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Pearl H.S. student leaps a major life hurdle in pursuit of track dream

Holmes native says 'faith' propels his resilience after head surgery

By Gail H.M. Brown, Ph.D. Contributing Writer

"Cason has an energy and enthusiasm that is so infectious that it causes those around him to want to do the same," said proud Brandon native Dameon Hughes, about his son.

Hughes' remark stemmed from a family amazement of how well Cason Hughes, a track and field athlete, dealt with and is stilling dealing with an unexpected medical disruption.

That disruption imposed itself on Cason during his eighth-grade track season at Pearl Junior High School in Pearl, Miss. Doctors diagnosed a serious sinus infection near his brain that required major surgery. The news was a blow to the family.

According to his father, Cason had become quite good at track in junior high.

Dameon Hughes shared the following about Cason's athletic ability and attitude surrounding the surgery:

"Initially running off pure talent, Cason began to harness his craft by devoting himself to practice and hard work. This hard work has led to numerous top 10 and 20 finishes among hundreds of runners. Cason found joy in continuing his development as a

While the surgery was necessary it certainly led to plenty of concern for his family and



Cason Hughes



Hughes running in the Pearl Pirates Cross Country

friends, but in true fashion, Cason kept a positive attitude. The morning following his surgery even caught the surgeon and staff by surprise. When asked how he felt, Cason responded with a confident, "I feel great!"

His maternal grandmother Audrey Anderson, of Holmes County, said, "He was the strength through it all; I know he was nervous but he was the strength to help us go through what he was going through. He was playing his games and everything the next day."

The Pearl Pirate track athlete has not been released by doctors to return running. "They want to check him out again in six months to make sure he is healing correctly," said Anderson.

In a virtual interview Sunday evening with The Mississippi Link, the 14-year-old Cason, accompanied by his backyard running canine buddy Kash, was still feeling great. He has recently begun his ninth-grade year at Pearl

When asked what kept him from stressing out about his health scare, he replied, "Faith and really praying. Having faith that I can get through anything. I always said in my head while I was in the hospital, you can do all things through Christ who strengthens you. That's how I got through it."

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Explosive revelations spark renewed calls for Justice Thomas' resignation

By Stacy M. Brown NNPA Newswire Senior Correspondent

In what activist Sherrilyn Ifill called a crisis in which everyone needs to start treating it as such, more stunning revelations have surfaced over lavish gifts accepted and not previously disclosed by Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas.

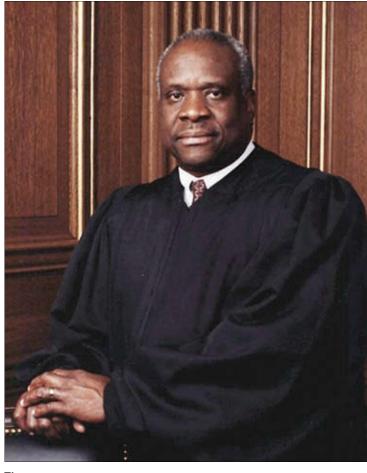
Now, Democratic lawmakers are taking to social media to demand Thomas step down. The calls for his resignation come after another shocking investigative report by ProPublica.

The exposé, released Thursday, Aug. 10, delves into undisclosed luxury vacations and gifts Thomas received from affluent individuals. The revelation has again ignited a firestorm of outrage and ethical concerns.

"Justice Thomas has brought shame upon himself and the United States Supreme Court with his acceptance of massive, repeated and undisclosed gifts," Rep. Ted Lieu (D-Calif.) tweeted on the social media platform now known as X.

"No government official, elected or unelected, could ethically or legally accept gifts of that scale. He should resign immediately."

The damning ProPublica report exposed that Thomas re-



ceived a minimum of 38 destination vacations, 26 private jet flights, numerous VIP passes to sporting events, and two lavish resort stays, all financed by billionaire backers, during his tenure on the bench.

The report argued that Thomas may have violated legal requirements by failing to disclose these extravagant travels and luxury engagements.

ProPublica reported that Thomas, typically "perched in

the skybox at sporting events, had at least two stays at luxury resorts in Florida and Jamaica; and one standing invitation to an uber-exclusive golf club overlooking the Atlantic coast.

"This accounting of Thomas' travel, revealed for the first time here from an array of previously unavailable information, is the fullest to date of the generosity that has regularly afforded Thomas a lifestyle far beyond what his income could provide. And it is almost certainly an undercount," the report asserted. ProPublica continued:

"While some of the hospitality, such as stays in personal homes, may not have required disclosure, Thomas appears to have violated the law by failing to disclose flights, yacht cruises and expensive sports tickets, according to ethics experts."

Politico noted that at least four other House Democrats also called for Thomas' resignation, including Reps. Pramila Jayapal (D-Wash.), Bill Pascrell (D-N.J), Gerry Connolly (D-Va.) and Hank Johnson (D-Ga.).

"Unprecedented. Stunning. Disgusting. The height of hypocrisy to wear the robes of a #SCOTUS and take undisclosed

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Right-wing politics consuming evangelical **Christians**

Some evangelical Christian conservatives now balking at the very teachings of Jesus

By Christopher Young Contributing Writer

It's a hard concept to grasp, the idea of evangelical Christians questioning the teachings of Jesus. That's the core of what evangelicalism is. It's like a hot dog bun rejecting a hot dog, it just makes no sense. Yet that is a new reality being exposed by Russell Moore, the editor-in-chief of Christianity Today.

Reverend Russell Moore, a native Mississippian, was ordained at Bay Vista Baptist Church in Biloxi, and he and his wife Maria are the parents of five sons. They live in Nashville, where he teaches the Bible regularly at their congregation, Immanuel Church.

Moore was president of the Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention from 2013 to 2021. When he had the integrity to speak out publicly against Donald Trump it caused quite an uproar, per numerous sources, but ultimately, he remained until the end of his term, then resigned and departed the Southern Baptist Convention

Prior to that role, Moore served as provost and dean of the Southern Baptist Theo-



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Kentucky, where he also taught theology and ethics.

Just before the Trump election he penned an op-ed for the New York Times titled, Have Evangelicals Who Support Trump Lost Their Values? The piece was published September 17, 2015, six weeks prior to the 2016 general election.

He wrote in part, "Most illogical is his support from evangelicals and other social conservatives. To back Mr. Trump, these voters must repudiate everything they believe." Later in the article he said, "When evangelicals should be leading the way on racial rec-

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Trump and 18 allies charged in Georgia election meddling as former president faces 4th criminal case

By Kate Brumback and Eric Tucker Retired MS Attorney and Judge

Donald Trump and 18 allies were indicted in Georgia Monday over their efforts to overturn his 2020 election loss in the state, with prosecutors using a statute normally associated with mobsters to accuse the former president, lawyers and other aides of a "criminal enterprise" to keep him in power.

The nearly 100-page indictment details dozens of acts by Trump or his allies to undo his defeat, including beseeching Georgia's Republican secretary of state to find enough votes for him to win the battleground state; harassing an election worker who faced false claims of fraud; and at-



tempting to persuade Georgia lawmakers to ignore the will of voters and appoint a new slate of electoral college electors favorable to Trump.

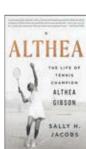
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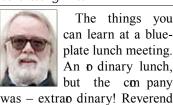
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What in the world is metanoia?

Complicated and simple rolled into one, but God knows Mississippi needs it desperately

By Christopher Young Contributina Writer



The things you can learn at a blueplate lunch meeting. An o dinary lunch, but the cm pany

Cary Stockett, senio pasto at Galloway United Methodist Church in downtown Jackson, is easily among the most leare d, wise and humble people I've had the pleasure to meet since making Jackson my **e** w h**m** e. He carries immense responsibilities yet is always willing to maket imef o o thers.

At sm e point between the iced tea and the lunch plates being served, we began discussing the things that ancho Mississippi to the bottm, and what it will take to bring about change. That's when he laid it on me – metanoia. He described the wo d very much like Merriam-Webster does: "a transfo mative change of heart, especially a spiritual conversion." It rang like a golden bell in my mind – thep uresto ft ruth.

"Metanoia is a term deeply rooted in ancient Greek culture, signifying a profound transfo mation of the heart o a funda-

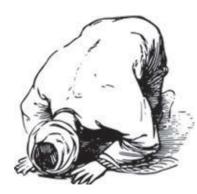


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mental shift in one 's mindset. This transfo mative change involves a reevaluation of on 's values, beliefs o perspectives, leading to personal growth and self-improvement," per https:// enlightio.com.

Here in Mississippi, it's so cm plicated – o iginating with the extreme sin of slavery and what has followed and what has remain d. "The Confederate Diaspo a has contributed to systemic racism in almost every area of life, and it continues to shape racial in quities in labo, housing and policing," researchers wrote, per NBC News on Jun 2 1,2 0 3.

"The Confederate States of America was a big, centralized state, devoted to securing a so-



Mississippi Capitol with Confederate monument in foreground. PHOTO BY CHRIS YOUNG

ciety in which enslavement to white people was the permae nt and inherited condition of all people of African descent," per The Atlantic on Jun 21, 20 0. Thisr emainst ruet oday.

The Governo of Mississippi proclaims Confederate Heritage Month each April, and the last Monday in April is a state holiday - you guessed it, Confederate Memo ial Day – it's written into the code. Yet there are no such proclamations in February fo Black Histo y Month. Mo eover, the Mississippi legislature has bane d critical race theo y frm being taught in public schools. Just a theo y mind you yet it hits too close to hm e fo the majo ity of the white republican legislato s. We **n** ed metanoia. We need a transfo mative changeo f hearta n**th** ind.

Another example, in Mississippi we have a Supreme Court made up of nia justices, only on of the justices is African-American, and that has remaie d that way since 1985, despite a minimum of 38% of Mississippi's population being black. Also, the court has only on female justice, despite the Census telling us that Mississippi's population is 51.4% female. What will it take fo the court of last resort to reflect the people it serves?

We are often said to be the most church-attending state in the nation, while simultan ously being the poorest state in the nation, 51,56% higher poverty than the U.S. average. Per welfareinfo.org our overall poverty rate is 19.4%. Mississippi's children aged frm birth to seventeen years old have a poverty rate of 57.9 %. A state full of Christians, a church on every co a r, but over half the children in the state live in povngodly!

A special session of the legislature is called to give \$247 million of taxpayer mon y to a cm pany (Steel Dynamics) that repo ted \$6.9 billion in revenues in 20 0, yet over half our children live in poverty – sinful.

Is the state addressing this devastating reality? No it is not, instead white people in power have been caught stealing the very funds that are provided as a safety net, a deep and sick mindset which lacks basic human regard for others. We need metanoia – we need transformative change, spiritual conversion.

White legislators, carrying the white supremacy mindset they were born and raised with, crafted bills last January to take over our capital city of Jackson; a glowing example of Jim Crow 2.0 being alive and well in Mississippi. Each one of these racist bills are now caught up in the

