



ACA enrollment surging, even though it ends Dec. 15

By Cash Michaels
Contributing writer

The enrollment period to be covered by the federal Affordable Care Act (ACA) began Nov. 1, and is scheduled to end Dec. 15, for those hoping to qualify for health care coverage beginning January 1, 2018.

The Trump Administration, which has made no secret of its wish to “repeal and replace” President Barack Obama’s signature legislative achievement, has done everything it can to force the ACA to wither on the vine by cutting the enrollment period from the previous three months, to just 45 days. And it has also cut the \$100 million Obama Administration budget to both advertise the open enrollment period, and slashed grant funding efforts for state and community organizations across the nation that reach those in dire need of all that the ACA offers through education and mobilization, by an estimated 90 percent to just \$10 million for the entire nation.

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And yet, according to recent published reports, President Trump’s efforts to strangle the ACA to discourage participation are coming up short. In fact, based on available numbers, people are enrolling at a higher, faster pace than last year at this time, and there’s every reason to believe that pace will continue the closer Dec. 15 comes.

While no official numbers have been released by the administration yet, *The Washington Post* (citing sources) reports that, “More than 200,000 Americans chose a plan on Nov. 1 (first day of open enrollment). That’s more than double the number of consumers who signed up on the first day of enrollment last year. More than 1 million people visited HeathCare.gov, the official federal website, the official said, which amounts to roughly a 33 percent increase in traffic compared with 2016.”

This doesn’t account for over a dozen states that have their own health insurance exchanges. However, several states, like California, New York and Connecticut, all say they are seeing more signups over last year as well.

Indeed, those wishing to enroll should go to www.healthcare.gov to qualify for federal tax

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Clinton Boulevard North to Medgar Evers Boulevard on I-220 was designated as Senator Henry J. Kirksey Memorial Highway at Kirksey Middle School (5677 Highland Drive) November 1. The celebratory moment became possible because of the passing of House Bill 907 during the 2017 Session of the Mississippi Legislature. The occasion marked notable contributions former Senator Kirksey made for the good of humanity. The Kirksey family, platform guests, school officials and community friends were in attendance.

Dick Hall, chairman, Mississippi Transportation Commission, presided and recalled serving in the Legislature with Kirksey. “We didn’t always agree but I can’t think of a more ap-

Senator Kirksey Memorial Highway Dedication Ceremony



Karen Kirksey Zander (center) surrounded by officials and family of former Senator Kirksey. PHOTO BY JANICE K. NEAL-VINCENT

propriate way to honor him other than naming Kirksey Middle School after him,” Hall said during his welcome address.

“I was honored to work with former Senator Kirksey in his office

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Resulting from the Mississippi Legislature’s passing of House Bill 907, an unveiling dedication ceremony was held at the State Capitol that designated the Senator Alice Varnado Harden Memorial Highway Wednesday, November 1. The unveiling revealed a segment of Interstate 220 in Hinds County beginning at the intersection of Interstate 220 and Interstate 20, north to Clinton Boulevard.

Referenced as a progressive and stern leader throughout the occasion, Harden was the first African-American woman to serve in the Mississippi Senate while representing District 28 in Hinds County.

Harden’s constituents gave their opinions of her leadership abilities. “Alice was always letting us re-

Senator Harden Memorial Highway Dedication Ceremony



Harden family and guests unveiled the Senator Alice Varnado Harden Memorial Highway sign. PHOTO BY JANICE K. NEAL-VINCENT

member that she was a warrior. She worked hard and wanted to make sure Washington Addition got what they needed,” claimed Alyce Clarke, District 69 – Mississippi House of Representatives.

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Arise, Shine: Baptist Women’s World Day of Prayer



Jackson Metropolitan Retired Community Chorale PHOTO BY JAY JOHNSON

By Jackie Hampton
Publisher

The Baptist Women’s World Day of Prayer is an annual ‘experience’ which takes place world-wide each first Monday in November. This year marks the 67th year anniversary. Prayer concerns come from the different continental unions, and involve diverse needs: spiritual strength, hope, physical health, political stability, safety, financial welfare and various social justice issues. The theme for 2017 is “Arise and Shine through Transformation.”

The event in Jackson was hosted by Mt. Helm Baptist Church November 6. “It

was a ‘glorious experience,” said Malena Dow, chair of the Baptist World Day of Prayer for the Baptist State Convention of Mississippi, Inc. Dow said women of all denominations all over the world share the same problems and have the same visions. Dow, speaking to women and men of various denominations, said, “this is a world movement and we invite you to use this day and every day to pray for the needs of the world.”

Emma Hurly of Mt. Helm was the presider of the 11 a.m. spiritual event which included scripture, hymns of praise, bible study and prayers. Ninety-six year old Maudine Taylor of Progressive Baptist

Church gave the invocation and Eunice Smith of Mt. Helm read the scripture.

Special greetings were extended by C. Edward Rhodes, pastor of Mt. Helm. He welcomed everyone to the church and thanked the many participants for being a part of the service. Isiac Jackson Jr., president of the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Mississippi, also brought greetings. Jackson said there is so much going on for which prayer is needed. “I am so glad that God has this mess in his hands so let us go to God in prayer for help,” he said.

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Velma Rosetta Sims Hardwick

March 25, 1942 - November 1, 2017

Velma Rosetta Sims Hardwick, 75, passed away November 1, 2017, at Merit Health-Central, Jackson, Miss., with family at her bedside.

She was born March 25, 1942 to Martha Slaughter Sims and David Sims in Vicksburg, Miss. From the union of Martha and David Sims, Velma has two surviving sisters and a brother: Thelma Sims Dukes (her twin), Gladys Mae Sims Cross and Henry Price.

Velma’s remaining siblings include McKinley Williams (deceased), Clara Delores Sims Smith (deceased) and Floyd Sims (deceased).

On her father’s side, Velma had three brothers – Albert Sims (deceased), Leroy Sims (deceased) and Fred Sims (deceased) as well as two sisters Blanche Sims Williams (deceased) and Willie Bell Sims Woods (deceased).Velma’s step-father was Shelly Price Sr. (deceased).

Velma married Anderson “Andy” Hardwick, and this year, they celebrated 53 years of marriage. Together, she and Andy raised three children: Kevin Hardwick (m. Carol-Jean Parke Hardwick), Rene’ Hardwick and June Hardwick. Grandchildren include: Janah Hardwick Hemphill (m. Lemarcus Hemphill), Joi Hardwick and Jenae Hardwick (twins), Justin Hefner, Jaela Hefner and Raha Maxwell. Great-grandchildren include: Ayden McCoy Hardwick, Levi and Kiro Hemphill (twins), Jera Hemphill and Cali Samuels.

Velma is survived by numerous friends, many beloved nieces and nephews, as well as countless students over the years through her vocation in public and private education.

Velma will be remembered by close family and friends as “Dee Dee.” Her friends and students will remember her as a teacher, mentor and champion for change. Velma enjoyed spending time in fellowship with family and friends, thrift shopping for bargains, acquiring investment properties and making home renovations.

She taught herself to create architectural designs and read blueprints as a hobby. She led in selecting the land, negotiating the sale price and served as general contractor for every detail from foundation to rooftop of the family home in Bolton, Miss.

She was tremendously well read and served as librarian, media specialist and in other leadership roles



in the public school systems of Bolivar, Hinds and Rankin Counties, the Catholic Diocese of Jackson and Jackson Public Schools.

Velma was a member at Farish Street Baptist Church in Jackson, Miss.

A Celebration of Life service will be held Saturday, November 11, 11 a.m., at City Auditorium, 901 Monroe Street, Vicksburg, Miss. Reverend Hickman Johnson will officiate and Reverend Kevin Hardwick will deliver the eulogy.

Visitation is Friday, November 10 from 6 to 8 p.m., Lakeview Memorial Funeral Home, 2102 Clay Street, Vicksburg, MS 39183, 601-629-3500.

Burial will follow at Cedar Hill Cemetery (Vicksburg).

Lakeview Memorial Funeral Home (Vicksburg) has charge of the arrangements.

Theresa Ann Willis

May 4, 1948 - November 1, 2017

“I’m overworked, underpaid but I’m still pretty,” were the signature words of Theresa Ann Willis, who was born May 4, 1948 to the late Phillip and Pernola Sandifer Willis. She was the third of nine children with one brother, Walter Lee Willis Sr., preceding her in death.

Theresa accepted Christ during her early teenage years and was baptized at College Hill M.B. Church. She was educated in the Jackson Public School system and after graduation traveled to Los Angeles, Calif. where she worked and attended Los Angeles City College.

Inspired by her uncle and aunt, Henry and Julia Sandifer, to better herself, she pursued employment opportunities in Chicago. She was employed by Illinois Bell where she excelled to a supervisory position.

As fate would have it, the company downsized and she was re-assigned to Ameritech Mobile. After this company dissolved, Theresa decided to move back home.

She was employed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Once again employment opportunities led her to move to Belleville, Ill., where she worked as a project manager for HUD. Theresa retired from federal service in 2012.

Theresa departed this life November 1, 2017 leaving one daughter, Jacquelyn P. Armstrong and three loving grandchildren: Jayla, Railyn and Charles (CJ) with precious memories. One granddaughter, Kylynn preceded her in death.



Theresa will also be fondly remembered by her brothers and sisters: Magnolia Osborne (Emeryville Calif.); Phillip Jr. (Dr. Darlene) of Rancho Pensaquito Calif.; Spencer Sr. (Ruthie) of Walls Miss.; Leroy and Willie both of Jackson, Miss.; Beverly (Eddie) of Monroe La. and Tony (DeVicki) of Grayson Ga. Theresa will be greatly missed by two nieces (Kristin and Angela) and nephews (Darryl, Walter Jr., Phillip III, James, Spencer Jr., Willie Jr., Derek, Tony Jr., and Jon). One nephew, Michael, preceded her in death.

Her life was enriched by a multitude of friends from her childhood, family, church, schoolmates and co-workers.

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Rays of Hope in Mississippi exhibit presented at Smith Robertson, Nov. 16

Photographer extraordinaire Jay D. Johnson showcases a retrospective of historical events, places and figures

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Where can you find celebrities, literary legends, activists, policy makers, musicians, medical professionals and even historical institutions all in one space? You can see them at the inaugural exhibit of photographer extraordinaire Jay D. Johnson. Be a part of A Legacy Retrospective of Jay D. Johnson: Rays of Hope in Mississippi, presented by the JSD Foundation at the Smith Robertson Museum and Cultural Center (528 Bloom Street).

The opening ceremony will take place Thursday, November 16 at 5:30 p.m., and the exhibit will remain on display through January 31, 2018.

For more than 40 years, Johnson has photographed people, places and scenes throughout the state of Mississippi and beyond, including President Barack Obama, Congressman Bennie Thompson, Congressman John Lew-



Johnson

is, Myrlie Evers, every African-American mayor of the City of Jackson, entertainer Patti LaBelle and faith-based leader Jerry Young. You will find images of these individuals and many more featured in this exhibit. Additionally, Johnson takes us on a journey through Mississippi by capturing some amazing events and scenes.

“As Mississippi celebrates

its bicentennial, it is critical to showcase our state’s rich history and culture,” said Johnson. “This exhibit will not only display our diverse history, but will also foster positive discussions to empower and inspire others to see ‘rays’ of hope in our great state.”

“When I first heard that Jay would be presenting an exhibit of his work, I was overjoyed,” said Evers, civil rights icon and widow of Medgar Evers. “He is, indeed, a photographer extraordinaire. During the 50th celebration honoring the life and legacy of my husband, Medgar, Jay captured beautiful moments that will be shared and passed down for generations to come.”

Funding for Rays of Hope is provided by a grant from the Mississippi Humanities Council and the Greater Jackson Arts Council.

For more information, email jsimsdoty@gmail.com or call 601-366-8309.

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Inaugural Exhibit

A Legacy Retrospective of Jay D. Johnson:

Rays of Hope in Mississippi

A Legacy Retrospective of Jay D. Johnson: Rays of Hope in Mississippi is a retrospective exhibit featuring the photographic images of photographer extraordinaire, Mr. Jay D. Johnson. For more than 40 years, he has photographed many people, events, and scenes in and around the state of Mississippi and many of those images are featured in this exhibit.

Opening Ceremony

Thursday, November 16, 2017
5:30 p.m.

Smith Robertson Museum and Cultural Center
528 Bloom Street
Jackson MS 39202

A reception will follow the Opening Ceremony.

*Funding is provided by a grant from the Mississippi Humanities Council. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, send an inquiry email to jmsims@jsdfoundation.org

MPB honors Mississippi Vietnam War veterans Nov. 9

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Pfc. Milton L. Olive, III, of Lexington, Miss., was the first African American to receive the Medal of Honor for involvement in the Vietnam War. Mississippi Public Broadcasting invites the public to honor Olive and all Mississippi Vietnam veterans from 3-6 p.m. Nov. 9, during its Vietnam Reflections: Mississippi Stories program at the MPB Auditorium, 3825 Ridgewood Road in Jackson.

On Oct. 22, 1965 Olive, 18, sacrificed his life to save the lives of four soldiers in his platoon. Four veterans who were in Olive’s platoon will reunite and be panelists for the program’s panel discussion. They are William Yates of Mobile, Alabama; Robert Toporek of Audubon, Pennsylvania; Wayne Short of Carthage, North Carolina; and Samuel Grimes of Enterprise, Alabama.

The program will also include a screening of MPB’s original documentary Mississippians in Vietnam: A Shared Experience.

Mississippi gospel icon Melvin Williams will perform songs and Sweet Potato Queen, author and philanthropist Jill Conner Browne will serve as emcee. Posting the Colors will be Murrah High School’s JROTC. The MPB Foundation will host a reception following the program.

The event is free and open to the public but registration is required. Go to EventBrite online to register.

More than 58,000 Americans died fighting in Vietnam, including more than 600 Mississippians. The MPB documentary Mississippians in Vietnam: A Shared Experience features six Mississippi Vietnam veterans who tell what it was really like fighting in one of America’s most controversial wars.

Those veterans are James Young of Jackson, Charles Brown of Hattiesburg, Rep. Manly Barton of Moss Point, Joseph Pierce of Ocean Springs, Rep. Elton “Mac” Huddleston of Pontotoc and Doyle Whitehead of Gloster.

MPB’s Corey Hart is the producer/director of Mississippians in Vietnam: A Shared Experience. MPB’s Art McAlpin and Kathryn Rodenmeyer are associate producers.

