.net](http://www.collegehill.net). Dr. Michael T. Williams is the pastor.

**Greater Pearlie Grove Missionary Baptist Church**, 1640 County Line Rd., Jackson, will host its Vacation School June 5 - 7, from 6 - 8:15 p.m. This year's theme is "The Faith Run: On Course with God! Lace Up." For more information call 601-354-2026 or visit [www.gpgmbc.org](http://www.gpgmbc.org). Dr. Stephen F. Mason is the pastor.

**True Light Baptist Church**, 224 E. Bell St., Jackson, Light Line Prayer Call continues to be held each Wednesday at 6 a.m. The call-in number is 218-486-1348, access code: 224235578#. For more information call 601-354-0393. Rev. Marcus Cheeks is the pastor.

## A brief history of Memorial Day

*The Mississippi Link Newswire*

Memorial Day marks the unofficial start of summer, conjuring images of picnics, barbecues or just a lazy day off. But originally the holiday was charged with deeper meaning - and with controversy.

The exact origins of Memorial Day are disputed, with at least five towns claiming to have given birth to the holiday sometime near the end of the Civil War.

Yale University historian David Blight places the first Memorial Day in April 1865, when a group of former slaves gathered at a Charleston, S.C., horse track turned Confederate prison where more than 250 Union soldiers had died. Digging up the soldiers' mass grave, they interred the bodies in individual graves, built a 100-yd. fence around them and erected an archway over the entrance bearing the words "Martyrs of the Race Course."

May 1, 1865, some 10,000 black Charleston residents, white missionaries, teachers, school children and Union troops marched around the Planters'

Race Course, singing and carrying armfuls of roses. Gathering in the graveyard, the crowd watched five black preachers recite scripture and a children's choir sing spirituals and "The Star-Spangled Banner." While the story is largely forgotten today, some historians consider the gathering the first Memorial Day.

Despite scattered celebrations in small towns, it took three more years for the holiday to become widely observed. In a proclamation, General John A. Logan of the Grand Army of the Republic - an organization of former soldiers and sailors - dubbed May 30, 1868, Decoration Day, which was "designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion."

On Decoration Day that year, General James Garfield gave a speech at Arlington National Cemetery. Afterward, 5,000 ob-servers adorned the graves of the more than 20,000 Union and Confederate soldiers entombed at the

cemetery.

At the outset, Memorial Day was so closely linked with the Union cause that many Southern states refused to celebrate it. They acquiesced only after World War I, when the holiday was expanded beyond honoring fallen Civil War soldiers to recognizing Americans who died fighting in all wars. It was also renamed Memorial Day.

Some critics say that by making the holiday more inclusive, however, the original focus - on, as Frederick Douglass put it, the moral clash between "slavery and freedom, barbarism and civilization" - has been lost.

Most Southern states still recognize Confederate Memorial Day as an official holiday, and many celebrate it on the June birthday of Jefferson Davis, the President of the Confederacy. But Texas, for one, observes the holiday on Robert E. Lee's birthday, Jan. 19 - which also happens to be Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

The long-cherished Memorial Day tradition of wearing red poppies got its start in 1915. While reading *Ladies' Home Journal*,

an overseas war secretary named Moina Michael came across the famous World War I poem "In Flanders Fields" by John McCrae, which begins, "In Flanders fields the poppies blow/ Between the crosses, row on row." Moved, she vowed always to wear a silk poppy in honor of the American soldiers who gave up their lives for their country. She started selling them to friends and co-workers and campaigned for the red flowers to become an official memorial emblem. The American Legion embraced the symbol in 1921, and the tradition has spread to more than 50 other countries, including England, France and Australia.

With the National Holiday Act of 1971, Congress moved Memorial Day from May 30 to the last Monday in May. But critics say guaranteeing that the holiday is part of a three-day weekend promotes relaxation instead of stressing the holiday's true meaning.

In 1989, Senator Daniel Inouye of Hawaii introduced a bill to move the holiday back to the fixed date of May 30. - yet with no success.



P R E S E R V E D

## Boaz ain't broke

By Shewanda Riley  
Columnist



"I don't want a Paw Paw!" exclaimed a 50 something co-worker a few years ago. After we stopped laughing at her comment, we resumed our conversation about her struggle finding mature men who were dating and marriage material. Clubbing was out of the question and the men that she seemed to be meeting were too old (and set in their ways) for her tastes. "They are either too old to remember what it was like to be in a love with a woman and treat her well or too hurt by past relationships to try" was her pointed observation.

"I want my Boaz" she said with a cheery grin on her face. "How do I know him when I see him? Maybe I've met him already?"

