



History-making U.S. Secretary of Interior tours Mississippi’s civil rights sites

New National Park unit discussed for the Delta; ETHIC, a focal point

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Hosted by U.S. Rep. Bennie Thompson, history-making Native American U.S. Secretary of Interior (DOI) Deb Haaland toured crucial civil rights sites of Mississippi, Tuesday, Feb. 15.

Appointed by the Biden-Harris Administration, Haaland made history when she became the first Native American to serve as a cabinet secretary.

Historically, the U.S. Department of the Interior, created March 3, 1849, is in charge of the Nation’s internal affairs. (<https://www.doi.gov/whowere/history>).

Also joining Haaland on the tour was White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Chair Brenda Mallory, also a history-maker. The 12th chair of CEQ, Mallory is the first African American to serve



(l-r) Brenda Mallory, CEQ chair, Rep. Bennie Thompson, DOI Secretary Deb Haaland, Rev. & Mrs. Wheeler Parker Jr. and Cassius Cash, NPS deputy regional director. Their first tour stop was at the now dilapidated Bryant’s Grocery in Greenwood, MS PHOTOS BY KEVIN BRADLEY

in this position. As chair, she advises the President on environmental and natural resources policies that improve, preserve and protect public health and the environment for

America’s communities.

Cassius Cash, deputy regional director, National Park Service (NPS), served as facilitator and guide.

The tour’s first stop was the

now dilapidated, overgrown-with-vines Bryant’s Grocery, on Money Road, in Greenwood, Miss., where 14-year-old Emmett Till of Chicago was accused of allegedly whis-



Secretary Holland expresses gratitude to members participating in roundtable at the courthouse in Sumner, MS where the murder trial took place

ting at the white store clerk.

“This is one of the most impactful stops for me personally,” said Cash, as he began the tour. “It took me a while to leave this spot. Just tried to put

myself in the place of Emmett on the day that event started.” He then yield to Thompson for welcoming remarks.

“First of all, Madam Secretary, we are glad to have you in the Second District,” Thompson said. “What you have with this situation is a lot of what happened in the south when people were trying to pursue freedom, justice and equality, and the brutality associated with it.”

“The story behind this, and a lot of stories like this, needs to be told as accurate as possible,” said Thompson. “We are glad that there is interest from the Park Service as well as from you being here; [which] says volumes for that interest.”

Following Thompson, Till’s cousin, Reverend Wheeler Parker Jr., who shared his first-

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The Youth Ministry breaks chains through faith and fervor



Elayne H. Anthony, Ph.D



Jay Johnson



Kendrick Amerson



Pamela Junior



Phyllis Johnson



Terrance Hill

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Every year, during February, the Youth Ministry of College Hill Missionary Baptist Church celebrates Black History Month with special presentations throughout the entire month. This year, although virtual, is no exception.

Using the theme: “Breaking Every Chain – Celebrating Black Excellence through Faith and Fervor,” the youth are exploring different avenues of black success through members of their communities.

On Wednesday, February 9, 2022, the Youth Ministry partnered with the church’s Public Relations Ministry to share insight from six panelists in various fields of employment. The panelists shared their humble beginnings and their journeys of achieving excellence through faith.

With approximately 80 attend-

ees tuned in, those present were introduced to the evening’s panelists: Pamela Junior, Dr. Elayne Hayes Anthony, Terrance Hill, Phyllis Johnson, Kendrick Amerson and Jay Deville Johnson, who all delivered spirit-filled presentations.

Pamela Junior, the director of Two Mississippi Museums, is a product of West Jackson. She shared that she was interested in books at a very young age and it is that passion that kept her moving to seek knowledge. “God has this path for you. Sometimes you get off the path, but when you get on it, try to stay on it because it is a crooked path. You’re on and off, on and off. God puts people in and on your path. God put me on a path, and I really didn’t know where it was taking me. He put me at the Smith Robertson Museum and Cultural Center. I worked for the Smith Robertson for 17 years, bringing in a retrospective of the life of Medgar Evers.”

As Junior began contemplating retirement, a new job offer came to her.

“I had no desire to apply. I went to the Mississippi Department of Archives and History (MDAH) looking for a volunteer position but was told I needed to apply for the director of the Civil Rights Museum. Insecurities will keep you from doing things. I applied, left it at the altar, got that job and after two years was made director over both museums (The Museum of the Mississippi History and The Mississippi Civil Rights Museum).”

Junior ended by saying, “When you follow God’s path, you walk into happiness.”

Dr. Elayne Hayes-Anthony, chair of the Jackson State University Department of Journalism and Media Studies, is a product of Georgetown, initially attended Jackson State University on a music (violin) scholarship. She began her career as an in-

tern at WJTV-Channel 12 upon the recommendation of a professor at JSU. Hayes-Anthony later worked in the public affairs department and following other positions with the station, eventually became an anchor there. “I was the first African American news anchor at WJTV - Channel 12,” she said. Because of the encouragement from another JSU professor, the trend-setter later earned her Ph.D while attending an out of state institution and upon her return to Mississippi, began her journey of communications success.

During her first employed stint at JSU, she successfully led the Department of Mass Communications to national accreditation from the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. She later worked for Belhaven College, where she began a communications department and later returned to her first love, JSU.

“The best accomplishment I have made in the area of communications is to train other people. It does something to me when I can pick up a newspaper and see my students, turn on the television and see my students, go online and see my students, and see how well they’re doing in the business of communications. When I look at the media and see where we’re going, it makes me excited; so excited that I’m producing a documentary on African-American journalists, past, present and future.”

Terrance Hill, principal of Green Elementary School, is in his 10th year of education. While a student at Jim Hill High School, he was trying to figure out what he wanted to do in life. He eventually decided he wanted to work with children. He shared with a few of his former instructors from previous years that he wanted to teach, but was told, “You don’t want to teach. Those

children will get on your nerves. It’s not worth the money.” Hill said, “With those responses, I’m saying to myself, of course, ‘Well, what’s your purpose? Why are you teaching?’” He ignored those comments and made up his mind that this was his career path.

His junior year, he did not pass the practice test for teachers because he felt that he was a good test-taker and would not have any problems passing it. Well, he failed. He took the test several more times and still did not pass. In the summer of 2012, he did pass it on the seventh try.

“One day, while sitting at home, wondering why I had not been hired after 11 interviews, I got a call from an elementary school principal offering me a job,” he said.

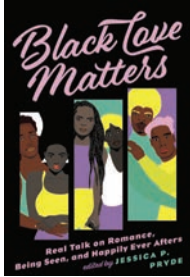
After years of serving on the elementary level, he decided to become an administrator and ad-

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New Hope Baptist Church presents eleventh annual Back in the Day: A Virtual Black History Celebration, No Vote – No Voice: Your Choice (Part 1)

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In an hour-long virtual setting, New Hope Baptist Church kicked off its 11th Annual Back in the Day Black History Celebration with its first of two series for this month, Tuesday, February 8, at 6:45 p.m.

Charging 759 viewers with the theme “No Vote – No Voice: Your Choice,” members and guests embraced the evening with soul-searching challenges. Adhering to the voice of Thea Faulkner, presiding official, program presenters spoke, sang, honored outstanding black legends and shared film clips of freedom struggles of long ago. Robert Patterson invoked God’s presence while expressing thanks for surviving “turbulent times” and fervently praying for the healing of the soul of America.

Judy Alsobrooks Meredith (Ph.D.) introduced her spouse, James H. Meredith, Esq., Civil Rights Activist “who gained notoriety at a key juncture in the Civil Rights Movement in 1962 as the first African-American student at the University of Mississippi (Ole Miss). She noted that Meredith’s sense of purpose began long before his enrollment. As a result of his experiences with segregation, Meredith was goal-oriented and determined to fulfill 3 missions for a better Mississippi and society overall.

In his speech, Meredith shared: “God told me, ‘James Meredith, you cannot judge. I do commission you to tell the truth. Go to all 82 counties to talk to as many elders, leaders, elected officials and government employees to deliver God’s message, to organize a Bible Society leading group in each county and to conduct a book sign-



Addison Twynier discusses contributions of V.P Kamala Harris

ing in each county.”

Two of the speaker’s three missions have been accomplished: (1) to desegregate Ole Miss (1962) and (2) to encourage blacks to register to vote in his “March Against Fear” (1966).

Meredith, author of 28 books, called himself an apostle sent by Jesus Christ, not man, to challenge the Mississippi church to fulfill its mission and to raise the question, are Mississippi christians following the teachings of Jesus Christ?

The speaker told viewers that Mississippi needs “moral character” which is exemplified through the Ten Commandments and the practice of the Golden Rule.

Meredith revealed his third mission, not yet fulfilled: “The most important issue in the world is the black/white issue, and I believe it is the last of my 3 missions.”

Among numerous citations, a 2006 statue was erected at Ole Miss as homage to Meredith.

Guest speaker, Jacqueline Hamer-Flakes, was called forth by Sandra McCall who noted that Hamer-Flakes is to appear in a PBS documentary entitled Fannie Lou Hamer’s America, this month.

Hamer-Flakes spoke about her mother Fannie Lou Hamer’s civil



Advis Lloyd presents plaque to James Meredith.

rights activities which started in 1959. Hamer was co-founder and vice-chair of the Freedom Democratic Party during the days of the Civil Rights Movement.

A glimpse of her outspokenness was shown in a film clip: “Mississippi is America’s problem because if America wanted to do something about what has been going on in Mississippi, it could’ve stopped by now. [There] would [not have] been in the past few years between 40 and 50 churches burned. Let somebody be burned by a black man. The flag is drenched with our blood. Many of our ancestors were killed because we have never accepted slavery. We had to live under it, but we never wanted it, so what the young people are saying now is give us a chance...to be respected.”

Hamer continued, “This country was built on the backs of black people across this country, and if we don’t have it, you ain’t gone have it neither because we gone tear it up...That’s what the young people are saying. We’re sick and tired of being sick and tired, for so many young negroes have suffered in the State of Mississippi, and we are tired of people saying that we are satisfied because we are every-



Dr. Jerry Young, pastor

thing but satisfied.”

Fannie was a target in her home town.

“Fannie found out that blacks have so many opportunities that they didn’t know [existed] in the Mississippi Delta. She knew what God had planned for her. She walked to Indianola to the courthouse to register to vote. Milo [her plantation owner] ordered her to leave. Her house was shot in 15 times, but she wasn’t there,” said Jacqueline Hamer-Flakes.

On another note, New Hope Christian School children presented visual class projects and received awards.

Addison Twynier mentioned accomplishments of the first woman and African-American Vice President, Kamala Harris. Kayden Givens highlighted the contributions of Frederick Douglass and “Fritz” Pollard, the first African American head coach in the National Football League. Paisley Everett paid tribute to Madam C. J. Walker, American entrepreneur, philanthropist and political and social activist, who was the first female self-made millionaire.

Canton native, Ashford Sanders, whose music has been viewed on YOUTUBE by 10 million+ per-



Flonzie Brown Wright, project director

sons, and reached the top 5 finalists on the hit TV show BET Sunday Best, gave an electrifying version of gospel singer Clara Ward’s How I Got Over and the Rev. Timothy Wright’s I Made it Over.

The New Hope Mass Choir, draped in African regalia like Sanders and other program participants, sang with fervor In That Great Getting’ up Mornin’/Ride on King Jesus.

Project director, Flonzie Brown Wright, saluted committee members for their dedication to the project and promised to uphold the legacies of activists for the cause of freedom for years to come.

In his closing remarks, Dr. Jerry Young, pastor, gave kudos to Wright and the committee for their “tremendous presentation.” Viewing the theme, “No Vote, No Voice, Your Choice,” Young firmly spoke of the critical time in which we live.

“In states of republican governors and senators, they’ve enacted new laws to seemingly be designed to make it impossible to vote. I thank God for the committee, for reminding us how critically important it is for us to vote.”

Young then thanked God for Meredith and Hamer and their im-



Thea Faulkner, presiding official

portance to “our struggle.” “We’re thankful to have Mr. Sanders from Canton for blessing us. We thank the christian school [for] an outstanding job, and we thank particularly, the young people,” he added.

Chat session comments numbered 43. They included the following:

Bonnie Bunch-Glover: “This should be a wakeup call to our people, because our ancestors went through hell so we could have the privileges we have now; yet, we continue to hurt our race;”

Mary Stapleton-Carr: “Yes, yes, Mrs. Hamer was very courageous;”

Gisele Gentry: “Thank you for this educational...and blessed program;” and

Martha Wilson: “Thank you New Hope Family for such an awesome program and those who stood so we can stand on their shoulders.”

Back in the Day was sponsored by The Mississippi Humanities Council, and special music was provided by Toby Johnson.

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hand knowledge of what happened that summer day in 1955 at the now barely recognizable Bryant Grocery.

Parker first reflected on his cousin Emmett growing up in Chicago as a “fun-loving guy; never had a dull day in his life.” Parker said that was part of the reason his mother and others did not want Emmitt to visit Mississippi as he so much wanted.

Parker stressed that “so many stories have been told about the incident that it is unbelievable.” He will be sharing his account in a book that is due out later this year.

The next stop was the Emmett Till Historic Intrepid Center (ETHIC) in Glendora, Miss., where Mayor Johnny Thomas, locals, state representatives and other dignitaries welcomed Haaland, Mallory, staff members and others.

State Representative Tracey Rosebud and Mississippi Transportation Commissioner Willie Simmons were also among Glendora’s welcome wagon.

Thompson praised the people of Glendora for

putting “sweat equity” into developing what he called, “the house the community built in memory of young Till.”

It was at the ETHIC that Haaland began to share her sentiments that Native American history and black history are American history. And “the complete story must be told,” she said.