The event marks the third program MPB has hosted in 2017 to honor Mississippi Vietnam War veterans. The first was Sept. 1 in Ocean Springs. The second event took place Nov. 1 in Tupelo.

The Nov. 9 program is financially assisted by the National Endowment for the Humanities through the Mississippi Humanities Council.

Mississippi Public Broadcasting provides relevant instructional and public affairs programming to Mississippians through its statewide television and radio network. MPB enhances the work of educators, students, parents and learners of all ages by providing informative programming and educational resources. MPB’s locally-produced programming focuses on the people, resources and attractions that reflect Mississippi’s unique culture and diverse heritage. Children’s television programs constitute a major portion of the daytime and weekend morning schedules. MPB provides a valuable resource to Mississippians in disseminating information as part of the state’s emergency preparedness and response system. Since 1970, MPB has won over 350 national, regional and statewide awards, including Emmy®, Edward R. Murrow and Parents’ Choice® Awards.

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Message from Interim Superintendent

Freddrick Murray
JPS Interim Superintendent

We are so appreciative of Gov. Phil Bryant, Mayor Chokwe Lumumba, the W.K. Kellogg Foundation and the community for pulling this coalition together to make transformational changes at Jackson Public Schools.

We have already implemented a lot of changes. We are working on the Corrective Action Plan. Everyone is committed to improving education for the district's children.

Board members of the Jackson Public School Board of Trustees have all willingly resigned from their positions.

I will continue to serve as interim superintendent and am excited about the transformation the district is embarking upon. I look forward to working with the new board and remain committed to making the necessary improvements to achieve academic success. Again, we are committed and dedicated to this effort. We are humbled and grateful for this wonderful opportunity.



Murray

JPS Veterans Day programs

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All seven JPS high schools will host programs November 7–10, 2017, in observance of Veterans Day.

Veterans Day programs are held to honor the veterans who have served and those who are currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. These events also raise students' awareness of the sacrifices they have made to enable us all to enjoy our current lifestyles. Veterans, along with their families, parents and community members, are invited to attend.

Dates, times and locations for each high school program are provided below:

Tuesday, November 7, 10:15 a.m., Murrah High School, 1400 Murrah Drive.

Tuesday, November 7, 2 p.m., Lanier High School, 833 West Maple Street.

Wednesday, November 8, 10:15 a.m., Wingfield High School, 1985 Scanlon Drive.

Thursday, November 9, 10:30 a.m., Forest Hill High School, 2607 Raymond Road.

Thursday, November 9, 10:30 a.m., Jim Hill High School, 2185 Coach Fred Harris Street.

Friday, November 10, 10:20 a.m., Provine High School, 2400 Robinson Street.

Friday, November 10, 10:30 a.m., Callaway High School, 601 Beasley Road.

Veterans Day is celebrated annually November 11.

JPS alumni recognized for longtime business partnership

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Partners in Education recently recognized Steven James, of the Allstate Insurance Agency, for his unwavering support of Jackson Public Schools at its October 17 board meeting. Allstate Insurance was the first organization to adopt a school, namely Provine High School.

James, who is a 1991 Murrah High School graduate, continues his support of Provine in many ways. He is the liaison for Provine's Promise Club which provides training to student leaders to execute youth safety campaigns on campus. In addition to Provine, this initiative provided start-up funding for chapters at Wingfield and For-

est Hill High Schools. He was also instrumental in JPS serving as the host agency for a recent statewide Promise Club training workshop.

Most recently, James assisted Partners in Education in acquiring a \$6,000 grant from the Allstate Foundation, in partnership with local Allstate agents. This grant provided back-to-school supplies to JPS teachers. He has pledged ongoing support to this initiative, with a goal of increasing the grant to \$10,000 for the 2018-19 school year.

James says he has built his business on community service, hosting over 70 community events each year, predominantly in the Jackson area.



Academy of Agriculture scholars at Wingfield showcase their agriculture skills

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Wingfield High School scholars are getting hands on experience in farming and produce. They participated in a Farm to Cafeteria conference October 12, at the Jackson State University E-center.

Academy scholars and their instructor collaborated with community and regional agriculture professionals to share the knowledge and experience they gained growing the Wingfield Academy garden.

After the conference, students led a guided tour of the Wingfield garden. During the tour, scholars shared the steps in their growing process, demonstrated how they cared for the plants in the garden daily, and their plans for the production of various products using the produce they harvest.

The produce from the garden is also made available to the students, staff and community of Wingfield High School.



Provine Rams win the junior varsity football championship



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Congratulations to the Provine Rams JV football team on winning the 2017 JPS championship. The Rams defeated the Callaway

Chargers October 23 at Newell Field by a score of 28-0. The Provine JV head coach is Willie Swinney.

The Rams finished the season with a record

of 5-1.

The Chargers finished the season with a 4-1 record. The Callaway JV head coach is Benjamin Hart.

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Final enrollment data supports Alcorn’s enhanced recruiting efforts

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Alcorn State University is steadily growing into a heavily sought after university among students worldwide and the university is taking notice.

Final enrollment figures reported to governing bodies in October point to strong growth during the fall 2017 semester. Alcorn tallied 3,669 total full-time undergraduates and graduates – a 7 percent increase over 2016. Additionally, Alcorn’s freshman class remains the largest in history with 1,282 students.

The size of the 2017 freshman class increased by 39 percent over fall 2016 and the academic prowess of the class also increased. Students in the fall 2017 class with an ACT range of 24-27 increased by 82 percent and students with a 28 and above increased by 200 percent, when compared to fall 2016.

Alcorn President Alfred Rankins, attributes the higher enrollment and academic data to a number of factors including an affordable tuition structure, competitive scholarships and an intensive recruitment effort he led along with university administrators and admissions staff



that included visits to a number of targeted high schools across Mississippi.

Rankins said, “The updated, strong enrollment data for Alcorn is the result of a lot of hard work provided by a lot of people across the campus.” He said he is especially pleased with the role the spring 2017 recruitment tour contributed to the numbers and added, “We look forward to continuing initiatives like the recruitment tour and others to grow our enrollment and strengthen the Alcorn brand as a premier HBCU of choice.”

Evidence of the impacts of a university’s recruiting efforts is best derived from its

students. When asked why they chose Alcorn and how they envision their matriculation at the university, current students offered their personal testimonials.

Cameron Carr, a California native, was eager to attend a historically black college or university (HBCU), so she made Alcorn her choice. She said that she loves the university’s environment and the opportunity to mature into adulthood on her own.

“I really wanted to attend an HBCU,” said Carr. “I love it here. For me, attending school in Mississippi is better than being in my hometown because I get to grow and mature on my own.”

Brandon Thomas, a Jackson, Mississippi native, has been coming to the campus with his mother most of his life. He’s proud to carry on the family legacy of attending the Alcorn.

“My mother and my uncle attended Alcorn, so that makes me a second generation Alcornite,” said Brandon. “My mom has been bringing me to campus since I was a child, so I live and breathe Alcorn. There are so many opportunities out here for me as a freshman. Alcorn has multiple clubs and organizations for us to join so that we can be active in positive activities around campus.”

Administrator Powell is JSU’s new associate VP for Student Affairs

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Susan E. Powell, a native of Hallsboro, North Carolina, has served in higher education for more than 25 years and is currently associate vice president for Student Affairs at Jackson State University.

Formerly, she was dean of students at Lincoln University in Pennsylvania, where she secured more than \$5 million in grants. While there, she was director of Upward Bound and was an adjunct professor for its First-Year Experience program and an academic adviser.

Her passion and dedication to student affairs have aided her platform at conferences and workshops throughout the country. Her topics have included “Teamwork,” “Developing the Leader in You,” “Mentorship,” “Dress for Success” and “Preparing for a Successful College Career.”

Powell received her Doctorate of Education in higher leadership and innovation from Wilmington Uni-



Powell

versity in Delaware; her Master in nonprofit administration from West Chester University in Pennsylvania; and her Bachelor of Science in business administration from Fayetteville State University.

She holds a teacher certification from Barton College in Wilson, North Carolina.

Alcorn receives nearly \$2.5M grant through U.S. Department of Education



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Alcorn State University is among 18 eligible Historically Black Colleges and Universities to receive funding from the U.S. Department of Education over a six-year period to improve graduate education opportunities at the master’s level in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

The U.S. Department of Education announced the recipients of the renewed Historically Black Colleges and Universities Master’s Grant (HBCU-M) program for 2017 in the amount of \$7,500,000. Alcorn will receive \$2,499,996 from 2017-2023, to help better serve students through various programs and services.

Six master’s degree programs at Alcorn have been selected to participate in the grant to strengthen graduate STEM opportunities for underserved, underrepresented and low-income students: Department of Agriculture, Department of Applied Science and Technology, Department of Biological Sciences, Biotechnology, Mathematics and Computer Science, and Graduate Nursing.

Donzell Lee, provost and grant manager for the HBCU-M Grant, looks forward to watching the progress of the selected programs.

“We are pleased that the Alcorn STEM programs selected to participate in this grant will implement projects and activities to support student services, tuition assistance, educational infrastructure improvements, research, innovation, educa-

tional equipment acquisition, purchase of educational materials and telecommunications program materials,” said Lee.

Lee said the grant is the key to enhancing the university and preparing students to be top STEM professionals. “The funding will certainly assist Alcorn’s academic efforts to improve institutional student outcomes and increase a strong pipeline of graduates well versed in science, technology, computer science and mathematics and nursing.”

The HBCU-M program is designed to strengthen Historically Black Colleges and Universities’ academic infrastructure, academic resources, financial management and endowment-building capacity.

Funds may be used for the purchase, rental or lease of scientific or laboratory equipment. Also supported are the construction, maintenance, renovation and improvement of instruction facilities.

Funds support faculty exchanges and the development of academic instruction in disciplines in which black Americans are underrepresented. Projects may support the purchase of library materials as well as tutoring, counseling and student service programs.

More than 20 percent of African-American college graduates receive their degree from an HBCU, and the schools are credited with producing an impressive proportion of STEM degrees earned by African Americans, including 31 percent of biological science and math degrees.

Hinds CC honors 12 employees with the Hinds Heroes award



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RAYMOND – Hinds Community College named the fall 2017 group of honorees in the Hinds Heroes employee recognition program in November.

Hinds Heroes are chosen because they represent the college well, provide exceptional customer service to customers and consistently promote the Hinds mission of service. Hinds Heroes receive a lapel pin, a token of appreciation and one free day off work.

In alphabetical order, this semester’s honorees include:

Lindsey George of Raymond, administrative assistant for Career-Technical Education on the Raymond Campus. She performs a variety of duties that help the department run smoothly. She has been at Hinds for seven years.

Jacqueline German of Brookhaven, finance officer in the business office on the Utica Campus. She handles all financial matters for the Utica Campus. She has been at Hinds for 23 years.

Jean Greene of Utica,

director of Library Services and Archives on the Utica Campus. She also serves as the Utica Campus Title IX deputy coordinator. She is the co-adviser to the Student Government Association, co-adviser to the Culinary Arts Club and co-directs the National Endowment for the Humanities Holtzclaw Institute Grant. She has been at Hinds for 24 years.

Dana Harpole of Vicksburg, custodian on the Vicksburg-Warren Campus. She cleans and maintains the Annex and Nursing building on the Vicksburg-Warren Campus. She has been at Hinds for 9 ½ years.

Leslie Moak of Raymond, administrative assistant for Athletics and the Health, Physical Education and Recreation departments on the Raymond Campus. Her duties include overseeing and coordinating day-to-day activities. She has been at Hinds for eight years.

Kindalin Moses of Edwards, speech instructor at Jackson Campus-Academic/Technical Center. She works to provide her students with

public speaking skills and ability to research, organize and express a concept in a way that is meaningful and memorable to their audience. She has been at Hinds for 10 years.

Stephen Murphy of Brandon, construction instructor, Rankin Campus. He teaches in the high school carpentry program and has been at Hinds for six years.

Bridgett Oakes of Raymond, district coordinator of Developmental Education. Her office is at the Raymond Campus. Her duties include tracking the success of developmental students, overseeing the district Developmental Education department and setting up study labs for developmental students and student athletes. She has been at Hinds for six years.

Mary Rousselle of Jackson, graphic designer in the Community Relations department on the Raymond Campus. Her job duties include design and layout of college print publications including the On Campus newsletter, promotional ma-

terials, banners/displays and web graphics. Rousselle has been at Hinds for 17 years.

Wade Thornhill III of Clinton, printing coordinator in Community Relations on the Raymond Campus. His duties include graphic design, such as the Hindsight alumni magazine, shooting and editing video and coordinating with print vendors for college print needs. Thornhill, known as Tre’, has been at Hinds for 19 years.

Stephen Wedding of Raymond, philosophy instructor on the Raymond Campus. He teaches a variety of history and philosophy courses. He is also the faculty chair of the Student Conduct committee and is on the New Faculty Orientation Committee. He has been at Hinds for 16 years.

Martha Young of Raymond, vet tech for Veterinary Technology on the Raymond Campus. She is an instructor in the clinical lab and helps with medical math. She also helps with day-to-day operations of clinic and client relations. She has been at Hinds for 11 years.

Hinds CC partnership with industry plays key role in state's first apprenticeship registry



The Mississippi Link Newswire

Empire Truck Sales and Stribling Equipment, who partner with Hinds Community College on the Diesel Equipment Technology Academy in Richland, have signed an agreement with the college to become the first businesses to participate in the Mississippi Apprenticeship Program.

The program aims to develop new and diverse sponsors for registered apprenticeship and expand the state's capacity to support them.

MAP, an initiative led by Gov. Phil Bryant's office, the Mississippi Community College Board in partnership with community colleges and their partners in business, industry and other sectors, the Mississippi Department of Employment Security and the Mississippi Development Authority, will provide resources to industries across the state to support employee on-the-job training.

Principals in the effort signed the agreement Oct. 31 at the Hinds Diesel Equipment Technology Academy in Richland. They included Hinds President Clyde Muse, Jerry Swanson, president of Empire Truck Sales and Stribling Equipment, Woodrow Middleton, state director for the U.S. Department of Labor Office of Apprenticeship and Andrea Mayfield, executive director of the Mississippi Community College



Board.

"It's been a great partnership with Hinds and you see a number of the students here today as evidence of the support they're receiving from those two companies," Muse said during a brief program before the signing. He also noted the experienced assistance, scholarships and up-to-date equipment available to students in the program.