I leaned on her office door frame and replied, "I don't know if you've met him already but remember that "Boaz ain't broke or broken." We burst into laughter again. "I don't mean that Boaz automatically has lots of money (that is a plus). What I mean is that Boaz, the one that you've been praying for God to send, is not broken emotionally, physically, financially or spiritually He's whole." She nodded her head in agreement and said, "Amen to that!"

The story of Ruth and Boaz in the Old Testament is not only one of the greatest love stories but it also shows women what to look for while waiting for our Boaz...it also shows women what Boaz looks like. Boaz's actions toward Ruth

showed that he was whole emotionally, spiritually, financially, and physically.

Ruth 2:1 says that Boaz was "a man of standing." Some translations say he was a man of "wealth and influence." It wasn't the fact that he had wealth that made him whole; it's what he choose to do with his wealth. In Ruth 2:8 he even advises her on where she'd be safest. Later in that same chapter, he showed his generosity by inviting her to join him at the noon mealtime and giving orders to his men to help her while she is gleaning. He didn't try to manipulate her, but he showed her and others that he was genuinely concerned all the while encouraging and protecting her.

Those of us over 40 years old have a unique set of issues when it comes to rediscovering love and embracing authentic romantic relationships. We meet people who are dealing with decades of relationships games and are very skeptical, in some cases, that true love still exists.

One definition for broken is separated into parts or disconnected. Broken men are separated into parts and sometimes are often nursing wounds from past hurts. A whole man may still have personal and professional disappointments but he has learned to allow God to heal him.

Next week, we'll explore more about how Boaz ain't broke physically, financially, spiritually.

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## Who is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven?

P A R T 4

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



When the Apostle Paul went out and preached the Gospel, he was beaten many times, thrown out of cities, and cast into dungeons. Nevertheless, he said, "I am what I am by the grace of God." It was only by the grace of God that he could get up and go into the next city and preach the Gospel after he was beaten. Once after he was stoned, he got up and went back into the city. He could not do that in his own strength, but it was by the grace of God. It was the grace of God that brought salvation to every one of us.

If we think we can get by without reading the Bible and praying, we are going to fall flat on our face. Our sufficiency is not of ourselves; it comes from God. We are kept by the power of God. The grace of God keeps us pure in this present, evil world. I thank God for grace. Where would we be if it were not for the grace of God? It is grace that saves us, it is grace that keeps us, and it is grace that will see us through to the end.

Young people often think they can go out and whip the world, but wise sons and daughters will give heed to

the instruction that their mothers and fathers give them. Young person, please understand why your parents or guardians will not allow you to do certain things or go to certain places, but you need to trust their wisdom. They are looking out for your welfare. They are concerned about your soul and so is God. Even as an adult, we may not always understand the things that God allows to come our way or why we have to bear an illness, but God is working all things for good.

We all need to have the faith of a little child. Consider the old story of David and Goliath. David's faith inspires me. The giant Goliath went before the Army of Israel and defied them. They were afraid and dismayed at this great giant that stood before them for forty days. David's father told him, "Take some food to your brethren and see how they are faring in the battle." So David went to where the Army of Israel was camping, and he saw that big, old, uncircumcised Philistine defying the whole Army of Israel.

Israel had become discouraged and had lost heart in the battle. They felt beat down, confused and ready to give up. No doubt, they were just about ready to give in, but along came a young lad named David. He had tried and tested God and proved

Him true. He had stood on the promises of God and knew what God could do.

David knew where his strength came from and it was not from himself. He said, "The Lord that delivered me out of the paw of the Lion, and out of the paw of the bear, He will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine."

My friends, the Lord will deliver if we have the persistence and the faith of a little child. We can have the same confidence in God as David. As we walk on in our Christian experience and go through trials with victory, we can face new trials with the confidence that the Lord will deliver us out of the next one too.

Jesus said in Matthew 21:21, "If ye shall say unto this mountain, be thou removed, it shall be done." We have many Goliaths facing us today. Some have cancer, cataracts upon the eyes, and many other afflictions. Faith will say, "The Lord will deliver me!"

Next week, June 2, 2017, "Letting God Have His Way"

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23315	1999	PONTIAC GRAND PRIX	1G2WP12KXXF273128
23465	2004	LINCOLN LS	1LNHM87A34Y670083
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR  
AVIATION CONSULTING SERVICES  
BY THE JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY  
JMAA PROJECT 8100-005-17  
MAY 24, 2017

The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority ("JMAA") requests Proposals ("Proposal") for professional services from full-service aviation consulting firms that provide feasibility studies, rates and charges analysis and development, commercial development, demand forecasting, economic analysis, tenant agreement development, negotiations and implementation, aviation transaction advice, regulatory and rate matters, airfield and airspace analyses, airport concessions and rental car evaluations and development programs, terminal planning, PFC applications, and high level financial data for JMAA.