“[We], Native Americans, weren’t even citizens of the United States until 1924, and we’d been here for millennia. We were here before the first Europeans came to this country,” Haaland said. “I feel like we are allies in the fight to make sure that our history is represented in the way that we feel it should be.”

She said that is where the National Park Service comes in. According to the DOI, The National Park Service is currently conducting a Special Resource Study of significant civil rights sites in Mississippi. Authorized by Congress in 2017, the study is designed to provide Congress with critical information used in the legislative process of designating a new unit.”

During the tour, citizens in Glendora made the

case for the new National Park designation be there with the Till Center as the focus point.

Other sites on the tour included the Emmett Till Interpretive Center in Sumner, Miss., and the historic City of Mound Bayou where Mayor Leighton Aldridge invited practically all of the former mayors and others to welcome Secretary Haaland.

In Sumner, a round table discussion was held on the social injustice of the Till murder and its sparking impact on civil rights.

Roundtable panelist, Shiann McDanail, a 12th grader of West Tallahatchie High School, said, “I’m glad a curriculum [is being developed] for us to learn more about Emmett Till because in school, the teachers are not able to teach how they want to teach.” She is in favor of the National Park being there. “Just not for us but for other people and generations,” McDanail said.

“Who could we be if we don’t know our own history?”

The 12th-grader later told *The Mississippi Link* that to be honest, unfortunately some of her

peers do not understand the importance of the Emmett Till story. “My generation should want to get together to help like kindergartners, six- and seven-graders, to understand what [went] on with Emmett and other people that left a historical mark on us today,” she said. “So, when they graduate high school, they will know and appreciate our history.”

McDanail aspires to become a teacher.

During the final stop at the historic Jackson, Miss. home of Medgar and Myrlie Evers, Haaland also stressed the importance of educating children about their history. “It’s important that we educate our children because they deserve to know the history of our country,” she said.

Haaland and entourage were warmly welcomed by the Evers’ daughter Reena Evers and Jackson Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba.

Having been donated to and preserved by Tougaloo College for many years, the Evers’ home, where Medgar was assassinated in his carport, is currently a National Monument since December 10, 2020. It is National Monument No. 423.

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From Whence We Came

“He was called PRINCE while a slave at Natchez”

The real life of Abd al Rahman Ibrahima

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Perhaps not everyone wants to think back to how “Africans” came to be on the shores of North America. Perhaps we do not want to be reminded of “our enslavement” right here in the territory of Mississippi.

However, the historical connections are real, validated – from the Africans onboard the slaveships through the Trans Atlantic Slave Trade, approximately from 1480 through 1808. There are Africans who were enslaved and brought to Mississippi, here focusing particularly on Natchez, with the narration written by Terry Alford that gives extensive verifications.

Mind you that while the “slave trade” – the transport of human beings as slaves – was banned by the U.S. Congress in 1808, that did not end slavery. The Civil War which brought about the end of slavery began in 1861, and the Emancipation Proclamation was issued by Pres. Abraham Lincoln, Jan. 1, 1863, freeing slaves.



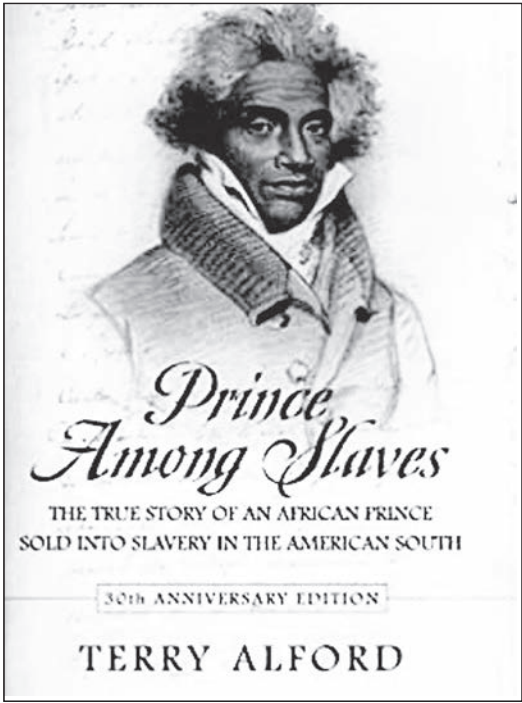
Terry Alford

The enslaved as far away as Texas did not hear that they had been freed for two more years in 1865, giving rise to the most notable annual celebration of African “American” freedom known as Juneteenth – they learned of it June 19, 1865.

Another note of interest, all

of the slave holding states were to sign the Emancipation Proclamation. And as you may be surprised to know, the state of Mississippi officials did not get around to signing it until Feb. 20, 2013. Yes, “2013.”

Who were the “enslaved?”



Although, there are records in the Library of Congress that verify the names of some of the enslaved Africans and where they were placed in the U.S. territories, the one in particular featured today is Abd al Rahman Ibrahima, who was brought to Natchez, Mississippi.

Of note also is the narration about Ibrahima written by Terry Alford just over 44 years ago (first edition in 1970); it is titled “Prince Among Slaves.” As unique as Ibrahimi’s life is, also of significant note is the way Alford came to write the book.

He related that Miss Mary Postlethwaithe, a Natchez Antiquarian, confirmed for him that “the prince had been a slave about 15 or 20 years, when one day he saw a white person he had known in Africa, a man who owed his life to Ibrahima and his father.”

This started the chain of events that ultimately led to Ibrahima being manumitted by his owner to return to Africa. So who was Ibrahima, the enslaved African in Natchez, Mississippi? Alford related that he was called “Prince” as records showed and his royal heritage was not disputed.

Ibrahima claimed to be from Timbuktu, Mali, West Africa, an educated young man, age 26 when captured and enslaved. He was a colonel in his father’s

army in Africa, had been defeated in a war, captured and sold to a slave ship captain headed for the West Indies.

He was purchased by a Natchez farmer named Thomas Foster and for four decades worked Foster’s plantation near Natchez.

Alford relates, “Despite his extreme misfortune, Ibrahima adhered to a strict, self-imposed code of conduct throughout that time, never drinking, stealing or being found guilty of a breach of confidence or trust.”

And on this day in African American history, we note that this in fact is one spring of humanity from whence we came. Remember Abd al Rahman Ibrahima. If anyone can trace their African-American ancestry back to the Natchez area, perhaps you should take a closer look.

Are you a descendant of this prince among slaves? In Alford’s 316 pages of text with notes and indexes, you may find a clue.

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work in administration. The second time, he passed. “Now, I’m in my second year as principal of Green Elementary. I’m so excited to be in administration, God is covering me. It’s a path that He has me on. He’s the conductor of everything I do.”

Phyllis Johnson, a native of Carthage, Mississippi, serves as the executive director of the Mississippi Board of Nursing. “I had parents who instilled in me that I can do anything and be anybody that I wanted to do or be. We grew up in the church. We were told that in order to be what you wanted to be, you had to have something in your life that steers you in the right direction and that is the power of the most High, God. I thought I wanted to be a doctor, but God steered me in another direction. I’ve gone through my education and matriculation letting God lead me. God knew where He wanted me to be, so He’s led me all of the way.”

Johnson served others in the medical field for years. “As I was planning for retirement, I was recommended for a job at the MS Board of Nursing. Got the job. A couple of years later, I was hired as the CEO, beating out 72 individuals from across the United States. I praise the Lord because I wasn’t looking for it. You know, what’s for you is for you. I am now the first African-American female to hold this role in over 104 years of this state agency existing. I go into my job everyday saying a prayer that the Lord will direct me, the Lord will protect me every step of the way. I can’t make it without Him. My job is to help others. I enjoy what I do. If you don’t enjoy what you do, you shouldn’t do it. This is the purpose that God has for me.”

Kendrick Amerson is a public defender whose favorite verse is, “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life.” The young attorney happily shared his three positions in life. “My first position is my duty to God. My second position is my duty to my family and my third position; my reason for being here is because I’m an attorney. I serve the public.”

Amerson said that as a Hinds County public defender, his office serves indigent clients; those clients who can’t afford an attorney. “I’m the person who does the initial court appearances. Each and every day, I think about the bible and what it says about Saul turning into Paul; I think about 1619 when the first 20 Africans came to Jamestown, VA. Each and every day, I see clients in chains.”

Although, he is excelling in his current

position, Amerson’s career goal was not law. “Before becoming a lawyer, I wanted to be a pilot but then September 11th happened. So, I decided I wanted to be a nurse. One day in Senatobia, MS, while a student at Northwest Mississippi Community College, in Oct. 2009, I was pulled over by a police officer. They searched my car and didn’t find anything, but they put me in the back of a police car. Drugs were planted on me. Those charges were later dismissed. Since then, I’ve worked towards becoming an attorney. That’s why I now do what I do.”

Jay D. Johnson, a multi-media coordinator and photographer for the City of Jackson was born and reared for many years on the campus of JSU. He attended Jim Hill and JSU.

“My father was a photographer, but I had no interest in it. While in college at JSU, I started taking my camera on campus with me and in the 70s if you had a camera, you didn’t do too bad with the young ladies. I started working with my father in the photography business and started working as a photographer for the city of Jackson in 1987. I’ve been there for 35 years. I plan to retire in June.

Johnson shared that during his first few years at the Jackson Police Department, “I was the only person in that department looking like me. Of course, that has changed now. I’ve had the opportunity to travel a lot and meet famous people in a lot of different areas, especially the political world. Having a mother and father who instilled value in you makes a difference in your life; they made sure that my brother and I were going to do something with our lives.”

Johnson shared a lot of the photos he’s taken over the years during his presentation, showcasing photos of former Presidents Barack Obama and Bill Clinton, Congressman John Lewis, Rev. Al Sharpton, James Meredith, Derrick Johnson, and many others. To many, Johnson’s work is legendary.

Linda Rush, the leader of the church’s Youth ministry, shared her joy regarding the evening’s program. She said, “This program was unbelievable, phenomenal, fantastic and so powerful. Our panelists embodied our theme. The panelists shared their personal journeys and how they embraced the power of faith and how faith impacted their trials, tribulations and triumphs. The program showcased all aspects of life: education, the arts, healthcare and law. The event was enjoyed by all, but our young people received a special blessing by being a witness to how faith and fervor work through the power and grace of God.”



Black History moments in my house and in my neighborhood

By James B. Ewers Jr.
*President Emeritus
Teen Mentoring Committee of Ohio*



Black History was in my neighborhood in Winston-Salem, N.C. Men and women who looked like me were successful and were role models for us. I suspect that because we saw it every day that we may not have realized its importance. Competent and compassionate people were on my block yet with their success they always had time for us. They gave us inspiration so that we could have aspiration.

Being a certified senior citizen, I can recall my elementary school celebrating Black History Week. So, for 5 days, we had guest speakers and black men and women.

Black History Week became Black History Month in 1970. The first celebration of Black History Month took place at Kent State University in Ohio.

The celebratory events occurred in schools, places of worship and community centers. We learned a lot and asked a lot of questions.

Upon reflection, there were a few firsts in Winston-Salem involving black people and Black History. One of the firsts occurred in my house.

My dad, Dr. James B. Ewers, was the first Jamaican dentist in the city and one of only a few in the state of North Carolina. He was well respected in the community and always had a kind word for people. His accent was rich, so strangers had to listen carefully.

He was a graduate of Howard University's School of Dentistry. He was a proud Howard alumnus and talked fondly about the relationships he formed at the school. It was because of him that I took part of my graduate school classes there.

There was a black owned bus company in Winston-Salem. During my formative years, I saw those buses every day with black people in them. We were bus passen-

gers only on Safe Bus.

The times required it. What I didn't know was the history behind the Safe Bus Company.

The Safe Bus Company was the first black bus company in North Carolina. Others followed in nearby cities, but Safe Bus led the way.

There was a period when Safe Bus was the largest black owned transportation company in the world. Thirteen black men put their life savings into the formation of the Safe Bus Company.

Archival records show at its peak, it carried 12,000 fares a day, grossed \$10,000 a week and had 75 employees.

One of the employees was my uncle, Nathaniel Holland. I called him Uncle Pap.

I can remember standing at the corner across from Atkins High School at the bus stop. He would simply motion to me and say, "Jimmy, get on." Those were the days.

Safe Bus Company hired its first black woman driver in 1966. Her name was Priscilla Estelle Stephens.

At the time of her hiring, she was only 20 years of age. That was significant given this period in our history. To give a black woman that kind of opportunity and support said a lot about the Safe Bus Company.

They operated in the city of Winston-Salem from 1926 to 1972. They had 35 buses.

Cassandra Greene Miller, daughter of Safe Bus president, Buster Greene, was quoted in Our State Magazine and said, "Many people say that segregation gave birth to Safe Bus and integration ended it."

Reports say that in 1972, the Winston-Salem Transit Authority purchased the assets of the Safe Bus Company, and it became a part of the city-run department.

There are historic stories about African Americans in our communities. Just do some research and you will find them.

Black History is being made each day in our nation. Our moral obligation is to pass this history on to the next generation.

How History will be made again: Black History Month and the Supreme Court

By Ben Jealous
People For the American Way



February is Black History Month. The news we are making and witnessing right now reflects all the contradictions of our history – American history.

The history of black people in this country is a story not just of oppression – but of overcoming. It is a story of both savage inequality and hard-won progress. It is a story of discrimination and spectacular accomplishment.

Let's start with accomplishment. President Joe Biden will soon nominate the first black woman to serve as a justice of the U.S. Supreme Court – if he hasn't already by the time you read this. She will be brilliant and accomplished and committed to the constitutional principles of equality under the law and justice for all.

I can say that confidently without knowing who the president will nominate. That's because the president has already nominated a record number of such black women as federal district court and appeals court judges. There is a deep bench

of impressive, highly qualified black women judges, lawyers, scholars and activists. I cannot wait to celebrate the confirmation of one of them as a Supreme Court justice.