Bryant credited the Legislature for allocating about \$50 million for workforce training programs and the U.S. Department of Labor for being a valuable partner for the MAP, specifying a "unified and cooperative federalism" between the state and the federal Cabinet department.

"The Mississippi Apprenticeship Program and the

partnership between Empire Truck Sales, Stribling Equipment and Hinds Community College will allow individuals at these two businesses to learn real-world job skills necessary for them to be successful employees," Bryant said.

The trucking industry, specifically the field of modern-day diesel mechanic work, was an appropriate backdrop for the signing ceremony. Bryant's father was a diesel mechanic and worked at Empire during his professional career.

The host facility for the ceremony is a state-of-the-art complex where students train on the latest technology in the ever-evolving field of diesel mechanics.

The accelerated career

pathway allows students to earn technical and career certificates with a chance to earn a full Associate of Applied Science degree. Once in the field, diesel technicians can work their way up to certifications that pay up to \$73,000 annually.

"As a workforce strategy, with on-the-job training experience, the apprentice has the opportunity to earn and learn," Mayfield said. "And they also make connections in the workplace."

"Everybody here is a stakeholder in this adventure," Swanson said, crediting Chad Stocks, vice president of Workforce Development at Hinds, for his role in helping turn the college's already vibrant partnership into Tuesday's event.

Clinton Public School District Key Communicator

2017-18 Teachers of the Year

Congratulations to the 2017-18 Teachers of the Year. Each school in CPSD selects a building winner, and the district Teacher of the Year will be chosen in early December. School winners are:

Clinton Park - Kyla Greer

Northside - Emily Cadle

Eastside - Jana Chao

Lovett - Wendy Kane

Clinton Junior High - Jason Woodcock

Sumner Hill Junior High - Thomas Tunberg

Clinton High School - Heather McKinion

CHS Career Complex - Kelsi Antrim

Clinton Alternative - Brianna McAlister

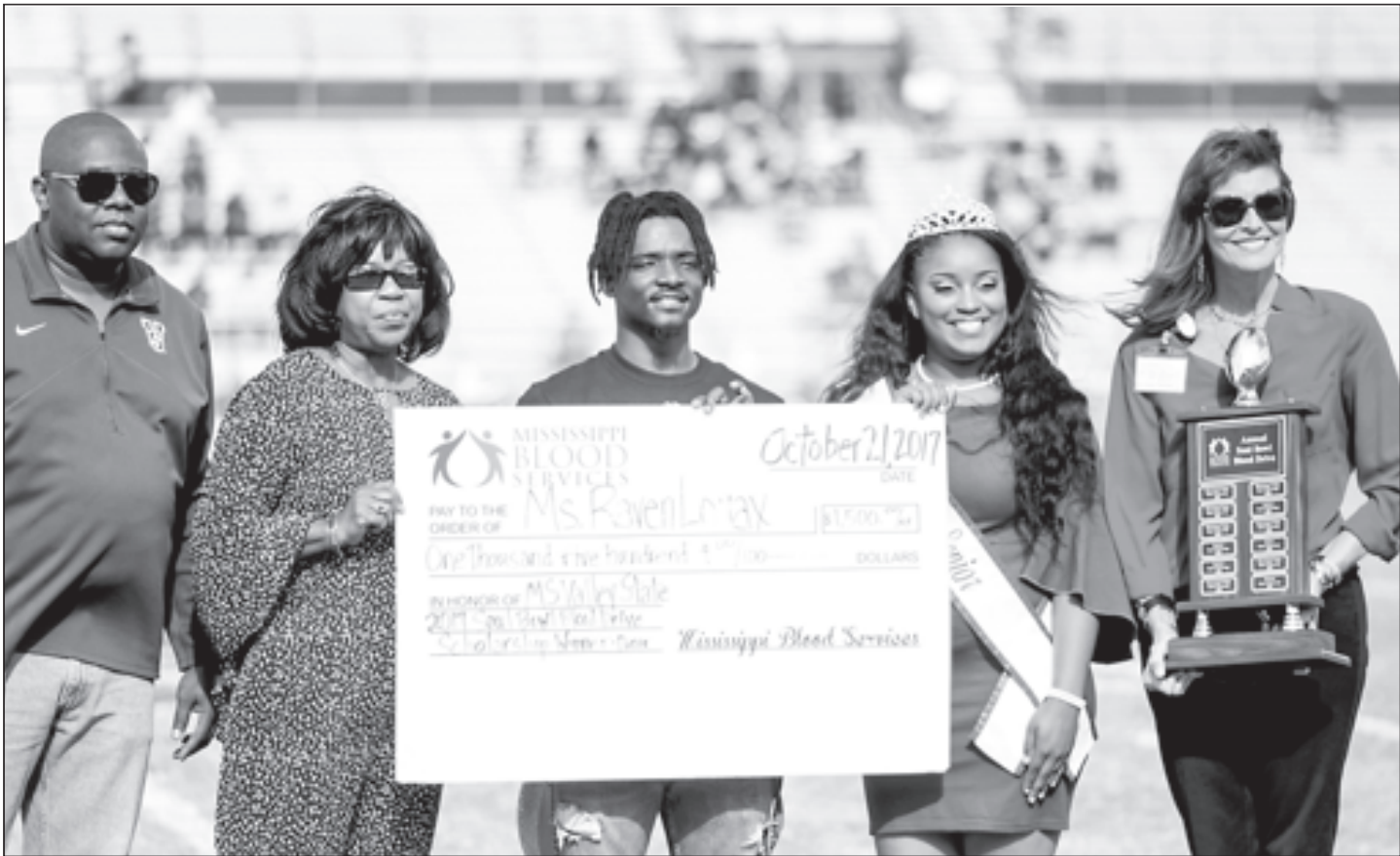
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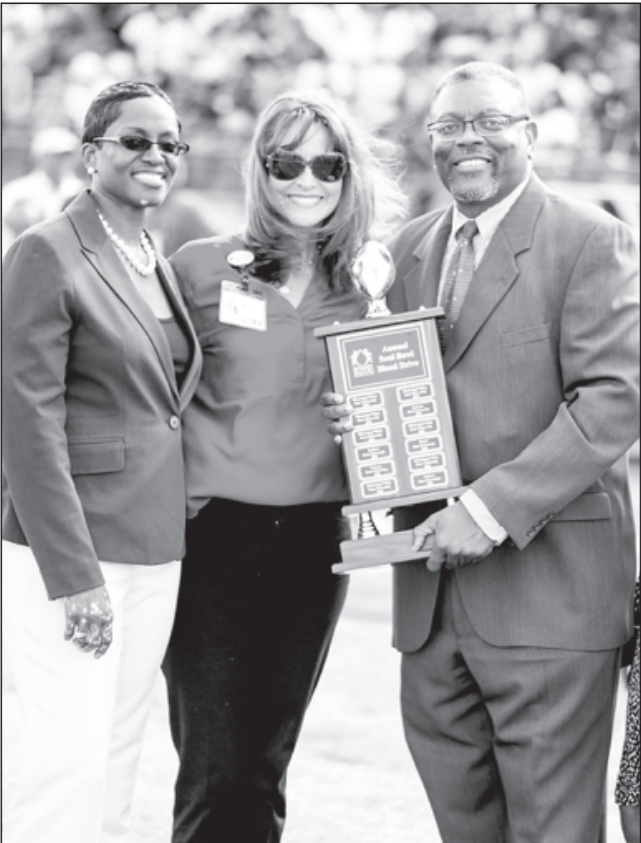


Congratulations to Sumner Hill Junior High School bookkeeper Beth Westover, recipient of the Dedication of Our Valued Employees – or DOVE – customer service award for the month of October. Westover received multiple nominations based on her positive attitude, work ethic and providing excellent customer service. She will be recognized at the November school board meeting and presented with gifts from Playtime Entertainment, Cock Of The Walk and Chick-fil-A.

Mississippi Valley State University wins 2017 Soul Bowl Blood Drive



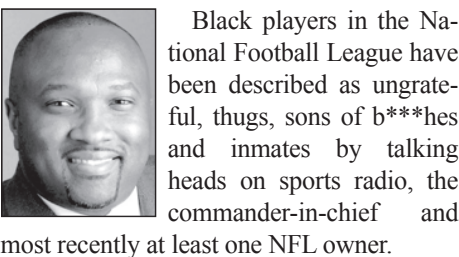
Pictured, from left, are Dameon Shaw, MVSU interim vice president of university advancement; Rebecca Spence of Regions Bank; Nykeia Washington, president of the Zeta Phi Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha, Inc.; scholarship winner Raven Lomax of Southaven, Miss; and Dawn Woods, MBS Delta Marketing representative.



MBS Delta Marketing representative Dawn Woods (center) presents, from left, MVSU Vice President for Student Affairs Jacqueline Gibson and President Jerry Briggs with the 2017 Soul Bowl trophy.

Texans owner McNair’s “inmates” comment sparks outrage

By Jeffrey Boney
Houston Forward Times/NNPA Member



Black players in the National Football League have been described as ungrateful, thugs, sons of b***hes and inmates by talking heads on sports radio, the commander-in-chief and most recently at least one NFL owner.

Some current and former NFL players, including the exiled Colin Kaepernick, have decided to use their high-profile platforms to protest racism, systematic oppression and police brutality in this country and some people, including the President of the United States, just can’t handle it.

Following Houston Texans owner Bob McNair’s controversial analogy, describing NFL players as ‘inmates,’ a number of Houston Texans football players completely rejected, both his written and face-to-face apologies.

McNair, who is now being described by many in the community as ‘Warden McNair,’ created a major controversy within the league, as well as across the country, after it was revealed in a story released by ESPN the Magazine’s Seth Wickersham and Don Van Natta Jr., that McNair had made the shocking ‘inmate’ reference several weeks ago in a meeting with 10 other NFL owners and 13 current players. It was during that same meeting, where other NFL owners had expressed their views and thoughts about the business concerns surrounding the anthem protests, that McNair boldly said, “We can’t have the inmates running the prison.”

It was only after the owners finished sharing their thoughts on the issue that former NFL player and current NFL executive Troy Vincent stood up and adamantly expressed how offended he was by McNair’s character assassination of and reference to NFL players as ‘inmates.’

According to Wickersham and Van Natta, Vincent told McNair and the other owners that in all his years of playing football in the NFL, he had “been called every name in the book, including the n-word, but never felt like an ‘inmate.’” It was also reported that McNair later pulled Vincent aside to apologize and tried to explain to him that he didn’t mean what he said in a literal sense, but the damage had already been done.

The Texans, who were only a few days away from playing a road game against the Seattle Seahawks at the time the ‘inmate’ reference was reported, found themselves in crisis mode as an organization, as many Texans players planned to walk out of practice that Friday. Texans head coach Bill O’Brien and general manager Rick Smith quickly convened a team meeting to talk the players out of leaving practice. The meeting was somewhat effective, as nearly everyone chose to stay, with the exception of a few Texans players, such as franchise wide receiver DeAndre Hopkins and rookie running back D’Onta Freeman, who still refused to practice and chose to leave in protest.

In an attempt to protect his brand, and try and quiet the issue, McNair quickly issued what many have considered a watered-down apology via a written statement from the Texans’ PR department, saying, “I regret that I used that expression. I never meant to offend anyone and I was not referring to our players. I used a figure of speech that was never intended to be taken literally. I would never characterize our players or our league that way and I apologize to anyone who was offended by it.”

Many NFL players weren’t buying McNair’s initial apology, so he issued a second, more explanatory apology via written statement through the Texans’ PR department, stating, “As I said yesterday, I was not referring to our players when I made a very regretful comment during the owners’ meetings last week. I was referring to the relationship between the league office and team owners and how they have been making significant strategic decisions affecting our league without adequate input from ownership over the past few years. I am truly sorry to the players for how this has impacted them and the perception that it has created of me which could not be further from the truth. Our focus going forward, personally and as an organization, will be towards making meaningful progress regarding the social issues that mean so much to our players and our community.”

McNair’s apology, whether genuine or not, is not the issue that should be focused on during these challenging times in this

country, and neither should his disparaging word choice to describe the many NFL players and athletes who have chosen to exercise their First Amendment right to protest and use their high-profile platform to do so. McNair and Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones are front and center using their ‘warden-like’ approach to treat NFL players like inmates in prison.

In late October, Duane Brown, one of the best left tackles (or ‘inmates’ in the game), was traded from the Texans to the Seahawks, after he reported that McNair had made several racially-insensitive comments prior to his ‘inmates’ reference. Brown, who had just ended his six-game holdout, said that after Barack Obama was elected president in 2008, McNair told Texans players that he wasn’t excited about it and expressed that since he started protesting during the national anthem since last season, McNair had not had anything to say to him. It is no surprise he was traded away (or transferred to a different prison unit).

Based on the explosive comments made by McNair at the NFL meetings several weeks ago, coupled with his failure to address the key issues surrounding the true nature and purpose of the original protests led by Kaepernick, it is strongly believed by many in the community that McNair may be completely disinterested in actually addressing the issues of racism, systematic oppression and police brutality in this country.

During a community forum held at The Community of Faith Church, the Houston chapter of the NAACP, along with many other community leaders, pastors and elected officials, convened a meeting to condemn the ‘inmate’ statement made by McNair, as well as discuss the oppression taking place across America and a path forward.

A group of community leaders that included NAACP President James Douglas, NAACP National Board Member Howard Jefferson, NAACP President and CEO Derrick Johnson and Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee (who both called in by telephone), Congressman Al Green, Harris County Commissioner Rodney Ellis, State Rep. Ron Reynolds and Pastor E.A. Deckard demanded that the Houston Sports Authority rescind a vote to erect a statue at NRG Stadium in honor of McNair.

One of the oddest appearances at the forum took place when City Councilman Jack Christie delivered some prepared remarks from a statement that he had written prior to the event. Christie began his remarks by emphasizing that he did not personally know McNair and that McNair did not personally know him, but that he felt he could speak to McNair’s character, because he had done his research on McNair and found him to be a man of character and goodwill. After invoking Dr. King’s quote to describe how the community should look at McNair’s character versus his uttered words, Christie also attempted to justify McNair’s ‘inmate’ statement by alleging that McNair may have ‘misspoke’ as a result of chemotherapy treatments and mind-altering drugs. Christie also offered to serve as an intermediary between the community and McNair – the person he claims to not know at all – by having the community provide McNair with the list of things the community leaders are requesting from him to make this go away.