JMAA will receive Proposals to perform the Services at the offices of JMAA, Suite 300, Main Terminal Building, Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport, 100 International Drive, Jackson, Mississippi 39208, until 3:00 p.m. central time on June 30, 2017 (the "Deadline").

JMAA will not consider any Proposals received after the Deadline for any reason whatsoever. Information for Respondents relating to this Request for Proposals ("RFP") is on file and open for public inspection at the offices of JMAA. The Information for Respondents contains a copy of the RFP, General Information for Respondents, Information Required from Respondents and Criteria for Selection. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the Information for Respondents from JMAA by contacting Ms. Karen Hatten, JMAA's Procurement Specialist, as follows:

Jackson Municipal Airport Authority  
100 International Drive, Suite 300 (39208)  
Post Office Box 98109  
Jackson, Mississippi 39298-8109  
Attention: Karen Hatten, Procurement Specialist  
Telephone No.: (601) 360-8610  
Facsimile No.: (601) 939-3713  
E-Mail: khatten@jmaa.com

or from JMAA's website at [www.jmaa.com/resources/rfprfb-center/](http://www.jmaa.com/resources/rfprfb-center/)

Based on the Proposals received, JMAA will select a maximum of three (3) Respondents with whom to enter into negotiations to provide the Services. JMAA will initiate negotiations with the Respondent ranked first on the list. If such negotiations fail to produce an agreement in form and content, satisfactory to JMAA, within a reasonable period of time, then JMAA may reject the first-ranked Respondent and follow the same process with the other Respondents, in the order of their ranking, until a Respondent agrees to and enters into an agreement satisfactory to JMAA.

JMAA reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals, for any reason, any time before execution of a contract with a Respondent selected by JMAA to perform the Services.

JMAA has established a DBE participation goal of 30% for the Services solicited by this RFP.

JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY  
5/25/2017, 6/01/2017

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Advertisement for RFP  
RFP 2017-05 District Formative Assessments

Sealed, written formal rfp proposals for the above rfp will be received by the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, in the Business Office, 662 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi, until 3:30 P.M. (Local Prevailing Time) June 07, 2017, 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 emailing [pagreen@jackson.k12.ms.us](mailto:pagreen@jackson.k12.ms.us), calling (601) 960-8799, or documents may be picked up at the above address.

5/18/2017, 5/25/2017

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 77-3-16 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, requesting names to be added to a list of contractors and suppliers qualified to perform contracts within the scope of proposed utility projects concerning construction, extension, and/or repair of electric public utility facilities for or on behalf of Entergy Mississippi, Inc. Names of qualified contractors or suppliers desiring to be added to such list may be submitted to [supplierqualification@entergy.com](mailto:supplierqualification@entergy.com).

Please include contact information, type of contractor or supplier and a description of qualifications. Questions Call 1-844-387-9675.

3/9/2017 thru 12/28/2017

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

SECTION 901  
ADVERTISEMENT  
CITY OF JACKSON  
FONDREN STREETScape PROJECT  
STP-0250-00(038) LPA/106056-701000

The City Clerk of the City of Jackson will receive bids for the Fondren Streetscape Project, Federal-Aid Project No. STP-0250-00(038)LPA/106056-701000, no later than 3:30 P.M., Local Prevailing Time, June 27, 2017, in the City Clerk's Office located at 219 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi. All bids so received will be publicly opened and read aloud. A pre-bid meeting will be held at 10:00 A.M., June 8, 2017, in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room on the first floor of the Warren Hood Building, 200 S. President Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

The contract time for this project is 94 productive days.

This project contains Add Options and the low bidder will be determined based upon the following:

All add options prices will be added to the base bid price and the project will be awarded to the bidder that has the lowest total (base plus add options) bid price for the project. After the project has been awarded to the lowest bidder and prior to the execution of the contract, the City of Jackson will select which, if any, add options will be added to the contract.

The work shall consist essentially of the following items:  
Improvement of sidewalks in order to meet ADA criteria and existing traffic signals.  
Landscaping along Old Canton, North State, Duling Avenue, and Fondren Place at various locations.

The above general outline of features of the work does not in any way limit the responsibility of the Contractor to perform all work and furnish all plant, labor, equipment and materials required by the specifications and the drawings referred to therein.