It won't be an easy time to be a justice committed to achieving justice for all. The court is now dominated by justices who are committed to a very different view of the Constitution. The Roberts court is the most pro-corporate court in history, ruling consistently to undermine protections for workers and the ability of the federal government to regulate and punish corporate wrongdoing.

The court's majority has repeatedly weakened the Voting Rights Act. And that has allowed unprincipled politicians to target black voters – and weaken our democracy.

The same destructive forces are at work outside the legal arena, too. Allies of former President Donald Trump are putting new voting restrictions in place all across the country. And they are inciting anger among Trump's followers by repeating the Big Lie that he won the election.

Trump's allies are also trying to build political power

by stoking fear and anger and racial resentment among conservative white parents. They are passing laws that will make it nearly impossible for public school teachers to teach honestly about racism in U.S. history and society – or even engage students in conversations about controversial topics.

They're taking over local school boards and purging libraries of books that explore the experiences of black people, Native Americans, and LGBTQ people. One school district in Tennessee has even banned an award-winning graphic novel about the Holocaust and others are already looking to them as a model.

Dealing with racism on an individual level, and watching it play out in our political system, can be painful and discouraging. We can also allow it to motivate us to action.

When we act, when we fight, we can win. After all, we as black people and we as Americans have overcome far worse than what we are facing today. This year, and in every election year, we have another chance to make history.

We made history in 2020 when we turned out in record numbers to vote. We elected

President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris, the first black person and first woman vice president. We elected Sens. Raphael Warnock and Jon Ossoff to the U.S. Senate. And that has allowed President Biden to appoint the most personally and professionally diverse set of judges in history, making our courts look more like our country.

In this Black History Month, we will take another step forward with the nomination of our next Supreme Court justice. Later this year we will celebrate her confirmation. And history will be made again.

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Black history, black print and you

By Dr. John Warren
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Dr. Carter G. Woodson and the work he left behind certainly makes the case today for the study of Black

History. Without his work most of us would not know who we are or how many things we have done to contribute not only to this nation but also to mankind.

For 195 years, the Black Press has been a guardian and transmitter of our history. When it was against the law to teach a slave to read and write, the Black Press was already telling our story to those who could read or just listen as others read to them.

Oh, how far we have come. Today we have the freedom to read, but too few of us are reading. Social media and its abbrevi-

ated written language, along with television and the internet, have replaced our desire too often to even open a book. But now, more than ever, is the time to once again add reading to learning and following our history in the making.

The Black Press not only carries our history and stories, continuing the work of Dr. Carter G. Woodson, but our press has extended our stories to the digital world providing news and facts that we can rely on coming from our "trusted messengers." But none of this works if we don't take the time to embrace, read and digest the written story of our past and present, as told by us.

Our newspapers have survived because of "us" and not because of the large ad accounts we never had. We never had the large grocery store, department stores and automobile dealership accounts. We never had the large news-

rooms, printing presses and classifieds accounts that made white papers rich. But we continued to tell our story with the help of so many of us who volunteered services and time to share our stories with those among us.

This Black History Month is probably one of the most important in our history. We are under attack as Jim Crow racism moves on voter suppression in the form of reducing voting sites and equipment, and replacing true election officials with those who have bought The Big Lie that Trump is still president.

We must speak truth to power as we remind our brothers and sisters of the racism of voter denial, the counting of jelly beans in a jar as permission to vote, and the push for what white onservatives are calling "Critical Race Theory" as a means of re-writing our history without racism and lynchings which they imposed upon us.

If they pass laws to restrict our voting, then we, as the Black Press and Media, must use "print" and "electronic" means to remind us of why history says we can't allow those with such practices to stop us. We must ignite the perseverance of our history to rise in numbers above the challenges being placed before us. We must become so laser focused that our lives, and the lives of those who agree with us, out number our opponents.

President Biden is only a symbol of what we are struggling for: to keep America an inclusive democracy. It's up to us to reignite the spirit and faith of our fathers that brought us this far so that we don't lose ground.

It comes down to "Our History, Our Print and You." We must write our story today, which will be our history tomorrow, and we must make sure that we are included in telling our own stories.

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Seven daily servings of fruits and veggies are best for happiness

By Vince Faust
Tips to Be Fit

People that eat at least seven servings of fruits and vegetables a day have the highest levels of happiness and mental health according to recent studies. In a joint study at Dartmouth University in Hanover, New Hampshire and the University of Warwick in Coventry England, examined the eating habits of over 80,000 people. They found that mental well-being rose with the number of daily servings of fruits and vegetables. Well-being peaked at seven servings of fruit and vegetables. In another study, participants drank 48 grams of carbohydrate and no protein decreased the depression, anger and confusion in women suffering PMS. The study defined a serving as about 2.8 ounces.

Another study showed that carbohydrate ingestion was associated with better mood. Participants kept a food diary and mood journals for 9 days, and found that on the days when they consumed more carbohydrates, their mood was better and had more energy. This study also found that the more carbohydrates they ate over the week, the happier they were. A study of 686 participants found their mood at mid-day was better when they had carbohy-



drates for breakfast.

Fruits, vegetables and grains are our sources for carbohydrates. The primary function of carbohydrates is to supply energy to all the cells in your body. Carbohydrates are also necessary for the production of serotonin. Serotonin is a neurotransmitter that regulates our mood.

In the body, carbohydrates are broken down into smaller sugar molecules, such as glucose and fructose. Your small intestine absorbs these sugar molecules. From your intestines

they enter the bloodstream and travel to the liver. Your liver converts these sugars into glucose, which is carried through the bloodstream accompanied by insulin.

Your glucose is converted into energy for basic body functioning and physical activity. If the glucose is not needed immediately for energy, your body will store up to 2,000 calories of it in your liver and muscles in the form of glycogen. When your glycogen stores are full, the remaining carbohydrates are stored as fat.

If you don't ingest enough carbohydrates, your body will use protein for fuel. This can be a problem because your body needs protein to make muscles and build bone. When your body uses protein instead of carbohydrates for fuel it puts stress on the kidneys. This can lead to the passage of painful byproducts such as urea and ammonia in the urine.

All carbohydrates can be converted to and stored as fat, but are not inherently fattening. If they are part of excess calories they do become fattening.

Carbohydrates are a part of most foods. There are two types of carbohydrates, complex carbohydrates and simple carbohydrates. Most fruits are a good source of simple carbohydrates. These types of carbohydrates get into the system quickly. Complex carbohydrates get into the system a lot slower. Complex carbohydrates include bread, cereals, pasta, corn, potatoes, sweet potatoes, tomatoes, carrots, cucumbers and peppers.

Carbohydrates are composed of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen atoms. During photosynthesis plants break down the raw materials, carbon dioxide (CO₂) and water (H₂O), into atoms of carbon (C), hydrogen (H) and oxygen (O₂) and then combine these atoms into molecules of food that the plant can use. By recombining the atoms of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen in different combinations, the plant creates the different carbohydrates that we can eat.

The sugars, glucose and fructose are simple carbohydrates. Starches and cellulose are complex carbohydrates. A simple carbohydrate consists of a few atoms of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen, while complex carbohydrates consist of many of the three basic atoms.

The difference with carbo-

hydrates comes in their nutritional value and impact on your health. Many carbohydrates are loaded with other nutrients. Fruits and vegetables are great carbohydrate sources, they're excellent suppliers of vitamins A and C and many other vitamins and minerals. For example, the sugar in apple juice is accompanied by vitamin C, folic acid and potassium. The sugar in grape soda is void of vitamins and minerals; that's why it's described as "empty calories."

Your daily intake of food should include 2 to 3 servings of protein, 4 to 6 servings of vegetables, 2 to 3 servings of a grain and 4 to 6 servings of fruit. You should ingest no more than 14 grams of saturated fat, which is 126 calories. 60 to 65 percent of the calories you eat every day should come from carbohydrates.

To calculate how many carbohydrates you need, multiply the number of calories you need by .6. That means, if you need 2,000 calories per day, 2,000 multiplied by .6 = 1,200. You need 1,200 calories from carbohydrates. There are 4 calories in a gram of carbohydrate. Divide 1,200 calories by 4 = 300 grams.

The key to getting this amount of food is planning.

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Never too early for weed control

By Shewanda Riley
Columnist



“My mind is my garden. My thoughts are my seeds. My harvest will be either flowers or weeds.”

One reason I like this well-known quote is because I’d been thinking lately about the impact of words that I’d spoken to others as well as words that had been spoken to me. In some instances, the words led to a harvest of crippling negativity. Another reason is I’ve been thinking about how to protect my lawn against weeds as Spring is just around the corner.

A few years ago, I had a bad problem with weeds in my front yard. In the case of the weeds in my front and back yards, my landscaper recommended that I hire a well-

known lawn care company. She said that even though she had used weed and seed products and sprayed for weeds, there was no more that she could do as the weeds were still uncontrollable. “You have some of the most stubborn weeds I’ve seen in a while,” she explained. Following her advice, I hired the lawn care company and noticed a few weeds wither within days. Surprisingly, after their first treatment, my grass turned a brighter shade of green within days.

When my landscaper came to cut it a couple of weeks later, she noted how much healthier the yard looked. “Now that it’s getting healthy, it will be able to fight the weeds. Soon, the weeds will all be gone,” she predicted.

Over the last few weeks, I noticed that as my lawn grew stronger, the weak spots filled in with grass and not weeds.

Now 8 years later, I see very few weeds each year. What does all of that have to my mind and my words?

Just like grass that is weak, when our minds are weak by discouragement, rejection or abuse, it is hard to have seeds of good thoughts like Jeremiah 29:11 states, “For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.” I like the King James Version of this scripture because in it God proclaims what his thoughts are to us. Most other versions use the word “plans” and not “thoughts.” I like how the use of the word “thoughts” connects it back to God’s way of seeing us. If God has thoughts of us (and we are made in his image) and these thoughts are good, why should we then have thoughts about ourselves that are the

exact opposite?

Even though it takes work for our minds to become stronger so that healthier thoughts can grow, Ephesians 4: 23- says that we have “to be made new in the attitude of your minds” by saturating it daily with God’s word to remind us who He says we are. That will do a few things at the same time: clear the clutter of negative thoughts, increase the positive thoughts and strengthen us so that we can do like Ephesians 4:24 “put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.”

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The Day of the Lord is near

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



In John 10:24 the Jews asked Jesus, “How long dost thou make us to doubt? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly.” In verses 25-28 Jesus answered them, “I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in My Father’s name, they bear witness of Me. But ye believe not, because ye are not of My sheep, as I said unto you. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me (God’s people or His sheep, are marked in the ear and in the foot; in other words, they hear His Word and follow Him): And I give unto them eternal life; (to have eternal life is to have peace down in your heart that surpasses all understanding).” Jesus said in John 14:27, “Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.”

They shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand. No man can pluck you out of His hand, but you can take yourself out of the hand of God and walk away from His presence; however, God does not want that to happen. He wants you to continue in well doing and in the work of God, laboring together. When we compare time to eternity, time is but a drop in the bucket. James 4:14b says, “For what is

your life? It is even a vapour that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.”

In some areas, you may notice that a veil of fog hangs over the land in the morning, but when the sun comes up, it vanishes; so, it is with life. One day each of us will be gone from this earthly stay to be with the Lord if we stay with Him in this life. An old song says, “I’ve come too far to look back,” and surely, we have come too far.

We read in Joel 3:14, “Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.” Perhaps you have not fully decided to go with Jesus. You may say, “Preacher, it will cost me too much. It takes up my time and gets in the way of things that I want to do.”

You need to consider Lazarus and the rich man. The Bible says the rich man fared sumptuously every day, but he died and was buried, and in hell “lifted” up his eyes. Before this day ends, many will go into eternity.

I remember the testimony of a man who was lost. He called for the preacher when he was sick. The preacher went and prayed for him, and he got better. The preacher then said, “I guess you’ll be giving your heart to the Lord.” To live for Christ is to know Him, and to know Him is to go home with Him someday.

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Mississippi coast native acts in ABC series on Emmett Till's murder

By Isabelle Taft
Associated Press

Before deciding whether to watch her daughter's performance in an ABC series about the murder of Emmett Till, Lillie Holloway Graves prayed.

For Holloway Graves and her daughter, Gulfport High graduate Schelle Purcell, the history portrayed in "Women of the Movement" was close to home, and it was painful.

"She said, 'Mama, if you can't watch it, I understand,'" Holloway Graves said of her daughter.

Holloway Graves, who still lives in Gulfport, ultimately decided to watch. And she was amazed at her daughter's performance as Adeline Loggins, the wife of a black man who worked for J.W. Milam, one of the white men who confessed to murdering the 14-year-old boy. Adeline's husband, Henry Lee Loggins, was long rumored to have been present when Milam and others killed Till. He left town before their trial began and never lived in Mississippi again.

He always denied he had anything to do with Till's murder.

By including the experiences of people like Adeline Loggins, the show zooms in on an event that often gets shallow treatment in American history classes. And the role was particularly meaningful to Purcell, and to her family, because of her roots as a black Mississippian.

"I'm proud to say that I'm from Mississippi," she said. "I tell anybody in a minute, this is col-



Till

lard greens and cornbread right here. ... In every interview I have done, I always talk about home. Because that's what it is. Good, bad, whatever. That's home for me."

'Feeling and Blood and Sweat'

Purcell attributes the start of her career as an entertainer to a childhood challenge: Getting bullied because she was "ugly," with crooked teeth and big glasses.

"If I made them laugh they were less likely to make fun of my appearance," she said.

Purcell and her younger sister, Taka Payton, would put on at-home talent shows. Purcell always wanted to go all-in with makeshift wigs and costumes.