Christie’s odd appearance only raised more questions.

If Christie doesn’t know McNair, then how can he propose to speak about his character and the intent of his heart? Does Christie’s appearance at a predominately African-American community forum on oppression mean he is prepared to actually talk about and address racism, systematic oppression and police brutality in this country? Some residents even wondered if McNair sent Christie to the event to deliver those prepared remarks.

Based on the treatment Kaepernick has received for his stance, as well as the comments made by McNair and other NFL owners, it truly seems as if they really and truly believe they ‘own’ these players, versus simply employing them, and are doing everything they can to dissuade the players from speaking their minds or having independent thoughts outside of doing what they are told and being good ‘inmates.’

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NNPA president joins civil rights leaders and U.S. mayors for historic meeting

By Stacy M. Brown
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During a recent meeting in New York City, the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) joined the National Urban League, the National Action Network and a group of mayors from around the country for a results-driven, inclusive economic and civil rights policy planning session.

“The NNPA is finally being recognized as both a national trade association of African-American owned newspapers and a national civil rights organization,” said NNPA President and CEO Benjamin F. Chavis Jr. “The First Amendment is a civil right and the NNPA is leading this dual charge across the nation.”

Chavis received an invitation to the meeting from New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio to participate in the conference held at the historic Gracie Mansion. The theme of the conference was “Finding Unity Through Local Leadership: A Convening of Mayors and Civil Rights Leaders.”

New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu, who serves as president of the United States Conference of Mayors, joined de Blasio, Baltimore’s Mayor Catherine Pugh, Louisville’s Mayor Greg Fischer and other mayors at the daylong conference in the Big Apple.

National Action Network founder Rev. Al Sharpton, National Urban League President Marc Morial and U.S. Black Chambers, Inc., President Ronald Busby also attended the meeting.

“The purpose of the meeting was to develop a national agenda and strategy to improve the quality of life of people in U.S. cities represented by the United States Conference of Mayors and to find unity on national issues of mutual concern by all of the attendees,” Chavis said.

In a joint statement issued by the National Urban League and U.S. Conference of Mayors, the groups said they believe in the power of their collective voices to address the



Dr. Benjamin F. Chavis Jr., recently met with civil rights leaders and U.S. mayors to discuss unifying around national issues.

iniquities that now exist in America.

“Today, too many American families are unable to reach their full potential and are losing faith, because of the divisive political climate and the inability of the federal government to advance smart policy solutions...leadership at the local level is more important than ever before,” the groups said in the statement.

Together, the parties vowed to come together to chart the course for the country’s future and ensure prosperity for all Americans.

“The meeting counted as the beginning of a very powerful relationship between America’s mayors and the civil rights community,” de Blasio said.

De Blasio continued, “We are ready to work in common cause to address the issues and the reality is that we understand that we have to speak with one voice if we are going to have an impact, especially with what’s going on nationally.”

The New York City mayor noted that one of the immediate issues the group will tackle is the 2020 Census, which he said is of utmost importance.

“You think something as innocuous as the Census can do little

harm,” de Blasio said. “But, it’s the kind of thing that often gets overlooked and major decisions are made about power and money and the difference can be billions of dollars.”

The group will push the Trump Administration on ensuring an accurate Census count, de Blasio and Morial both promised.

“This was a historic gathering to bring leaders together to confront the challenges that we face, as a nation, and to look for shared solutions,” Morial said.

The tax plan passed by the House paving the way for an unprecedented tax code reform is as troublesome as it is damaging to working, middle-class and poor Americans, he said.

“The tax plan is lopsided,” Morial said. “We will resist and work for a better plan. Also, we will not shirk our responsibility and, as far as the 2020 Census, I want to join Mayor de Blasio in saying that we want to ensure that the 2020 Census is accurate.”

“Bigotry, hate and racially motivated violence is un-American and unacceptable for our nation,” said Morial. “We want to build for our community and we have committed to reconvene this conference in January and bring the mayors and civil rights leaders back together to further our conversation and to work on more specific policies and agendas.”

The NNPA was pleased to have been present and to participate in the historic gathering, Chavis said, as he thanked de Blasio, Morial and Landrieu for gathering some of the nation’s leading mayors and civil rights leaders.

“The meeting was very substantive and productive,” Chavis said. “We addressed the vital issues facing America’s cities and we all committed to establishing an ongoing strategic alliance to work cooperatively together to provide inclusive solutions to ensure freedom, justice, equality and equity for all people who live in the United States.”

reaffirm their commitment to expanding college and career support for students, especially black students.

At a recent town hall meeting hosted by the National Newspaper Publishers Association in Atlanta, Ga., Vickie B. Turner, a school board member for District 5 in the DeKalb County School District, encouraged participants to reach out to parents, who were not present at the town hall and who are not engaged, declaring “we are preaching to the choir.”

Nevertheless, we all share a responsibility to educate our children. Some parents may not be able to dedicate as much time to participate in their child’s education as others. You can help by dedicating an hour, as often as you can, to make sure black parents are present, represented and fighting in the best interest of our children. “It takes a village” is not just a cliché or an excuse to discipline a stranger’s child. It is a vow to develop the whole child, irrespective of his or her parent’s shortcomings.

To learn more about the District of Columbia’s plan, or your state’s plan, to implement ESSA, the nation’s new education law, visit nnpa.org/essa.

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Black students in the nation’s capital deserve better

By Lynette Monroe
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In my role as the program assistant for the National Newspaper Publishers Association’s (NNPA) Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Public Awareness Campaign, I closely followed the proposal process for the District of Columbia’s ESSA plan. I have to admit, I was disappointed by the final version of the plan submitted to the U.S. Department of Education. Overall, D.C.’s ESSA plan is, at best, an incomplete assignment.

The ‘to be continued’ tone of the plan could be partly due to the discontent expressed by many community members during the final stakeholder meetings. Parents and educators alike expressed concern about the lack of resources and implementation strategies to support the Office of the State Superintendent of Education’s (OSSE) aggressive goals for academic proficiency and high school graduation. The participants at the meetings noted the glaring socioeconomic disparities throughout the district and the unique resources required to increase achievement in each ward.

One could conclude that OSSE’s aggressive academic goals are mirroring the affects of a rapidly gentrifying city that continues to margin-

alize the needs of its majority black residents.

According to District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS), 71 percent of their student population is black and 70 percent of the entire student population qualifies for free or reduced lunch.

In August, DCPS released the latest scores for tests under the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Career (PARCC). Black students showed the smallest improvements with a 4.8 percent increase in English Language Arts proficiency and a 2.1 percent increase in math proficiency. In both categories, less than 20 percent of black students achieved proficiency in reading and math.

This increase is compared to a 6.2 percent increase in English Language Arts proficiency for Hispanic students in the district and a 9.6 percent increase by their white counterparts. Similarly, Hispanic students showed a 5 percent increase in math proficiency while white students increased their proficiency by 4.8 percent. According to the PARCC assessment, less than 30 percent of Hispanic students are proficient in reading and math. While more than 80 percent of white students, according to PARRC, exhibit proficiency.

White students make up just 10 percent of the DCPS student population.

DCPS needs to try harder to raise the test scores of its black students. DCPS should also quickly work to

Sanderson Farms donates \$1 Million to Red Cross Disaster Relief

The Mississippi Link Newswire

Sanderson Farms, Inc. presents a check for \$1 million to the American Red Cross to aid in recovery efforts for people devastated and displaced by recent back-to-back natural disasters. Nearly 16,000 Red Cross disaster workers have been mobilized to support relief efforts following hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Maria, and Nate.

“Sanderson Farms has vital facilities in several communities impacted by the recent hurricanes, and our chicken is sold and shipped to customers in both Puerto Rico and Mexico,” said Joe F. Sanderson Jr., CEO, and chairman of the board of Sanderson Farms. “We are saddened that these hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, and wildfires have directly impacted our neighbors, many of whom are our business partners and loyal customers. We are committed to doing everything that we can to assist the recovery efforts during this time of great need.”

In the past nine weeks, the Red Cross has provided over 1.3 million overnight stays at emergency shelters in eight states, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The Red Cross has served more than 6.7 million meals and snacks and provided more than 5.7 million relief items to people in need.

In addition, the Red Cross has over 470 workers in Cali-



Pictured left to right, Tamica Smith Jeuit, Leitha Chapman, Ivy L. Williams, Mike Cockrell, Hilary Burroughs, Bob Devaney, Michelle Wilson and Veronica Stubbs

fornia where more than 27,900 overnight stays have been provided to people seeking refuge from wildfires in 30 Red Cross shelters. Also, Red Cross is providing support in Mexico where media reports more than 153,000 homes have been destroyed or damaged in an earthquake. The American Red Cross works closely with the Mexican Red Cross to provide humanitarian aid and assistance during large emergencies and is committing \$100,000 toward the Mexican earthquake relief effort. In addition, American Red Cross disaster specialists are on standby to assist.

“Thanks to the generosity

of donors such as Sanderson Farms the Red Cross can respond immediately to disasters like hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Maria and the California wildfires with food, shelter and the necessary humanitarian supplies to ensure people are safe,” said Mike Ryan, VP of Development at the American Red Cross. “We are grateful for Sanderson Farms’ ongoing support as we work together to provide hope and help to people in need.”

“Millions of our neighbors, partners, customers and friends continue to suffer from the effects of these natural disasters,” said Lampkin Butts, president

and COO of Sanderson Farms. “In times of devastation and crisis, it is most important to focus on helping people rebuild their lives and their communities. We will continue to help where we can as our neighbors continue the recovery efforts.”

Sanderson Farms joins the list of generous companies and organizations supporting Red Cross disaster response efforts. View the list here: <http://rdcrss.org/2z9bW9O>.

About Sanderson Farms
Sanderson Farms, Inc., founded in 1947, is engaged in the production, processing, marketing and distribution of fresh and frozen chicken and

other prepared food items. Employing more than 14,000 employees in operations spanning five states and 14 different cities, Sanderson Farms is the third largest poultry producer in the United States. As a company, Sanderson Farms is committed to adopting a fresh approach in everything that we do. Not only where products are concerned, but company-wide as well. Though the company has grown in size, it still adheres to the same hometown values of honesty, integrity and innovation that were established when the Sanderson family founded the company back in 1947.

About the American Red Cross

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation’s blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or cruzrojaamericana.org, or visit us on Twitter at @RedCross.

Rep. Jeramey Anderson declares for United States Congress MS-04

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MOSS POINT, Mississippi –Rep. Jeramey Anderson of Moss Point announced recently that he will seek the 2018 Democratic nomination for Mississippi’s 4th Congressional District seat in the United States Congress.

Anderson said he would tackle problems like poor schools, economic hardships and government transparency, adding that a failure of bi-partisanship is to blame for not meeting the nation’s challenges and those of hardworking Mississippians.

“In today’s society bi-partisanship isn’t an option anymore – it is a requirement if we are to effectively confront the real crises facing not only our state but the nation as well. We’re leading the effort in our State to break through partisan gridlock to reestablish political cooperation and I would like to take that to Washington,” said Anderson.

The Moss Point native is a Democratic member of the Mississippi House of Representatives, representing District 110. Elected to the chamber through a special election in November 2013 at 21 years old, Anderson became the youngest member ever elected to the Mississippi Legislature and the youngest African American elected to a legislature in United States history.

He received his associate’s degree in criminal justice from Pearl River Community College and his bachelor’s degree in homeland security from Tulane University. At the age of 16, Anderson founded Founda-



tion for a Brighter America, a non-profit organization dedicated to mentoring young boys ages 11-18. Currently, he serves as the program’s executive director.

“I will continue to be the voice of reason, bipartisanship, compassion and understand as I have in the Mississippi Legislature, understanding the struggles of everyday hardworking folks,” said Anderson.

Since inauguration on his 22nd birthday, Anderson has appeared on MSNBC, featured in the NAACP magazine, and a guest on the Tom Joyner morning show with Roland Martin. He also appeared in Essence magazine as a future presidential candidate. He has spoken at several high school and college commencements all across the country and was recognized as a “Young Riser” at the 2015 BET Honors by BET. Most recently, he was honored following the opening session of the United Nations as one of the world’s most influential people of

African descent under 40 by MIPAD.

Re-elected by 80 percent of the electorate in 2015, Anderson is currently serving his second term as the District 110 state representative. Upon being re-elected to the Mississippi House of Representatives, his Democratic colleagues elected him to serve in the House Democratic leadership as Democratic Caucus secretary/treasurer.

Anderson currently serves on Judiciary B, Judiciary En Banc, Marine Resources, Investigation of State Offices, Universities & Colleges.

Anderson current serves on the advisory board for “Let America Vote,” an organization dedicated to winning the public debate over voter suppression in the United States. He also serves as co-chairman for the Mississippi Future Caucus, a bipartisan caucus for lawmakers under 40 whose purpose is to break through partisan gridlock to reestablish political cooperation and create meaningful progress through government in-

stitutions.

During his time in the state legislature, Anderson has authored and co-authored legislation centered around increasing minimum wage, full funding for public education, wage equality, criminal justice reform and childcare subsidies.

“I intend for my campaign to be as much a celebration of our accomplishments as it is a serious and informed dialogue about the challenge of hardworking Mississippians. I’m committed to working together to ensure that all of our residents and communities share in the prosperity of our great nation and the great State of Mississippi,” said Anderson.

Anderson will officially launch his campaign November 11, at the Almanette Hotel & Bistro in Gulfport, Miss. The event will start at 6:30 p.m., light hors d’oeuvres provided.

Follow the campaign on social media @JerameyForMS.

Visit our website at www.JerameyForMississippi.

Legislative Session Ideas



By Jay Hughes
State Rep. District 12, Lafayette County

PRIORITIES for PEOPLE or POLITICS as usual? The Supermajority in Mississippi can pass literally any bill it wants to pass. Here are a few bills that I will be filing for the 2018 Session in January:

1. Public School Donation Tax Deduction and Dedicated Use (passed 121 to 1 last year before killed by Senate leadership).
2. NOAH’S Law – No child under 18 can buy pure caffeine tables (has passed unanimously the last two years, and then killed in the senate by special interests and leadership)
3. Ed. Enhancement Fund – require all sales taxes collected expressly for “classroom supplies” actually be given to classroom supplies (currently only \$12M of \$36M collected gets given to the class-

room supplies as the law requires) (Was killed in the House committee last year).