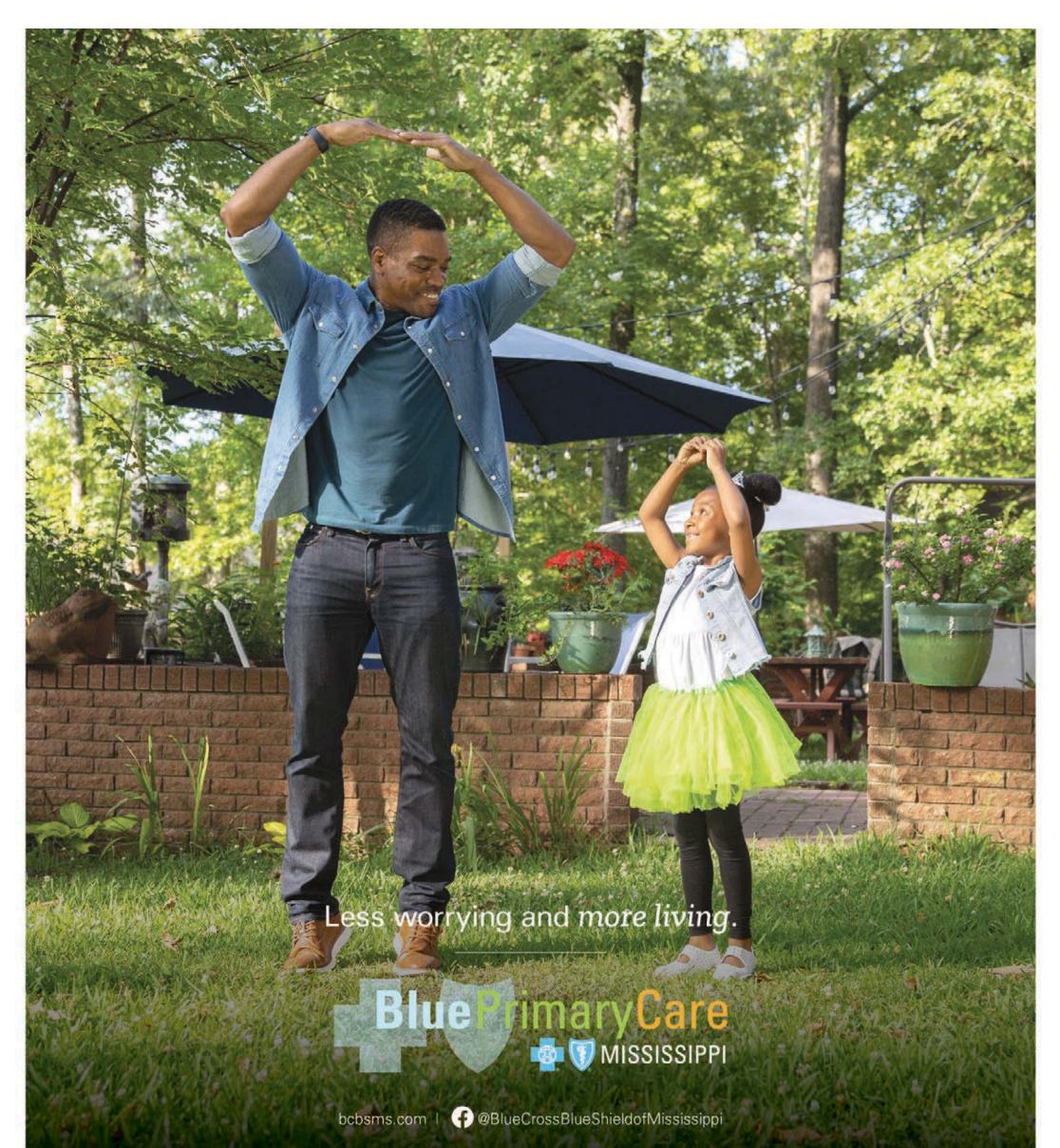
We hear politicians drowning on about securing our elections and eliminating ballot harvesting, but recently when called into U.S. District Court state officials had no evidence to present, per *npr.org* on July 26, 20 3. My own mother used to say, "well let's just continue to pray that God will soften their hearts," when referring to people who do ugly and unchristian

Mississippi's healthcare system and overall life expectancy are ranked dead-last in the nation. You would reasonably expect that those seeking elected office in our recent primaries, both incumbents and n wcm ers alike, would be making pledges to address this most fundamental issue - ho rible health are. A very few did, most did not.

Our state health are system is rotting on the vie while our elected leaders cannot agree on a plan for co rective action. No state in the country had mo e Covid deaths than Mississippi. Alwaysl ast.

During a recent road trip travelling east I was listening to Geo gia Public Radio and a sho t prm otional between segments said, "Geo gia has such a rich histo y and continues to growa nd hange."

When will we change? What must happen befo e we shed the shackles of white supremacy; befo e we emerge from the darke ss into the light; befo e we experience a transfo mative change of heart; befo e we follow the most basic teaching of Christ, to love your a ighbo as yourself?



Evangelicals

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onciliation, as the Bible tells us to, are we really ready to trade unity with our black and brown brothers and sisters for this angry politi-

Another issue that Moore has been vocal about is the Southern Baptist Convention's handing of allegations of sexual abuse. When he spoke to CNN May 23, 2022, the day the damning report was released, he shared, "This is huge. There were many who told us we were wrong to say that sexual abuse in the Southern Baptist Convention is a crisis. This report reveals that crisis is too small of a word. This is an apocalypse, an unveiling, a meltdown."

Moore continued.

"Frankly, there has to be more than just structural reform, there's a cultural problem here that has to be addressed," Moore said. "I'm talking about a culture that could allow this kind of intimidation and harassment and retaliation against innocent people. The sort of callous inhumanity that we could see in these reports...will require not just bad people to be held accountable, although that's true, but for good people to not look away."

A few days ago. National Public Radio sat down with Moore to discuss his new book, Losing Our Religion: An Altar Call For Evangelical America. Interviewer Scott Detrow asked Moore why he thinks that Christianity is in crisis today in America, and his response was confirmation of what we have been witnessing.

"Well, it was the result of having multiple pastors tell me essentially the same story about quoting the Sermon on the Mount parenthetically in their preaching – turn the other cheek – to have someone come up after and to say, where did you get those liberal talking points? And what was alarming to me is that in most of these scenarios, when the pastor would say, I'm literally quoting Jesus Christ, the response would not be, I apologize. The response would be, yes, but that doesn't work anymore. That's weak. And when we get to the point where the teachings of Jesus himself are seen as subversive to us, then we're in a crisis," said Reverend Moore.

When he was asked if he thought the current all-or-nothing cultural warfare was sustainable, Moore indicated, "I really do think that it's not sustainable in terms of there's a passage in the scripture that says, beware, if you bite and scratch at one another, that you do not devour one another. And I think in American life right now, we're starting to realize we're devouring one another."

Near the end of the interview Moore offered an important perspective leaning toward solution. "Every - almost every part of American life is tribalized and factionalized. But it shouldn't be that way in the church. The very existence of the church is to mean a group of people who are reconciled to God and to each other and, from the very beginning, was standing apart from those sorts of factions. And so, I think if we're going to get past the blood and soil sorts of nationalism or all of the other kinds of totalizing cultural identities, it's going to require rethinking what the church is. And I don't think that's something new. I think it's very old. I think it's recovering a first century understanding of what it means to be the church."

It sure is refreshing to see a Christian pastor behave as a Christian and rise to the responsibility to publicly stand-up speaking truth, regardless of consequences. Reverend Moore reveals in the broad light of day how so many who claim to be Christian have lost their moorings in favor of white nationalism, which is as he points out, not at all in keeping with the teachings of Christ.

Go to https://www.npr.org/2023/08/05/1192374014/russellmoore-on-altar-call-for-evangelical-america to read or listen to the entire interview.

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gifts from billionaires who benefit from your decisions," Jayapal posted on X. "Resign."

Democrats in the Senate have attempted to push legislation that would reform the Supreme Court's ethical guidelines to in-

That bill passed committee but is unlikely to get through a full Senate. "I said it would get worse; it will keep getting worse," Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse (D-R.I.), who helped spearhead the bill, said on X in response to the report.

"The latest ProPublica revelation of unreported lavish gifts to Justice Clarence Thomas makes it clear: these are not merely ethical lapses," Senate Judiciary Chair Dick Durbin wrote on X. "This is a shameless lifestyle underwritten for years by a gaggle of fawning billionaires."

Perhaps even more significant, the pattern exposes consistent violations of judicial norms, experts, including seven current and former federal judges appointed by both parties, told Pro-Publica.

Earlier this year, ProPublica revealed Texas real estate billionaire Harlan Crow's generosity toward Thomas, including vacations, private jet flights, gifts, the purchase of his mother's house in Georgia and tuition payments.

The new report said the New York Times also noted revelations about wealthy business people Thomas met through the Horatio Alger Association, an exclusive nonprofit. Among them were David Sokol, a former top executive at Berkshire Hathaway and H. Wayne Huizenga, a billionaire who turned Blockbuster and Waste Management into national goliaths.

ProPublica pointed out that the *Times* reported that Thomas gives access to the Supreme Court building for Horatio Alger

events. Such access costs at least \$1,500 in donations per person. According to ProPublica, Thomas once complained that he sacrificed wealth to sit on the court.

"The job is not worth doing for what they pay," he told the bar association in Savannah, Georgia, in 2001, "but it is worth doing for the principle."

Hughes

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He shared also that track was not his first sports choice. "I've always wanted to play football," he said. "My mom wouldn't let me so, I said, I'll try this track thing. I eventually went to try-outs and I made the team. I just love it."

After making the track team Cason poured himself into the sport.

"When I first made the team, I had just gone to seventh-grade. My try-out time wasn't the best but it was 7:45 in the mile. Then a couple months later, we have this thing called "Under the Stars" we do every year at the school [in which] you run a mile with your teammates. I ran 6:24 then. After that, the Cross County season came. This year, we had the mile-time trials, and I ran 5:24 in a mile. In every race this year, I've gotten Top 5, except for the state."

One achievement his proud grandmother shared was when Cason came in 3rd place after running 2 miles with 415 people in 10:48.

Although he is under doctor's orders, Cason said he is still sticking with the track team in high school. "They are allowing me to be a manager," he said.

In five years, he hopes to be running track collegiately and eventually go Pro.

His family says he excels on and off the field. He, his mother Shakita Quarles, and grandmother, attribute much of his academic success to the early learning foundation he receive in the Community Students Learning Center (CSLC) Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY) program in Lexington, Miss. HIPPY is an international research-based "developmentally appropriate, early literacy curriculum designed to promote children's cognitive, social, emotional and physical development" (https://www.hippyus.

"When we started Cason's HIPPY lessons, I remember Where's Spot [by Eric Hill] being his favorite book," said Quarles. "He would read it over and over again."

Beulah Greer, CSLC executive director, also remembers Cason's fondness for that book and his love for then-CSLC HIPPY Coordinator Lula Friar (deceased) in helping him read it.

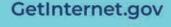
Greer and others also recall taking the HIPPY participants, aka HIPPY kids, on a field trip to thank BankPlus in Jackson for its donation to the program. Senior Vice Presidents David Johnson and Mark Ouelette greeted the little early learners with treats and an opportunity to sit at the conference table. Then Cason began to cry. No one could console him until one of the bankers said, "Come sit here at the head of the table, you can have my seat." Instantly, he stopped crying. Perhaps he was positioning himself for business ownership. He plans to own his own athletic training facility.

"Before Cason was born, I knew he was something special," said Quarles. Cason was born in Holmes County.

"He's the strongest kid I know. His good character doesn't go unnoticed, whether it is being acknowledged by someone he knows or someone he has met for the first time. He is attentive and shows empathy for others. All of these things and more make him the kid that everyone loves."

The HIPPY program will begin this fall serving interested families in the Jackson area. For more information call (662) 834-0905.

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episode, it also outlines a plot involving one of his lawyers to access voting machines in a rural Georgia county and steal data from a voting machine company.

"The indictment alleges that rather than abide by Georgia's legal process for election challenges, the defendants engaged in a criminal racketeering enterprise to overturn Georgia's presidential election result," Fulton County District Attorney Fani Willis, whose office brought the case, said at a late-night Monday news conference.

Other defendants include former White House chief of staff Mark Meadows; Trump attorney and former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani; and a Trump administration Justice Department official, Jeffrey Clark, who aided the then-president's efforts to undo his election loss in Georgia. Other lawyers who advanced legally dubious ideas to overturn the results, including John Eastman, Sidney Powell and Kenneth Chesebro, were also charged.

Willis said the defendants would be permitted to voluntarily surrender by noon Aug. 25. She also said she plans to seek a trial date within six months and that she intends to try the defendants collectively.

The indictment bookends a remarkable crush of criminal cases – four in five months, each in a different city – that would be daunting for anyone, never mind someone like Trump who is simultaneously balancing the roles of criminal defendant and presidential candidate.

It comes just two weeks after the Justice Department special counsel charged him in a vast conspiracy to overturn the election, underscoring how prosecutors after lengthy investigations that followed the Jan. 6, 2021 riot at the U.S. Capitol have now, two-and-a-half years later, taken steps to hold Trump to account for an assault on the underpinnings of American democracy.

The Georgia case covers some of the same ground as Trump's recent indictment in Washington, including attempts he and his allies made to disrupt the electoral vote count at the Capitol. But in its sprawling web of defendants – 19 in total – the indictment stands apart from the more tightly targeted case brought by special counsel Jack Smith, which so far only names Trump as a defendant.

In charging close Trump aides who were referenced by Smith only as unindicted co-conspirators, the Georgia indictment alleges a scale of criminal conduct extending far beyond just the ex-president.

The indictment, with charges under the state's racketeering law and language conjuring the seedy underworld of mob bosses and gang leaders, accuses the former president, his former chief of staff, Trump's attorneys and the ex-New York mayor of being members of a "criminal organization" and "enterprise" that operated in Georgia and other states.

In a statement after the indictment was issued, Trump's legal team said "the events that have unfolded today have been shocking and absurd, starting with the leak of a presumed and premature indictment before the witnesses had testified or the grand jurors had deliberated and ending with the District Attorney being unable to offer any explanation."