Payton still vividly remembers her older sister's reading of "Still I Rise" by Maya Angelou during a Black History Month event at school.

"When she got into reciting it, she put feeling and blood and sweat in where it needed to go," Payton said. "She was raw where it needed to be raw."

When Purcell graduated in

1994, she was pregnant with her older daughter, Bria. Over the next decade, she worked in youth ministry in Gulfport.

After Hurricane Katrina, she wanted to get her young daughters away from the chaos and loss of the devastated Gulf Coast. They moved to Raleigh, North Carolina.

Putting Down Roots In Raleigh

In Raleigh, Purcell found herself missing the coast, where all her friends and family still lived.

Whenever she could, she packed her two daughters into the family's red Honda sedan and drove 12 hours back to Gulfport.

It was homesickness that led her to write her first play, "Before the Bell Rings." It told the story of "a classroom of misfits," teenagers dealing with issues like domestic abuse and their relationships with the church. It was inspired by her work with kids and teenagers at her church in Gulfport.

She kept writing. To date, she has written and produced seven stage plays. Then she started writing films.

Her 2017 feature film, "Two Wrongs," is streaming on Amazon Prime.

Not long after that, Purcell realized she had hit a ceiling in Raleigh, so Purcell packed up her life and moved with her younger daughter, Chanel, to Atlanta, now known as "Black Hollywood."

Making A Living In Atlanta

In Atlanta, Purcell got a job at Best Buy with flexible hours. She

pinched pennies to pay for acting classes, equipment to record audition tapes and headshots.

Chanel helped her prepare for auditions.

"I work the camera," she said. "I go through lines. I am her director. This doesn't look good. I give all the opinions for free."

In 2021, Purcell booked roles in the television shows "NCIS: New Orleans," "Walker" and "Dynasty."

Initially, she auditioned for a different role on the "Women of the Movement." But she didn't get it.

When she got the chance to audition again, this time for Adeline Loggins, she decided to follow a mentor's advice: If you take a risk in an audition, leave it all on the table.

Purcell thought about what the show's director would need to see to give her the role of Loggins, who's working at a juke joint in one scene. Then, she committed.

"I had on a real thin tank top, I had sprayed water all over myself to look sweaty," she said. "I didn't have on a bra. I was fake smoking a cigarette. And when I watched myself on playback, I said I'mma book this s---. It was a side of me that I had never seen."

Who Was Adeline Loggins?

For Purcell, arriving in the Delta for filming brought a range of emotions.

Driving down dusty roads, she saw old shacks, some of which must have once been the homes of enslaved people.

"It almost scared you," she said. "It made me nauseous. It made me proud."

The Loggins family, and especially Henry Lee, occupy an unsettled place in the story of Emmett Till. In researching for the role, Purcell learned that Henry Lee Loggins' denials that he had been present during Till's torture and murder continued until his death. But many people in Glendora, including his son, were convinced he wasn't telling the truth.

Purcell found little information about Adeline. Local speculation has long held that Milam and his supporters paid for Loggins and another black man to leave town so they couldn't testify at the trial, leaving Adeline to raise their son alone.

Playing the character was an exercise in imagination and empathy.

"To be thought of as the wife of the man who stood by and did nothing while this child was being beaten and tortured and then murdered, could not have set well with her," Purcell said of Loggins.

At the same time, if Henry Lee Loggins had disobeyed the orders of his white employer, his entire family could have been punished.

"All of them could be dead... in 1955, you just didn't know," Purcell said. "So I feel like his decision to leave, it meant his family could live. That was a sacrifice."

'It Is Reality'

"Women of the Movement" airs as state legislatures around the country are enacting laws

against the teaching of Critical Race Theory. The new laws have already had a chilling effect on the teaching of aspects of American history like slavery, Jim Crow and the civil rights movement.

In Mississippi, the state Senate passed an anti-CRT law in January.

Purcell sees the show as an honest look at America's past.

"It's going to rip off a Band-Aid from the past, but also offer a different way to heal," Purcell said. "Because it's important to know that this happened."

"It is reality, it is history, it is what it is," said her mother, Holloway Graves.

And whatever the role, family and friends are excited to see her on screen.

"We don't really see people from home, besides Oprah Winfrey or someone like that," Taka Payton said. "So for my sister to get that opportunity, it was like... you're our hometown hero, because you're representing the Gulf Coast, where you were born and raised."

Purcell's trips home to the coast are busy with gatherings with friends and family and trips to Morning Star Baptist Church with her mom.

At 46, with her acting career on the upswing, she dreams of one day winning an Oscar. She's got a draft of the speech ready.

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Dads from across the district turn out to lend support at JPS Dads' Summit

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Almost 300 dads or father figures responded to the call from Jackson Public Schools to attend the Dads' Summit, February 5. The theme of the event was A Dad's Health is a School's Wealth.

At the event, dads discussed fatherhood, challenges in the community, and ways to better support their scholars and the schools they attend.

During the general session, dads heard from experts in the financial and mental health

fields. JPS Superintendent Erick L. Greene also hosted a digital question and answer period to gather feedback from dads.

"We know and realize if there is going to be a change in the path for our children, it's going to start with the fathers in the

home," said Rickey Jones of 100 Black Men.

"Honestly, we didn't know what to expect, but dads have shown up, and they are completely engaged, asking questions, responding to questions," said Greene.

Hinds County Sheriff Tyree Jones gave tips on how to help protect children and improve school safety. "When we talk about ways to reduce violence and bullying in schools, the number one prevention is paying attention and observing your kids' cell phones and social media pages," said Jones.

During the event, fathers expressed how special summits like this one are just what they need as they strive to grow and support those around them.

JPS plans to review the input collected from dads and develop strategies around it to improve the overall school experience for all scholars.



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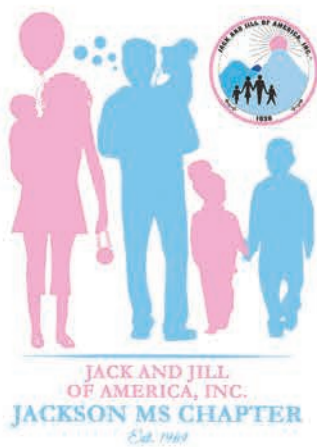
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By Stacy M. Brown
NNPA Newswire Correspondent

“The National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) resolutely salutes and congratulates Chiquita Brooks-LaSure



As deputy director for policy at the Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, and earlier at the Department of Health & Human Services as director of coverage policy, Brooks-LaSure led

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JPS hosts a ribbon cutting ceremony at Forest Hill High to showcase renovations and improvements

JPS Newswire

Jackson Public Schools hosted its first of several ribbon-cutting ceremonies February 8, at Forest Hill High School. The event was held to celebrate the completion of several projects on the grounds.

The net worth of the projects cost an estimated \$7.2 million.

The project included renovations to restrooms, the library, heating and ventilation, air conditioning units, science labs and updates to the school's coliseum.

The renovations are a result of a \$65 million bond that was passed by taxpayers in 2018.

"Folks might assume that with all this money we're golden, but there are so many projects throughout the district at all the schools, larger projects at our high schools," said Superintendent Erick L. Greene. "Then in the midst of the pandemic, and all of the labor and supply chain challenges, just lots of challenges that our team and partners worked through. I'm just very grateful."



Forest Hill High Principal Torrey Hampton



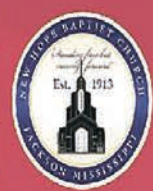
Forest Hill High School cheerleaders



N. Powell and J. Roby; Mr. Forest Hill High School



Front row: (left to right) Torrey Hampton; principal, Erica Fell, PTA president; J. Roby; Francis Lewis; Xantheus Moore; Erick L. Greene; superintendent; Laketia Marshall Thomas, assistant superintendent for High Schools; N. Powell; Mekaël Carpenter, lead interventionist. Back row: Ed Sivak, board president



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What are you trying to prove?

By H Ralph Samuels, Jr.

You think a bomb will do us in....
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You think our achievements won’t make the news
So what is it you’re trying to prove?

You think we will cower to an ignorant threat....
You think we’ll give in to the pressure and sweat....
You think we don’t know which road to choose....
So what is it you’re trying to prove?

We come from a people who are rich in faith.
We are who we are because of God’s grace.
And if He is with us we cannot lose....
So again I ask, what are you trying to prove?

You think that you are better than us by far
With your sprawling houses and your fancy cars.
But material things are not the true measure
Character is much more than any earthly treasure.

Yes, we have struggled for most of our lives....
To feed our children and protect our wives.
You’ve tried to take them away you see
With shackles and chains, so we couldn’t be free.

But now your enslavement is of a different kind,
Through drugs that warp and destroy the mind.
Through systemic ways of keeping a people down
Through disenfranchisement
Because they’re black or brown

But in every challenge that we have faced
We’ve proven that we are not an inferior race.
We’ve achieved in spite of obstacles placed in our way
And it’s by the grace of God we’re still standing here today.

So make your threats against our HBCUs
Move out of the neighborhood if you dare so to choose
Continue to think that we’re less than a man
And you’ll continue to have a fight on your hands.

No, not with our fist, for that won’t suffice,
But with our faith which is our life....
We’ve overcome before and we will do it again
That is what will be proven in the end.

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“The Name Inspires The Pen”

Lost art of cooking skills, easy to learn recipes

By Kara Kimbrough
Food Columnist

In today’s prepared foods, microwavable society, making dishes and condiments from scratch and preserving fruits and vegetables is quickly becoming a lost art, especially when it comes to the classics that once graced tables a few short decades ago. Be honest, outside of a restaurant, when is the last time you sat down to a Sunday dinner of fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, homemade biscuits or rolls and lemon meringue pie? If you’re like many cooks, the answer is “I can’t remember” or even, “never.”

After talking to those for whom from-scratch cooking is not just a lost art, but one they’ve never learned, I’ve concluded that there are some procedures that are downright intimidating. The good news is, they don’t have to be. With a little research and determination to learn a new skill regardless of how terrifying it may seem, you can easily master these classic dishes and condiments.

I promise, the homemade product resulting from each of these is 100% better than the store-bought, frozen or microwaved version.

First up: homemade jams and jellies. Talk about enjoying the fruits of your labor...there’s no better (or more delicious) way to accomplish this than by preserving the best of summer and fall’s bounty. I won’t lie, it’s a lengthy process to wash and prepare fruit (I make plum jelly in the summer, muscadine in the fall), cook it down with sugar and pectin, sterilize jars and rings, fill steaming-hot jars with equally hot, bubbling liquid and process the sealed jars in a boiling water bath.

But here’s the good news – it’s a skill that’s relatively easy to master and nothing’s more beautiful than a row of jewel-toned



jars glistening on the windowsill. Most importantly, the taste of homemade jam is infinitely fresher and much better than the store-bought version. And, it’s the perfect gift for the person that “has everything” and would appreciate a gift from the kitchen.

Speaking of lost arts, a dish that’s rarely made anymore but remains a Southern classic is chicken and dumplings. It’s labor-intensive, but like many old-school dishes, simple in terms of ingredients and preparation. I spent an hour or two recently rolling out dough and boiling chicken using an old recipe for chicken and dumplings. I’m sharing the recipe for those of you who still hold fond memories of enjoying a plate of steaming, fragrant chicken and dumplings at your grandmother or mother’s table.

Old-School (But Easy) Chicken & Dumplings

3 pounds chicken pieces (I combine chicken breasts and

pieces with bones – legs, etc)
2-3 celery stalks, roughly chopped
2 carrots, roughly chopped
1 medium onion, roughly chopped
2 quarts water
2 teaspoons salt, plus 1/2 teaspoon
½ teaspoon black pepper
2 cups all-purpose flour, plus more for pastry board
½ teaspoon baking soda
3 tablespoons Crisco
¾ cup whole buttermilk

For stock: Place chicken, celery, and carrots in large Dutch oven or stockpot; add water and salt. Bring to a boil over high heat; cover, reduce heat to medium-low, and simmer until tender, about 1 hour. Remove chicken from broth, and let stand until cool enough to handle, about 15 minutes. Remove chicken from broth and discard skin and bone from chicken, then shred into bite-size pieces. Remove boiled vegetables and set aside (you can chop them finer and return

to broth at the end if you’d like them in your dumplings, but this is optional). Return broth to a boil over high heat; stir in pepper.

For dough: combine flour, baking soda and ½ teaspoon salt in a large bowl; cut in shortening with a pastry blender (or use fingers) until mixture resembles coarse meal. Add buttermilk, stirring occasionally, until desired consistency is reached, about 8 to 10 minutes. Stir in chicken and if desired, chopped boiled vegetables. Stir together until everything is heated through and combined. Serve hot.

Self-care for heart health

By Sandra Melvin, Ph.D
Epidemiologist



The coronavirus global pandemic has been revelatory. I’d say one of the strongest messages revealed is the importance of self-care. As we continue to navigate this new normal, research illustrates that the anxiety, uncertainty and stress of COVID-19 continues to impact the health of the black community. For African Americans, who have disproportionately endured the burdens of this society, self-care must now extend beyond manis, pedis and brunch with friends. Because systematic racism and trauma can negatively impact us physiologically, self-care must become a tool utilized to achieve ideal health – particularly heart health.

The Journal of the American Heart Association defines self-care as naturalistic decision-making process that addresses both the prevention and management

of chronic illnesses, such as heart disease.

Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the U.S., and African Americans have the highest rates in this country. Over 47 percent of the black population are impacted by heart disease. By 2035, that number is expected to rise to 50 percent.

Heart disease occurs in African Americans at a younger age. A University of Florida study found that 65 percent of African-American men over the age 40 are at a higher risk of having a heart attack. Even with increased access to health care, black men are in greater danger for heart disease than their white counterparts.