The attention of bidders is directed to the Contract Provisions governing selection and employment of labor. Minimum wage rates for Federal-Aid projects have been predetermined by the Secretary of labor and are subject to Public Law 87-581 Work hours Act of 1962, set forth in the Contract Provisions.

The City of Jackson hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged and women's business enterprises will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award. The DBE goal for this project is 5 percent.

The award of this contract will be contingent upon the Contractor satisfying the DBE/ WBE requirements.

The plans, contract documents and special provision, and proposal forms are on file for public inspection at the following locations:

City of Jackson Engineering Division, 200 S. President Street Suite 424, Jackson, Mississippi 39201. Neel-Schaffer Inc., 1230 Highway 51 North, Madison, Mississippi, 39110.

All documents required for bidding purposes may be obtained from Neel-Schaffer Inc., 1230 Highway 51 North, Madison, Mississippi, 39110, upon payment of \$200.00 for each set, which will not be refunded.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Certified Check on a solvent bank or a Bidder's Bond issued by a surety Company licensed to operate in the State of Mississippi, in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid price, payable to the City of Jackson as bid surety. Bidders shall also submit a current financial statement, if requested by the City. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Contract bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount.

The proposal and contract documents in its entirety shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and deposited with the City Clerk, 219 South President Street Jackson, MS prior to the hour and date above designated. No bidder may withdraw his bid within sixty (60) days after the date of actual bid opening, without Owner's consent.

Work to be performed shall be in accordance with the Mississippi Road and Bridge Construction (the 2004 edition) together with all amendments and/or special provisions and/or addenda to the standards duly approved and adopted, unless otherwise noted in these specifications. The 2004 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, adopted by the Mississippi Department of Transportation, as referred to herein, may be purchased from the Mississippi Department of Transportation.

Bidders are hereby notified that award will not be made to any bidder submitting a proposal involving omissions or irregularities outlined in Section 102 of the 2004 Edition of the Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, or accompanied by letters qualifying any manner the conditions under which the proposal is tendered.

No (bid proposal) will be sold after 12:00 o'clock Noon, of the day preceding the Advertised Date for receipt of bids.

The City of Jackson, Jackson, Mississippi

by: Jerriot Smash, Interim Director, Department of Public Works  
Marshand Crisler, Chief Administrative Officer  
Terry Williamson, Deputy City Attorney

5/25/2017, 6/1/2017

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR  
AIR SERVICE DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT  
BY THE JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY  
JMAA PROJECT 8300-006-17  
MAY 17, 2017

The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority ("JMAA") requests Proposals ("Proposal") for an Air Service Development Consultant to assist JMAA with air service development for the Jackson Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport ("JAN"), and Hawkins Field ("HKS"), including monitoring of incumbent carrier performance metrics at JAN; continuously reviewing airlines and advocating with them for new air service options at JAN and retaining air service currently serving JAN; and consulting as to the development of new opportunities, businesses and facilities at HKS.

JMAA will receive Proposals to perform the Services at the offices of JMAA, Suite 300, Main Terminal Building, Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport, 100 International Drive, Jackson, Mississippi 39208, until 3:00 p.m. central time on June 21, 2017 (the "Deadline").

JMAA will not consider any Proposals received after the Deadline for any reason whatsoever. Information for Respondents relating to this Request for Proposals ("RFP") is on file and open for public inspection at the offices of JMAA. The Information for Respondents contains a copy of the RFP, General Information for Respondents, Information Required from Respondents and Criteria for Selection. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the Information for Respondents from JMAA by contacting Ms. Karen Hatten, JMAA's Procurement Specialist, as follows:

Jackson Municipal Airport Authority  
100 International Drive, Suite 300 (39208)  
Post Office Box 98109  
Jackson, Mississippi 39298-8109  
Attention: Karen Hatten, Procurement Specialist  
Telephone No.: (601) 360-8610  
Facsimile No.: (601) 939-3713  
E-Mail: khatten@jmaa.com

or from JMAA's website at [www.jmaa.com/resources/rfprfb-center/](http://www.jmaa.com/resources/rfprfb-center/)

Based on the Proposals received, JMAA will select a maximum of three (3) Respondents with whom to enter into negotiations to provide the Services. JMAA will initiate negotiations with the Respondent ranked first on the list. If such negotiations fail to produce an agreement in form and content, satisfactory to JMAA, within a reasonable period of time, then JMAA may reject the first-ranked Respondent and follow the same process with the other Respondents, in the order of their ranking, until a Respondent agrees to and enters into an agreement satisfactory to JMAA.