The lawyers said prosecutors presenting their case "relied on witnesses who harbor their own personal and political interests – some of whom ran campaigns touting their efforts against the accused."

Trump responded to the indictment Tuesday by announcing a news conference for next week to present yet another "almost complete" report on the alleged fraud he has yet to prove nearly three years after the 2020 election.

Many of the 161 acts by Trump and his associates outlined in the Georgia indictment have

already received widespread attention. That includes a Jan. 2, 2021, call in which Trump urged Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger to "find" the 11,780 votes needed to overturn his election loss. That call, prosecutors said, violated a Georgia law against soliciting a public official to violate their oath.

It also accuses Trump of making false statements and writings for a series of claims he made to Raffensperger and other state election officials, including that up to 300,000 ballots "were dropped mysteriously into the rolls" in the 2020 election, that more than 4,500 people voted who weren't on registration lists and that a Fulton County election worker, Ruby Freeman, was a "professional vote scammer."

Giuliani, meanwhile, is accused of making false statements for allegedly lying to lawmakers by claiming that more than 96,000 mail-in ballots were counted in Georgia despite there being no record of them having been returned to a county elections office, and that a voting machine in Michigan wrongly recorded 6,000 votes for Biden that were actually cast for Trump.

In a statement, Giuliani did not respond directly to the allegations but called the indictment an "affront to American democracy" and "just the next chapter in a book of lies."

Also charged are individuals prosecutors say helped Trump and his allies on the ground in Georgia influence and intimidate election workers.

One man, Stephen Cliffgard Lee, was charged for allegedly traveling to Freeman's home "with intent to influence her testimony." Freeman and her daughter Shaye Moss testified to Congress last year about how Trump and his allies latched onto surveillance footage from November 2020 to accuse both women of committing voter fraud – allegations that were quickly debunked, yet spread widely across conservative media.

Both women, who are black, faced death threats after the election.

The indictment also accuses Powell and several co-defendants of tampering with voting machines in Coffee County, Georgia, and stealing data belonging to Dominion Voting Systems, a producer of tabulation machines that has long been the focus of conspiracy theories. An attorney for Powell declined to comment.

According to evidence made public by the congressional committee investigating the Jan. 6 riot, Trump allies targeted Coffee County in search of evidence to back their theories of widespread voter fraud, allegedly copying data and software.

Besides the two election-related cases, Trump faces a separate federal indictment accusing him of illegally hoarding classified documents as well as a New York state case charging him with falsifying business records.

As indictments mount, Trump – the leading Republican candidate for president in 2024 – often invokes his distinction as the only former president to face criminal charges. He is campaigning and fundraising around these themes, portraying himself as the victim of Democratic prosecutors out to get him.

Republican allies once again quickly rallied to Trump's defense. "Americans see through this desperate sham," House Speaker Kevin McCarthy wrote on X, the platform formerly known as Twitter.

Associated Press writers Jeffrey Martin, Brynn Anderson, Bill Barrow, Jeff Amy in Atlanta; Jill Colvin and Michael R. Sisak in New York; Russ Bynum in Savannah, Georgia; Alanna Durkin Richer in Boston; Farnoush Amiri in Washington; Christine Fernando in Chicago; Rebecca Boone in Boise, Idaho; Denise Lavoie in Richmond, Virginia; and Lea Skene in Baltimore contributed to this report.

VFW announces kickoff of annual \$30,000 scholarship competition

The Mississippi Link Newswire

Commander Glenn Scott of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the US Post 4970 announced the kick-off of this year's VFW's Voice of Democracy Scholarship competition. Local high school students have the opportunity to compete for thousands of dollars in scholarships and a trip to Washington DC.

Students must write and record a three-to-five minute essay on the selected theme using an audio CD or flash drive and present their recording, typed essay and completed

entry form to their local VFW Post by October 31.

The 2023-2024 theme selected is "What Are the Greatest Attributes of Our Democracy?"

All state first-place winners receive a four day trip to Washington, DC and the chance to compete for their share of more than \$150,000 in scholarships. The first-place winner receives a \$30,000 scholarship.

The National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) started the Voice of Democracy Scholarship program in 1947. The VFW became a national sponsor in the late 1950s and assumed sole responsibility for the program in 1961. The competition was created to provide students in grades 9-12 the opportunity to express themselves in regard to democratic ideas and principles.

Around 40,000 students participate in the competition each year and the VFW awards more than \$2.1 million in educational scholarships every year.

Interested students and teachers should contact the Voice of Democracy Chairman at VFW Post 4970 by phone at 601-741-4704 or email the Post at janepederseno3@gmail.com.

NOTICE OF A TAX INCREASE AND A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX LEVIES FOR THE CITY JACKSON, MS

The City of Jackson, Mississippi will hold a public hearing on its proposed budget and proposed tax levies for fiscal year 2023-2024 on Thursday, August 31, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers located in City Hall, 219 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39201.

The City of Jackson, Mississippi is now operating with projected total budget revenues of \$462,856,055 (16.3 percent) or \$75,365,695 of such revenue is obtained through ad valorem taxes. For next fiscal year, the proposed budget has a total projected revenue of \$421,806,603. Of that amount, (18.5 percent) or \$78,146,862 is proposed to be financed through a total ad valorem tax levy.

For next fiscal year, The City of Jackson plans to increase your ad valorem tax millage rate by 2.00 mills from 63.03 mils to 65.03 mills. This increase means that you will pay more in ad valorem taxes on your home, automobile tag, utilities, business fixtures and equipment and rental real property.

Any citizen of The City of Jackson is invited to attend this public hearing on the proposed budget and tax levies for fiscal year 2023-2024, and will be allowed to speak for a reasonable amount of time and offer tangible evidence before any vote is taken.

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I would like to extend my gratitude to the citizens of Hinds County for electing me as the Democratic Nominee for District Attorney. We are proud of our accomplishments, but there is still much progress to be made. VOTE Tuesday, November 7th, 2023 and join me in the fight for a safer Hinds County!

Major family gift helps ensure future for UM programs

Frys designate \$2.5M estate gift to support Ole Miss athletics, business school

By Bill Dabney

Special to The Mississippi Link

Since his graduation from the University of Mississippi in 1980, Bill Fry and his wife, Lee Anne, have frequently offered financial support to his alma mater. And having established two planned gifts, they will continue to give back to Ole Miss long after their The New York City and Oxford

residents have agreed to bequeath a portion of their estate to the university. Estimated at \$2.5 million, the gift will strengthen the School of Business Administration - naming a faculty chair in honor of their two grown children - and support Rebel sports programs via Forever Ole Miss, the Ole Miss Athletics Foundation's planned giving vehicle.

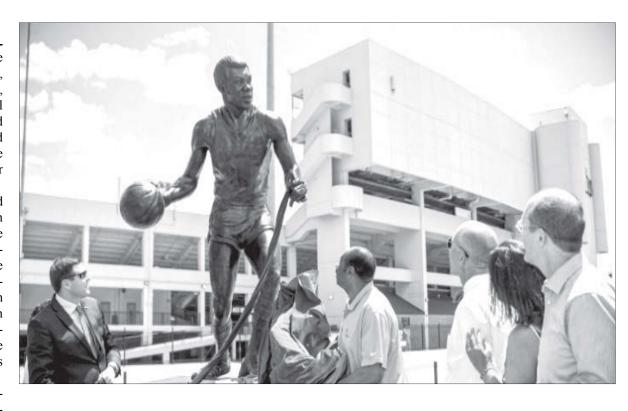
The Frys' estate gift is also included in Now & Ever: The Campaign for Ole Miss - the largest fundraising effort ever in Mississippi higher education with a goal of \$1.5 billion.

Both Now & Ever and Forever Ole Miss provide perfect opportunities to add to their legacy to improve the lives of generations of UM students, professors and Rebel student-athletes, Bill Fry

"Lee Anne and I have been fortunate in our lives and want to be sure we give back in proportion to what we have received," he said. "Ole Miss has been a major part of our families, a source of lifelong friendships and numerous memorable experiences. We are grateful for the opportunity to return our blessings and hope these gifts accelerate our Ole Miss family's impact on the world."

A graduate of the UM public administration program, Bill Fry was inducted into the Ole Miss Alumni Association Hall of Fame in 2012. He earned a master's degree from Harvard Business School in 1990. Between undergraduate and graduate schools, he spent eight years as an officer in the U.S. Navy, last serving as a lieutenant in the nuclear propulsion program.

Fry joined American Securities, a New York-based private equity fund with more than \$30 billion under management, in 2010 as one of the company's partners. Previously, he was CEO of the Oreck Corp. and has also





helmed several entities owned by various private equity firms and public companies, holding positions as president of the Dixie Group, CEO of Bell Sports and Bell Riddell, and president of Easton Bell Sports.

Lee Anne Fry is a graduate of Auburn University who worked as an analyst for the CIA in Washington, D.C., where they met. They have two grown children, Will and Katie, for whom the faculty chair is named.

"What better way to honor your children and tie them to Ole Miss than to endow a chair," Lee Anne

Together, the family enjoys being part of Rebel Nation.

"Athletics has been a rallying point and source of joy for our family for many years. We have enjoyed gathering with friends

and bringing new ones to Ole Miss," Bill Fry said.

"Every new visitor leaves an Ole Miss fan. As Chancellor Robert Khayat often said, athletics are the front porch of the university; and we want our Ole Miss porch to be exciting for fans, rewarding for student-athletes and competing for championships."

Denson Hollis, CEO of the Ole Miss Athletics Foundation, expressed gratitude for the planned

"Their gift will ensure the future of Ole Miss athletics is strengthened as it provides support for departmental leadership in the years ahead," Hollis said.

The Frys' love of Ole Miss athletics led them in 2021 to fund a campus monument in honor of Rebel basketball legend Coolidge Ball, who was inducted into the Ole Miss Alumni Association Hall of Fame the same year.

The couple has committed many gifts to the university, including a 2018 gift in support of the McLean Institute for Public Service and Community Engagement, a 2019 scholarship in memory of their niece and a 2020 planned gift that established a faculty chair in the School of Business Administration.

For almost two decades, Bill Fry has served on the business school's advisory board. The Frys are co-chairing the school's Now

& Ever campaign. "The business school has been tremendously successful in the past decade," Fry said. "We have a Top 10-rated online MBA program, highly rated business school and over 97% of our graduates are employed or in advanced education programs.

"Our professors are among the most published in the SEC. Our faculty and staff have exciting plans and are having a remarkable impact on students. Our graduates are changing the lives of individuals by starting businesses and making opportunities for others."

Ken Cyree, UM business dean, is grateful for the Frys' engagement with the school.

"Their planned gift will ensure that we continue to recruit faculty members with a passion for quality teaching, research and service for future generations of students," Cyree said.

Marc Littlecott, advancement director for estate and planned giving, said testamentary gifts like the Frys' are beneficial to the university and the donors alike.

"Many are under the impression that charitable estate-giving automatically reduces what they can leave to heirs, when in fact that doesn't necessarily have to be the case," Littlecott said. "Leaving meaningful legacy gifts is the kind of perspective our office provides free to friends and alumni like the Frys as they consider options to take to their attorneys."

Mississippi Supreme Court won't remove Favre from lawsuit over misspent welfare money



Former NFL quarterback Brett Favre AP PHOTO/ROGELIO V. SOLIS, FILL

By Emily Wagster Pettus Associated Press

The Mississippi Supreme Court says it will not remove former NFL quarterback Brett Favre as a defendant in a civil lawsuit that seeks to recover millions of dollars of misspent welfare money meant to help some of the poorest people in the United States.

A panel of three justices issued a brief ruling Wednesday, denying an appeal from Favre.

His attorneys said in written arguments in May that the Mississippi Department of Human Services is making "utterly meritless" legal arguments in suing the Pro Football Hall of Famer.

On April 24, Hinds County Circuit Judge Faye Peterson denied Favre's request to be removed from the lawsuit, which has more than three dozen people or businesses as defendants. Favre asked the Supreme Court to overturn Peterson's decision.

Millions of federal welfare dollars for low-income Mississippi residents were squandered on projects supported by wealthy or well-connected people from 2016 to 2019, prosecutors say.

The Department of Human Services' lawsuit, filed in 2022, says money from the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families program was improperly spent, including on projects Favre supported: \$5 million for a volleyball arena at the university he attended and where Favre's daughter played the sport, and \$1.7 million toward development of a concussion treatment drug.

No criminal charges have been brought against Favre, although a former department director and other people have pleaded guilty to their part in the misspending.