Forty-nine percent of African-American women, ages 20 and older, have heart disease. The American Heart Association says poor diet, physical inactivity, obesity, and excess intake of alcohol, alone or in combination, are the underlying causes of a large proportion of hypertension.

To paraphrase Audre Lourde,

former Tougaloo College Writer-in-Residence, self-care is not self-indulgence. It’s self-preservation and an act of political warfare. Self-care practices such as avoiding stress, taking daily walks, cooking healthier meals, and getting the proper amount of sleep positively contributes to a healthy heart. Extensive self-evaluation, listening to your body and observing the sign/symptoms of disease are also very important self-care habits. However, in order to implement any of these self-care rituals, you must slow down.

For so many of us, slowing down can be problematic. Grind culture indoctrination will not allow us to naturally reduce the speed or intensity at which we live our lives. As activist Tricia Hersey says, “You are not a machine. Stop grinding.” The relentless pursuit of the bag and the hustle hard mentality can contribute to stress.

Uncontrolled stress increases the risk of cardiovascular disease. Let’s strive to reprogram our

minds as if our lives depend on it.

Over the past two years, our health system has been pushed to the brink. Hospitals are at capacity. Nursing shortages, new variants, and rising COVID deaths have changed life as we once knew it. In my opinion, one of the wisest things we can do as a community and as individuals is to practice self-care and become as healthy as possible. Below are self-care practices that can assist you.

- Know your risk factors. Understand your numbers when it comes to blood pressure, cholesterol, blood glucose and body mass index (BMI). Make and keep your doctor’s appointments. Work with your physician to develop a plan for optimum health.

- Eat to live. Learn to prepare healthy meals. Dietary changes can be very difficult because food is often attached to beautiful memories of your childhood, special events or venerated ancestors. No matter how challenging it may be, eating nutritionally dense, non-processed food is the

foundation of good health. Reading labels to monitor sodium and sugar content is a great way to positively impact your diet.

- Control your weight and exercise. You know those fifteen pounds we all gained in 2020, also known as the COVID 15? They have to go. Obesity is a major contributing factor to heart disease. Calorie deficit, water consumption, cardiovascular exercise and strength training are keys to successful weight loss.

- Stop smoking. Cigarette smokers are 2 to 4 times more likely to get heart disease than nonsmokers (source: John Hopkins Medicine). The Institute for the Advancement of Minority Health’s Tobacco Peer Learning Sessions develop solutions to help black men quit tobacco. Contact us for more information.

- Reduce alcohol consumption. Excessive alcohol intake can lead to high blood pressure, heart failure or stroke. Excessive drinking can also contribute to cardiomyopathy, a disorder that affects the heart muscle. Those who con-

sume alcohol are encouraged to do so in moderation.

- Get vaccinated. The American Heart Association encourages everyone with cardiovascular risk factors, heart disease or a history of heart attack or stroke to get vaccinated.

- Reduce Stress: Do yoga, meditate, take a warm bath, or enjoy quiet time with a good book, watch a funny movie or spend time with trusted family and friends.

Sandra Melvin, DrPH, is an epidemiologist, Public Health Advocate and CEO, Institute for the Advancement of Minority Health. The Institute for the Advancement of Minority Health was established in 2019 to reduce health disparities among disadvantaged and underserved minority populations in the Mississippi through the development of collaborative partnerships with a particular focus on health equity.

For more information, www.minority-institute.org, iamh@advancingminorityhealth.org or 769-572-5263.



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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING

ZONING CASE NO. 4162

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 Amazing Institutional Church of God in Christ has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District to NMU-1 (Neighborhood) Mixed-Use District to allow for a diversity of outreach services and ministries on property located at 2603 W. Capital St. (Parcel 124-108), in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Tract 1
A tract of land consisting of 2.683 acres being all of Lots 1, 2, and 3, and part of Lots 4, 5, 6, 7
and 14 Eureka survey according to the map or plat on file and of record in Plat Book 1 at Page 3, in the Chancery Clerks office, First Judicial District, Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at the Southeast corner of said Lot 1 Eureka Survey, said point being the intersection of the North right-of-way line of Jayne Avenue with the West right-of-way line of Eureka Street, thence run Northerly along the West right-of-way line of Eureka Street, for a distance of 317.29 feet; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 83 degrees 15 minutes 54 seconds and run Westerly for a distance of 100.53 feet; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 271 degrees 37 minutes 03 seconds and run Northerly for a distance of 90.75 feet to a fence corner; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 269 degrees 00 minutes 49 seconds and run Easterly, along an existing fence and extensions thereof, for a distance of 99.12 feet to a point on the aforementioned West right-of-way line of Eureka Street; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 90 degrees 06 minutes 14 seconds and run Northerly, along said West right-of-way line for a distance of 140.23 feet to the intersection of said West right-of-way line with the Southern right-of-way line of Capitol Street; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 126 degrees 18 minutes 16 seconds and run Northwesterly, along the Southern right-of-way line of Capitol Street, for a distance of 154.99 feet; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 89 degrees 21 minutes 23 seconds and run Southwesterly for a distance of 160.01 feet; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 270 degrees 38 minutes 37 seconds and run Northwesterly for a distance of 60.00 feet to a point on the Eastern right-of-way line of Claiborne Street; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 89 degrees 21 minutes 23 seconds and run Southwesterly, along the Eastern right-of-way line of said Claiborne Street, for a distance of 87.11 feet to the point of curvature of a curve to the left having a delta angle of 63 degrees 21 minutes 07 seconds and a radius of 138.19 feet; thence run Southerly along said Eastern right-of-way line of Claiborne Street and the arc of said curve to the left for a distance of 152.79 feet (chord angle 147 degrees 26 minutes 33 seconds - 145.13 feet); thence turn an angle right, off the chord, of 76 degrees 51 minutes 15 seconds and run Easterly for a distance of 3.58 feet; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 152 degrees 07 minutes 43 seconds and run Northeasterly, for a distance of 45.16 feet; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 215 degrees 31 minutes 58 seconds and run Easterly for a distance of 103.29 feet; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 173 degrees 58 minutes 59 seconds and run Easterly for a distance of 23.08 feet to a point on the West line of the aforementioned Lot 5 Eureka Survey; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 278 degrees 23 minutes 55 seconds and run Southerly along the West line of the aforementioned Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 Eureka Survey, for a distance of 371.28 feet to the Southwest corner of said Lot 1 Eureka Survey and a point on the North right-of-way line of Jayne Avenue; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 87 degrees 40 minutes 25 seconds and run Easterly, along the North line of Jayne Avenue, for a distance of 160.13 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Tract 2
A tract of land consisting of O. 432 acres being part of Lot 2 and Part of Lot 1 Bridges West
End Survey according to the map or plat on file and of record in Plat Book 1 at Page 16 in the Chancery Clerks office, First Judicial District, Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a point on the North line of said Lot 2, said point being 2.50 feet West of the Northeast corner of said Lot 2, thence run Westerly along the North line of said Lot 2, and the Southern right-of-way line of Jayne Avenue, fora distance of 157.50 feet to the Northwest corner of said Lot 2; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 92 degrees 22 minutes 06 seconds and run Southerly along the West line of said Lot 1 and 2 for a distance of 117.20 feet; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 89 degrees 21 minutes 02 seconds and run Easterly for a distance of 157.46 feet to a point on the Western right-of-way line of Eureka Street; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 90 degrees 36 minutes 26 seconds and run Northerly along said Western right-of-way line for a distance of 121 . 92 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Tract 3
A tract of land consisting of 3.788 acres being all of Lots 1 through 10, Block C, Virden Heights
according to the map or plat on file and of record in Plat Book 1 at Page 5, in the Chancery Clerks office, First Judicial District, Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi, part of the closed alleyways in said Block C and a parcel of land lying and being situated in the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Section 32, Township 6 North, Range 1 East being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNIG at the Southeast corner of said Lot 10 thence run Northerly along the West right-of-way line of Delaware Avenue and the East line of said Lots 10, 9, 6, 5, 2, and 1 for a distance of 433.42 feet to the intersection of said West right-of-way line with the Southern right-of-way line of Capitol Street; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 114 degrees 35 minutes 20 seconds and run Northwesterly along said Southern right-of-way line, for a distance of 96.34 feet to the point of curvature of a curve to the right having a delta angle of 04 degrees 54 minutes 45 seconds and a radius of 1511.25 feet; thence run Northwesterly along said Southern right-of-way line and curve to the right fora distance of 129.57 feet (chord angle 186 degrees 56 minutes 19 seconds for a distance of 129.53 feet); thence turn an interior angle right, off the chord, of 184 degrees 45 minutes 17 seconds and run Northwesterly along said Southern right-of-way line, for a distance of 153.65 feet; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 68 degrees 30 minutes 38 seconds and run Southwesterly for a distance of 19.06 feet to the Eastern right-of-way line of Eureka Street; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 122 degrees 13 minutes 42 seconds and run Southerly along said Eastern right-of-way line and the West line of the aforementioned Lots 1, 3, 4, 7, and 8, for a distance of 542.01 feet to the Southwest corner of said Lot 8; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds and run Easterly for a distance of 169 . 00 feet; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 270 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds and run Southerly for a distance of 80.00 feet; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds and run Easterly for a distance of 169.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Tract 4
A tract of land consisting of 0.895 acres being all of lots 2, 3, and 4 Block B Virden Heights
according to the map or plat on file and of record in Plat Book 1 at Page 5, in the Chancery Clerks office, First Judicial District, Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi, and including the West ½ of the closed 10 - ft. alleyway lying east of and adjacent to said lots being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at the Southwest Corner of said Lot 4, thence run Easterly along the Southern line of said Lot 4, and an extension thereof for a distance of 169.00 feet; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds and run Northerly for a distance of 209.89 feet to a point on the Southern right-of-way line of Capitol Street; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 103 degrees 44 minutes 47 seconds and run Northwesterly, along said Southern right-of-way line, for a distance of 173.98 feet to the intersection of said Southern right-of-way line with the Eastern right-of-way line of Delaware Avenue; thence turn right thru an interior angle of 76 degrees 15 minutes 13 seconds and run Southerly, along said Eastern right-of-way line, for a distance of 251 . 23 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

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, February 23, 2022, 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.

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WITNESS my signature this 24th day of January 2022.

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

2/3/2022, 2/17/2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING

ZONING CASE NO. 4163

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 Redeemer Church has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District to SUD - Special Use District to allow for the expansion of the church and school facilities on property located at 616 Wellington Dr. (Parcel 431-20), 630 Wellington Dr. (Parcel 431-18), 644 Wellington Dr. (Parcel 431-16), 640 E. Northside Dr. (Parcel 431-8) & 4638 Londonderry Dr. (Parcel 432-327), in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Parcel 431-20

Lot 12, and the West 35 feet of Lot II, Block B, East Broadmoor Subdivision, Part I, 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 7 at Page 45, reference to which is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description.

Parcel 431-18

Lot 10, and East 1/2 of Lot 11, Block B, East Broadmoor Subdivision, Part I, 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 7 at Page 45, Reference to which is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description.

Parcel 431-16

Lot 8 of Block B, East Broadmoor, a Subdivision according to the 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/Cabinet 7 at Page/Slide/Slot 45 thereof, reference to which is made in aid of and part of this description.

Parcel 431-8

All land owned by Grantor and bounded on the South by Northside Drive, on the East by Cedarhurst Drive, on the North by Wellington Road, and on the West by Londonderry Drive, whether correctly described herein or not, but more particularly described herein as follows:

Parcel 1: Lot 4, of Block Y of Broadmoor Subdivision Part 3, 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, recorded in Plat Book 6 at Page 34, reference to which map or plat is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description.

Parcel 2: A certain parcel of land being situated in Section 14, Township 6 North, Range 1 East, in the City of Jackson, Hinds County Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the West line of Cedarhurst Drive with the South line of Wellington Road as both streets are now laid out and improved, and from said point of beginning run Westerly along the South line of Wellington Road for 434.3 feet to the East line of Lot 2, Block Y, Broadmoor Part 3: run thence Southerly along the East line of Lots 2 and 4, Block Y, Broadmoor Subdivision, Part 3 for 235.15 feet to the North line of Northside Drive; turn thence to the left through an angle of 90 degrees 19 minutes and run Easterly along the North line of Northside Drive for 426.24 feet; turn thence to the left through an angle of 26 degrees 33 minutes 54 seconds and run Northeasterly for 8.94 feet to the West line of Cedarhurst Drive; run thence Northerly along the West line of Cedarhurst Drive for 230.30 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel 3: Lot 3, of Block Y of Broadmoor Subdivision, Part 3, a subdivision according to a map or plat thereof which is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hind County at Jackson, Mississippi, recorded in Plat Nook 6 at Page 34, reference to which map or plat is hereby made in aid of and as part of this description.

Parcel 4: Lot I, of Block Y of Broadmoor Subdivision, Part 3, a subdivision according to a map or plat thereof which is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hind County at Jackson, Mississippi, recorded in Plat Nook 6 at Page 34, reference to which map or plat is hereby made in aid of and as part of this description.

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Parcel 432-327

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

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Advertisement for Bid

Bid 3201 Grease Trap Cleaning

Sealed, written formal bid proposals for the above bids will be received by the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, in the Business Office, 662 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi, until 10:00 A.M. (Local Prevailing Time) March 03, 2022, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to withhold the acceptance of any bid if approved for forty-five calendar days from the date bids are opened.

Proposal forms and detailed specifications may be obtained free of charge by emailing Bettie Jones at bjones@jackson.k12.ms.us or documents may be picked up at the above address or downloaded from JPS website at www.jackson.k12.ms.us.

Until further notice, all hand delivery proposals delivered between 9:00 a.m. until 9:59 a.m. (local prevailing time) the date the bid is scheduled to open, must be delivered to JPSPD Board Room, 621 South State Street, Jackson, MS 39201.