4. SSN: Require last 4 of D.L. to be used for Voter ID so sensitive info shared by our S.O.S can’t be compromised (even Kansas did this)
5. Eliminate sales tax on groceries (we have the highest in the U.S., as well as the highest poverty).
6. Lottery – dedicated to public education, state and local roads and bridges (Too many Miss. folks are subsidizing schools in La., Tenn. and Ark.
7. Feminine Hygiene Products – eliminate sales tax on them, like Minnesota, Massachusetts, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Illinois, Alaska, New Hampshire, Delaware and Oregon.

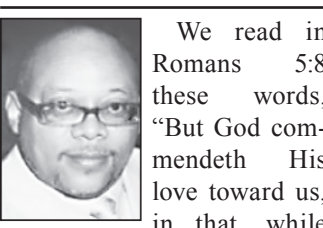
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Who is a sinner?

PART 2

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



We read in Romans 5:8 these words, “But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.” Whenever we feel uncertain about God’s love for us, remember that He loved us even before we turned to Him. If God loved us when we were rebels, He can surely strengthen us, now that we love Him in return. The love that caused Christ to die is the same love that sends the Holy Spirit to live in us and to guide us every day. The power that raised Christ from the dead is the same power that saved us and is available to us in our daily lives.

God loves sinners! God is making a move on behalf of sinners, but we must admit that we are a sinner. The Bible lets us know what a

great thing Christ did in Romans 5:7, which reads, “For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man will someone even dare to die.” God wants to show us how much He loves us. As much as God hates sin, He so loves the sinners that He sent His Son to die for them while they were still sinners.

God wants to help and bless sinners, but if we go into eternity with sin in our lives, we do not want to meet God. This is the reason we teach and preach so hard against sin and plead for sinners to come to Jesus. Sin is not an incurable disease. We can be set free, but we have to help ourselves by coming to Jesus and sticking with Him.

Being sin sick is similar to being physically sick; however, we just do not stay there and say, “Oh, I’m sick.” We may call someone and say that we are ill and ask what we should do. We do not just accept the sickness, but we

try to do something to get better. That is just natural because we want to feel healthy. We have a part of God in us. We have a soul and our soul can get sick from sin; then we are unhappy, and we are not well spiritually.

What are we going to do about it? Are we going to get help for our sin? A person’s environment has absolutely nothing to do with the fact that a person is living in sin. However, when people make excuses for their wrongdoing, then people are going to act on what is expected.

Consider the soldiers in Iraq or Niger; no matter how serious the combat they are engaged in, those soldiers are not expected to fire on innocent women and children. No matter how tough it gets, no matter how many ambushes they have been in and no matter how many of their buddies have gotten shot or killed; they are expected to conduct themselves as they have been trained. We can make any

excuse that we want to make for why we are a sinner; nevertheless, we are not a sinner because of our environment, nor how we were raised nor what we were taught. We are a sinner because we are giving ourselves over to sin.

My friends, every sin problem can be fixed in Jesus Christ. Many people think they will go to hell because of being a liar, a thief, an adulterer, a gambler or a murderer. No, however, those are symptoms of being bound by sin. That does not mean people should do those things, but that is not the reason the sinner is going to hell. The only reason anyone is going to hell is because they have rejected Jesus.

Next week, Part III “Who is a sinner?”

Rev. Simeon R. Green III is pastor of Joynes Road Church of God, 31 Joynes Road, Hampton VA 23669. He is a member of the National Association of Evangelism Church of God, Anderson, Ind.

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The power of forgiveness

By Shewanda Riley
Columnist



“Mass shooting at church in South Texas.”

Like so many of you, I was shocked to read these words just a few short hours after attending church this past Sunday. Watching the news coverage made me think about the column I wrote in June 2015 immediately after the shooting at Emmanuel AME Church in Charleston, South Carolina.

The words about the power of forgiveness in the midst of senseless violence still ring true after the news of the worst mass shooting at a church in U.S. history and the worst mass shooting in Texas (Sutherland Springs), a small town a little over 40 miles east of San Antonio. The world was horrified by the devastating shooting which claimed the lives of 26 church attendee, that included children.

forgave you.”

I must admit that I was also amazed at the audio clips of the family members, even in the midst of their deep grief, stating adamantly that they had already forgiven the killer.

As I watched these reports, I asked myself if I could forgive so easily if that happened to me. And instead of boldly proclaiming that I could, I had to admit that despite all of my love for Jesus, it would be hard for me. I’d be able to do it eventually, but it would probably take many days of prayer and fasting.

As I thought about how I’d handle the situation, I also thought about how hard it had been for me to forgive transgressions that weren’t as extreme as murder.

As people around the world send prayers to the Sutherland Springs’ family members, we should also remember the wise lesson taught by the Charleston shooting victims through their selfless and uncompromising devotion to God’s word. Resting in God’s sovereign power was the only way they could show the power to forgive and that’s the only way that the town of Sutherland Springs will experience Godly healing as well.

Sending prayers of God’s comfort and peace to the families and loved ones impacted by the senseless gun violence in Sutherland Springs.

Shewanda Riley is a Dallas, Texas based author of “Love Hangover: Moving From Pain to Purpose After a Relationship Ends” and “Writing to the Beat of God’s Heart: A Book of Prayers for Writers.” Email her at preservedbypurpose@aol.com or follow her on Twitter @shewanda.

Maybe one way this small community will be able to heal after this tragedy, will be to revisit how the Charleston family members promised revenge for the killings or violent acts of retaliation, the world watched in amazement as the Christian idea of forgiveness was illustrated. News reports and audio clips of various family members showed how they expressed forgiveness for the killer.

These families and the community put into action the words of Colossians 3:13: “Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord



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<p>ORDINANCE APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE TEXT OF THE OFFICIAL ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JACKSON AS ADOPTED ON MAY 29, 1974 AND SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR AND ESTABLISH MORE EFFECTIVE ZONING REGULATIONS FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON LAND USES.</p> <p>NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MS:</p> <p>That Article VII-A, Section 702.02-A of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi for Uses Permitted in the NMU-1 Neighborhood Mixed Use District, Pedestrian Oriented as Use Permits is hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>1. Body Piercing Business 2. Commercial day care centers 3. Community Recreational Center 4. Service stations when: A. The front yard setback is at least fifteen (15) feet; and B. The side yard setback is at least fifteen (15) feet on street-facing sides; but C. All other regulations of the Article shall apply. 5. Parking garages, subject to 702.04-A 6. Liquor stores 7. Surface parking lots, subject to subject to 702.04-A. 8. Tattoo Parlors</p> <p>That Article VII-A, Section 703.02-A of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi for Uses Permitted in the CMU-1 Community Mixed Use District, Pedestrian Oriented as Use Permits is hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>1. Body Piercing Business 2. Commercial Communication Towers 3. Commercial Day Care Center 4. Service Stations when: A. The front yard setback is at least fifteen (15) feet; and B. The side yard setback is at least fifteen (15) feet on street-facing sides; but C. All other regulations of the Article shall apply. 5. Parking garages, subject to 703.05-A 6. Produce Stand 7. Liquor stores 8. Tattoo Parlors</p> <p>That Article VII-A, Section 706.02-A of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi for Uses Permitted in the Urban Town Center Mixed - Use District Pedestrian Oriented as Use Permits is hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>1. Body Piercing Business 2. Commercial Day Care Centers 3. Drive-through windows for banks, dry cleaners, drug stores and coffee shops 4. Liquor Stores 5. Parking Garages, subject to restrictions in 706.04-A 6. Accessory Parking Lots, subject to restrictions in 706.04-A 7. Tattoo Parlors</p> <p>That Article VII-A, Section 706.02.1-B of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi, for uses permitted in the C80 Residential Estates District is hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>1. Single-family detached dwellings and accessory structures. 2. Agricultural uses as defined by this Ordinance. Dairying, animal husbandry, or stabling shall be limited to two (2) animals per acre provided such use does not constitute a nuisance or health hazard and when:</p>	<p>(a) the indoor and/or outdoor enclosures are located at the rear of residential structures with minimum setback of one hundred (100) ft. from all adjacent property lines; (b) all types of enclosures, bufferings and the plan for the removal of wastes must be approved through the Site Plan Review process; and (c) a notarized letter from a licensed veterinarian verifying the health status and current shot record of the animal(s) is submitted.</p> <p>That Article VII-A, Section 706.02.2-B of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi, for uses permitted as Special Exceptions in the C80 Residential Estates District is hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>1. Adult and Child Care Centers/Residential. 2. Professional non-retail offices, including but not limited to, architects, attorneys, engineers, doctors, real estate, and insurance. 3. Private kennels provided such use does not constitute a nuisance or health hazard and when:</p> <p>(a) the indoor and/or outdoor enclosures are located at the rear of residential structures with a minimum setback of fifty (50) ft. from all adjacent property lines (b) upon the granting of the Special Exception, all types of enclosures, bufferings and the plan for the removal of wastes must be approved through the Site Plan Review process (c) prior to the granting and renewal of the Special Exception, a notarized letter from a licensed veterinarian verifying the health status and current shot record of the animal(s) is submitted 4. Art, dance, music, photography, or swimming instruction. 5. Catering Service, where they are a part of the owner/operator's residence. 6. One-chair beauty salons, nail salons, and barber shops, where they are part of the owner/operator's residence. 7. Group homes for the handicapped and personal care facilities housing six (6) or fewer residents, excluding staff.</p> <p>That Article VIII, Section 802.01.2 of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi, for regulations in the 1-1 Light Industrial District is hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>1. Regulations shall be the same as in the C-3 General Commercial District. 2. No person shall control, operate, conduct or manage any tattoo parlor or body piercing business, without first obtaining approval from the MS State Department of Health in accordance with the regulations governing the registration of individuals performing body piercings and tattooing. Evidence of such approval shall be provided to and kept on file by the City of Jackson Zoning Division. 3. No correctional facility, adult arcade, adult bookstore, adult cabaret, adult entertainment establishment, adult motel, or adult motion picture theater, animal shelter, microbrewery or tobacco paraphernalia retail business as defined in this Ordinance, shall be located within two hundred fifty (250) feet of any other such use, or located within one thousand (1,000) feet of any residentially zoned property with an existing residential structure church, school, park, playground, or public library. However, within areas that are residentially zoned and undeveloped or zoned industrial such uses shall be located no less than four hundred (400) feet from a church, school, park, playground, or public library. No separation is required for adult entertainment establishments under a common roof with single proprietorship and a single entrance. 4. No bingo parlor, pawnshop, or secondhand store shall be located within two hundred fifty (250) feet of any other such use, or located within four hundred (400) feet of any residentially zoned property, church, school, park, playground, or public library. 5. No pawnshop, secondhand store or tobacco paraphernalia retail business shall be constructed or altered to permit business to be transacted via a drive-through or a walk-up window.</p>	<p>6. Outdoor storage shall be at the sides or rear of the site, and shall be totally encircled or screened by a fence, planting, or other suitable visual barrier. 7. Commercial Communication Towers: See 1104-A</p> <p>That Article XI, Section 1101.03 of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi, for uses permitted in the Fondren/North State Street Overlay District is hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>1. Antique and Specialty Retail Shop 2. Apartments (Only permitted for property zoned R-4, R-5 and C-I A) 3. Art Studio and Gallery 4. Bed and Breakfast Inn Class A 5. Professional Occupation as defined by this Ordinance 6. Live/work Units as defined by this Ordinance 7. Mixed Use Buildings as defined by this Ordinance 8. Single Family Residential 9. Townhouses and Zero Lot Line Residential (Only permitted on property zoned R-3, R-4 and R-5.) 10. Off street surface parking, subject to the requirements of the Landscape Ordinance, south of Decelle Street on the west side of North State Street and south of Broadway Avenue on the east side of North State Street</p> <p>That Article XI, Section 1101.04 of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi, for uses permitted in the Fondren/North State Street Overlay District as Use Permits is hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>1. Shared Parking 2. Overlay District Restaurants 3. Catering Services 4. Health Club/Fitness Center when located in an existing structure which does not exceed 3,000 square feet, 5. Off street surface parking, subject to the requirements of the Landscape Ordinance, north of Decelle Street on the west side of North State Street and north of Broadway Avenue, on the east side of North State Street.</p> <p>That this Ordinance shall be in force and effect thirty (30) days after passage and after publication of the same by the petitioner.</p> <p>Council Member Lindsay moved adoption; Council Member Banks seconded. Yeas-Banks, Foote, Lindsay and Stamps. Nays- None. Absent- Priester, Stokes and Tillman.</p> <p>ATTEST:</p> <p>Kristi Moore, City Clerk</p> <p>I, Kristi Moore, the duly appointed qualified City Clerk and lawful custodian of records of the Council and seal of said City of Jackson, Mississippi, certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of an Order passed by the City Council at its Zoning Council Meeting on October 16, 2017 and recorded in Minute Book "6M, Pgs. 48-50".</p> <p>WITNESS my signature and official seal of office, this the 3rd day of November, 2017.</p> <p>SEAL</p> <p>Kristi Moore, City Clerk</p> <p>11/9/2017</p>
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<p>ORDINANCE APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE TEXT OF THE OFFICIAL ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JACKSON AS ADOPTED ON MAY 29, 1974 AND SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR AND ESTABLISH MORE EFFECTIVE ZONING REGULATIONS FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON LAND USES.</p> <p>NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MS:</p> <p>That Article II, Section 202 of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi, is hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>202.58 Family: A person living alone or two or more persons related by blood, marriage, or adoption living together in a single-family", "two-family", or "multi-family" residence as a single household or</p> <p>(a) Up to six (6) persons unrelated to each other by blood, marriage or legal adoption, living together as a single household unit; or (b) Up to six (6) persons unrelated to each other by blood, marriage or legal adoption, living together as a single household unit in which there is the provision of residential, social, and personal care for children, the aged, and special categories of persons with some limits on ability for self-care, but where medical care is not a major element. (c) Up to six (6) persons, excluding foster parents and employees, living together in a dwelling unit in a long term environment that may or may not be approved and regulated by the State of MS.</p> <p>For purposes of this definition, a household does not include individuals occupying a boarding house, lodging house, hotel, club, fraternity or sorority house, or other similar short term lodging establishments requiring membership dues, transfer payments which are public expenditures made for a purpose other than procuring goods, rent, or other compensation, in exchange for lodging.</p> <p>202.173 Transient Trailer (Travel Trailer): A portable or mobile living unit used for temporary human occupancy away from the place or residence of the occupants. For the purposes of this Ordinance, such transient trailers shall be considered a vehicle and not a structure. The term "transient trailer" or "travel trailer" shall include "pick-up truck," "campers," "motor homes," "camping trailers," and "recreational vehicles."</p> <p>202. 1 73 (a) Transient Vendor: Any person who transacts transient business in this state either in one locality or by traveling from place to place in this state. The term includes a vendor who for the purposes of carrying on such business; hires, leases, uses or occupies any building, structure, motor vehicle, railroad car or real property.</p> <p>202.174 Transitional housing means housing designed to assist persons in obtaining skills necessary for independent living in permanent housing. Transitional housing is housing in which:</p> <p>■ An organization provides a program of therapy, counseling or training for the residential occupants; ■ The organization operating the program is licensed or authorized by the State of MS; or ■ The program is for the purpose of assisting the residential occupants in one or more areas including but not limited to: (a) Protection from abuse and neglect; (c) Adjusting to living with the handicaps of physical disability; (d) Adjusting to living with the handicaps of emotional or mental disorder or mental retardation; (e) Limited non-permanent detoxification programs, even if under criminal justice supervision; or (f) Readjusting to society while housed under criminal justice supervision including, but not limited to, pre-release, work-release and probationary programs.</p> <p>That Article VI, Section 602.02.1 and other relative Sections of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi for Uses Permitted in the Single-family (Residential) District is hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>1. Single-Family residential dwellings and accessory structures. 2. Personal care facilities housing six (6) or fewer residents, excluding staff. 3. Transitional housing for six (6) or fewer residents 4. Portable Storage Containers (POD) on a temporary basis in accordance with Section 83-2, 83-3 and 83-5 of the Jackson, MS Code of Ordinances</p>	<p>That Article V, Section 501 and other relevant Sections of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi for Compliance with Regulations are hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>1. No building, structure, or land shall hereafter be used or occupied, and no building or structure or part thereof shall hereafter be erected, constructed, reconstructed, moved, or structurally altered except in conformity with all of the regulations herein specified for the district in which it is located. 2. No building or other structure shall hereafter be erected or altered to exceed the height or bulk; to accommodate or house a greater number of families or to occupy a greater percentage of lot area than that specified for the district in which it is located. 3. No building or other structure shall have narrower or smaller rear yards, front yards, side yards, or other open spaces than herein required; however, in any residential district, where at least sixty-six percent (66%) of all lots on both sides of the same street block as the subject lot have been developed, the front and side yard setbacks of the subject lot shall conform to the average established front and side yard setbacks. 4. No part of a yard, other open space, off-street parking or loading space required about or in connection with any building for the purpose of complying with this Ordinance shall be included as a part of a yard, open space, off-street parking or loading space similarly required for any other building. 5. Minimum building setback for lots fronting on an arterial street shown on the City's "Major Streets and Routes Concept Plan" shall be sixty (60) feet from centerline of such street. Where two or more provisions of this Ordinance apply to the front building setback, the greater requirement shall be used. 6. Yards or lots created after the effective date of this Ordinance shall meet at least the minimum requirements established by this Ordinance. No yard or lot existing at the time of passage of this Ordinance shall be reduced in dimension or area below the minimum requirements set forth herein. Established lots of record which do not meet the minimum requirements of lot width and area after the effective date of this Ordinance shall be exempt, provided minimum required yards and open space are provided. However, the creation of flag lots is not permitted. 7. The zoning map and regulation of all territory annexed by the City shall remain in effect subject to a subsequent change by the City after appropriate notice and hearing. 8. All use separation requirements shall be defined as the distance from property line to property line, including right-of-ways. 9. Unless otherwise stated, all uses permitted by Use Permits shall meet the minimum requirement of the district in which the use is permitted.</p> <p>That Article VI, Section 602.02.03 and other relative Sections of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi for uses permitted in the Single-family (Residential) District, as Use Permits is hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>1. Accessory automobile parking and principal access when used to serve a Special Use District, residential, commercial, or industrial use when the land proposed for such accessory parking or access is either immediately adjacent to or across the street from the use which it serves. Accessory parking may also be across the street from the use which it serves. All parking shall be located at least five (5) feet from any public street or any adjoining property line. Only access across this setback area with sidewalks, bikeways, trails, and drives will be permitted.</p> <p>2. Churches on sites of less than one (1) acre but greater than ten thousand (10,000) square feet. Regulations for alterations of existing structures or for new construction of churches and schools shall be the same as for the Special Use District.</p> <p>3. Bed and Breakfast Inn Class A and B: A. Applicant shall submit to the Zoning Division proof of one of the following: i. Structure is listed on the National Register of Historic Places; or ii. Structure is designated as a Jackson Landmark by the Jackson Historic Preservation Commission, and/or a Mississippi Landmark by the Department of Archives and History; or iii. Structure is deemed eligible for designation as a Jackson Landmark by the Jackson Historic Preservation Commission or as a Mississippi Landmark by the Mississippi Department of Archives and History and is granted designation within one year from the date of eligibility determination. B. Adequate parking shall be provided. Off-site parking must be within a reasonable walking distance of the bed and breakfast, and proof of such parking (lease agreement, etc.) must be provided annually to the Zoning Division and when-</p>	<p>ever the contractual rights of the bed and breakfast inn owner in such off-site parking facilities are modified in any way. C. All exterior lighting shall be directed away from adjacent residential property. D. Signage shall comply with the City of Jackson Sign Ordinance.</p> <p>4. Class B Bed and Breakfast Inn with Restaurant. It is expressly understood that a separate Use Permit is required to operate a restaurant in a Class B Bed and Breakfast Inn. Any existing Class B Bed and Breakfast Inns who determine that they wish to operate a restaurant in conjunction with their Class B Bed and Breakfast Inn is permitted to do so by right subject to receipt of a statement indicating this election to include a requirement that a Bed and Breakfast Inn with Restaurant clear Site Plan Review from City Staff 5. Transitional Housing for seven (7) to twelve (12) residents. In considering applications hereunder, the City shall comply with the provisions of 42 U.S.C. 3604(f) (3) (B). 6. Personal care facilities for seven (7) to twelve (12) residents, excluding staff 7. Accessory structures used as living quarters for family members, temporary guests, or domestic help subordinate to the principal residence on the same lot. A. Applicant shall provide a restrictive covenant agreement which runs with the land that the accessory structure will never be made available for lease or rental. B. Electrical service will be connected to and master metered from the principal residence. 8. Accessory church related uses such as adult and child care centers, schools, gymnasiums, and fellowship halls. 9. Ground Sign (Monument Sign), as defined by the City of Jackson Sign Ordinance, for an adjacent commercial business where both properties are under the same ownership. Regulations shall be the same as the adjacent commercial business, based on its underlying zoning, as regulated by the City of Jackson Sign Ordinance.</p> <p>That Article VI, Section 602.08.3 (3) of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi for uses permitted in the Limited Multi-family (Residential) District, as Use Permits is hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>Boarding house, transitional housing, hospice, emergency shelter/mission, SRO, and rooming house, but no boarding house, transitional housing, hospice, shelter, SRO, or rooming house shall exceed twelve (12) persons.</p> <p>That Article VI, Section 602.09.1 (3) of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi for uses permitted in the Multi-family (Residential) District is hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>Boarding house, transitional housing, hospice, emergency shelter/mission, SRO, and rooming house, but no boarding house, transitional housing, hospice, shelter, SRO, or rooming house not exceed twelve (12) persons.</p> <p>That this Ordinance shall be in force and effect thirty (30) days after passage and after publication of the same by the petitioner.</p> <p>Council Member Banks moved adoption; Council Member Lindsay seconded.</p> <p>Yeas- Banks, Foote and Lindsay. 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FOR BIDS FOR
CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED SERVICES
FOR
RESTROOMS IMPROVEMENTS AT THE
JACKSON-MEDGAR WILEY EVERS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
JMAA PROJECT NO. 007-17