JMAA reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals, for any reason, any time before execution of a contract with a Respondent selected by JMAA to perform the Services.

JMAA has established a DBE participation goal of 20% for the Services solicited by this RFP.

JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY  
5/18/2017 5/25/2017

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE  
JACKSON HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE JACKSON HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (JHPC) WILL HOLD ITS MONTHLY MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 2017 AT 12:00 P.M. IN THE ANDREW JACKSON CONFERENCE ROOM (RM. 105) OF THE WARREN HOOD BUILDING, 200 SOUTH PRESIDENT STREET, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

I. APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

A. OLD BUSINESS  
- NONE

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. CASE NO. 2017-23, REQUEST BY: REED B. HOGAN III, TO MAKE AN ADDENDUM OF EXISTING COA (2017-17) BY CHANGING PLACEMENT OF COLUMNS, ADDING GAS LATERNS AND A NON-FUNCTIONAL IRON GATE ACROSS SIDEWALK AT MULTIPLE LOCATIONS, LOCATED IN THE BELHAVEN HISTORIC DISTRICT.

2. CASE NO. 2017-24, REQUEST BY: CENTURY CONSTRUCTION/HELM PLACE III, LLC (APPLICANT: STUART POVALL), TO CONSTRUCT UP TO 70 NEW HOMES FOR PHASE III OF HELM PLACE DEVELOPMENT AT MULTIPLE LOCATIONS, LOCATED IN THE FARISH STREET HISTORICAL DISTRICT.

II. OTHER ITEMS  
DISCUSSION

- NONE

III. ADJOURN

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS  
City of Jackson  
Jackson, Mississippi

Sealed, signed bids are invited and will be received by the City of Jackson, Mississippi, until 3:30 P.M. in the City Clerk's Office of Jackson, the bid must be stamped in by 3:30 P.M. Tuesday, June 20, 2017, at which time said bids will be publicly opened at the City Hall located at 219 South President Street (City Council Chambers) in City Hall for the following:

55054-062017 - Twelve-Month Supply of Traffic Sign Post

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The above must comply with the City's specifications. Copies of proposal forms can be obtained from the Purchasing Division, 200 South President Street, Room 604, Hood Building, Jackson, Mississippi 39201. Copies of bid specifications are filed with the City Clerk for public record in accordance with House Bill No 999, 1986 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature.

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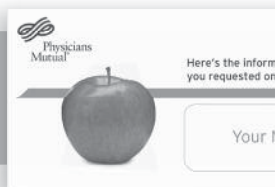
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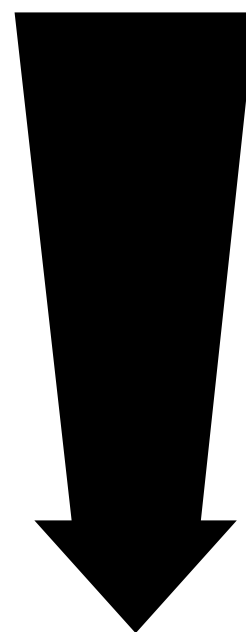
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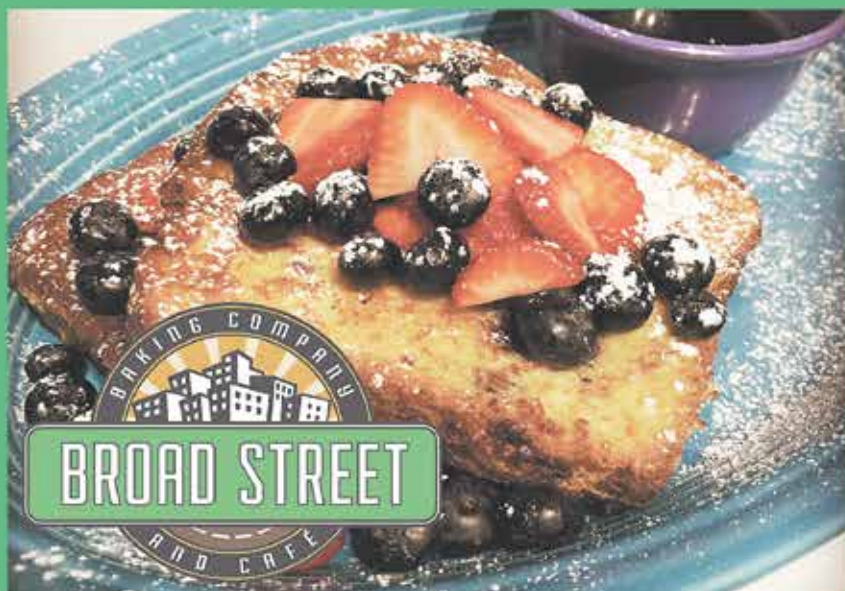


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## CCC Fit for Life to kick-off 8-week fitness boot camp June 5

*The Mississippi Link Newswire*

This summer, Coahoma Community College's Fit for Life program is gearing up to host a "Fit for Life Nutrition and Fitness Bootcamp" open to CCC students, employees and the community.