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Advertisement for RFP

RFP 2022-03 Supply Purchase Agreement for Apple Devices, Software, Services, and Accessories

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There are two (2) options in which RFP proposals may be obtained. Download from Central Bidding website at www.centralbidding.com for a small fee of \$49.99 or visit JPSPD website at www.jackson.k12.ms.us and download. Vendors must be registered with Central Bidding in order to electronically upload RFP proposals at no cost. For any questions concerning the process, or how to register, please contact Central Bidding at 225-810-4814.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF JACKSON LANDSCAPE AND ZONING ORDINANCES

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 anywise affected thereby, that the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, will be conducting a public hearing on proposed text amendments to the City of Jackson Official Zoning Ordinance as adopted on May 29, 1974 and subsequently amended.

Notice is also hereby given to all persons interested in or in anywise affected thereby, that the Planning Board for the City of Jackson will be conducting a public hearing on the proposed text amendments to the City of Jackson Landscape Ordinance as adopted on August 14, 1990 and subsequently amended.

Amendments to the text of the Landscape and Zoning Ordinances are intended to provide for more efficient Landscape and Zoning Ordinances and establish more effective landscaping and zoning regulations for the City of Jackson. Copies of the proposed text amendments will be available for review at the Office of City Planning 200 S President Street, Suite 204, Jackson, and MS 39201. For additional information please submit an email to eainsworth@city.jackson.ms.us.

The said proposed text amendments 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, February 23, 2022 at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard 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.

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WITNESS my signature this the 24th day of January, 2022.

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

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4161

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 Delanio B. Grisham has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Use Permit to allow for a boarding house within a R-4 (Limited Multi-Family) Residential District on property located at 140 Elm St. (Parcel 94-44-1), in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

West 37.3 feet of Lot Sixteen (16), Block "B", of the Amended Plat of Railroad Addition, according to the map thereof which is of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi, in Plat Book "A" at Page 324, reference to which is hereby made.

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, February 23, 2022, 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.

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City of Jackson, Mississippi

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ZONING CASE NO. 4160

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 Dhavel Patel has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Use Permit to allow for a liquor store within a C-3 (General) Commercial District on property located at 1815 University Blvd. (Parcel 215-92), in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

East Half (E-1/2) of Lots 1, 3, 5 and 7 and all of Lots 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14 and all of Lots 9, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, Block "D", Lincoln Addition, a subdivision according to the map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi, in Plat Book 1 at Page 38 thereof, reference to which is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description.

LESS AND EXCEPT that portion of the above described property conveyed to the State Highway Commission of Mississippi by Warranty Deeds recorded in Book 592 at Page 582 and Book 590 at Page 389 of the records in the office of the Chancery Clerk of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi.

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, February 23, 2022, 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.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS – NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS JH FEWELL WATER TREATMENT PLANT CORROSION CONTROL CHEMICAL FEED SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Jackson, Mississippi, until 3:30 P.M. CST, Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at the City Clerk's Office located at 219 S. President St., for supplying all labor, materials and equipment as required under the plans and specifications for the construction of JH FEWELL WATER TREATMENT PLANT CORROSION CONTROL CHEMICAL FEED SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, SRF LOAN NO. DWI-L250008-03. Please address envelope to City Clerk, P.O. Box 17, Jackson, MS 39205.

The entire project must be completed within four hundred (400) calendar days. The contract will be subject to liquidated damages in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per calendar day for each consecutive calendar day in which the contract time is exceeded.

The City of Jackson is committed to the principle of non-discrimination in public contracting. It is the policy of the City of Jackson to promote full an equal business opportunity for all persons doing business with the City. As a precondition to selection, each contractor, bidder or offeror shall submit a completed and signed Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) plan. Failure to comply with the City's ordinance shall disqualify a contractor, bidder or offeror from being awarded an eligible contract. For more information on the City of Jackson's Equal Business Opportunity Program, please contact Yika Hoover with the office of Economic Development at (601) 960-1611 or by email: thoover@jacksonms.gov. Copies of the ordinance, EBO Plan Applications and a copy of the Program are available at 200 South President Street, Warren Hood Building, Second Floor, Jackson, Mississippi.

The City of Jackson, Mississippi ("City of Jackson") is committed to cultivating and ensuring the quality of life of its citizens, through various programs, employment, initiatives, and assistance. The City encourages all persons, corporations, and/or entities doing business within the City, as well as those who seek to contract with the City on various projects and/or conduct business in the City to assist the City in achieving its goal by strongly considering City residents for employment opportunities.

The City of Jackson hereby notifies all bidders that in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 that all bidders will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, or disability in consideration for an award.

Minority and women's business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities and equipment, material and/or supply needs.

This contract is funded in whole or in part by funds from the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 214 (H.R. 3547); therefore, this project must comply with the American Iron and Steel Requirements of the Act.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bids are expected to be funded in whole or in part by anticipated funds from the Drinking Water Systems Improvements Revolving Loan Fund (DWSIRLF) loan program from the State of Mississippi. Neither the State of Mississippi, the Local Governments and Rural Water Systems Improvements Board, the MS Department of Health, the MS Commission on Environmental Quality, nor any of their employees, is or will be a party to this invitation for bids or any resulting or related contracts. This procurement will be subject to all applicable sections of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, as they apply to local governments, in accordance with Appendix D of the DWSIRLF Program Regulations.

The PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:

- Office of the Consulting Engineer: Cornerstone Engineering LLC, located at 600 Northside Drive, Suite A, Clinton, MS 39056, call Mauricka McKenzie, P.E., Project Engineer at 601-473-2403 office. One copy of the Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents may be procured from the Consulting Engineer, upon payment of \$300, none of which is refundable.

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The BID SCHEDULE may be examined at the following locations:

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Mississippi Development Authority, Minority & Small Business Development
Woolfolk Building
501 North West Street, Suite B-01
Jackson, MS 39201
Contact: LaTisha Landing 601-359-3448

The Standard Specifications adopted by the City Council may be procured from the Department of Public Works, if desired upon payment of \$5.00 dollars for each specification.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on February 25, 2022 at 9 am. The meeting will be held at the Hood Building in the Andrew Jackson Room on the 1st Floor. The Hood Building is located at 200 South President Street, Jackson, MS 390205.

Bidders must be qualified under Mississippi law and possess a certificate of responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Contractors establishing its classification as to the value and type of construction on which it is authorized to bid. Each bidder must deposit with its proposal, a bid bond or certified check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid for the work, payable to the City of Jackson, as the bid security.

The successful bidder shall furnish a Performance Bond and Payment Bond each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount awarded. Attorneys-in-fact who sign Bid Bonds or Payment Bonds and Performance Bonds must file with each bond a certified and effective dated copy of their power of attorney.

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Charles Williams, PE, PhD
City Engineer, Department of Public Works

2/10/2022, 2/17/2022

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The entire project must be completed within three hundred-thirty (330) calendar days. The contract will be subject to liquidated damages in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per calendar day for each consecutive calendar day in which the contract time is exceeded.

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Charles Williams, PE, PhD
City Engineer, Department of Public Works

2/10/2022, 2/17/2022

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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS INTRODUCTION / INVITATION

The City of Jackson, Department of Parks and Recreation is seeking assistance from companies or individuals desiring to manage and operate concessions at the Pete Brown Golf Facility and/or the Grove Park Municipal Golf Course.

RFP Packet Requests: Packets are available at www.centralbidding.com or by emailing Patrice Bernard at pbernard@jacksonms.gov. If a response is not received with 24 hours, it is the responsibility of the requester to call 601-960-0716, to confirm receipt of the RFP request.

Hand Delivery Submittal: You are required to send one (1) original and two (2) copies of the completed, signed, and sealed envelope addressed to: the Office of the City Clerk, 219 South President Street, Jackson, MS 39201, until: Tuesday, March 15, 2022, until 3:30 p.m., CST.

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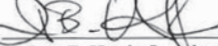
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- 3) Failure to comply with any of the aforementioned requirements may result in the Request For Proposal (RFP) being rejected as non-responsive.
- 4) The City will issue responses to inquiries and any other corrections or amendments it deems necessary in written addenda issued prior to the Request For Proposal (RFP) due date. Submitters should not rely on any representations, statements, or explanations other than those made in this Request for Request For Proposal (RFP) or in any addendum to this Request For Request For Proposal (RFP).
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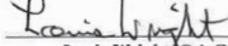
RFP Advertisement Dates:	News Papers:
Thursday, February 10, 2022 thru Sunday, February 20, 2022	Mississippi Link, Northside Sun, Clarion Ledger, Jackson Advocate & LaNoticia

RFP Pre-Bid Conference Date:	
Date:	Wednesday, March 2, 2022
Time:	1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. CST
Location:	Via LifeSize Virtual Conferencing <ul style="list-style-type: none">✦ The LifeSize Cloud software can be downloaded to any device from this link: https://call.lifesizecloud.com/download✦ Join the meeting: https://call.lifesizecloud.com/2973481✦ Call in by Phone (audio only): United States: +1 (312) 584-2401, Meeting extension: 2973481#

RFP Bid Opening Date:	
Date:	Tuesday, March 15, 2022
Time:	3:30 p.m. CST
Location:	City Hall 219 South President Street Jackson, MS 39201

The City of Jackson reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive irregularities and informalities in the submittal and evaluation process. This RFP does not obligate the City of Jackson to pay any costs incurred by respondents in the preparation and submission of a proposal. The City reserves the right to negotiate equipment specifications regardless of the proposal design. Furthermore, the RFP does not obligate the City to accept or contract for any expressed or implied services.


Ison B. Harris, Jr., Director
Department of Parks and Recreation


Louis Wright, C.A.O.
Office of the Mayor

2/10/2022, 2/17/2022

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NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE JACKSON HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE JACKSON HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (JHPC) WILL HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9TH, 2022 AT 12:00 NOON IN THE 2nd FLOOR PLANNING CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE WARREN HOOD BUILDING, 200 SOUTH PRESIDENT STREET, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

- CALL TO ORDER
- REVIEW OF MINUTES

Minutes from February 9th 2022

- APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS
 - OLD BUSINESS
 - NEW BUSINESS

Case No. HPNC-21-38, requested by Julia Hall to construct an exterior addition to the rear of an existing house located at 732 Euclid Ave located in the Belhaven Historic District.

Case No. HPNC-22-4, requested by Marques Hall to renovate an existing building into a restaurant at 218 Mill Street located in the Farish Street Historic District.

Case No. HPNC-22-8, requested by Yasmin Gabriel to Adding outside seating for cafe and CDC co-vid requirements in the area of our parcel at 612 N Farish Street located in the Farish Street Historic District.

- OTHER ITEMS
 - Administratively Approved COAs.
- ADJOURN

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
BY THE
JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
IN CONNECTION WITH THE
JACKSON-MEDGAR WILEY EVERS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

(JAN) AIRFIELD MARKINGS IMPROVEMENT AT THE
JACKSON-MEDGAR WILEY EVERS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
JMAA PROJECT NO. 002-22

The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority ("JMAA") is seeking electronic bids for services in connection with the Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport (JAN) Airfield Markings Improvement Project at the Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport (the "Work").

Sealed bids to perform the Work will be accepted by JMAA until 4:00 p.m. Central Standard Time (CST) on Thursday, March 17, 2022 (the "Bid Deadline"). Bids shall be accepted by email, mail, or hand delivery as follows:
Email: bids@jmaa.com
By mail or hand delivery: JMAA's administrative office, Suite 300
Main Terminal Building
Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport
100 International Drive, Jackson, Mississippi 39208

JMAA will publicly open and read all bids on Thursday, March 17, 2022, at 4:05 p.m. (CST) (the "Bid Opening"), in the Staff Conference Room, Third Floor of the Main Terminal Building at JAN. JMAA invites Bidders and their authorized representatives to be present at the Bid Opening.

Questions and communications regarding the bidding procedure and schedule on this project should be directed to: Marvin Buckhalter, Director of Procurement, mbuckhalter@jmaa.com, and 601-664-3516.

The following identification information must be provided with the submission: (i) bidder's company name; (ii) Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number; and (iii) the wording: Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport (JAN) Airfield Markings Improvement Project at Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport, Project No.002-22." If the submission is submitted via email, then the identification information must be provided in the email subject line. If the submission is submitted by hand delivery or mail, then the identification information must be marked on the outside or exterior of the bid envelope or container.

JMAA will not consider any submissions, including bid proposals, amendments to bids, or requests for withdrawal of bids received, after the Bid Deadline for any reason whatsoever.

JMAA will award the Work to the lowest and best bid as determined by JMAA in accordance with the criteria set forth in the Information for Bidders. Plans and specifications related to the Work are considered part of the Agreement. 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 Instructions to Bidders shall become part of the Information for Bidders.

The Information for Bidders and bidding documents for the Work can be found at (<https://jmaa.com/corporate/partner-with-us/procurement/>). The website will be updated periodically with addenda, reports and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Work.

Interested parties may register and order plans and specifications from the Jackson Blueprint Online Plan Room website (<http://planroom.jaxblue.com>). A valid email address is required for registration. There is no charge for registration or to view the documents online. Documents may be downloaded from this website for a non-refundable fee of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) plus applicable sales tax.

Plans and specifications may also be purchased through the website (<http://plan-room.jaxblue.com>.) A printed bid set is \$75.00 plus \$20.00 shipping and applicable sales tax. Bid documents may be picked up or shipped to the party making the request. Documents will not be distributed or mailed, however, until payment is received. For questions regarding website registration and online orders, contact Jackson Blueprint & Supply at (601) 3535803.