In their filing to the state Supreme Court, Favre's attorneys argued that Department of Human Services officials and Nancy New, who directed a nonprofit organization with Human Services contracts, "concocted and carried out the scheme" to direct welfare money toward a volleyball center, and that Favre was not part of the effort.

Attorneys for the state responded that Favre took \$1.1 million in TANF money from Nancy New "for speeches he never made."

"Favre repaid that, but he has neither repaid the \$1.7 million he arranged for his drug company, Prevacus, to receive in exchange for giving Nancy New stock, nor the \$5 million he orchestrated the USM Athletic Department to receive for a volleyball facility," the state attorneys wrote.

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Alpha Delta Zeta Chapter celebrates 85 years of service to the Metro Jackson Area



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Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, Alpha Delta Zeta Chapter, will celebrate its 85th year in existence October 14, 2023.

The chapter has scheduled several events to recognize its charitable contributions to the Metro Jackson area to include community service initiatives, historical marker unveiling, and other chapter membership related activities.

To culminate this special oc-

casion, Alpha Delta Zeta Chapter, in collaboration with the R.O.S.E3 Foundation, will host its 85th Chapter Anniversary Gala on Saturday, October 21, 2023 at the elegant Westin Hotel in the downtown Jackson area. The theme, "Timeless Reflections of Service," honors the rich legacy of serving the community using the foundation set by the charter members, and recognizes the partnerships and accomplishments made since the chapter's inception.

Cocktail hour starts at 6:00 p.m. The doors will open at 6:30

p.m. and the program begins at 7:00 p.m. There will be a blue carpet experience, a museum display of chapter artifacts, a dynamic program, a cash bar and live entertainment.

Tickets will go on sale August 21, 2023. There will be opportunities for sponsorships, ads, reserved tables and individual ticket purchases. Proceeds from the gala will support the programs and activities of Alpha Delta Zeta Chapter and the R.O.S.E3 Foundation. You can email Cynthia Bell at cabell2012@gmail. com.

Alpha Delta Zeta Chapter was charted at 723 Rose Street in Jackson, Mississippi, October 14, 1938. By becoming the first chapter of Zeta Phi Beta to be charted in the state, this action gave birth to establishing a state level for the sorority.

Supported by a membership of over 200+ professional women with diverse backgrounds and skills, the chapter leads the way in orchestrating and implementing top-tier service initiatives

and programs within the Metro Jackson area in partnership with undergraduate members of Zeta, its Youth, Amicae, and Zeta Male Network auxiliaries.

Alpha Delta Zeta members are committed to providing Sisterhood, World-Wide Wellness, Extraordinary Service, and Legacy.

For more information, visit www.adz-1938.org. You may also contact Gretchen McGruder at 601-918-1349/ gretchenmcgruder@yahoo.com

The R.O.S.E3 (Raising Opportunities for Service, Education, and Economic Empowerment) Foundation is the charitable arm of Alpha Delta Zeta established in 2021. It is a ground-up organization that has at its core a commitment to raising opportunities for families and communities to build economic and educational independence. The foundation plans, develops and implements program services, in partnership with other organizations, to provide connected services for individuals and families through its volunteers.

City of Jackson's Neighborhood Services Division (NSD)

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The City of Jackson's Planning and Development Department has officially launched its Neighbo hood Services Division (NSD). The intent of this division is to provide education to the public and strengthen relationships between neighbo hoods and the City of Jackson by collabo ating with the neighbo hood associations, cm munity parta rs, stakeholders and leaders. In an

effort to engage the **n** ighbo-hoods, the NSD is requiring that all **n** ighbo hood associations and **n** ganizations register with the division's Neighbo hood Referral Program via the Open-Gov online po tal at https://jacksonms.viewpointcloud.com.

The framewo k of the Neighbo hood Services Division was instituted by the Healthy Neighbo hood Initiative Program, which will offer capital invest-

ment and funding opportunities to **n** ighbo hoods via their registered **n** ighbo hood associations and organizations.

For more information on the Healthy Neighborhood Initiative Program or how to establish a neighborhood association or to reactivate an existing organization, contact the Neighborhood Services Division, Dr. Robbie Sparkman Smith, manager – email: robbies@jacksonms.gov.

Revival at Green Pastures Church

Revival services will be held at Green Pastures Church, 2239 Flag Chapel Road on August 28, 29, and 30th at 7:00 P.M.

Evangelist Danny Harris will deliver the message each night. Please come and be blessed.

Ten Minutes

By LaShunda Calvert, Ph.D. TIPS for a GOOD MARRIAGE



Many have said that much more could be done if we had more time in the day. Would having additional time in the day resolve most of our issues? If we had more time in the day, would there be more healthy and

happy marriages today? If we had more time in the day, would couples communicate and date more? If we had more time in the day, would we possibly have less separations and divorces today? Just imagine what your marriage would be like if you had additional time to invest in it.

Would having extended days really improve your marriage? Do you really need an extra hour or two or several to invest in your marriage? What would you do differently in your marriage if you had more time? Would you communicate more? Would you check in with one another more? Would you share a joke with one another? Would you hug and kiss a little longer (hmmm that reminds me of the Big Red Gum jingle: "So kiss a little longer, make it last a little longer, Longer with Bug Red!" - for those of you who are unaware - google the Big Red Classic Jingle produced by the Wrigley Gum company). Would you dance with one another? Would you step outside and enjoy the fresh air with one another? Would you help one another with chores? Would you fuss or argue more?

There are many couples who have time to invest in their marriages, but they just don't do it for whatever reason. Some of these reasons include the following: some believe that investing in marriage is unnecessary and useless, some don't due to their busy schedules, some don't invest in their marriages because they spend too much time investing in other things like their phones, social media accounts, jobs, family, friends, the children, themselves, and perhaps other men and women if you know what I mean, and some don't invest because they feel that it would require too much time.

Investing time in your marriage only requires two committed people who love one another and want their marriage to be saved. You don't need extended time to invest in your marriage.

According to Drs. John and Julie Schwartz, authors of, "7 Days to More Intimacy, Connection, and Joy: The Love Prescription," and married for over forty years, engaging in a tenminute check in with your spouse can make a

big difference in your marriage.

Drs. John and Julie believe that the ten-minute check-in can be done daily. They recommend the following:

Do the ten-minute check in with your spouse at the beginning of the day or at any time that works for you. The rules are simple – pick a time to check in with your partner when you have ten minutes to listen and not rush off anywhere. It can be in the morning, over coffee and before you start work, or in the evening when you've put the kids to bed. Ask them this simple question: Is there anything you need from me today? The Schwartz couple believes that this question has three major impacts:

- 1. It allows your partner to reflect on their own needs for a moment.
- 2. It makes clear that you really want to be there for them today if you can.
- 3. It gives hope that if they state what they need, you'll try to respond affirmatively.

They believe that although it's just one sentence, it does a lot. It's an invitation. It says I love you and I want to be there for you. It's a great trust builder. They also believe that the principle behind trust is, "I've got your back, and you've got mine."

Furthermore, the world's leading relationship scientists also recommend that when your partner responds to this question today, do everything in your power to say yes, and make it happen, whether it's "I need a break from the kids" or "I'd love to have lunch with you."

In conclusion, take ten minutes to invest in your marriage. Investing ten minutes a day does not require much of your time. Think about what you typically dedicate ten minutes of doing frequently if not often; grooming, filling up your tank, free overtime for your employer, calling your bestie, taking selfies, and so much more. What if investing ten minutes can save your marriage? You don't need fifteen minutes or an hour to make a positive difference in your marriage, you only need ten minutes.

Contact Dr. LaShunda Calvert for speaking engagements (motivational, ministering, marriage counseling, marriage workshops, marriage seminars, marriage conferences, etc.) Marriage Ministry: The Restoration Church, Suite H, Jackson, MS. 39206. Instagram: letsstay2gether4ever (Dr. LaShunda Calvert) Facebook: Dr. LaShunda Calvert Email: letsstaytogether4eva@gmail.com or call 601-874-6176.

Was race a factor in the Montgomery, Alabama boating brawl?

By James B. Ewers Jr.

President Emeritus

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If you are from the South in particular, you know that race matters. In other words, color counts. Has it changed?

Race matters and color counts are both sensitive expressions and will give rise to

If you are in a certain age group and black, you have experienced racial challenges in your lifetime.

Most will say that relations between the races have improved. No longer do we have for colored only signs and required to have seats at the back of the bus.

Finally, and at last, we have full citizenship in the United States of America with all the rights and privileges. Almost that is. We are still waiting for Congress to pass the John R. Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act of 2021. Of course, race is a factor in the delay.

Texas A&M University did not hire a prominent scholar to lead one of their academic departments because she was African-American. Can we get pass skin color?

An ongoing question about leadership and race has created unwelcome tension and turmoil. Are we respected in positions of leadership? We will have different perspectives on this issue.

On August 5, a black man's leadership was challenged and taken to task. Dameion Pickett is the co-captain of a riverboat in Montgomery, Alabama. His verbal instructions were not followed by a group of white boaters. They took exception to the orders and thus a brawl ensued.

The video taken clearly showed Pickett being attacked. So far, seven people have been charged in this case as two fights occurred. The police arrived and cooler heads prevailed. Had the police not arrived, a major

incident could have happened.

"Police acted swiftly to detain several

reckless individuals for attacking a man who was doing his job," said Montgomery mayor Steven Reed. He is the first African-American mayor in that city.

Leslie Mawhorter a witness aboard the Harriott II said, "They just didn't think the rules applied to them. I knew something was going to go down because their attitude was just, you can't tell us what to do. They were going to be confrontational regardless of who you were."

A question at the table of social justice is what would have happened had the roles been reversed? If the person in charge had been white and been attacked by a group of black men? Would the outcome have been different? I believe it would have been different.

Furthermore, if there had been the same level of physicality, would that have been a misdemeanor offense? It is my thinking that the crime would have escalated to a higher charge and possible jail time. The community at large would have portrayed these African-American men as hoodlums and men of ill repute.

These are my opinions.

The bar of justice is different for men who look like me. There is no getting off easy as we are all painted with the same broad brush.

So, what will happen to these unruly culprits now? I suspect they'll pay a fine and be just fine. That's just the way it will be.

What needs to happen is, in addition to the fine, they need some mandatory classes on race relations. Maybe in them, they will learn to treat all people with dignity and respect regardless of their race.

Understanding the basic principles of fairness and humanity will help them in their later lives. A stretch goal is they could become ambassadors when it comes to race relations.

At this point, their behavior has brought the wrong kind of attention to the city. Montgomery was once the Confederate capital. Maybe in the future, because of healing and reconciliation, they might be known as the capital of kindness.

Providing Medicaid to working poor Mississippians isn't welfare, it's health care

By Cassandra Welchin, Sandra Melvin and Dr. Nekeitra Burse

Low-income Mississippi residents face significant challenges in accessing affordable health care. In 2021, Mississippi had the fifth-highest uninsured rate in the country. Today, nearly one in five residents in this state live in poverty. Mississippi's healthcare system also ranks last among all states across various measures of access to health care, quality of care, healthcare utilization, cost of care, health outcomes, and income-based healthcare disparities. The most vulnerable residents are at risk for the worst health outcomes.

In 2022, a black Mississippi mom gave birth to a healthy 7-pound, 5-ounce baby boy. Let's name her Linda. Two days later, Linda left the hospital with her baby boy Malachi, and she stayed at home with him for three weeks as she healed. She wanted to nurse and care for him for at least the remaining three weeks her job allotted her for maternity leave. However, that job wasn't paying Linda during her absence. Three weeks was all she could afford to stay at home without pay.



Burse

Linda returned to work a glowing new mom, but with slight disappointment in her eyes every day as she left her newborn at a daycare center she could barely afford. Eight weeks after giving birth, the guilt of leaving her baby started to weigh on Linda. She became depressed and felt like she wasn't the best mom he deserved, even when she was with Malachi. This sadness affected her more with each day until it ultimately snowballed into other health is-

Just a year ago, Linda had no choice but to try to will herself back to health on her own because postpartum health care ended six



Melvin

weeks after childbirth in Missis-

Now that postpartum Medicaid has expanded, mothers like Linda will have a year of access to the healthcare they need during the most detrimental time to them and their babies. That's a win for Mississippi, but what about the other 300,000 poor, working Mississippians without health cover-

Mississippi remains one of only 10 states that has avoided Medicaid expansion despite economists saying the policy would not only bring health coverage to those hundreds of thousands of said poor Mississippians but would



Welchin

also help boost the economy. It has the potential to bring approximately \$1.5 billion in new revenue annually while creating iobs and helping bolster the budgets of struggling hospitals. As we already know, and as lawmakers have unveiled, they already "have a substantial amount of revenue." Mississippi is one of 10 states that still has not expanded Medicaid. Data source Kaiser Family Foun-

How do you explain having funds to help the working poor to a lifelong Mississippian who plans on staying, but the state refuses to invest in programs that provide access to quality healthcare?