The free bootcamp, scheduled for June 5 through July 28, is an 8-week program designed for a total body workout – including strength training, cardio, core and conditioning.

The camp will be led by Darius Davis, who currently serves as an instructor for CCC's Fit for Life, and CCC Senior Financial Aid Counselor Taneshia Young, who serves as a Fit for Life Zumba instructor.

Now in his second year as an instructor, Davis said he has witnessed the program grow and is anxious to see continued success for its participants during the upcoming boot camp.

"Greatness lives on the inside of everyone, but the question is, how bad do you want

it?" said Davis. "Success is only for those who want it."

Young, who recently joined the program, is excited to not only instruct but be a part of the workout process as well.

"I've been looking for a workout that I can enjoy and be motivated about at the same time," said Young. "This has been much more engaging than simply walking the treadmill or lifting a few weights. ...It's a workout that allows me to feel and see the results, all while having fun!"

In preparation for the bootcamp, the program will host a pre-bootcamp detox by providing smoothies, fruits and veggies in hopes of encouraging participants to replace their normal lunch with a healthy alternative.

The free healthy snacks will be available to interested individuals from 11 a.m. to noon May 22-26 in the J.W. Addison building

Nutritional counseling will also be available for all par-

ticipants on select Saturdays during the bootcamp program.

The bootcamp schedule will include Zumba each Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Strength Training from 6:45 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.

All classes will be held at the Frank Gambrell Student Affairs Multi-Complex.

CCC's Fit for Life initiative is funded by the Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi Foundation. Since 2015, the Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi Foundation has provided almost \$500,000 in funding to Coahoma Community College for the Fit for Life initiative that extends from the campus into the surrounding communities and schools.

To learn more about CCC's Fit for Life Initiative, visit [www.coahomacc.edu/fitfor-life](http://www.coahomacc.edu/fitfor-life). For questions or more information, contact CCC Fit for Life Coordinator Taurean Morton at (662) 621-4236 or [tmorton@coahomacc.edu](mailto:tmorton@coahomacc.edu).

## CSLC's Community Health Awareness Day 2017 was a "Rainbow of Hope"

*Information on free mammogram, free HIV testing, and free Alzheimer's information presented*

*The Mississippi Link Newswire*

LEXINGTON, Miss. – Recently the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office on Women's Health observed National Women's Health Week, May 14-20, empowering women to make their health a priority.

Similarly, April 29, the Community Students Learning Center's Community Health Awareness Day (CHAD) annual observance, challenged residents of Holmes County, one of the most obese counties in the United States, to do the same.

Keynote speaker was Rozell Chapman, M.D., CEO, Malory Community Health Center (MCHC), Lexington. Dr. Chapman urged everyone to "take control of your health." He pointed out how obesity leads to a myriad of health complications and diseases.

This year's CHAD 2-mile walk featured "a Rainbow of Hope" theme in which walkers

wore t-shirts representing the color symbol of various chronic diseases (breast cancer – pink; diabetes – red; Alzheimer's – deep purple; etc.).

"The rainbow theme comes from the variation of diseases and complications that affect each one of us every day," said CSLC AmeriCorps VISTA Member Kirstian Mapp assigned to assist in coordinating the Healthy Futures focus of the project. "A rainbow is also a symbol of hope and renewal after a storm."

During CHAD 2017, women were afforded the opportunity to sign up for free mammograms via the Fannie Lou Hamer Breast Cancer Foundation, and community health resource information was provided by MCHC. Featured health seminars included: "Know the Signs: Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia" by Andi Agnew, program director, Alzheimer's Mississippi, Inc., Ridgeland, Miss.;

and "HIV 101 – Q & A" with information on free testing by Kizmet Cleveland, founder and executive director, Pharos, Inc., Itta Bena, Miss.

Body-age assessment was also available to measure BMI, etc. through the CSLC Tri-fit equipment by Anthony Chambers, M.D., Board Secretary and by IT Specialist Antwan Clark.

Children were treated to exciting SPARK physical fitness activities, games and healthy snacks. A big hit of the day was a senior citizen performance by Dance for Life Dance Team of Grenada, Miss.