JMAA will hold a Pre-Bid Conference on Monday, February 21, 2022at 10:00am (CST) using the following login information:
Link: <https://jmaa.zoom.us/j/6895798393?pwd=TzV2YUtsUEw2QVVLdnovcOhISVN6QT09>
Meeting ID: 689 579 8393
Passcode: 079743

JMAA reserves the right to amend the plans and specifications for the Work by Addendum issued before the Bid Deadline; to reject any and all bids; to waive technicalities in the bid proposals.

JMAA has established a Disadvantage Business Enterprises participation goal of 0% for the Work solicited by this RFB.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)
HISTORIC PRESERVATION CONSULTANT

The City of Jackson's Department of Planning and Development is soliciting proposals to retain the services of a consultant to carry support management of City of Jackson's Historic Preservation Commission (JHPC) and provide guidance and support to the public regarding preservation projects in the City of Jackson.

Proposals will be received by the City of Jackson, Office of the City Clerk, at 219 South President Street, Jackson, MS 39205 until 3:30 p.m., Central Daylight Time (CDT) on Tuesday March 22, 2022. Each proposer must submit a signed original and two (2) printed copies of its proposal, the required certifications and affidavits attached thereto. Electronic bids and/or reverse auction bids can be submitted at www.centralbidding.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814.

Copies of the Request for Proposals may be obtained from the City of Jackson, Department of Planning and Development by emailing Chloe Dotson at cdotson@jacksonms.gov or on the city's website at www.jacksonms.gov.

Jordan Rae Hillman, Director
Department of Planning and Development
City of Jackson, Mississippi

2/17/2022, 2/24/2022

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Advertisement for RFP
RFP 2022-03 Supply Purchase Agreement for Apple Devices, Software, Services, and Accessories

Electronic RFP proposals for the above RFP will be received by the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, in the Business Office, 662 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi, until 10:00 A.M. (Local Prevailing Time), March 14, 2022 at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all RFPs to waive informalities, and to withhold the acceptance of any RFP.

There are two (2) options in which RFP proposals may be obtained. Download from Central Bidding website at www.centralbidding.com for a small fee of \$49.99 or visit JPSD website at www.jackson.k12.ms.us and download. Vendors must be registered with Central Bidding in order to electronically upload RFP proposals at no cost. For any questions concerning the process, or how to register, please contact Central Bidding at 225-810-4814.

Until further notice, all hand delivery proposals delivered between 9:00 a.m. until 9:59 a.m. (local prevailing time) the date the bid is scheduled to open, must be delivered to JPSD Board Room, 621 South State Street, Jackson, MS 39201.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS – NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
JH FEWELL WATER TREATMENT PLANT CONVENTIONAL FILTER
#24 AND #26 REHABILITATION PROJECT
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Jackson, Mississippi, until 3:30 P.M. CST, Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at the City Clerk's Office located at 219 S. President St., for supplying all labor, materials and equipment as required under the plans and specifications for the construction of JH FEWELL WATER TREATMENT PLANT CONVENTIONAL FILTER #24 AND #26 REHABILITATION PROJECT, SRF LOAN NO. DWI-L250008-03. Please address envelope to City Clerk, P.O. Box 17, Jackson, MS 39205.

The entire project must be completed within two hundred seventy (270) calendar days. The contract will be subject to liquidated damages in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per calendar day for each consecutive calendar day in which the contract time is exceeded.

The City of Jackson is committed to the principle of non-discrimination in public contracting. It is the policy of the City of Jackson to promote full an equal business opportunity for all persons doing business with the City. As a precondition to selection, each contractor, bidder or offeror shall submit a completed and signed Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) plan. Failure to comply with the City's ordinance shall disqualify a contractor, bidder or offeror from being awarded an eligible contract. For more information on the City of Jackson's Equal Business Opportunity Program, please contact Yika Hoover with the office of Economic Development at (601) 960-1611 or by email: thoover@jacksonms.gov. Copies of the ordinance, EBO Plan Applications and a copy of the Program are available at 200 South President Street, Warren Hood Building, Second Floor, Jackson, Mississippi.

The City of Jackson, Mississippi ("City of Jackson") is committed to cultivating and ensuring the quality of life of its citizens, through various programs, employment, initiatives, and assistance. The City encourages all persons, corporations, and/or entities doing business within the City, as well as those who seek to contract with the City on various projects and/or conduct business in the City to assist the City in achieving its goal by strongly considering City residents for employment opportunities.

The City of Jackson hereby notifies all bidders that in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 that all bidders will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, or disability in consideration for an award.

Minority and women's business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities and equipment, material and/or supply needs.

This contract is funded in whole or in part by funds from the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 214 (H.R. 3547); therefore, this project must comply with the American Iron and Steel Requirements of the Act.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bids are expected to be funded in whole or in part by anticipated funds from the Drinking Water Systems Improvements Revolving Loan Fund (DWSIRLF) loan program from the State of Mississippi. Neither the State of Mississippi, the Local Governments and Rural Water Systems Improvements Board, the MS Department of Health, the MS Commission on Environmental Quality, nor any of their employees, is or will be a party to this invitation for bids or any resulting or related contracts. This procurement will be subject to all applicable sections of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, as they apply to local governments, in accordance with Appendix D of the DWSIRLF Program Regulations.

The PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:

1. Office of the Consulting Engineer: Cornerstone Engineering LLC, located at 600 Northside Drive, Suite A, Clinton, MS 39056, call Mauricka McKenzie, P.E., Project Engineer at 601-473-2403 office. One copy of the Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents may be procured from the Consulting Engineer, upon payment of \$250, none of which is refundable.

2. Official bid documents can be downloaded from Central Bidding at www.centralbidding.com. Electronic bids can be submitted at www.centralbidding.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814.

3. Office of the MSDH/DWSIRLF Program: located at 570 East Woodrow Wilson, Suite U232, Jackson MS 39215, call Harry Gong, P.E., Project Manager at 601-576-7518.

The BID SCHEDULE may be examined at the following locations:

A. Mississippi Procurement Technical Assistance Program (MPTAP)
Mississippi Development Authority, Minority & Small Business Development

Woolfolk Building
501 North West Street, Suite B-01
Jackson, MS 39201
Contact: LaTisha Landing 601-359-3448

The Standard Specifications adopted by the City Council may be procured from the Department of Public Works, if desired upon payment of \$5.00 dollars for each specification.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on February 25, 2022 at 10 am. The meeting will be held at the Hood Building in the Andrew Jackson Room on the 1st Floor. The Hood Building is located at 200 South President Street, Jackson, MS 390205.

Bidders must be qualified under Mississippi law and possess a certificate of responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Contractors establishing its classification as to the value and type of construction on which it is authorized to bid. Each bidder must deposit with its proposal, a bid bond or certified check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid for the work, payable to the City of Jackson, as the bid security.

The successful bidder shall furnish a Performance Bond and Payment Bond each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount awarded. Attorneys-in-fact who sign Bid Bonds or Payment Bonds and Performance Bonds must file with each bond a certified and effective dated copy of their power of attorney.

Proposals shall be submitted in triplicate, sealed and deposited with the City of Jackson's City Clerk prior to the hour and date designated above. Each bidder shall write its certificate of responsibility number on the outside of the sealed envelope containing its proposal.

The City of Jackson reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any and all informalities

Charles Williams, PE, PhD
City Engineer, Department of Public Works

2/10/2022, 2/17/2022

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REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
BY THE
JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY FOR SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH
THE HAWKINS FIELD AIRPORT PROPERTY DRAINAGE ASSESSMENT PROJECT AT
HAWKINS FIELD
JMAA PROJECT NUMBER 003-22

The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority ("JMAA") is requesting Statement of Qualifications and Expressions of Interest (each, a "Statement of Qualifications") to provide construction design and related services (the "Services") to JMAA in connection with Hawkins Field Airport Property Drainage Assessment JMAA Project No. 004--22 at Hawkins Field.

JMAA will receive sealed electronic or printed submissions only. All submissions of Statement of Qualifications to perform the Services will be accepted until Wednesday, April 6, 2022at 4:00 p.m. Central Standard Time (CST) on (the "Deadline"). RFQ shall be accepted by email, mail, or hand delivery as follows: Email: bids@jmaa.com
By mail or hand delivery:JMAA's Administrative Office, Suite 300
Main Terminal Building
Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport 100 International Drive, Jackson, Mississippi 39208

JMAA will not consider any Statement of Qualifications received after Deadline for any reason whatsoever. Information for Respondents relating to this Request for Statement of Qualifications ("RFQ") is on file and open for the public inspection at the offices of JMAA. The Information for Respondents contains a copy of the RFQ, 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. Marvin Buckhalter, JMAA, Director of Procurement, as follows:
Jackson Municipal Airport Authority Attn: Marvin Buckhalter
Director of Procurement
100 International Drive, Suite 300
Jackson, MS 39208
Telephone: (601) 664-3516
Facsimile: (601) 939-3713 Email: mbuckhalter@jmaa.com
or JMAA's website at <https://jmaa.com/corporate/partner-with-us/procurement>.

JMAA will hold a Pre-Submission Video Conference on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. (CST) using the following login information:
Join Zoom Meeting
Link: <https://jmaa.zoom.us/j/6895798393?pwd=TzV2YUtsUEw2QVVLdnovc0hISWN6QT09>

Meeting ID: 689 579 8393
Passcode: 079743

Attendance at the Pre-Submission Video Conference is mandatory for all those submitting Statement of Qualifications as a Prime Consultant for the Services.

After evaluation in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFQ, JMAA will initiate negotiations with theRespondent marked 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. In that event, JMAA will follow the same process with the other Respondents, in the order of their ranking, until a Respondent agrees to and enters into an agreement satisfactory to JMAA.

JMAA reserves the right to: (1) reject any and all Statement of Qualifications, for any reason, any time before execution of a contract with a Respondent selected by JMAA to perform the Services, and (2) waive any and all informalities and irregularities in the selection process.

JMAA has established a DBE contract goal of 30.00 % for the Services solicited by this RFQ. JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY DATE: 02/16/2022

Paul A. Brown, Chief Executive Officer

2/17/2022, 2/24/2022

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Electronic Bidding Advertisement for
Bid 3200 Newell Field Renovations

Electronic and sealed bid proposals for the above bid will be received by the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, in the Business Office, 662 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi, until 10:00 A.M. (Local Prevailing Time) March 7, 2022 at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. A Pre-Bid Conferences concerning this project will be held at 800 Riverside Dr, Jackson, MS 39202 on February 11, 2022 at 02:00 P.M. Attendance at the pre-bid conferences is non-mandatory but strongly encouraged. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to withhold the acceptance of any bid if approved for forty-five calendar days from the date bids are opened

Plan holders are required to register and order bid documents at www.jpdsmsprojects.com. A \$500.00 non-refundable deposit shall be required on each set of bid documents and must be purchased through the website. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address for registration. Questions regarding website registration and online orders please contact Plan House Printing, 607 W. Main Street, Tupelo, MS 38804, (662) 407-0193. Questions regarding bid documents please contact Preston Mckay at M3A Architecture, 4880 McWillie Circle, Jackson, MS 39206, Phone: 601-981-1227, or Email: pmckay@m3aarch.com.

Until further notice, all hand delivery proposals delivered between 9:00 a.m. until 9:59 a.m. (local prevailing time) the date the bid is scheduled to open, must be delivered to JPSD Board Room, 621 South State Street, Jackson, MS 39201.

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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, March 8, 2022, 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:

88598-030822 – Twenty-Four Month Supply of Swimming Pool Purification Chemicals

BIDS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT WWW.JACKSONMS.GOV, WWW.CENTRALBIDDING.COM

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, and 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 pre-condition 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 the 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, and 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 effect will be included on the proposal form. The absence of such statement means the City will make that determination during the bid review.

Monica Oliver Acting Purchasing Manager

Purchasing Division

(601) 960-1025 or 1028

2/17/2022, 2/24/2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4164

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 Terrence Brent, Sr. has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Use Permit to allow for a night club and bar within a C-2 (Limited) Commercial District on property located at 540 Raymond Rd., - Suite 2 (Parcel 217-9), in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

A certain parcel of land situated in the East 1/2 of the Southwest Quarter of Section 8, Township 5 North, Range 1 East, Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Southwest corner of that certain ten acre tract conveyed by Henry and Anne Moore to W.E. Johnson by Warranty Deed recorded in Deed Book 227 at Page 126 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi; run thence Easterly along the South line of said ten acre tract for a distance of 4.0 feet to the Point of Beginning of the parcel of land herein described; from said Point of Beginning, turn thence left through a deflection angle of 88 degrees 21 minutes 49 seconds and run Northerly 4.0 feet East of and parallel to the West line of said ten acre tract for a distance of 458.20 feet; turn thence left through an interior angle of 91 degrees 38 minutes 11 seconds and run Easterly for a distance of 481.43 feet to a point on the East line of said ten acre tract; said point also being on the West line of Glenwood Subdivision, a subdivision according to the map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi; turn thence left through an interior angle of 88 degrees 25 minutes 10 seconds and run Southerly along the East line of said ten acre tract and West line of Glenwood Subdivision for a distance of 183.19 feet; turn thence left through an interior angle of 91 degrees 34 minutes 50 seconds and run Westerly for a distance of 175.0 feet; turn thence left through an interior angle of 268 degrees 25 minutes 10 seconds and run Southerly for a distance of 275.0 feet to the South line of said ten acre tract; turn thence left through an interior angle of 91 degrees 34 minutes 50 seconds and run Westerly along the South line of said ten acre tract for a distance of 306.88 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 172,498.08 square feet or 3.96 acres, 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, February 23, 2022, 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.

DUE TO COVID-19 AND THE CONCERN FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE, THE PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS AND THE APPLICANTS HAVE THE OPTION TO ATTEND THE MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE/VIDEO OR IN PERSON WITH REGARDS TO THE WEARING OF MASKS AND THE SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND VIA TELECONFERENCE/VIDEO BY EMAILING EAINSWORTH@CITY.JACKSON.MS.US TO REGISTER PRIOR TO FEBRUARY 16, 2022.