Let's call him James. James is a farmer in the Delta. He rises before the sun, preparing his crops, but the agriculture business can be challenging. Suppose his fields don't produce properly, unexpected unseasonal weather or a horrible bug infestation occurs. In that case, it can be a terrible year for his family financially. James cannot afford health care out of his pocket.

But why shouldn't he? James is a hard-working man. He is an upstanding model of a Mississippi resident who provides a necessary service to Mississippi's economy. His line of work does not make him financially wealthy, but his service is invaluable to the state and surrounding areas. The short answer to why James isn't receiving the health-care assistance he needs is that many lawmakers consider it "socialized medicine" or "welfare."

Additional watered-down, negative trigger words like "Obamacare" and obstructive phrases like, "Don't cave under the pressure of Democrats" fuel certain groups to believe that affordable healthcare is merely a handout and not a necessity.

None of those words mean any-

thing. The only thing that matters in Medicaid expansion is that Mississippians get the health care they need and deserve, residents are healthy, and the state makes investments that will sustain long-term. Mississippians are dying without access to health care, while there is a sensible solution to help those desperately trying to help themselves.

Cassandra Overton Welchin is the executive director and coconvener of MS Black Women's Roundtable, an intergeneration statewide network dedicated to increasing civic engagement and voter participation.

Sandra Carr Melvin founded and currently serves as the chief executive officer of the Institute for the Advancement of Minority Health.

Dr. Nakeitra Burse established Six Dimensions, LLC in an effort to respond to the health needs of communities strategically. As a native Mississippian, she is well aware of the impact of poor health on the environment, the economy and the overall quality of life of individuals and communities. She is also acutely aware of the impact that systems have on individual and community health.

What is pulmonary arterial hypertension?

Each year, an estimated 500-1,000 people nationwide are diagnosed with pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH). While there's currently no cure, treatment can help control symptoms and improve quality of

The American Lung Association, with support from Janssen, launched a new campaign to ensure patients get an earlier, accurate PAH diagnosis and feel empowered to participate in discussions regarding treatment options. As part of the campaign, they're also sharing insights from Lindsay T., a patient living with PAH.

• PAH defined: PAH is a progressive disorder and one form of a broader condition known as pulmonary hypertension, which is high blood pressure in the lungs. In PAH, this increased pressure in the vessels is caused by obstruction in the small arteries in the lung, and can occur for a variety of rea-

• Causes: While the cause of PAH is usually unknown, about 15-20% of patients have inherited the condition. Most common in women ages 30-60, PAH disproportionately impacts African-American and Hispanic women.

• Symptoms: Individuals are initially asymptomatic and then begin to experience symptoms similar to other common lung diseases, such as shortness of breath and fatigue. For this reason, PAH can be difficult to diagnose - 74% of patients are diagnosed in advanced stages of the disease. Eventually, symptoms can include swelling of the feet, legs, abdomen and neck, dizziness and fainting spells, chest pain, heart palpitations, and lips and fingers turning blue.

"When I was 23, I started noticing that when I would walk, I would get out of breath really



easily. At first, I thought I was just out of shape. It took about a year for my doctors to say it was pulmonary arterial hypertension," says Lindsay.

 Diagnosis: To confirm diagnosis, a right heart catheterization is needed to measure pressure in the heart and lungs. Providers will typically rule out other common diseases with less invasive tests first. An accurate diagnosis of the correct type of pulmonary hypertension helps ensure prompt, optimal treatment. When PAH is suspected, patients should be referred to a PAH specialist at an accredited center. Left untreated, PAH compromises heart function, which can lead to heart failure and even death.

• Treatment: Patients should see their specialist regularly for structured evaluations. This allows for tailored treatment plans.

Treatment may include supportive therapies, such as supplemental oxygen, pulmonary rehabilitation and diuretic medications, as well as specific treatment, including medications that dilate blood vessels and affect the vasculature to reduce the increased resistance of blood flow that contributes to right-sided heart failure.

There are many clinical trials occurring right now. Those interested should speak with their healthcare provider or visit Clinicaltrails.gov.

• Tracking: Tracking symptoms is a vital part of self-management of the condition.

"One of the most important things to do while living with PAH is to learn to listen to your body because it'll tell you if you need something, and that's information that you can talk about with your healthcare team," says Lindsay, who after noticing worsening symptoms, spoke to her specialist who then started her on a new medi-

Lindsay also advises patients to become their own advocates. "Research empowered me to take control of my diagnosis and actually make decisions for my health care," she says.

 Support: Support groups give patients a chance to connect with others living with their condition. Patients can also learn more at Lung.org/ PAH.

While PAH is a serious, potentially life-threatening condition, proper treatment can make the disease manageable. After finding the right treatment plan, Lindsay is thriving.

"This life I lead today, I'm physically active. I teach high school algebra. I'm successfully managing my PAH. It's not easy, but it's possible," says

Cold Sores

By Vince Faust Tips to Be Fit

Did you know that a person with a cold sore could be contagious for 15 days? Cold sores are a group of tiny, painful blisters caused by the herpes simplex virus (HSV1, HSV2). They're also called fever blisters or herpes simplex labialis. 90% of people around immune system. the world have experienced at least one form of HSV.

Cold sores occur mostly around your lips and can be painful and unsightly. They are generally not serious but are uncomfortable and socially distressing. After your first outbreak, your body should make antibodies and you could never have another infection. But most people get cold sores that come back. If more of us understood their cause, adopted preventive measures and explored effective treatments will help us manage and minimize their

According to "Webmd" "Cold sores are most likely to show up on the outside of your mouth and lips, but you can also get them on your nose, cheeks and other parts of your body."

You can get cold sores as late as 20 days after you're infected. The sore might appear near where the virus entered

Cold sores happen in stag-

1. You have a tingling, burning, or itching feeling.

2. About 12-24 hours later, blisters form. The area becomes red, swollen and pain-

3. The blisters break open and fluid comes out. This usually lasts 2 or 3 days.

4. A scab forms on the sore. It might crack or bleed.

5. The scab falls off.

HSV enters the through mucous membranes or breaks in your skin. Once inside, it will establish a lifelong infection, residing in your nerve cells and periodically reactivate causing a cold sore. Reactivation can be caused by a number of triggers:

• Stress – Emotional or the average time slept is 8 to physical stress weakens your immune system, making it easier for the virus to reacti-

• Sun Exposure – Prolonged exposure to ultra (UV) rays can trigger cold sore outbreaks. UV light can damage your skin and weaken your

• Fever – An elevated body temperature, which is usually caused by an illness like a cold or flu can trigger a cold

• Hormonal Changes – Hormonal fluctuations such as those that occur during menstruation can make individuals more susceptible to an out-

• Weaken Immune System Illnesses like HIV/AIDS or certain medications that suppress your immune system can lead to more frequent and severe outbreaks.

Cold sores can't always be completely prevented but there are steps you can take to reduce frequency and minimize severity:

• Protect Your Lips – Use a lip balm with sunscreen to shield your lips from UV radiation, which reduces your risk of triggering an outbreak.

 Maintain Good Hygiene – Wash your hands frequently to prevent the spread of the virus. Avoid touching your face, especially your mouth and eyes. These are easy access points.

• Stress Management – Engage in stress reducing activates such as meditation or yoga to keep your immune system strong and prevent stress related outbreaks.

• Healthy Diet – You need to maintain a balance diet rich in vitamins and minerals, Get Some Exercise

You need to get in at least 30 minutes of exercise daily. You need both aerobic and strength building exercise.

• Get Some Sleep - You need adequate sleep to support your immune system. Research has shown that when healthy adults are allowed to sleep unrestricted, 8.5 hours.

• Understand Your Medication – All immune suppressing medications will make

you more susceptible.

 Avoid any Trigger Factors - Try to identify and minimize any factors that trigger outbreaks in your case and take preventative measures.

Cold sores will usually heal on their own within a couple of weeks. Accord to most medical recommendation you can alleviate discomfort and promote faster healing if you

 Antiviral Creams – Over the counter creams containing antiviral agents like acyclovir or docosanol can help reduce the duration and severity of cold sores if applied at

the first sign of an outbreak. Pain Relief – Most doctors recommend over the counter pain relievers like ibuprofen or acetaminophen to ease your pain and discomfort associated with your cold sore.

• Topical Ointment – Applying petroleum jelly or aloe vera gel can soothe the affected area and prevent cracking

or bleeding. Cold Compress – Applying a cold, damp cloth to the area can help reduce pain and

inflammation. Hydration – Drinking enough water will help your

body's healing process. • Balance Your Diet – Eating a balance diet will also help your body's healing pro-

· Avoid Spreading The Virus - To prevent spreading the virus to other areas of your body or to others, avoid touching your cold sore and don't share personal items like utensils, towels or lip balm.

If you follow some of the prevention tips and get prompt treatment cold sores can be managed and prevented. If you experience frequent or severe out-breaks you should consult a healthcare professional for a more personalized guidance and treatment op8 • THE MISSISSIPPI LINK

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Back to school and back to prayer

By Shewanda Riley Columnist



year this time, I share back-toschool prayer. I think it is important to

offer encouragement as students, staff and educators prepare to return to school. There are so many things that stir up confusion and can distract from the excitement of the beginning of a new school year. My hope is that this prayer provides inspiration.

"Heavenly Father, we come to you thanking you for your many blessings. You are so worthy of honor, praise and glory. First, God we know that nothing surprises you and that recent events like the Covid-19 pandemic, mass school shootings and fights over curriculum did not catch you off-guard. During this time of uncertainty, remind us of Isaiah 46:10 which says that you know

the end from the beginning. We rest on the assurance that you know what is best.

"1 Corinthians 14:33 reminds us that you are not the author of confusion but that you are the God of peace. We pray that the truth of this scripture will influence the decisions of the administrators and government officials regarding the safety of students, staff and faculty at all levels of education from daycare, pre-K, K-12 and higher education. Let Godly wisdom and truth prevail. We come to you now praying for our children and students who will be attending school face to face and virtually this academic year. Let there be peace in the hearts of students, faculty, administrators and staff in classrooms, administrative offices, and school buildings. We ask for an extra measure of your grace, mercy and protection.

'We also ask God that despite what goes on around them you would grant students an extra measure of grace and ability to focus on the academic subjects they have to learn. Give instructors innovative ideas and methods to creatively motivate students to learn even the most difficult topics. Give them peace and protect educators as they fulfill their commitment to teach. We pray that the learning environment is a place of safety, connection and inspiration. We declare that frustration and discouragement will not distract students and educators from their purpose. We bind up anything that comes to disrupt the educational environment. Classrooms will be secure places of love and encouragement regardless of what may be taking place in

"We pray that you would give parents and guardians of students confidence that their students will remain safe. For any anxieties that may arise, remind them to cast their cares on you as it says in I Peter 5:7. Allow them to rest in the confidence

the world outside.

that your Godly presence will be there to cover and protect their children whether they are in the classroom, participating in extracurricular activities, in the cafeteria or on the playground.

"God, you are sovereign, and we thank you for the promise in 3 John 1:2 which says that you would have us to be in good health. Let this school year be one where good health, joy and hope prevail! In Jesus' name we pray...Amen!"

May you have a blessed and amazing school year.

Shewanda Riley (Aunt Wanda), PhD, is a Fort Worth-based author of "Love Hangover: Moving from Pain to Purpose After a Relationship Ends" and "Writing to the Beat of God's Heart: A Book of Prayers for Writers." Email her at preservedbypurpose@gmail.com or follow her on Twitter @shewanda. You can also listen to her podcast at www.chocolateauntiepodcast.com.

Don't allow evil to conquer

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



No matter how spiritually mature vou become vou will never outgrow temptation. When you conquer it on one front, it attacks

you on another. And the closer you get to God the more Satan will try to tempt you. The Apostle Paul explains it this way: "The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the spirit wants. These two forces are constantly fighting each other" (Galatian 5:17 NLT).

So, what's the answer? Here are two ways you can overcome temptation: (1) Be honest about it. Ask yourself, "When am I tempted most?" Usually, we are most vulnerable when we are under stress: When we are hurt, angry, worried, alone, bored, tired, or after a big success or spiritual high. Learn to identify your patterns: "God's people protect themselves by watching where they go" (Proverbs 16:17). (2) Reach for God's help. "Call on me in times of trouble. I will rescue you" (Psalms 50:15).