"This year's turnout was the largest we have had in a long time," said CSLC Board Member Leslie Greer. "I hope this means that more of us in Holmes County are taking our health more seriously."

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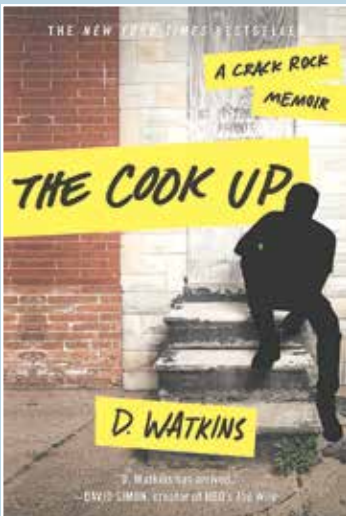
# Fallen Officers Memorial Service

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# BOOK REVIEW: “THE COOK UP: A CRACK ROCK MEMOIR”

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By Terri Schlichenmeyer  
Columnist

Everything has a price. You say you’ll never sell your granddad’s watch, your dream car, or that collectible you coveted because it’s priceless – until it’s not, because everything is for sale. But in “The Cook-Up” by D. Watkins, it may cost your entire life.

Around the country, headlines scream about a heroin epidemic every day. It’s shocking, but what many (white) people don’t know is that, as Watkins says, “if you’re

black and poor, the heroin epidemic has been around.”

He should know. For a time, he sold drugs on the streets of Baltimore, where the average life ends so early that “We go through midlife crises at fifteen...”

He was much younger than that when he saw his first shooting; much younger when he understood that drugs were as easy to get as oxygen. He idolized his big brother then; Bip was larger-than-life, a dealer who doted on Watkins and urged him to stay in school. He wanted Bip to be

proud of him, so when his brother was murdered just blocks from home, Watkins tried to stay in college but his heart wasn’t in it. Instead, he created his own business with the contents of a safe Bip left him: miscellaneous items, a brick-and-a-half of raw cocaine, guns, and thousands in cash.

With help from a childhood friend, Watkins cooked the cocaine into rocks to sell and as his clientele list grew, so did the number of workers he needed to stay one step ahead. His level of

responsibility grew, too; Watkins made sure that folks in his neighborhood were fed, clothed, and safe. That took money, but there was plenty of it.

For months, Watkins and his boys had whatever they wanted, the “fiends” had their highs, and cops looked the other way. Things were good until suddenly, Watkins looked around and into the future: he’d met a girl, and he needed to come up with an “exit strategy” for himself and one of his boys.

The problem was, he said,

“dudes don’t know when to leave the block alone.”

The first thing you need to know about “The Cook Up” is found on its cover: Watkins himself is in shadow, on the bleakest of stoops, near a doorway covered in plywood. An inexplicable feeling of electricity, then, screams that what you’re about to read is going to be raw, and it’s right.

With a fascinating tone that sometimes seems impassioned, almost matter-of-fact, author D. Watkins writes about childhoods spent in poverty – his, and that of

his friends – and the things it led them to do to survive. Read further, however, and you’ll see that his quiet voice almost quivers with righteous anger and anguish as Watkins’ story progresses to an ending that feels happy and perfect and depressing, all at the same time.

It should go without saying that this isn’t a book for grandma, unless she can handle profanity and violence. If you can handle it, you’ll find that “The Cook Up,” now in paperback, is worth the price of time.

# Kam’s Kapsules

Weekly previews that make choosing a film fun

By Kam Williams  
Columnist

**BIG BUDGET FILMS**

Baywatch (R for crude humor, graphic sexuality, frontal nudity and pervasive profanity) Screen adaptation of the long-running TV series (1989-2001) as an unlikely-buddies action comedy about a veteran lifeguard (Dwayne Johnson) and a rebellious recruit (Zac Efron) forced to put aside their differences to take on a drug ring ruining the area. With Priyanka Chopra, Alexandra Daddario and Kelly Rohrbach, and featuring cameos by original cast members David Hasselhoff and Pamela Anderson.

Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales (PG-13 for violence and suggestive content) Johnny Depp is back as Captain Jack Sparrow for a swashbuckling adventure which finds the Black Pearl pursued by a ghost ship with a zombie crew under the command of an old nemesis (Javier Bardem). With Orlando Bloom, Geoffrey Rush and Kaya Scodelario.

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96 Souls (Unrated) Sci-fi thriller about a research scientist who, after a lab accident, discovers he’s able to read people’s minds. With Sid Veda, Paul Statman and Toyin Moses.