The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority (“JMAA”) will receive sealed bids at the Jackson- Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport (“JAN”), Main Terminal Building, Suite 300, in the City of Jackson, Rankin County, Mississippi, until 2:00 p.m. Central Standard Time on November 27, 2017 (the “Bid Deadline”), for construction and related services in connection with the Maintenance Facility Roof Replacement at the Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport (the “Work”).

JMAA will publicly open and read aloud all bids at 2:05 p.m. Central Standard Time on November 27, 2017 (the “Bid Opening”), in the Staff Conference Room, Third Floor of the Main Terminal Building, Suite 300 at JAN.

The outside or exterior of each bid envelope or container of the bid must be marked with the bidder’s Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number or write that the bid does not exceed \$50,000.00 and with the wording: “Restroom Improvements, JMAA Project No. 007-17.” Bid proposals, amendments to bids, or requests for withdrawal of bids received by JMAA after the Bid Deadline will not be considered for any cause whatsoever. JMAA invites Bidders and their authorized representatives to be present at the Bid Opening.

JMAA will award the Work to the lowest most responsive and responsible bidder as determined by JMAA in accordance with the criteria set forth in the Information for Bidders. The Information for Bidders contains, among other things, a copy of this Advertisement for Bids, Instructions to Bidders and an Agreement to be executed by JMAA and the lowest most responsive and responsible bidder. Any Addenda issued clarifying and/or changing plans and specifications; clarifying and/or changing instructions in the Instruction to Bidders; and/ or answering questions in relation to the Instruction to Bidders, including plans and specifications, shall become part of the Information for Bidders. Plans and specifications related to the Work are considered a part of the Agreement.

The Information for Bidders is on file and open for public inspection at JAN at the following address:
Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport
100 International Drive, Suite 300
Jackson, Mississippi 39208
Telephone: (601) 939-5631
Email Address: dherndon@jmaa.com
Attention: Deuntagus Herndon
Procurement Specialist

Bid Documents may be picked up, shipped, or emailed to the person making the request.

The contact for all questions and submittal of Bids and required forms is Mr. Deuntagus Herndon, Procurement Specialist. Mr. Herndon can be contacted at dherndon@jmaa.com or 601-360-8622.

JMAA will hold a Pre-Bid Conference at 10:00 a.m. Central Standard Time on November 15, 2017, in the Community Room, 3rd Floor Mezzanine Level, at the Main Terminal Building at the Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport, 100 International Drive, Jackson, MS 39208. Attendance at the Pre-Bid Conference is highly recommended for all those interested in submitting bids as a Prime Contractor for the Work and persons seeking opportunities to provide work as a Sub-Contractor. The benefits of attendance include networking opportunities between Prime Contractors and Sub-Contractors, as well as the opportunity to be on a list of contacts that will be published to interested parties as part of the minutes from the Pre-Bid Conference; review of the plans and specifications; and a site visit of the area covered in the scope of work. No site visits will be scheduled other than the one provided during the Pre-Bid conference.

JMAA reserves the right to amend the plans and specifications for the Work by Addendum issued before the Bid; and to hold and examine bids for up to ninety (90) days before awarding the Contract.

If it becomes necessary to revise any aspect of this Request for Bids or to provide additional information to Bidders, JMAA will issue one or more Addenda by posting on JMAA’s website (<http://jmaa.com/rfqrb-center/>). JMAA will also endeavor to deliver a copy of each Addendum, to all persons on record with JMAA as receiving a copy of the Information for Bidders, via email.

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

JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY

DATE: November 1, 2017 /s/ Carl D. Newman, A.A. E.
Carl D. Newman, A.A. E., Chief Executive Officer

11/2/2017, 11/9/2017

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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, November 28, 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:

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BIDS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT WWW.JACKSONMS.GOV.

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.

The City of Jackson is committed to the principle of non-discrimination in Public Purchasing. It is the policy of the City of Jackson to promote full and equal business opportunities for all persons doing business with the City. As a precondition to selection, each contractor, bidder or offer shall submit a completed and signed Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) Plan Application, with each bid submission, in accordance with the provisions set forth by authority of the City of Jackson’s EBO Ordinance. Failure to comply with the City’s EBO Ordinance shall disqualify a contractor, bidder or offer, from being awarded an eligible contract. For more information on the City’s EBO Program, please contact the Office of Economic Development at (601)960-1638. Copies of the EBO Ordinance, EBO Plan Application and a copy of the EBO Program are available with the Office of Economic Development at 218 South President Street, Second Floor, Jackson, Mississippi.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The City also reserves the right to waive any and all informalities in respect to any bid submitted. Bid awards will be made to the lowest and best bidder quoting the lowest net price in accordance with specifications. The award could be according to the lowest cost per item; or to the lowest total cost for all items; or to accept all or part of any proposal. Delivery time may be considered when evaluating the bid proposal. In those cases where it is known prior to advertising that the City’s intention is to award according to the lowest total cost for all items, or in some variation thereof, statements to this affect will be included on the proposal form. Absence of such statement means the City will make that determination during the bid review.

Hellene Greer, CPPB, NPCA, Manager
Purchasing Division
(601) 960-1533

11/2/2017, 11/9/2017

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR
COMMON/SHARED USE PASSENGER PROCESSING SYSTEM
BY THE JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
PROJECT 001-18
October 25,2017

The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority (“JMAA”) requests Proposals (“Proposal.”) from a contractor (“Consultant”) to provide equipment, software, technical support, installation, and training services in support of a Common/Shared Use Passenger Processing System (“C/SUPPS”) for the Jackson Municipal Airport Authority (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 Standard Time on November 28, 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 (“REP”) 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 Mr. Deuntagus Herndon, JMAA’s Procurement Specialist, as follows:

Jackson Municipal Airpon Authority
100 International Drive, Suite 300 (39208)
Post Office Box 98109
Jackson, Mississippi 39298-8109
Attention: Deuntagus Herndon, Procurement Specialist
Telephone No: (601) 360-8622
Facsimile No.: (601) 939-3713
E-Mail: dherndon@jmaa.com

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR AN
ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING SOLUTION
BY THE JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
PROJECT 002-18
OCTOBER 25, 2017

The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority (“JMAA”) requests Proposals (“Proposal”) for an Enterprise Resource Planning Solution (“ERP”) to collectively manage Human Capital, Financials, and Enterprise/Capital Assets.