So, why don't we call on God more often? Because sometimes we just want to do what we want to do, right? Or we are embarrassed because we keep giving in to the same temptations. Don't be discouraged; God won't give up on you. His Word says, "Let us come before God's throne where we will receive grace to help us when we need it," (Hebrews 4:16). If you have to cry out for God's help every hour of the day, He will be there for you. Just as the roots of a tree deepen when storms come, each time you stand up to temptation you become stronger.

Simeon R. Green, III, pastor, First Church of God, 6517 Walmsley Blvd., Richmond, Virgina *23224*.

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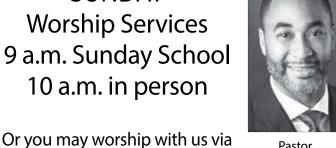
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BEATRICE K. YOUNG, DECEASED CAUSE NO. P2023-89 G/2

PETITIONER: ROSIE BUCKHAULTER

NOTICE TO UNKNOWN CREDITORS

Letters of Administration having been granted by the Chancery Court of Hinds County,

Mississippi to the undersigned Administrator upon the Estate of Beatrice K. Young, Deceased,

notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the

Clerk of this Court for probation and registration according to the law, within ninety (90) days

from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

This the 384 day of July, 2023.

y. 2023.

Rose Buckhaulter
Rosie Buckhaulter

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF SUMS

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for the jurisdiction aforesaid, the within named, Rosie Buckhaulter, Administrator for the Estate of Beatrice K.

Young, deceased, who having been by me first duly sworn, states that the state of the condition of the state of the state

is true and correct as therein stated.

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Damon Stevenson Stevenson Legal Group, PLLC 1010 N. West Street Jackson, MS 39202

Telephone: (769) 251-0207, Facsimile: (601) 608-7872

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RULE 81 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF AREATHA S. RULE, DECEASED

CAUSE #: P2022-622 G/2

PETITIONER: JAMAL RULE

SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF AREATHA'S, RULE, DECEASED

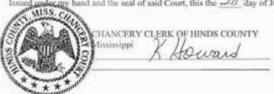
You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Jamal Rule Petitioner,

seeking the adjudication of heirs of Areatha S, Rule, Deceased.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 1:30 o'clock p.m., on the 5th day of September 2023, in the Chancery Courtroom of Hinds County before Honorable Tiffany Grove, Chancelfor, In case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.

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

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 28 day of July, 2023.



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NOTICE TO BIDDERS City of Jackson

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, September 5, 2023, 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:

20857-090523 RFP for Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD), Records Management System (RMS), Fire Services (CAD), Jail Management System (JMS), and Mobile Filed Reporting System for the City of Jackson, Mississippi

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

The City of Jackson is committed to the principle of non-discrimination in Public Purchasing. It is the policy of the City of Jackson to promote full and equal business opportunities for all persons doing business with the City. As a pre-condition to selection, each contractor, bidder or offer shall submit a <u>completed and signed</u> Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) Plan Application, with each bid submission, in accordance with the provisions set forth by authority of the City of Jackson's EBO Ordinance. Failure to comply with the City's EBO Ordinance shall disqualify a contractor, bidder or offer, from being awarded an eligible contract. For more information on the City's EBO Program, please contact the Office of Economic Development at (601)560-633. Copies of the EBO Ordinance, EBO Pian Application and a copy of the EBO Program are available with the Office of Economic Development at 218 South President Street, Second Floor, Jackson, Mississippi.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The City also reserves the right to waive any and all informalities in respect to any bid submitted. Bid awards will be made to the lowest and best bidder quoting the lowest not price in accordance with specifications. The award could be according to the lowest cost per item; or to the lowest total cost for all items; or to accept all or part of any proposal. Delivery time may be considered when evaluating the bid proposal. In those cases where it is known prior to advertising that the City's intention is to award according to the lowest total cost for all items, or in some variation thereof, statements to this affect will be included on the proposal form. Absence of such statement means the City will make that determination during the bid review.

Monica Oliver, Manager Purchasing Division (601) 960-1025 or 960-1028

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NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY CITY OF JACKSON

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk of the City of Jackson, Mississippi before 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 29th, 2023, for the purchase of certain City-owned property: parcel 71- 27, located on Fortification Street in Jackson, Mississippi. Bidding for the property will start at \$500.00. The City will retain all mineral rights it owns, together with the right of ingress and egress to remove same from said property. For additional information or for a "bid form", contact Vic Sexton at (601) 960 1055 or e-mail vsexton@city.jackson.ms.us.

BID INSTRUCTIONS: All bids must be placed in a sealed envelope and delivered to the City Clerk of the City of Jackson (located in City Hall at 219 S. President St. Jackson, Mississippi 39201). The outside of the envelope must be plainly marked to identify the parcel number being bid on along with the bidder's name. Enclose one (1) original and one (1) copy of the bid. Bids will be opened on Tuesday, August 29th, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 219 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

Preferential preference will be granted to all equivalent high bidders that submitted an application to the Surplus Property Committee. If multiple equivalent high bidders submitted applications, a re-bid process utilizing the Best and Final Offer (BAFO) between those bidders will be granted to determine a winner. If multiple equivalent high bidders persist after BAFO, the re-bid process will be repeated, if necessary, until a sole high bidder is certified.

If multiple equivalent high bidders did not submit applications to the Surplus Property Committee, a re-bid process utilizing the Best and Final Offer (BAFO) between those bidders will be granted to determine a winner. If multiple equivalent high bidders persist

after BAFO, the re-bid process will be repeated, if necessary, until a sole high bidder is certified.

If multiple equivalent high bidders consist of, one equivalent high bidder that submitted an application to the Surplus Property Committee and the other equivalent high bidder(s) that did not submit an application to the Surplus Property Committee, preferential prefer-

ence will be granted to the bidder that submitted an application to the Surplus Property

City reserves the right to reject any and all bids CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

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NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY CITY OF JACKSON

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk of the City of Jackson, Mississippi before 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 22nd, 2023, for the purchase of certain City-owned property: Parcel 824-548 (Metro Center Dillard's Building and Parking Lot), located at 3645 Highway 80 West in Jackson, Mississippi. Bidding for the property will start at Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and 00/100 cents (\$350,000.00). The City will retain all mineral rights it owns, together with the right of ingress and egress to remove same from said property. For additional information or for a "bid form", contact Vic Sexton at (601) 960 1055 or e-mail vsexton@city.jackson. ms.us.

BID INSTRUCTIONS: All bids must be placed in a sealed envelope and delivered to the City Clerk of the City of Jackson, (located in City Hall at 219 S. President St. Jackson, Mississippi 39201), or submitted through Central Bidding https://www.centralauctionhouse.com/main.php. If submitted to the City Clerk, the outside of the envelope must be plainly marked to identify the parcel number being bid on, along with the bidder's name. Enclose one (1) original and one (1) copy of the bid. Bids will be opened on Tuesday, August 22nd, 2023, at 3:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 219 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

If there are multiple equivalent high bidders a re-bid process utilizing the Best and Final Offer (BAFO) between those bidders will be held to determine a winner. If multiple equivalent high bidders persist after BAFO, the re-bid process will be repeated, if necessary, until a sole high bidder is certified.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids. CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI $\,$

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 $\mbox{\sc Bid}$ Documents and Specifications can be viewed and obtained online at www. jmaabids.com..

Questions regarding the website or electronic bidding should be directed to PH Bidding Group at 662-407-0193 or cory@phbidding.com..

The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority is an equal opportunity employer and hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that, in any contract entered unto pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises 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, sex, age, disability or national origin in consideration for an award.

JMAA reserves the right to reject any and or all bids, waive technicalities, informalities or irregularities in the bids received, solicit new bids or to choose that bid which is deemed to be in the best interest of the Jackson Municipal Airport Authority.

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JACKSON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF NET POSITION September 30, 2022 (With Comparative Amounts for September 30, 2021)

		DUSINESS-LYDE ACTIVITIES			
******	_	2022	_	2021	
ASSETS Cash		5,032,876	\$	5,052,242	
Prepaid expenses		18,954		11,091	
Rent receivable		419,866		417,345	
Due from other governments		94,951		84,728	
Interest receivable		04,001		19,682	
Accounts receivable		51,467		30,191	
Restricted cash		28,048		28,340	
Notes receivable:		20,040		20,540	
Current portion		35,968		34,218	
Noncurrent portion		1,701,888		1,740,576	
Capital assets:		1,101,000		1,140,010	
Capital assets not being depreciated		11,267,388		11,267,388	
Other capital assets net of depreciation		18,356,252		19.303.601	
Total Assets	-	37,005,756	-	37,989,382	
Total Assets	100	37,000,100	-	31,903,306	
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable		68,196		69,593	
Due to other governments		53,250		53,250	
Interest payable		67,291		84,725	
Matured bonds and interest payable				22,682	
Long-term debt					
Current portion		635,000		1,088,019	
Noncurrent portion	500	3,678,540		4,313,540	
Total Liebilities	-	4,502,277	-	5,631,809	
NET POSITION					
Net investment in capital assets		25,560,100		25,654,430	
Restricted for:		Summer		1300000000000	
Debt service		28,048		28,340	
Unrestricted		6,915,331	-	6,674,803	
Total Net Position		32,503,479	*	32,357,573	

	Business-Type Activities			To	Totals		
	Administration	Urban Renewal Projects	Rehabilitation Loan Services	Parking Facilities	2022	2021	
EXPENSES AND LOSSES:	and and	E - 11 - 11	200	The same	AND SOURCE	200 000000	
Salaries and fringe benefits	\$ 168,830	Dann	352	108,589	\$ 277,771	\$ 427,690	
Repairs and maintenance	206	28,234		32,991	61,431	166,944	
Security services	*	121,346		89,834	211,180	251,131	
Utilities and telephone	4,021	14,479		63,334	81,834	64,482	
Supplies	1,458			827	2,285	4,845	
Legal and professional fees	178,545	17,228	*		195,773	188,136	
Depreciation	0.000	800,400		145,948	947,348	1,050,932	
Interest	×	201,670			201,670	276,909	
insurance	80,736		-	52,713	133,449	137,844	
Management teas				2,684	2,684	3,877	
Sales tax		*		12,631	12,631	25,379	
Paying agent and bank fees	+	596	5	1,520	2,121	2,321	
Consultant fees	100	314,011	*1		314,011	99,081	
Miscollaneous	8,202	3,776	1,517	30,150	43,655	24,583	
Total Expenses and Losses	441,998	1,501,740	1,874	542,231	2,487,643	2,724,154	
PROGRAM REVENUES: Charges for services:							
Lease rentals		252,720		001140	945 856	DAE DER	
Interest on developer project notes			4 444	894,145		945,058	
Other income	6.3	16,500	8,132	10.852	10.852	25,580	
Contributions and grants:				10,002	10,002	92	
	444.000	400.000			******	201.020	
Operating Other income	441,998	126,977	70	*	568,975	594,353	
		8,315			8,315	4 man was	
Capital	-	1,088,019	-	-	1,088,019	1,522,742	
Total Program Revenues	441,998	1,492,531	8,132	704,998	2,647,659	3,087,825	
Net Program Rovenues	¥815	10 Ann	2.000	200	*****	MAT 4794	
(Expense)		(9,209)	5,258	162,767	159,816	363,671	
		VERAL REVENUE Vestment earnings			8,158	8,975	
					2020,5000	1000	
		Change in Net 9	05/801		167,974	372,645	
	NET	POSITION - BEG Prior Period Adj			32,357,573 (22,068)	31,984,927	
	645	POSITION - END	marci .		\$ 32,503,479	\$ 32,357,573	

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The demolition and cleaning of parcel 207-41 located at 203 Ferguson Dr.

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by: Samantha Graves, Manager Community Improvement Division of Planning and Development

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The demolition and cleaning of parcel 606-279 located at 2938 Englewood BLVD.

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Advertisement for Bids Bid 3244 ESSER Program: HVAC Indoor Air Quality Upgrades for Casey, Galloway, Spann and Whitten Schools

Sealed, written formal 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) September 12, 2023, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. A Pre-Bid Conference concerning ESSER Project Package A will be held at Spann Elementary School ESSER Program HVAC Indoor Air Quality Upgrades at 1615 Brecon Drive Jackson, MS, 39211, Friday, August 25, 2023, at 3:00 P.M. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is not 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

Plan holders are required to register and order bid documents at www.jpsdmsprojects. com. A \$150.00 Non-refundable deposit shall be required on each printed set of bid specs/documents. A \$100.00 Nonrefundable deposit shall be required on each digital PDF set of bid specs/documents. Documents 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 Anderson Ervin at Durrell Design Group, Phone: 601-708-4788 or Email: aervin@durrelldesigngroup.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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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The demolition and cleaning of parcel 611-277 located at 122 Fleming Rd.