WITNESS my signature this 24th day of January 2022.

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

2/3/2022, 2/17/2022

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ORDINANCE GRANTING MILTORIA HEATH A REZONING FROM I-1 (LIGHT) INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT TO R-4 (LIMITED MULTI-FAMILY) RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT WITH A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR A COMMERCIAL CHILDCARE CENTER FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1110 NOEL ST. (PARCEL 65-81-1), CASE NO. 4141.

WHEREAS, Miltoria Heath has filed a petition to rezone property located at 1110 Noel St. (Parcel 65-81-1), in the City of Jackson, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, from I-1 (Light) Industrial District to R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District with a Use Permit to allow for a commercial childcare center; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Planning Board, after holding the required public hearing, has recommended the approval of the rezoning of the property at 1110 Noel St. (Parcel 65-81-1) from I-1 (Light) Industrial District to R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District with a Conditional Use Permit to allow for a commercial childcare center; and

WHEREAS, notice was duly and legally given to property owners and interested citizens that a meeting of the Jackson City Council would be held at the City Hall at 2:30 p.m., Monday, September 20, 2021 to consider said change, based upon the record of the case as developed before the City Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, it appeared to the satisfaction of the Jackson City Council that notice of said petition had been published in the Mississippi Link on August 5, 2021 and August 19, 2021 that a hearing had been held by the Jackson City Planning Board on August 25, 2021, all as provided for by ordinances of the City of Jackson and the laws of the State of Mississippi, and that the Jackson City Planning Board had recommended the rezoning of the property located at 1110 Noel St. (Parcel 65-81-1) from I-1 (Light) Industrial District to R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District with a Conditional Use Permit; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Council after having considered the matter, is of the opinion that such changes would be in keeping with sound land use practice and to the best interest of the City and that there has been a substantial change in the land use character of the surrounding area that justifies rezoning the property and there is a public need for additional property in that area zoned in accordance with said application since any previous City Council action; and

WHEREAS, the Council, after having considered the matter, is also of the opinion that the proposed use would not be detrimental to the continued use, value or development of properties in the vicinity and that a Conditional Use Permit be granted to allow for the operation of a commercial childcare center within a R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District of the City of Jackson.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI:

SECTION 1. That the property located in the City of Jackson, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, more particularly described as follows:

Being a part of block A of split addition to the city of Jackson, and recorded in surveyor's record book "A" at page 263 in the office of the chancery clerk of the first judicial district of Hinds County, Mississippi and being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the southwest corner of said block "A" of Split addition and in aid of this description reference made to a later survey of said property, known as school subdivision, a plat of which is of record in the chancery clerk's office above mentioned and the property herein conveyed is situated upon thereon as an unnumbered lot in the southwest corner of said plat, thence run north 88 degrees 31 minutes east along the north line of bell street as shown on said school subdivision plat 210.0 feet to an iron pin being 85.0 feet measured along the north line of bell street from the found iron at the southeast corner of lot 20 of block C of said school subdivision; thence north 10 degrees 25 minutes east along the west side of A 10 foot alley a distance of 105.1 feet to an iron pin marking the point of beginning of the property described herein; thence continue north 10 degrees 25 minutes east along last mentioned call 89.1 feet to an iron pin in the south right of way of Noel Avenue as shown on aforesaid school subdivision said iron pin being 353.6 feet measured along the south line of Noel Avenue from the northeast corner of lot 12, block C of said school line of Noel Avenue 122.2 feet; thence south 01 degree 53 minutes east 91.8 feet; thence north 85 degrees 59 minutes east 103.3 feet to the point of beginning and containing 0.231 acres, more or less.

is hereby modified so as to approve the rezoning of the property located at 1110 Noel St. (Parcel 65-81-1) from I-1 (Light) Industrial District to R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District with a Conditional Use Permit to allow for a commercial childcare center. The conditions of the Use Permit are that it shall be granted on an annual basis; be granted to Miltoria Heath, the owner/operator of the commercial childcare center; and that subsequent owners or operator of a commercial childcare center at this location must apply for and receive a new Use Permit. However, that before for any structure is erected or use thereof on the said property, the applicant must meet the requirements established through the Site Plan Review process. The Zoning Administrator is ordered to note such change on the Official Zoning Map to the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

SECTION 2. That the cost of publication of this Ordinance shall be borne by the petitioner.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after its passage and after publication of same by the petitioner.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; Council Member Banks seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Lee, and Lindsay.
Nays – None.
Absent – Grizzell, Hartley, and Stokes.

ATTEST:

Angela Harris
Municipal Clerk

I, Angela Harris, the duly appointed qualified Municipal Clerk and lawful custodian of records 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 September 20, 2021 and recorded in Minute Book "6T".

WITNESS my signature and official seal of office, this the 2nd day of November, 2021.



Angela Harris
Angela Harris, Municipal Clerk

2/17/2022

PICK UP
THE MISSISSIPPI LINK
AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

JACKSON
BULLY'S RESTAURANT

3118 Livingston Road
CASH & CARRY
Capitol Street and Monument Street
CITY HALL
219 S President St
GARRETT OFFICE COMPLEX

2659 Livingston Road
DOLLAR GENERAL
3957 Northview Dr (North Jackson)
DOLLAR GENERAL
2030 N Siwell Rd
DOLLAR GENERAL
4331 Highway 80W
DOLLAR GENERAL
5990 Medgar Evers Blvd
DOLLAR GENERAL
1214 Capitol St (Downtown Jackson)
DOLLAR GENERAL
304 Briarwood Dr
DOLLAR GENERAL
2855 McDowell Rd
DOLLAR GENERAL
104 Terry Rd
J & A FUEL STORES
3249 Medgar Evers Blvd.
LIBERTY BANK AND TRUST
2325 Livingston Rd.
MCDADE'S MARKET
Northside Drive
MCDADE'S MARKET #2
653 Duling Avenue
PICADILLY CAFETERIA
Jackson Medical Mall
350 W Woodrow Wilson Avenue
SHELL FOOD MART
5492 Watkins Drive

SPORTS MEDICINE
Fortification and I-55
MURPHY USA
6394 Ridgewood Rd (North Jackson)
REVELL ACE HARDWARE
Terry Rd (South Jackson)
WALGREENS
380 W. Woodrow Wilson Ave

CANTON
A & I
716 Roby Street - Canton, MS
B & B
702 West North Street - Canton, MS
BOUTIQUE STORE
3355 North Liberty - Canton, MS
BULLY'S STORE
Church Street - Canton, MS
COMMUNITY MART
743 Ruby Street - Canton, MS
FRYER LANE GROCERY
Martin Luther King Drive - Canton, MS
HAMLIN FLORAL DESIGN
285 Peace Street - Canton, MS
JOE'S SANDWICH & GROCERY
507 Church Street - Canton, MS
K & K ONE STOP
110 West Fulton Street - Canton, MS
LACY'S INSURANCE
421 Peace Street - Canton, MS
SOUL SET BARBER SHOP
257 Peace Street - Canton, MS
TRAILER PARK GROCERY
22 Westside Drive - Canton, MS

BYRAM
DOLLAR GENERAL
125 Swinging Bridge Dr.
HAVIOR'S AUTO CARE
5495 I-55 South Frontage Road

VOWELL'S MARKET PLACE
5777 Terry Road
CITY HALL
Terry Road

CLINTON
DOLLAR GENERAL
807 Berkshire St - Clinton, MS

TERRY
SERVICE STATION
at Exit 78
CITY HALL
West Cunningham Avenue

RAYMOND
HINDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE
WELCOME CENTER
505 E. Main Street
SUNFLOWER GROCERY
122 Old Port Gibson Street,
Raymond, MS
LOVE FOOD MART
120 E. Main Street,
Raymond, MS
RAYMOND PUBLIC LIBRARY
126 W. Court Street, Raymond, MS
RAYMOND CITY HALL
110 Courtyard Square, Raymond
RAYMOND COURTHOUSE

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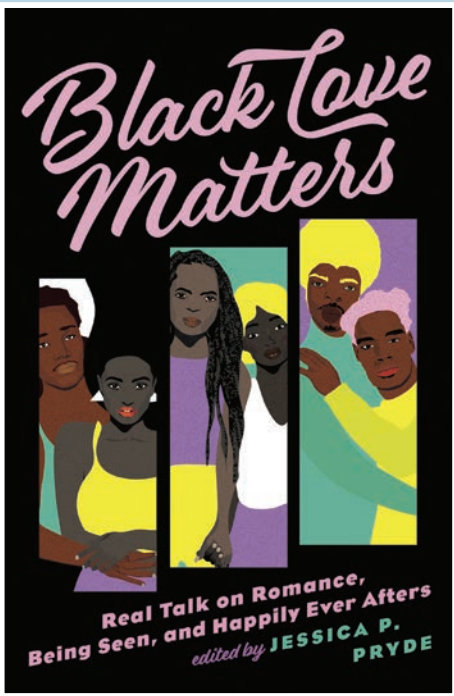


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BOOK REVIEW:
BLACK LOVE MATTERS:
REAL TALK ON ROMANCE, BEING SEEN,
AND HAPPILY EVER AFTERS
EDITED BY JESSICA P. PRYDE
C.2022, BERKLEY
17.00 • 263 PAGES

By Terri Schlichenmeyer
Columnist

Bodice-rippers. That’s what they’re sometimes called: you know, those romance books that feature a hard-bodied, handsome man on the cover, and he’s holding the shoulders of a lovely, swooning woman wearing a dress with a ripped bodice. Steamy inside and out, but does the couple in question look like you? In the new book, “Black Love Matters,” edited by Jessica P. Pryde, they might. For much of history, black love didn’t end in Happily Ever


After (called “HEA” in several places in this book). Black love was controlled by someone else, or it was hard to keep, or it was just plain forbidden. As for black literature, it was much the same – until the late 1800s, when poet and activist Frances Ellen Watkins Harper wrote what may be the first black romance novel, *Iola Leroy*, or *Shadows Uplifted*. In the couple decades after Harper’s book was released, fans might’ve seen black romance stories in black newspapers here and there. In the middle of the last century, readers could find

magazines with spicy titles that featured kiss-and-tell stories. It wasn’t until the 90s that romance authors began writing specifically for a black audience, and readers in the know learned to look for certain authors or publishers to find love literature. Seeing those books on the shelf, says contributor Allie Parker, is what representation is all about; the characters in black romance books show a reader that HEA is possible and “That people like you are worth rooting for.” Carole V. Bell says romance

novels are “inextricably bound in black solidarity.” Nicole M. Jackson says it’s now very possible to find queer black romances, if you want them. Jasmine Guillory says that readers shouldn’t be surprised if there’s lots of food involved because “When I love someone... I want to feed them.” And yet, editor Pryde calls for integration. “We might want more black couples in our media,” she says, “but not at the expense of the relationships those people were already in. Just give us more. Give

us balance.” It’s about time, isn’t it? Time that a book like “Black Love Matters” brings a rarely-talked-about subject to the forefront and asks why black readers have had to wait to see themselves and their history inside the kinds of books that white readers take for granted. In this book, you’ll learn the history of black romance novels. Readers and writers weigh in on the delight they’ve felt when they’ve discovered black romances on a shelf somewhere, the reason they sometimes hid

those novels from others, and what’s being done to promote black love stories. The entire genre, overall, has often been dismissed as fluff but the contributors here explain why it’s important to give black love stories their own HEA. In the purest sense, this is a love letter to black romance novels. The bonus is that romance readers will find lots of great recommendations, so bring your Must-Have List with you when you start “Black Love Matters. It’s a book you’ll rip through, quick.



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~ FANNIE LOU HAMER

AARP Mississippi

Celebrate Black History Month With Us!

Join AARP Mississippi for a virtual tour of the Mound Bayou Museum of African American History and Culture.

Tuesday, February 22, 2022
6 p.m. CST

Register for this free event at
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Hinds County School District Weekly Update

ENGAGING-EMPOWERING-ENSURING-EXCELLENCE

To celebrate their 100th Day of School, students across the district showed how they are 100 Days smarter.



Gary Road Elementary students held a Senior Citizen Day dress up day. These cute “centenarians” have grown and learned a lot over the last 100 days of school.

Ebony Perry and her Kindergarten students at GRE celebrate 100 Days of School.

Yolanda Bell’s Pre-K class at Bolton- Edwards Elementary/ Middle School showing how they are 100 Days smarter.

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3. Immunization Record (State of Mississippi Form # 121)
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5. Two proofs of residency

Applications are available at www.hinds.k12.ms.us or may be picked up at Bolton-Edwards Elementary/Middle School, Utica Elementary/Middle School, Gary Road Elementary School, Raymond Elementary School, or the Bolton, Edwards, Utica, and Terry libraries.

Medgar Evers Library showcases Black History Month exhibit

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By Jackie Hampton
Publisher

The Jackson Medgar Evers Library, which was named for the Civil Rights activist Medgar Evers and where a historic statue of Evers is located, went all out

with a Black History Exhibit. When you enter the foyer, a display borrowed from the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum can be seen.

As you enter the library, life size stand-ups of various well

known artists, entertainers, activists, etc. are on display. These works of art were created by management and staff at the library.

Anne Sanders, branch librarian, stated, "I am extremely proud of the entire exhibit and we invite

the public to stop by anytime during the month of February to view the exhibit."

Library hours are Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



How did Black History Month get started?

In 1926, Woodson initiated the first "Negro History Week" on Feb. 7 to celebrate and raise awareness of Black history. And in 1976, said Texas A&M University Afro-American history professor Albert Broussard, this turned into a month-long celebration and was renamed Black History Month.