JMAA will receive Proposals 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 Standard Time on November 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. Robin Byrd, JMAA’s Procurement Manager, as follows:

Jackson Municipal Airport Authority
100 International Drive, Suite 300 (39208)
Post Office Box 98109
Jackson, Mississippi 39298-8109
Attention: Robin Byrd, Procurement Manager
Telephone No.: (601) 360-8616
Facsimile No.: (601) 939-3713
E-Mail: rbyrd@jmaa.com

or from JMAA’s website at www.jmaa.com/resources/rfprfb-center/

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION
ZONING CASE NO. 3997

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Kimberly Course has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Special Exception for a residential daycare center within a R-1A (Single-Family) Residential District on property located at 451 McDowell Park Cir. in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

LOT 34, MCDOWELL PARK SUBDIVISION, a subdivision according to a map or plat thereof which is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, in Plat Book 17 at Page 24, reference to which is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

WITNESS my signature this 19th day of October 2017.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

10/26/2017, 11/9/2017

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Notice of Sale
Abandoned Vehicles

Notice of Sale is hereby given in accordance with the Mississippi Statutes governing the sale of abandoned motor vehicles that the following car will be sold for repair and storage charges and for cost of this sale.

2014 KIA GDI – KNADM4A34E6391636

Registered to Portia Turner
KIA Motor Financing Company, Lien Holder

Date of Sale: November 24, 2017

Place of Sale: Archie Towing & Storage & Recovery, 6700 Medgar Evers Blvd., Jackson, MS

Sellers reserve the right to bid on the above property and to reject any and all bids. Time: 10:00 A.M.

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or from JMAA’s website at 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 will hold a Pre-Submission Conference at 10:00 a.m. Central Standard Time on November 6, 2017, in the Community Room, 3rd Floor Mezzanine Level, at the Main Terminal Building at the Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport, 100 International Drive, Jackson, MS 39208. Attendance at the Pre-Bid Conference is highly encouraged for all those interested in submitting Proposals as a Prime Consultant for the Services and persons seeking opportunities to provide work as a Sub-Consultant. The benefits of attendance include networking opportunities between Prime Consultant and Sub-Consultants as well as the opponunity to be on a list of contacts that will be published to interested parties as part of the minutes from the Pre-Submission Conference, and a detailed review of the scope of work. No additional conferences or meetings will be scheduled.

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 25% for the Services solicited by this RFP.

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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 will hold a Pre-Submission Conference at 10:00 a.m. Central Standard Time on November 8, 2017, in the Community Room, 3rd Floor Mezzanine Level, at the Main Terminal Building at the Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport, 100 International Drive, Jackson, MS 39208. Attendance at the Pre-Bid Conference is highly encouraged for all those interested in submitting Proposals as a Prime Consultant for the Services and persons seeking opportunities to provide work as a Sub-Consultant. The benefits of attendance include networking opportunities between Prime Consultant and Sub-Consultants, as well as the opportunity to be on a list of contacts that will be published to interested parties as part of the minutes from the Pre-Submission Conference; and a detailed review of the scope of work. No additional conferences or meetings will be scheduled.

JMAA reserves the right to: (1) 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 25% for the Services solicited by this RFP.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION
ZONING CASE NO. 3994

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Gerald Trudeau has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Special Exception for a private kennel within a R-1A (Single-Family) Residential District on property located at 2943 Barwood Dr. in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Lot 13, Block D, Woodbine Subdivision, a subdivision, lying in and being situated in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, according to the map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County, Mississippi, at Jackson, Mississippi, in Plat Book 9 at Page 37, reference to which map or plat is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

WITNESS my signature this 19th day of October 2017.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

10/26/2017, 11/9/2017

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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.

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

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
FOR LEASE OF HANGAR SPACE AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES AND/
OR HISTORICAL TERMINAL BUILDING AT HAWKINS FIELD AIRPORT
BY THE JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
JMAA PROJECT NUMBER 7000-009-17

The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority ("JMAA") requests Proposals from qualified respondents ("Respondent") for development and operation of Hangar Space and Associated Facilities and/or Historical Terminal Building at the Hawkins Field Airport ("HKS").

JMAA will receive Proposals to perform the Services at JMAA's administrative offices, 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 December 18, 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. Any Addenda issued clarifying and/or changing instructions in Information for Respondents; and/or answering questions in relation to the Information for Respondents shall become part of the Information for Respondents. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the Information for Respondents from JMAA by contacting Ms. Robin Byrd, JMAA's Manager, Procurement, as follows:

Jackson Municipal Airport Authority
100 International Drive, Suite 300 (39208)
Post Office Box 98109
Jackson, Mississippi 39298-8109
Attention: Robin Byrd, Manager, Procurement
Telephone No.: (601) 360-8616
Facsimile No.: (601) 939-3713
E-Mail: rbyrd@jmaa.com

or from JMAA's website at www.jmaa.com/resources/rfrpfb-center/.

A pre-proposal conference (the "Pre-Proposal Conference") will be held in the Hawkins Field Terminal Building, 558 West Ramp St., Jackson, MS 39208 at 3:00 p.m. central time on November 15, 2017. Attendance at the Pre-Proposal Conference is Strongly Encouraged for all Respondents. If a Respondent cannot attend, then a representative of Respondent should be in attendance. Respondents are encouraged to submit any questions concerning this RFP, in writing, prior to the Pre-Proposal Conference. JMAA will try to answer all written questions received in advance at the Pre-Proposal Conference. After the meeting, representatives of JMAA will be available to take attendees on a tour of the Hangar and Associated Facilities locations.

Based on the Proposals received, JMAA will initiate negotiations with the Respondent or Respondents with the Highest and Best proposed used for the properties individually or combined

JMAA reserves the right to: (1) reject any and all Proposals, for any reason, any time before execution of an agreement with Respondents selected by JMAA.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING

ZONING CASE NO. 3995

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Eugene Williams has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential to C2 (Limited) Commercial to operate a commercial child care center on the property located at 4630 Terry Rd., in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

The South 120 feet of the West 240 feet of Lot 4 Marshall Subdivision, according to a map or plat thereof on file and or record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi in Plat Book 4 at page 114.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

WITNESS my signature this 19th day of October 2017.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

10/26/2017, 11/9/2017

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 3998

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Curtis Williams has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting an Use Permit to operate a rooming house within a R-4 (Limited Multi-Family) Residential District on property located at 210-12 W. Ash St. in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Lots 15 and 16 Ideal Horne Plot, a subdivision (according to a map or plat thereof which is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, in Plat. Book 3 at Page 30, reference to which to which map or plat is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

WITNESS my signature this 19th day of October 2017.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

10/26/2017, 11/9/2017

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING

ZONING CASE NO. 3996

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Brookwood Properties, LLC has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from C2 (Limited) Commercial to C3 (General) Commercial to develop upscale storage facility on the property located at Parcels 511-630. 511-630-1 & 511-630-2 on corner of I-55 Frontage Rd. & Chastain Dr., in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Parcel #511-630

Commence at the Southeast corner of the intersection of Edgewood Terrace Drive and East McWillie Circle and run thence South 00°16'00" East for a distance of 939.84 feet along the Eastern line of East McWillie Circle to the Northeast corner of the Intersection of the North line of the dedicated road or street known as Chastain Drive along the South side of that certain property conveyed by W.P. Bridges to the Trustees of Jackson Municipal Separate School District, with the East line of the dedicated road or street known as East McWillie Circle along the East side of said school property, said property having been conveyed by W.P. Bridges to the Trustees of the Jackson Municipal Separate School District by Deed dated December 9, 1953 and recorded in Book 818 at Page 562 thereof, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi, reference to which is hereby made in aid of this description, and said roads having been dedicated by W.P. Bridges by Deed to Hinds County, Mississippi, dated December 9, 1953 and recorded in Book 818 at Page 564 thereof in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi, reference to which is hereby made in the aid to this description, and from said intersection, run North 89°42'00" East along the North line of said road or street for a distance of 150 feet to an "X" mark in concrete which marks the POINT OF BEGINNING of the land herein described; thence continue North 89°42'00" East for a distance of 252.96 feet along the Northern line of Chastain Drive to a ferrous metal rod which marks the Western line of Interstate Highway No. 55; thence North 34°51'00" East for a distance of 28.80 feet along the Western line of Interstate Highway No. 55 as described in Deed Book 3180 at Page 607 of the said Chancery Records of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, to a concrete right of way marker; thence North 09°15'00" East for a distance of 180.0 feet along the said Western line of Interstate Highway No. 55 to a concrete right of way marker; thence North 01°50'00" East for a distance of 94.91 feet along said Western line of Interstate Highway No. 55 to a ferrous metal rod; thence leave said Western line and run South 89°42'00" West for a distance of 302.77 feet to an "X" mark in concrete; thence South 00°16'00" East for a distance of 295.90 feet along a line which is parallel to the said East line of East McWillie Circle to the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 1 .9556 acres, more or less.

Parcel #511-630-1

Commence at the Southeast corner of the intersection of Edgewood Terrace Drive and East McWillie Circle and run thence South 00°16'00" East for a distance of 939.84 feet along the Eastern line of East McWillie Circle to the Northeast corner of the intersection of the North line of the dedicated road or street known as Chastain Drive along the South side of that certain property conveyed by W.P. Bridges to the Trustees of Jackson Municipal Separate School District, with the East line of the dedicated road or street known as East McWillie Circle along the East side of said school property, said property having been conveyed by W.P. Bridges to the Trustees of the Jackson Municipal Separate School District by Deed dated December 9, 1953 and recorded in Book 818 at page 562 thereof, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi, reference to which is hereby made in aid of this description, and said roads having been dedicated by W.P. Bridges by Deed to Hinds County, Mississippi, dated December 9, 1953 and recorded in Book 818 at Page 564 thereof in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi, reference to which is hereby made in aid to this description, and from said intersection, run North 89°42'00" East along the North line of said road or street for a distance of 150 feet to a "X" mark in concrete which marks the POINT OF BEGINNING of

the land herein described; thence continue North 89°42'00" East for a distance of 252.96 feet along the Northern line of Chastain Drive to a ferrous metal rod which marks the Western line of Interstate Highway No. 55; thence North 34°51'00" East for a distance of 28.80 feet along the Western line of Interstate Highway No. 55 as described in Deed Book 3180 at Page 607 of the said Chancery Records of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, to a concrete right of way marker; thence North 09°15'00" East for a distance of 180.1 feet along the said Western line of Interstate Highway No. 55 to a concrete right of way marker; thence North 01°50'00" East for a distance of 94.91 feet along the said Western line of Interstate Highway No. 55 to a ferrous metal rod; thence leave said Western line and run South 89°42'00" West for a distance of 302.77 feet to an "X" mark in concrete; thence South 00°16'00" East for a distance of 295.90 feet along a line which is parallel to the said East line of East McWillie Circle to the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 1.9556 acres, more or less.

Parcel #511-630-2

Commence at the Southeast corner of the intersection of Edgewood Terrace Drive and East McWillie Circle and run thence South 00°16'00" East for a distance of 939.84 feet along the Eastern line of East McWillie Circle to the Northeast corner of the intersection of the North line of the dedicated road or street known as Chastain Drive along the South side of that certain property conveyed by W.P. Bridges to the Trustees of Jackson Municipal Separate School District, with the East line of the dedicated road or street known as McWillie Circle along the East side of said school property, said property having been conveyed by W.P. Bridges to the Trustees of the Jackson Municipal Separate School District by Deed dated December 9, 1953 and recorded in Book 818 at Page 562 thereof, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi, reference to which is hereby made in aid of this description, and said roads having been dedicated by W.P. Bridges by Deed to Hinds County, Mississippi, dated December 9, 1953 and recorded in Book 818 at Page 564 thereof in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi, reference to which is hereby made in aid to this description, and from said intersection, run North 89°42'00" East along the North line of said road or street for a distance of 402.96 feet to a ferrous metal rod which marks the Western line of Interstate Highway No. 55 which marks the POINT OF BEGINNING of the land herein described; thence North 34°51'00" East for a distance of 28.80 feet along the Western line of Interstate Highway No. 55 as described in Deed Book 3180 at Page 607 of the said Chancery Records of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, to a concrete right of way marker; thence North 09°15'00" East for a distance of 49.68 feet along the said Western line of Interstate Highway No. 55; thence leave said Western line and run North 48°21'00" West for a distance of 69.36 feet; thence North 64°27'00" West for a distance of 10.32 feet; thence South 72°15'00" West for a distance of 12.0 feet; thence South 26°51'00" West for a distance of 11.76 feet; thence South 04°24'00" East for a distance of 62.88 feet; thence South 23°33'43" East for a distance of 50.75 feet; thence North 89°42'00" East a distance of 28.32 feet, more or less to the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 6,700 square feet, more or less..

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

WITNESS my signature this 19th day of October 2017.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

10/26/2017, 11/9/2017

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JSU Homecoming disappointment or acceptance?

By Tim Ward
Contributing Writer

Jackson State University's 2017 Homecoming week was one for the books. Social Media was on fire from alumni coming to town participating in activities. Tshirt vendors, promoters, DJ's, club owners and many other businesses benefited from homecoming week. Only complaint was how late in the year it was. Most of the time, homecoming hits in October giving people time to "recover" for the holidays.

Yes, the scheduling of homecoming was the complaint, not the fact that Jackson State lost to a team that fired their coach earlier in the season because of their poor record. Hm-mm... I digress. Alabama State rolled in the Veterans Memorial Stadium with just 2 wins on their resume this season. Jackson State finally got off the snide last week recording, their first victory of the season. Depending on how you look at it, you can say once again, coach Comegy is responsible for a win at Jackson State.

Expectations for the game were mild to say the least. Tiger Nation appreciated the win last week, but most were still skeptical because of the opponent. Honestly, at this point in the season, Tiger Nation has 2 main questions. (1) Will head coach Tony Hughes be back? (2) Who's the quarterback? Let all the young guys play, is a request.

Offensively, Jackson State couldn't do a thing effectively. The passing game was anemic. Two quarterbacks combined for 109 yards. Jordan Williams was 10-13 for 55

yards with 1 interception. Brent Lyles was 6-13 for 54 yards with 3 interceptions. Quarterback Jordan Williams had 55 yards rushing also. Most of that came off scrambling plays.

With the passing game non existent, Alabama State keyed in on the run. Jordan Johnson ran the ball 14 times for 26 yards. Terrell Kennedy ran the ball 4 times for 13 yards. Alabama State wasn't exactly an efficient offense machine either. But those 4 interceptions gave them 4 more drives to attempt to score. Quarterback Darryl Pearson, was 8-20 for 61 yards with 0 interceptions. Alabama State used several different players to carry the ball and they all combined for 225 yards rushing on 51 carries.