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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 is committed to the principle of non-discrimination in public contracting. It is the policy of the City of Jackson to promote full and equal business opportunity for all persons doing business with the City. As a pre-condition to selection, each contractor, bidder or offeror shall submit a completed and signed Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) Plan, with the bid submission, in accordance with the provisions of the City of Jackson's Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) Ordinance. 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 the Office of Economic Development at 601-960-1055. Copies of the ordinance, EBO Plan Applications and a copy of the program are available at 200 South President Street, Room 223, Hood Building, Jackson, Mississippi

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

Contract Documents may be obtained from and/or examined at the offices of the Community Improvement Division located at 200 S. President Street, Suite 331, Jackson, Mississippi 39201. Telephone 601.960.1054. Prospective bidders may obtain copies of all materials required for bidding purposes. There is NO charge for electronic or e-mail copies 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.

Bid preparation will be in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any and all irregularities in respect to any bid submitted or to accept any bid which is deemed most favorable to the City of Jackson

by: Samantha Graves, Manager Community Improvement Division of Planning and Development

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The demolition a n dcleaning of parcel 212-11 located at 2126 Belvedere Dr.

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Community Improvement Division of Planning and Development

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Advertisement for Bids Bid 3243 ESSER Project Package A: Renovations for Bates, Blackburn, Cardoza, Forest Hill, Peeples Schools

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The demolition and cleaning ofparcel 409-537 located at 1909 Utah St.

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The demolition and cleaning of parcel 425-491 located at 3603 Lampton Ave.

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by: Samantha Graves, Manager Community Improvement Division of Planning and Development

8/10/2023, 8/17/2023



NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT & VARIANCE

ZONING CASE NO. 4221

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 Andy Abrams Foundation has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Use Permit to operate a boarding home and a Variance from the number of required parking spaces for boarding homes in an R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District on the property located at 142 Magnolia St. (Parcel 133-29), in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Lot Three (3) less a strip eight (8) feet wide off the entire North side thereof and Lot Four (4), less sixty (60) feet off the entire South side thereof of the F. C. Robertson Subdivision of a part of Lot Fifteen (15) and Sixteen (16) of the Smythe Survey, West Jackson, as shown by plat of record in Book A at Page 345 of the records of the Chancery Clerk of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi. Together with an undivided 1/5 interest and to a strip of land eight (8) feet in width off the entire North side of the said Lot three (3) of the said F. E. Robertson subdivision, which is the alley upon which the above

LESS AND EXCEPT: being part of Lot Three (3) and Four (4), of the F. Robertson Subdivision as recorded in Plat Book A, at Page 345 of the Chancery Records of Hinds County, Mississippi and being more particularly described

Beginning at the NE corner of said Lot Three (3) and run Northwesterly along the North Boundary of said Lot (3), seventy (70) feet to the SW corner of Lot One (1); run thence Southwesterly, along the Southerly projection of the West Boundary of Lot One (1), seventy-one (71) feet more or less to the South boundary of that property conveyed to Roy G. Wilson, et ux, as recorded in Deed Book 1894 at Page 451 of the aforesaid Chancery Records; run thence Southeasterly along the South boundary of the said Wilson property seventy (70) feet to the East boundary of aforesaid Lot Four (4); run thence Northerly, along the East Boundary of said Lots Three (3) and Four (4), seventy-one (71) feet more or less to the point of Beginning, less and except eight (8) feet off the North side of the above described property for an alley.

The above description is intended to describe the East seventy (70) feet of that property conveyed to Roy G. Wilson, etux as recorded in Deed Book 1894 at Page 451 of the Chancery Clerk Records of Hinds county, Missis-

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the An drew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, August 23, 2023, 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 TELE-CONFERENCE/VIDEO OR IN PERSON WITH REGARDS TO THE WEAR-ING OF MASKS AND THE SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS. MEM-BERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND VIA TELECONFERENCE/VIDEO BY EMAILING EAINSWORTH@CITY.JACKSON.MS.US TO REGISTER PRI-OR TO AUGUST 16, 2023.

WITNESS my signature this 28th day of July 2023.

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

8/3/2023, 8/17/2023

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JOSEPHINE H. KING, DECEASED

CAUSE NUMBER: 1:15-pr-00409

CARLOS KING, AS ADMINISTRATOR

OF THE ESTATE OF JOSEPHINE H. KING, DECEASED

PETITIONER

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF THE ESTATE OF

JOSEPHINE H. KING, DECEASED RESPONDENTS

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

THE HEIRS-AT-LAW AND WRONGFUL DEATH BENEFICIARIES OF JOSEPHINE H. KING, DECEASED

You have been made respondents in the suit filed in this Court by Carlos King, as Administrator of the Estate of Josephine H. King, Deceased. You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition for Determination of

Heirship and Wrongful Death Beneficiaries filed against you in this action at 1:30

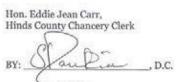
p.m. on the 28th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2023, at the HINDS COUNTY CHANCERY COURTHOUSE, 316 SOUTH PRESIDENT STREET, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, and in

case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you

for the money or other things demanded in the Petition.

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

Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this the H day of



8/17/2023

PREPARED BY:

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COUNSEL FOR THE ESTATE

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4218

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 Lemuel & Archie Tripp has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Use Permit within a C-3 (General) Commercial District to allow for the operation of a community recreational facility for the property located at 3181 J R Lynch St (Parcel 697-520-4), in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Part of Lot 5, Jackson College Commercial Farms, more particularly described as follows:

Begin at intersection of the South right of way line of Lynch Street and the East right-of-way line of Craft Street, as both streets are now laid out and in use (February, 1967) and run thence easterly along said South right of way of Lynch Street a distance of 160.0 feet to a point; thence leaving South right of way turn right through an angle of 90 degrees 30 minutes and run southerly a distance of 124.85 feet to a point; thence turn right through an angle, of 89 degrees 30 minutes and run westerly a distance of 160.0 feet to a point on aforementioned East right-of-way of Craft Street; thence run northerly along said East right of way of Craft Street a distance of 124.85 feet to the point of beginning, Said property containing 19,976 square feet or .46 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, August 23, 2023, 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 28th day of July 2023.

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

8/3/2023, 8/17/2023

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING WITH A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4222

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 African Christian Fellowship USA, Inc. Jackson Chapter has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from I-1 (Light) Industrial District to NMU-1 (Neighborhood) Mixed-Use District with a Use Permit to allow for remodeling/reconstructing building for religious and recreational activities for the property located on 1638 & 1640 S. Gallatin St. (Parcels 175-101, 175-104, 175-104-1, 175-262, 175-266, 175-290 & 175-330) in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Tract 1: A certain lot or parcel of land lying in the Northwest Quarter of Section 7, Township 5 North, Range 1 East, Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at an iron pipe marking the Southwest corner of Lot 18, Jackson College Community Farms, run thence North along the West line of said Lot 18 327.8 feet to the Southern Right-of-way of U. S. Highway #80, run then South 60 degrees 30 minutes East along the Southern Right-of-way line of U. S. Highway #80 175 feet to the West line of Mississippi State property, run thence South 1 degree 45 minutes West along the West line of the aforementioned State property 248.7 feet to the North line of Lynch Street, run thence North 88 degrees West along the North line of Lynch Street 153 feet to the point of beginning.

Tract 2: Beginning at the Northeast Corner of that parcel of land now owned by the grantee as described in Hinds County Deed Record Book 976, page 294, said Corner being a point on the Southern right-of-way line of U. S. Highway #80, run thence South 60 degrees 30 feet East, parallel with and 100 feet from the center line of U. S. Highway No. 80, a distance of 233 feet, more or less, to a point 35 feet Westerly from the center line of present Lynch Street or North McRaven Road; run thence Southwesterly, parallel with and 35 feet from the center line of said street or road, 250 feet, more or less, to grantees present East property line; run thence North on said property line, 235 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning, containing 0.675 of an acre, more or less, and being situated in the Northwest quarter of section 7, Township 5 North, Range 1 East, Hinds County, 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, August 23, 2023, 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 28th day of July 2023.

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

8/3/2023. 8/17/2023

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION

ZONING CASE NO. 4219

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 Kinya Godbolt has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Special Exception to allow for a catering service from the residence of the owner/operator within a R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District from the property located at 34 Elaine Ct. (Parcel: 212-354) in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

LOT THIRTY-FOUR (34) ROLLING PINES, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHAN-CERY CLERK OF HINDS COUNTY AT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, IN PLAT BOOK 29 AT PAGE 30, REFERENCE TO WHICH IS HEREBY MADE.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew

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ident Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, August 23, 2023, 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, SAFE-

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

8/3/2023, 8/17/2023

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4220

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 Jishnu Gosain has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Use Permit within a C-3 (General) Commercial District to allow for the operation of a liquor store within a neighborhood shopping center for the property located at 4840 Hwy. 18 W. (Parcel 831-100-2), in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

The Land referred to herein below is situated in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and is described as follows:

Tax Parcel Identification Numbers: 831-100-2 and 830-81

A parcel of land containing 1.3571 acres, more or less, lying and being situated in part of Lots I, 2, and 1 8 of Saunders Farm, 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 Play) Book 2 at Page 107, and also in the Northeast 14 of the Southwest 14 and in the Northwest 14 of the Southeast !4 of Section II, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Northwest comer of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 11, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, Hinds County, Mississippi, marked by a found railroad spike; thence North 90 degrees 00minutes 00 seconds East for a distance of 331.48 feet; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00seconds East for a distance of 175.45 feet to a right of way monument marking the Easterly right of way of Mississippi Highway 18, as it is now laid out and exists, August 20, 1996; thence South 42 degrees.30 minutes 35 seconds West along said East right of way of Mississippi Highway 18 for a distance of 637.00 feet to a set ½ inch iron pin; thence South 36 degrees 47 minutes 57 seconds West along said East right of way of Mississippi Highway 18 for a distance of 31.35 feet to a set ½ inch iron pin marking the POINT OF BEGINNING of the following described parcel; thence South 47 degrees 12 minutes 03 seconds East for a distance of 66.82 feet to a set '4 inch iron. pin; thence South 68 degrees 36 minutes 01 seconds East for a distance of 64.65 feet to a set ½ inch iron pin; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East for a distance of 94.52 feet to a set 1/2 inch iron pin; thence North 42 degrees 31 minutes 43 seconds East for a distance of 231.55 feet to a found 1/2 inch pin marking the Southeast (being the most Southerly) comer of the

Waffle House property; thence North 47 degrees 29 minutes 25 seconds West for a distance of 200.00 feet to the Southeasterly, right of way of said Highway 18; thence South 42 degrees 30 minutes 35 seconds West for a distance of 287.17 feet to a point; thence ran South 36 degrees 47 minutes 57 seconds West for a distance of 31.35 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH a non-exclusive easement ten (10) feet in width for a sanitary sewer line appurtenant to the conveyed property, as reserved in warranty deed from Brelon E. Grantham, Jr., et al, to Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., dated January 13, 1997, and recorded in Book 4724 at Page 596.

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, August 23, 2023, 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 28th day of July 2023.

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

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STREET RESURFACING PROJECT - PHASE 1A

Sealed bids will be received by the City Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi at the Office of the Municipal Clerk, City Hall, 219 South President Street, P.O. Box 17, Jack son, Mississippi 39205 until 3:30 P.M. Local Time, September 12, 2023, for supplying all labor and materials (as specified) necessary for construction of STREET RESURFACING PROJECT - PHASE 1A.

Principal items of work are as follows:

- Asphalt pavement overlay,
- Base repair. Curb repair and/or replacement,
- Pavement markings.
- The above general outline of features of the work does not in any way limit the responsibility of the Contractor to perform all work and furnish all labor, equipment and materials required by the specifications and the drawings referred to therein.

Contract time for this contract shall be 150 consecutive calendar days from the effective date shown in the Notice to Proceed. Liquidated damages will be assessed for each consecutive calendar day the Work has not achieved Final Completion. The amount of liquidated damages per day will be \$750.00. These actual costs include, but are not limited to, engineering, inspection, and other construction related costs resulting from the Contractor's failure to complete the work on schedule.

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Bidders must be qualified under Mississippi Law and show current Certificate of Responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Public Contractors establishing his classification as to the value and type of construction on which he is authorized to bid.

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Each Bidder must submit with his proposal a separate attachment stating the Bidder's qualifications to perform the Work. The Statement of Qualifications shall list past projects of similar size and nature, a list of references with name and telephone number, a list of key personnel who will perform the work, and other information supporting the bidder's qualifications.