Black Butterfly (R for profanity) Suspense thriller revolving around a reclusive writer (Antonio Banderas) who, against his better judgment, invites a shady drifter (Jonathan Rhys Meyers) to crash in his cabin during a serial killer’s reign of terror around the mountainous region. Supporting cast includes Piper Perabo, Abel Ferrara and Nicholas Aaron.

Buena Vista Social Club: Adios (PG for mature themes, brief suggestive material and pervasive smoking) Concert documentary and sequel to the 2000 Oscar-nominee follows the final tour of the five surviving members of the band as they reflect on their careers and their contributions to Cuba’s musical culture. (In English and Spanish with subtitles)

Cruel and Unusual (Unrated) Miscarriage of justice documentary chronicling the 42 years straight spent in solitary confinement by Robert King, Herman Wallace and Albert Woodfox, Black Panthers targeted and convicted of murder without a shred of evidence besides the testimony of bribed and blind witnesses.

Drone (Unrated) Revenge thriller about an American drone pilot (Sean Bean) conducting covert bombing missions from the comfort of his hometown who suddenly finds himself accused of killing the innocent family of a grieving Pakistani businessman. (Patrick Sabongui). With Mary McCormack, Joel David Moore

and Sharon Taylor.

Long Strange Trip (R for profanity, graphic nudity and pervasive drug use) Warts-and-all rookumentary affording a revealing look at the life and times of the Grateful Dead. Featuring never before seen video footage of Jerry Garcia, Phil Lesh, Mickey Hart, Bob Weir, Robert Hunter, Bill Kreutzmann and Pigpen.

Restless Creature: Wendy Whelan (Unrated) Prestige profile following the prima ballerina as she prepares to perform

a modern dance piece while contemplating the end of her three-decade career with the New York City Ballet.

The Women’s Balcony (Unrated) Tale of female empowerment, set in Jerusalem, revolving around the women members of an Orthodox congregation’s attempt to derail their new rabbi’s (Avraham Aviv Alush) plan to implement traditional gender roles at the synagogue. With Oma Banai, Yafit Asulin and Sharon Elimelch. (In Hebrew with subtitles)

## Crossword Puzzle

1	2	3		4	5	6	7	8	9
10				11					
12				13					
14			15				16		
17					18	19			
			20	21		22	23	24	25
26	27	28		29	30				
31			32				33		
34							35		
36							37		

### ACROSS

- Brassiere
- Cuban capital
- Cram
- Evoke
- Hoopla
- Position with hands on hips and elbows bent outward
- Distillery
- Clairvoyance
- At hand
- Dover locale
- Scale note
- Pant
- School group
- Spooks
- Have as a goal
- Killed in action
- Ankle-high shoe
- Wing
- Pencil marking remover
- Rock group

### DOWN

- Muscle
- Radiuses
- Amid
- Listen
- Synthetic resin
- Caesar’s seven
- Apex
- Small licorice treats
- A spinning toy (2 wds.)
- Extremely high frequency (abbr.)
- Freudian term
- Comply
- Questioner
- Steps for crossing a fence
- Sacred poem
- Messenger
- Despot
- Capital of Western Samoa
- “Mister” (German)
- Possessive pronoun

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## Sudoku

The challenge is to fill every row across, every column down, and every 3x3 box with the digits 1 through 9. Each 1 through 9 digit must appear only once in each row across, each column down, and each 3x3 box.

8						9		
	2				6			
			1	4	5	7	8	
6	9			3	2			
7						1	9	
1						6		5
		6		2	7		3	
	8							

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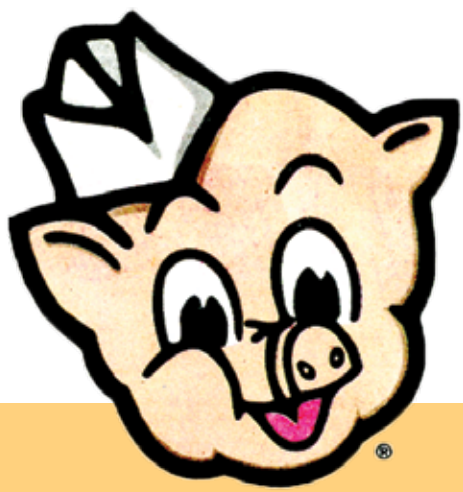
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**2/\$3**

KRAFT

**SHREDDED  
CHEESE**

7 - 8 OZ. ....

**2/\$4**

SUNNY D

**CITRUS PUNCH**

64 OZ. ....

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SELECT VARIETIES

**PICTSWEEP  
VEGETABLES**

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**CORN ON  
THE COB**

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