Alabama State won their third game of the year; 13 to 3 over Jackson State. Normally after a Jackson State loss, social media is buzzing. Although there was some chatter, it wasn't nearly as bad in the past. Perhaps, Tiger Nation went to the concert, an alumni gathering, or just went home and mumbled, "Thee I Love..."

Two games are left from this season. This Saturday, Jackson State travels to play Alabama A&M at 1 p.m. Then finally, Alcorn. The Braves are in position to head to Houston this season and also chomping to get a crack at Jackson State. The "Soul Bowl" will be November 18 in Jackson.

Despite their record, the Tigers will be looking to finish the season on a positive note. Alcorn/JSU is a rivalry game where often times the record doesn't matter. School pride and senior pride kick in another notch.



Jordan Williams had 55 yards rushing and 54 yards passing.



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FILM REVIEW: “MAYHEM” ATTORNEY AND CLIENT TURN ON ABUSIVE LAW FIRM IN REVENGE-FUELED SPLATTERFEST

By Kam Williams
Columnist

Attorney Derek Cho (Steven Yeun) was a rising star working his way up the corporate ladder at Towers and Smythe when he was blindsided by a false accusation of making a million-dollar mistake. He was callously fired on the spot by the sadistic director of operations (Caroline Chikezie) and escorted by the heartless Grim Reaper (Dallas Roberts) to the basement of the building

where he was pressured to sign a confession as a condition for receiving a severance package.

It’s obvious he’d been stabbed in the back by a colleague at the cutthroat law firm. But he has no idea who it was. While weighing his options, he swaps sob stories and forges an alliance with Melanie Cross (Samara Weaving), a client also screwed over by the firm.

Before the two can be kicked to the curb, they’re afforded an

opportunity to even the score, thanks to divine intervention. For, an outbreak of Red Eye has the authorities sealing the offices of Towers and Smythe, with no one being allowed to either enter or leave the building.

The highly-contagious virus sweeping through the ventilation system is not fatal, but it does cause those infected to act out their primal impulses, whether violent, sexual or elsewhat. So, the Center for Disease Control

orders the skyscraper quarantined for the next 8 hours, the time it will take for the antidote to take effect.

Meanwhile, Derek and Melanie’s infection not only makes them morph from model citizens into bloodthirsty killing machines, but conveniently provides an excuse for their ensuing reign of terror, namely, the virus made me do it.

Soon, the pair proceed to track down their enemies to dispatch

them, one-by-one, with a variety of unorthodox implements, ranging from buzzsaw to nail gun.

Directed by Joe Lynch (Wrong Turn 2: Dead End), Mayhem is a sophisticated social satire that might be best described as a compelling cross of Office Space (1999) and The Purge (2013). Lynch has deftly blended the wry, anti-establishment wit of the former with the temporary lawlessness of the latter into a riveting, revenge-fueled splatterfest you

won’t ever forget.

A righteous bloodbath in the boardroom!

Excellent (4 stars)

Rated R for sexuality, nudity, drug use, graphic violence and pervasive profanity

Running time: 86 minutes

Studio: Circle of Confusion / Royal Viking Entertainment

Distributor: RLJ Entertainment

To see a trailer for Mayhem, visit: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M3x9ETZ6JvM>

FILM REVIEW: “ON WINGS OF EAGLES” ERIC LIDDELL’S MISSIONARY WORK MEMORIALIZED IN BITTERSWEET SEQUEL TO “CHARIOTS OF FIRE”

By Kam Williams
Columnist

Chariots of Fire (1981) chronicled the real-life exploits of Eric Henry Liddell (1902-1945), aka “The Flying Scotsman,” a world-class sprinter who won the gold medal in the 400-meter track race at the 1924 Summer Olympics in Paris. What made his feat amazing is that he had only qualified to run the 100-meter dash but refused to compete when he learned that it would be staged on a Sunday.

You see, he was a devout Christian raised by missionaries who had instilled in their son the Biblical notion that the Sabbath was a holy day of rest. Consequently, he decided to enter the 400-meter contest instead, and miraculously managed to prevail against the best in an event he hadn’t trained for.

Chariots of Fire was a critically acclaimed crowd-pleaser which landed a quartet of Academy Awards, including Best Picture and Best Original

Screenplay. However, it took 36 years for someone to mount a sequel showing what became of the Olympic great in the wake of his glory days.

Co-directed by Stephen Shin and Michael Parker, On Wings of Eagles stars BAFTA-nominee Joseph Fiennes (for Shakespeare in Love) as Eric Liddell.

At the point of departure, we learn that the unassuming athlete eschewed fame and fortune in favor of returning to China, the country of his birth, in 1925,

to follow his calling to do missionary work.

He would settle down in Asia and start a family with the woman of his dreams, Florence Mackenzie (Elizabeth Arends). However, their marital bliss would be irreversibly altered by the Japanese invasion of China in 1937.

During the occupation, the Liddells were afforded a brief opportunity to leave the country. The dedicated minister decided to not abandon his flock,

though he did send his pregnant wife and daughters, Patricia (Laura Justine Friis Lodahl) and Heather (Asta Friis Lodahl), to live with his in-laws in Canada. Sadly, he was subsequently interned in a concentration camp where he would suffer terribly before passing away in 1945, just months before Japan’s surrender.

A bittersweet tribute to a man of great faith who always opted to follow humbly in the footsteps of his Lord and Savior Je-

sus Christ.

Very Good (3 stars)

Rated

In English, Mandarin and Japanese with subtitles

Running time: 96 minutes

Production Studio: Goodland Pictures / Innowave Ltd / Bondit

Distributor: Archstone Distribution

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BOOK REVIEW:

“KEEP YOUR AIRSPEED UP: THE STORY OF A TUSKEGEE AIRMAN”

BY HAROLD H. BROWN WITH MARSHA S. BORDNER

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By Terri Schlichenmeyer
Columnist

In things of great importance, you stand on the shoulders of giants.

Those who came before you gave you a boost to get you where you are. They cleared your path and knocked aside obstacles. You stand on the shoulders of those giants even if, as in the new book “Keep Your Airspeed Up” by Harold H. Brown (with Marsha S. Bordner), the giant was once kinda scrawny.

Growing up in Minneapolis in the pre-World War II years, Harold H. Brown says that he and his brother “Bubba” were “mon-

grel dogs.” their maternal line was white-Jewish-black; their paternal ancestors were African-American and possibly Native American. Both boys were light-complexioned with straight hair, which Brown believes may have helped him later in his career.

Throughout his childhood and attendance at an integrated high school, he was fascinated with flying and so, when his brother enlisted in the military at the beginning of the War, Brown saw a way to achieve his own dream.

Fully aware that a black man in a mostly-white military wouldn’t have it easy, but believing that racial discrimination for black

pilots would “resolve itself,” he decided to join the Air Corps in mid-1942. At the exam, he was “the only black man taking the mental test... on that summer day,” and he was a quarter pound below weight on the physical test. “I flunked it!” he says, but by early 1943, he’d gained the needed ounces and had headed south to officially enlist in the Tuskegee Army Flying School.

The South presented a big learning curve for a northern black man. Brown experienced serious racial problems for the first time and though he “hated segregation,” he realized that being in a segregated Air Corps unit

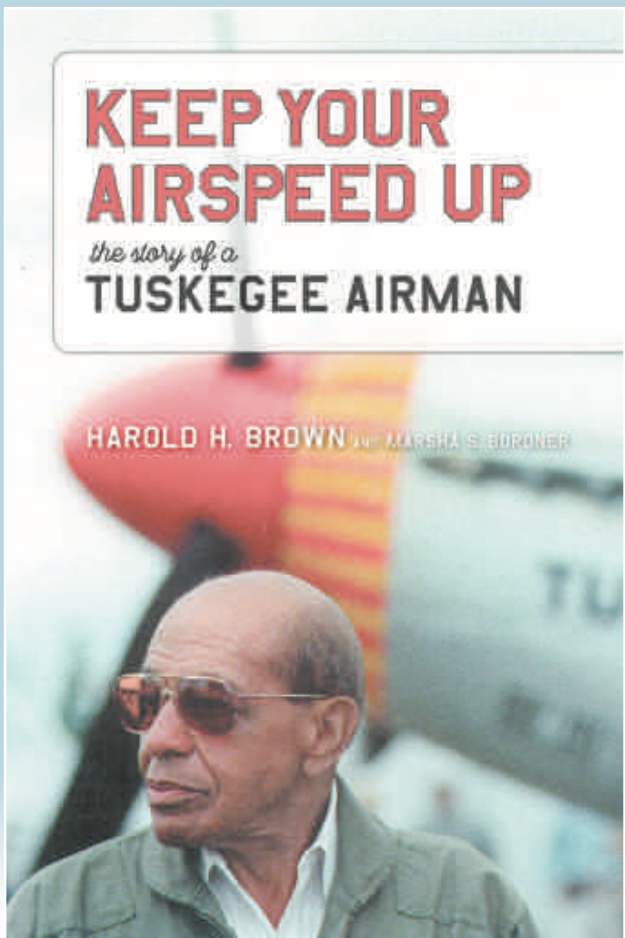
was perhaps better for a black soldier; training was easier when there were more than just two or three black faces in a unit. And so he trained hard: many hours of flight-time, classes and more.

“We knew that we were among a very select group of people,” he says.

“I never thought I would ever get shot down.”

“Keep Your Airspeed Up” is a surprise. A very nice one.

Not only is it a warm and genuine biography, beginning even before author Harold H. Brown was born, but this book takes readers through a two-pronged fight, both in war and for civil



rights, as told through quiet tales of heroes and those who created them.

Brown (with Marsha Bordner) is careful to give credit to the many who made him who he is; after those gentle shout-outs and heart-in-your-throat war stories, you’ll then be brought up-to-date with his current life. Remarkably, through this all, Brown’s

story is told humbly, which will endear him to readers even more.

Even if you don’t consider yourself a World War II buff, this book is more than just that. There’s other history here, as well as a biography that will charm you plenty. If that seems like a winner for you, then “Keep Your Airspeed Up” is a pretty big book.

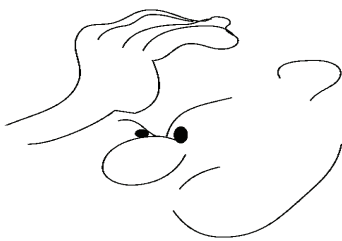
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A cryptogram is a puzzle where a sentence is encoded by substituting the actual letters of the sentence with different letters. The challenge of the puzzle is to ‘decode’ the sentence to reveal the original English sentence. We have provided a few of the decoded letters to help get you started.

Hint: Quote by Ernest Hemingway

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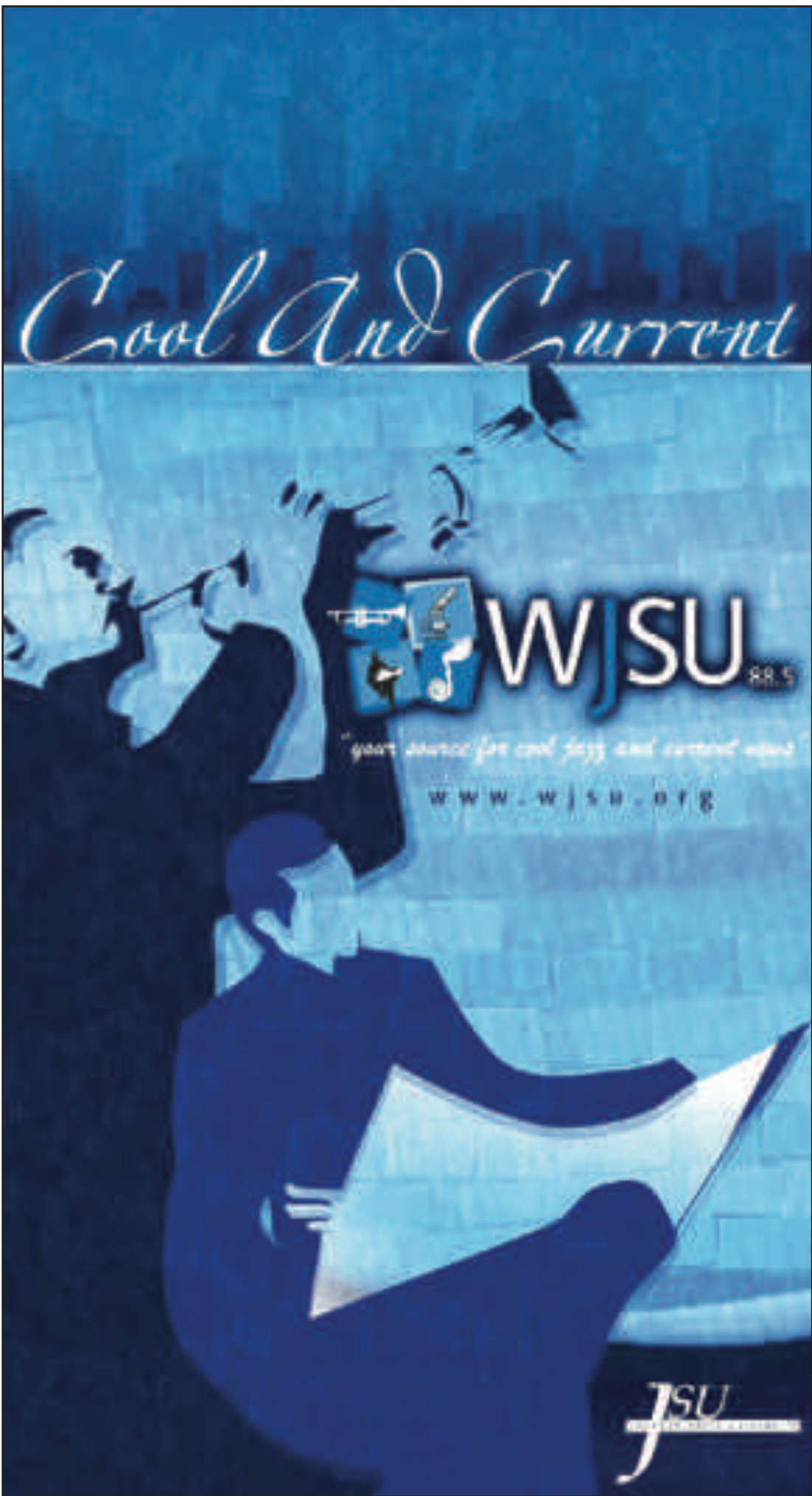
Sudoku

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.

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