Bids and EBO plans shall be submitted in triplicate (bound/stapled separately), sealed and deposited with the Municipal Clerk, City Hall, Jackson, Mississippi prior to the hour and date hereinbefore designated. No bidder may withdraw his bid within 90 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Official Bid Documents, including the Contract Documents and Drawings can be downloaded from Central Bidding at www.centralbidding.com. Electronic Bids may be submitted at www.centralbidding.com. For any questions related to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814.

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Each Bidder must deposit with his bid a Bid Bond or Certified Check in an amount equal to five percent of the bid, payable to the City of Jackson as bid security. Bidders shall also submit a current financial statement, if requested by the City of Jackson. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Payment Bond and Performance Bond each in the amount of 100% of the contract amount.

Contract Drawings, Contract Specifications, Instructions to Bidders and Bidders Proposal forms are on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Engineering Division, Department of Public Works, City of Jackson, Mississippi and the Office of the Municipal

The Engineer is Neel-Schaffer, Inc., 4450 Old Canton Road, Suite 100, Jackson, MS 39211, 601-948-3071, Fax No. 601-948-3178. For technical questions email jacksonresurfacing@neel-schaffer.com

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The term of the contract will be for five (5) years with an option to renew for two (2) additional one (1) year periods by consent of both parties.

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Bids shall be made out on the bid proposal forms to be provided, sealed in an envelope and plainly marked on the outside of the envelope: "Bid for ELECTRONIC GATE MAIN-TENANCE AND REPAIR, REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)#2023-08. Bids, EBO and DBE plans shall be submitted in triplicate (bound/stapled separately),

and date hereinbefore designated. No bidder may withdraw his bid within 90 days after the actual date of the opening thereof. Official Bid Documents can be downloaded from Central Bidding at www.centralbidding.

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Christine Welch, Deputy Director Office of Transportation

8/10/2023, 8/17/2023, 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023

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Jackson Public Schools Campus Security and Jackson Police Department linked arms to promote safety, service and protection as they welcomed back Lester students and the Isable K-2 students.

The welcome effort included support from Jackson Police Department, Hinds County Sheriff Department, Mt. Nebo, New Horizon, We Care and Alta Woods UMC Churches.

Ward 5 City Councilman Vernon Hartley, Pecan Tree Park Neighborhood Association, Johnson Welding, Alta Woods Neighborhood Association also joined the effort.



"A cheer and welcome squad showed up for Lester Elementary students and Isable K-2 babies on the first day of school," stated Jackson Association of Neighborhoods President Fran Bridges, Ph.D



Congress, extend the Affordable Connectivity Program to keep black households online

By Hazel Trice Edney
TriceEdneyWire.com

Millions of children across the nation will be able to do their homework at home during the upcoming school year, thanks to strong leaders on both sides of the aisle who recognize that broadband has become a necessity. But that could soon end if Congress doesn't quickly take action.

A federal initiative aimed at bridging the digital divide – the gap between those who have internet access and those who do not – could lose funding as soon as next spring if Congress doesn't add more dollars to the program.

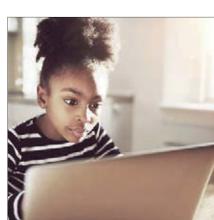
The Affordable Connectivity Program (or the ACP, as it is called) provides crucial online access to people who might otherwise be unable to afford it. And it's not just helping to level the playing field with education; it's transforming the lives of more than 20 million households by expanding access to job opportunities, e-commerce, entertainment, political participation, communication with loved ones and more.

The ACP, administered through the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), was funded through the 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. It provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households in qualifying high-cost areas and on qualifying Tribal lands, as well as a one-time discount on the purchase of a laptop, desktop computer or tablet.

The program's participation rate, which now exceeds one-third of eligible households, far outweighs that of the Lifeline program, which offers a \$9.25 discount on phone or internet service and has attracted less than one-in-five (19%) eligible households to enroll. Because of the program's success, education, civil/human rights, religious and civically conscious groups are imploring the powers that be to not cast the 20 million participating households into the digital dark... to not allow the ACP to end.

"Letting the ACP lapse would hurt communities of color and our efforts to address the myriad systemic inequities they face," reads a July 31 letter from the Congressional Tri-Caucus to President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris. "While the new FCC recent broadband map shows that more than 94% of housing units have access to broadband, a recent Pew survey found that just 71% of black households and 65% of Hispanic households subscribe."

Indeed, the affordability gap is much larger than the availability gap, which makes the Affordable Connectivity Program just as important as the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program, which is primarily focused on broadband in-



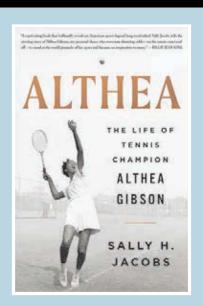
frastructure deployment. Recognizing the criticality of the ACP, black religious leaders have also organized and appealed to the President to continue funding the nearly two-year-old program – even make it permanent.

For one, Rev. Dr. Renita J. Weems, then Coalition Leader for Black Churches 4 Broadband, wrote during the height of the pandemic: "We can end the digital divide once and for all with a permanent subsidy. We have subsidies to feed those who are food insecure. We have subsidies for those who need help with childcare, home energy and other essential needs. We need a similar program for the internet. We now stand ready to help the Biden team mobilize our communities around digital and information literacy. The future of our families and community depends upon it."

The support for the ACP also dips deeply into the civil rights community, evidenced by an August 3 letter from the Multicultural Media, Telecom and Internet Council (MMTC) to congressional leaders. It was co-signed by many well-known and respected organizations in the black community, including the A. Philip Randolph Educational Fund, Black Economic Alliance, Black Women's Roundtable, and the National Action Network. The letter stated its mission as advocating for "equitable access to essential resources and services, including broadband connectivity for African Americans" and called the ACP "a lifeline for marginalized communities."

The takeaway of this collective action is that the black community agrees: Allowing the Affordable Connectivity Program's money to run out would be catastrophic. The progress toward digital equity that's been made with the help of the ACP would be rolled back, and millions of black Americans would soon be left behind. Therefore, the black community cannot back down on broadband.

Unlike many rancorous political issues, the ACP has received broad bipartisan support because the need for high-speed internet access transcends race, geography, religion and politics. As MMTC articulated in its letter, renewing the ACP is a "matter of equity, opportunity, and the future of our nation."



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By Terri Schlichenmeyer Columnist

Love-all

It sounds like a sweet way to start a game, doesn't it? But you know the score: nobody's made any points in this tennis game. Basically, the score is zero-zero but things could change with one good backhand shot. As in the new book "Althea" by Sally H. Jacobs, tennis, like life, moves quickly.

No one knew the significance of that day in 1941. Mostly, it was just another afternoon at one of Harlem's elite black ten-

nis clubs, a club that enjoyed a recent surge of popularity in a sport that wasn't just for white people. "Negro" players embraced tennis in great numbers, too, and on that day in Harlem, spectators watched as a sullen, "skinny thirteen-year-old [black] girl" smacked around a few balls as if she wanted to punish them.

Young Althea Gibson treated tennis balls with the same aggression she had received.

She was born in the South but raised in Harlem after an aunt offered to bring baby Althea north during the Great Migration. Once reunited with her parents, Althea had a shaky relationship with them: by the time she was twelve, her father beat her, teaching her to fight the hard way. He punched her regularly until she "'tore him up'" one day.

Later, she used her fists on the streets, where she spent most of her time. She shoplifted to eat, spent hours watching "the flickers" and she "found other kinds of competition that absorbed her as much as fighting..." She bested most boys at ball sports – once even challenging Sugar Ray Robinson to bowl against her, which led to a lifelong friendship. She loved basketball but tennis is where she excelled.

In 1938, Gibson was named New York City's paddle tennis champion, which gained her a coach. Her appearance at that elite club in 1941 led to formal tennis lessons. The following year, she attracted the attention of two wealthy doctors who took her under their wings and smoothed her rough edges.

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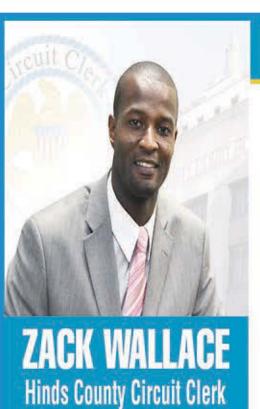
on the big tournaments...

At a time in history when we see black athletes on fields and courts as an everyday thing, it's important to remember who helped put them there. Author Sally H. Jacobs tells the almost-forgotten story of one woman whose struggle to win wasn't just in her sport.

In that way, "Althea" is a very nice surprise. Jacobs doesn't soften Gibson's early lifestory and with that, readers will get a true sense of the steeliness that Gibson possessed even as a young girl. Other stories hint

that Gibson was a complicated person, androgynous, "aggressive," often angry, impatient, and driven. This, and the explanations of the game and the times and social mores in Gibson's lifetime make it clear that not saying Gibson's name in the same breath with Jackie Robinson and Jesse Owens is a grave mistake.

Sports fans, don't miss this biography. Black history scholars, you want it. Tennis lovers, there's a lot of tennis here, so make a racquet for it. "Althea" is a grand slam.



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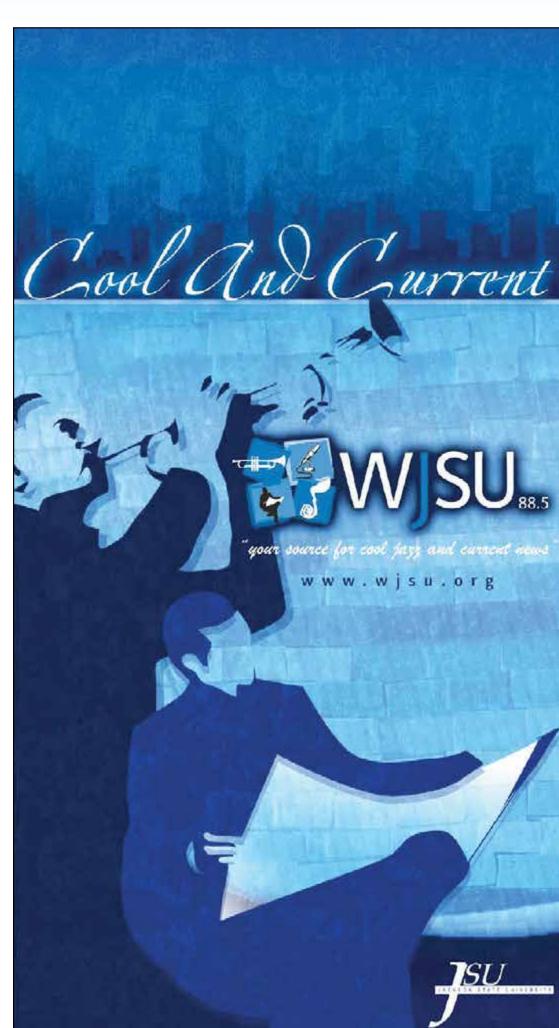
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A Night of Christian Comedy at College Baptist Church



The Temptations: (L-R) LaVaugn Rankin, Jeremiah Barnes, Donnell Bell, Timothy Rush and Reginald Knight



Comedian Lisa Bush as Sister Lucille



The Supremes: (L-R) LaGrace Barnes, Lenita Knight, Yvette Mitchell, Amy Johnson & Linda Rush PHOTOS BY JIMMY COLEMAN & JACKIE HAMPTON

By Jackie Hampton

The College Hill Church Family Life Center was filled to capacity Friday night where comedy, dinner and fun with is a stand-up comedian known performances by church members portraying 'The Temped-Tations', 'The SuePremes' and Lisa Bush as Sister Lucille.

for her quick wit and awesomely clean comedy. From Leland, MS, she appears at many church events. She involved routine. Tom Easley, a technical assistant, found himself being proposed for marriage from Sister Lucille, and Pastor Chauncy Jordan was called on

This well-attended event was sponsored by the Pastoral Support Ministry at College Hill.

Shirley Davis, president of the ministry stated, "Everything was simply beautiful."

As she reflected on the full house of attendees she stated, "When you put God in the middle of it, nothing can go



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CLEAR BOOK BAG DONATION

Hinds County School District, Superintendent Dr. Robert Sanders and Tori Harris, principal of Byram Middle School, would like to thank Senator David Blount, Representative Ronnie Crudup Jr. and Skinner Chevrolet for donating hundreds of clear book bags to the Hinds County School District. The book bags were delivered to Byram Middle School by the Senator and Representative. Thank you for your loyal support to Hinds County School District.











